



# Buckles & Bows Square Dance Club



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## President's Message

I woke up this morning thinking "My God what a terrible dream I had last night!" It was all about a horrible Pandemic that swept the entire world forcing us to change the way we lived and how we interact with everyone. And horror of horrors we weren't able to meet with our square dance friends for over a year. Then at breakfast while I was still thinking about this nightmare Nancy asked "weren't you supposed to do your Presidents Report yesterday?" I realized it must have just been a nightmare since we have this conversation almost every month. So, before I get my reminder from Jerry & Pat, here's my report for July

Last months dance with Rod Shuping and Dale Hoppers, which for some reason I distinctly remember being held in a parking lot, was a huge success with nearly 15 squares. Last week we held our first Summer Workshop with ninety Buckles and Bows members and students hosting 28 visitors from around the area. Mike Seastrom, as always, made the evening fun for everyone with the first half of the workshop devoted to SSD (whatever that is!)

This week we will have our second workshop and on Thursday July 15<sup>th</sup> we are invited to join The Boots and Slippers for their Workshop featuring, of course, Dick Hodnefield. Then on Saturday July 17<sup>th</sup> we will join The Valley Trailers for their dance with Darren Gallina.

It's great to see that our square dance activities continue as always. We can't imagine getting through even a month without this great pastime.

See You in a "Real" Square.

*Bill & Nancy*



## Important Dates:

- Every Tuesday night, 'Summer Workshop'
- Saturday July 24th, 'Hot Summer Nights' Club Dance
- Sunday Afternoon August 22nd, 'Welcome Back' Club Dance
- Tuesday September 14th, Start of New Students Class.

**Begin recruiting now!!!**

# ***BUCKLES & BOWS***

## ***Hot Summer Nights***

### ***Indoor Square Dance***

**Caller: David Mee**

**Cuer: Dawn Mee**

**Saturday July 24, 2021**



**Rounds 7:00 to 7:30  
& between tips**

**Plus Level 7:30 to 10:00**

**Casual Dress  
Favorite T-Shirt & Shorts**

**Donation  
\$ 10.00 per person**

**Coming Dances:**

**Sunday Aug 22, Welcome Back Dance, Buddy Weaver**

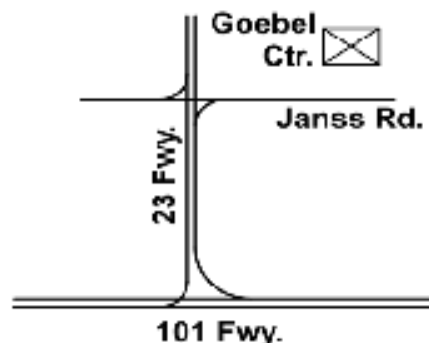
**Saturday September 25, Jay Henderson**

## ***Goebel Adult Community Center***

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

**Information: Bill 805 368-5371**

**Nancy 805 368-5362**



**Visit Us @**

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

**Facebook: Buckles & Bows Square Dance Club Thousand Oaks CA**

**Buckles & Bows Dance**

# **WELCOME BACK**

Caller: **Buddy Weaver**



**Donation:**  
**\$10.00 each at the door**  
**Refreshments Only**  
**No Meal**  
**No Baskets**  
**No Raffle**

**Sunday August 22, 2021**  
**Plus Level 2:00 – 4:30 PM**

**Tropical Attire Encouraged**

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# Modern Square Dance

**Classes  
Tuesday Sept 14 thru Dec  
7:00 - 8:30 pm  
First 2 Classes FREE**



**Buckles and Bows Square Dance Club**

**Donation: \$5 per person**

**Goebel Adult Community Center**

**1385 E. Janss Rd.**

**Thousand Oaks, CA 91362**

**Information: Joanne (805) 231-6222**

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**July Birthdays**

Mike Newlon  
 Ted Dwork  
 Pat Akers  
 Dean Thompson  
 Percy Caulkins  
 Sharon Waters  
 Judy Powell  
 Bob Biehl  
 Peggy Magnusen  
 Terry Martindale  
 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

**August Birthdays**

Bryan Tapking  
 Barbara Brown  
 Shiau 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

**Social**

**Save the Dates:**

Simi Valley Cultural Arts Center is scheduled to reopen with a Patsy Cline Show. We are trying to arrange a **Theater Event for Friday, October 29, 2021.** We will let you know when it's firm.

**Buckles and Bows Holiday Event will be December 4, 2021, 6:30-10:00** at the Goebel Center. Caller Dale Hoppers and his band will perform for this festive event. Don't miss this.

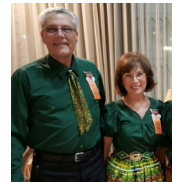
By Terry and Paulette Clemens



**Membership Update by Bryan and Carol Tapking**

We welcome 3 New and 3 returning members to our Buckles & Bows Club.

John & Leah Marthens and Joseph Whittaker are new to our club whereas Fred DeMartino, Jay LaRue and Tom Sunderland are returning members. Please add their current information to your Club Handbook.



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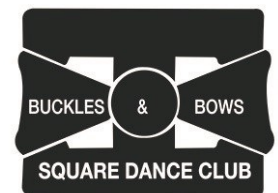
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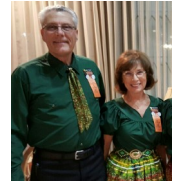
**Jay JaRue** 1341 Jamacia Lane, Oxnard CA 93030  
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 805-416-6005 C No email available at this time.



## National Square Dance Convention Jackson, Mississippi

By Bryan and Carol Tapking



We thoroughly enjoyed the 70th NSDC in Jackson MS.

Buckles & Bows members past and present attended. Hall & Sou Jin Place came from Florida. Patti Bundy and her daughter Victoria traveled from Tennessee. Victoria is 'Caller the Year'. Colorado contributed Kit & Ray Hime. Arizona was represented by Jon & Julie McConnel. The California delegation included Dave & Karen Morelli (Stockton), Scott & Jessica Boucher (Oxnard), Bryan and Carol Tapking (Thousand Oaks) and Mike and Lisa Seastrom (Tarzana).

We enjoyed Mike Seastrom's Keynote presentation on 'the Importance of the Social Connections in Square Dancing'. You can view it on Youtube (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4T1vJaJmyPQ&t=34s>). Of course, the best callers at the Convention were Mike & Lisa Seastrom.

We were entertained this year by Nick Perkins who did a tribute to Elvis Presley at the dinner show. In three days, we did a lot of Square Dancing to many of our favorite callers and many that were new to us. I would say "The Ghost Rider's Band" was our favorite on Saturday night. They made Mainstream so much fun. Everyone was having a great time. It was definitely party time in the Mainstream Hall.

70<sup>th</sup> Annual National  
Square Dance Convention  
Jackson, Mississippi





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 to be interviewed.

## - Our Story - Mike and Lisa Seastrom



You might be thinking that Square Dancing is our favorite activity.” Right, but who loved square dancing first? Mike or Lisa? Well, since Lisa was just a baby when Mike started dancing, he wins. Just a short 11 years later, Lisa began square dancing too. Both raised in the San Fernando Valley, they were unaware that one day their paths would cross and square dancing would bring them together. While Mike was building his dental practice, bringing up two wonderful boys and enjoying trips around the world calling square dances, Lisa was volunteering for such things as committee work at the 2001 NSDC in Anaheim and fulfilling a career path of teaching English to high school English learners. Just as she was about to get her master’s degree in secondary education in 2016, the two began seeing each other in that space that happens in some people’s lives where they are both “flying solo” at the same time.

It was amazing how much they found they had in common beyond just square dancing. Mike and Lisa both have loved round dancing for years. Coincidentally, Mike and Lisa are both beach-loving native Californians with a passion for sushi. Mike loves to travel and Lisa makes the perfect travel companion.

Well, as they say, one thing led to another, and by the summer of 2017, just a couple months after Lisa decided to retire from 25 years of teaching, Mike popped the question. You could say it was a long engagement as the wedding took place in May 2019. But it was worth the wait because they were able to connect with so many dear friends and family on that very wonderful occasion.

They found their “starter” home only a few minutes from Mike’s dental practice office. “We are really finding what we both like in a home and what we both don’t like and how our two different lives have managed to blend together.”

Besides having a home one day close to the beach, many travel destinations are on their bucket list. They will happily travel to Japan again where the people are so welcoming and gracious. Another adventure they enjoyed and would repeat was a two-week tour in Germany. Their tour guides, the Crisps, were delightful ambassadors and introduced them to many wonderful people and sights including Oktoberfest where Lisa learned to love beer.”

“Square dancing has been a true blessing in our lives. Not only is it responsible for our happy union, but we feel so fortunate for all the great friends we’ve made and good times we have experienced because of this great activity.”

# July 2021

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

				1	2	3
4	5	6 <i>Workshop</i>	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 <i>Workshop</i>	14	15	16	17
18 <i>Ice Cream Day</i>	19	20 <i>Workshop</i>	21	22	23 <i>Summer Olympics Begin</i>	24 <i>Club Dance</i>
25	26	27 <i>Workshop</i>	28	29	30	31



# August 2021

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

1 <i>Friend- ship Day</i>	2	3 <i>Work- shop</i>	4 <i>Choco- late chip Cookie Day</i>	5	6	7
8 <i>Summer Olym- pics End</i>	9	10 <i>Work- shop</i>	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 <i>Work- shop</i>	18	19	20	21
22 <i>Club Dance</i>	23	24 <i>Work- shop</i>	25	26	27 <i>Just Because Day</i>	28
29	30	31 <i>Work- shop</i>				

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Square Dance!

