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SIZURAE DANCE CLUB

●●●August/September 1989●●●

Paw & Taw's Chatter

Summer's over and it's great to be back in school – Union School, that is! Dancing at Blackford with the Dixie Derbies and Gary Carnes in August was more like a hoedown every Wednesday night with the Morgan Hillbillies and their caller, Kenny Steen, joining us one evening and the Gadabouts and Jim Osborne joining us on another. Everyone breathed a sigh of relief when Ken showed up for his own birthday party.

The Jubilee will be here before we know it, so now's the time to buy your ribbons and save some money. Friday night Ken and the rest of the Top Ten will be calling. It's sure to be a great evening of dancing to Santa Clara Valley's finest. I hope you will all join us Saturday afternoon at 4:30 for a country dance teach in Gateway Hall "A". Don't forget our traditional potluck dinner Saturday evening before the grand march.

On Sunday morning don't miss the "Prune Valley Boys" at what is sure

to be a great brunch and fashion show. Right, Chris???

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Caller's Corner

Dear RRers,

Well, summer is now over (all together: "AWWWWW"); and now we've got to get our rears in gear and think about the upcoming year. But before we do, I'd like to give thanks to all who worked to keep us dancing through the summer at the different schools and at the County Fair.

It was fun dancing with the Dixie Derbies and their caller, Gary Carnes; and it left us with a vacation where we didn't have to worry about a replacement. From our standpoint it was an arrangement that we liked. We would, however, like to hear any comment — pro or con—that any of you may have. One of our complaints was that—all the an—

nouncements took too much away from dance time. Did you feel the same?

We'd like to thank the Rafter Rockers for reminding us that Ken is now forty-nine years old and for giving him all the calories that he really needed in the pretty cake. (Hey Diane, where is the money that you said you were going to get to Ken in order to get him to the dance?)

The last item we need to discuss is that of the beginners' class dancing with the club on club night. First of all we do need beginners to keep the club membership up since we do lose people from time to time for a variety of reasons; so get out there and recruit! The new arrangement this year will have the beginners dancing from 7:00 to 8:30 P.M. and the club dancing from 8:30 to 10:30 P.M. We need everyone's cooperation both in helping out the beginners and in staying a little later so that the club members don't feel deserted. Let's give this new mode of operation a chance before we pass judgment; and if any of you have any constructive ideas, please let us and/or the club officers know.

Let's have fun!

Ken and Chris

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33rd Jubilee

Don't forget that the 33rd Annual Santa Clara County Square Dance Association Jubilee is just around the corner on October 13,14 and 15. Be sure you get your ribbons, even if for only one session. It would be nice to have 100% attendance from the Rafter Rockers.

One of the favorite events of Jubilee for many of us is the Sunday morning brunch. This year's theme is "Dancing Across America." There will be thirty couples modeling outfits representing the different states. Two Rafter Rocker couples -Diane and John Andrews and Tom Robertson and Jane Bishop - will be modeling. Let's all turn up to support our couples! Tickets are \$9.25 per person for brunch and fashion show. Entertainment will feature the "Prune Valley Boys" (Gary Carnes, Mike Degmetich, and Ken). See me for tickets.

Chris Kenmille

Happy Trails

Another of our long-time Rafter Rocker couples has finally taken the plunge into retirement. Lloyd Rose has swept up the hair clippings for the last time and Tykie has weighed

her last load and they now have more time to ride off into the sunset pulling their new trailer. We wish the Roses well and hope that they get in off the road once in a while to see us.



New Members:

Glendoris and Billy Cheek Micki and Glen Muir Ardella and Shaw Shimel Judy and Joe Ventimiglia Doris Plymire and Joe Zankich

Rafter Rockers welcome you!

Congratulations:

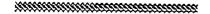
Longevity badge swingers have been recently awarded to the following couples:

10 year:

Phyllis and Chuck DePalmo Carol and Otto Schmid

5 year:

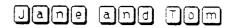
Ann and Wilkes Joy Jean and Tom Jones Mary and Steve Schmid



Quilt Squares

We enjoyed seeing Jean and Larry Kibler recently at a Lockheed picnic. They looked great and hope to be back dancing with us soon.

Jean has volunteered once again (No, gang, we did not twist her arm!) to make another patchwork skirt for Circus, Circus if all of you great seamstresses will start saving your 8" X 8" fabric squares for her. You can see some of her beautiful skirts on some of the lucky winners like MaryAnne McKinney, Sally McCalla and Donna Mathews. Give your squares to Tom and Jane and they will find their way to Jean.



Slab Dancing

A lively contingent of Rafter Rockers turned out at the Ben Lomond slab on the 19th of August to dance to Ken.

Of course, a dozen of the "Ken's Krew Regulars" met at Senor Gomez before the dance to help Ken enjoy a birthday dinner.

Then, at the dance Ken received a beautiful jacket from Chris who was renewing old acquaintances at her high school reunion. Jane and Tom delivered the present, and it really looked great on Ken!

It was great to see Don and Sally

McCalla (who have been so busy working on their new home in the Santa Cruz Mountains), Van and Anna May Symons (who are now vacationing for a month in Europe) and the Roses and Barfields who "dropped in" at the slab from their nearby hideaways. Also good to see Cheryl and Dennis McDowell again.

The turnout was one of the best.... great to see so many out to dance to Ken's calling and John Savage's cueing the rounds. Hats off to all the Lucky Steppers for sponsoring this annual summer series.

Two RR couples owe a special thanks to some Lucky Steppers who went out of their way to help get a jump for a dead battery (OOPS! Got to remember to turn those lights out after cruising over Hwy 17!).... Ever go to an after-party where the hosts did not show up???

Tom and Jane

Theater Scene

The Saratoga Drama Group is at it again. Their next production is **Gigi** (see ad in this <u>Hayloft</u>). Mary and Steve Schmid can answer any questions you might have. Anyone want to get together a group for dinner and the theater?

Rafter Rocker Yacht Club

The next excursion of the RR Yacht Club will occur on September 17.

The sign-up list filled up quickly but there is a waiting list. This is always a great outing with our members who go down to the sea in ships.

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Rafter Rocker events

September 17 Day on the Bay
September 20 Beginners' Potluck
October 18 Silent Auction
October 25 Halloween Party
November 21 Thanksgiving Potluck

Ken's Schedule

September 15 .. Diamond Dancers, Santa Rosa, A2 September 23 .. Curli Q's, Palo Alto, Plus October 7 ...Square Hoppers, Gunderson, Plus Roaring 20's fun hoedown October 27, 28, 29 ...Harvest Hoedown Festival Yuba City.. Carnes/Degmetich/Kenmille

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If you have any ideas for the <u>Hayloft</u>, let me know.....**ED**

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