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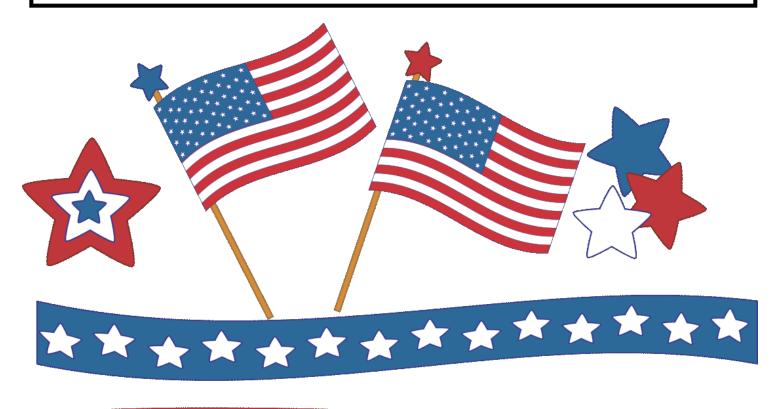


**July 2021** 

**Katydids Square Dance Club Newsletter** 

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





**CLUB CALENDAR** 



www.katydids.org

#### **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!! For technical support, contact Skip Stevens:

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## **PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

Hello Katydids & Friends!

I wish I had news of a new location to dance at. So far, no luck on that front.

Many thanks to those who have been scouting the county to find a suitable dance hall. Keep looking! There's got to be a bingo hall, fraternal order hall, private school, small church, etc. that would work for us. As I have mentioned previously, the possibility of our dancing at the Santa Clara Salvation Army on Homestead Road has been put on hold during a change of officers. I am hoping to hear something this month. Fingers crossed!!

We have heard from **Roger** who is now living with relatives in Eastvale near Riverside. He never missed a beat joining us on ZOOM on Friday nights.

Contacted Morris several weeks ago and found out that he has been struggling with issues with one of his eyes since the beginning of the year. He has a hole in the macula and had surgery (a vitrectomy) for it in early February. The out patient surgery was easy however, the follow up was difficult. Can you imagine eating, sleeping, and entertaining yourself while being required to lie face down 24/7 for a whole week?! While he healed from the surgery, Louise was a trouper in giving him eyedrops every few hours. Unfortunately, the hole reappeared and after getting a second opinion last month, he is now living with the problem and knows that he can always choose to have a second surgery at some point in the future. Wishing you the best, Morris!!

I would like to take a moment to thank those of you who have worked at keeping the Katydids connected with each other. From attending our ZOOM meetings on Friday nights, to helping with computer problems, to general upbeat support and to those actively helping to find a new dance location . . . **THANK** 

Stephanie

YOU!!!!

# DANCE EVENTS PLUS LEVEL unless otherwise noted

Jul 31 Welcome Back to Square Dancing@: SCVCA.SCVSDA

Tentative location: Ohlone Middle School, SJ

7:30PM

COVID Rules: Fully vaccinated dancers only

For details: SCVSDA.org

Aug. 14 Good Ole Summertime Festival; Lucky Steppers

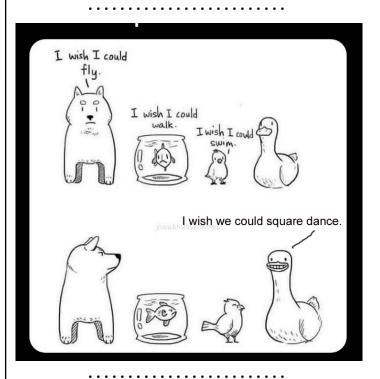
Location: TBD 10:00AM - 10:00PM

Callers: Joe Saltel, Mike Luna

Cuer: Sue Harris



No Anniversaries this month.



# **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Sandy Franger.....July 22

Marjorie Wilser....July 24

Lisa Steele....July 29

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#### From Char Pitts:

- Ratio of an igloo's circumference to its
   diameter = Eskimo Pi
- 2. 2000 pounds of Chinese soup = Won ton
- 3. 1 millionth of a mouthwash = 1 microscope
- 4. Time between slipping on a peel and smacking the pavement = 1 bananosecond
- 5. Weight an evangelist carries with God = 1 billigram
- 6. Time it takes to sail 220 yards at 1 nautical mile per hour = Knotfurlong
- 7. 16.5 feet in the Twilight Zone = 1 Rod Sterling
- 8. Half of a large intestine = 1 semicolon
- 9. 1,000,000 aches = 1 megahurtz
- 10. Basic unit of laryngitis = 1 hoarsepower
- 11. Shortest distance between two jokes = A straight line
- 12. 453.6 graham crackers = 1 pound cake
- 13. 1 million- million microphones =1 megaphone
- 14. 2 million bicycles = 2 megacycles
- 15. 365.25 days = 1 unicycle
- 16. 2000 mockingbirds = 2 kilomockingbirds
- 17. 52 cards = 1 decadards
- 18. 1 kilogram of falling figs = 1 FigNewton
- 19. 1000 milliliters of wet socks = 1 literhosen
- 20. 1 millionth of a fish = 1 microfiche
- 21. 1 trillion pins = 1 terrapin
- 21. 10 rations = 1 decoration
- 22. 100 rations = 1 C-ration
- 23. 2 monograms = 1 diagram
- 24. 4 nickels = 1 paradigm
- 25. 2.4 statute miles of intravenous surgical tubing at Yale University Hospital = 1 IVLeague
- 26. 100 Senators = Not 1 decision

Our wireless doorbells sitting on their chargers....



Instead of a sign that says 'do not disturb' I need one that says 'already disturbed proceed with caution'



Thank you, Ed Wayne, for sharing!

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## From Parker Wiley:

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In my early years, My interest was electronics. Antenna sizes are in meters. In High school chemistry, all measurements were metric. I realized Metric is SIMPLE and that our country, the USA should go metric. Disclaimer: This is my opinion and not necessarily the opinion of any others I am affiliated with.

Let's compare complicated and simple measuring methodologies.

## Complicated:

Inches use fractions, 3/4, 9/16, 17/32, etc. 1 foot = 12 inches.

1 yard = 3 feet.

1 fathom = 2 yards.

1 chain = 11 fathoms.

1 furlong = 10 chains.

1 mile = 8 furlongs, 80 chains, 1760 yards, 5280 feet, 63360 inches, or 0.86898 nautical mile.

1 acre = a rectangle, not square, 1 chain x 1 furlong, 43560 sq. feet, a dude with horse and plow can plow in one day. 1 gallon of water weighs 8.345 pounds & occupies 231 cubic inches.

1 cubic foot of water weighs 62.427 pounds and holds 7.488 gallons, or 1728 cubic inches.

1 troy ounce = 1.097 avoirdupois ounces.

### THIS IS A KLUDGE

## Simple:

1 meter = 1000 millimeters,. (or 100 centimeters or 10 decimeters)  $_{\text{p}}$ 

1 kilometer = 1000 meters.

1 hectare = 10000 sq. meters, 100 meters square. (about 2 football fields + 2 end zones) 1 cubic centimeter (milliliter) of water weighs 1 gram.

1 cubic decimeter (liter) of water, weighs 1 kilogram. 1000 milliliters, 1000 grams.

1 cubic meter (kiloliter) of water, weighs 1 metric ton. 1000 liters. 1000 kilograms.

This is a Measurement System! This is the Metric System!

Which is simpler?

Which should America use?

Why do we still use a Kludge?

If we make products in simple metric units, wouldn't foreigners be more likely to buy them? Isn't that better than imposing trade tariffs? Some companies have two production lines, one for domestic sales and one for foreign trade. Cost?

Lets switch from Kludge to simple!
Say social distancing, keep 2 meters apart. Not 6 feet!
Stop using Kludge measures! Go Metric!
Here are some web sites for more info.My site:
sites.google.com/site/mymetric
US Metric Association: US Metric Association

Please share the above comparison with others, especially those with influence. Write your Representatives, & President.

Thank you .... Parker

