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USDA President's Letter

Hi Everyone,

This past month (May) has not been a real good month I am sad to say. Sadly, we learned at the May U.S.D.A. meeting that one of our clubs, the Maverick Squares, were folding. It is a big loss to our Association and square dancing. It is my hope that the remaining members of the Mavericks join other clubs within the U.S.D.A. and keep dancing.

Then, in the same week my mother passed away on the 5th of May. She was 93 years old and lived a long good life. I sincerely "thank" everyone for all of the sympathy cards and phone calls we received.

Yet, again, some clubs are having a problem with a place to dance due to closures of some of the Veteran's Halls. Please keep your eyes and ears open for a hall that would be suitable for dancing. Please let the Whirlaways and the Rounders know if you have a hall in mind.

I sincerely hope you will keep dancing through the summer.

Happy Dancing!!!.....Carol Noel

Editor's Comments

Well, as Carol mentions above we have lost another USDA club – the Maverick Squares. This means that USDA has lost two clubs – the Circle T's and the Maverick Squares over the last few years. We all need to do what we can to both publicize square dancing and get new dancers into this great activity.

I have made a couple of changes to Tip Talk as a result of losing the Mavericks. On the club listings pages starting on page 4, I have moved our two associate clubs – the Black Gold Cloggers and the Bakersfield Rounders to page 6. This allows the remaining six square dance clubs to all be on two facing pages. It also allows a column on page 6 for "Breaking News", so in the future if any clubs have last minute news that needs to get into Tip Talk, I may be able to accommodate it.

Square Dance festivals and weekends, with the exception of some advanced weekends, sort of dry up during the summer months. But in September they return in full force with the Mid-Cal Classic in Los Banos, and A-Square-D Jamboree in Oxnard. Unfortunately as we were going to press I found out that the Fall Festival in Yucaipa, sponsored by Cow Counties Hoedown Association has been cancelled for 2010. See the inside back cover for more information on these special events.

Hope to see you in a square soonBob Bell

Blood Bank

As of June 14th, 2010 there are 35 units of blood available. The following people donated blood since the last report: Debra Traynor, Bill Huffstutter, Jean Schwynoch, Keith Bratton and Dolly Hei.

Houchin Community Blood Bank is located at 5901 Truxton Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 661-323-4222. Hours are 9AM to 6PM M-F. On Monday and Thursday the Blood Bank is open until 8PM. No appointment is necessary. Mention that you want the blood credited to USDA's account.

Sunshine

Cards were sent to:

M H Ahlemeyer	Rotator Cuff Surgery	Veleta Neal	Back Surgery
Cay Hodge	Son's Passing	John Speights	Wife, Jennie's Passing
Gerald Patterson	Heart Problems	Carol Noel	Mother's Death
Larry Latta	Blood Clot Problem	Gerald Patterson	Heart Cauterization
Alan Michelau	Hand Surgery		

We received a lovely "Thank You" from Carol Noel and family. She expressed her thanks and appreciation for all the thoughts and prayers sent her way when her mother passed. She said that her mother really enjoyed their square dancing even though she didn't dance. The square dancing community and all the friends they have because of the dancing and other activities mean so very much to them.

Thank you

Evelyn Glines



Lake Isabella

President: Darlene Priaulx
760-379-4181

Club Caller: Rob Cunningham

Club Dance Every 1st
Saturday 7:00 - 9:30 PM

Class/Club Workshop
Tuesdays 7:00 – 9:00PM

Class/Workshop/Dances are
held at Kern River Valley
Veterans/Senior Building
6405 Lake Isabella Blvd.
Lake Isabella, CA 93240

Upcoming Dances

July 3rd
4th of July Dance
Caller: Skip Stanley
Rounds from Records

August 7th
Shorts and Skirts Dance
Caller: Henry Grissett
Rounds from Records

September 4th
Caller: Dale Hoppers
Rounds from Records

October 2nd
Caller: Bob Van West
Rounds from Records

November 6th
Caller: Arlin Miller
Rounds from Records

December 4th
Caller: Phil Farmer
Rounds from Records

45th Anniversary March 2011



President: Ellen Ferrell
661- 742-5176
Club Caller: Mike Kellogg

Club Dance Every 3rd
Saturday 7:30 - 10:30 pm
Rounds start at 6:45PM and
between tips

Regular Workshop/Class
Thursdays
7:30 – 9:30PM

Class/Workshop/Dances are
held at Rasmussen Center
115 E. Roberts Lane
Bakersfield, CA 93308

Upcoming Dances

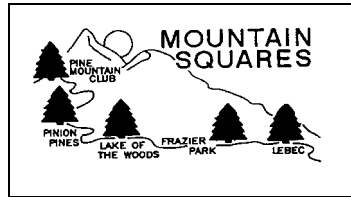
July 17th
Summer Mainstream Dance
Caller: Steve Woodard
Plus Star Tip – No Rounds

September 18th
Caller: John Reitmajer
Cuer: Chuck and Mary Ryall

October 16th
Caller: Ed Kremers
Cuer: Chuck and Mary Ryall

November 20th
Caller: Rod Shuping
Cuer: Chuck and Doreene Ball

54th Anniversary April 2011



President: Cindy Bell
661- 248-6104

Club Caller: Monica Shanks
Club Dance 2nd or 3rd
Sundays except winter months
1:30 – 4:30PM

Dances are held at
Frazier Park Community Center
Monterey Trail & Park Drive
Frazier Park, CA 93225

Club Workshops
First Tuesday - Plus WS 7 -9:30PM
Workshops are held at Cuddy Hall
335 Lakewood Place
Lake of the Woods, CA 93225

Upcoming Dances

July 11th
Yankee Doodle Dandy
Live Band Dance
Caller: Dale Hoppers
Cuer: Anndrea Stephan
August 13th and 14th
Frazier Mountain Getaway
Caller: Mike Sikorsky
Cuer: Chuck & Mary Ryall
Friday - 6:15-9:45PM
Saturday – 10AM-4PM & 6:15-9:45PM

August 15th
Sundaes On Sunday
Shorts & T-Shirts
Caller: Ken Ritucci
Cuer: Chuck & Mary Ryall

September 19th
Back to School
Caller: Charlie Fagin
Cuer: Anndrea Stephan

October 17th
Anniversary Dance
Caller: John Reitmajer
Cuer: David & Susan Cleek

21st Anniversary Oct 2010

SKIRTS & FLIRTS



ADULT CLUB (Advanced)
President: Otto Cook 661-832-4273

Club Caller: Rick Hampton

Regular dances are no longer being scheduled.

Workshops/Classes are DARK during the summer. They will resume in September. Check the next issue of Tip Talk for the exact dates and times.

"Helen's Barn"
1408 Superior Road
Bakersfield, CA 93312

54th Anniversary May 2011



President: Roger Wodke 661-822-1850

Club Caller: Rod Shuping
Club Dance Every Other Month on 3rd
Sunday 2 -4:30pm

Dances, classes, and workshops are held at the Community Church
100 East E. St. (Corner of Green & E)
Tehachapi, CA 93561
Unless otherwise noted

Club Class/Workshop
Every Wednesday 6:30 – 9:00pm
Class 6:30-8:15pm
Plus Workshop 8:15-9:00pm

Upcoming Dances

August 21st
Saturday
Mountain Festival

Caller: Cliff Simpson
Cuer: Chuck Ball
7-10PM

October 17th
Anniversary Dance
Caller: Arlen Miller
Cuer: Anndrea Stephan
2-4:30PM

33rd Anniversary October 2010



President: Herb Hall 661-398-3394

Club Caller: Rick Hampton

Club Dance Every 4th Saturday
7:30-10:00pm Rounds at 6:45pm
Dances are held at

East Bakersfield Veterans Hall, 2101
Ridge Road (Mt. Vernon Ave. and
Ridge Road), Bakersfield, CA 93308
unless otherwise noted.

For additional information go to
www.whirlaways.org

Club Class/Workshop Every Monday
Class Workshop 7 – 8:30PM
Plus Workshop 8:30 - 9:30PM
For July held at:

Kern City Town Hall
1003 Pebble Barch Drive
Bakersfield, CA
For August please call for location.

Upcoming Dances

July, August DARK

September 10th
Floor Level Dance
Caller: Rod Shuping
No Rounds
Call for location

September 25th
Teddy Bears' Picnic
Caller: Skip Stanley
Cuer: Chuck & Mary Ryall
East Bakersfield Veterans Hall

October 8th
Floor Level Dance
Caller: Rod Shuping
No Rounds
Call for location

October 23rd
Halloween Fun Costumes
Caller: Roy Stevenson
Cuer: Chuck & Mary Ryall
East Bakersfield Veterans Hall

56th Anniversary February 2011



President: Carolyn Gomez
661-665-2720
Instructor: Loni O'Donley
email: myizrbrown@aol.com

Classes: Tuesday evening
Beginner: 7:15-7:45PM
Easy Intermediate: 7:45-8:30PM
Intermediate Plus: 8:30-9:15PM
Advanced: 9:15-10:00PM

Silver Creek Recreation Center
7011 Harris Road
Bakersfield CA 93313

All Ages -- No Partner Needed

27th Anniversary Dec. 2010



President: Pete Bacon
661-834-6192
Club Instructors:
Chuck & Mary Ryall
661-747-7921

Look for information in the next issue of Tip Talk about upcoming classes, workshops and dances starting in September

Upcoming Dances

July – DARK
August 28th (Saturday)
Round Dance Party
7 – 9:30PM
Cuers: Chuck and Mary Ryall
East Bakersfield Veterans Hall
2101 Ridge Rd., Bakersfield

8th Anniversary Sep. 2010



NEWS FLASHES!!

USDA Meetings

No USDA Meeting in July. Instead there will be two meetings in August – 8/2 and 8/30. Also no meeting in September.

USDA 5th Saturday Dance

The July 5th Saturday USDA dance with Rick Hampton calling and Chuck & Doreene Ball cueing on July 31st will be at the Mt. Vernon Hall. Light refreshments only – desserts – will be served.

Fiesta Trail's End Dance

Because of the demise of the Maverick Squares, the Fiesta Committee has taken over the Thursday Trail's End Dance before Fiesta. It will move to the Fairgrounds and be held in the Hall used for registration. Dinner will be available at 6PM, Pre-rounds at 7PM, with Squares from 7:30 – 10PM. Look for more information about this extra event in upcoming issues.

Fair Demo

Also, related to this, the Fair Demo in September will be totally sponsored by USDA. In the past, the Maverick Squares did all the "grunt work" in arranging this function at the Fairgrounds. This year, most of it had already been done by the Mavericks and Carol Noel just had to finish up a few items. But next year we may need some volunteers to pick up this work.



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The County plans to shut down six Veterans Halls because of the budget problems effective July 3rd, 2010. Most of these halls are in outlying areas – Shafter, Wasco, etc. but two are in the Bakersfield area – Southwest Veterans Hall previously used by the Mavericks and also by the Rounders – and Norris Road Veterans Hall currently used by the Whirlaways. It looks like this is the extent of the Parks and Recreation Department's efforts to further prune the budget this year, but this action does not bode well for our activity. Mt. Vernon remains available, but there will be much more demand for that hall by all organizations – not just our square dancing and round dancing groups. Consider contacting your county supervisor to express your concern about the effect this action places on the opportunity for non-profits to provide services and activities for the benefit of the county residents. The Editor

~~The Mountain Squares have cancelled the Frazier Mountain Getaway scheduled for August 13th and 14th. We needed a minimum of 8 squares to break even on this event, but the county needed to be paid for the hall in early July. After considering the number of registrations received, we reluctantly decided that we were not going to reach the numbers needed to break even. Those who sent in registrations will be receiving their checks back in the next few days. After Tip Talk was printed, a last minute decision was made to hold this event "no matter what". So it is still on and the Mountain Squares ask all that have expressed an interest in this special weekend to register as soon as possible.~~

USDA Calendar of Events

July 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>See Club Listings for details on locations, times, and themes of dances, classes, and workshops</p>				<p>1 Joaquin Sqrs. Class/WS 7:30-9:30PM</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3 Dam Dancers 4th of July Dance Skip Stanley Rounds from Records</p>
<p>4 </p>	<p>5 Whirlaways Class/WS DARK</p>	<p>6 Mtn. Squares Workshop 7-9:30PM Black Gold Cloggers WS/Class 7:15-10PM Dam Dancers Class/WS 7-9PM</p>	<p>7 Gandy Dancers Workshop 6:30-9PM</p>	<p>8 Joaquin Sqrs. Class/WS 7:30-9:30PM</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>11 Mountain Squares. Dale Hoppers Live Band Dance Anndrea Stephan on rounds 1:30-5PM</p>	<p>12 Whirlaways Class/WS 7-9:30PM Kern City Town Hall</p>	<p>13 Black Gold Cloggers WS/Class Dam Dancers Class/WS Mtn. Sqrs - DARK</p>	<p>14 Gandy Dancers Class/WS 6:30-9PM</p>	<p>15 Joaquin Sqrs. Class/WS 7:30-9:30PM</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 Joaquin Squares Steve Woodard Mainstream with Plus Star Tip No rounds 7:30-10:30PM</p>
<p>18</p>	<p>19 Whirlaways Class/WS 7-9:30PM Kern City Town Hall</p>	<p>20 Dam Dancers Class/WS 7-9PM Black Gold Cloggers WS/Class 7:15-10PM Mtn. Sqrs - DARK</p>	<p>2 Gandy Dancers Class/WS 6:30-9PM</p>	<p>22 Joaquin Sqrs. Class/WS 7:30-9:30PM</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 Whirlaways DARK</p>
<p>25</p>	<p>26 Whirlaways Class/WS 7-9:30PM Kern City Town Hall</p>	<p>27 Dam Dancers Class/WS 7-9PM Black Gold Cloggers WS/Class 7:15-10PM Mtn. Sqrs - DARK</p>	<p>28 Gandy Dancers Class/WS 6:30-9PM</p>	<p>29 Joaquin Sqrs. Class/WS 7:30-9:30PM</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31 USDA 5th Saturday Dance Rick Hampton Chuck & Doreene Ball on rounds 6:30-10PM East Bakersfield Veterans Hall</p>

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1	2 USDA Board Meeting 7PM Whirlaways Class/WS 7-9:30PM Call for location	3 Blk Gold Cloggers WS/Class 7:15-10PM Dam Dancers Class/WS 7-9PM Mtn. Squares Workshop - DARK	4 Gandy Dancers Class/WS 6:30-9PM	5 Joaquin Sqrs. Class/WS 7:30-9:30PM	6	7 Dam Dancers Shorts & Skirts Dance Henry Grissett Rounds by Records 7 - 9:30PM
8	9 Whirlaways Class/WS 7-9:30PM Call for location	10 Mtn. Squares Workshop 7-9:30PM Black Gold Cloggers WS/Class 7:15-10PM Dam Dancers Class/WS 7-9PM	11 Gandy Dancers Class/WS 6:30-9PM	12 Joaquin Sqrs. Class/WS 7:30-9:30PM	13	14
15 Mtn. Squares. Sundaes on Sunday Ken Ritucci Anndrea Stephan on rounds Shorts & T-Shirts 1:30-4:30PM	16 Whirlaways Class/WS 7-9:30PM Call for location	17 Mtn. Squares DARK Black Gold Cloggers WS/Class 7:15-10PM Dam Dancers Class/WS 7-9PM	18 Gandy Dancers Class/WS 6:30-9PM	19 Joaquin Sqrs. Class/WS 7:30-9:30PM	20	21 Gandy Dancers Mountain Festival Cliff Simpson Chuck Ball on rounds Joaquin Squares DARK
22	23 Whirlaways Class/WS 7-9:30PM Call for location	24 Mtn. Sqrs. DARK Black Gold Cloggers WS/Class 7:15-10PM Dam Dancers Class/WS 7-9PM	25 Gandy Dancers Class/WS 6:30-9PM	26 Joaquin Sqrs. Class/WS 7:30-9:30PM	27 Cuyacos Capers Advanced 27, 28, 29	28 Whirlaways DARK Rounds Round Dance Party 7-9:30PM Mt. Vernon Hall
29	30 Whirlaways Class/WS 7-9:30PM Call for location USDA Board Meeting 7PM	31 Mtn. Sqrs. DARK Black Gold Cloggers WS/Class 7:15-10PM Dam Dancers Class/WS 7-9PM			See Club Listings for details on locations, times, and themes of dances, classes, and workshops	

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The following article was originally printed in the *United Square Dancers Association News*, reprinted from *Dacnin' News of Central Florida* and *The Caller of Memphis, Tennessee*.

Live Ten Years Longer!

Square Dancing will add ten years to your life, a surprising new study shows. Dr. Arron Blackburn states "It's clear that square dancing is the perfect exercise. It combines all positive aspects of intense physical exercise with none of the negative elements."

Dr. Blackburn said square dancing is a low impact activity requiring constant movement and quick directional changes that help keep the body in shape. The study was based on their physical examination which indicated that both female and male square dancers could expect to live well into their 80's.

Square dance movements raise heart rates like many good aerobic exercises should. All the quick changes of direction loosen and tone up the muscles--but not so severely as to cause injury. In square dancing, when you're not moving, you're clapping hands and tapping your feet, which all contributes to long term fitness.

"You don't see a lot of 55 year old basketball players, but that's just the age when square dancers are hitting their peak", he said.

THE SQUARE DEAL

For the past several years we have heard stories of the decline of interest in square dancing, with various parts of the country reporting a decline in attendance and difficulty in recruiting people for classes. Many people have said the reason for the decline is inherent in the square dance activity itself, such as too many calls, too many programs, classes too long, etc. But such criticism of the activity has always been present, even during the boom times.

The number of dancers today is far greater than 25 years ago, with far more clubs, more festivals, more conventions, and the boom of dancing in retirement areas. The long term trend of square dancing is upwards. But within any trend, there are peaks and valleys. A short term decline in the midst of a long term increase is common in many areas. We are currently in one of those short term valleys. Following are six reasons why we are in this valley and losing dancers.

1. **THE BIRTH RATE.** The majority of dancers in many areas are ages 48-63. These people were born in the 1930-1945 period, when there was a decline in the birth rate. Likewise, the post war baby boom has not yet impacted square dancing. These people are 45 to 50 years old today and many are still actively raising families.
2. **CONVENIENCE.** The convenience of renting movies to watch at home has caused a decline in a wide range of activities. Square dancing is only one. This does not mean there is something inherently wrong with square dancing. We are simply facing new competition which is currently popular.
3. **STAYING HOME.** According to a *Newsweek* Gallup poll, 70% of all adults say staying home is their favorite relaxation. Many people in the '60's and '70's viewed staying home as a trap. Now it is a refuge from the pressurized lifestyle that has become the norm.
4. **LESS LEISURE TIME.** The same poll says Americans are working six hours more per week and have ten fewer hours of leisure time per week. Again the reflection of our current lifestyle.
5. **WIDE RANGE OF EXPERIENCES.** People are not satisfied with only a few recreational activities. They want to experience as many things as they can. This may explain why many people complete a square dance class, and then drop out. They have spent a year square dancing . . . and it's time to try something else.

BOTTOM LINE . . . We have to run faster to stay where we are!

The above article is from USDA's Recruiting and Keeping New Dancers Booklet (revised 2009) based on an article published in Open Squares in the mid 1990's. It is slightly out of date but still has some interesting information. I will be publishing excerpts from the USDA Booklet as space permits in future issues of Tip Talk. The Editor

USDA of Kern County

5th Saturday Dance

July 31th, 2010

with Caller

Rick Hampton

**Chuck & Doreene Ball
Cueing**

Rounds at 6:45PM and Between Tips

Squares at 7:30PM

Advanced Tip by Request

Mt. Vernon Veterans Hall
2101 Ridge Road
Bakersfield, CA

(Corner of Mt. Vernon and Ridge Road)

Refreshments will be served

For additional information please contact Ted Ferrell 661-742-5176 or Carol Noel 661-589-3582.
Additional information about USDA and member clubs in the Bakersfield area can be found at
www.kernsq.org

Fiesta 2010

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Check here to have \$1.00 of your registration fee go to the National Alliance of Round, Traditional, and Square Dance (ARTS) for the perseverance and promotion of the Square Dance activity.

Pre-registration: (619) 235-8151 Web site: www.sosda.org/fiesta Email: festa@sosda.org General Chairman: Connie & Stephen Ellis

THE PLEASURE PRINCIPLE

F. William Chickering's Guide to Excruciatingly Correct Square Dance Behaviour

What is square dancing all about? Square dancing is all about pleasure: the pleasure of calls well executed, the pleasure of a good laugh if your square does break down, the pleasure of a social activity in a friendly atmosphere of mutual respect and cooperation. To keep square dancing pleasurable, we must all observe a few guideline. After all, square dancing is a group activity.

1. Avoid drinking and drugs that may affect your reaction time and cause you to break down a square (or even cause serious injuries). Most clubs discourage drinking both before and during dancing, as the smell of alcohol on the breath can be unpleasant to others.
2. Start out Fresh. Shower, use deodorant, and brush your teeth. Avoid eating strong smelling foods like garlic right before dancing. This may sound corny, but it can make a big difference to your fellow dancers.
3. In most clubs, for each new tip dancers form new sets by squaring up randomly. It is considered unfriendly and discourteous to pass by a forming square to look for another.
4. At the beginning of a new tip, introduce yourself to dancers you don't know. Friendliness is one of the best aspects of square dance activities.
5. Rule: once in a square, under no circumstances abandon it. Exception: in a medical emergency or if someone is injured, of course you should use common sense. There is an accepted "emergency call for medical assistance": members in a square should surround the ill or injured person with uplifted arms to notify the caller or other persons in charge.
6. Help your set dance its best. Be friendly about it. If you see a need to direct a fellow dancer be sure that you are correct, and be gentle in your assistance. Think of the best interest of the group and take care not to hurt other dancers' feelings. Do not be too critical of others. This can ruin everyone's fun if it results in bickering or a condescending attitude. Remember, we all make mistakes and the next one might be yours. Be especially supportive of new dancers; without them our pleasurable pastime would die out.
7. Listen to the caller. Do not talk when the caller is talking or calling. Not only is it rude, but all dancers may need the information offered.

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Upcoming Festivals 2010

- AUGUST 13, 14 2010 FRAZIER MOUNTAIN GETAWAY** Sponsored by the Mountain Squares
Frazier Mountain Park Community Center, 300 Park Drive, Frazier Park, CA
CONTACT: Cindy Bell 661-248-2900 email: thebells@frazmtn.com
Website: www.kernsq.org/mtnsq_getaway_dance_flyer_fib.pdf
Caller: Mike Sikorsky
Cuer: Chuck & Mary Ryall
Levels: Plus with A1/A2 session
And plan to stick around for the Mountain Squares regular Sunday afternoon dance on the 15th with Ken Ritucci
- AUGUST 20, 21, 22 2010 CAYUCOS CAPERS A2 WEEKEND** Sponsored by the Pearsteppers
Veterans Memorial Hall, 10 Cayucos Drive, Cayucos, CA
CONTACT: Harlan 707-277-7536 email: harlanbowen@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.pearsteppers.com
Caller: Joe Saltel and John Reitmajer
Cuer: Karen MacDonald
Levels: Full A2
Limited to 15 squares
- SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 5 2010 MID-CAL CLASSIC** Sponsored by the Pearsteppers
Merced County Fairgrounds, F and 4th Streets, Los Banos, CA
CONTACT: Harlan 707-277-7536 email: harlanbowen@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.pearsteppers.com
Callers: Bob Baier and Jet Roberts
Cuer: Sharon & Casey Parker
Levels: Plus and A2 Sessions
Round Dance Levels Not Specified
Dancing starts Friday 7PM through Sunday 10PM
- SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 5 2010 A-SQUARE-D JAMBOREE** Sponsored by Associated Square Dancers
Oxnard Community Center, 800 Hobson Way, Oxnard, CA
CONTACT: Betty Slack 818-884-1442 email: slack.sqdancer@yahoo.com
Website: www.asquared.org
Callers: Rick Hampton, Deborah Carroll-Jones, John Jones, Nasser Shukayr
Cuers: Gus & Lynn DeFore and Vanessa & Oberdon Otto
Levels: New Dancer, Mainstream, Plus, A1, A2
Round Dance Levels Not Specified
Dancing starts Friday 7PM through Sunday 4PM
- SEPTEMBER 17, 18, 19 2010 FALL FESTIVAL** Sponsored by Cow Counties Hoedown Association
Yucaipa Community Center, Yucaipa, CA
CONTACT: Jack Paul 951-769-3996
Callers: Brent Lively, Lee Schmidt, Dale Dockery, John Walters, Carrie Masters
Cuers: Shirley Ivins, Chuck & Doreene Ball, Ginny McNutt
Levels: Not Specified
- SEPTEMBER 24, 25, 26 2010 OAKHURST FALL FESTIVAL** Sponsored by the Pearsteppers
Oakhurst Community Center, 39800 Road 425B, Oakhurst, CA
CONTACT: Harlan 707-277-7536 email: harlanbowen@sbcglobal.net
or Rick Hampton email rickcaller@yahoo.com
Website: <http://finetunerecords.com/images/Oakhurst2010.pdf>
Callers: Jet Roberts and Rick Hampton
Cuer: Charlie & Joni Eskin
Level: Full A2
- OCTOBER 8, 9, 10 2010 54TH ANNUAL JUBILEE** Sponsored by Santa Clara Valley Square Dancers Association
Gunderson High School, 622 Gaundabert Lane, San Jose, CA 95136
CONTACT: Gary Evans 408-623-8381 email: jubilee@scvsda.org
Website: www.scvsda.org
Callers: Michael Kellogg, Charlie Robertson, Nasser Shukayr, Eric Henerlau and SCVSDA Top Ten Callers
Cuers: Sue & Phil Harris and the Northern California Ropund Dance Teachers Association
Levels: Plus, Advanced, and Challenge
Round Dance Levels: Not specified

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