# **CHIRPER**



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**Katydids Square Dance Club Newsletter** 

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



#### Fri., May 04: Resurrection Lutheran Church

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara 7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing *Chirper* distributed **THEME**: National Star Wars Day

Fri., May 11: Resurrection Lutheran Church

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
THEME: National Twilight Zone Day

#### Fri., May 18: Resurrection Lutheran Church

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara 7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing THEME: National HIV Vaccine Awareness Day

#### Fri., May 25: Resurrection Lutheran Church

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

#### Fri.,Jun. 01: Resurrection Lutheran Church

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara 7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing *Chirper* distributed

**THEME:** National Something Nice Day

#### Fri., Jun. 08: Resurrection Lutheran Church

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

Sun, Jun. 10: Annual Katydids Picnic & Reunion 11:00 – 2:00 PM, Santa Clara City Park

#### Fri., Jun. 15: Resurrection Lutheran Church

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara 7:00 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing THEME: National Smile Power Day

#### Fri., Jun. 22: Resurrection Lutheran Church

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

#### Fri., Jun. 29: Resurrection Lutheran Church

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

#### \* \* SAVE THE DATES \* \*

Sat., Aug., 25: Pizza Party at Eric & Jacky's

Fri., Aug. 31: Hot August Night & Used Square Dance Clothing Sale

### SQUARE HEAD ASSIGNMENTS

#### and DUTIES

May 04 .....DeLapp

May 11......Hosoda, M. / Allen, L.

May 18 ......Steele May 25 Bruns

Jun. 01 ......Tillman / Matolyak

Jun. 08......Braaten / Clark

Jun. 15......Wilhelmsen

Jun. 22 ......Franger / Moore

Jun. 29 .....Lehnhoff / Grubb

Jul. 06......Willey / Stevens, Skip

Jul. 13.....Village / Allen T.

Jul. 20.....Schwartz / Allen, L.

Jul. 27......Nassau / Smith, D.

#### 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 Katydids 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 Katydids' 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.
- Bring out additional chairs from storage room as needed.
- Set up drinks and supplies on counter.
- Place snacks (located on Katydids' shelf in Kitchen), and paper goods, sanitizer and flyers (located on the Katydids' shelf in storage room) on tables at back of the hall.

#### **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 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 5: Butterfly Ball; CPSD; Easy Plus Level

Camden Community Center, 3369 Union, SJ 7:30 – 9:45 PM; Caller: Tork Clark

#### May 11-13: Silver State Square & Round Dance Festival

Circus Circus Hotel & Casino, Reno, NV

Callers: Bob Baier, Gary Shoemake, Buddy Weaver

Cuer: Ski & Kay Kurczewski

#### May 19: 60th Anniversary; Black & White Ball; Krazy Dazys

Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church, 728 W. Fremont Av.

7:30 – 8:00PM; PreRounds: Sue & Phil Harris

8:00 – 10:30PM; Caller: **Jim Osborne** 

#### May 25-27: Golden State Round Up; NCSDA

Grape Festival Event Center, 413 E. Lockford St., Lodi Callers: Dee Dee Dougherty, Pat Carnathan, Vic Kaaria, Jack Pladdys

#### Jun. 2: Ice Cream Fling Thing; Bows & Beaus

John Muir Middle School, 1260 Branham Ln 7:30 – 8:00PM; PreFounds: Sue Harris 8:00 – 10:30PM: Caller: Jet Roberts

#### Jun. 9: Strawberry Festival; Sunnyvale Squares

IAMAW Union Hall District Lodge 725 655 Vaqueros Av., Sunnyvale

7:30 – 8:00PM; PreRounds: Barbara-Lynn Smith

8:00 – 10:30PM; Caller: Eric Henerlau

#### Jun. 23: Slab Dance; Lucky Steppers

The Slab, 9525 Mill St., Ben Lomond

7:00 – 7:30PM, PreRounds: Sue Harris

7:30 – 10:00PM: Callers: Mike Luna, Tork Clark

#### Jun. 27-30: National Square Dance Convention

Kansas City Missouri

#### Jun. 30: Caller Appreciation Whing Ding; SCVSDA/SCVCA

Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church, 728 W. Fremont Av.

Cuer: Sue Harris

Callers: Keith Ferguson, Kurt Gollhardt, Dianna Hilliard, Harland Kerr, Al Knoppe, **Jim Osborne, Bob Steele** 

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#### SUPPORT OUR NEWEST DANCERS!

– – January Class Level – –

#### Jun. 16: Newer Dancer Hoedown; Castaways

Resurrection Lutheran Church

2495 Cabrillo Av. Santa Clara

7:30 - 10:00PM

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Bill Matolyak	May 05
Art Bruns	
Thomas Allen	
Jane Bishop	

## Club Night Photos

Friday, April 6, 2018



Congratulations to Morris and Louise!



On Friday, April 6, Turi Brechbühler from Bad Pyrmont, Germany danced with us while visiting her daughter, Sarah Drainas who lives locally.

### PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hi Katydids

Here it is May and you elected me to my 7<sup>th</sup>
Term as President of the Katydids. I want to
Thank **Pat, Morris, Steven,** and **Naomi** for
running again this year. Thank you for your
vote of confidence in the current Executive Board by reelecting us to another term.



But the current Board is running out of steam and we need other members to step up and participate on the Katydids Board next year.

We have several fun events coming up this summer:

First is the **picnic** on **Sunday June 10** from 11:00AM to 2:30PM with setup starting at 9:00AM. I will be looking for more members to help with the set up and clean up this year. I will have signup sheets available at the dance.

In August we will be having our **Root Beer Float** night on **Friday August 10**. Thank You **Morris** for sponsoring it.

Then on **August 25** we will have our **Do-it-yourself-Pizza Party** at Eric and Jacky's house in the back yard. It will be a pot luck lunch and pizza making party. Thank You **Eric** and **Jacky** for all your help.

The last big party and dance in August is our **Hot August Night Dance on August 31**. The dance is on our Free Fifth Friday and we will have used square dance clothes for sale.

Please write the dates down on your calendar so you don't forget about them.

### Lloyd



#### **HEARTS & FLOWERS**

to our wonderful Executive Board who did a terrific job of organizing us this past year and have offered to serve yet another year and have now been voted into office for the coming year.

Congratulations and MANY thanks!!

### Chirper Chatter...

Word was received that **Gary-DeLapp** had 5 stents put in his artery on Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. The 2 hour procedure ended up taking 6 hours. He spent one



night at the hospital and sent home to recuperate, no dancing for 2 weeks. He is doing good, getting impatient to do more as his nature says...

It is sad to report that **Roger Johnson**, died on April 16, just a day shy from his 73<sup>rd</sup> birthday and recovering from his right knee replacement operation...

Because of her ongoing back problem, **Sue Willey** finally decided that it would best for her to resign from Katydids. **Parker** will still stay with us. They joined Katydids around the end of 1992. Visit us once in a while, **Sue**...

#### A little something about OUR THEMES:

**National Star Wars Day** – Surely it is no overstatement to say that the 7<sup>th</sup> episode in the Star Wars saga – **The Force Awakens** – is the most anticipated film of this century so far.

National Twilight Zone Day – "The Twilight Zone" was the brainchild of Emmy Award-winner Rod Serling, who served as host and wrote over 80 episodes of the original show's 150-plus episode run. It's a strange mix of horror, science-fiction, drama, comedy and superstition.

**National HIV Vaccine Awareness Day** – May 18 is HIV Vaccine Awareness Day—an opportunity to recognize the volunteers, community members, health professionals, and scientists involved in HIV vaccine research. It is also a time to educate communities about the importance of HIV vaccine research.

National Missing Children's Day – In 1983, President Ronald Reagan proclaimed May 25 as National Missing Children's Day. Each year, the Department of Justice (DOJ) commemorates Missing Children's Day with a ceremony honoring the heroic and exemplary efforts of agencies, organizations, and individuals to protect children.

National Say Something Nice Day - On June 1, be kind to everyone you meet and say something nice to them because it is Say Something Nice Day. ... Also known as National Say Something Nice Day, this unofficial holiday is said to have originated in Charleston, South Carolina...

### ANSWERS TO -ONE KEY WORD SQUARE DANCE CALL ANAGRAM

1.	MOZO	-	ZOOM
2.	FELT	-	LEFT
3.	URN	-	RUN
4.	SPAS	-	PASS Thru
5.	WEEPS	-	SWEEP a 1/4
6.	COOTS	-	SCOOT Back
7.	COUTH	-	TOUCH a 1/4
8.	IDLES	-	SLIDE Thru
9.	RATED	-	TRADE
10.	GIRTH	-	RIGHT
11.	WINGS	-	SWING
12.	NEIGH	-	HINGE

# Which foreign city is the world's most well-connected one for internet use?



ANSWER: Seoul, South Korea

Surprisingly, despite China's 618 million internet users who spend an average of 18.7 hours a week surfing the net, China didn't even make the top 10 for internet connection. Seoul, Korea is a different story considering the average connection speed, availability (including free access), openness to innovation, support of public data, and privacy/security, Seoul, Republic of Korea is the champion of internet-connectedness.

# Liv Braaten's spring trip to Japan March 28 - April 10, 2018

I was interested in visiting Japan because my son in law, Ben's brother, Don is married to a Japanese woman and has been living in Japan for the past 20 years. Don and his family, Yuko and their teenage son, Kaito visit us every summer. Don invited us to visit him in Japan and spring was the perfect time as it's not too hot and the famous cherry blossoms are in bloom.

I traveled to Japan with my daughter, Jeanette and my grandson, Jack. We took a direct flight from San José via ANA to Tokyo. Once it Tokyo, we took a short connecting flight to the city of Nagoya, where Don and his family live. We spent 12 days in Japan and traveled to the ancient cities of Nara and Kyoto and spent time in and around Nagoya.



Our first trip was to Nara, a world heritage site. We drove to Nara from Nagoya, took which about 3 hours. Nara was the original capital of Japan and is home to the largest Buddha Japan.The temple is called Todai-Ji Temple and also called The Great Buddha Hall. It

is the largest wooden structure in the world and built originally in the Nara period (8th The cent). present building constructed in the 18th century, as the temple was destroyed twice by fire. The temple grounds beautiful were and 🕻 included a large park where wild deer roamed. Tourists were able to buy crackers to feed the deer. I bought crackers



and as I started feeding them, they got aggressive and stuck their nose in my purse and my pocket. They ran after my grandson and we all laughed and went out for ice cream.

Back in Nagoya, we joined Don's adult English class and everyone introduced themselves in English and enjoyed speaking with us. After class, we walked with the group to the local Cherry park for the Blossom Festival. Each town has its own shrine and park so the festival brings together people in the local community to enjoy the beautiful cherry



blossoms, which bloom for about 2 weeks in the Spring. The students brought a Japanese picnic lunch



for us and we took our shoes off and sat on the tarp at the park. It was a lovely day and nice to spend time with everyone and walk around the park. The food was very

interesting and they had booths with food such as "octopus on a stick"but I opted for the sweet potato fries.

The next day, we took the train to downtown Nagoya for some shopping. Nagoya is a city of about 3 million people and the train station is very busy. The train station was surrounded by a shopping mall of 13 floors and a Marriott hotel of 51 floors! It was a beautiful mall with fancy stores as well as a gourmet food court below which had food from Japan as well as Europe. They had a British section so we bought scones because they smelled so good! We had a traditional Japanese lunch at the mall where you get a bento box style of foods and they steam your rice at the table.

Our next big trip was to Kyoto. We took the bullet train, also called the "Shinkansen" for a 30 min ride from downtown Nagoya to Kyoto. Normally this would be a 3 hour drive so the bullet train is very convenient and always on time! We spent the night at a hotel in Kyoto and walked around Kyoto and went to the top of Kyoto Tower (about 420 feet tall) to look out at the city (it reminded me of the Space Needle in Seattle). You could see the temples lit up at night. We got dinner at a Ramen cafe and I had gyoza, which was delicious. The next morning, we set out to visit the many temples in Kyoto. Kyoto is known as the city of ten thousand temples. We had 2 major temples

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on our list to visit. The first is known as the golden temple, and is called <u>Kinkaku-Ji Temple</u> or the Temple of the Golden Pavilion. This temple is made of gold and is situated among beautiful gardens and a pond. The gardens were designed for strolling so everywhere you walk you get a view of the beautiful golden temple. The garden is listed as a National Special Historic Site and a special place of scenic



beauty. In addition to gardens, the area had several temples and sites for quiet reflection. I bought a book that people bring to temples to get a special stamp and handwritten message from each temple or sacred site. The tradition is to use this book during your life to document all the sacred places you visit and then the book gets cremated with you when you die. I have several beautiful inscriptions in my book so I need to go back to get more! We also bought souvenirs at the temple, including sake with gold flakes in it!

Our next temple visit in Kyoto was to the most famous temple on the top of a mountain overlooking the city. The temple, Kiyomizu-dera Temple is an

iconic **Buddhist** temple on the top of Mount Otowa. You could see the entire city of Kyoto from the temple grounds. We rented kimonos and walked around the village beneath temple the and shopped in the stores. Many tourists and locals come to Kyoto and dress up in Kimonos to enjoy the culture and visit the temples.



Japan has so many beautiful temples and shrines to visit along with large gardens at each place. It is hard to see it all but we got a good taste of beautiful Japan.

Thank you, Liv, for sharing your beautiful trip with us!

# Never Underestimate an OLD MAN Who Can SQUARE DANCE

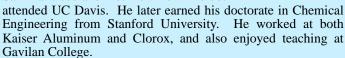


Many thanks to Tillie's daughter, Laurie, for sharing this photo with us!

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# From the San Jose Mercury News, pg. B10, Thursday, 04/19/2018

"Roger Johnson died April 16th to join his loving wife, Mary Helen Johnson, who departed three years earlier. He is survived by his children David and Tracy, granddaughter Madeline, and sisters-in-law Patricia and Maureen. He was born in San Francisco and met his wife while both



"His jovial spirit and wide range of interests touched all who knew him, whether square dancing, playing bridge, learning Spanish, traveling or devouring cinema. He was constantly surrounded by a multitude of good friends whose company he heartily enjoyed ... There will be a celebration of his life at his home [576 Jesse James Dr., San José, 95121] on Sunday, May 20th, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. ... In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Save the Children Foundation."

We'll miss you, Roger!!



**Central Park, 909 Kiely Blvd., Santa Clara** 

