

THE STRAIGHT SHOOTER MARCH-APRIL 2015



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Notes fron John; Quicksteppers VP



Anni is visiting family in beautiful downtown Melbourne, Australia. In the meantime I've been designated as the author of her bi-monthly blog.

January 17th, the first dance of 2015, brought out a number of wild colors for the "Favorite Color" theme and also highlighted new DJs

Jeanette & Bernie Feinberg. The dancers welcomed them into the realm of CQS with lots of energy. Mike & Joyce highlighted "Super Bowl Saturday" on January 31st, with another group of enthusiastic dancers. Doug & Jackie Miranda

arrived in the Bay Area with several new dances, and some old favorites, for their "You Can Dance 3"

workshop at The Complex on

February 7th. Sixty enthusiastic

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dancers enjoyed an afternoon of lessons and healthy snacks

provided by the club. (See article and pictures on page 5) After the lessons, many of the dancers overwhelmed "Whispers"

restaurant in Belmont with healthy appetites and then

returned to The Complex for an evening of dancing with The DJ Duke, Garv Clavton. A total of 81 dancers enjoyed the entire day. On February 21st we celebrated "Chinese New Year" with colorful, appropriately themed decorations provided by some of our members. DJ Millie Dusha provided music for the 78 dancers who filled the floor on an exceptionally warm February evening at The Complex. The first two months of 2015 have started off excitingly with all dances well attended, and with many new dancers joining us.

John

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Local Area Line Dance Classes

Michael Barr (530) 824-6888

E-Mail: webmaster@michaelandmichele.com Website: www.michaelandmichele.com

Wed Evenings San Mateo

For registration call (650) 522-7440 Beginner-7:30 The Next Step-8:30 2720 Alameda de las Pulgas



Evelyn Khinoo (650) 325-6913

E-Mail: ekhinoo@sbcglobal.net

Tuesdays 7 to 9 PM—Palo Alto

Intermediate/Advanced

Lucie Stern Center 1305 Middlefield

Wednesdays 10 to 11 AM-Menlo Park

Beginner

The Little House 800 Middle Ave

Mike & Joyce Shannon (408) 378-7096

E-Mail: info@dancinshamrocks.com Website: dancinshamrocks.com



Mon Novice/Beginner 9-10 AM (Joyce) Advanced Beginner 10:15 -11:30 AM ((Joyce) Intermediate 12:30-2:30 PM Cypress Senior Center 403 South Cypress San Jose

Mon All levels 1:30 to 3:30 PM (Mike) Southside Senior Center 5585 Cottle Rd San Jose

Wed 10:10 to 11:40 AM Beginner 2+ 11:40 to 1:10 Beginner 2 **Cupertino Senior Center (Mike)** Wed 2-4 PM (Mike & Joyce) St. Thomas of Canterbury Church 1522 McCoy Ave San Jose Fri 12 to 1:30 PM -Beginner 1:30 to 3:30 PM -Intermediate **Cupertino Senior Center (Mike)** 21251 Stevens Creek Blvd Cupertino

Hedy McAdams

(650) 325-3371

Website: danceadventures.com

Thursdays 10:00AM to 12:35 PM

Beginning classic line dances: 10"00 to 10:45 AM Intermediate classic line dances: 10:55 to 11:45 AM Advanced classic line dances: 11:50 AM to 12:35 PM

Lucie Stern Community Center

1305 Middlefield Rd Palo Alto



Jeanette Feinberg (650) 755-8049 E-Mail: jmf720@aol.com

Monday Evening 7 to 8:15 PM Intermediate Larcombe Hall, 101 Lake Merced Blvd. Daly City Tuesday Afternoon-1:30 to 2:45 PM Improver Larcombe Hall 101 Lake Merced Blvd Daly City Tuesday evening-7:30 to 8:45 PM Beginner College of San Mateo Sept 16 thru Nov 18 Vednesday Morning - 9 to 10 AM Intermediate San Bruno Senior Center- 1555 Crystal Springs Rd San Bruno Wednesday Afternoon - 1:15-3 PM Easy Intermediate Larcome Hall, 101 Lake Merced Blvd. Daly City



Diana Ward (650)359-2599

E-Mail: didi8854@aol.com Thursdays 9:00-Daly City Intermediate-151 Lake Merced Dr Thursdays 3 pm-Pacifica Comm Ctr 540 Crespi Dr at Hwy I-Pacifica Thursday Evenings-Brisbane 7:30 High Intermediate/Adv Friday 8:30 am-Daly City Intermediate 101 Lake



Cathy Dacumos (650) 574-7948

Monday morning: High beginner -9:00 to 10:15 AM Easy Intermediate -10:15 to 11:30 AM

San Carlos Adult Community Center 601 Chestnut St San Carlos

Community Activities Bldg 1400 Roosevelt Ave Redwood City

Monday 9;30 to 11:30 AM

Thursday 9:30 to 11:30 AM

Second Saturday dances (\$7) at 7 PM Playlist @ www.linedancefun.com

Country Swingers Dance Club

Lessons:Thursdays 7 to 9 PM

Lolly Hansen Senior Center 375 East 9th Street, Tracy For info call 209-608-0632 or email rosofam@pacbell.net

View this Newsletter "in color" and find links to more Line Dance news

On our website; www.countryquicksteppers.org





Merced Dr

E-Mail: cch3@att.net

Veterans Memorial Senior Center 1455 Madison Ave Redwood City

Thursday afternoon: Beginner -1:30 to 2:45 PM Intermediate -2:45 to 4:00 PM

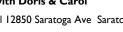
Thursday evening: Basic beginner 7 to 8 PM-High beginner/Improver 8 to 9 PM

Doris Volz & Carol Clark -contact info:

Email: carolclark 2239@gmail.com



Westhope Church Hall 12850 Saratoga Ave Saratoga





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COS Board 2014-2015

President:	Anni Wunderlich			
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Marshall:	nall: Ray Flanagan			
Web Coordinator:				
Shirley Sellers				
Shooter Editor:	Cathy Dacumos			

50/50 Winners:



- Jan 17: Jack Ramey, Anne Jordan, Bernie Feinberg Jan 31: Jeanette Feinberg, Helene
- Swanson, Marcie Walter Feb 7: V ictoria Garcia, Marcie

Walter (twice)

Feb 21: Lee Springer, Patti Bacon, Anne Jordan, Shirley Tam, Joyce Shannon

Tracy Country Swingers: Dances at San Joaquin River Club 30,000 Kasson Rd Tracy For dates and times contact: Phone: 209-608-0632 Email: rosofam@pacbell.net

Jamie Hogan (650) 207-1902 Website silvercreekdjanddance.com Email: silver_creek@prodigy.net Dances held on second Friday each month at **Twin Pines in Belmont Country Hustlers** 2nd & 4th Saturdays 7:30-10:30pm See website for locations

www.countryhustlers.com

COUNTRY HUSTLERS

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Expense

1385.00

940.00

202.82

39.77

40.00

51.66 60.00

Monthly Financial Summary

Income

1126.00

139.00

27 00

1055.00 400.00

600 00

Admission

Membership

Donation-Hall Feb 7 workshop

Hall Rental DI

50/50

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Gifts

Supplies

Refreshments

Refund (overpayment)

Yearly dues-dance federation

Monthly Totals \$3317.00

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March Birthdays

Louise Marcal	Mar I
Connie Hamaguchi	Mar 4
Tammy Snyder	Mar 6
Jean Ahern	Mar 7
Lisa McGuire	Mar I I
Nancy Morris	Mar 16
Rick Santino	Mar 18
Janet Clayton	Mar 22
Millie Dusha	Mar 22
Rita Garcia	Mar 30



April Birthdays

Ted Roehm	Apr 2
Larry Hegre	Apr I I
Barbara Bonini	Apr I3
Kathy Flanagan	Apr I9
Donna Case	Apr 21
Dolores Meeks	Apr 21
Anne Jordan	Apr 25

<u>First Sunday Dance</u>	Visit Our Club Website	
DJs-Tina Beare &		
Jeanette Feinberg	See the Newsletter in Color	
San Bruno Senior Center	And more:	
1555 Crystal Springs	Classes	
San Bruno	Videos	
1:00 to 4:00 pm	Photos Photos	
skybearmom@att.net	DJ Playlists	
or jmf720@aol.com	Club Info	
	Newsletters	
	Club Calendar	
1 Alexandre	Links	
	www.countryquicksteppers.or	

Friday night Every 4th Friday at Swiss Park,

all other Fridays at Centerville Community Center

Boots 'n'Buckles

Dances every

8-11 PM

3355 Country Dr Fremont bootsnbucklesdanceclub.com

\$2719.75 Cash \$120.00 Checking \$13,024.39 CD Balance: \$8463.11

January 2015

Cash \$120.00 Checking \$12,397.04					
	s \$2421.00	\$3048.06			
Refund-Feb 7 work	kshop	40.00			
Shooter/Flyers		51.30			
Gifts		242.11			
Supplies/Postage		214.35			
Refreshments/deco	orations	625.00			
DJs		540.00			
Hall Rental		1235.00			
Doug & Jackie	680.00				
N Y Eve Refund	373.00				
Membership dues	97.00				
50/50	117.00				
Admission	1251.00				

CD Balance \$8463.47

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LOOKING BACK.....

Early in 1987 a group of Foster City folks desiring to enjoy country music and dancing (like John Travolta in Urban Cowboy at Mickey Gilleys) got together and started Country Quicksteppers, with an aim "to promote Country Western dancing as an educational, social, and recreational activity". The original club constitution was signed October 24, 1987, and the first dances were held at Bowditch School in Foster City. Over the years the Quicksteppers grew in popularity along with the "country western dance" craze, fostered by local radio stations like KSAN and KNEW specializing in CW music. It was common for station DJs to entertain at CQS dances, and for our dancers to perform at local events such as the San Mateo County Fair. During the 1990's the club grew in membership to 350 to 400 members and most of our dances were held in high school gymnasiums. In the early 90s, country-western bands provided live music for our yearly Birthday Bash dances. Retail outlets in Foster City, San Carlos, and other local towns stocked all kinds of country western apparel, especially hats and boots for men and women. Dancers enjoyed dressing up in their best western styles for all events, including events around California and Las Vegas. The San Mateo peninsula was populated with many dance venues, choreographers, DJs, and instructors. Lessons and/or dances were being held most nights of the week. As the years progressed into the 2000's, new types of music were added in addition to country music. Many choreographers changed the types of music and dances they wrote, others retired. The wave of interest in country western music and dancing was fading, and the club membership became much smaller. With the emergence of the Internet as a way to spread news about new dances, we now do dances written by choreographers from all over the world. Although we have a smaller membership now, the enthusiasm is still there. We are fortunate to have a large pool of instructors and choreographers right here in our local area, and a group of very dedicated dancers. With the Quicksteppers "3 Dance Format" (every third dance is an Oldie, a Club Favorite, or a New dance), we are able to keep everyone happy, those who want to dance the latest new dances from all over, and those who like to do their old favorites and dances they have known and loved for years. Our club is alive and kicking and will continue to flourish. Keep on dancing......

Photo albums with pictures form CQS past will be available for viewing at future dances-check them out!

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NOTICE OF TIME CHANGE FOR SATURDAY DANCES!!!!!



Please note the new starting and ending times for our Saturday night dances. New rules from the City of Belmont require us to be completely out of the hall by 10:30 P.M.. In order to have time for the DJ to pack up and for us to clear everything out, we need to end the dances at 10:15. Until further notice all of our dances will begin at 7:15 P.M. and end at 10:15.

DJ Change-

Our new DJ, Alice Marez, has had to be excused from DJ-ing our next dance on March 7th, due to a family medical emergency. It is uncertain whether she will be able to be with us for the other dances for which she is scheduled. For the March 7th dance, our other new DJs, Bernie & Jeanette Feinberg have offered to step in . I am sure we would all like to send our best wishes to Alice in this difficult time.



Doug & Jackie Miranda's "YOU CAN DANCE 3"

was a huge success!



Once again Doug & Jackie Miranda (creators and organizers of the Vegas Dance Explosion) took time out of their busy schedule to present their "You Can Dance 3" workshop. The event was held at The Complex in Belmont on Saturday, February 7th. We had a slightly smaller turn-out for this event than in past years, but the general consensus was that it was the perfect number for this venue; plenty of people to have a great time, but enough room for everyone to feel comfortably uncrowded. There was agreement among most of the dancers that the selection of dances taught this year was the best yet. Teaches ranged from some classic dances from the past, including Dreams To Share, I Like It Loud, and Queen Of My Heart, to a brand new dance, On A Night Like This (so new the step sheet had not yet been released!) Among the other dances taught were: The Game Of Love, Kiss Me Quick, Rodeo & Juliet, and Little Patch Of Heaven. There was a great mix of levels; enough easy dances for the newer dancers, and a few more challenging ones for the veterans. The hall was beautifully decorated (by our master decorator, Dolores Meeks and her helpers) in PINK balloons, PINK streamers, PINK flamingos, etc..; PINK of course being Jackie's favorite color.....sorry Doug! Both Doug & Jackie were "Energizer Bunnies", teaching almost non-stop all day, with only a few breaks for open dancing. The DJ Duke Gary Clayton was our D J for the evening dance, during which Doug & Jackie reviewed the dances taught during the workshop. Those who joined us for the evening dance only must have been envious when they saw the great new dances we were doing! A HUGE thank you to Doug & Jackie for once again sharing their talents, and providing us with such an enjoyable day!

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2014-2015 is the Year of the Rubber Ducky! Check out Anni's article on the front page for details!





Our newest DJ's, Bernie & Jeanette Feinberg



CQS celebrating President Anni Wunderlich's 75th Birthday!



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To see all of these pictures, and more, in <u>color</u> visit our Web Site! Countryquicksteppers.org





January 31 Super Bowl Saturday!







February 21 Chinese New Year Dance



You don't stop dancing because you grow old...... You grow old because you stopped dancing!





COUNTRY QUICKSTEPPERS MARCH 2015

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Email: Quicksteppers@Yahoo.Com Website: countryquicksteppers.org

March 7 — Tick Tock DJs— Jeanette & Bernie The Complex



Directions to The Complex: 550 Island Parkway Belmont

From Hwy 101 Southbound: Take Ralston Ave exit and go east. After crossing the overpass, turn left at the first signal. This is Island Pkwy.

The Complex is on the left after the Mercedes dealership.

From Hwy 101 Northbound: Take the Ralston Ave exit. Stay in the middle lane. After crossing Ralston you will be on Island Pkwy.

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COUNTRY QUICKSTEPPERS APRIL 2015



Email: Quicksteppers@Yahoo.com Website: countryquicksteppers.org

April 4th-Easter Bonnet Prizes for best Bonnets DJ-Millie Dusha The Complex

April 18th—

Purple People Eater DJ—Gary Clayton The Complex

DANCE TIMES 7:15 TO 10:15 PM

MEMBERS \$10.00

NON-MEMBERS \$12.00

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