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Katydid Square Dance Club Newsletter

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



CLUB CALENDAR



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KATYDIDS' CLUB EVENTS

All Katydids in-person events have been postponed, cancelled or otherwise on hold until further notice. We are, however, meeting via ZOOM at 7:00pm on Friday nights. Join us!!

LOCAL SQUARE DANCING EVENTS

Most local square dancing events have also been postponed or cancelled until further notice.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Hello Katydid's & Friends!

Well, wouldn't you know . . . just as it was beginning to look hopeful for being able to open up square dancing soon, we find ourselves in another "surge." Sigh . . . BIG sigh!!

We are thankful for many of us being able to connect with each other via our ZOOM meetings on Friday nights. I must say the topics discussed are certainly varied!!

For example, last Friday we were talking about the comparison of using the iron lung for polio vs the ventilators being used today for those with the COVID-19 virus. Did you know that there is still one person who uses an iron lung for a few hours each day?

And, **Jack Colistra** told us about his experiences with the Wuhan, China, Market (including the live animals) when he was there many years ago while visiting a teacher's college there.

A couple of weeks ago **Jim** informed us that his wife, **Joann**, was having trouble with her blood counts. Ten years ago she was diagnosed with Acute Myelogenous Leukemia, a cancer of the blood & bone marrow. She had a stem-cell transplant and has been cancer free ever since. Unfortunately, however, her current blood work is showing signs of a recurrence but hasn't crossed that line that says "Yes, the cancer has returned." **Jim and Joanne**, you are in our thoughts and prayers!

Jim also told us about how years ago he climbed the North Tower off the Golden Gate Bridge while installing a 2-way public safety site in the perpetual heavy wind passing over the Golden Gate. I can't even begin to imagine the kind of fortitude he must have had to do that . . .



For those who remember former Club member, **Don Powell, Char** recently let me know that a memorial paver honoring **him** has finally been installed at the Los Gatos Veterans Memorial. It had

been ordered years ago. Some things take a long time, I guess!

Last Wednesday was Armistice/Veterans/Remembrance/Poppy Day. In the U.S. this is a day celebrating the service of all U.S. military veterans. If you served and are reading this: We honor you and your service to our country. THANK YOU!

In closing, I want to wish everyone a happy thanksgiving even if it feels a little different this year.

Be safe, eat well and keep in touch . . . gobble . . . gobble!!

Stephanie



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- Joann OsborneNov 02
- Sandy Bruns.....Nov 13
- Steven Lehnhoff.....Nov 22
- Naomi GrubbNov 23



- Ted & Kathy Shaney.....Nov 12
- Skip & Steph Stevens....Nov 12