

# CHIRPER



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Katydids Square Dance Club Newsletter

Volume 56, No 5

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

**The ants are coming ... Are you?**

**Katydids' Annual Picnic & Reunion**  
Santa Clara Central Park, Arbor C  
Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>  
11 AM to 3 PM, eating at 1 PM  
Sign up with Lloyd: 408-482-9320  
Invite your friends!

## CLUB CALENDAR



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

**Fri., May 03: Resurrection Lutheran Church**

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing  
**THEME:** Cinco de Mayo Day

**Mon., May 06: In/Out Board Meeting CANCELLED**

Was rescheduled for Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>

**Fri., May 10: Resurrection Lutheran Church**

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing  
**THEME:** Happy Mother's Day

**Fri., May 17: Resurrection Lutheran Church**

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing  
**THEME:** Armed Forces Day

**Fri., May 24: Resurrection Lutheran Church**

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing  
**THEME:** Mushroom Mardis Gras

**Fri., May 31: Resurrection Lutheran Church**

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing  
FREE 5th Friday  
**THEME:** National Strawberry Month

**Sun., Jun. 2: Annual Club Picnic and Reunion**

Santa Clara Central Park, Arbor C  
909 Kiely Blvd., Santa Clara  
9:00 – 3:00PM; eat at 1:00

Bring: Potluck item to share, Lawn chair, Personal beverage, Table service. Club will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, condiments and bottled water

**Fri., Jun. 07: Resurrection Lutheran Church**

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing  
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**THEME:** National Chocolate Ice Cream Day

**Fri., Jun. 14: Resurrection Lutheran Church**

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing  
**THEME:** Happy Father's Day

**Fri., Jun. 21: Resurrection Lutheran Church**

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing  
**THEME:** First Day of Summer

**Fri., Jun. 28: Resurrection Lutheran Church**

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara  
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing  
**THEME:** Fruit & Veggie Month

**SQUARE HEAD ASSIGNMENTS  
and DUTIES**

- May 03 .....Nassau / Robinson
- May 10 .....Braaten / Clark
- May 17 .....Smith, D / Darknell
- May 24 .....Wilhelmsen
- May 31 .....Franger / Moore
  
- Jun. 07 .....Grubb / Lehnhoff
- Jun. 14 .....Allen, T. / Hosoda
- Jun. 21 .....Schwartz / Allen, L.
- Jun. 28 .....Bruns
  
- Jul. 05 .....Wilser / Standridge
- Jul. 12 .....Nassau / Village
- Jul. 19 .....Pitts / Willey
- Jul. 26 .....Kay / Robinson

**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 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.
- Set up at least 32 chairs. Bring out more chairs 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 table 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

- May 4: Black and White Ball; Gadabouts**  
Resurrection Lutheran Church  
2495 Cabrillo, Santa Clara  
7:30 – 8:00PM Pre-Rounds: Sue & Phil Harris  
8:00 – 10:30PM Caller: **Jim Osborne**  
Bring refreshments to share.
  
- May 10-12: Silver State Square & Round Dance Festival**  
Reno Ballroom, 401 N. Center St., Reno, Nevada  
Callers: Tom Miller, Tony Oxendine, Charlie Robertson  
Cuers: Milo & Cinda Molitoris, Debby & Tim Vogt  
Mary Ann Callahan & Craig Cowan
  
- May 11: Butterfly Ball; CPSD (Easy Plus)**  
Camden Community Center, 3369 Union Ave., San José  
7:30 – 9:45PM  
Caller: Tork Clark  
Bring refreshments to share.  
After party at Round Table Pizza
  
- May 24-26: Golden State RoundUp; NCSDA**  
Grape Festival Fairgrounds, Lodi  
Callers: Dee Dee Dougherty, Ray Brendzy, Jay Henderson, Charlie Robertson  
Cuers: Rey & Sherry Gracia
  
- June 1: Ice Cream Fling Thing; Bows & Beaus**  
John Muir Middle School  
1260 Branham Ln, San José  
7:30 – 8:00PM PreRounds by Sue Harris  
8:00 – 10:30PM Caller: Buddy Weaver
  
- June 8: Slab Dance; Lucky Steppers (Plus & Mainstream)**  
The Slab, 9525 Mill St., Ben Lomond  
6:30 – 7:00PM PreRounds: Sue Harris, Janet Passarino  
7:00 – 10:00PM Callers: Terry Passarino
  
- June 15: Slab Dance; Lucky Steppers**  
The Slab, 9525 Mill St., Ben Lomond  
6:30 – 7:00PM PreRounds: Sue Harris  
7:00 – 10:00PM Callers: Tork Clark, Mike Luna
  
- June 22: Slab Dance; Lucky Steppers**  
The Slab, 9525 Mill St., Ben Lomond  
6:30 – 7:00PM PreRounds: Sue Harris  
7:00 – 10:00PM Callers: Mike Sikorsky
  
- June 24-29: National Square Dance Convention**  
Atlanta, Georgia

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**SUPPORT OUR NEWEST DANCERS!**

**-- January Class Level --**

**May 18: April Showers Bring May Flowers Hoedown; Castaways**  
Resurrection Lutheran Church  
2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara  
7:30 – 10:00 PM  
Callers: **Thomas Allen**, Roger Smith

**May 19: Newer Dancer Hoedown; Swinging 21ers**  
Elks Lodge, 38991 Farwell Dr., Fremont  
2:00 – 5:00PM

**Katydids Square Dance Club**

# Annual Picnic & Reunion

**CLUB PROVIDES**



**Member's Bring:**

Appetizers or Desserts  
Salad/Side Dishes  
(with Serving Spoons/Forks)  
Chairs  
Plates & Utensils  
Your Special Drinks

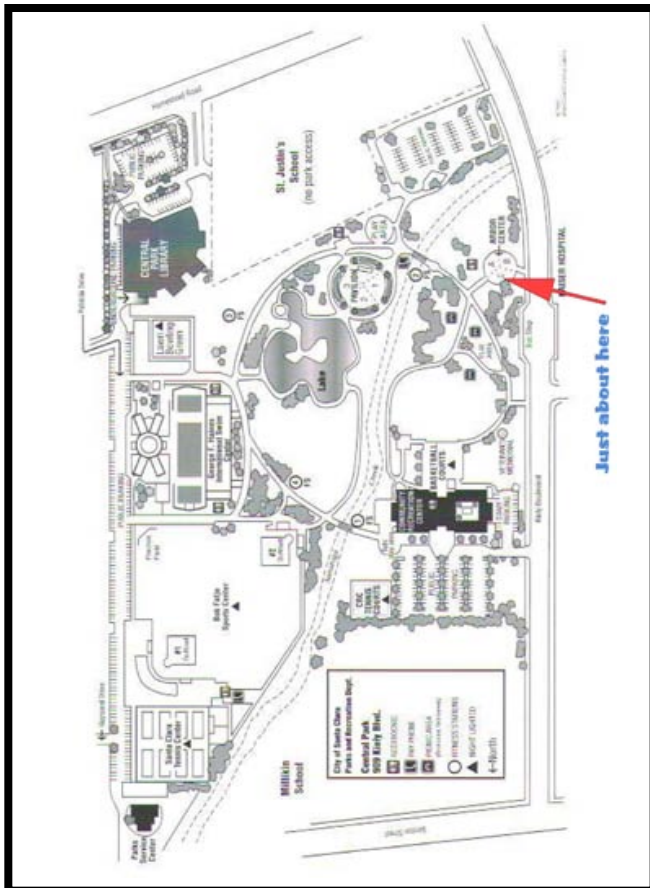


Contact Lloyd (408-482-9320) to help with set-up at 9 AM or BBQing




VISIT: [www.katydids.org](http://www.katydids.org)

**11 AM to 3 PM**  
**Eating at 1 PM** **Sunday, June 2, 2019**  
**SAME AREA** **Central Park, 909 Kiely Blvd., Santa Clara**  
**PAST YEARS**



## PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Hi Katydids,

Well, here is my last Presidents report to you because your new officers will be taking the reins on May 1<sup>st</sup>. I have enjoyed being your President for the last 3½ years even after the initial shock of getting the job back for the second time when Linda Caywood resigned as President. Now that I am a past president I plan on doing a lot more traveling this year. I also would like to thank Liv, Bea, and Val for all their hard work in securing a new Board and helping with the election.

I know that Stephanie will do a good job running the club as President this year. However, we need more members to step up and help the Board with the Club activities; the Board can only do so much without your help. We need members to step up and take on some of the appointed positions. Ease the burden on the board and volunteer to help.

### TWELVE WAYS - TO RUIN GOOD OFFICERS

1. Talk to the others during announcements made by an officer and then ask what was said.
2. Talk about officers behind their back with rumors. Do not let facts influence you.
3. Assume officers do not know what they are doing - tell them what and how to do everything.
4. Ask questions why certain things are not done. Especially do this to new officers.
5. Always resist new ideas... say, "that's not the way it has been done. . ."
6. Complain to your club officers whenever you see them. Telephone to complain whenever you can.
7. Be first to say, "it will never work" and "I told you so".
8. Speak often of previous officers and how great they were.
9. NEVER volunteer to help with club business or functions. Say "yes" but don't follow through
10. NEVER, NEVER encourage club officers by thanking them for their efforts.
11. NEVER speak up for your officers or give them a pat on the back.
12. NEVER be available for any work at club functions to give officers a break once in a while.

**Lloyd**



# CLUB NIGHTS

Friday, April 26, 2019  
NATIONAL PRETZEL DAY



### Campbell UCC Food Pantry Needs:

At our FREE 5th Friday dance this month we will be collecting non-perishable food and supplies for the Campbell United Church of Christ Food Pantry. A cash donation can be made in place of food items if you so wish. Pat Angotti or Alice McManus will take the donated items to the church.

*The Food Pantry is particularly in need of:*

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|---|---------------|
| Jam   | Canned Soup   |
| Jelly   | Juice         |
| Peanut Butter                                     | BACK packs    |
| Hot Cider   | Sleeping bags |
| Cold and hot cereal                               | Razors        |
| Toothpaste  | Bus passes    |
| Batteries (AA & AAA)                              |               |
| Canned meat, tuna, chicken                        |               |
| Over-the -Counter allergy relief                  |               |
| Family & Sample size shampoo, Conditioner, Lotion |               |
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Photos courtesy Steph Stevens

WELCOME BACK, TILLIE!!!

## Congratulations

to the new 2019-20 Executive Board:

- President: Stephanie Stevens
- Vice President: Janna Standridge
- Secretary: Steven Lehnhoff
- Treasurer: Skip Stevens
- Publicity: Naomi Grubb

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- Bill Matolyak.....May 08
- Thomas Allen .....May 17
- Art Bruns .....May 18
- Jane Bishop.....May 31

## Meet Our Members!

*Jan Dixon*

Not only is Jan a great dancer who always is ready for the next square, she is also a super enthusiastic person with all sorts of amazing skills and talents! We are so glad to have Jan come and dance with us on Friday nights!

To keep up my trend of interviewing San Jose natives, Jan was also raised here in San Jose. She attended Pala School in East San Jose for grades 1-8 and then went next door to James Lick High School and graduated four years later from there. She was a member of quite a number of different clubs during high school. She did swimming ballet, which she explained is another name for synchronized swimming. Somehow, swimming ballet was neither a sport nor a club, though, and, thus, was never pictured in the yearbook. Not to fear, though, Jan was also a part of several clubs that



*Sr. Year High School Yearbook photo*

the Yearbook committee was willing to take pictures of, including the Bible Club, the Drama Club, and the Rifle Club. Yes, the Rifle Club. Perhaps the rest of you will not be as astonished as I was to hear that this was a school sponsored and endorsed activity! Each Tuesday, Jan would bring her rifle to school (!!!) and the club adviser would lock it in his trunk along with the other kid's rifles until it was time to go shooting at the range at the National Guard Armory. Have times changed or what!? Also, I'm pretty sure that Jan doesn't currently keep a rifle locked in the trunk of her car, but just in case, let's not mess with Jan... She seems like she'd be a heck of a good shot!



*Riffle Club. Jan is in the back with the scarf.*

In high school, too, Jan also met her future husband. The girl next door met a boy at the roller skating rink and he asked her to go to Santa Cruz for the day with him. Problem was: her mother said she couldn't go. Finally mom acquiesced, so long as it was a double date. This was fantastic, but now they both needed to find someone willing to go on a blind double date. Thankfully for everyone, Jan was willing to be talked into it and she went on her first and only blind date. Her blind date's name was Nolen and the two of them hit it off. They married two years later when Jan graduated from high school and were married for 50 years until Nolen's death in 2006. (As an aside, the other couple dated for a year or so and finally went their separate ways.)

Nolen was in the naval reserves during this time. Of course, soon after, they got married and he went active, making Jan a Navy wife. There are some people who don't mind having their spouse gone for long periods of time. Jan isn't one of them, so these Navy years were hard. She was happy when

he left the Navy four years later. When he initially went in for his training, she decided to move in with her parents since it didn't make sense for her to follow him when he would only be in San Diego training for 3 months. A year and a half later, she was still with her parents as Nolen spent the next 18 months serving aboard an aircraft carrier in the Mediterranean Sea. Nolen was finally assigned shore duty in Norfolk, Virginia for a couple of years and, 3 months before Nolen finished his military service, their son, David, was born. The family then returned to San Jose. A year later, they bought a house close to both of their parent's homes. Five years after David was born their daughter, Sharon, was born and completed the family.

If you want to irritate Jan (though, this is not recommended... again, rifle club, good shot...), you can tell her that mothers don't work. When her son was little, in addition to raising him, she also ran a small daycare and took in foster children. At one point, she had three daycare children, two foster kids, and her own son. Three of the six children were still in diapers, but she was continually told that she "didn't work." A few years later, after her daughter was born, she decided to stop taking in additional children and just focus on raising her two kids. Her daughter is 5 years younger than her son and, eventually, when her daughter was in 1<sup>st</sup> grade, an opportunity arose for her to be able to work outside of her home as well as be around for her children after school and she jumped at the chance.

In 1972, Jan had dropped her daughter off at school for the day and was having coffee with a neighbor in her PJ's when the neighbor happened to mention that the school was hiring aides. She ran home and called the principal, who she happened to know. He was with the hiring committee and they had just finished up with the final candidate. She asked if she could come interview right now and he said yes. She threw on some clothes and ran over to the school and interviewed. She was hired and proceeded to work as a paraeducator for the school district for the next 35 years. At some point, they decided that paraeducators should have a degree and so she began taking classes at City College. She was busy raising a family, working for the school, traveling, dancing, etc, so was only able to fit in about 1 class/semester. She did finally graduate with a degree in paraeducation when she was in her 70's. In her 35 years in the school district, she primarily worked with special ed children, including the blind and vision impaired. She very much enjoyed working with these kids hands-on in the classroom and she would help by reading aloud quietly the things that were written on the board by the teacher. She would also help transcribe books and worksheets for them into Braille. Yes, among her other awesome skills, Jan can read, write, and transcribe Braille! She also spent 12 years working with severe emotionally disturbed (SED) adolescents. From her description of this work, working with SED kids sounded very emotionally intense, but fulfilling. Jan retired from the school district when she was 72. The school district had decided that the best use of her time was to have her transcribe things into Braille full-time in a room by herself. She asked them to put her back in the classroom because she wanted to be able to interact with the kids. That was the part of the job she enjoyed the most. They wouldn't or couldn't give her what she wanted, so she waited out the year and then retired. While Jan really enjoyed her work, she also *really* enjoys being retired. She

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likes the freedom of not being tied down to a job and just so enjoys being able to say 'yes,' when someone calls with a fun idea.

Jan is also a super outdoorsy lady! She loves horseback riding, camping, backpacking, white river rafting, boating, swimming, and scuba diving. What she does not enjoy is fishing. The first time she went fishing, they went out at 5 AM. It was cold and foggy and they didn't catch a darn thing. Her second time, she caught a 34" sturgeon, but the rule was that you had to throw back anything that was under 36", so it was all for naught. She swore at that point that she wasn't going fishing again! When Jan's son was in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade, his teacher took them to Los Padres to go backpacking. Jan went as a volunteer chaperone. The next week, she brought her family back to the same spot and, from then on, they were hooked. As a family, they enjoyed lots of camping and backpacking trips over the years. Jan and Nolen also really enjoyed boating in the Sacramento



Jan & Nolen's boat, the NoJan

Delta. They had their own boat that they named *the NoJan* and many of Jan's favorite memories are from the weeks they spent boating. Nolen would fish and Jan would run the boat. They often also invited friends to come out with them, which was logistically interesting because there wasn't a lot of sleeping space. They made-do though! Their best friends, Nancy and Bob, were their most frequent visitors. It made for an interesting time because Nolen and Nancy are early risers who love to fish. Jan and Bob like to sleep in late and prefer doing pretty much anything instead of fishing. By the time Jan and Bob would wake up, Nolen and Nancy would already be up, finished fishing, and eating breakfast! Jan would also take the boat out by herself for 2 whole weeks every summer! She would run the boat all over the Delta and, while she didn't fish, she did love to swim. And, what's more, she doesn't care how deep the water is. She figures that, if it's over 6 feet, it's over her head any way you look at it. What does it matter if it's 6, 15, or 100 ft? I can see the logic, Jan, but my insides disagree so much!

Jan and Nolen began square dancing in the early 70's. They were in a very stressful time of life and found that square dancing was a place where they could forget their troubles for a while. They began dancing on Friday nights at a club called by Joe Johnson. It was called the See Saws and had over 100 members, who were friends on and off the dance floor. In fact, they met many of their best friends square dancing, spending holidays with them and even vacationing together. The ladies of the club were also not only square dancers, but were party planners, too. They planned a number of weddings, some funerals, and quite a number of hoedowns, including a pirate themed one with clam chowder, and Running Bear. Jan and Nolen loved to travel to the square dance festival weekends and many people often marveled at how they would share a room with their friends. In their estimation, though, compared



Jan and Nolen dancing with the See-Saws at the old Civic Auditorium

with the space on their boat, a whole room was luxury, even if it did have 4 people in it! Plus, they didn't spend much time in the room. They were too busy dancing! Fun fact: both Joe Johnson and one of the most promising up-and-coming callers, Jim Osborne, called at Jan and Nolen's 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary at the Grange! They continued to square dance until about 2001. For the last 5 years of Nolen's life, though, he rode a scooter. Occasionally, they would go out with their square dance friends, but weren't doing much dancing. For five years after his death, too, Jan just didn't feel like she wanted to square dance. Eventually, though, she decided to come back and she began dancing with the Sunnyvale Singles, which turned into the Sunnyvale Squares. When, the Sunnyvale Squares shut down, she came to Katydids and we are thrilled that she has joined us! Jan, however, dances 3-4 nights/week and so, in addition to Katydids, she is also an angel for Roger's Tuesday night class, dances with the Bell Swingers (an A1 club) on Wednesday nights, and attends hoedowns whenever she can. Phew! No wonder she's in such great shape!

Now, Jan is retired and her son lives with her here in San Jose. Her daughter lives in Placerville. She has two grown granddaughters and two great grandchildren. Her youngest granddaughter will be getting married in October! Jan drives up to Placerville every month or two to visit her daughter and granddaughter and sometimes she even goes up to babysit her granddog, Tucker, when her daughter is away. Since she has retired, she also really enjoys traveling and she does quite a bit of traveling with her friend, Nancy, who now lives in Las Vegas. The breakfast! She figures that, two of them like to explore national parks together, go hiking, and have all sorts of other fun adventures. These ladies have been best friends for years and know how to have fun!



Other interesting facts about Jan:  
-In addition to her husband serving in the Navy, her daughter was a Marine and her oldest granddaughter was in the Air Force.

Valley of Fire, Nevada. Jan and Nancy eating strawberries and drinking champagne.

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-Nolen and Jan acted in melodramas for many years with the VAL League. The two of them played many roles, though Nolen was usually cast as the villain, which Jan explains was due to his deep voice. Each year, they would produce a melodrama and put on the play for 2-3 nights and then give the proceeds to charity. The club picked a different charity each year to donate to.



*On Stage with a melodrama for VAL League.*

-Jan loves to horseback ride. She does English style because it's easier to jump than in Western style.



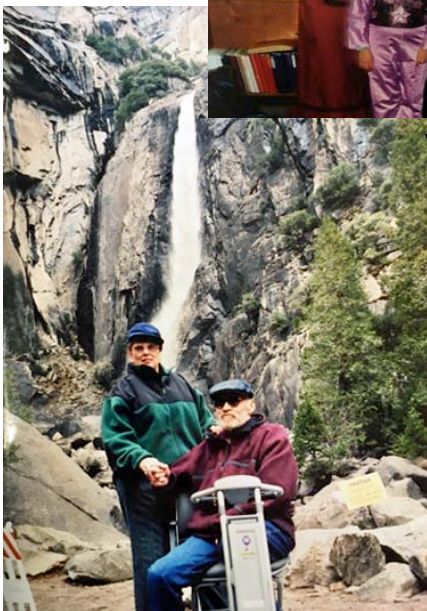
*Jan horseback riding.*

- Jan's daughter and son went through a square dancing class when they were 10 and 15, but didn't continue dancing afterward.

-Her aunt was a showgirl in the Ziegfeld Follies in the 1910's.



*Jan with her students at Halloween.*



*Jan & Nolen on anniversary trip to Yosemite Falls (2005)*

*Submitted by  
Lauren Allen,  
Chirper Columnist*

**Katydid's Square Dance Club**

# Our Cinco de Mayo Day Friday Dance



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



## Cinco de Mayo is Nacho Average Party! May 3, 2019

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

**Katydid's Square Dance Club**

# HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY Friday Dance

TEACHER  
patient  
FRIEND  
nurturer



devoted  
hugs & kisses  
LISTENER  
caring

compassionate  
unconditional love  
sacrificer

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

thoughtful  
ENCOURAGES  
strengthener

The best medicine in the world is a MOTHER'S HUG!



**May 10, 2019**



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



**Katydids Square Dance Club**

# Armed Forces Day Friday Dance

**Armed Forces Day**

THANK YOU TO ALL THAT SERVE

**ARMED FORCES DAY SHOW YOUR SUPPORT**

**THANK YOU!**

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

Armed Forces Day traditionally the third Saturday in May, honors all of the US Military Service  
**May 17, 2019**  
Resurrection Lutheran Church - 2495 Cabrillo Ave. - Santa Clara, CA

**Katydids Square Dance Club**

# MUSHROOM MARDI GRAS FRIDAY DANCE

**MORGAN HILL MUSHROOM Mardi Gras**

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

Morgan Hill's Mushroom Mardi Gras Festival will be held Sat. & Sun., May 25 & 26  
**May 24, 2019**  
Resurrection Lutheran Church - 2495 Cabrillo Ave. - Santa Clara, CA

**Katydids Square Dance Club**

# National Strawberry Month Friday Dance

**National Strawberry Month**  
May

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

I love **BERRIES**. Straw...blue...rasp...black..., anything with a "berry cream" in it.  
**May 31, 2019**  
Resurrection Lutheran Church - 2495 Cabrillo Ave. - Santa Clara, CA

**Katydids Square Dance Club**

# National Chocolate Ice Cream Day Friday Dance

**NATIONAL CHOCOLATE ICE CREAM DAY**  
June 7

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

If you like chocolate you'll LOVE chocolate ice cream!  
**June 7, 2019**  
Resurrection Lutheran Church - 2495 Cabrillo Ave. - Santa Clara, CA



**Chirper Chatter...**

**Bea Clark** is spending a week in Boise, ID so will miss our dance on May 3; hopefully will have some reading material on her trip...



Real nice to see **Tillie Tillman** and daughter, Laurie, at our April 26 dance. It seems like **Tillie** is ready to rejoin us in May since he paid his dues...

***A little something about OUR THEMES:***

**On Mother's Day (Katydid's May 10):** I'm so grateful you're in my life. I hope you have a wonderful day ahead. Happy Mother's Day! I love how wonderful you are with our kids; they love you so much, and so do I. I hope you have a fantastic Mother's Day!

**On Armed Forces Day (May 17):** Armed Forces Day was a day for the military to show "state-of-the-art" equipment to Americans. It was also a day to honor and acknowledge Americans in the armed forces. Parades, open houses, receptions and air shows were held at the inaugural Armed Forces Day.

**On Mushroom Mardi Gras (May 24):** Our theme is to prepare you for the Morgan Hill Mushroom Mardi Gras for Saturday and Sunday, May 25 & 26. The festival star is the mushroom. Visit the Mushroom Educational Display and Exhibit sponsored by the Western Mushroom Marketing Association will be located in the Community & Cultural Center for free samples of blended beef & mushroom meatballs, free tote bags and purchase fresh mushrooms. Enjoy Cooking Demonstrations featuring mushroom dishes. Visit the many food vendors showcasing Mushroom dishes from stuffed, sautéed, sandwiched, deep fried and grilled. And don't forget to meet the festival mascot, Mardi the Mushroom.

**Strawberry Month (May 31):** Strawberries are the first fruit after rhubarb to ripen in spring and early summer. They are the siren call of early-season farmers markets in warmer and temperate climates, harkening people to market before that day's supply runs out. Perfectly ripe strawberries are best eaten out of hand, of course, but they also make great additions to salads and plenty of desserts.

**Chocolate Ice Cream (June 7):** Chocolate ice cream is generally made by blending cocoa powder along with the eggs, cream, vanilla and sugar used to make vanilla ice cream. Sometimes chocolate liquor is used in addition to cocoa powder, or it is used exclusively, to create the chocolate flavor.

**WANTED...**

As most of you are astutely aware, I am beginning to back off from the many chores that I have been doing by request or created by me to supposedly help keep the club alive and vibrant. If any of you are willing to take on some of these chores, please let me or Steph know.

Chirper Chatter columnist  
Birthdays and Anniversaries administrator  
Printer and graphics designer

I have thoroughly enjoyed my active time with Katydid's and I still expect to help when I can. This may sound like I am resigning but remember... Louise and I are LIFE MEMBERS.

Please give a strong support to your new Katydid's Board as they are the authorities to run your club efficiently and effectively. If you see a necessary rule to be made or changed, contact any Board member and ask it to be on the next Board meeting agenda and you can show up at the meeting to support your case. Remember also that many things that social clubs do are not necessarily written in the books but done that way for years and it becomes the RULE, written or not...in legalese term, it is called "common law."

I like Maya Angelou's famous quote:

***People forget what you SAID,  
People forget what you DID,  
But people will never forget how  
you made them FEEL!***

**I'VE LEARNED 2 VERY  
IMPORTANT LESSONS  
IN MY LIFE. I CAN'T  
RECALL THE FIRST ONE,  
BUT THE SECOND ONE IS  
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