

The Chatter

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Time Out For Spring

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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



Mar. 14	Dave Rensberger/ The MacDonalDs
Mar. 28	Vic Ceder/The MacDonalDs
Apr. 11	DARK
Apr. 25	Darren Gallina/The MacDonalDs

Information: 937-5737 or 937-1016

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

<u>EVENTS</u>	
Mar 7	<i>GOING GREEN</i> Johnny Preston/The Jennings
Mar. 21	DARK
Apr. 4	Rick Hampton/Cuer?
Apr. 18	Lloyd Lewis/Cuer?

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





C.C.S.D.A. Reporter *by Bob*

The first regular edition of the e-Chatter seemed to go fairly smoothly. 59 e-Chatters went to members of CCSDA clubs, 9 went to independent recipients (largely courtesy copies) and one went to a paid subscriber whose subscription had lapsed. The total number of Chatters that go to club members is 117.

The number of e-Chatters going to individual clubs varied widely. The Hoedowners led the pack with 26 members switching to the online version and only 9 staying with the print copy. In decreasing order, 7 of 17 Squaws & Pas switched, followed by 7 of 21 Pismos 'n' Taws, 6 of 11 Misty Seas, 2 of 4 SLOMOs, and 1 of 14 Do Pasos.

Those switching to e-Chatter for the February saved CCSDA about \$45, or approximately \$540 per year, which is about equal to the supplemental annual payment the Chatter has been receiving from the CCSDA treasury. A few more changes to e-Chatter and the CCSDA account will be gaining instead of losing from the publication of the Chatter!

The April 5th CCSDA meeting will be held at the Zion Church, Santa Rosa & Foothill. The meeting will be held at 1:00 in advance of the Hoedowner's dance.

March and April are good months to take some time to sample the joys of spring in our countryside. The flowers of the Carizzo Plain and the blossoms on the fruit trees in the Central Valley are good choices. The Fresno Blossom Trail (goblossomtrail.com) display is gorgeous. Check for the quality of the flowers before you take off for either place.



It's Not News Any More

That Bob & Clarice Are Retiring

As of March 1, we will no longer be teaching and cueing rounds. The decision was very difficult, but many factors entered into it. We have been cueing and teaching for 20 years and have enjoyed every minute of it. However, we feel that it's time to let go. We do so appreciate the love and loyalty extended to us by our dancers, and we hope that we can keep in touch,

Thank you, one and all and keep dancing!

Love,
Bob & Clarice



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

THE HOEDOWNERS

"My T. Friendly Club"

Zion Lutheran Hall

1010 Foothill, SLO

Mar 8 Frank Lesclinier/The Ferraros
Mar. 22 **DARK** - for Bakersfield
Apr. 5 Jay Henderson/The Ferraros
Apr. 26 Nasser Shukayr/The Ferraros
May 17 59th ANNIVERSARY &
BEGINNERS' HOEDOWN
Darren Gallina/The Ferraros



For Information: 541-2386



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MARCH

Mar. 5 Darren Gallina
Mar. 12 **DARK**
Mar. 19 **DARK**
Mar. 26 Darren Gallina
& The Ferraros

APRIL

Apr. 2 Darren Gallina
& The Ferraros
Apr. 9 **DARK**
Apr. 16 **DARK**
Apr. 23 Darren Gallina
Apr. 30 **DARK**

Information: 238-9638; 461-9026



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"That woman sure has the Midas touch.... Everything she touches turns into a muffler."

Club Chatter . . .

THE HOEDOWNERS

by Shirley Hanrion

We have been helping the new dancers in the class that commenced January 20, there were not as many people as we had seen start the year before, but we have all hopes of these students sticking with it. As usual, everyone can be seen having fun and laughing at themselves, and it is a joy watching the new people learn the skills of square dancing.

We had our early Valentine dance on February 8 with Dave Rensberger calling and the Ferraros cueing. Many Valentine prizes were given as gifts to the dancers and it was very colorful too seeing all the red and white tones of apparel. Thank you all for attending and having fun with us on such an inclement day. Vic Ceder is calling for us on the 22nd. He is always a lot of fun to watch as he and his wife Debbie scale the floor when they dance the Rounds.

On March 8 Frank Lescrier, from Fullerton, will call our dance with the Ferraros cueing. Please come and enjoy the day with this great caller. We are dark on March 22, due to a lot of us going to the Bakersfield Fiesta which is always enjoyable.

A lot of our membership are now receiving their Chatters from Editor Bob Jennings by use of e-Chatter thus helping to save a lot of money for CCSDA. We have cut the printed copies needed for our club by two thirds. Also, the CCSDA Webmaster now has the monthly Chatters on line at CCSDA.net.

PISMOS 'N' TAWS

by RayAnn Crouse

As I write this letter it is actually raining!! Thank goodness for that. We need it, and it helps us realize that Spring is right around the corner. I love to see the green hills. And, speaking of green, that reminds me we are having our "Goin' Green" dance on March 7th. We will celebrate everything green with Johnny Preston doing the calling and our own Cuers, the Jennings, cueing the rounds. On March 21 we will be dark so that our members can support the Bakersfield Fiesta.

If you would like to sharpen up your dancing skills a little before the Fiesta, don't forget that our Monday Night Workshop is going to be reviewing Plus Level DBD dancing starting March 2nd. The workshop will be working on building your skills as a plus level dancer and then entering into the Advanced dancing levels. It is held every Monday, 7-9 p.m., with Dave Rensberger doing the calling/teaching. Hope to see you all there.

Thank you to all of you who made our February Dances such a success. Boy, those banners are flying back and forth between the Squaws and Pas and the Pismos 'n Taws so fast we can hardly keep track of where they are! Thanks for your support. In April we will have Rick Hampton calling on the 4th and Lloyd Lewis will do the calling on April 18th.

Speaking of pleasure, it is a pleasure to let you know that Cece Ley is back at home and recovering quickly from her broken hip which required surgery. We miss her smile and her laughter on the dance floor and look forward to having her back with us very soon. It is not a pleasure to report that Sherman Wright has not been well, and we wish him the best and hope to see him healthy and back with us soon.

Happy Spring Everyone. Hope you can join us at one of our dances or a work

More Club Chatter . . .

shop very soon.

Nothing says I love you like flowers! Find a florist near you now.

DO PASO SQUARES

by Edie Kildow

Welcome 4 new members who have joined our club: Tom and Janet Muller and John and Sue Seliski.

April 2nd, we will have the Gadabouts visiting here, which they do every year, usually bringing 2 squares - very friendly and fun group. Mark this on your calendar; bring goodies . Ya'all come. Darren Gallina will be calling, with the Ferraros cueing.

Check your March calendar; we made some changes: we will be dancing March 5 and 26th and will be dark the 12th and 19th. On the 26th, Darren will be calling and we are fortunate to have the Ferraros on the 26th to cue for us.

King City was awesome!!!!!! Don't forget Bakersfield, March 20 21 & 22. They added some special things for Friday afternoon.

SQUAWS & PAS

"We had a ball!" So says Judy Horton, President of the Squaws & Pas, about their Valentine round dance party on November 19. "Six Cuers, twenty couples, thirty super rounds, two long tables loaded with goodies, Valentine decorations ... all integrated and coordinated by Karen MacDonald. to whom we owe our grateful thanks.

"All the area round dancers are looking forward to the next one, Karen."

MISTY SEA DANCERS

by Bob Jennings

The Jennings are announcing their retirement, and the functional membership of Misty Seas has declined significantly. The combination of these two factors has, regretfully, led to the conclusion that Misty Seas Dancers, in its present form, should exist no longer. Our last dance was held on February 27.

We think we will have a Misty Seas so-long party sometime in the not-too-distant future, but the time and nature of the party has not yet been determined.

The Misty Sea Dancers put on a Joslyn Center benefit dinner on January 30. A little over 100 meals were served (do-it-yourself tossed salad, clam or corn chowder in a sour dough bread bowl, wine and coffee, hot sour dough rounds with Parmesan cheese, ice cream and homemade cookies, seconds available).

It looks as though about \$900 dollars were earned for the Center. In addition, the dinner provided a fine social occasion for the Joslyn Center members who attended. The members of the Misty Seas are a little bit unusual in their willingness make the effort to put on an event of this kind, and they did it very well. Lois Scott ramrodded this and last years dinner, and she did a *simply marvelous* job. Thank You, Lois

TERRY JACKSON

Friends, family, and fellow square round and square dancers were shocked and saddened by Terry's sudden death on February 7th. Terry was not only a very active dancer, but he also was active in a number of Cambria's service groups. Terry was the newly elected president of the Misty Sea round dance club. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Georgianne, and his family members.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 on February 28 in the Cambria Presbyterian Church



SOME TIMES YOU HAVE TO DRAG 'EM

It isn't always easy,
It isn't always fair,
Sometimes it is a lot of work
To get your man out of his chair.



If your husband just won't come,
He has a couch potato status,
Just remember this rule of thumb,
He doesn't want your sadness.



He's not a jerk, he's not a creep,
He's just a slowed down wagon,
To keep your man from counting sheep
Sometimes you have to drag 'em.

They think they don't want to learn,
Square Dancers have strange labels,
Only some old codgers dance
In old fashioned barns and stables.



Until they go and to their surprise,
Square Dancers are quite lively,
They smile a lot and laugh out loud
'Cause what they've got is jivey.



It takes courage, it takes flare,
It's like a fortune-telling glass,
Cause soon the tide of time will change,
And he'll be dragging you to class.

From: "News Around Cow Counties", Presidents Corner, Jan.-Feb., 2009



	5th SATURDAY HOSTS	
<u>Date</u>	<u>Caller/Cuer</u>	<u>Host Clubs</u>
	<u>2009 Dances</u>	
Jan. 31		<i>BLACKED OUT</i>
May 30	Paso Robles RV Dick Hodnefield	None
Aug. 29	?	?
Oct. 31	Vic Kaaria/Cuer?	?

As you can see from the above, there are some decisions to be made concerning our 5th Saturday Dances. Send your suggestions to President Bert (bertberringer@sbcglobal.net).

**YOUR CALENDAR OF EVENTS IS
ATTACHED SEPARATELY**

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