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Katydids Square Dance Club Newsletter

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START YOUR WEEKEND RIGHT ... SOCIALIZE WITH THE KATYDIDS ON FRIDAY NIGHT VIA ZOOM!

Spring Has Sprung!

New Beginnings!

Hope is Blooming!

CLUB CALENDAR



www.katydids.org

KATYDIDS' CLUB EVENTS

All Katydids in-person events have been postponed, cancelled or otherwise on hold until further notice. We are, however, meeting via ZOOM at 7:00pm on Friday nights. Join us!! For technical support, contact Skip Stevens:

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LOCAL SQUARE DANCING EVENTS

Most local square dancing events have also been postponed or cancelled until further notice. However, there is news that the Lucky Steppers are sponsoring a 2-day Celebration July 2 & 3 at the Prunedale Grange Hall in Salinas. Mike Sikorsky and Mike Luna calling and Sue Harris cueing. See copy of flyer on page 3 for more details.

PRESIDENT’S CORNER



Hello Katydids and Friends!

Well, my goodness! What a difference a month can make. If it can be believed, Gov. Newsom says we may be able to open up more fully by mid-June. Some states have already opened up for square dancing! I’m not going to hold my breath, but hope seems to be in the air! Now, I need to see about what we need to do to get back to square dancing. If you have any thoughts, ideas, or concerns, please let me know. And, remember, just because some want to open up (yesterday!) there are others in the equation that may need to move more slowly. Stay tuned for further developments.

At a recent ZOOM meeting **Bea** shared a recipe that she had just tried and a request for the recipe was forthcoming. See her recipe for Roasted Butternut Squash on page 4.

And, **Jim** highly recommends Nick the Greek Restaurant chain serving authentic Greek street food that was started in San José by three first cousins, Baby Nick, Little Nick, and Big Nick. There are locations throughout the area some of which are: Redwood City, Sunnyvale (Hollenbeck at Homestead), Willow Glen on Lincoln Ave., Santa Clara.

Some of the Katydids may be wondering what we are going to do about elections that usually happen in April. Not this April. This is one of the things that needs to be figured out but I expect that elections will be held within a month or so of our opening up.

Have a great month and stay healthy. We need you on the floor when we are able to dance again!!

Stephanie

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Morris & Louise Hosoda.....Apr. 05

Jim & Joann Osborne.....Apr. 07

**AT OUR AGE, WE CAN HIDE
OUR OWN EASTER EGGS,
WAIT HALF AN HOUR AND
HAVE NO CLUE WHERE WE
LEFT THEM!**

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

No birthdays this month!

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More on Scams from Don Gaubatz:

Federal Trade Commission: see:
<https://reportfraud.ftc.gov/#/?pid=B>

Learn more about how to get fewer spam emails at:
<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0038-spam>

Problems involving Social Security, credit card, or bank account number, go to:<https://identitytheft.gov>

If they have your username and password, change your password right away: “Create a new password that is strong”.

If someone calls and offers to “help” you recover money you may have already lost, you are probably dealing with a “fake refund scam”.

Learn about different scams and how to recover from them at <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/features/scam-alerts>

Find out what is going on in your state or metro area at: <https://www.ftc.gov/enforcement/data-visualizations/explore-data>

Check out: <https://www.ftc.gov/enforcement/cases-proceedings/refunds> to see recent FTC cases that resulted in refunds.

Mr. & Mrs. Potato Head

A friend, R. Peter Griffith, posted this on Facebook on 12 Mar 2021.

A girl Potato and boy Potato had eyes for each other, and finally they got married and had a little sweet potato which they called 'Yam,' Of course, they wanted the best for Yam, and when it was time they told her about the facts of life.

They warned her about going out and getting half-baked, so she wouldn't get accidentally mashed, and get a bad name for herself like 'Hot Potato,' and end up with a bunch of tater tots.

Yam said not to worry, no spud would get her into the sack and make a rotten potato out of her, but on the other hand she wouldn't stay home and become a couch potato either. She would get plenty of exercise so as not to be skinny like her shoestring cousins.

When she went off to Europe, Mr. And Mrs. Potato told Yam to watch out for the hard-boiled guys from Ireland and the greasy guys from France called the French fries. Yam said she would stay on the straight and narrow and wouldn't associate with those high class Yukon Golds, or the ones from the other side of the tracks who advertise their trade on all the trucks that say, 'Frito Lay.'

Mr. And Mrs. Potato sent Yam to Idaho P.U. (that's Potato University) so that when she graduated she'd really be in the chips. But in spite of all they did for her, one-day Yam came home and announced she was going to marry Tom Brokaw.

Tom Brokaw!


Mr. And Mrs. Potato were very upset. They told Yam she couldn't possibly marry Tom Brokaw because he's just.....

Are you ready for this?

Are you sure?

OK!


(For answer, see bottom of page 4.)



America's Celebration

Mike Sikorsky & Mike Luna calling and **Sue Harris** cueing

Sponsored by Lucky Steppers Square Dance Club



Friday July 2nd and Saturday July 3, 2021


Prunedale Grange Hall
17890 Moro Rd, Salinas (Prunedale) CA 93907
RV Dry Camping available with weekend registration

Friday Night 6 PM to 10:30 PM--
 6 PM - Advanced, 7 PM - Pre Rounds, 7:30 - PM MS/Plus alternation tips with Single Rounds ending with "Sikorsky" Hot Hash, ending at 10:30 PM

Saturday Morning 9 AM to 12 PM
 9 AM - Pre-Rounds, 9:30 AM - MS/Plus alternation tips with Single Rounds until 12 PM

Saturday Afternoon 12 PM to 5:30 PM
 12 PM - Advanced, 1:30 PM - MS/Plus alternation tips with Single Rounds, 4:30 PM - Rounds until 5:30 PM

Saturday Evening 5:30 PM to 10:30 PM
 5:30 PM - Advanced, 7 PM - MS/Plus alternation tips with Single Rounds ending with "Sikorsky" Hot Hash, ending by 10:30 PM



Limited space due to COVID restrictions - Wear your mask and bring any refreshments you need.
Pre-registration only for each session. Registration closed when we meet the attendance requirements
 Friday Evening = \$15, Sat Morning = \$15 Sat Afternoon Session = \$15, Sat Evening Dance = \$15 Weekend = \$45
More info: Sue & Phil Harris 408-393-8453 leave message
or e-mail philippwharris@att.net

Mail checks to: Phil Harris, 19130 El Cerrito Way, Aromas, CA 95004

Name _____ Mark all where you will be dancing Rds Adv MS Plus

_____ FRI SAT AM SAT PM SAT Eve Weekend \$ _____

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From the Kitchen of Bea Clark: I used dried herbs and these directions: I put the squash chunks in a plastic bag to shake with the olive oil; then mixed salt, pepper, garlic, salt, dried sage, rosemary and parsley together and poured it in the same plastic bag. Shake well. It was then ready to put on the baking sheet and into the oven.

Roasted butternut squash, tossed with lightly sauted garlic and the fresh herbs of your choice, makes a splendid side dish.

Roasted butternut squash is a sleeper hit

By Cathy Thomas
Correspondent

Here's an easy and tasty approach to roasting butternut squash, a method that intensifies the flavor. You can serve it as a side dish, toss it with cooked pasta or use it as a base for soup.

Many supermarkets now sell ready-to-use butternut squash that is cut into peeled cubes. But look for a whole squash that has the largest neck if you plan to do the peeling and cutting yourself.

If you want to make the dish fancier, add toasted pine nuts and garnish with grated Parmesan cheese, then spoon it over rice pilaf or cooked farro.

Roasted Butternut Squash with Parsley, Sage and Rosemary
Serves 6

INGREDIENTS
 2 pounds butternut squash, peeled, seeded, cut into 1-inch chunks, about 4 cups
 Extra-virgin olive oil
 Coarse salt, such as kosher, and freshly ground black pepper
 1 large garlic clove, chopped
 1 heaping teaspoon chopped fresh sage
 1 heaping teaspoon finely chopped fresh rosemary leaves
 3 tablespoons chopped Italian parsley

DIRECTIONS
 Heat oven to 375 degrees. In a large bowl, toss butternut squash chunks with enough olive oil to generously coat. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Line a rimmed baking sheet with parchment paper. Loosely arrange squash in single layer. Roast until squash is tender and starting to brown here and there, about 35 minutes, tossing them every 10 to 15 minutes. If you want to further brown the squash, turn on the broiler. Watch carefully to prevent burning.

Warm 4 teaspoons olive oil in a small skillet over medium heat. Add garlic, sage and rosemary; cook just long enough to remove the raw taste of the garlic; a minute should do. Turn off heat and stir in parsley. Toss mixture with cooked squash. Transfer to serving dish; season with salt and pepper.

- Adapted from "Vegetable Literacy" by Deborah Madison (Ten Speed Press, 2013)

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LOVE

Note: Skip's daughter re-posted this on Facebook recently. Enjoy!!



A group of professional people posed this question to a group of 4 to 8 year-olds, 'What does love mean?' The answers they got were broader, deeper, and more profound than anyone could have ever imagined!

'When my grandmother got arthritis, she couldn't bend over and paint her toenails anymore... So my grandfather does it for her all the time, even when his hands got arthritis too. That's love.' Rebecca - age 8

'When someone loves you, the way they say your name is different. You just know that your name is safe in their mouth.' Billy - age 4

'Love is when a girl puts on perfume and a boy puts on shaving cologne and they go out and smell each other.' Karl - age 5

'Love is when you go out to eat and give somebody most of your French fries without making them give you any of theirs.' Chrissy - age 6

'Love is what makes you smile when you're tired.' Terri - age 4

'Love is what's in the room with you at Christmas if you stop opening presents and just listen.' Bobby - age 7 (Wow!)

'If you want to learn to love better, you should start with a friend who you hate.' Nikka - age 6 (we need a few million more Nikka's on this planet)

'Love is when you tell a guy you like his shirt, then he wears it every day.' Noelle - age 7

'Love is like a little old woman and a little old man who are still friends even after they know each other so well.' Tommy - age 6

'Love is when my mommy makes coffee for my daddy and she takes a sip before giving it to him, to make sure the taste is OK.' Danny - age 8

During my piano recital, I was on a stage and I was scared. I looked at all the people watching me and saw my daddy waving and smiling. He was the only one doing that. I wasn't scared anymore.' Cindy - age 8

'My mommy loves me more than anybody. You don't see anyone else kissing me to sleep at night.' Clare - age 6

'Love is when Mommy gives Daddy the best piece of chicken.' Elaine - age 5

'Love is when Mommy sees Daddy smelly and sweaty and still says he is handsomer than Robert Redford.' Chris - age 7

'Love is when your puppy licks your face even after you left him alone all day.' Mary Ann - age 4

'I know my older sister loves me because she gives me all her old clothes and has to go out and buy new ones.' Lauren - age 4

'When you love somebody, your eyelashes go up and down and little stars come out of you.' (what an image!) Karen - age 7

'Love is when Mommy sees Daddy on the toilet and she doesn't think it's gross...'

Mark - age 6
'You really shouldn't say 'I love you' unless you mean it. But if you mean it, you should say it a lot. People forget.'

Jessica - age 8
And the final one: The winner was a four year old child whose next door neighbor was an elderly gentleman who had recently lost his wife. Upon seeing the man cry, the little boy went into the old gentleman's yard, climbed onto his lap, and just sat there. When his mother asked what he had said to the neighbor, the little boy said, 'Nothing, I just helped him cry.'

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" A COMMENTATER "

Here it is!