

The Chatter

Monthly Publication of the Central Coast Square Dance Association

December, 2008



Is this the "real Christmas" for you?
Nice to remember, but California is warmer.
Have a Great California Christmas!

Central Coast Square Dance Association

Directory of Square Dance Clubs

Web Page: ccsda.net



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 1170 Dorothy St.
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 Phone: 238-9638

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 Zion Lutheran Hall, 1010 Foothill, SLO
Rep. John & Ann Edgecombe
 9546 Dos Palos Rd., Atascadero, CA 93407
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MISTY SEA DANCERS - Meet 1st four Fridays
 Joslyn Rec. Center, 950 Main St., Cambria
Rep. Lois Scott
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 Phone: 927-5906

PISMOS 'N TAWS - Dance 1st & 3rd Saturdays
 Rec. Hall, 1230 Trouville, Grover Beach
Rep. Joe & Sharon Boyajian
 1019 Robin Circle, Arroyo Grande, CA 93420
 Phone: 489-5426

SQUAWS & PAS - Dance 2nd & 4th Saturdays
 YMCA, 3400 Skyway Dr., Santa Maria
Rep. Don & Judy Horton
 877 Patterson Rd, Santa Maria, CA 93455
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SLO MOTION SQUARES - Dance whenever
 Dance wherever
Rep. David & Susan Cleek
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*See centerfold calendar

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 Next: Jan. 4, 2009
 1:30 PM, Shell Beach Veteran's Bldg.
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SQUAWS & PAS

Rounds 7:30-8:00 PM

Plus Level Dancing 8:00 to 10:00 PM

2nd & 4th Saturdays

Thurs: Round Dance Classes - beginners & advanced.

From 7 to 9:30; Karen MacDonald

All events at the Santa Maria YMCA

3400 Skyway Dr. Santa Maria



Dec. 13 Dave Rensberger/The MacDonalDs
Dec. 27 Vic Ceder/The MacDonalDs
Jan. 10 Rod Shuping/The MacDonalDs
Jan. 24 Jay Klassen/The MacDonalDs



Information: 937-5737 or 937-1016

EVENTS

Dec. 6 Don Benson/The Jennngs

Dec. 20 *HO-HO-HOEDOWN*

Rick Hampton/The Jennings

Jan. 3 **DARK**

Jan. 17 **DARK**

PISMOS 'N TAWS **"THE FUN CLUB"**

Dance Nights - 1st & 3rd Saturdays

Grover Beach Recreation Center

12 & Trouville, Grover Beach

Pre-Rounds at 7:30, Squares at 8:00

DBD/A-1 Workshop -Dave Rensberger

Mon. 7-9, Grover Beach



For Information, call 937-3728





Square Dance Class

Come and join us for the fun, exercise, and sense of community that Modern Western Square Dancing provides.

Children 12 and over are welcome, accompanied by adults. Be sure to wear your comfortable shoes and your best smile. Class starts on Tuesday, January 20th, 7 to 9 p.m.



JANUARY 20, 2009 - 7 TO 9 P.M.

**Sponsored by the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
1010 Foothill Blvd., corner of Santa Rosa, San Luis Obispo**

Great family activity!

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Enrollment open for three weeks. Donation \$5 (Child \$2.50 12-16 yrs.)

Misty Sea Dancers

(A Round Dance Club)

Joslyn Adult Recreation Center, 950 Main Street, Cambria
Dance with The Jennings



Round Dance Classes (III/IV) 2:00 to 4:00 Mondays*

Classic Round Teaches - 1st & 3rd Fridays*

Round Dancing - 2nd & 4th Fridays*

*DARK 12/5, 12/12, 12/26, 12/29 and 12/31, but will
dance on 12/19.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE - SEE COMING FLYER

Information: Call 927-5906 or 927-1263

THE HOEDOWNERS

"My T. Friendly Club"

Zion Lutheran Hall

1010 Foothill, SLO



EVERY 2nd & 4th
SUNDAY
1:30 - 4:30
Pre-Rounds 1:30

Dec. 14 SEASON SPECTACULAR

Dennis Mineau/ The Ferraros

Jan. 11 Dale Hoppers/The Ferraros

Jan. 25 Vic Ceder/The Ferraros



For Information: 541-2386

Do Paso Squares

Dancing two Thursdays a Month
At Centennial Hall

600 Nickerson Drive, Paso Robles
Mainstream/Plus Dancing 7:00 to 9:00

DECEMBER

Dec. 4 **DARK**
Dec. 11 Darren Gallina
Dec. 18 Darren Gallina
Dec. 25 Christmas

JANUARY

Jan. 1 **DARK**
Jan. 8 Darren Gallina
Jan. 15 **DARK**
Jan. 22 Darren Gallina
Jan. 29 **DARK**



Information: 238-9638; 461-9026



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Club Chatter . . .

THE HOEDOWNERS

by Shirley Hanrion

We enjoyed the dance with “Crawdad” Lee Schmidt on November 9. This man has so many great credits to his name and has sung with many other personalities, TV, radio, movies and benefits alike. We had Lee sing a few numbers to all our delight.

We will dance only once in December on the 14th, when Dennis Mineau will be calling and the Ferraro’s cueing. It will be great to see Dennis again after his long absence from the Central Coast.

The new dancers have finished Dave Rensberger’s class now, and there will be just a week or so of review for them in December. The new dancer class will begin on January 20, same venue and time, Zion Lutheran Church Hall, Tuesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. Please pass the word along to those you meet and give them the CCSDA.net website address to enable them to print out a flyer for the new dancer class, and also for you and your friends. We have collected many telephone numbers and e-mail addresses to contact for the next class already - let’s make it a great class for Dave to teach. Without Dave we wouldn’t have any new people learning this great activity, and we need more dancers on the Central Coast to keep square dancing alive. We owe Dave a great deal; please tell him so when you see him.

May everyone have a great Christmas season and enjoy your families and/or your travels. Happy Holidays!

PISMO ‘N’ TAWS

By: RayAnn Crouse

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to everyone! As I write this the weatherman is predicting record highs for the end of the week! Makes me long for the white snow, covered bridges, sleigh bells ringing and Clydesdales pulling those sleighs that I always see on TV. We hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving, and had a table of family and friends around you. Many of us attended a very nice get-together in November when we went to the Old Timers Reunion Luncheon. Ardith Gillespie did such a great job of organizing this again this year. The location, our own Rec Hall, was so comfortable and the food (catered by Ardith’s son—R & B Smokehouse Catering) was outstanding. We all had such a good time renewing old friendships and chatting about the “good old days”. We hope even more of you can attend next year!

We have a special Thank You to pass on, and it was a little too late to make last month’s Chatter. A Big Thank You goes out to Dave Rensberger for coming through at the very last minute this past October and calling for us when we had a slight “mis-communication” with Mike Luna. We found ourselves at the dance with no caller, and Dave was kind enough to save the day. Thank you so much for your support, Dave.

Looking ahead to our December dances...On December 6th we will be having a special Newer Dancer Christmas Party. Don Benson will be our caller and he will be calling at a level that all dancers, and especially the newer dancers in our area, can dance to and have a fun evening. Come out and get the holiday season off to a great start. On Dec. 20th we will have Rick Hampton coming in to call our HO-HO-HOEDOWN. This is always one of our most popular dances as everyone seems to be in the holiday spirit, and it is just a joyful dance. If the weather is cool we may even provide some Hot Chocolate! Because of the New Year’s holiday and the King City Festival, the Pismos

More Club Chatter . . .

'N Taws will not be having their usual Saturday dances in January; however the Monday Night Workshop will continue in full swing. Come and join us there.

Whatever you do this Holiday, take time to enjoy the season. Spend time with your family and friends, share some special memories and enjoy every minute. Have a safe, happy and healthy Holiday Season.

SLO MOTION SQUARES

by Susan Cleek

Get ready to "circle the wagons" pardner. King City is coming. Let wagon master Pam Paladini know if you are going; we will have a potluck Saturday night.

Then we are planning a trip to Santa Paula either Jan 23/24 or Jan 30/31. We will be at Steckel Park 10 hookup sites, 2-night min. \$32 per night or \$22 dry camp.

On Saturday at noon we will catch the Fillmore and Western Railway for the Scenic Tour, 3.5 hours RT (includes 1.5 hrs. in town) \$22 adults, \$20 Seniors (60+). Eat on the train or in town! If we go on the 24th there may be a dance in Ventura, and rounds in Camarillo Sunday. I need to book by Dec. 23 so e-mail me your preference.

On a broader note we hosted a "mini" CCSDA meeting, with the folks that book callers for Saturday & Sunday dances. We were able to lay our schedules on the table and look at where we may over lap or conflict. We discussed whether we should call dances "Plus" on flyers if we want to encourage newer dancers. We talked about creating Main-stream Club and having folks dance sooner and longer at that level. If they want to move on there would be Plus and Advanced classes.

We are working on a "Mission Statement". We did get our slate of officers that can be voted on in January: President - Bert Berringer, Secretary - Bob Jennings,

Treasurer - Georgianne Jackson, thank you all for your continued service! We did talk about not doing all the 5th Saturday dances or maybe having a Round dance, Hoedown and ???. We also had to cancel our Nov. 29th Dance because there were no officers to run the dance, but Vic Kaaria and maybe Shauna will call for us Oct 31, 2009; should be a ghoulish good time. Happy Holidays!

DO PASO SQUARES

by Edie Kildow

November was a very busy month. We had a great turnout working the voting booth. A special thanks to John and Wilma Johnson, Dave Dixon and John Wiley, who spent 14 hours there. And thanks to all members; we do have a great, dedicated group. That much needed money is a Godsend to the club.

Darryl will be calling on the 11th and 18th, which is our Christmas Potluck. Hopefully, the Ferraros will come and cue for us. Please sign up for what you would like to bring. Also bring your place settings. We would like to start at 6:30. I will furnish the meat and the drinks.

SQUAWS & PAS

by Catherine and Leroy Homer

Hello all and a very Happy Holiday to you all.

For your dancing pleasure we have Dave Rensberger calling on December 13 and Vic Ceder calling on December 27. Karen McDonald will be cueing.

Again thanks to our wonderful cuers and callers.

Still More Club Chatter . . .

MISTY SEA DANCERS

by Bob

The Jennings will be cruising to Mexico from December 26 to January 3. So what's do about Misty Sea Dancer's usual New Year's Eve dance party if the cuer's off livin' it up? Answer: Get David Cleek to do it! How much more fun could it get? Dance is on December 31, of course, and starts at 9:00. There will be the usual finger food (U bring 'em to be sure), N.Y. party favors, and champagne to toast to a brighter time ahead in 2009.

Our annual (3rd one) round dance at the Ragged Point Inn was great (for the third time). The weather was favorable, the dancers were "on", and the cues were mostly on time. The Ragged Point staff treats us like special guests. Good show all around.

We will not be dancing on December 12th and 26th, but we will hold a round dance on December 19th, which does not fall on one of our usual 2nd and fourth Fridays. Come anyway,

On January 9th, we will hold our traditional "Inaugural Ball and Pizza and Beer Bust". It is sure to be whatever you imagine it could be.



C.C.S.D.A. Reporter

by Bob

The Board members of the Central Coast Square Dance Association (CCSDA) have found new members for the next year. In the process they decided that the position of Vice President is unnecessary, so they will no longer have to find a candidate to fill the job, which has been unfilled for about two years anyway with no serious consequences.

The new officers to be are Bert Berringer, our current president, Bob Jennings for secretary (might get some help from Clarice), and Georgianne Jackson, the current and most efficient ever treasurer.

We have to keep reminding ourselves that these are non-voting members of the board. The total power is vested in the clubs' representatives on the board, so keep them tuned in to what's going on and what your club thinks.

Not that anyone cares, but your board reps have decided that six meetings a year are two too many now that Square Affair matters no longer have to be dealt with, so the board will meet quarterly from now on. The first meeting of 2009 will be on Sunday, January 4.

Some consideration is being given to changing the nature of the 5th Saturday dances. Currently, special callers from outside of the Central Coast are obtained for these dances. In the past, this has represented an opportunity for all of the Central Coast square dancers to come together to enjoy the calling of someone different from the regular club callers. Currently, no club has a regular club caller; callers from outside of the area make frequent appearances at our regular club dances, and the novelty of having a new caller for the 5th Saturday dances has largely disappeared. Some of the thoughts being bandied about: new dancers dances at appropriate times, occasional advanced dances, DBD plus dances, etc. This a good example of the sort of thing where your representatives will desperately need to have your opinions when the CCSDA board tries to decide whether or not some changes to the 5th Saturday dances are in order. Look 'em up. If you don't know who your rep is (and a lot of us don't), look at the inside of the front cover of your Chatter.

SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS

CLUB CLASSES, NEW DANCER LEVEL

Do Paso Squares		Thurs 7:00 Centennial Hall, Paso Robles
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OTHER CLUB CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS

Pismos 'n' Taws	DBD, Intro A-1 Starts 2/4/08	Mon. 7:00 Grover Beach Comm. Center
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CLASSES BY CALLERS

New Dancer Class Rensberger	Commences 1/20/09	Tues 7:00 Zion Lutheran Church, SLO:
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A2 Workshop Klassen	DARK on Last Tues	Tues. 7:00 Arroyo Grande Hall, A.G.
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ROUND DANCE CLASSES

Phase III+ Jennings	<i>DARK 12/29</i>	Mon. 2:00 Joslyn Ctr., Cambria
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Phases III+ Jennings	<i>DARK 12/24 & 31</i>	Wed. 7:00 Veterans' Hall, Shell Beach
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Phase IV+ Jennings	<i>DARK 12/24 & 31</i>	Wed. 8:15 Veterans' Hall, Shell Beach
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Classic Rounds Jennings	<i>.DARK 12/5</i>	1st & 3rd Fri, 8:00 Joslyn Center, Cambria
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Phase II & III MacDonald		Thurs. 7:00 Santa Maria YMCA
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Phase V & VI MacDonald		Thurs. 8:15 Santa Maria YMCA
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Brush-Up Class Phase 2, 3, & 4 Ferraros		Wed 5:00 Wed. 7:00 1417 Carmel, SLO
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Classics: Phases 4,5, & soft 6 Phase 5 & 6 Ferraros		Thurs 5:00 Thurs.7:00 1417 Carmel, SLO
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New Dancer Class Ferraros		Fri. 6:30 1417 Carmel, SLO
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5th Saturday Dance Information

5th SATURDAY HOSTS		
Date	Caller/Cuer	Host Clubs
	<u>2008 Dances</u>	
Nov. 29	Kaaria/Ferraros	Pismos/Hoedowners/ SLO Mo
	<u>2009 Dances</u>	
Jan. 31		Misty Seas/Squaws/ Do Pasos
May 30		Pismos/Hoedowners/ SLO Mo
Aug. 29		Misty Seas/Squaws/ Do Pasos
Oct. 31		Pismos/Hoedowners/ SLO Mo

For a calendar of club events, go to

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