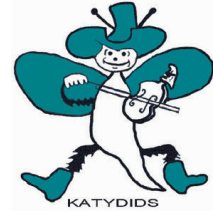


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CLUB CALENDAR

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Fri., Jun. 01: **Congregational Church of Campbell**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM, Plus Workshop

Fri., Jun. 08: **Congregational Church of Campbell**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM, Plus Workshop

Sun., Jun. 10: ****Annual Club Picnic****
Central Park, Santa Clara
909 Kiely Blvd., (across from Kaiser Hosp.)
11:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Questions: Call Bob B. at 408-778-2689

Fri., Jun. 15: **Congregational Church of Campbell**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM, Plus Workshop
****PARTY NIGHT** Wear green & bring food to share**
9:30 PM Executive Board Meeting

Fri., Jun. 22: **Congregational Church of Campbell**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM, Plus Workshop

Fri., Jun. 29: ****Fifth Friday Dance Party****
Westminster Squares
1100 Shasta Ave. (@ corner of The Alameda)
7:30 – 9:30 PM
Bring finger food to share.

Fri., Jul. 06: **Congregational Church of Campbell**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM, Plus Workshop
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Fri., Jul 13: **Congregational Church of Campbell**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM, Plus Workshop

Fri., Jun. 20: **Congregational Church of Campbell**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM, Plus Workshop

SQUARE HEAD ASSIGNMENTS and DUTIES

Super Square Head
Sarah Grizard (408) 377-5740

June 01 Stevens
June 08 Willey
June 15 Benevento
June 22 Bennett

July 06 Franger / Moore, Denis
July 13 Hea / Pyle
July 20 Hebson
July 27 Helfrich, Amy & Mark

Aug. 03 Helfrich, Rodney & June
Aug 10 Shaney
Aug. 17 Moore, R. & G.
Aug. 24 Mensing
Aug. 31 Shaver

On Dance Night PRIOR to your duty night:

- Help pack up supplies and jugs and put into Club Cupboard. Notify the Super Square Head, Sarah Grizard, at 408-377-5740, of any needed supplies or change of duty assignment dates.

Before the dance:

- Contact Square Head for following week to be sure they will be there.
- On scheduled night, the designated Square Heads should arrive **by 6:30 PM.**
- Set up tables and chairs as needed
- Bring 6-8 lbs ice for cooler and make ice water.
- Start hot water for tea and coffee.

During Club dance:

- Welcome everyone at the door
- Offer raffle tickets, 5 tickets for \$1.00
- Have guests sign guest book and collect \$4.00 donation per guest
- Give guest names to President or Membership Chair for introduction during announcements
- Divide the raffle proceeds – 50% to the Club, 50% to the “cups”
- Check that water and cups do not run out
- If Treasurer is not present, pass monies collected to any Executive Board Member

After the dance: Clean up!! Take the trash bags out to the dumpster (locked) located in the side parking lot. The key is hanging on the wall by the door to the kitchen. NOTE: tables must go into closet FIRST, then the chair “rack”.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY !!

Harry & Marilyn Shaver June 2
Their 50th!!! Congratulations!!!

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FUTURE SQUARE DANCE EVENTS

June 2: Ice Cream Fling Thing; Bow & Beaus

John Muir Middle School, San José
7:45 – 8:15 PM; PreRounds: Sue Harris
8:15 – 11:00 PM; Caller: Jet Roberts

June 9: Strawberry Festival; Sunnyvale Singles

John Muir Middle School, San José
7:30 – 8:00 PM; PreRounds: George Gardner
8:00 – 10:30 PM; Caller: Doug Davis

June 27–30: National Square Dance Convention

Charlotte, NC

July 6: Firecracker Hoedown

Newark Pavilion, Newark
8:00 – 8:20 PM; PreRounds: George Gardner
8:20 – 11:00 PM; Caller: Mike Seastrom

July 7: SCVSDA & SCVA Firecracker Hoedown

American Musical Theater
1717 Technology Dr., San José
Callers: Bob Elling, Al Knoppe, **Jim Osborne**,
Jerry Silverstein

July 21: Lucky Steppers Anniversary Slab Dance

The Slab on Mill St., Ben Lomond
7:00 – 7:30 PM; PreRounds with Sue Harris
7:30 PM; Caller: **Harold Fleeman**

Aug. 1-5: SCVSDA Dancing at The Fair

Aug. 4: Lucky Steppers Slab Dance

The Slab on Mill St., Ben Lomond
7:00 – 7:30 PM; PreRounds with Sue Harris
7:30 PM; Caller: Bill Silver

Aug. 11: Lucky Steppers Slab Dance

The Slab on Mill St., Ben Lomond
7:00 – 7:30 PM; PreRounds with Dan Drumheller
7:30 PM; Caller: Eric Henerlau

Aug. 18: Lucky Steppers Slab Dance

The Slab on Mill St., Ben Lomond
7:00 – 7:30 PM; PreRounds with Erin Byars
7:30 PM; Caller: Scott Byars

Westminster Squares

Invites you to our 5th Friday Party Night . . .

Free !!!

**Multiple Callers
from our Friday
Night Clubs**

Friday, June 29th

7:30 – 9:30 PM

Bring
Finger
Food !

Westminster Squares

1100 Shasta Avenue

San José (Corner of Shasta & The Alameda)

Call Diana at (408) 453-9450

Square Dance attire appreciated, but not required.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY !

- Ray Mensing June 6
- Annie Bennett June 9
- Sal Stagnitto June 9
- Morris Hosoda June 21
- Jim Osborne June 25
- Harry Shaver June 25

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER --

Hi Katydid

I would like to thank everyone for the Fry's Gift Card. It will come in handy. Fry's is one of my favorite places to shop.

The picnic is coming up on June 10 and I hope to see all of you at Central Park in Santa Clara. Everyone always has a great time at the picnic.

...Lloyd Darknell

The April Chronicles --

Hello, friends and family.

April brought us back to our meandering ways, albeit moving slowly and staying south with a watchful eye on the weather channel. Fortunately most of the nasty weather missed us, although we did hear tornado warning sirens in Montgomery and watched some drifting snowflakes at our NE Alabama campground. As usual, we discover more to do than we expected and leave each stop with a list of things to see and do on our "next time through".



We started near Mobile, AL. First stop was the USS Alabama, an amazing WW II floating city. And we enjoyed walking through the submarine USS

Drum here. At the other end of the time spectrum, we enjoyed the Pompeii exhibit and IMAX movie. While there, we proved (again) the "small world" theory by running into Randy, a square dance friend from Fort Worth. Other activities included the beautiful Bellingrath Gardens and the Dauphin Island Estuarium – exhibits on plant and animal life in the ever-changing coastal estuary. We had a great day at the Pensacola Naval Air Museum, but missed the air show by a couple days. We got to try Lambert's "thrown rolls" and attended lunch with the Alabama chapter of Escapees, full- and most-time RV'ers.



After a square dancing stop in Montgomery where we stayed in a nice (and empty) Corps of Engineers park, we headed to Ft Desoto State Park

in NE Alabama. After several months in the Florida lowlands we certainly noticed the altitude as we enjoyed the Laurel Loop Hiking Trail at 1600'. Finishing our drive around the beautiful Little River Canyon (Little River Falls pictured), we happened

upon a rope rescue of a student photographer who sprained an ankle getting her "perfect shot" from behind the right edge of the falls. Another evening we took the ride up to Chattanooga for a square dance at the wonderful Allemande Hall – overcoming the travel hazard of an unexpected time zone shift that hastened our supper considerably! Watched the snow and filed taxes.



Next stop, Huntsville, AL. Our primary objective was the Rocket & Space Museum, where we spent a day marveling at the huge launch

vehicles and the pace of improvement during 40 years of "space race". Great exhibits, including a couple of hands-on flight simulators (I crashed). This is the home of "Space Camp" for kids – it's easy to see why it's so popular while being a realistic experience. We stayed at Monte Sano State Park, another beautiful venue built atop the highest hill in the area! Nice hiking trails with views of the city (until the trees fill out) and a Japanese Garden area that must look much nicer later in the summer. Many of you should recognize this plane.



Heading west, we planned a quick overnight Wal-Mart stop in order to attend a dance in Corinth, MS. Well, as these things are want to go, the square dance

contact told us about the new Civil War Interpretive Center in Corinth that also covered Shiloh and the Western Theater/Mississippi River. We spent an enjoyable several hours here that included a most-interesting water sculpture depicting the national political maneuvering for the years leading up to the Civil War. Who would have guessed? Leaving Corinth and passing near Decatur we drove past the United Launch Alliance building – it's HUGE!!!

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Next stop, Memphis, TN. We found the Tennessee State Parks to be as pleasant – and empty – as those in Alabama. Graceland was the attraction that we



expected. Elvis's domination of the music at the time was displayed – this room was only one of several that held his musical awards – but we also got to see the

personal side, his simple tastes and the high cost of stardom on his personal life. The payoff came in his fleet of cars, motorcycles and jets! Another pop-up surprise was the Mud Island River Park & Museum. In addition to 17 different exhibits on Memphis and river history, there was a very interesting 1/4 mile long outdoor scale model of the Mississippi River.



The musical portion of our tour next took us to Nashville. We enjoyed a good lunch and a great show aboard the Gen Jackson Showboat. The Opry Hotel is an experience just to wander through, with its indoor gardens. The Opry Museum was another surprise – much more interesting than expected (another attraction throwing us out at closing time). Evening brought our attendance at a live radio broadcast of The Ryman Theater (the old Grand Ole Opry House) that featured Josh Turner, Diamond Rio, Pam Tillis and Peggy Lee. My cousin Doug Martin invited us over for a most pleasant evening and chance to meet his

wonderful family – one of the joys of our lifestyle. Finally, we spent the weekend with the KenTenn Escapees Chapter where in addition to great meals and stories, we toured the Nissan Auto Plant, a Tennessee Walking Horse Farm and the Jack Daniels Distillery (in a dry county???)

And thus April comes to an end. May is Kentucky month – mostly outdoors as is befitting spring. Send us an e-mail and let us know how you're doing and what your summer plans are. If your travel plans have you in the Midwest this summer, let us know – we'd love to see you.

Mary & Rod

817-308-5991



Our newest Club Members, Roger Hemsley and Char McAndrew, were married on May 12th with a small group of friends and relatives in attendance. The group included Char's brother and his wife, Roger's brother and his wife who works with Char (that is how they met) and Char's son and adopted daughter. For their honeymoon they took a week-long cruise of the Hawaiian Islands and should be back dancing with us soon.

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