



Buckles & Bows Square Dance Club



Editors: Pat & Jerry Akers

President's Message Greetings everyone.

Like many of you, we never expected to take a square dance class, never expected that we would actually complete the class, never thought that square dancing could become such a focal point of our lives and of course never imagined that we would be starting our 10th year as Presidents of Buckles and Bows. We first expressed those thoughts in July of 2015 at the start of our third year as Presidents and yet here we are, still enjoying every minute (well, almost every minute) being Presidents of this great club.

As class members in 2009 watching experienced dancers doing 'Spin Chain and Exchange the Gears' or "Teacup Chain" it was sometimes difficult to imagine getting through a class or learning another call much less one day being "experienced dancers" ourselves. In fact, we're sure that if you ask some of our early mentors (Angels) like John & Sybil, Bryan & Carol, Ted & Joanne or John & Sandy to name just a few, they were probably just as astonished as we were that we kept going. If you're a newer dancer or if you're just struggling a bit due to "COVID Interruptus" (It's a medical term) we urge you to join us at as many workshops and classes as you can. Mike Seastrom does a great job of making every workshop or class a dance party and with the help of our Angels it will continue to be a fun night for everyone.

We can finally announce that beginning Tuesday August 2nd we will be moving back to the Goebel Center. Unfortunately, many club members as well as many of our class members were not able to adjust their schedules when we had to change to Thursday nights. We are confident that moving back to the Goebel Center on Tuesday nights will allow those folks to return.

Reminder: Our regular 4th Saturday Plus dance will be held at the Conejo Community Center this Saturday July 23rd, and we will be announcing shortly, a series of SSD dances for the entire club.

See You in a Square.

Bill & Nancy Armstrong - Presidents



Visit to Boots and Slippers Dance

36 Buckles and Bows made a visitation to the Simi Valley Boots and Slippers dance July 9, 2022. Mike Seastrom presented Dick Hodnefield with a pin and certificate for 50 years of calling on behalf of The Square Dance CALL-ERLAB. Jackie Flashberg (right) presented Dick with a delicious homemade cake she baked for the occasion. Mike Kellogg did a fantastic job calling this dance.

Mike Newlon - Photographer



Summer Class/Workshop Update

We're so excited. Many of our new dancers are getting out to SSD dances and having a blast. Our first event was at the Stagecoach Inn, where we showed off by entertaining the guests. We danced several tips and then invited the guests to join us. Mike Seastrom taught beginning calls, and we all danced together for two tips. Afterwards, Lorraine Newlon provided delicious cup cakes, since it was Mike Newlon's birthday. We followed that up by going to Coaches Old Fashioned Ice Cream Parlor in Newbury Park for a delicious dessert and a little social time.

Our Club at the Inn



Future Dancers



Happy Birthday



Fill the Ice Cream Parlor



Our next dance was at the Sierra Hillbillies in Santa Clarita. It was a bit of a drive, but we had about 25 Buckles and Bows folks, including our SSD dancers. Mike Seastrom presented the caller, Paul Waters, with a certificate honoring Paul's 50 years of calling. That was a wonderful accomplishment. We followed up the dance with dinner at Wood Ranch in Santa Clarita. We are so happy our SSD dancers could join us and have fun times together.

Dancing with the Sierra Hill Billies in Santa Clarita



In the near future we will be putting on our own SSD dances, and we are hoping that when we return to the Goebel Center next month, some of our class dancers can return (some couldn't make it on Thursday nights), and Mike will help everyone catch up during the rest of the summer workshops. It has been a challenging restart to our in-person square dancing, but our efforts have paid off in getting us back on the floor and getting new dancers to join us in this great activity.

Dean and Joanne Cunningham - Class Coordinators



Dear Buckles & Bows,

We wish to thank all of you for the Lifetime Membership that you have bestowed upon us. We truly appreciate this honor. It came as a surprise as we were talking about mailing our dues the very day we received your notification.

Buckles & Bows has enriched our lives in so many ways during the thirty-six years since we joined.

We feel very fortunate to have been part of such an outstanding club.

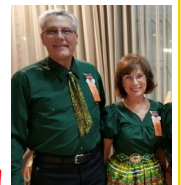
Hugs,

Jim and Peggy Magnuson



71st National Square Dance Convention (NSDC) in Evansville Indiana,

report by Bryan and Carol Tapking



We had a wonderful time . Here are a few pictures we took.

Over two thousand people attended. We are always happy to see our Buckles and Bows members who don't live in our area or state.

Dave & Karen Morelli - Stockton, Ca

Carl & Cindy McLaren - El Cajon, Ca

Patty Bundy - Memphis TN

Hall & Soo Jin Place - The Villages, FL

We danced, explored the city, watched Mike, Lisa, Hall and Soo Jin dance in a square dance competition. It was a tough competition out on the floor. They looked like they were having a fun time. We danced some more and, in the evening, there were after parties.

There is every level of dancing at a National Convention, something for everyone.

We signed up for next year in Mobil Alabama, we brought back registration forms if anyone is interested in attending.

The Alabama Committee is so enthusiastic I'm sure it will be a GREAT convention and not far from New Orleans if you want to take a side trip.



Important Dates:

- Thursday nights thru July, Class for New Dancers at Conejo Community Center
- Tuesday nights August 2nd onward, Class and Workshop at Goebel Senior Center
- Saturday July 23rd, 'Hot Summer Nights' Club Dance (Caller: Pat Carnathan)
- Sunday August 14th, 'Sea Breeze' Club Dance Cancelled

July Birthdays

Mike Newlon
 Ted Dwork
 Pat Akers
 Dean Thompson
 Percy Caulkins
 Sharon Waters
 Judy Powell
 Bob Biehl
 Peggy Magnusen
 Suzanne Clock
 Vicki Panaro
 Louise Schoenneman
 Jeannette King
 Steve Wieser
 Ava Schleder
 Tom Boulton
 Martha Reyes
 David Morelli
 Cathy Smith
 Graham Campbel

July Anniversaries

Dean & Cindy Gullekson
 Ray & Kit Hime
 Steve & Jane Snider
 Red & Diane O'Connell

Spreading Sunshine

Kathy & Jon
 DeForge

Stay well and keep dancing

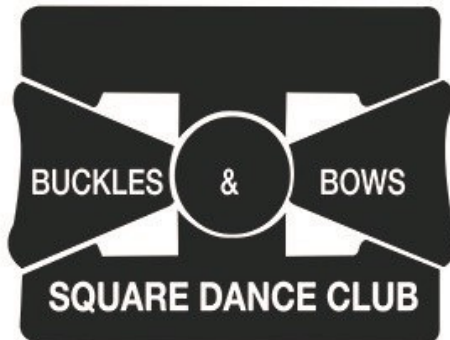


August Birthdays

Bryan Tapking
 Barbara Brown
 Shiaw Chang
 Howard Rockstad
 Sandy Oberman
 Jane Snider
 Russ Babbitt
 Mark Conn
 Janice Wolfe
 Ted Noller
 Audrey Debski
 Marilyn Kirshenbaum
 Bob Chappell
 Patti Bundy

August Anniversaries

Frank & Joyce Schaible
 Jon & Kathy DeForge
 Jerry & Pat Akers
 Dean & Evelyn Thompson
 Steve & Mary Genstil
 Herb & Sandy Oberman
 Lou & Maria Jambor
 John & Clare Sluke
 Tony & Suzette DeMarco
 Bryan & Carol Tapking



Save the Date

The Holiday Dance and Desert Social is December 4th...2:30-5:00 pm. Dale Hoppers will be calling a variety of different dances at the Global Center. Details to follow.

Paulette Clemens - Social Chair



Joanne Cunningham suggested the newsletter could be a path for us to learn about our fellow club member's backgrounds. She has provided the first article in the new 'Our Story' series. The idea is club members contribute a short biography to be shared. The hope is even with limited social contact, we can learn about each other. Please send your one page or less stories to Pat and Jerry Akers email: akers.jerry.e@gmail.com. A special thank you to John Duhig, This featured continues because he hunts down 'volunteers'.

Our Story - Leah & John Marthens

Leah was born in Fort Erie, Ontario, Canada and moved with her parents to Westchester, CA when she was 5 years old and has one younger brother. She became a US citizen when she was 12. Leah graduated from Westchester High School and shortly after she married her high school boyfriend who had joined the Navy. They had a son, Patrick. She worked as a dental assistant (where she unknowingly met John who was a patient). Leah then went to work for Computer Sciences in El Segundo in their personnel department.



John is a native Californian born in Culver City. He was raised in El Segundo and graduated from El Segundo High School. He has two older brothers. John joined the Army right out of high school on his 18th birthday (much to his mother's dismay). He married after being honorably discharged from the service and they had a son, Darrin. Eventually, John went to work for Computer Sciences in the computer room (yes, a large room filled with huge Univac computers).

They met after work one Friday night at the Crown Room in El Segundo in 1970. Unknown to them, John's boss and Leah's girlfriend set them up. They were married in 1971 and had a daughter, Stacy. John went to work for California Federal Savings and they bought their first home in Canoga Park. John became a salesman for Sercomp, then California Ribbon and retired from Toner Charge. Leah went to work for LAUSD as a TA then as an Office Assistant and finally as an Administrative Assistant.

Leah and John have been married 51 years and have traveled to many places internationally and domestically. They've been square dancing for 30 years and still love it. They were formally with the Happy Squares until that club closed and they became Buckles & Bows.

Thank you all for welcoming us with open arms into your club. John and Leah

Tuesday, August 2nd will be a great evening on the New Goebel Center Dance Floor

After several months of changing dates, the new floor will be available for use. Come to our workshop and be among the first people to use the new floor. We hesitate to report the unconfirmed rumor that "the Ventura County Maintenance Department is considering requiring all "street shoes" to be masked until the floor has cured to 30 days".

Hot Summer Nights

Saturday, July 23, 2022



Caller: Pat Carnathan

Cuer: Joe Scarlatella



Rounds 7:00 to 7:30 & between tips

Plus Level 7:30 TO 10:00

Bonus Advanced Tip at 10:00

Casual Dress

Favorite T-Shirt & Shorts

Donation

\$ 10.00 per person

*Proof of COVID Vaccination required
Or proof of negative COVID test within 48 hours
Local mask requirements apply*

Conejo Community Center

1175 Hendrix Ave.
Thousand Oaks
CA 91360



Information:

Bill & Nancy (805) 368-5371

Coming Dances:

CANCELLED: Sunday, Aug 14, Sea Breeze

Sept 24, Eric Henerlau

Visit us @: <http://www.bucklesandbows.org/>

Buckles & Bows Square Dance Club Thousand Oaks CA

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Workshop

Mike & Lisa Seastrom



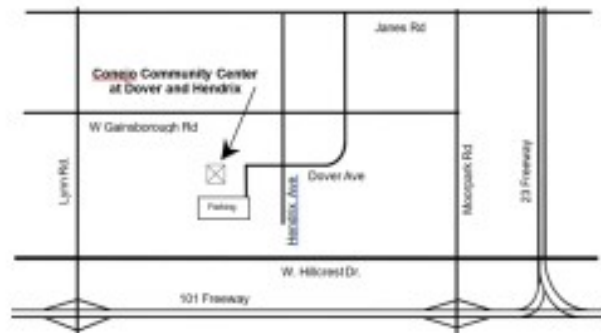
SSD, Plus Level and All Position Instruction

7:00 to 9:00 PM \$5.00 per person

***Proof of Vaccination Required
Or proof of negative COVID test within 48 hours
Local Mask Requirements Apply***

Thursdays May 26 thru **AUGUST**

**Dover Hendrix Park
1175 Hendrix Ave
Thousand Oaks
CA 91360**



Information: Bill Armstrong 805 368-5371

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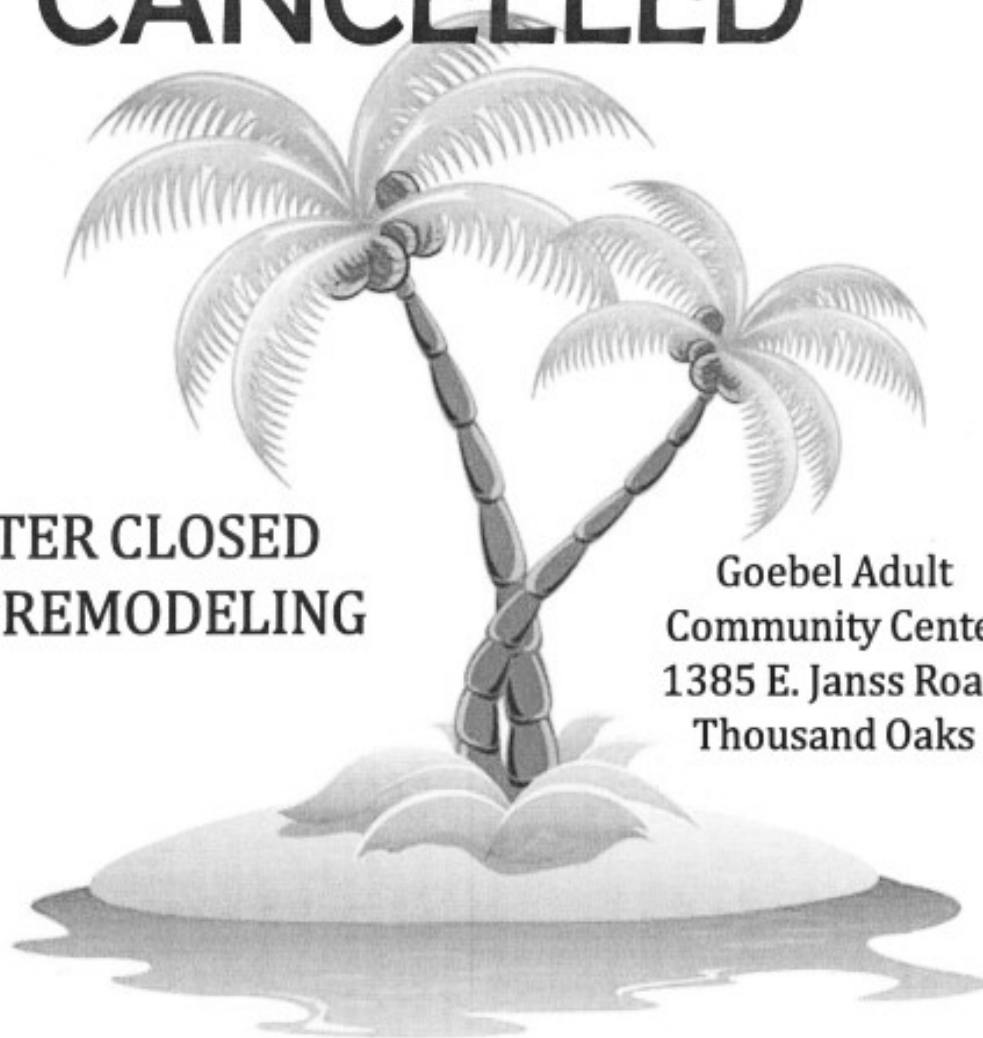
Buckles & Bows
SEA BREEZE DANCE

Sunday, August 14, 2022

CANCELLED

**CENTER CLOSED
FOR REMODELING**

Goebel Adult
Community Center
1385 E. Janss Road
Thousand Oaks



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Modern Square Dancing

HEY LOOK!!!
NEW CLASS

Class Every Tuesday
9/13 through 12/13
7:00 - 8:30 pm
First 2 Classes FREE

High
Energy

Fun



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**Proof of COVID Vaccination Required
Or proof of negative COVID test within 48 hours
Local mask requirements apply**

Donation: \$5 per person

**Goebel Adult Community Center
1385 E. Janss Rd.
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Bill (805) 368-5371

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July 2022

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August 2022

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Live Lively -



Square Dance!

