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

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CLUB CALENDAR

Fri., May 06: **Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM; DBD PLUS WORKSHOP

Fri., May 13: **Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM; DBD PLUS WORKSHOP

Fri., May 20: **Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM
September Level Student Invitation Dance
PARTY NIGHT -- Wear **GREEN**

Fri., May 27: **Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM; DBD PLUS WORKSHOP

Fri., Jun 03: **Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM; DBD PLUS WORKSHOP
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Sun., Jun 05: **Annual Club Picnic & Alumni Reunion**
11:00 AM–2:00 PM ; Central Park, Santa Clara
Sign up / Questions: Skip: 408-871-9525

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Fri., Jun 10: **Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM; DBD PLUS WORKSHOP

Fri., Jun 17: **Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM; DBD PLUS WORKSHOP
PARTY NIGHT -- Wear **GREEN**

Fri., Jun 24: **Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM; DBD PLUS WORKSHOP

Sat., Jun 25: **Social Event**
Bus trip to the Reutlinger Mansion & Pritikin Museum in San Francisco with docent Gary Holloway. Catered poolside luncheon.

Fri., Jul 01: **Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM; DBD PLUS WORKSHOP
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SQUARE HEAD ASSIGNMENTS and DUTIES

Co-Super Square Heads
Lloyd (408-482-9320) & Carol (408-264-9606)

May 06 .....Thompson / Albino
May 13 .....Malstrom / McManus
May 20 .....Benevento
May 27 .....Esperas / Guinan

Jun 03 .....Graff / Scharfen
Jun 10 .....Darknell
Jun 17 .....Caywood
Jun 24 .....Stevens

Jul 01 .....Franger / Moore
Jul 08 .....Cosentino / Headman
Jul 15 .....Wies / Howlett
Jul 22 .....Angotti / Smith
Jul 29 .....De Lapp

Before the dance:

- Notify the co-Super Square Head, Lloyd Darknell, 408-482-9230 of any needed change 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. A Katydid with a key will open the doors.
- Sweep floor as necessary and set up tables and chairs.
- Make ice water.
- Start hot water for tea and coffee.

During Club dance:

- Welcome everyone at the sign-in table.
- Collect a $4.00 donation from each guest and have them sign in. "Regular" guests sign the prepared sheet, others 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.

After the dance:

- If Treasurer is not present, pass monies collected to any Executive Board Member.
- ALL MEMBERS: ***Clean up!*** Help pack up supplies and jugs and put 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 co-Super Square Head, Carol Headman, 408-264-9606 of any supplies needed.

UPCOMING SQUARE DANCE EVENTS

— PLUS LEVEL —

May 6-8: Silver State Square & Round Dance Festival
Grand Sierra Resort, Reno Nevada
Callers: Jerry Story, Michael Kellogg, Eric Henerlau
Cuers: Joe & Pat Hilton, Ron & Georgine Woolcock
www.squaredancenevada.com

May 7: Walk & Dodge into Spring; El Camino Reelers
St Andrews Methodist Church, Palo Alto
7:30 – 10:30 PM; Caller: Bill Eyler

May 14: Black and White Ball; Krazy Dazys
John Muir Middle School
7:30 – 8:00 PM; PreRounds: Sue Harris
8:00 – 10:30 PM; Caller: **JIM OSBORNE**

May 27-29: Rock Around the Clock; 58th Golden State Roundup
San Ramon Marriott
Callers: Ray Brendzy, Dan Nordbye, Bronc Wise, Joe Saltel
Cuers: Radka & Steven Sandeman

June 4: Ice Cream Fling Thing; Bows & Beaus
John Muir Middle School
7:30 – 8:00 PM; PreRounds: Sue Harris
8:00 – 10:30 PM; Caller: Hunter Keller

June 11: Strawberry Festival; Sunnyvale Squares
John Muir Middle School
Caller: Mike Seastrom

June 22-25: National Square Dance Convention
Detroit Michigan

July 9: A Midsummer Night's Dream; Clodhoppers
Peninsiula Community Ctr Gym, Redwood City
7:30 – 8:00 PM; PreRounds: John Flora
8:00 – 11:00 PM; Caller: Charlie Robertson

July 16: Starlight Hoedown; CPSD
Adira Dance parking lot, 1201 Lincoln Ave.
7:00 – 10:00 PM
Cuer: John Flora

July 23: Roadrunners Hoedown
Beresford Recreation Center, San Mateo

NEWER DANCER HOEDOWN

Be an angel – Support our newest dancers!!

Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church
728 W. Fremont Ave.

– January Class Level –
Saturday, May 21: Butterfly Ball; CPSD
7:35 – 9:35 PM
Callers: Roger Smith & Keith Ferguson

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Salutations Katydids

Your new president, Tork, here, and another year coming up, and another one down.

Last week the installation was held at Michaels in Mountain View. It was well attended, I believe. It was my second installation, and now I'm president. Hmm, how did that happen?

I would like to thank Stephanie for 2 1/2 years of service as President. She has done a great job! Dory has been involved with the board for 2 years, me for one. We have watched her march steadily on, doing remarkable things for the Club. Hopefully I can get half as organized as she has been.

Anyway, I'm looking forward to working with everyone on making Katydids a growing concern over the next year.

I enjoy the APD/DBD aspects of the Club. I would love to get a tip or two with a feeling of non-stop breezy dancing during the night. For me Jim's choreography, singing, and song selection are great.

And call me crazy, but I like the new caller tip at 8:30.

Coming up near term we have a new dancer invitational night coming up on May 20th. It's always fun to get a set of new dancers coming to the Club. We should all make feel welcome.

And of course the picnic, is always a fun event. Hopefully we have temperatures in the low 80's and a light breeze. Skip Stevens will be looking for volunteers. Remember it takes a few to help spread the load out.

Finally, I hope to do well in this new role, and I do believe I will get plenty of free advice. Feel free to bend my ear. If it's my turn to call on the new caller spot at 8:30, it might be best to wait till afterwards.

Happy dancing!

Tork

Katydids Annual Picnic & Reunion

Sunday, June 5, 2011

11 am to 2 pm

Eating at Noon

Central Park

909 Kiely Blvd.

Santa Clara

Members bring:

Appetizers

Salad/side dishes

(with serving spoons/forks)

Chairs

Plates and utensils

Drinks (special if desired)

Club provides:

Hamburgers

Hotdogs

Condiments

Drinks

Questions?
Skip - 408.871.9525

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FROM THE PICNIC CHAIR - -

I am still in need of a couple of volunteers to assist with the grilling of the hamburgers & hot dogs. Let me know if you can help out.

~ ~ Skip Stevens

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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Dave & Jenny Andersen .....May 25

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY ! !

Bill Matolyak .....May 08
Nanci Sharfen .....May 19
Ted Shaney .....May 23

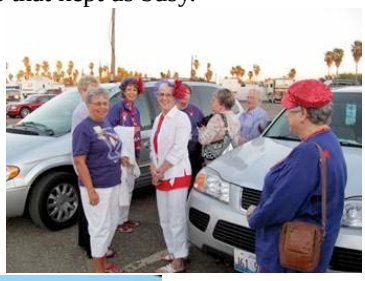
FROM MARY & ROD - -

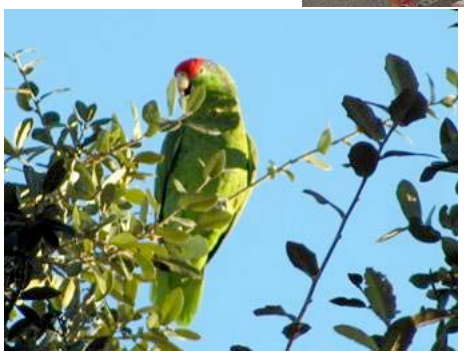
Below is an abbreviated letter recieved from retired Katydids members who are now full-time RVers. They visited us last October and we are hoping that since their travels this year will be on the west coast,that they will be able to visit us again!

April 12, 2011

Hello, friends and family! Let's see – Happy New Year! Happy President's Day! Hope you have your tax returns all prepared! We spent the winter in south Texas again – "the valley". It was our third season at Tropic Star, so we've gotten to know lots of the "Winter Texans" there and do a pretty good job of juggling the overwhelming schedule of activities. Enjoyed some favorite pastimes and tried some new ones. Here are some of the things that kept us busy.

The park has its own Red Hat group. Here some members are preparing to head out to a play. Lots of other activities kept these ladies busy all winter.





Among the new visitors this year was a large flock of green parrots that really enjoyed the citrus trees. They stayed with us about a week, showing up for 'happy hour'

A new event in the park was Can-Am night. The dining hall was packed for some cultural education, trivia quizzes and entertainment. The American apple pie and Canadian ice cream probably helped.

Another bus trip – a catamaran sail from South Padre Island around the bay. This is the "before" picture – I'm not allowed to publish the "after" version.

For the first time we made it to "BorderFest". The parade was amazing! Dozens of marching units and floats built by local schools and organizations. Several were quite elaborate and the parade went on for over 2 hours! Then food and entertainment all afternoon and evening. Glad we went!

Several state parks and local sites comprise the World Birding Center – a resting and feeding area for many migrator species heading to/from Central America. Several are bike-friendly and we enjoyed our trip to Benson Palms State Park.

We've learned that we have to plan some rest time when we leave Pharr, so we headed to Choke Canyon State Park where this was our front yard. Nothing more strenuous than a short bird walk and some bicycling around the park roads. Slept late, read a lot, leisurely breakfasts – for 5 days.

Finished the month in Rockport/Fulton on the gulf coast. Started to get back in gear by catching up on a lot of paperwork (read taxes) and some trailer chores. We did get out for some seafood and harbor views – but the whooping cranes are already gone.

And a start at getting back on track with these newsletters. Well, that was our winter – a lot milder than most of you had this year! So how are you welcoming Spring? What are your plans for the summer? We'll be heading for the northwest, attending rallies in Idaho, Oregon and Wyoming this summer before starting down the Pacific coast to the Carriage National Rally in California the end of October. Let us know if our paths might cross – it's always fun to get together.

Mary & Rod

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2011 INSTALLATION BRUNCH

Sunday, May 1, 2011
Michaels at Shoreline

Stephanie Stevens, Outgoing President

Jim Osborne, Club Caller

Front Row: Officers – Naomi Grubb, Char Pitts, Tork Clark, Parker Willey, Tillie Tillman, Morris Hosoda

Photographs courtesy of Skip Stevens, Lloyd Darknell, and John Caywood

Bill Matolyak. Emma, Roger Smith, Pat Angotti, Jim Osborne, Linda Caywood, Gary De Lapp, Sue De Lapp, Gregg Smart, Barbara Johnson, Ingrid Krulee, John Caywood, Sandy Franger, Bob Hebson, Sue Willey, Denis Moore, Jane Bishop, Lloyd Darknell, Maxine Darknell, Stephanie Stevens, Dory Clark, Skip Stevens (not shown: Opal Hebson)

Maxine Darknell, Tork Clark, Incoming President

Morris Hosoda

Greg Smart, Naomi Grubb

Roger Smith, Pat Angotti

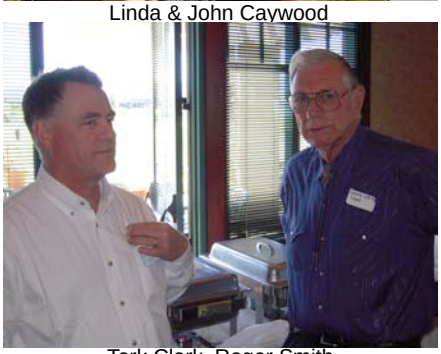
Stephanie & Skip Stevens

Parker Willey, Maxine Darknell, Barbara Johnson

Linda & John Caywood

Linda Caywood

Char Pitts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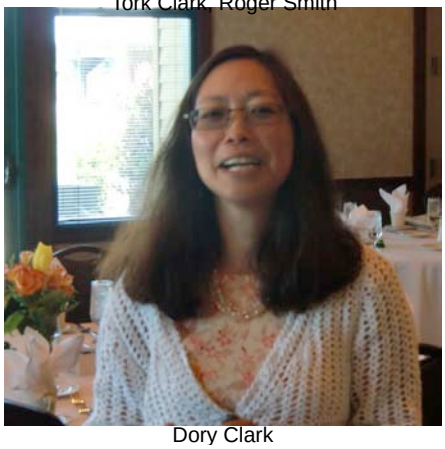
Dory Clark

Sue De Lapp, Pat Angotti, Gary De Lapp

Char Pitts, Tillie Tillman

Ingrid Krulee, Dory Clark, Sandy Franger

Greg Smart, Pat Angotti

A Great Buffet Lunch!

Opal Hebson

Linda & John Caywood

Sandy Franger, Char Pitts

Dory Clark

Barbara Johnson, Jane Bishop

Morris Hosoda, Bob Hebson, Lloyd Darknell

Emma, Bill Matolyak, Stephanie Stevens

Maxine & Lloyd Darknell

Sue Willey

Katydids
Newer Dancer Invitation Night

Friday, May 20, 2011
7:00 - 9:30 pm
Campbell United Church of Christ
400 W. Campbell Avenue, Campbell

Free to students with class badge.

Caller: Jim Osborne

Discovered: The cute Katydids napkin rings were made by Louise Hosoda for the purpose of putting them around the diplomas of our graduates.

From the Kitchen of Pat Angotti - -

MARTHA'S CHOCOLATE ICING

Makes 1 1/2 c. Enough to frost a 13x9" cake

1 c. granulate sugar
5 T. butter
1/3 c. whole milk
1 c. semi-sweet chocolate chips

Place the sugar, butter, and milk in a medium-size saucepan over medium-high heat. Stir until the mixture comes to a boil, 3 to 4 minutes. Still stirring, let the mixture boil until the sugar dissolves, 1 minute. Remove the pan from the heat.

Stir in the chocolate chips, and continue to stir until the mixture is smooth and the chocolate ha melted.

Spread icing over the cooled cake or cupcakes or even spread it over ice cream!

From the Kitchen of Pat Angotti - -

CHOCOLATE MAYONNAISE CAKE

Serves 12 to 16

1 pkg (18.25 oz) devil's food cake mix
3 eggs
1 1/3 c. milk
1 c. mayonnaise
1/2 t. ground cinnamon (optional)

Preheat oven to 350ºF
In a large mixer bowl, combine cake mix, eggs, milk, mayonnaise and cinnamon. Beat on medium speed for 2 minutes or until smooth. Spread batter evenly in prepared 13x9" greased cake pan. Bake for 35 to 40 minutes. Cool completely. Frost as desired.

Note: You can replace water with milk in cake mixes for added nutrition. Keep in mind that it lightens the color of darker cakes.

MEET KATYDIDS MEMBERS:

John & Linda Caywood

John and Linda have been Katydids members since about the spring of 2008. They started by taking classes at the Stanford Quads in September of 2007. They started coming to Katydids as the class was finishing off in late spring of 2008.

Linda was born in Palo Alto and has been in the area for most of her life. She started in the banking industry and switched to the then booming chip industry working at Fairchild, LSI, and VLSI. In her younger days she enjoyed water skiing.

John was born in Oklahoma City. He lived there until he was about 6 or 7, then his family moved to Venezuela for awhile, then on to Calgary, Canada for 4-5 years. John's father was a petroleum engineer. While John was about middle school age, the whole family packed up again and moved to Hawaii where his mother still lives.

John attended high school in Hawaii, then was off to the University of Oklahama where he received his degree in Civil Engineering. He still maintains his C.E. Certificate with the State of California and still enjoys taking small side jobs in the field to keep his feet wet.

He has had a couple of recent projects including a retaining wall around a cabin in the mountains, then raising the cabin 3 feet to make it livable. Also a house in Fremont, adding a second story. The big issue here is the house sits right on the fault. Someday, we may see if John's "calc's", hold true.

John and Linda enjoy going to warm places for vacation. Hawaii, where John is from, is one of their favorites. They have also spent one good vacation in Europe, before they were married, where John made a mistake that still *haunts* him. They were in Venice and lounging at the San Marcos Plaza and the vacation was going really good and the way the story is told, the "mood was just right". Linda asked John if there were any important questions needing asking. John's resulting question was a near term question, not a long term question. Oh well, after getting back to the States. John and Linda decided to get married.

The next vacation planned is to Hawaii, where Linda will be with her son and two grandchildren. John's mother still lives there, making longer vacations economical.

John's new job at, Quantum Secure, where he started Feb 23, has him working hard trying to get established. John is a software engineer presently doing Active-X and multi-threaded socket programming. Hopefully he can make some of the vacation described above. They do plan on making some of the weekend bigger hoedowns.

John and Linda enjoy Square Dancing because they meet folks who like to get out of the house and do something in a group situation. And to add a famous phrase, go to a place, "where everybody knows your name". They are also members of the Rockin' Jokers. Hopefully once John get established at his new job, we can see more of them at Katydid's.

Submitted by Tork Clark

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Thank you Pat, for sharing this photograph of retired Katydids Bob & Annie Bennett from your recent trip to St. George, Utah. They certainly are looking happy and healthy!

FIRST CLASS MAIL

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