



Buckles & Bows Square Dance Club



Editors: Pat & Jerry Akers

President's Message

Well it's that time again. Time to approve our new slate of officers and directors for the year beginning July 1, 2023. Please review the slate in John Duhig's article later in this newsletter. The officers and directors will be voted on at our annual General Meeting scheduled for Sunday, June 4th. The meeting will occur at our Pot Luck Picnic which will be held at The Dover and Hendricks Community Park. Page 2 is the flyer with all the details. All of those who have served and will serve on the Board would really appreciate it if you would mark your calendars now and plan to attend. Also, you have received a notice from our Membership Chairmen, Bryan and Carol Tapping that our annual club dues are due by June 1st. Your prompt attention will be appreciated.

Buckles and Bows members were very active in March. First, on March 13th Caller Dale Hoppers joined twenty Buckles and Bows dancers at Moorpark's High Street Theater to perform along with three other dance groups for a very successful performance before an enthusiastic audience of over two hundred. Our new SSD class began on March 21st with a group of enthusiastic new dancers and of course our usual great turnout of Angels to support Mike and Lisa. On March 25th over one hundred dancers from Buckles and Bows and many other local clubs enjoyed the calling of Mike Haworth and the cueing of Judy Keller. And, no one who was there will soon forget the great time that many of our members enjoyed in Bakersfield. See Paulette's article in this Newsletter for the full story.

In April, our Tuesday classes continued at a brisk pace and we are looking forward to our monthly fourth Saturday dance, this time featuring our good friend Rod Shuping calling and Gary McLaughlin cueing. As always, your attendance will help ensure another terrific evening.

See you in a square.

Bill & Nancy Armstrong - Presidents



Thank You!

A special thanks to Paulette Clemens for a special Bakersfield Weekend 'Start to Finish.'

Buckles and Bows May Manna Food Drive

See page 10 for details.



Important Dates for SSD Dancers

- Saturday April 22nd, Buckles and Bows Club Dance at the Goebel Center
- Mondays, Boots and Slippers Plus Level Calss at Simi Valley Adult Center
- Tuesdays, thru June 6th, New Dancers SSD Class at the Goebel Center
- Sunday May 21st, Trail Dusters 'Spring Fling' Dance, caller Mike Seastrom
- Saturday May 27th, Buckles and Bows 'Dance for Mana' at the Goebel Center

Now is 'Yellow Yard Sign' Time to return the signs at to Jerry Akers on any Class Night.

Buckles & Bows

Annual Meeting & Picnic

Join us and socialize with club members

Pot Luck

A-D Desserts

E-N Main Dish

O-Z Salads

Bring your own

Place Setting and Drinks



Information:

Bill Armstrong 805 368-5371

Nancy Armstrong 805 368-5362

Sunday June 4, 2023

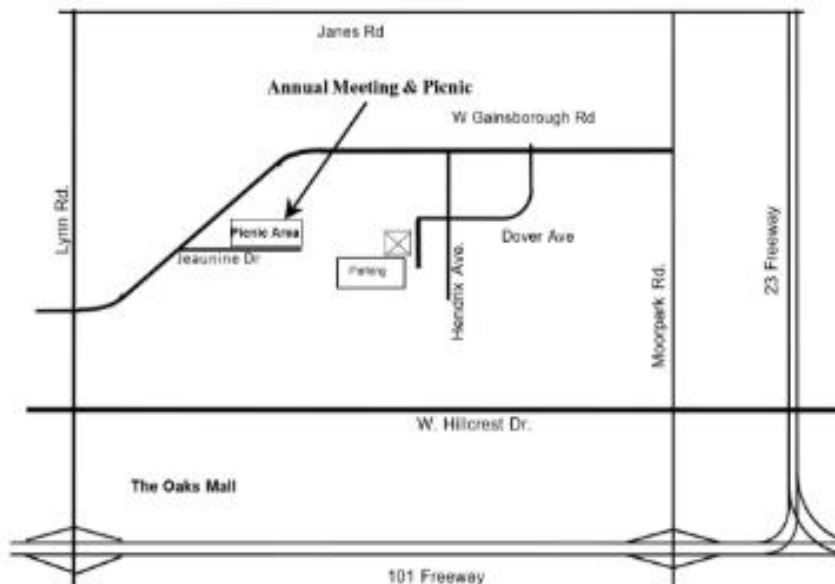
12:00 to ??? PM

GPS / Phone directions enter "Jeanine Dr"

Or take Gainsborough Rd to Jeanine Dr.

Follow the sign to Botanic Garden

Picnic area is at the end of the road.



Nominations Committee Report

Here are the nominations presented by your Nominations Committee for the Executive Officers and Directors for Buckles & Bows for the fiscal year July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. We also show the Chairpersons nominated, however these are all selected and are not part of the vote.

Also, please note that there are 5 Assistant Positions not nominated. These are important positions, and are also selected, so no vote needed there either. We ask you all to look at these positions and see if you would be willing to help out with any of these.

Please remember, this is a selection of your nominating committee as required by our By-Laws, and are in no way the final choices. Anyone can be nominated at the General Meeting in June. The only rule there is that the person nominated must be present and accept the nomination. Any non contested position wins the position by acclamation. There will be secret ballots for any contested positions.

Below are your Nomination Committee's selections. All have accepted these nominations.

We hope to see you all at the General Meeting. Information as to place, date and time will be provided.

Please consider an assistant position. All help is needed and the Buckles & Bows members are very generous in providing assistance,

Your Nomination Committee

Sybil and John Duhig
 Joanne and Ted Noller
 Wendy and Steve Wieser
 (The Presidents are on EVERY committee.)

Executive Committee

Position	Nominees
President	Bill and Nancy Armstrong
Vice President	Pat and Jerry Akers
Class Coordinator	Scott and Jessica Boucher
Assistants	
Treasurer	Kevin and Julie Hamilton
Assistants	Two have indicated willingness (They are not confirmed)

Directors

Facilities Coordinator	Judy Powell
Dance Coordinator	Ted and Joanne Noller
Assistants	
Publicity & Free Adds	Suzy and Fred Moore
Assistants	Adrienne Clark and Dan Nathan
ASqD Representative	Joan Kelly and Chuck Stone
Caller Coordinator	Ann Duran and Betsy
Fries	
Newsletter Editor	Pat and Jerry Akers
Social Events	Paulette Clemens
Membership and Handbook	Bryan and Carol Tapking

Chairpersons

Communications	John and Sybil Duhig
Wagon Master	Brad and Donna Maker
Assistants	
Workshop	Scott and Jessica Boucher
Assistants	
Sunshine	Kathy and Jon DeForge
Photographer	Mike Newlon and all members

March Board Meeting Screen Shot



April Board Meeting Screen Shot



Spring 'New Dancers' Class is Underway

Every week we've had a different number of students show up, but it looks like we are around 20 students for this class, which is a very nice turnout. The students, as usual, are enjoying our friendly dancers and having a fun time learning the steps and meeting the Angels.

It's amazing how much exercise we get even in the beginner class. The Angels know all the steps, but still, Mike keeps us moving while we're on the floor, and we're all getting mental and physical exercise while we dance. And Lisa, as she's been doing for sometime, is keeping the Singles Board and making sure everyone gets to dance as much as possible. She has the hardest job of all, watching the board all night and moving the dancers around to make it all work out. Thank you so much, Lisa.

We have a fun class, as well as a very fun club. Mike is the best caller around, and Bill (with Nancy) is the best President anywhere, and we all show our appreciation with our applause and laughter and joking attitudes. And of course, the Angels are so helpful, sharing their knowledge and helping to teach the students with a generous attitude and a guiding hand, and our Board keeps everything running smoothly in the background. We are all lucky to have strong leaders and helpful club members, and the new students see how much fun we have from Day 1!

Dean and Joanne Cunningham - Class Coordinators



Membership Renewal Time

It's that time of the year when our membership fees for 2023 are due. Membership fees are due by June 1st. Please make your checks payable to Buckles and Bows and mail it to the address on the attached Membership Renewal form. If there are any changes to your personal information, please include the attached form. If not just include your name(s) in the memo box on your check.

Bryan & Carol Tapking



Buckles & Bows Annual

Dues Membership Renewal

\$20.00 per person per year.

Out of state members \$10.00 per family.

Membership Dues are due June 1st for the following year.

Please make checks payable to Buckles & Bows & mail or give to:
Bryan or Carol Tapking, 1655 El Cerrito Drive, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362

Name: _____

Name: _____

Returning members, no need to fill out if there are no changes below.

Address: _____

Phone (His): (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Phone (Hers): (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

E-mail(s) (His) _____ (Hers) _____

Birthday(s) (His) _____ (Hers) _____ (Month & Day ONLY)

Anniversary _____ (Month & Day ONLY)

Interested in Buckles and Bows Club Clothing?

For Shirts and Jackets contact: Ann Duran email annduran@gmail.com
For Club Outfits contact: Kathy DeForge email kathyshortell@gmail.com



BlueBox
project | IN MEMORY OF
REBECCA READ

The Blue Box Project collected a full pickup truck load and a partial car load for the 'Lighthouse for Women and Children'. In addition to the items, Buckles and Bows contributed \$610 in cash and checks. The Lighthouse is very appreciative of the special support our club gives them.



The donation stack before loading in the truck
It is 3 layers deep. Thanks to Fred Moore and Bob Farley for helping load the truck.



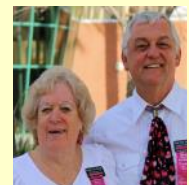
Getting ready to unload the truck

Spreading Sunshine

Stay well and Keep Dancing

Bryan Tapking is recovering from shoulder surgery.
Pualette Clemns is recovering from hip surgery.

Kathy & Jon DeForge



Social Chair Spring Outing - Bakersfield March 31-April 2, 2023

What a wonderful event 53 of our club members enjoyed recently in Bakersfield. It truly was spectacular to drive up Highway 5 and see the green hills and wildflowers. We all enjoyed dinner at different locations then arrived at the Veterans Hall to enjoy Mike Seastrom calling a variety of different dances with Gary McLaughlin doing the cueing. Abundant deserts were enjoyed by not only our club but many of the surrounding area square dancers. Saturday we roamed around Bakersfield taking in the treasures of the Kern Country Museum and the Antique Mall, just to name a few. Of course the highlight of the weekend was Buck Owens Chrystal Palace where we enjoyed a delicious dinner, entertained by the cover band and house band, Stampede. Mike was asked to take the stage with the house band and called a tip. The audience loved it and we were told this was the first time ever the Square Dancing has been done on the dance floor. On to Rosemary's Family Creamery to enjoy banana splits, ice cream sundaes and the like. We all said farewell at breakfast and everyone mentioned what a great time they had. A lot of planning and coordinating but it was worth it to see everyone enjoy themselves.



Paulette Clemens - Social Chair

April Birthdays

- Joanne Cunningham
- Mel Wilson
- Melody Buczynski
- Lynn Foerster
- Sylvia Koppel
- Loretta Barron
- Janet Brooks
- Jeanne Grant
- Herb Oberman
- Bob Sheets
- Sandi Babbitt
- Larry Hapner
- Mike Anderson
- Cindy Levy
- Christine Houghton
- Steve Genstil
- Gary Katzman
- Sandy Hood
- Diane O'Connell
- Lorraine Newlon
- Cheryl Hankins

April Anniversaries

- Dirk & Maryann Gastaldo
- David & Cheryl Hankins
- Richard & Pat Pool
- Steve & Susan Langberg
- Carl & Cindy McLaren
- Bill & Lynn Vlahos

May Birthdays

- Iris Katzman
- Marsha Richardson Hatton
- Leah Marthens
- Fred Moore
- Carol Tapking
- Mim Spitz
- Otis Rogers
- Jerry Akers
- Mike Seastrom
- Jon Brooks
- Annette Carnahan
- Steve Langberg
- Diane Schreiber
- Bob Spitz
- Joan Kelly Stone

May Anniversaries

- Scott & Jessica Boucher
- Howard & Barbara Jacobowitz
- Fred & Suzy Moore
- Gary & Iris Katzman
- Mike & Lisa Seastrom
- Mike & Lorraine Newlon
- Chuck & Joan Stone
- Steve & Wendy Wieser
- Jim & Peggy Magnuson
- John & Leah Marthens

June Birthdays

- John Kitchens
- Fred DeMartino
- Roxana Chappell
- Gus De Fore
- Donald Foreman
- Neal Albert
- Soo Jin Place
- Maria Jambor
- Nickie Dwork
- Merle Peterson
- John Wilson
- John Marthens

June Anniversaries

- John & Sybil Duhig
- David & Karen Morelli
- Mike & Sharon Waters
- Bob & Gloria Farley
- James & Loretta Baron
- Ted & Nickie Dwork

Bakersfield Weekend Mar. 31—Apr. 2 Saturday Night at Crystal Palace



Friday Night Dance at Veterans Hall



Saturday Morning at Kern County Museum



Sunshine or Showers

BUCKLES & BOWS

Caller: Rod Shuping

Cuer: Joe Scarlatella

Saturday, April 22, 2023

SSD & Plus Level 7:30 to 10:00 pm

Bonus Advanced Tip at 10:00

Rounds 7:00 to 7:30 and between Tips

Donation \$10.00

Goebel Adult Community Center

**1/2 block East of 23 Freeway
1385 E. Janss Road
Thousand Oaks**



Information:

Bill & Nancy (805)368-5371

Coming Dances:

May 27 - Andy Allemao

June 24 - Darren Gallina



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Web Page: <http://www.bucklesandbows.org/>

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TRAIL DUSTERS

Sunday - May 21, 2023

Spring Fling



Celebrate the arrival of Spring - after a long winter of rain - and join us for an afternoon of dance. FUN, food, & friendship.

MIKE SEASTROM

SSD WITH 2 PLUS TIPS AND LINE DANCING

2:00 - 4:00 PM - \$10.00 PER PERSON

Wilkinson Center, 8956 Vanalden, Northridge

****LIGHT REFRESHMENTS****

All mandated protocols required will be followed.

For More Information Contact: Farryl Dickter @ farryl.ateam@gmail.com

Website: www.traildusters.com - Singles and Couples Welcome

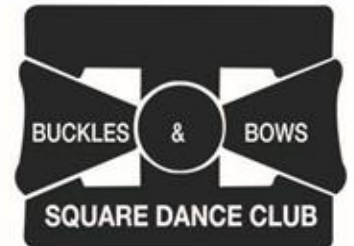
BUCKLES and BOWS



FOOD DRIVE

Top Priority Items (Apr. 2023)

1. *Personal Care Items (Shampoo, Conditioner, Soap, Toothbrush, Toothpaste)*
2. *Cold Cereal*
3. *Hot Drinks (Coffee / Tea / Hot Chocolate)*
4. *Shelf-Stable Drinks (Juices, Oat, Almond, Soda)*
5. *Canned Tuna or Salmon*
6. *Flavored Rice (All types)*
7. *Condiments (Ketchup / Mustard / Mayo / Relish / Salad Dressing)*
8. *Baked or Refried Beans*
9. *Cookies and Crackers*
10. *Soup Broths / Cream Soups*



Manna also accepts monetary donations and gift cards from all grocery stores, including Costco.

Bring donations to class May 16th and 23rd or the club dance May 27th.

Dance for Manna

Benefit Our Community's Families In Need

Come dance & help families in need with your donations of non-perishable food & necessities (paper products, toiletries, diapers, etc.) Cash donations are also very much appreciated

WOW!!!!
Hex Dance
Start Time

Caller: **Andy Allemao**

Cuer: **Cindy Mower**

Saturday May 27, 2023

SPECIAL START TIME

Hex Workshop 5:30 – 7:00

HEX TIP @ Break

Rounds 7:00 - 7:30 & btwn tips

SSD & Plus Level 7:30 - 10:00

Donation: \$10.00



Goebel Adult Community Center

1/2 block East of 23 Freeway

1385 E. Janss Road

Thousand Oaks

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June 24 – Darren Gallina

July 22 – Mike Seastrom

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April 2023

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2	3	4 <i>Class Night</i>	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 <i>Class Night</i>	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 <i>Class Night</i>	19	20	21	22 <i>Club Dance</i>
23	24	25 <i>Class Night</i>	26	27	28	29
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May 2023

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14	15	16 <i>Class Night</i>	17	18	19	20
21 <i>Trail Dusters Spring Fling</i>	22	23 <i>Class Night</i>	24	25	26	27 <i>Club Dance</i>
28	29 <i>Memorial Day</i>	30 <i>Class Night</i>	31			

June 2023

Sun

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4 <i>General Mtg./ Picnic</i>	5	6 <i>Class Night</i>	7	8	9	10
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25	26	27	28	29	30	

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Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

Live Lively -



Square Dance!

