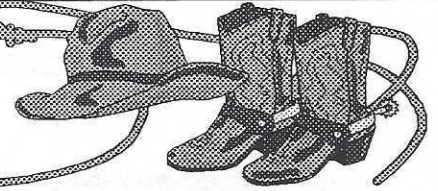


THE ROUNDUP



Boots 'n' Buckles Newsletter November 2003 Volume 14 - Issue 11

From your president:

Thanksgiving is right around the corner. It is a time to be with family and friends. On behalf of the Board, I would like to extend a Happy Thanksgiving to all!

If you haven't renewed your Membership, your name will not be on the door list and you will have to pay \$8.00 on Friday nights! We have membership forms on the back table, or ask the cashier.

Be sure you plan to attend the Friday dance after Thanksgiving (Nov. 28th); we will be dancing that night! If you would like to bring treats to share (or leftovers from Gobble night), they will be most welcomed.

We are planning our December holiday dinner/dance for Friday, December 19th. The cost of dinner and admission to the dance will \$20.00. Reservation forms will be in the next Roundup and also on the back table. Please return the reservation form with your check no later than December 5th. The doors to Swiss Park will open at 6:30 PM for those who wish to socialize at the no-host bar and reserve seats at their table of choice for dinner. Dinner will be served at 7:00 PM and the menu will be the same as last year: Chicken Cordon Bleu or Filet Mignon with mushroom sauce (Steak Diane). If you only want to come to the dance, the entrance fee will be as normal (\$6.00/members, \$8.00/non-members, etc.) The hall will be opened to "Dance Only" attendees starting at 8:15 PM. Evelyn Khinoo will be our instructor that night.

Please note there will be NO dance on the Friday after the Holiday dance (December 26.). But we will see you in the New Year (January 2, 2004)!

Stay healthy and keep dancing!

Helen Phillips

President, Boots 'n' Buckles Dance Club



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

NOVEMBER 2003 DATES TO REMEMBER

7th – Line Dance Lesson with Bob Boesel

14th – Regular dance

21st – Line Dance lesson with Mike Sliter

28th – Regular dance

All Boots 'n' Buckles' Friday night dances start at
8:00 PM, even on lesson nights.



Give this to any senior you know. For you, file away for future reference. Despite what you may have seen on the streets, the following combinations DO NOT go together:

- A nose ring and bifocals
- Spiked hair and bald spots
- A pierced tongue and dentures
- Miniskirts and support hose
- Ankle bracelets and corn pads
- Speedos and cellulite
- A belly button ring and a gall bladder surgery scar
- Unbuttoned disco shirts and a heart monitor
- Midriff shirts and a midriff bulge
- Bikinis and liver spots
- Short shorts and varicose veins
- In-line skates and a walker

But, otherwise, **YOU'RE LOOKIN' GOOD!**

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KATHY'S KORRAL

Whoever the person was that said "Time Flies" certainly knew what he was talking about. I can hardly believe it's the middle of October and we are in the midst of another Boots 'n' Buckles Board election. It's great to see so many people taking an active interest in becoming part of the Board. The members of the Club make it what it is, and your participation allows you to have a say in what takes place. Remember it is your Club. We have also just completed our membership drive and although it was a great success, we noticed some valuable people are missing from the roster. Hopefully when they don't receive their "RoundUp" they will know what happened. Maybe time just got away from them like it has with me.

As the current Board members are winding down their term, they are still actively working on one particular project that will need everyone's input and eventually everyone's vote. At our first Board meeting of 2003 each Board member was given a copy of the bylaws, which we noticed had not been updated since 1996. I remember last year we talked about updating the bylaws but the year was so busy and we were short members so the task was passed on to the new Board.

Well, here we are a year later, but we have made some progress. We have analyzed each section of the bylaws and have come up with some new wording that we will be asking the club members to take a look at and either approve or disapprove. Once that is done we will revise the Bylaws and send them out to all our members. This will happen sometime in the December time frame so that any new Board members joining us will also be able to take part in this process. We hope that everyone will like what we have done and that you will help us by casting your votes once again.



The second biggest event the Club has is our annual Holiday Dinner/Dance. This is the Club's way of saying thanks for being with us. We do not make any profit from this event; we just cover our costs. President Helen will be giving you more details as time flies by, but to give you a preview: the food will be as delicious as it was last year. Swiss Park is working with us and we are able to keep the price of the tickets the same this

year as they were last year (\$20.00/person). Evelyn Khinoo will be giving her annual holiday dance lesson that night and who knows what other surprises are in store (maybe another visit from Santa Claus or one of his helpers). Anyway, this promises to be a wonderful evening so please mark your calendars for December 19. There soon will be flyers on the back table at Friday night's dance.

Beginning in January we are happy to announce that Trish Boesel will be sharing the Monday night instructor spot with Charlotte Skeeters. Lessons with Trish will begin on January 6, 2004 at 7:00 PM for six weeks and then Charlotte will return for a six-week session. This is a tremendous opportunity for Boots 'n' Buckles to have two highly acclaimed instructors to teach all the latest dances.

Once again, I would like to thank everyone for their support and participation, and for helping us make this one of the greatest clubs in the Bay Area. (If time doesn't get away from me next month, I will have an interview for you.)

Kathy Martin

Vice President,
Boots 'n' Buckles Dance Club

Take time to say "I'm sorry," "Please," "Forgive me," "Thank you," or "It's okay." And if tomorrow never comes, you'll have no regrets about today.

-Submitted by Helen Phillips



Treasurer's Report

Can you believe it is time for Thanksgiving again? Time to get out the Tums, because I know I'll overeat with all the goodies that will be prepared. (Sorry-no Atkins diet for this holiday).

This report is for revenues (collected) and expenses (incurred) during the month of September. Revenues included \$1,100 from rent, \$1,261 from admissions to dances (the Newcomer Dance proved to be a big moneymaker), \$616 from the renewal of membership dues, and \$351 from the 50/50 raffle. The four dances, which were held, netted a profit of \$204 for the month.

Some, but not all, of the expenses were: \$1,200 for rent (Swiss Park), \$700 music, \$171 for 50/50 raffle, \$198 for office supplies (ballots & miscellaneous), and \$70.49 for decorations and refreshments. Overall for the month the club made a profit of \$639.27. It's one of the better months we've had this past year. The checking balance has a nice balance of \$10,796.59.

This concludes my report for the month. I hope everyone has a great Thanksgiving holiday. You know that this also means we're gearing up for the annual Christmas dinner & dance. You better get your party clothes ready.

Respectfully submitted by,

Debbie Bloodworth

Treasurer, Boots 'n' Buckles Dance Club

You may be disappointed if you fail, but you are doomed if you don't try.

-- Beverly Sills



November Birthdays

Judi Grater	1st
Kathy Menzies	4th
Joanie Mack	12th
Jim Cromie	13th
Carole Wiegand	13th
Susan van Wambeck	15th
Rob Lynch	15th
Lynette Webber	17th
Hong Ying Wang	17th
Norma Borgeson	18th
Barbara Glenn	22nd
Elaine Mighell	23rd
Beverly Johnson	25th
Roxanne Ashley	25th
David Pankratz	25th
Jim McGrogan	28th
Jim Maggini	30th

Members get into one Friday night dance during the month of their birth for **FREE!**

Check with the cashier when you arrive.



Boot 'n' Buckles is in need of an editor for this newsletter. If you know Microsoft® Word®, are familiar with the use of columns and text boxes, and have about four to six hours a month to give to the club, we could use you. Not sure about columns and text boxes? We will train you.

If you are interested in finding out more details, please write to me at bob_webber@msn.com, talk to me at one of the Friday night dances, or call me at 510-364-0396

Veteran's Day

First celebrated on November 11, 1919

Originally called Armistice Day, it is a day to honor war and military veterans. It originally commemorated the German signing of an armistice to end World War I on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day in the eleventh month of the year. Despite the United State's short involvement in the war, over 116,000 soldiers were killed. On October 4, 1918, Kaiser Wilhelm II appealed to President Woodrow Wilson for an armistice to end the war. As part of the truce, Wilson also wanted Wilhelm to abdicate his throne and replace the German government with a democracy. Over the next few days, the allies sided with Wilson resulting in a truce. On November 9, 1918, Wilhelm fled Germany and on November 11, the allies and the new German government signed the armistice.

Tombs of unknown soldiers were erected by France, Britain, and the United States to recognize the unselfish service and unheralded bravery of our soldiers. In France the grave is beneath the Arc de Triomphe, in Britain it is in Westminster Abbey, and in the United States it is in Arlington cemetery.

After World War II, a movement began to change the holiday from Armistice Day to Veteran's Day. Dwight D. Eisenhower signed it into law on June 1, 1954.

(From www.holidayorigins.com)

Other Items of interest in November

- 1st** – Modern Bra invented (1914)
- 4th** – Election Day
- 4th** – Gatling gun patented (1862)
- 8th** – Insect Electrocuter patented (1910)
- 9th** – *Full Moon*
- 11th** – Veteran's Day
- 13th** – Artificial Snow invented (1946)
- 19th** – Pencil invented (1895)
- 22nd** – Snowmobile patented (1927)
- 24th** – Matches patented (1836)
- 23rd** – *New Moon*
- 27th** – Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Day

Earliest observance: 1621

The first Thanksgiving was observed in 1621 by a group of English settlers. Rather than suffer persecution for their religious beliefs, a small group of people escaped to Holland where they lived for twelve years. While in exile, they decided to immigrate to the new land. In July of 1620, forty-six "Saints" started their journey to America. They stopped in their native land to pick up other English emigrants before embarking on their long journey aboard the Mayflower. On November 11, 1621, they arrived and settled an area of present day Massachusetts in an abandoned Indian village called Patuxet. The village had been abandoned three years earlier because of plague.

Their late arrival, harsh winter, and lack of food caused great hardship. Squanto, a previous inhabitant of Patuxet and former slave in Spain, quickly befriended them and lived with them until his death. His knowledge of agriculture, hunting, and construction was a Godsend to these humble people. The following November, they celebrated a Thanksgiving for their arrival and bounty in the new land. Other local Native Americans (the Wampanoags) joined in the festivities by bringing additional food and playing games with the settlers.

On June 20, 1676, the governing council of Charlestown, Massachusetts, held a meeting to determine how best to express thanks for the good fortune that had seen their community securely established. By unanimous vote they instructed Edward Rawson, the clerk, to proclaim June 29 as a day of thanksgiving, our first.

Thanksgiving was erratically recognized until 1827 when Sarah Joseph Hale started a campaign to make it a national holiday. She was the editor of the Boston's Ladies Magazine at the time. Finally at her persistence, Abraham Lincoln proclaimed it a national holiday on October 3, 1863. He set the date as the last Thursday in November.

(From www.holidayorigins.com)

Golden Gate Classic October 3,4, 5th 2003 San Mateo, California

What a great event it was, held in our own backyard. It was so nice to see so many of our dancers from the Bay Area attending

At the Friday night dance you could see many poodle skirts, rolled up jeans with bobby socks and Elvis (Mike Sliter) dancing. It really took us back to the good old Fifties and Grease. The Saturday night dance took us to the Prom. Everyone looked so great in his or her formals and Tuxedos. We danced until 1:00 A.M. both nights to some great music.

For those who did attend, you were likely to meet and dance with Simon Ward, Michelle Perron and John Robinson. Ongoing classes were held and it was hard to choose which dance class you wanted to attend with around 50 dances taught. "Cool Whip," "Mr. President," "Travellin' Soldier," "Born to be Blue" and "Miss Independent" were just a few dances that were taught.

I have mentioned these names above in articles and told you how exciting it was to have them at the events I have attended. Those of you who attended the dance lesson at Swiss Park on Monday the 6th were lucky enough to dance with them and see for yourselves.. Aren't they great?

The show was on Saturday night and it was a bit long but with so many dancers wanting to pay tribute to Charlotte Skeeters it was understandable. We all knew this was the last time the Golden Gate Classic would be held, until Charlotte surprised us with an announcement that the event will continue under the direction of Evelyn Khinoo and Mike Sliter. My thanks go to Evelyn and Mike for keeping this event alive for all of us.

Submitted by:

Bonnie Sayre

GREAT EXPECTATIONS

On the first day of school, a teacher was glancing over the roll when she noticed a number after each student's name, such as 154, 136 or 142.

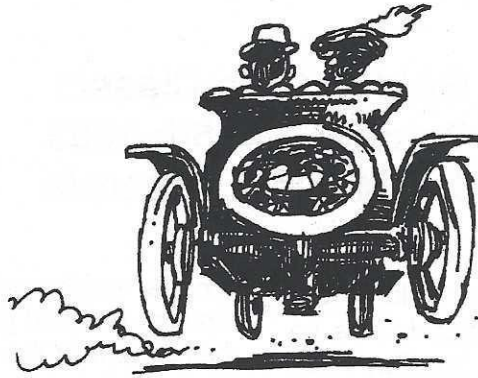
"Wow! Look at these IQs," she said to herself. "What a terrific class." The teacher promptly determined to work harder with this class than with any other she ever had.

Throughout the year, she came up with innovative lessons that she thought would

challenge the students, because she didn't want them to get bored with work that was too easy.

Her plan worked! The class outperformed all the other classes that she taught in the usual way.

Then, during the last quarter of the year, she discovered what those numbers after the students' name really were: their locker numbers.



We're moving.

Lynette and I would like to bring all y'all up-to-date on our move to Nevada. I believe most of you know that we are planning our 'retirement' years to be spent in the Las Vegas, Nevada area. Some of you know that we sold our Fremont home and have been renting a house in Pleasanton while our dream home in Henderson, Nevada (just south of Las Vegas) was being built. Well, we're happy to announce that the house is not only complete, but we have taken possession as of October 6th!

The home is in the Del Webb Sun City – Anthem development, which is an active adult community. There are two golf courses (neither Lynette nor I golf, but that may change) and a 75,000 square foot recreation center with all sorts of exercise equipment (lord knows I need this), pool tables, and arts, crafts, and computer rooms. Also, there are numerous card clubs for many different card games. In addition, outside there are seven Bocce Ball lanes, eight tennis courts and two horseshoe pits. We should be able to find enough to do in our spare time.

We are moving a good portion of our belongings to Nevada in the last week in October, so we will already be "moved in" by the time you receive this newsletter (that's why we weren't at the Halloween dance). Lynette will still be in the Bay Area for an undetermined amount of time while I either attend UNLV to get my teaching credential, or I find a job. I will be traveling to and from Fremont during this time so you will occasionally see me at the Friday night dances.

In case you are wondering, we are not retiring for a few years yet as our 201k, er, I mean our

401k, accounts took quite a hit in the latest recession, as did many of yours. (Fortunately, the market is starting to recover, but slowly.) Besides we are too young to retire. We both will be looking for low stress jobs to keep us out of each other's hair during the day (no wise cracks about Lynette not having a problem keeping out of mine.)

This is the first brand new home either of us has owned and we are very excited about decorating it inside and out. While we are looking forward to starting a new life in Henderson, we are saddened that we will be leaving many friends and family here in the Bay Area.

We cannot express our thanks enough to all of you great dancers for your support while we were on the Board of Directors from 1999 through 2001, or for your friendship when we are at Swiss Park. There will never be another place in our lives or our hearts like Boots 'n' Buckles.

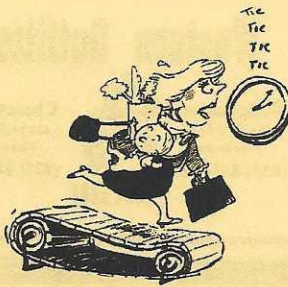
If you are ever in the Las Vegas area, please give us a call; we are only 15 minutes from the airport and about 22 minutes from the strip. Our address is:

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Thanks again to all of you.

God bless, and keep on dancin'!

Bob and Lynette Webber



Here are some other places to go if you can't make it to our dance at Swiss Park.

Cactus Corners

Nov 7: Grange Hall, Danville
7:30 PM to 11:00 PM
Lesson at 8:30 PM

Nov 15: Grange Hall, Danville
ELECTION NIGHT
7:30 PM to 11:00 PM
Lesson at 8:30 PM
For info call 510-489-3105

Country Quick Steppers

Nov 1: "Halloween Dance"
Temple Beth Jacob, Redwood City
7:30 to 10:30

Nov 15: "Western Night"
Dedicated to Diane Montgomery
Temple Beth Jacob, Redwood City
7:30 to 10:30

Nov. 29: "Thanksgiving"
Twin Pines, Belmont
7:30 to 10:30
www.geocities.com/quicksteppers/schedule.html

Country Hustlers

Nov 1: Danville Veteran's Hall
8:00 PM – 11:00 PM: Dance

Nov 22: Danville Veteran's Hall
8:00 PM – 11:00 PM
CountryHustlers@yahoo.com

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(5911 Mowry Avenue, Newark. [at Mowry & 880])



*The day after Thanksgiving
(Friday, November 28th)*

We will be dancing!

Monday Lessons with Charlotte Skeeters.

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Advanced Beginner to Intermediate to ??

Class schedule: Pick up a flyer on Monday or Friday night

Tuesday Lessons with Rich and Melody Beard

7:30 PM to 9:30 PM

Easy dances, at an easy teaching pace.
For those who want to get back into dancing,
Or who are starting out for the first time.

For a class schedule, e-mail: SCTNBTS@aol.com

For other dance lessons, events, and announcements, check out www.linedancefun.com or visit our "Flyer Table" during one of our Friday night dances.



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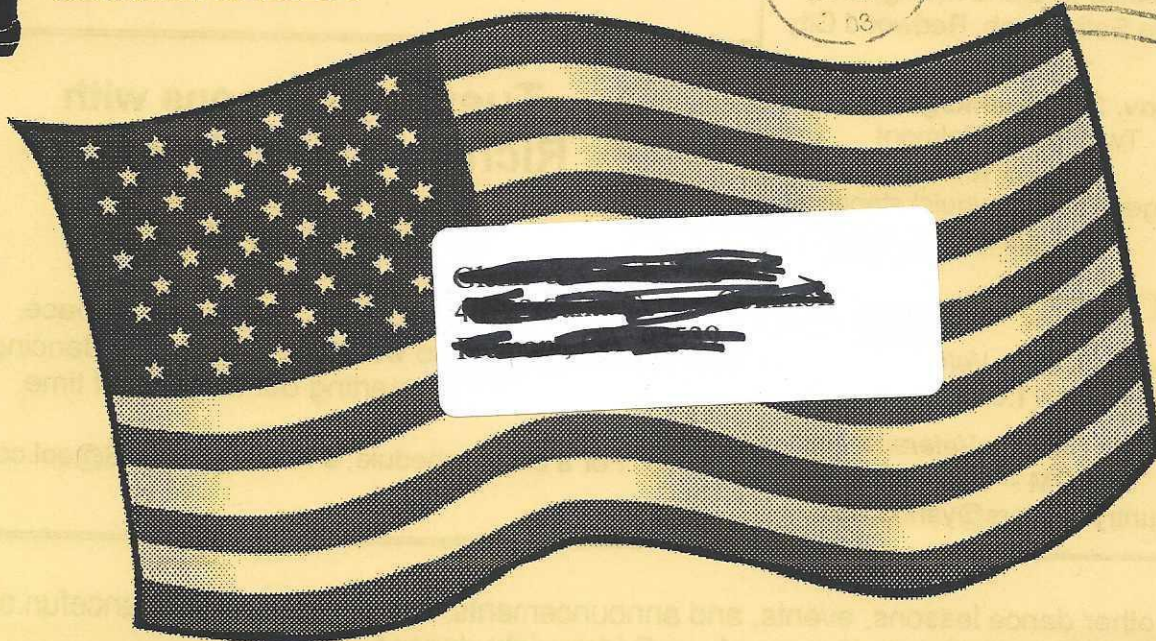
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