

# CHIRPER



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Katydids Square Dance Club Newsletter

Volume 53, No 1

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



## CLUB CALENDAR

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

**Fri., Jan. 08: Campbell United Church of Christ**  
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing  
**THEME:** Running Bear Drill

**Fri., Jan. 15: Campbell United Church of Christ**  
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing  
**THEME:** Estimated Taxes PAID Celebration

**Fri., Jan. 22: Campbell United Church of Christ**  
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing

**Mon., Jan. 25: Executive Board Meeting**  
7:30 PM Home of Lloyd Darknell

**Fri., Jan. 29: Campbell United Church of Christ**  
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing  
**THEME:** Mardi Gras; FREE 5th Friday Dance

**Fri., Feb. 05: Campbell United Church of Christ**  
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing  
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**Fri., Feb. 12: Campbell United Church of Christ**  
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing  
**THEME:** Honest Abe Lincoln

**Sat., Feb. 13: **\*\*SWEETHEART SPECIAL\*\*****  
All Katydids Club Members are expected to participate in this annual fundraiser event.  
Start collecting raffle items, large baskets, and ribbons NOW

**Fri., Feb. 19: Campbell United Church of Christ**  
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing

**Fri., Feb. 26: Campbell United Church of Christ**  
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing

**Fri., Mar 04.: Campbell United Church of Christ**  
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing

SQUARE HEAD ASSIGNMENTS

and DUTIES

Super Square Head

Stephanie Stevens (408-871-9525)

- Jan. 01 .....DARK - New Years
- Jan. 08 .....Franger / Moore
- Jan. 15 .....Nassau / Matolyak
- Jan. 22 .....Travelstead / Pitts
- Jan. 29 .....Clark / Village

- Feb. 05.....Tillman / Criswell
- Feb. 12.....Paterson / Stevens
- Feb. 19.....Angotti / Smith
- Feb. 26.....Hebson

- Mar. 04 .....Hosoda
- Mar. 11 .....Wilhelmsen
- Mar. 18 .....Grubb & Lehnhoff
- Mar. 25 .....Steele

Before the dance:

- Notify the Super Square Head, Stephanie Stevens, 408-871-9525 of any needed changes 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** 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.
- Sweep floor if needed and set up tables and chairs.
- Make ice water and start hot water for tea & coffee.
- Set up food & drink tables and put out flyers on table.

During Club dance:

- Welcome everyone at the sign-in table.
- 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 – 50% to the Club, 50% to the winner.
- Check that water and cups do not run out during the evening.

After the dance:

- If Treasurer is not present, pass monies collected to any Executive Board Member.
- ALL MEMBERS can help the Square Heads clean up. Help put away tables and chairs and pack up the coffee pot, cooler and other supplies put back 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 the Quartermasters, **Steven Lehnhoff or Naomi Grubb** (408-227-3631) of any replacement supplies needed for the next week.

PLUS LEVEL DANCE EVENTS

**Jan. 9: Running Bear Hoedown; Krazy Dazys**  
 Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church, 728 Fremont Ave.  
 7:30 8:00 PM; PreRounds  
 8:00 – 10:30 PM; Caller Eric Henerlau  
 Running Bear Tip: Jim Osborne

**Jan. 15-17: Winter Festival, King City**  
 Salinas Valley Fairgrounds, King City  
 Callers: Jerry Story, Bob Baier, Tony Oxendine,  
 Michael Kellogg, Pat Carnathan  
 Cuer: Eileen Silvia

**Jan. 30: Whing Ding; SCVSDA/SCVCA**  
 Callers: Keith Ferguson, Mike Luna, Jim Osborne  
 Cuer: Barbara Lynn-Smith

**Mar. 18-20: USDA Fiesta**  
 Kern County Fairgrounds, 1142 So. P St., Bakersfield  
 Callers: Tony Oxendine, Bronc Wise, Charlie  
 Robertson, Michael Kellogg, Justin Russell  
 Cuers: Mary Ann Callahan & Craig Cowan, Sharon &  
 Casey Parker, Neil Booth & Patty HFarshman

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GENERAL DANCE PROGRAM EVENTS

**Jan. 16: General Dance; SCVSDA**  
 St. Andrews United Methodist Church, 4111 Alma St.,  
 Palo Alto  
 7:30 – 10:00 PM; Caller: Harlan Kerr

**Feb. 20: General Dance; SCVSDA**  
 St. Andrews United Methodist Church, 4111 Alma St.,  
 Palo Alto  
 7:30 – 10:00 PM; Callers: Bob Elling, Rich Reel

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SEPTEMBER CLASS LEVEL HOEDOWNS

Support our newest dancers!!

**Jan. 23: Newer Dancer Hoedown; SCVCA**  
 Resurrection Lutheran Church  
 2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara  
 Callers: Jim Osborne & Tork Clark

**Feb. 6; Hearts & Flowers Hoedown; CPSD**  
 Camden Community Ctr; 3369 Union Ave., San José  
 7:30 – 10:00 PM  
 Callers: Tork Clark  
 Bring food to share

**Mar. 5: Spring Fling Hoedown; Sunnyvale Singles**  
 Murphy Park, 250 N. Sunnyvale Ave. Sunnyvale

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Happy Anniversary!!

Steven Lehnhoff & Naomi Grubb Jan. 17

SWEETHEART SPECIAL Feb. 13th

Our annual Club Hoedown is right around the corner, and now is the time to jump in and all work for a successful and fun 53rd Sweetheart Special (SHS). Volunteers are needed in almost every area.

Chair	Gary De Lapp
Flyers	
Kitchen	Maxine Darknell
Decorations	Gary De Lapp
Setup (2:00pm at church)	Come One & All
Badges & Ribbons	Lloyd Darknell
Beverage Management	
Publicity	Everyone
Door	Pat Angotti
Raffle Baskets	Pat Angotti/Dory Clark
Raffle prize donations	
Raffle Ticket Sales	Morris Hosoda
Buffet dishes	Need lots of help!!
Buffet table decorations	Need Volunteers (camellias)

Club members do not pay to attend the SHS, but help by participating in the tasks or support tasks listed below:

- Be a committee chair
- Make & Distribute Flyers
- Sell ribbons to your other clubs or visited clubs
- Sign up to work shifts
- Sign up to bring food. Each member is expected to sign up for one item, if you prefer, or you cannot attend, you may give \$10.00 per person for the committee to purchase needed items. Sign ups begin this month.
- Collect or give raffle prize items (things you would like to receive) and baskets, ribbon & cellophane.
- Find donations from local businesses.

Thanks for your support to make this the best KATYDIDS Sweetheart Special !!

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WINTER BEGINNER CLASSES

MONDAYS:

Bows & Beaus

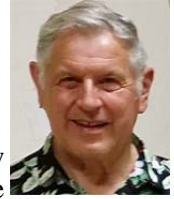
Caller/Instructor: Tork Clark  
Loyola Elementary School, 770 Berry Ave., Los Altos  
7:30 – 9:30 PM  
Starts: Jan. 2016  
Cost: \$5/night  
Contact: [contact@bowsandbeaus.org](mailto:contact@bowsandbeaus.org)

TUESDAYS:

Sunnyvale Squares

Caller/Instructor: Rich Reel  
Murphy Park, 250 N. Sunnyvale Ave., Sunnyvale  
7:00 – 8:30 PM  
Starts: March 1, 2016  
Cost: 1st night FREE; then \$25 per month  
Contact: Roger 408-744-1021

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Hi Everyone,

We had a great Christmas and New Year's Holiday and I hope everyone else did too. We went to the Rockin' Jokers New Years Eve Dance and the dance was a lot of fun. It was nice seeing other Katydidids there.

We need to start planning for our Sweetheart Special Dance on February 13th. We will be looking for volunteers to help. You will have the opportunity to sign up for various jobs including what food you would like to bring to the dance.

I also want to remind everyone that an updated copy of the Katydidids bylaws is now available on our web site. If you would like a printed copy of the bylaws send me an email request and I will bring you a copy.

Lloyd

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HOLIDAY POTLUCK

Thank you, Thank you, to Eric & Jacky for chairing this annual holiday event. The food was wonderful, the set up & decoration lovely. And, to Morris for the wacky fun holiday bendables.

And, for those who asked: The kale salad WITHOUT the mandarin oranges was from Costco. It is called "Sweet Kale/Chou Frisé Doux". There were also requests for the 'other' salad WITH the mandarin oranges, as well as for the yummy roasted potatoes. Who brought those?

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MESSAGE FROM OUR SWEETHEART SPECIAL RAFFLE BASKET CHAIRS

It is almost time for our annual Sweetheart Special, let's make it the best, Time to start thinking of what you want to give for the Raffle, This is not a White Elephant Sale, this is our annual money maker. Please donate something you would want to win, not something that should go to Goodwill. It is not quantity it is quality that we are looking for. You can start bringing in the items next week. Dory and I will be putting the items together.

Thank you for your support.

Submitted by Pat Angotti & Dory Clark, Raffle Basket Chairs

CALLER'S CORNER

Hi Katydids



I am about to climb up on my soap box again.

As you all know I have been yapping about dance levels & classes for quite awhile. Mostly this was rooted in doing everything I can to speak to every traveling caller I can connect with. I currently call at least 4 times a week BUT the traveling guys/gals often experience more dancer capability in a week than I will in a year. For many years these guys & gals have been saying the dancing capability nationwide is going downhill. Somehow dancer leaders and many new callers have gotten the idea quickly teaching Plain Vanilla Standard Application is the path to nirvana. That is showing to NOT be true worldwide.

Last weekend I had the privilege of being one of the callers invited to call at the NCSDA (Northern Calif. Square Dancers Assoc.) Annual Anniversary Dance. Just a few years ago that dance had about 30 Squares. Last Sunday, nine squares in the door, eight at most dancing. Spooky stuff if we want MWSD (Modern Western Square Dancing) to survive.

I am told our friends at Bows & Beaus had somewhere between 50 & 80 dancers in the January 2015 class to start. Apparently only 2 dancers joined the club. As the new club caller replacing Gary Carnes at Sunnyvale Squares, I find though Sunnyvale has run a class for many years, in recent years, few if any students have joined the club. For whatever reason/cause that info. adds to spooky times for MWSD.

Roger Smith shared an article from *American Square Dance Magazine* January 2016 with me. It is presented by two very popular internationally traveling callers. It may be self serving but this is very close to what I have been yapping. Please read it at [www.3osb.com/asdm.html](http://www.3osb.com/asdm.html). Roger scanned it and got permission for me to post it to my web site. I intend to share it in as many places as possible.

In Sept. of 2015 with lots of help from Val Paterson, a few others, & lots of Morris printing efforts, I tried to run a class. After eight weeks of class we had just under two squares of students, but the cost of the hall was beyond my resource, so we shut down at eight weeks with a considerable \$ loss.

We need to talk SOON, and if Katydids are going to survive we need to have a class (probably two every year) on club night. AND as the Article, Bows & Beaus, & Sunnyvale seem to show, Non-Dancer to Plus is NOT a sustainable plan at the speed MWSD is waning.

**JIM** (Katydids Club Caller)

MARK  
YOUR CALENDARS!

- 01/08: Running Bear Drill
- 01/15: Estimated Taxes Paid Celebration
- 01/29: Mardi Gras
- 02/05: Red Buttons Birthday Dance
- 02/12: Honest Abe Lincoln Dance
- 02/13: Katydids' Sweetheart Special

Saturday February 13<sup>th</sup> 2016 7:30PM

**Katydids Presents**  
**53<sup>rd</sup> Annual**  
**Sweetheart Special**




Donations per person  
**\$12 Presale; \$15 at the Door**  
Teens \$5

**Caller:**  
**Randy Dibble**




**Pre-Rounds 7:30**  
**Plus Squares 8:00**  
**A2 Star Tip 10:00**  
**Buffet & Raffle**

**Rounds by:**  
**Sue & Phil**  
**Harris**




**Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church**  
**728 W. Fremont Ave.**



For more Information,  
See our website:  
<http://katydids.info>

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.

# Chirper Chatter...

## Square Dance Calls Picture Puzzle Time...

Last month's answers:

#15 – Load the Boat

#16 – Peel the Top

#17



#18



## Photo Puzzle Time...

Can you identify this tall dead tree with a STAR on top as to where it is located? It made the SJ Mercury News before the Holidays.



Last month's photo puzzle is an ENLARGED PHOTO OF A CONNECTED VELCRO.



**Val Paterson** was gone for three weeks, going to Nebraska to see her aunt; then unto Branson, MO to see some shows; flew to Atlanta, GA, flew to Philadelphia, PA (to get to Lancaster); flew to Chicago to drive to Traverse City, MI, to see her parents. Wow! A lot of traveling but we are glad to see you home...

**Ted Shaney** had a bothersome cut under his left foot, had a minor burn on his right foot when HOT chocolate was accidentally poured on his foot, and hurt his left knee twice falling. **Kathy** never drove and **Ted** recently had his driver's license revoked, so now, they are very dependent on Dee, their caring, helpful, caregiver, 24/7...

Our Katydoer, **Alan Fanning** has been having a great deal of concern with his pancreas which may be the reason why he chose not to join any square dance clubs for the moment. Word was received that he had a serious operation at St. John's Hospital in Santa Monica on Dec. 4 and discharged on Dec. 17. Much to his relief there is no evidence of cancer at the surgical margins. He still will have chemo treatment after his healing from the surgery. If all goes well he should be home in early January...

**Stephanie Stevens'** son, his wife and their two girls have been in Germany for a week, headed for Austria and after Christmas will be in Rome. The girls' church choir was selected (among many from around the world) to sing at a special January 1st Mass given by Pope Francis. As a result of this trip, the family gathering for gift exchanges will be delayed until sometime in January...

*Morris Hosoda*  
moho77@gmail.com

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# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- Skip Stevens.....Jan. 04**
- Robbie Criswell.....Jan. 11**
- Roger Smith.....Jan 14**
- Kathy Shaney.....Jan. 22**
- Pat Angotti.....Jan. 28**

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## Church Food Pantry Refill Huge Success

To all of our wonderful Katydids and guests, you have contributed \$800 to the Campbell United Church of Christ's annual Food Pantry Refill Drive. As a volunteer Food Pantry Coordinating Chairman of this drive, I am extremely grateful, excited and appreciative of what you have done. This church is very thankful and our relationship remains strong which I feel is paramount. Thank you.

Submitted by Morris Hosoda, Chairman

KATYDIDS ANNUAL HOLIDAY POTLUCK  
Friday, December 18, 2015



Photos courtesy of Morris Hosoda and Stephanie Stevens

**Katydids Square Dance Club**

# RUNNING BEAR DRILL FRIDAY DANCE





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

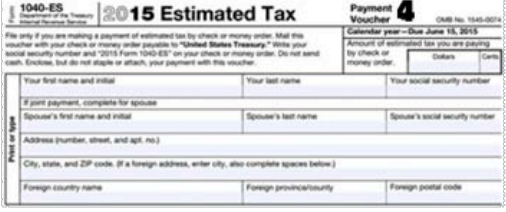


## YOU WANNA MAKE IT THRU!

### January 8, 2016

Campbell United Church of Christ - 400 W. Campbell Ave. - Campbell, CA

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# Estimated Taxes Paid Celebration Dance

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

But your next one is due April 15.


### January 15, 2016

Campbell United Church of Christ - 400 W. Campbell Ave. - Campbell, CA

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# MARDI GRAS

## FREE 5TH FRIDAY DANCE



Your Friday Night **FUN** Club  
Plus Dancing from 7:00 - 9:30 PM  
Caller: Jim Osborne

## COSTUMES ENCOURAGED

### January 29, 2016

Campbell United Church of Christ - 400 W. Campbell Ave. - Campbell, CA

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# Red Buttons Birthday Friday Dance





HE WOULD BE  
97 YEARS OLD!

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

## Show me your RED BUTTONS!

### February 5, 2016

Campbell United Church of Christ - 400 W. Campbell Ave. - Campbell, CA

First Name Last Name  
Home Street  
Home City, Home State Home ZIP

## FIRST CLASS MAIL

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Caller & Taw .....Jim & Joann Osborne.650-571-1970

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Copy **deadline** for the February 2016 issue is **January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016**. You can submit articles and photographs to the *Chirper* Editor, Stephanie Stevens, at:

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