

CHIRPER



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Katydids Square Dance Club Newsletter

Volume 55, No 12

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



Wishing You and Yours a Joyous Holiday!

CLUB CALENDAR



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Fri., Dec. 07: Resurrection Lutheran Church
2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
THEME: National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

Fri., Dec. 14: Resurrection Lutheran Church
2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara
Annual Club Holiday Potluck (see page 3)
Club provides the ham.
Remember to bring your potluck dish to share
as well as plates & utensils.
6:00PM Set up for Potluck
6:30PM Eat
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
THEME: National Bouillabaisse Day

Fri., Dec. 21: Resurrection Lutheran Church
2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
THEME: DAY of Winter Solstice

Fri., Dec. 28: Resurrection Lutheran Church
2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
THEME: Pledge of Allegiance Day

Fri., Jan. 04: Resurrection Lutheran Church
2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
Chirper distributed
THEME: National Trivia Day

Fri., Jan. 11: Resurrection Lutheran Church
2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
THEME: National Milk Day

Fri., Jan. 18: Resurrection Lutheran Church
2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
THEME: National Winnie the Pooh Day

Fri., Jan. 25: Resurrection Lutheran Church
2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
THEME: National Opposite Day

Sat., Feb. 9: -- SAVE THE DATE* --
Katydids' Sweetheart Special Annual Hoedown
All Club members expected to participate

**SQUARE HEAD ASSIGNMENTS
and DUTIES**

- Dec. 07Willey / Standridge
- Dec. 14Allen, L / Paterson
- Dec. 21Stevens
- Dec. 28Pitts / Oros

- Jan. 04Schwartz / Wilser
- Jan. 11Steele
- Jan. 18Braaten / Clark
- Jan. 25Matolyak / Willey

- Feb. 01.....Franger / Moore
- Feb. 08.....Wilhelmsen
- Feb. 15.....Grubb / Lehnhoff
- Feb. 22.....McManus / Allen, T.

Before the dance:

- Notify the Super Square Head, Stephanie Stevens, (408-871-9525) of any needed changes to assigned dates.
- On scheduled night, 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.
- Bring out additional chairs from storage room as needed.
- Set up drinks and supplies on counter.
- After the first tip, place snacks, located on the Katydid's shelf in the kitchen, on the back table at back of the hall along with paper goods, sanitizer and flyers

During Club dance:

- Welcome everyone as they enter.
- Collect a **\$5.00** 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 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 items, leftover snacks 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.
- 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 the Quartermaster, Lloyd (408-482-9320) of any replacement supplies needed for the next week.

DANCE EVENTS

PLUS LEVEL unless otherwise noted

- Dec. 15: Annual Benefit Dance; Castaways (Mainstream)**
Resurrection Lutheran Church,
2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara
7:00 – 10:00PM; Callers: Roger Smith, Tork Clark, Bob Steele, Jim Osborne, Thomas Allen

- Dec. 18: Christmas Hoedown, Sage Stompers**
Oldemeyer Center, 986 Hilby Ave., Seaside
7:00 – 7:30pm, A-2 level
7:30 – 9:30pm Plus

- Dec. 29: Whing Ding; SCVSDA/SCVCA**
Loyola School, 770 Berry Ave., Los Altos
7:00 – 9:30PM; Callers: Mike Luna, Jim Osborne, Diana Hilliard

- Dec. 31: Glass Slipper Ball; Rockin' Jokers**
Caller: Rod Shuping
Cuer: Sue Harris
Info: 408-205-0681

- Jan. 5, 2019: Running Bear Dance; Crazy Dazys**
Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church
728 W. Fremont Ave., Sunnyvale
7:30 – 8:00PM Pre-Rounds: Sue & Phil Harris
8:00 – 10:30PM; Callers: Eric Henerlau, Jim Osborne

- Jan. 18-20: Winter Festival, (Plus, A-2)**
Salinas Valley Fairgrounds, King City
Callers; Bob Baier, Tony Oxendine, Kip Garvey,
Mike Seastrom, Jet Roberts
Cuers: Sharon & Casey Parker, Mary Ann Callhan

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Janna Standridge.....Dec.09
Skip StevensJan. 04

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SUPPORT OUR NEWEST DANCERS!

-- September Class Level --

- Jan. 12, 2019: Newer Dancer Hoedown; Castaways**
Resurrection Lutheran Church
2495 Cabrillo, Santa Clara

- Jan 26: Newer Dancer Hoedown; SCVCA**
/Callers: Tork Clark, Bob Elling, Kurt Gollhardt, Harlan Kerr

- Feb 2: Hearts * Flowers, CPSD**
Camden Community Center, 3369 Union Av., SJ
7:30– 9:45PM

It is Merry Thanksmas time again

The Katydids and their friends will be gathering for our annual holiday potluck dinner next week before our regular club meeting on Dec 14th. Set up will be about 6; eating about 6:30; dancing as usual by 7:00. This is a time for celebrating the holidays

(Thanksgiving, Christmas and anything else you want to add). The club will be providing ham. Sign up and bring a dish to share. It is a great time to remember all the blessings we have and share a meal with friends. We use the sign-up list to push for a little organization in the dishes that people bring and to get an estimate about the number of people who will attend. We do not want to be short on ham.

I am hoping to see some of your special dishes back for an encore. We have some great cooks in our midst who share their skill and caring. Please do not be intimidated. The most important thing is the sharing. The sharing brings the smiles.

Jacky is already planning some decorations for the tables to add a festive flair to the room. She is working on squeezing the Grinchyness out of me. It should be a great time to break bread and recognize the things that are good and joyful in life. It is special time for Christians such as myself but everyone can share in the fun.

Please bring your own plates and utensils. It helps the club pinch pennies and keep our dues and guest fees low.

Merry Thanksmas to all.

Eric Wilhemsen

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WINTER BEGINNER CLASSES

MONDAYS:

Bows & Beaus
Caller/Instructor: Tork Clark
Loyola School
770 Berry Ave., Los altos
7:00 – 9:00 PM
Begins: Jan. 14
1st 2 classes on 1/14 & 1/21 are FREE;

WEDNESDAYS:

Rockin' Jokers
Caller/Instructor: Thomas Allen
Cambrian ParkUnited Methodist Church
1919 Gunston Way, San Jose
7:00 – 9:00 PM
Begins: Jan. 9
1st 3 classes on 1/9, 1/16, 1/23 are FREE;; \$7/night/
person thereafter.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Hi Everyone,
We had a very successful fifth Friday dance with many guests in attendance last week.

December will be another busy month for us.

We will be collecting cash and checks for the Salvation Army to use to help the people who were burned out of their homes in Paradise, California. We will be collecting the donations for the next three Fridays for the Camp Fire in Paradise.

On December 14, we will be having our Christmas Potluck Dinner. We will start setting up at 6:00 p.m. and start eating at 6:30 then dancing when we finish eating. Thank you to **Eric** and **Jacky** for chairing this event again. More information will be passed along during club announcements on Dec. 7th and you will also have the opportunity to sign up for what food you would like to bring to the potluck.

We will not be dark on any Fridays in December so we will be able to dance off all the weight we gain.

Next time I will be writing to you will be in January so I want to wish everyone a very Happy and Prosperous New Year now.

Lloyd

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KATYDIDS - 2018
Christmas Gift Giving
To Benefit Butte County (Camp Fire) Victims

The Salvation Army accepts financial donations for those people displaced by the Camp Fire. Make sure to specify donation should go to **Camp Fire aid** on Memo Line of your check. You can or we will collectively mail donations to:

 **The Salvation Army**
P.O. Box 348000
Sacramento, CA 95834 or  Your donations bring hope.

Call (530) 776-1009 or (800) 725-2769 or
<https://deloro.salvationarmy.org/> to give online

(I have verified the above information with The Salvation Army. ~~Me~~ ~~76~~)

Chirper Chatter...

My son-in-law, Gerard Casey, who retired just before his 50th BD, has previously hiked the Appalachian Trail when they lived in Virginia. Last November, our daughter took a job with Ross Clothier in Dublin and since being in California, he decided to do the John Muir Trail starting from Pacific Crest Trail northward on Sept. 12 and ending in Oct. 20, spending 20 days on the trail, encountering 3 bears, 1 rattlesnake, 5-6 marmots, many 10K-14K feet mountains for a total of 244 miles ...



Char Pitts went to Monterey Friday, Nov. 9 with her girl friend to celebrate her friend's 80th birthday...



SKYDIVING! Wheeee!!!... (see page 6)

Our thanks to the **Shaney's** for providing their Anniversary cake to share with **Skip & Steph Stevens' Anniversary** and another cake for **Sandy Bruns' Birthday**...



Allen Nassau & Thomas Allen were Square Heads, Friday, 11-23-18. And as SH are supposed to do, they signed the money envelope for the Treasurer at the end of their duty... **Thomas/Allen**. Note that **Thomas** got a free full billing of his name. If they had used only the last names, **Allen/Nassau**, would get a free billing of his name...

Anne Langer and **Jerry Abel** have been devoting more time caring for **Jerry's** 101 year old mother. They have requested to resign from the Club effective Jan. 1, 2019...

A little something about OUR THEMES:

National Bouillabaisse Day (12-14-18), a day to celebrate a tasty Mediterranean fish stew or soup. **Bouillabaisse** is believed to have originated in Marseilles, France. It is extremely popular all around the Mediterranean, and is a specialty in ports across the region.

Day of Winter Solstice (12-21-18), the date of the winter solstice varies from year to year, and can fall anywhere between December 20 and December 23, with the 21st or 22nd being the most common dates. The reason for this is because the tropical year—the time it takes for the sun to return to the same spot relative to Earth—is different from the calendar year. The next solstice occurring on December 20 will not happen until 2080, and the next December 23 solstice will not occur until 2303.

The Pledge of Allegiance Day (12-28-18). The original version of the Pledge of Allegiance did not include the words “under God.” The patriotic oath read: “I pledge allegiance to my flag and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.” Congress added “Under God” to the Pledge in 1954 – during the Cold War. Many members of Congress reportedly wanted to emphasize the distinctions between the United States and the officially atheistic Soviet Union.

National Trivia Day (01-04-19). Here's a little-known fact: Jan. 4 is National Trivia Day! The trivia craze has been a part of popular culture for many decades. One of the first established systems for trivia debuted on the 1940s radio program “Take It Or Leave It” and not too long after Jeopardy!, arguably America's most iconic televised quiz show, appeared in 1964. As trivia started to gain momentum, Trivial Pursuit emerged in Montreal, Quebec, Canada in 1979 by two men named Chris Haney and Scott Abbott, which became one of the world's most famous board games. Since then, our love for obscure facts has taken the world by storm and a variety of trivia formats have found success across the world. While some people may find trivia ‘trivial’, it's the silly facts and the unique rules of the game that make it enjoyable for (almost) everyone.

“When you think, say, do NICE, NICE things happen!”

Morris Hosoda
moho77@gmail.com

SALVATION ARMY WILL ACCEPT CAMP FIRE DONATIONS

From the Kitchen of - - Pat Angotti

PUMPKIN CHOCOLATE CHIP CAKE

- 1 pkg (about 15 oz) spice cake mix
- 1 can (15 oz) solid-pack pumpkin
- 2 eggs
- 1/3 c. water
- 1 c. semisweet chocolate chips
- 1 c. semisweet chocolate chips, melted (optional)

1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease and flour 12-cup (10-inch) bundt pan
2. Combine cake mix, pumpkin, eggs and water in large bowl; beat 2 to 2 minutes or until well blended. Stir in 1 cup chocolate cups. Pour batter into prepared pan.
3. Bake 35 to 40 minutes or until toothpick inserted near center comes out clean. Cool in pan 10 minutes; invert onto wire rack to cool completely.
4. Drizzle melted chocolate over cooled cake, if desired.

**Hearts & Flowers
to
MORRIS!!**

Many thanks to Morris for his assistance with the printing and distribution of the Chirper in my absence this fall.

*YR,
Steph*

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**National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
Friday Dance**



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**1500 DEAD IN HAWAII
CONGRESS VOTES WAR**



**NEVER
FORGET!**



December 7, 2018

Resurrection Lutheran Church - 2495 Cabrillo Ave. - Santa Clara, CA

 **Katydids Square Dance Club** 

**Christmas Potluck
& National Bouillabaisse Day
Friday Dance**



Set-Up at 6:00
Grace at 6:30
HAM will be served by the Club.
Bring own settings
And sign-up for what to bring.



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Join us for a **FREE** download potluck!

December 14, 2018

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FROM CHAR PITTS:

(See photograph on page 4.)

My friend, Carol wanted to celebrate her 80th birthday by crossing off one of her bucket list items —skydiving! She issued an invitation to any of her friends who wanted to join her, and I was the only one to take her up on it. We flew over Monterey Bay with “SkyDive Monterey” on a beautiful Friday afternoon, cheered on by a small group of friends and Carol’s son, Chris, who had driven his van there with all of us packed within. She and I went through the flight pre-check, which included many legal papers to sign, and a lesson in getting into the harness and what to do in flight. Exiting the plane from 15,000 feet, we had over a minute of free-fall, and another 6-8 minutes of "floating under the parachute” time. The design of the parachute made the landing no harder than getting off a bus. Our tandem partners were extremely helpful in making it a safe and memorable experience—and they were very experienced with at least 3000 jumps each, After all, their lives were on the line too. It was beautiful up there, and not at all scary; in fact I think riding a roller coaster is much more scary than sky diving.

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It’s THAT time of year ...

Remember to use the hand sanitizer located on the snack table in the back of the hall and/ or the soap at the kitchen sink 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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WANTED:

Chirper editor is looking for articles about your recent travel adventures.

Did you know ...?

I am collecting tabs from all cans (soda and beer) to include soup cans. When I get a good collection of tabs I deliver the same to the Secretary of the Masonic Temple in San Jose. These tabs are then delivered to the Shriners Hospital in Sacramento CA. The value of these tabs will be applied toward a wheelchair for a child who cannot afford it.

This is the why they do it so I thank you for collecting these valuable tabs

With much appreciation,

Art Bruns

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FOOD COLLECTION FOR FOOD PANTRY CONTINUES

Bring non-perishable donations to **Pat Angotti** who will take them to the Campbell United Church of Christ Food Pantry.

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(Lloyd &) Marjorie Wilser.....Dec. 3
Parker (& Sue) Willey.....Dec. 10

YIKES!! ABORT! ABORT!!

The Road Gypsies were at it again, this fall. I had a reunion of the International Voluntary Services Alumni Association (IVSAA) to attend in Newport, RI beginning Sunday, Oct. 28th and we decided to make it into a big cross-country van-camping trip so as to be able to see more of this great country of ours while at the same time seeing family and friends along the way. We knew it was late in the year so decided to travel quickly along a northern route and prayed that we would have reasonable weather.

We left San José a week later than originally planned on Wednesday, Oct. 3 and headed north to spend the night at Gualala Point Regional Park where we were surprised to find it raining when we got up in the morning. A light gentle rain. Lovely sounding on the roof of our van that had been transformed into a camper van for our road trip. While in town, we visited with a cousin of mine and soon delightedly discovered that she had some family photos that I had not seen before. I quickly dug my scanner out of the van to make copies of them. She also showed us some Iris Paper Folding cards that she makes and sells at the local craft shop.. Lovely. I had never heard of this type of paper-craft before.

From Gualala we headed north to Fort Bragg and then headed east on Route 20 through the beautiful forests to Willits. We did see some of the burn areas but not much. I think most of the damage was a bit further north in the Trinity Alps area. After traveling the northern edge of Clearlake we turned north at I-5 to head up to Portland where we visited friends who I had met when I was on an assignment with IVS in Laos in 1966-67. I taught English at the Teacher's College in the capital of Vientiane. One of my students owns a restaurant in Portland called Tara Thai and they serve Thai and Lao food. Of course, we had to go visit her. Unfortunately we learned that they will be closing the restaurant as soon as a buyer can be found.



Lavanne and her husband want to retire and their two daughters have no desire to take over the business. They started the restaurant many years ago and used it as a way to give Lao refugees a start in America. They provided quite a service to the Lao community by doing this.

In Seattle we visited with more family. We stayed one night with my niece's family. Ben, my niece's husband, got "stuck" fixing us breakfast and he was so cute ... he was so excited to share his Southern cultural heritage by cooking up some grits for us! We were soon back on the road and headed east to Boise and then on towards the west entrance to Yellowstone. Along the way it got colder and soon, as we went higher up in elevation, we started seeing snow on the ground. Almost immediately upon entering Yellowstone we came upon a herd of about seven elk grazing just in side the park. As we continued driving we saw a large group of bison in a valley and we also had the special pleasure of seeing a grizzly bear. Unfortunately, by the time we had our camera at the ready, he was rolling on his back with only his four paws visible in the tall meadow grass! At the East Entrance Visitor Center we saw this cute "snow bunny" greeting us from a park table!



We exited the Park and spent the night at a KOA campground in the quaint town of Greybull in Wyoming. We were one of only two campers present that night. In the morning we found that it had rained lightly overnight. It was cold but not as cold as the night before in Idaho Falls. We packed up our things and left Greybull and headed south to the town of Ten Sleep and continued east over a high mountain pass. It snowed and got quite treacherous. Unfortunately at one point we ended up facing the wrong direction having gone into quite a skid on the icy road and hit a guardrail. Skip did a marvelous job of keeping us on the road and not down a steep ravine. His Upstate NY driving skills came in handy!!

As we made a hard right turn to get on to I-90, we discovered that the bent front left bumper was scraping the



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tire. We took it easy and continued on to the next town where we pulled in to a truck stop and located someone who could put a tow chain between the bumper hitch on his truck and the lower corner of the bent bumper. He used his truck to slowly pull against the bumper and then checked to see how it was doing and repeated until the bumper was clear of impinging on the tire. After ascertaining that there was no further serious damage to the van, we resumed our travel through snow and near white-out conditions to the town of Sundance where we found a hotel for the night to wait out the weather. As we checked the van for our belongings that got tossed around in the up-close-and-personal look at the guardrail, we discovered that our 3-gallon water jug had tipped over and soaked most of our bedding.

Fortunately the hotel had a laundry room but the dryers weren't large enough for our quilt and sleeping bags. At Skip's suggestion I went to the desk and asked if it might be possible to use their commercial dryers. She said "yes" and even brought them back to the room all dry and folded. No charge except for LOTS of thanks!! That was indeed going above and beyond!!

We decided to stay one more night in Sundance and then decided . . . well, as the song goes "*you gotta know when to hold 'em*" -- did that in Sundance while waiting out the storm. and "*you gotta know when to fold 'em*" -- did that when we decided that ol' man winter was not something we wanted to deal with so early in our trip and left the next morning heading WEST on I-90 before heading south on I-25. It was a sunny day and except for getting out of Sundance, the pavement was dry. The high plains in snow was beautiful to look at. Came into coal country and saw a VERY long train pulling cars full of coal heading south, presumably to Cheyenne. One of the great moments of an otherwise emotionally gloomy day was getting a phone call from my granddaughter who had just passed her tests to get her driver's license.

We spent the night in Cheyenne and the next morning we headed west on I-80. Can't say there was much to look at; pretty boring if you ask me. Somewhere along the way, I got a phone call from a number I didn't recognize so I didn't pick up on it. Later when we pulled in for the night at a KOA in Salt Lake City, I noticed an email message from an address I didn't recognize. Skip also had a phone message on his phone. The messages asked if I was Stephanie. I was a little leery but the person had some pretty specific information about me, including that I square dance with the Katyids! So ... I called the number she gave me. Turns out she believes that she is my half-niece, the daughter of a woman she had located in 1990 while searching for her birth parents. Seems that both of them had been adopted and had each been

looking for their birth parents. It is a complicated story and appears to be legitimate. So, while I was in Salt Lake City (and NOT doing research at the Family History Center!), I discovered I have a half-sister (and her daughter and grand-children) that I never knew about. Wow! That's a head-turner!

The next morning, exactly two weeks after we started out on our journey, we got up early and headed home. It was a VERY long day, partly due to the length of the drive, and partly due to not one, but two multi-car pile ups just east of Sparks, Nevada. You should have seen Jackie, our Parson Jack Russell Terrier, race around the house when we finally got home. She was one happy pup!! (So were we . . .)

It took a few days after getting home to figure out just what to do about the Reunion in Rhode Island. We finally decided that I would fly and attend the meeting. I was to leave San José late on Saturday, Oct. 27th . . . just in time to see a nor-easter blow through the New England area ... thankfully, it arrived a few hours early and I missed the storm.

Several years ago when I attended a Reunion, I learned about the Bombies that had been dropped in Laos during the "secret" war and how the locals were frequently being killed or maimed by unexploded ordinance (UXO) as well as how the locals used the aluminum casings for many things. They are very resourceful!



This year I learned about the thousands of pounds of Agent Orange that had been dropped in the high country that borders

Vietnam and how it is affecting the lives of those (mostly poor and indigenous) living in the area. Pretty darn awful and our government isn't doing much to help clean up the area we bombed (as well as unused ordinance dumping) the heck out of. Sad.

I returned home and started to try to get my feet back on the ground. Took some effort as this ol' body just doesn't do time change / jet lag very well these days. It seemed like my body was in San José but my brain got lost in the mid-west somewhere for longer than I would have liked.

We are talking about possibly trying this trip (without the Reunion in Rhode Island) again next year ... leaving earlier in the fall ... much earlier!

Submitted by Stephanie Stevens

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National Bouillabaisse Day

Friday Dance



National Bouillabaisse Day December 14
www.NationalDayCalendar.com

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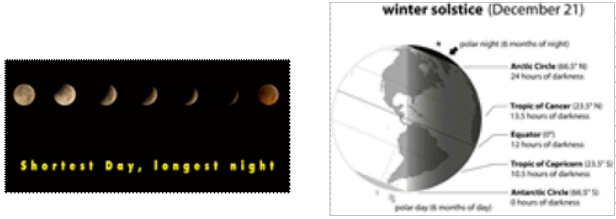
Nobody makes bouillabaisse from scratch. Even the restaurants buy a commercial grade product.
Sandra Lee

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Day of Winter Solstice

Friday Dance



winter solstice (December 21)

- Arctic Circle (66.5° N): 24 hours of darkness
- Tropic of Cancer (23.5° N): 13.5 hours of darkness
- Equator (0°): 12 hours of darkness
- Tropic of Capricorn (23.5° S): 10.5 hours of darkness
- Antarctic Circle (66.5° S): 0 hours of darkness

Shortest Day, longest night

Winter solstice (Dec. 21) is the first day of winter in the Northern Hemisphere and is a point in Earth's orbit. Earth's North Pole is tilted a full 23.5° away from the sun.

Sunlight strikes areas north of the equator at a greater angle than at any other time of the year.

Days are the shortest and nights are the longest.

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Let us love WINTER, for it is the SPRING of genius.

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Katydid's Square Dance Club

Pledge of Allegiance Day

Friday Dance



I pledge allegiance to the flag
Of the United States of America
And to the republic, for which it stands,
One nation, under God, indivisible,
With liberty and justice for all.

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We've been repeating this pledge since grade school, but have you ever taken the time to analyze what each part truly means? The Boy Scouts have, and below you'll find their translation for each part of the pledge.

I pledge allegiance......you promise to be loyal

to the Flag......to the symbol of our country

of the United States of America......a nation of 50 states and several territories, each with certain rights of its own

and to the Republic......a country where the people elect representatives from among themselves to make laws for everyone for which it stands...the flag represents the values of our form of government, in which everyone is equal under the law

one Nation under God......a country formed under God whose people are free to believe as they wish

indivisible......the nation cannot be split into parts

with liberty and justice......with freedom and a system of law

for all......for every person in the nation, regardless of their differences

THIS NATION WILL REMAIN THE LAND OF THE FREE ONLY SO LONG AS IT IS THE HOME OF THE BRAVE!


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Katydid's Square Dance Club

National Trivia Day

Also Running Bear Practice

Friday Dance



What is the only manmade object that is observable from the moon?

What is the capital of Australia?

Which common word changes its pronunciation when the first letter is capitalized?

National Trivia Day January 4
www.NationalDayCalendar.com

Did You Know...

For every 30 pounds of aluminum you recycle, you eliminate 33 pounds of carbon emissions from the air.

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NATIONAL TRIVIA DAY

ELECTRICAL ENERGY CAN BE PRODUCED FROM:

A. MECHANICAL ENERGY
B. CHEMICAL ENERGY
C. RADIANT ENERGY
D. ALL THE ABOVE

Know that RENO is farther West than Los Angeles!

January 4, 2019
Resurrection Lutheran Church - 2495 Cabrillo Ave. - Santa Clara, CA

Club Night Photos

Misfit Night

Friday, Nov. 23, 2018



Whose feet??



Debbie & Ted Schmatz



Alice McManus



Morris Hosoda



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[editor's note: Ed Wayne, frequent guest at the Katydid's Club on Friday nights sent this to me recently. I thought you might enjoy it as well.]

The year is 1918. "One hundred years ago." What a difference a century makes! Here are some statistics for the Year 1918:

- The average life expectancy for men was 47 years.
- Fuel for cars was sold in drug stores only.
- Only 14 percent of the homes had a bathtub.
- Only 8 percent of the homes had a telephone.
- The maximum speed limit in most cities was 10 mph.
- The tallest structure in the world was the Eiffel Tower .
- The average US wage in 1910 was 22 cents per hour.
- The average US worker made between \$200 and \$400 per year.
- A competent accountant could expect to earn \$2000 per year.
- A dentist \$2,500 per year
- A veterinarian between \$1,500 and \$4,000 per year.
- And, a mechanical engineer about \$5,000 per year.
- More than 95 percent of all births took place at home
- Ninety percent of all Doctors had NO COLLEGE EDUCATION!
- Instead, they attended so-called medical schools, many of which were condemned in the press AND the government as "substandard."
- Sugar cost four cents a pound.
- Eggs were fourteen cents a dozen.
- Coffee was fifteen cents a pound.
- Most women only washed their hair once a month, and used Borax, or egg yolks for shampoo.
- Canada passed a law that prohibited poor people from entering into their country for any reason.
- The Five leading causes of death were:
 1. Pneumonia and influenza.
 2. Tuberculosis
 3. Diarrhea
 4. Heart disease
 5. Stroke
- The American flag had 48 stars ..
- The population of Las Vegas , Nevada was only 30.
- Crossword puzzles, canned beer, and iced tea hadn't been invented yet.
- There was neither a Mother's Day nor a Father's Day.
- Two out of every 10 adults couldn't read or write.
- And, only 6 percent of all Americans had graduated from high school.
- Marijuana, heroin, and morphine were all available over the counter at local corner drugstores. Back then pharmacists said, "Heroin clears the complexion, gives buoyancy to the mind, regulates the stomach, bowels, and is, in fact, a perfect guardian of health!" (Shocking?)
- Eighteen percent of households had at least one full-time servant or domestic help.
- There were about 230 reported murders in the ENTIRE U.S.A.!
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It is impossible to imagine what it may be like in another 100 years!

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