

# CHIRPER



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Katydid Square Dance Club Newsletter

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**START YOUR WEEKEND RIGHT ...DANCE WITH THE KATYDIDS ON FRIDAY NIGHT!**

## LOVE THE FALL SEASON!!

### CLUB CALENDAR

[www.katydid.info](http://www.katydid.info)

**Fri., Sep 02:** Campbell United Church of Christ  
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; DBD PLUS WORKSHOP

**Fri., Sep 09:** Campbell United Church of Christ  
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; DBD PLUS WORKSHOP

**Fri., Sep 16:** **\*\*DARK\*\*** Dancing at the Jubilee  
Gunderson High School, San José  
7:00 PM Doors Open  
7:30 PM Pre-Rounds  
8:00 – 11:00 PM Square Dancing

**Fri., Sep 23:** Campbell United Church of Christ  
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; DBD PLUS WORKSHOP  
**\*\*PARTY NIGHT\*\***

**Fri., Sep 30:** Campbell United Church of Christ  
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; DBD PLUS WORKSHOP

**Sat., Oct 01:** Magical Mystery Tour with Gary Holloway  
7:30 AM Meet bus at 3111 Benton St., Santa Clara

**Fri., Oct 07:** Campbell United Church of Christ  
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; DBD PLUS WORKSHOP  
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**Fri., Oct 14:** Campbell United Church of Christ  
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; DBD PLUS WORKSHOP

**Fri., Oct 21:** Campbell United Church of Christ  
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; DBD PLUS WORKSHOP

**Fri., Oct 28:** Campbell United Church of Christ  
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Square Dancing  
**\*\*HALLOWEEN PARTY\*\***

## SQUARE HEAD ASSIGNMENTS and DUTIES

*Co-Super Square Heads*  
Stephanie Stevens (408-871-9525) &  
Gary & Sue De Lapp (408-446-1910)

Sep 02 .....Hebson  
Sep 09 .....Hosoda  
Sep 16 .....DARK - (Jubilee)  
Sep 23 .....Pitts / Gray  
Sep 30 .....Bruns

Oct 07 .....Albino / Thompson  
Oct. 14 .....Malstrom / Scharffen  
Oct. 21 .....Benevento  
Oct. 28 .....Esperas / Guinan

Nov 04 .....Graff / McManus  
Nov 11 .....Darknell  
Nov 18 .....Caywood  
Nov. 25 .....DARK

### Before the dance:

- Notify the Co-Super Square Head, Steph Stevens, 408-871-9525 of any needed change to assigned dates.
- Purchase and bring 6 to 8 lbs ice for the water cooler.
- On scheduled night, the designated Square Heads should arrive by 6:30 PM. A Katydid with a key will open the doors.
- Sweep floor as necessary and set up tables and chairs.
- Make ice water.
- Start hot water for tea and coffee.

### During Club dance:

- Welcome everyone at the sign-in table.
- Collect a \$4.00 donation from each guest and have them sign in. "Regular" guests sign the prepared sheet, new guests sign the guest book.
- In the green box, there is an envelope with petty cash for making change.
- Offer raffle tickets: 5 tickets for \$1.00.
- In the green box, there are envelopes for keeping track of money collected during the evening.
- Divide the raffle proceeds – 50% to the Club, 50% to the winner.
- Check that water and cups do not run out.

### After the dance:

- If Treasurer is not present, pass monies collected to any Executive Board Member.
- ALL MEMBERS: *Clean up!* Help pack up supplies and jugs and put into the Club cupboard.
- *Remove non-recyclable trash accidentally tossed into the designated recycle bins.* Take the trash bags out to the dumpster located in the side parking lot.
- Sweep or wet mop the floor as necessary.
- Note: Tables must go into the closet FIRST (remember the Caller's table, too), then the chair rack.
- Notify Co-Super Square Head, Gary or Sue De Lapp 408-446-1910 of any supplies needed.

## UPCOMING SQUARE DANCE EVENTS — PLUS LEVEL —

### Sep. 2-4: Mid-Cal Classic

Merced County Fairgrounds, Los Banos  
Callers: Bob Baier, Casey Parker  
Cuer: Sharon & Casey Parker

### Sep. 11: New Caller Hoedown; SCVCA

Murphy Park Comm Ctr., Sunnyvale  
2:30 – 4:30 PM,

### Sep. 16-18: Jubilee; SCVSDA

Gunderson High School, San José  
Callers: Randy Dibble, Darryl Lipscomb, &  
SCVSDA Top Ten Callers  
Cuers: Rey & Sherry Garza  
[www.scvsda.org/jubilee.html](http://www.scvsda.org/jubilee.html)

### Sep. 24: Harvest Moon Hoedown; Elks n Does

Alameda Elks Lodge, 2255 Santa Clara Ave.  
8:00 – 8:30 PM; Cuer: George Gardner  
8:30 – 11:00 PM; Caller: Eric Henerlau

### Oct. 21-23: Harvest Hoedown; ASDSC

Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds, Yuba City  
Cuer: TJ & Bruce Chadd  
Callers: Randy Dougherty, Dan Nordbye,  
Charlie Robertson

### Oct. 22: Trade By Fall; El Camino Reelers

St Andrews Methodist Church  
7:30 – 10:30 PM; Caller: Rich Reel

### Nov. 4-6: Fiesta de la Cuadrilla; SDADA

Balboa Park, San Diego  
Callers: Tom Roger, Jet Roberts, Rod Shuping  
Cuers: Tim Eum & Cindy Hadley; Rey & Sherry Garza


### Nov. 13: New Caller Hoedown; SCVCA

Murphy Park Comm Ctr., Sunnyvale  
2:30 – 4:30 PM.

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## TORK'S NEW CLASS:

### SQUARE DANCE CLASS



COMMITTEE TO PROMOTE SQUARE DANCING

CLASS STARTS TUESDAY, SEPT. 6, 2011  
6:30 to 8:45 PM, Adult couples/singles,  
First 2 nights FREE, \$5.00/class Thereafter  
ANGELS (active square dance club members) dance FREE

### CAMDEN COMMUNITY CENTER

3369 Union Avenue, San Jose, CA 95124  
Call Jackie at 408-663-1477 <http://www.c-p-s-d.org>

## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Salutations Katydid

Summer will soon be over and it will soon be Jubilee time. We had Hot August Nights – symbolic season closer. Thanks to everyone who helped put it together. However we know it will still be a bit warm for the next few months.

I would like to thank **Tillie** for taking over the Banner Person job. It was a tight fit in my little Neon. It was getting to be, the banner, or **Dory**. And, while I'm not too bright, I'm not a dummy either. Thanks **Tillie**!

Last month we invited some students from the local classes to our Club for a night of dancing. We kept it at a level where all could dance. I would like to try and do this again. Maybe once every three months or so. I think it gives the Club great exposure.

This months interview is on **Lloyd** and **Maxine**. They have been Katydid members for longer than **Dory** and I. So they are not new members. Going forward I like to keep doing the new members. But it's nice to know something about everybody. My plan is to do three new to one older. I really enjoy talking to the folks when I do these interviews. And I've watched **Lloyd** work hard and fast when it comes to picnic and Sweetheart Special time. Always want to give the "Fast Workers" their due.

We are also still looking for a Picnic Chair. Last year it was **Skip Stevens**. He did a great job. Please speak to any one of the board if you are interested. Right now the plan is to have the event at Dory and my house. The house won't be done, but we can do a bit of dancing there. And I'm watering my trees so there'll be shade...

We are also losing our Club storage locker at the **Stagnitto's**. **Stephanie** is making an estimate of the structure size we will need to store our stuff. One plan is to buy a portable shed, hopefully small, and get a member to store it for us. It might be a task we might want to transfer among the members, every few years, don't know yet. We do have one offer for storage. How about you?

Also I want to thank **John** for doing a great job at cutting the rounds for the past few weeks. I can see the improvement in the dancing, and I'm not a round dancer. I think it's great to see **John** do such a good job. And it's fun to watch. If you see **John**, congratulate him. He's doing great.

Happy dancing!

**Tork**

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY !!**

Stephanie Stevens .....Sep. 05

Parker Willey .....Sep. 07

Mary Howlett.....Sep. 14

Vic Oros.....Sep. 22

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**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY !**

Bill & Betty Benevento.....Sep. 08

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Magical

# MYSTERY TOUR

with  
**Gary Holloway**

Saturday, October 1, 2011  
7:30 am to 5 pm

\$45 per person  
(lunch not included)  
Checks payable to Pat Angotti.  
Questions - 408.241.0888 or 408.338.8786

... is waiting to take you away ...

**Make your reservation!**

Bus pickup:  
Santa Clara First Baptist Church  
3111 Benton Street  
Santa Clara  
Park at the far end of the east parking lot.



## FALL BEGININER'S CLASSES

### SUNDAYS:

#### Stanford Quads

Instructor/Caller: Rob French, Harlan Kerr, and  
Bill van Melle

Fairmeadow School, Palo Alto

7:00 – 9:00 PM

Starts: October

Info: <http://www.stanfordquads.org>

### TUESDAYS:

#### Committee to Promote Square Dancing (CPSD)

Instructor/Caller: **Tork Clark**

Camden Community Center, San José

6:30 – 8:45 PM

Starts: September 6th

First 2 nights FREE; then \$5/per night/per person

Contact: Jackie - 408-663-1477

#### Roadrunners

Instructor/Caller: **Jim Osborne**

Beresford Recreation Center, San Mateo

Starts: September

Info: 650-762-8008

#### Sunnyvale Squares

Instructor/Caller: Rich Reel

Murphy Park Community Center, Sunnyvale

7:00 – 8:30 PM

Starts: Sept. 6th; First class free

Info: Roger 408-744-1021

### FRIDAYS:

#### Committee to Promote Square Dancing (CPSD)

Instructor/Caller: Bob Steele

Resurrection Lutheran Church, 2495 Cabrillo Ave.,  
Santa Clara

7:00 – 9:00 PM

Starts: September 9<sup>th</sup>

First 2 nights FREE; then \$5/per night/per person

Info: Jackie: 408-663-1477

### From the Kitchen of Pat Angotti - -

## WEIGHT WATCHERS CAKE

Preheat oven to 350°F

1 Betty Crocker Angel Food Cake Mix (1-step)

1 – 20 oz can crushed Pineapple in its own juice

Mix both ingredients.

Pour into 9x12x2" pan

Bake at 350°F for 35 minutes.

## Note from your Co-Super Square Heads

We would like to bring to your attention that it is VERY important that you check the Square Head Duty List Calendar EACH month. Changes do occur!! This summer has seen several nights when the Square Heads have not shown up, haven't brought ice, or have shown up late.

And, when you put things away into the cupboard, please note that many items (especially crackers & cookies) that are left unsealed, will get stale if not properly put away. There are numerous ziplock bags in the cupboard for this very purpose. Please use them!

~ ~ Gary & Sue De Lapp and Stephanie Stevens

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## Photos from Harold Fleeman's Retirement Hoedown, August 6, 2011, Ben Lomond Slab



## FROM MARY & ROD - -

*Below is a portion of a newsletter we received from past Katydid Members, Rod & Mary, who are now full-time RVers. We hope they will be in the area sometime this month or next. It would be great to see them again and to hear their tales of adventures in person!*

August 22, 2011

Hello, friends and family! The more fun we're having the farther behind I get with these newsletters. Therefore, we're obviously having a lot of fun! Here's how the month of May went.



After returning from our week in Florida, we spent a week in the Houston area. One day we toured the Johnson Space Center. We'd been here years ago and it hadn't changed much. The training and mock-up hanger had replicas of the shuttle and the major components of the space station – but you couldn't get close enough to see very much. I guess NASA has to put its money into direct operations, but I think they miss a big “marketing” opportunity with the public by not updating & expanding this tour.



The H.E.A.R.T. Museum [in Huntsville, Texas] is an interesting collection and tribute to veterans of all of America's military actions. It's more on the personal side than tactics and actions.

Yet another drive took us to our “home” in Livingston. This is the headquarters building for Escapees and the location of the file folder that holds all of our mail until we get it forwarded to us once a month. Note the “Rainbow Dr.” signpost – and, interestingly, the “No RV's” sign!



We stopped for a picnic at Lake Livingston State Park. I'm always amazed by how much water there is in Texas – expected desert everywhere. They make good use of reservoirs to develop state parks.



Of course, most of Texas could use a lot more water. Even the hurricane wouldn't bring it!

We made it back to Fort Worth but the 5'er was still undergoing repairs (insurance approval was a tad slow). So we got to attend the Mayfest event on the Trinity River – something we'd never done while living here. Sound familiar? And got to spend more time catching up with friends.

A week passed then we finally got on the road again – the true start of our 6<sup>th</sup> summer RV'ing. Our first destination was Palo Duro Canyon State Park, near Amarillo. This is one of our favorite locations! Beautiful scenery and several good hiking trails to get us back into shape.

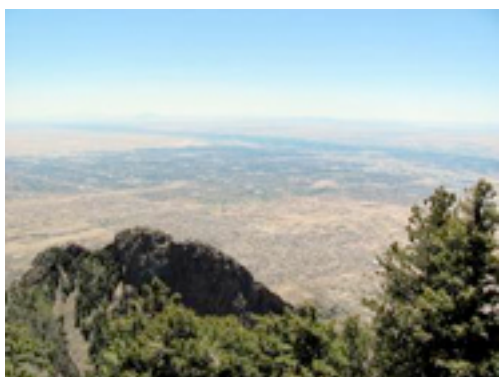


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And the road is pretty good for bicycling. Not too much traffic, a bit of up-and-down to get the heart pumping, and scenic rest stops for viewing or picnicking.



We moved on to Tijeras, NM, (near Albuquerque) for Memorial Weekend. Friends Jim & Connie Vanderberg took us hiking on Sandia Summit – good place to beat

the heat. We also got to do some square dancing with some very social people – and got invited to the caller's holiday picnic.

Took a beautiful drive up the Turquoise Trail (Rt. 14) to Santa Fe. About halfway was the artist colony of Madrid, with lots of beautiful and unusual creations – much jewelry with local turquoise. As a well-rounded community, they also boasted an excellent tavern for lunch and some community theater. All-in-all a good place to wander for a couple of hours and break up the drive.

Arriving at the downtown square of Santa Fe, we wandered the area – after an ice cream boost. We enjoyed the St Francis Cathedral, the San Miguel Mission (claims to be the oldest church in US), and the Loretto Chapel, site of these amazing (miraculous?) stairs. The legend of the stairs includes a mystery carpenter using only simple hand tools, wood with no identified source, and craftsmanship that utilized no support other than the steps themselves. It was awesome to see.



Yes, there were plenty of local artists and vendors, some like these ringing the square and others with their own shops.



Also nearby was the Museum of Natural History & Science. Now we've seen many such museums in our travels, but the exhibits here are some of the best we've seen

– both from a display standpoint and information content. In striking juxtaposition to the natural history section, the science exhibit was focused on the development of computers – particularly personal computers. Lots of the early history, especially about Jobs, who has a business history in Albuquerque. Unusual – and quite good!

But finally, enough! Holiday weekend over, we struck out for Chama in northwestern New Mexico. We've been hearing about a train ride there for a long time – now's our chance to check it out. The drive was beautiful. And we certainly had the roads to ourselves. That won't be the case much longer, as the official vacation season gets into full swing. So we stick to the byways and out-of-the-way locations during the summer. More on that later.

Ok – that was May. Summer – and our travels – were just getting started. We hope you are also having a great summer, traveling when you can and enjoying your local activities the rest of the time. Several – too many – of our friends have had medical problems this summer; we're glad to hear that all are improving and trust that will continue. Let us know what you've been doing – and, if you're in the southwest, watch for us on the road.

Mary & Rod

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Our 2011 *planned*



## MEET KATYDIDS MEMBERS:

**LLOYD & MAXINE  
DARKNELL**

Lloyd and Maxine are not new Katydids dancers. But how will the new folks find out about everyone? So, ... off we go ...

Lloyd started dancing in 1996. He started by taking a class at Sunnyvale Singles. After a few lessons, the Katydids started a class and he also took that class. He also dances A2, having danced at Outlaws, Star-8's, and Generics. He learned some of his Advanced dancing at a class at his home. A few couples would come over every week, and Kenny Carroll gave Advanced lessons at Lloyd's house. He also is a past Katydids president, having held that post for three years. And I must say he is a hard and "Fast Worker" when it comes to turning working hard for the annual Picnic and Sweetheart Special. Lloyd's father and two sons were also square dancers. One of Lloyd's sons was also a Katydids member before Lloyd started square dancing – Back in the 85-89 timeframe.

He grew up in Redwood City, moved to Cupertino for a bit, lived in San Jose for about 10 years, and now resides in Santa Clara with Maxine. He recently retired from Kaiser.

Maxine is also from this area. She is a native Californian. She grew up in Campbell and went to Campbell High. She was married before and used to enjoy traveling with her husband who was an electrical engineer at GE Nuclear. They traveled to Mexico, Taiwan, Puerto Rico, and Spain a number of times on business. She even had the opportunity to live in Spain for about 6 months with her husband and children. She was widowed from him about 7 years ago. After about a year and half, she started square dance lessons.

Maxine started square dancing at Sunnyvale Singles also, albeit much later in time than Lloyd. She has also danced with the Belle Swingers and Westminster Squares when Bob Algea was a caller there.

She started dancing at Katydids when Annie (of Bob and Annie) couldn't dance. So they invited her along so Bob could dance. And, whom did she meet at Katydids?

Lloyd and Maxine met at Katydids. Maxine was in the same square as Lloyd and they started talking. Lloyd started talking about the King City Winter Festival that weekend. But he did not have anyone to go with. Maxine, said she could go, but would pay part of the gas and her own way. She also met him at his house that morning as she didn't want him

driving out of the way to pick her up. They had a great time that day, and on the way home, being a "Fast Worker", (Maxine's words, not mine), was already holding her hand.

They dated a bit and after two months they decided to take a trip to Arizona to visit Maxine's sister. What for, you ask? Well Maxine's sister, like she did with Maxine's first husband, wanted to meet Lloyd to see if he passed muster. After meeting the sister, one must assume everything checked out, because they got married, there, with Maxine's sister and husband being witnesses, they eloped! Eeow, ...., now we can believe the "Fast Worker" phrase above.

Before heading back to California, they called their kids and gave them the good news. El Shocker....!, and once back in California, on the way headed straight to the Bakersfield Square Dance Festival for some dancing.

They recently just got back from a trip to Colorado. Lloyd loves trains. So they took the California Zephyr to and from Colorado. While they were in Colorado, they visited train sites. They rode a number of trains such as Toltec, Chama, Cumbres, Durango Silverton, Royal Gorge, and Rio Grande Scenic to name a few. Lots of train rides and train sites in just a few weeks.

They also enjoy cruises. The next one planned is a Hudson River cruise. Lloyd has never been to the east coast and this is a good opportunity to check that box. It's billed as a Fall Colors Cruise and both Lloyd and Maxine are looking forward to it.

Both Lloyd and Maxine enjoy square dancing for the socializing, exercise, and mental stimulation.

Both also enjoy spending time at their church volunteering. Lloyd has been redoing parts of their church's electrical system. Maxine likes to volunteer by doing things like taking elderly members to their doctor for visits and dropping off food at their houses. Lloyd enjoys working with his hands and is always working on something.

Maxine has 7 grandchildren, Lloyd has 6. Maxine's three children are in the Bay Area. Her brother and her parents live in Redding. Maxine's mother is 90 years old. Her father is 92 years old and still finds the time to golf three days a week. Lloyd also has a sibling in the area, Pat Angotti, also a Katydids member.

You'll find Lloyd and Maxine in a Katydids square when they are not traveling. But, when the singer comes on, stay clear of Lloyd as he spins like the Tasmanian Devil, round and round they both go, whomever he is cornered with. I must always express my inadequacy to her whenever it's my turn to swing her. Next time you see Lloyd and Maxine, be sure to say hello.

*Submitted by Tork Clark*

## FIRST CLASS MAIL

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