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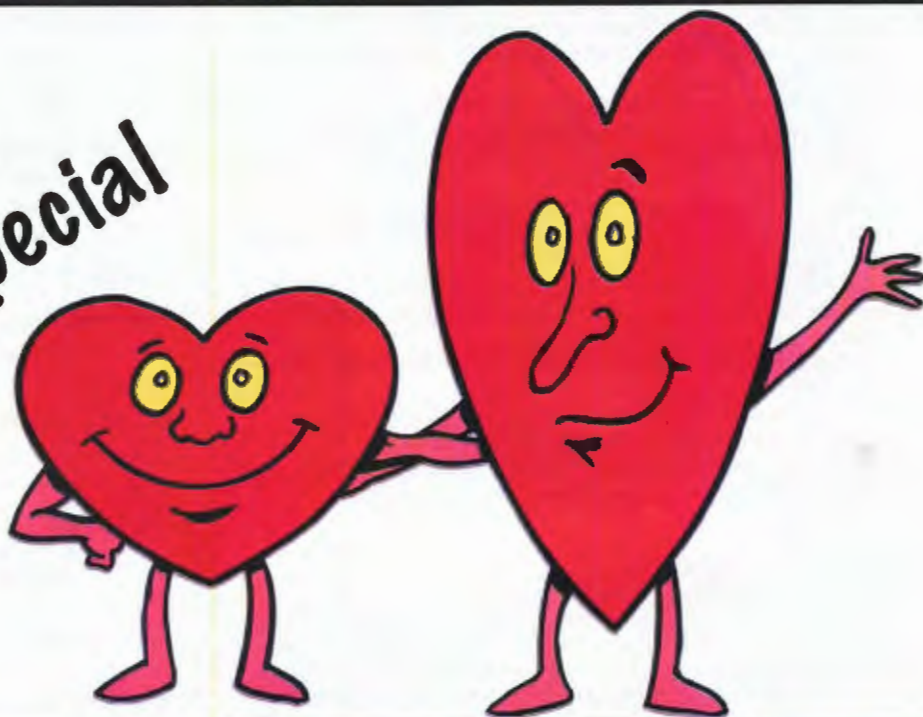
FEBRUARY 2020

Katydids Square Dance Club Newsletter

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

**57th Annual
Sweetheart Special**



CLUB CALENDAR



www.katydids.org

Fri., Feb. 07: Resurrection Lutheran Church

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
Chirper distributed

Sat., Feb. 08: Sweetheart Special Dance

Nordahl Hall, 580 W. Parr Ave., Los Gatos

All Club members are expected to participate by bringing food or \$10 per person plus setting up and taking down the decorations.

9:00am EVERYONE set up the hall
6:00pm EVERYONE return to the hall to finish setting up
Bring food item ready to serve.
Wear **RED**

7:30 pm Guests arrive; Round Dancing begins
10:30 pm EVERYONE clean-up

Mon., Feb. 20: Executive Board Meeting

7:30 pm at the Stevenses home

Fri., Feb. 14 : Resurrection Lutheran Church

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
THEME: Valentine's Day

Fri., Feb. 21: Resurrection Lutheran Church

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
8:30PM: **General Meeting of the Membership**

Fri., Feb. 28: Resurrection Lutheran Church

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
THEME: Mardi Gras

Fri., Mar. 06: Resurrection Lutheran Church

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
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Fri., Mar. 13: Resurrection Lutheran Church

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing

Fri., Mar. 20: Resurrection Lutheran Church

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing

Fri., Mar. 27: Resurrection Lutheran Church

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing

**SQUARE HEAD ASSIGNMENTS
and DUTIES**

Feb. 07.....Franger / Moore
Feb. 14.....Grubb / Lehnhoff
Feb. 21.....Darknell / Smith, D
Feb. 28.....Braaten / Clark

Mar. 06Wilhelmsen
Mar. 13Dixon / Village
Mar. 20McManus / Standridge
Mar. 27Bruns

Before the dance:

- Notify the Super Square Head, Stephanie Stevens, (408-871-9525) of any needed changes to assigned dates.
- The designated Square Heads should arrive by **6:15 PM** and stay until clean up is finished around 9:45 PM. A Katydid's member with a key will open the doors and will secure the hall at end of evening.
- Check the restrooms for supplies & tidiness.
- Make coffee (located on Katydid's shelf in the storage room) and ice water using provided plastic cubes stored in plastic ziplock bags in the freezer.
- Sweep the floor as necessary & set up the sign-in table.
- Set up at least 24 chairs. Bring out more chairs as needed.
- Set up drinks and supplies on counter.
- Place snacks, located on the Katydid's shelf in the kitchen, on the back table at back of the hall along with paper goods, hand sanitizer and flyers
- Set up Club banner located in white tube in closet; open legs and hang banner from top of tube.
- Set up the easel & board to receive the birthday/ anniversary dates provided by the Treasurer.
- Check the member sign-in list to see if we have any members on LOA. If they attend, they pay a \$5.00 donation..

During Club dance:

- Welcome everyone as they enter.
- Collect a **\$5.00** donation (except for Free 5th Fridays) from each guest and have them sign in. "Regular" guests check the prepared guest sheet, new guests sign the guest book.
- In the green box, there is an envelope with \$70 petty cash for making change.
- Offer 50/50 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 with 50% to the Club, 50% to the winner. (Note: odd dollar goes to the winner!)
- Check that coffee, water & cups do not run out during the evening.
- After announcements and raffle, feel free to dance EXCEPT for the last tip (unless you are needed to fill a square) when you will need to be putting things away and cleaning up

After the dance:

- If Treasurer is not present, pass monies collected to any Executive Board Member.
- Pack up the sign-in table items
- Pack up leftover snacks (ziplock bags are available to keep items fresh) and flyers.
- Empty coffee pot and dry the cooler and pack up other supplies and return them to the shelf in storage room.
- Wipe counter and tables where needed.
- Put Club banner back in tube & return to closet (right side)
- Empty garbage can if more than half full. The dumpster is located in the side parking lot.
- Sweep up crumbs from the floor as needed.
- Return extra chairs to the storage room
- Notify Stephanie and Naomi if we need more Club flyers or *Chirpers* printed for the following week
- Notify the Quartermasters, Bea (408-224-8164) or Liv (408-997-2305) of any replacement supplies needed for the next week.

DANCE EVENTS

PLUS LEVEL unless otherwise noted

- Feb. 15: Be My Valentine Dance; Cactus Corners**
Del Valle School, 2253 5th St., Livermore
7:30 – 10:00PM
Callers: Scot Byars, Ed Kuidis
- Feb. 22: Sweetheart Dance; OVERalls**
Veteran's Memorial Hall; 110 Park Dr., Royer Park, Roseville,
7:00 – 8:00PM, Full Plus
8:00 – 10:30 PM Alternating Squares
Caller: **Jim Osborne**
- Feb. 22: 3/4 Thru Winter; El Camino Reelers**
Levels: Mainstream, Plus, A-2
St. Andrews United Methodist Church, 4111 Alma St., PA
7:15 – 10:30PM
- Feb. 29: Presidents Ball, Whing /Ding; SCVSDA/SCVCA**
Ohlone Middle School, 850 N. 2nd Street, San Jose
Callers: **Jim Osborne**, Keith Ferguson, Kurt Gollhardt
Cuers: Sue Harris, Sandi Kremer
- Feb. 29: Stampede; NCSDA**
- Mar. 6-8: Wing Ding; CCSDA**
Merced County Fairgrounds, 900 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Merced
- Mar. 18: Fun Night; El Camino Reelers**
St. Andrews United Methodist Church, 4111 Alma St, Palo Alto
7:15 – 9:30PM
- Mar. 20-22: 54th Annual Bakersfield Fiesta; USDA**
Kern County Fairgrounds, Bakersfield
Callers: Vic Ceder, Hunter Keller, Michael Kellogg, Jet Roberts, Justin Russell
Cuers: John & Fran Downing, Zena & Ernie Beaulieu, Dawn & David Mee
- Apr. 3-4: Annual Jamboree; NSDA**
Butte County Veterans Memorial Hall
2374 Montgomery St., Oroville
Callers: Ken Bower, Buddy Weaver
Cuer: David & Susan Cleek
- Apr. 4: Circus –Circus; Rockin' Jokers**
St. Archangel Michael Church
18870 Allendale Ave., Saratoga
Caller: Tony Oxendine
Cuer: Sue Harris
- Apr. 17-19: California Square Dance Council State Convention**
Kings County Fairgrounds, 801 S. 10th St., Hanford
Callers: Bob Baier, Jet Roberts, Joe Saltel, Mike Seastrom
Cuers: Mary Ann Callahan & Craig Cowen, TF & Bruce Chad, Sharon & Casey Parker, Leslie & Bill Rebol

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SUPPORT OUR NEWEST DANCERS!

-- September Class Level --

- Mar. 14: Newer Dancer Hoedown; CPSD**
Camden Community Center
3369 Union Ave., San Jose
7:30 – 9:45 PM
Caller: Rich Reel

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Doris Smith.....Feb. 07
 Alice McManus.....Feb. 08
 Lloyd DarknellFeb. 20

OFFER FOR THE HEARING CHALLENGED

For those Club Members (and guests) who have trouble hearing / discerning Jim Osborne's dance cues, for any of the following reasons, Jim offers a convenient solution:

- Hearing impairment
- Location of the square relative to the speaker
- Background noise
- Inconsiderate loud conversations

Because Tillie is hearing impaired, Jim provides a radio link to Tillie's FM portable radio which he can use with his earbud earphone. Jim offers that anyone can use the same arrangement to improve their own on-floor dance skills. He suggests bringing an inexpensive battery powered pocket FM radio (with earphone) to club and asking him what the frequency is for his VOICE ONLY broadcast. Using the earphone will provide the greater clarity to you without disturbing other dancers in your square.

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CLUB NIGHTS

Friday, Jan. 31, 2020

THEME: WELCOME 2020!!



Thank you Jim, Ted and Tork for calling and to everyone for bringing your treats to make it a special night!



PRESIDENT'S CORNER



BREAKING NEWS!

KATYDIDS (might) lose our dance hall!

I have just received word that Resurrection Church may be wanting to use their church on Friday nights on a regular basis. While the key word is "might," from what I gather it is pretty clear it may be a "done deal." To that end, the Club needs to find another night and/or another hall. We may need to vacate as early as next Friday, Feb. 14th, so please contact a Board member with your suggestions for an alternate dance hall or dance night *immediately!* We have a Board meeting scheduled for Monday, Feb. 10th and will discuss options at that time.

We are all very excitedly getting ready for our big annual Sweetheart Special Hoedown, 57th!! Please see **Jacky** to sign up for the food you will be bringing (or \$10). She also asks that your food be "ready to serve with serving utensils. We will begin set-up at 9:00AM Saturday morning and hope to be finished by noon-ish. Also, plan to stick around after the dance to help take things down and loaded into our van. With everyone's help, it shouldn't take too long. Thank you, Janna, for pulling this all together. It will be a splendid party, I'm sure!!

I want to thank everyone, including our guests who filled out our survey. The Board will be going over the results and will suggest a plan of action to the membership at the scheduled **General Meeting on Friday, Feb. 21st**. Please plan to attend. We have to have a quorum to conduct business.

Depending on how things work out with a hall and dance night (see first paragraph above), the dates in the calendar listing on page 1, our flyers, and in this column are all dependent on what happens. Stay tuned for further information!!

Stephanie

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It's THAT time of year ...

Remember to use the provided hand sanitizer and/or the soap in the restrooms to help keep germs from spreading, particularly during the winter months. Of course, if you are ill, or symptomatic, it is best to stay home and we will all be most thankful and wish you a speedy recovery.

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Campbell UCC Food Pantry:

We received a message that the director of the Food Pantry, Faith King, was **THRILLED** with the food and cash donation we made. Many thanks to all who participated in helping members of our community who are less fortunate.

Our next food collection will be May 29th

editor's note: The following was sent to me by Char Pitts:

APHORISM: A short, pointed sentence that expresses a wise or clever observation:

1. The nicest thing about the future is that it always starts tomorrow.
2. Money will buy a fine dog but only kindness will make him wag his tail.
3. If you don't have a sense of humor you probably don't have any sense at all.
4. Seat belts are not as confining as wheelchairs.
5. A good time to keep your mouth shut is when you're in deep water.
6. How come it takes so little time for a child who is afraid of the dark to become a teenager who wants to stay out all night?
7. Business conventions are important because they demonstrate how many people a company can operate without.
8. Why is it that at class reunions you feel younger than everyone else looks?
9. Stroke a cat and you will have a permanent job.
10. No one has more driving ambition than the teenage boy who wants to buy a car.
11. There are no new sins; the old ones just get more publicity.
12. There are worse things than getting a call for a wrong number at 4 a.m - for example, it could be the right number.
13. No one ever says "It's only a game" when their team is winning.
14. I've reached the age where 'happy hour' is a nap.
15. Be careful about reading the fine print - there's no way you're going to like it.
16. The trouble with bucket seats is that not everybody has the same size bucket.
17. Do you realize that, in about 40 years, we'll have thousands of old ladies running around with tattoos?
18. Money can't buy happiness but somehow it's more comfortable to cry in a Cadillac than in a Ford.
19. After 70, if you don't wake up aching in every joint, you're probably dead.
20. Always be yourself because the people who matter don't mind and the ones who mind don't matter.
21. Life isn't tied with a bow but it's still a gift.

And REMEMBER...."POLITICIANS AND DIAPERS SHOULD BE CHANGED OFTEN AND FOR THE SAME REASON"

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SANTA CLARA PLAYERS PRESENTS *Drinking Habits*,
 Frequent Katydids guest, Karen Fahrner is in it.
 Triton Museum - Hall Pavilion, 1795 Don, Santa Clara
 beginning Feb. 14 thru March 7. See www.scplayers.org for
 more information or to purchase

Katydids Square Dance Club

Happy Valentine's Day Friday Dance



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Three things will last forever
 Faith, Hope, and Love



Your Friday Night **FUN** Club
 Plus Dancing from 7:00 - 9:30 PM
Only \$5/Person
 Caller: Jim Osborne



ALL of me loves ALL of you!

February 14, 2020

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COSTUMES ENCOURAGED

February 28, 2020

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**BADGE
DANCE**

Katydid's Square Dance Club

Our 57th Annual

Sweetheart Special



CALLER



**JIM
OSBORNE**

HOEDOWN

Feb. 8th 2020

Pre-Rounds: 7:30

**Plus Squares:
8:00 - 10:30**

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**SUE & PHIL
HARRIS**

**Pre-sale: \$12
\$15 at Door/\$5 Teens**

New Location: NORDAHL HALL

580 West Parr Ave, Los Gatos, CA



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