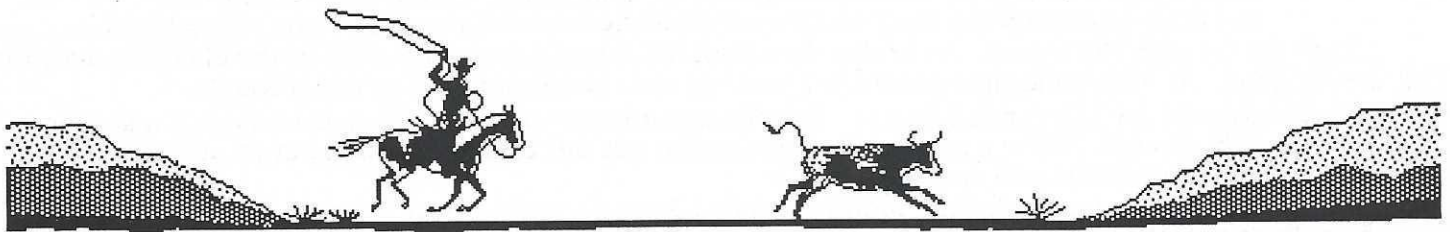


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## BOOTS 'N' BUCKLES NEWSLETTER

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It is September already. If you haven't renewed your membership; now is the time. Your current membership expires Sept. 30th. Your membership card gets you discounts at local merchants and \$2.00 off admission to the Friday night dance. We have renewal forms at the

door.

The attendance at the Friday night dance for the first 3 weeks of August has been very good. I would like to thank everyone for attending. Keep coming.

I would like to let everyone know we are still having dance lessons on Monday and Wednesday nights at Swiss Park. Gary Clayton on Monday night and Connie Silva on Wednesday night. I am sure Charlotte will be missed by all.

September 6th we will have our Labor Day dance. It would be nice to have everyone in Red, White and Blue. If you would like to bring finger foods to share that would be great.

Also; I am going to **cancel** the BootsNBuckles Hotmail account. If you would like to write to the club or me, you can write to [Bucklesdance@aol.com](mailto:Bucklesdance@aol.com)

I hope we have a large group of people on September 6th, so we can come together and join hands to pray for peace.

God Bless America

Stay healthy and keep dancing.

See ya on Friday night.

Helen Phillips [Bucklesdance@aol.com](mailto:Bucklesdance@aol.com)



Thank you, Charlotte Skeeters for 15+ years of dedicated service and for being the BEST LINE DANCE INSTRUCTOR EVER! As a student of Charlotte's for six plus years, she has been an invaluable teacher and will surely be missed. Charlotte promises to return to teach a class once in a while. She has helped EVERYONE far and near. I want to thank Charlotte for entrusting me to teach her Wednesday night class starting Sept 4th. Having subbed for Charlotte's classes many times, I have always known she would return within a week or two. I will try to uphold her tradition of quality teaching and by helping the classes like she has done. As I have said many times before, Charlotte is a class act and will be difficult to follow. Thank you, Charlotte!

Connie Silva



**Friday, SEPT 6, 2002**

Line Dance with John Bowen

All lessons start at 8:00 pm

## LABOR

## DAY



## DANCE

at 8:30 pm

wear red, white & blue

Bring finger food to share . . .

**Friday, SEPT 20, 2002**

## NO DANCE TONIGHT

Swiss Park has a previous event planned.

**Friday, SEPT 27, 2002**

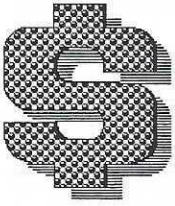
Line dance with Mike Sliter

at 8:00 pm

No Review this month . . .



Oct 4 - Line dance with Trish Or Bob Boesel  
Oct 25-27 - Paradise Dance Festival, Monterey  
Nov 8-10 - Crush Country Fall Fling, Ventura  
Dec 20 - Christmas Dinner Dance



Hi everyone - I hope you won't mind my sharing some personal information with you before I start July's treasurer's report, but I thought it might produce a chuckle or two. My granddaughter, Nikki (who is 11 1/2) just spent 3 weeks with me, and while here she pointed out to me my many "flaws" in regards to the current style "chicken" while listening to the beat of music is a no no. I must listen and only move my feet or very subtly and gently move my shoulders. I have officially learned how to "bounce", as it's called. "Hip-Hop" is not and never will be part of the game known as hopscotch. And lastly, "Snoop Dog & Bow Wow" will not, nor ever, be considered furry versions of man's best friend, the dog. To be young again.....

Let's get on with the report. As of this date Boot 'N' Buckles has \$12,040.28 in the checking account. This is very good. At this same time period last year the club had \$10,960.28 in the account.

Total revenues for July totaled \$1,044. Because attendance was poor, the dances did not make any profit. That's OK though. We're a non profit organization not out to make money, but to provide a place where people can enjoy music and dancing.

Some of the larger expenses for the month included \$700 for music, \$400 in rent, \$169.65 for printing & postage, \$105 for raffles, and \$100 for miscellaneous expenses. With these and a few smaller expenses that the club encumbered Boots 'N' Buckles had an overall loss for the month totaling \$670.63. I was going to mention the sale of jackets, tees, and polo shirts, but will wait until next month, when all monies should have been received.

This concludes the report for July. I hope everyone has a wonderful Labor Day Holiday.

Respectfully,  
Debbie Bloodworth



## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL . . .

**DON'T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP BY SEPTEMBER 30TH. WE'RE NOW DOWN TO THE LAST MONTH. OUR MEMBERSHIP YEAR IS FROM OCTOBER 1ST THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30TH SO JUST TAKE A QUICK MOMENT AND COMPLETE THE FORM THAT'S IN THIS EDITION OF THE ROUNDUP. ATTACH YOUR CHECK OR CASH AND EITHER BRING IT TO THE FRIDAY NIGHT DANCE OR DROP IT IN THE MAIL TO ME. THANKS IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR CONTINUING LOYALTY TO OUR BOOTS 'N' BUCKLES DANCE CLUB . . . IT WOULDN'T BE THE SAME WITHOUT YOU. KEEP ON DANCING!**

**CAROLE GLASGOW  
MEMBERSHIP/INSURANCE**



### SWEATSHIRT JACKETS, T-SHIRTS, POLO SHIRTS

Maybe you've seen some of our Board members wearing black sweatshirt jackets with the Boots 'n Buckles logo on it. There are also some black T-shirts and Polo shirts with our logo on them wandering around the dance floor. These are samples to raise your interest in them. If you are interested, you can put in your order on Friday nights at the dances. Check the back table for the sign-up sheet. Be sure to print your full name, phone number and the size of what you are ordering.

The prices are:   Sweatshirt jacket - \$35.00  
                          T-shirt - \$12.00  
                          Polo shirt - \$18.00

See you at the dance Friday night.  
Dolores Meeks

*Happy Birthday*

*To You . . .*



Wayne Robertson	9/1
Lee Thompson	9/3
Sharon Emmett	9/4
Sonny Sollecito	9/7
Linda Hood	9/9
Burt Hepponstall	9/20
Rochelle Spratling	9/21
La Moyne Troedson	9/22
John Bowen	9/23
Joyce Peloian	9/25
Marcia Von Berner	9/26



When I asked Dan Odneal what his hobbies were, he said he didn't really have any, he is just fascinated with people and watching people enjoy themselves. That is one of the main reasons he enjoys coming to Swiss Park, although he does not dance. Well, maybe he will get up there and do "Aint Goin Nowhere" every once in a while. I know I have seen him.

Born in Fayette, Missouri, Dan was number three of six children born to the Reverend and Mrs. Lewis Odneal. Dan graduated in 1969 from Parkwood High in Joplin, Missouri and soon after enlisted in the Navy so he could do his part in the Viet Nam War. Dan attended Boot Camp in San Diego and then at Moffett Field where he met Alice, his wife of 30 years. Alice and Dan met at the USO in San Jose. Alice really loves dancing, so Dan was inspired to become a dancer, too. Alice and Dan began to date and then he got his orders to the USS Kittyhawk which took him on his tour of Viet Nam. When Dan returned from Viet Nam, he and Alice were married and had a son. Dan made the decision to return to school and pursue a college degree which put a halt to his dancing days.

Dan attended West Valley Community College where he received his AA in Liberal Arts, but his true passion was the field of Psychology. For his BA in Psychology, Dan transferred to San Jose State and then also got his MS in Marriage and Family Counseling. That's quite a switch for someone who wanted to be a farmer when he grew up. Dan has been working for the past 18 years in various capacities of the Mental Health Field.

Through all this, Alice still loved to dance and when she was invited to Line Dancing lessons, she encouraged Dan to come with her. It took a while for Dan to really become involved, but the most important thing was that he did get involved. Just being there, whether dancing or not, formed a special bond. Dan enjoyed meeting the people who danced and eventually he and Alice became regulars at Swiss Park. Dan became such a regular, he decided to join the 2002 Board. This in itself is a challenge since he is the only male among eleven female Board Members. If you do not recognize his name, Dan is in charge of Fund Raising and Special Events. He is the one who is responsible for all the fun stickers you receive at the door when you come to the Theme Dances and the special prizes. Dan also takes orders for See's Candy to help support our Club. The next promotion will be for Christmas.

Dan says he doesn't have any hobbies, but if I am reading his biography right, it sounds like life in itself is a hobby and inspiration. As stated earlier, Dan is fascinated by people and enjoys seeing people enjoy themselves. He feels that dancing is a way people genuinely give of themselves and feels he is fortunate to know the dancing community. I feel we are very fortunate to know Dan.

### GRANDPARENTS DAY - SEPT 8th ...

This day originated with Marian McQuade, a housewife in Fayette County, West Virginia. Her primary motivation was to champion the cause of lonely elderly in nursing homes. She also hoped to persuade grandchildren to tap the wisdom and heritage their grandparents could provide. President Jimmy Carter, in 1978, proclaimed that National Grandparents Day would be celebrated every year on the first Sunday after Labor Day. September was chosen for the holiday to signify the "autumn years" of life. The McQuades have 15 children, 40 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren!!

**SEX SELLS:** Of course it does, and aren't we glad? I am not sure whether we are better off for it, but that is why we have politicians. They are supposed to know what is best for us and make sure we get it. Right? I love living in a fantasy world, but it only works for a while. And now that I have mentioned politicians, I would like to challenge you to see just how many names of the past presidents of Boots 'n' Buckles you can remember. I thought about it for a long time, and the most I could personally remember is seven. Four of those have totally disappeared from sight and I wonder why that is? Disappearing presidents is not a good thing. That brings me to think about Bob and Lynette Webber. It is very likely that they may be leaving our area in the near future, and that is a very sad thing. Bob and Lynette have spent most of their free time for three years guiding, promoting and organizing our dance club. We prospered under their leadership and hard work. I truly hope everyone appreciates their efforts in our behalf. I also hope some of you will tell them that. It is not easy to be the President. Ask Helen about it. Compliments are hard to come by but we have no lack of critics. And that brings me back to the title of this piece.

Bill Parrish wparr@earthlink.net

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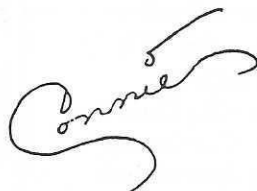
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## A Record 15+ Year Run for Bay Area Dance Class

~ Charlotte Skeeters ~

It all started over 15 years ago when Neil Hale and myself were asked to take over Swiss Park dance classes from CW Parker. Although we were a very hesitant and feeling a bit out-of-our-league, we decided to accept the challenge. Our first thoughts were ... "how can we possibly fill CW's shoes?" Back in the \*good ol' days\*, CW was the best teacher in the Bay Area! It did take some time but with lots of hard work, determination and on-the-job experience, we carved our niche in the Country Western Dance World. After awhile, driving to Swiss Park every Monday and Wednesday became second nature, much like driving home ... Swiss Park was our nighttime home two evenings - each & every week of those 15 years (with the exception of various Holidays and vacations).

When Neil decided to retire in 1998, I chose to continue with the classes. I was, to say the least, a bit intimidated, maybe even a bit overwhelmed with the added responsibility of DJ'ing (that was Neils job). But once again, with lots of work, on-the-job experience and help from my fellow Instructor/DJ buddies, I found I could do that too ... although never as good as the "King" himself ... Neil was, in the opinion of many, the best DJ in the Bay Area.

This brings me to the purpose of this letter ... it has taken many months and sleepless nights for me to arrive at this extremely difficult decision - I will retire from teaching my weekly dance classes at Swiss Park Dance Hall. There are countless reasons that have brought me to this course of action ... but there are two (2) at the top of the list I feel need mentioning.

1 - My job definition at Philips Semiconductors is changing. I will soon be required to travel and interface with the mother company, NV Philips in the Netherlands, in Caen, France, in Lund, Switzerland and Fishkill, New York. At this writing, there are 2 work-related trips planned this year. As you might have guessed, this will, along with continuing my International Dance travels, take me away from classes even more than in the past. I've already been commissioned (along with Bill Bader) to conduct an Instructors Training workshop in Singapore in November.

2 - Then there is this ... I simply feel the time has come ... retiring now will allow me an easier smoother transition to the next chapter in my life. When calculating the number of Mondays and Wednesdays there are in 15+ years, it boggles the mind ... that is a very long time my friends! Most of you reading this didn't know a "kick-ball-change" from a "grapevine" when I started my teaching career. The "kick-ball-change" was advanced stuff back in those early days ... amazing how far we've come! With all that said, please allow me to emphasize that teaching has and will always be an important and significant part of my life. Those of you, who know me and have taken classes from me, know how much I truly love teaching ... I will miss it terribly! But change is part of the human condition ... an exciting and thrilling part of the journey. With every new sunrise, we are all presented a blank canvas and we OWN the paintbrush ... PAINT up a storm!

I will still guest teach on occasion, I will still dance, I will still go to the occasional class to learn the "hot new one", I simply won't do it every Monday & Wednesday. I am pleased to announce that Gary Clayton will take over Monday nights and Connie Silva teach Wednesday nights. Please let them know you want the classes to continue, showing your support by coming to class.

It's been wonderful long run ... I love you all for your support & friendship through the years.

See you on the dance floor ... ~ Charlotte Skeeters ~



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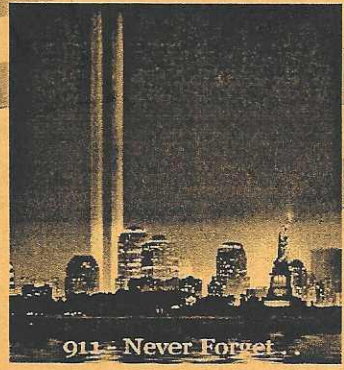
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