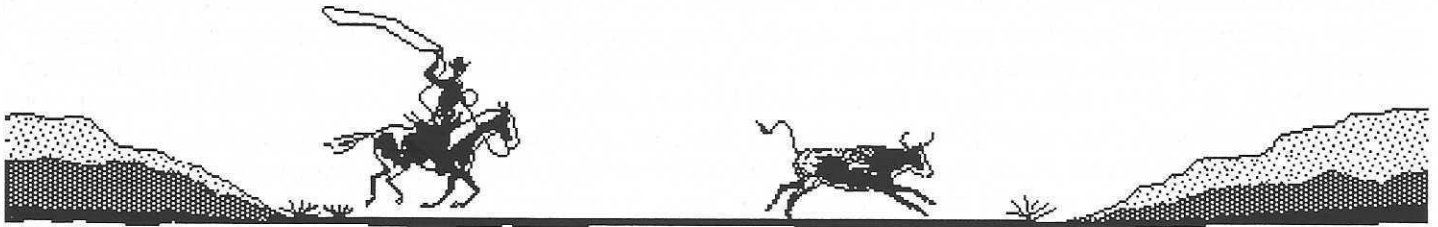


THE ROUNDUP

NOVEMBER, 2000



BOOTS 'N' BUCKLES NEWSLETTER

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Oh boy, where to begin. I have a lot to talk about this month. We are nearing the end of this calendar year, but just starting our club membership year. As I write this, we have just a little over 100 members who have either newly joined, or renewed their membership. THANK YOU for your support. Please remember that your membership card will get you discounts at the Hub Shoe Repair and Western Wear and the

Western Outfitters (aka Baughman's in Livermore and Christesen's in Pleasanton). Some members have been successful in getting a discount at the Western Wearhouse at the McCarthy Ranch shopping center. We are trying to get a letter from them confirming this, but it wouldn't hurt to flash your card and see if you get a discount. Maybe even ask to speak with the manager if the clerk doesn't know about it.

Last month, you all received a ballot for the Board of Directors. So far only 2 responses have been received from the membership. It is very important to the club for you to exercise your right (obligation?) to vote for the board members. Please take the time to complete your ballot and either mail it in or give it to the cashier when you come in on Friday. If you have misplaced your ballot, extras will be available on Friday night.

I'd like to take this time to send a GIANT thank you to Donna Ginnelly who has volunteered to join the board in the position of Secretary. She officially assumed her duties and responsibilities on October 17 th. The Secretary position is one of the mandatory positions according to the bylaws, and the club was in serious jeopardy with this position empty. The next time you see Donna, please let her know how much you appreciate her stepping forward to help the club.

On October 15 th, over thirty club members came out to do a dance demo at the Niles Merchant's First Annual Harvest Festival. This impromptu get together took us a little by surprise as I was contacted just about 10 days before the event to see if we would want to do it. I managed to contact the leader of the Merchant's Association then call the bandleader to coordinate his music with the dances we know. As it turned out, the weather was perfect, we were in the shade most of the time,

Friday, November 3, 2000

Classic Partner Series

with Bob & Lynette

Partners are not necessary

ALL LESSONS BEGIN AT 8:00 PM



All on Friday, November 17, 2000



OPEN
BOARD
MEETING

7:30 PM



Line Dance at 8:00 pm
with Evelyn Khinoo

Review this dance on Nov 24 w/Connie Silva

THANKSGIVING DANCE
8:30 PM

Bring finger food to share

Check the flyer table for more info ..



Friday, November 24, 2000

We will be OPEN ...



and the band was simply fantastic. They are called "12 Gage" and are very active in the Bay Area. For our efforts, the club received a donation of \$50 from the Merchant's Association! Next year, we will be doing the same thing, but we will be involved a lot earlier so that I will have time to let you all know about it. Stay tuned ...

We are busy putting the finishing touches on the annual Christmas dinner event, scheduled for Friday, December 15. The board has decided to offer three main entre choices this year, and your cost includes the price of the dinner and admission to the dance that evening. We will have reservation forms available throughout November. (We may even have gotten one in this issue of the "Roundup.") Oh, you wanted to know what the choices are? Each meal includes: Garden Green Salad tossed with house dressing, fresh vegetables, potatoes or rice, dinner rolls, and dessert. (I'm already full!) The main entre choices are: Filet Mignon with Garlic/Mustard Sauce at \$26, Walnut Crusted Halibut with Shrimp Rice at \$26, and Lemon/Thyme Chicken with Lemon/Wine Sauce at \$21. You will need to turn in your reservations by Friday, December 1st. We need give the chef enough time to order his supplies, so you must turn in your reservation and check by the first. If you turn it in later, we cannot guarantee that a dinner will be available for you. You can mail the reservation to our PO box, or turn it in to the cashier on any Friday. (Sorry, I can not handle will calls this year so we must get your check in advance. If you don't want to "do" dinner, you can still come to the dance that night at the regular admission price. You do not have to make reservations if you are coming just to the dance.

Please remember that the Boots 'n' Buckles Dance Club WILL be open on the Friday after Thanksgiving (November 24). We have always been open on that Friday (as far back as I can remember), but I usually get a few questions from people who want a place to dance off that turkey dinner.

In closing, I need to tidy up a couple of small items concerning Friday nights. Firstly, our dance lesson starting time (on the first and third Fridays) has slowly been getting a little later and later as we try to accommodate those people who have gotten caught in traffic. Some members have complained (and rightly so) that this is not fair to those who purposely delay their arrival to miss the lesson; they are ready to dance when they come in the door, and do not like waiting until the lesson is over. In the interest of harmony, we will start the lesson no later than 8:05 (or maybe 8:06) and limit the instructor to 25 minutes to complete the lesson. You will need to get to Swiss Park at 8:00 on dance lesson nights if you want to get in on the start of the lesson.

Secondly, we are obligated to clean up the dance hall at the end of the evening. The board member who has door duty is responsible for collecting trash, straightening chairs, and closing windows. Each board member would be deeply grateful if each dancer would dispose of his/her trash when leaving the dance. If you have purchased items from the bar, please return your glass items to the bar, and throw the disposable items in the trash can near the door. It would really help. Thanks.

Lastly, the next open board meeting will take place on Friday, November 17, at 7:30 PM at Swiss Park. All members and non-members are encouraged to attend and let the board know what new things you would like to see next year, what we can do better or differently, and what you would like to see us stop doing. Your feedback is very important to us, and we have had several excellent suggestions from the attendees at previous meetings. Mark your calendars to come in early on the 17 th. (You might even want to eat your dinner at Swiss Park that night!)

See you on Friday night!

Bob Webber bootsnbuckles@hotmail.com



Judi Grater	11/1
Joannie Mac	11/12
Phil Ehrhorn	11/13
Susan Van Wambeck	11/15
Lynette Webber	11/17
Norma Borgenson	11/18
Donna Ginnelly	11/18
Etta Walton	11/22
David Pankratz	11/25
Jim Mc Grogan	11/28
Jim Maggini	11/30

PLEASE EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT TO THE CLUB.

Use the ballot in this newsletter to vote . . .

Just a reminder that articles for the newsletter should be turned in to me or any Board member by the 20th of the month. You can fax them to 510-661-0371 or email them to mystyide@aol.com. Please use text settings for attachments. Thank you . . .
Judi Grater, Editor



As the year is quickly coming to an end, I would like to take this opportunity to tell you about some of the exciting things the Boots 'n' Buckles has planned for you in the next couple of months and in 2001.

First, our Thanksgiving dance will be held on November 17 with a line dance lesson by Evelyn Khinoo. Then, on December 15 we will be having our annual Christmas Dinner Dance. Flyers will be on the back table for the entire month of November. I can still remember how great the food was last year. This year we have added an additional item to the menu to make your choices even more difficult. Maybe we should try for a buffet next year so we can sample everything. There will also be a line dance lesson with Evelyn Khinoo. Evelyn was recuperating from foot surgery in the earlier part of the year so she is helping us close the year.

The Board has decided to have couples lessons once per quarter beginning in February, instead of the first Friday of each month. This decision was reached because there has not been as much participation in the lessons as we would like to see. Instructors who teach couples are becoming less and the dances are beginning to repeat themselves. Instead, there will be a line dance lesson on the first Friday of January, a couples lesson in February, etc. We hope you will like this new format, as it will allow us to bring in more instructors and hopefully more dancers to our Club. We will be seeing more of Carmel and Hutch and Mike and Beth Sliter. As usual, we are anxious to hear your feedback and welcome you to attend any of our open Board Meetings, which you will find, announced in the 'roundup' as well as at the Friday night dances.

We are already planning the June 2 'All Day Workshop' and it promises to be bigger and better than ever. We have a tremendous line up of instructors and other surprises.

Lastly, we are looking forward to having a full Board this year that will allow us to do more activities. Already Donna Ginnelly has joined the Board as Secretary and she shocked all of us by getting those minutes out in record time. Donna has graciously offered her home for all the Board meetings so now we can't use the excuse 'I got lost' for missing the meetings.

Oldies night report.

Despite it being a Friday the 13th, our annual "Oldies But Goodies Night" was a huge success. If you missed it, you missed a great time.

Everyone who attended had a terrific evening. For those of you who like this sort of stuff, here are some statistics:

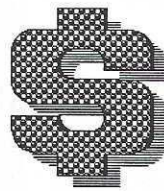
Thirteen request lists were turned in, 148 dances were requested, and six received four votes each. The top fifteen dances requested (and played between 9:00 and 10:00 PM):

- Love Letters
- Norma Jean
- No Way Jose
- Caribbean Cadence
- Rock it!
- Walking Wazi
- All My Exes
- All Shook Up
- Arlene
- Boot Scootin' Boogie
- Cha Cha Lengua
- Fireman
- Hawaiian Hustle
- Hot Tamales
- Ain't Goin' Nowhere

Honorable mention (for their age):

- Flying 8
- South Side Shuffle
- Waltz Across Texas
- Alley Cat
- Rodeo

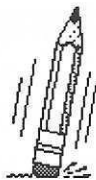
Bob Webber



Well, after such a great month in August, September was a decidedly different situation. Of the four Friday night dances in September, the club lost money on three of those nights. The weekend of the Pismo Dance Festival was especially disappointing, as we lost \$186 that night.

Thankfully, September was our primary month for membership renewals, which brought in \$615 in additional revenue. That enabled us to finish out the month with an overall profit of \$28. Our year-to-date status finds us with a very respectable profit of \$1924.26, which keeps us on target for meeting the same level of performance and success as last year. Considering we have seen numerous clubs close their doors this year, our profitability level is something we can be proud of, as well as thankful. Let's keep this trend going for the rest of the year.

Respectfully,
Lynette Webber



Our BOD has a new Secretary !!!!!

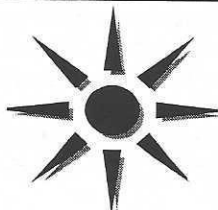
After much cajoling by several of our current Board Members, Donna Ginnelly has decided to join the Boots 'N' Buckles Board of Directors as our Secretary. According to our club by-laws, it is mandatory that we have a secretary on the BOD. After Leanne Hipskind's retirement at the end of last year no one stepped forward to fulfill that role, so I have been acting in that capacity, in addition to the Treasurer's duties, for most of the year. Consequently, you can imagine how happy I am to have Donna join the Board. Donna has been dancing at Swiss Park off and on for over nine years, and she felt this was a good way to give back to a club that has brought her so many happy hours of dancing and enjoyment over the years. Donna is a great addition to the board, and she has agreed to assume the role immediately, rather than waiting for the new year. The entire board is so pleased to have Donna's assistance and support, and I hope that each of you will stop by and congratulate Donna on her new role.

(old) Bill Reder

Swiss Park Dance Classes

NOVEMBER 2000

MONDAY
(Intermediate / Advanced)

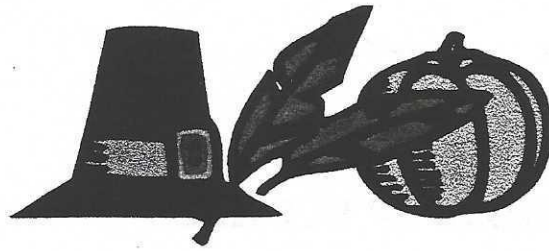


WEDNESDAY
(Beginner / Easy Intermediate)

~6 th ~
"GOING...GOING...GONE!" <i>Evelyn Khinoo & Charlotte Skeeters</i>
"NEVERTHELESS" <i>C.Skeeters</i>
~13 th ~
"JELLY ROLL JIVE" <i>Larry Bass</i>
"T.I.F." <i>Derek Steele</i>
~20 th ~
"NEVER DANCE" <i>John Robinson</i> <i>Something from Las Vegas....if there's time?</i>
~27 th ~
"DON'T MAKE ME BEG" <i>Larry Bass & Charlotte Skeeters</i>
"OLE' OLA" <i>Larry Bass</i>
CHRISTMAS PARTY Next month ~ December 13 th All class Holiday Party <i>Christmas Goodies Potluck...bring to share</i> * Everyone Welcome ~ Bring a Friend *

~1 st ~
"BLUEBERRY HILL" <i>Judy McDonald</i>
"JAMBALAYA" <i>(repeat)</i>
~8 th ~
"SENORITA SWAY" <i>(repeat)</i>
"JELLY ROLL JIVE" <i>Larry Bass</i>
~15 th ~
"GHOST TRAIN" <i>(repeat)</i>
"BUTTERCUP" <i>Jackie Snyder</i>
~22 nd ~
<i>Something from Las Vegas</i>
"DANCING IN THE DARK" <i>Jo Thompson</i>
~29 th ~
"NEVERTHELESS" <i>C.Skeeters</i>
~ NOVEMBER REVIEW ~

SWISS PARK DANCE HALL , Fremont/Newark, CA - From Hwy 880, exit West on Mowry Avenue, Turn right at the 1st light. The Dance Hall is the building on your left, next to a small Park. Social Dances every Friday hosted by the "Boots N' Buckles" Dance Club. Club contact: Bob_Webber@msn.com or Kmartin2@LFSUS.JNJ.CO



BOOTS 'N' BUCKLES THANKSGIVING DANCE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2000

8:00 PM TO 11:00 PM

COME DANCE TO YOUR FAVORITES WITH DJ BOB HUBBARD

LINE DANCE LESSON AT 8:00 PM WITH EVELYN KHINOO

FINGER FOOD TO SHARE IS ALWAYS WELCOME

**SWISS PARK, NEWARK
1-880 OFF MOWRY AVE. EXIT
ACROSS FROM NEWPARK MALL**

**BEVERAGES AND FOOD AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE
NEXT DOOR AT BOB'S KITCHEN**



**BOOTS 'N' BUCKLES
CHRISTMAS DINNER-DANCE**

DECEMBER 15, 2000

NO HOST COCKTAILS FROM 6:30 PM TO 7:00 PM

DINNER WILL BE SERVED AT 7:00 PM

MENU CHOICES ARE:

LEMON/THYME CHICKEN WITH LEMON-WINE SAUCE	\$21.00 PER PERSON
FILET MIGNON WITH GARLIC MUSTARD SAUCE	\$26.00 PER PERSON
WALNUT CRUSTED HALIBUT WITH SHRIMP SAUCE	\$26.00 PER PERSON

ALL DINNERS INCLUDE GREEN SALAD, STARCH, FRESH VEGETABLES, ROLLS AND BUTTER, DESSERT AND **ADMISSION TO THE DANCE.**

DANCING WILL BEGIN AT 8:30 PM FOR THIS OCCASION ONLY BEGINNING WITH A LINE DANCE LESSON TAUGHT BY EVELYN KHINOO. IF YOU PLAN TO COME ONLY TO THE DANCE, DOORS WILL OPEN FOR ADMISSION PROMPTLY AT 8:30 PM. ADMISSION TO THE DANCE WILL BE AS USUAL.

PLEASE RESERVE YOUR SPACE EARLY. BY FILLING OUT THE INFORMATION BELOW AND INCLUDING YOUR CHECK. ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE IN BY DECEMBER 1, 2000.

YOUR NAME _____

DINNER CHOICE _____

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE BOOTS 'N' BUCKLES BOARD

**SWISS PARK
MOWRY AVE. OFF 880
NEWARK, CA**

2001 Ballot



Board of Directors

In accordance with the current bylaws, the club must hold annual elections for members for the board of directors. This ballot defines the twelve positions, who is the incumbent, if that incumbent is eligible to remain in the position, and the names of the other club members who have volunteered for the position. There is also a place for printing in a name of a candidate for the position. Please circle the name of the person for whom you are voting and return the ballot to any current board member or to the Boots 'n' Buckles cashier on or before December 1, 2000. **PLEASE EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE! THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT TO THE CLUB.**

<u>Position</u>	<u>Incumbent</u>	<u>Eligible?</u>	<u>Write in Candidate</u>
President _____	Bob Webber _____	Yes	_____
Vice President _____	Jack Robertson _____	No	_____
Secretary _____	Open _____		_____
Treasurer _____	Lynette Webber _____	Yes	_____
Membership/Insurance _____	Bill Parrish _____	Yes	_____
Sargent at Arms _____	Open _____		_____
Goodwill Ambassador _____	Alice Wong _____	Yes	_____
Workshops/Advertising _____	Kathy Martin _____	No	_____
Fund Raising/Special events _____	Open _____		_____
Decorating _____	Susan van Wambeek _____	Yes	_____
Public Relations _____	Josie Kirth _____	Yes	_____
Tidbit Editor/Merchandising _____	Open _____		_____

It is important that you vote for these important positions. The bylaws provide for twelve board members, with the first four listed as mandatory. Currently we have only eight positions filled, and one mandatory position open. We must fill this position or we will be in violation of our own Bylaws. We must have some club members volunteer to be on the Board of Directors, especially for the Secretary position. **PLEASE EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE! THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT TO THE CLUB.**

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Visit these Boots 'n Buckles' sponsors . Show your membership card when making a purchase and receive a discount on items that aren't already marked down. Make sure you let the manager know how much you appreciate his or her support of our club.

Boots 'n Buckles Christmas Dinner Dance - December 15

No Host Cocktails at 6:30 pm; Dinner at 7:00pm; Dancing at 8:30pm

All at Swiss Park - a Great Menu to Choose From - See flyer for more info

RESERVATIONS MUST BE IN BY DECEMBER 1



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