

The Dusty Trails

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From the Presidents' Desk

When did I turn into my Grandfather? It used to take a "life time" to go from January to December. My grandfather would say, "Wait until you get older. Time will go by very fast." Well, I got older, and time seems to be going very fast. At any rate, we want to wish all our wonderful Trail Dusters friends **Happy Holidays**, and a very **Happy, Healthy, and Prosperous New Year** in 2020.

We sent out an email on December 16, 2019, to all the Trail Dusters. We hope that you had an opportunity to read it. We explained that one of the most important responsibilities of the president, and the board of directors, is to make sure that our club remains financially healthy. Our costs have gone up over the years, and we have suffered drains on our cash balances due to unforeseen events over the last two years.

Therefore, starting Wednesday, January 8, 2020, we will be collecting \$2.00 per person from every Trail Duster each week until the end of the year in June 2020. At that time we will evaluate the club's finances and determine if it is necessary to continue.

Many club members have expressed a desire to pay the \$2.00 in one lump sum (21 Weeks @ \$2.00 per week = \$42.00). This will make it easier on each person and on the club. So, anyone who wants to pay in advance (on or before January 8th) will receive a discounted amount of \$35.00, payable by personal check. Please make your check **payable to Trail Dusters**, and either **hand it to me when you see me**, or **mail your check to:**

Mark Simon
4300 Bergamo Drive
Encino, CA 91436

We all love our club, and we want it to continue to thrive, grow and prosper. In this way, we can continue to enjoy everything that Trail Dusters means, and gives, to every one of us.

Happy New Year,

**Joni & Mark
Simon
Presidents**



NEXT BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 14, 2020

7:30 P.M.

CAREN & SHERWIN'S HOUSE



OUR TAILGATE PARTY DANCE ON JANUARY 12

Our next club dance is **Sunday afternoon, January 12th 2020** from 2:00 – 4:30 pm and is a **CLASS LEVEL DANCE** with our own **Paul Waters** calling along with everyone's favorite caller, **Mike Seastrom**. See flyer page 11.

WANTED! – NEEDED!



ANGELS & MORE ANGELS

40 – 50 Needed to mentor, dance with, and extend friendship to our newest dancers.

YOU ARE THAT ANGEL

When: Sunday, January 12th

Where: Wilkinson Senior Center

Start Time 2:00 PM

End Time 4:30 PM

Supervisors: Mike Seastrom
Paul Walker

Dress Code

YOUR FAVORITE TEAM'S COLORS!!

(Hat, Jersey, Scarf, Pins)

(Either Professional or College Teams)

Pay Rate: Friendship & Fun!!

No application to fill out – just be sure to join us for an entertaining afternoon

Your roving
reporters from
Canada,

**Shirley & Collin
Brown**



List of callers - 2020 page 8

Jan. Birthdays



Kathy Cirillo	1
Sandy Kaufman	2
Mike Sternfeld	3
Gayle Hodnefield	4
Arthur Grossman	6
Maxine Tuckman	8
Sandy Tilson Okada	9
Helene Harris	9
Norm Kaman	9
Hal Rothberg	9
Howard Weiner	9
Bren Levy	10
Linda Peck	10
Judy Comroe	11
Marilyn Katlein	12
Robert Cirillo	13
Linda Cole	16
Lois Michaelson	18
Larry Rolfe	20
Jack Levy	21
Dianne Yakerson	22
Lorraine Levin	25
Cindy Molitoris	28
Rusty Kaman	30
Maureen Fried	31
Jill Pivnik	31

Jan. Anniversaries

Marilyn & Stan Zwicker	18
Dorothy & Leon Stabinsky	19
Flo & Bill Tapp	23
Evie & Iran Ausley	27

Membership

If you still have not renewed, please print the renewal form on page 10. Please print legibly! Make out a check to **Trail Dusters** for **\$35 for single membership, \$70 for couple.**

Mail the form and the check to:
Ilene and Mark Abramson
4425 Estrondo Drive
Encino, CA 91436

Let's give a big THANK YOU to all who have renewed membership in our club.

Ilene & Mark Abramson

Membership Chairs

markabe@aol.com

Sunshine & Showers

HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE! I'm delighted to be able to share some "Sunshine" as we begin this New Year. After enjoying a five-year relationship, Owen Evan Davis, son of **Winnie Davis**, and his sweetheart made a casual decision to get married the following day! There wasn't even time for Winnie to get a plane reservation to attend the wedding, but they will celebrate at a later date. The newlyweds first met in a restaurant in New York where they now have made their home. We hope the young couple will enjoy many happy years together.

Pat and Rick Kessler are delighted to welcome home their youngest great-grandchild, Bohdi Sparks. Bohdi was born prematurely on August 15th and then spent the next four months in the NICU Dept. at the hospital in Richmond, Virginia. The baby had severe problems with his intestines and underwent four surgeries to correct the issues. At last he has come home to his parents, Wallace (the Kesslers' oldest step-grandchild) and MacKenzie, and his big sister Indie. After a brief hospital return for some medication adjustments, he came home

again and was propped up in his crib where he wore a huge smile that covered his entire face! Actually, Bohdi's entire family – including Pat and Rick, are all wearing big happy smiles. He has been a brave little boy, and everyone is thrilled that he has MADE IT! Pat and Rick, your Trail Duster family is smiling too as we are so happy for you.

There were also “showers” to report in December – aside from our local weather. With sorrow we announce the passing of David Ovadia, Father of **Joel Ovadia**, on Monday, December 16th, at the age of 94 and 10 months. The funeral took place at Eden on Friday, December 20th. **Joel** tells us that he was a very caring husband, father and grandfather, and he will be greatly missed. And to you, **Joel**, we know that you were a very devoted son, and we extend sincere condolences to you and **Lynn** and all your family at this difficult time.

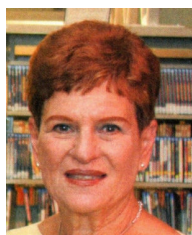
Now that the Holidays are over, I hope to hear from more of you, both Rail Dusters and Trail Dusters. Please contact me at the e-mail address below with your news and I will be happy to share whatever you would like others to know about.

May this New Year bring an good health and “sunshine” to each of you.

With best wishes,
Sunshine & Showers
Chair

Rusty Kaman

rusty_k@verizon.net



SWEETHEARTS 2020

The Associated Square Dancers organization (A Square D) hosts a



dance each February to honor and recognize two very special individuals chosen by each club for their hard work, commitment to the club, and their efforts to promote square dancing in our community. For this honor, we have selected **Farryl & Bill Dickter**, who have given their hearts and souls to this club since they became members in 1999. They will be honored at the 57th Annual Sweetheart Ball on Sunday, February 9, 2020, from 2:00-4:30pm at the Hawthorne Memorial Center.

Farryl and Bill have been active and committed members of our Club for 20 years. Bill has been class coordinator twice, A Square D delegate, Membership and Statistics and Ways and Means coordinator. He and Farryl have served a term as Presidents.

Farryl is our current Caller Coordinator, assisting Pat Kessler, and has served on numerous committees over the years with Bill. She organized the White Elephant sales at class and at our weekend, has taken care of the hospitality room at the weekends and has been in charge of raffle sales at our dances.

They are the first to respond to calls for help and can be counted on to do special tasks as needed.

Bill rarely misses a Wednesday night class and they always attend our Saturday night dances. The title of Club Sweethearts 2020 is very well deserved!

Please join us February 9, 2020, at the dance to celebrate and honor our sweetheart couple - see flier pages 12 & 13. The cost is \$10 for the ribbon in advance and \$12 at the door. **See Marilyn Bloom for your ribbons.**

Save the Date – **Sunday, January 26, 2020** - for

our annual
Student Stomp held at
Wilkinson
Center from
2:00 – 4:30.

This is a **Class Level Dance**

Many clubs will be represented
see flyer page 14



Refreshments

Hello Trail Dusters and Happy New Year!

It is 2020 already (that sounds like a TV show, just sayin'). It is time for our New Year's resolutions to be made and sadly, broken. Since this is a refreshment article, you might enjoy a resolution made by any typical Trail Duster over the past few years. Any of us may think the following:

2017—I will follow my diet religiously until I get down from 175 pounds

2018—I will develop a realistic attitude about my weight

2019—I will work out at least three times a week

2020—I will drive past a gym at least three times a week

With this in mind, let's talk **Refreshments.**

The Refreshment Committee members are looking forward to another great year of square dancing and serving treats to give you the energy to keep on dancin'. We want to thank everyone who has brought fruit, desserts and cheese previously this year. We have almost gone down to the end of the alphabet, in terms of the list to bring refreshments. Therefore, please do not be surprised if you are asked to bring snacks again.

As a reminder, you will receive an email or reminder call when it is your turn to bring snacks by 6:45, cut up, plated and ready to serve. Please help set up and clean up that evening. If you are unable to participate, please find a replacement and call Al Masters to let him know (818) 203-0978.

See food list page 9. As always, the refreshment committee appreciates your help.

Your Refreshment Chairs,



Paula & Al Masters



Cindy Kestenbaum & Alex Strouzer



Denise Kurtzer & Richard Rose

***** **Ways & Means**

Dear Rail Dusters & Trail Dusters,

Welcome back after our 2 week break, and happy, healthy New

Year one and all. I sure missed getting together, eating, dancing and laughing together and look forward to starting 2020 with lots of enthusiasm.

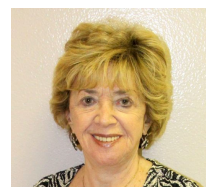
Each Wednesday before class we meet at various restaurants (schedule below) to have dinner and conversation. We meet at 5:30 and get up to Bay Laurel to start our dancing at 7:00 PM. Generally we draw a group of 30 or more, and if you haven't joined us please do!!! It's such a great way to start the evening and you'll be helping our club make some money since the restaurants give us a percentage of the money we spend. Also, please remember to **leave a gratuity** since the servers always work hard to be sure we are happy with our food.

Here is some interesting information about Canter's Delicatessen on Fairfax, a family operated business which opened in 1931. Tour buses even stop here but locals are the heart and soul of this deli. Celebrities will often slip in incognito for a late night "nosh." They all come in for the old-fashioned Jewish food that reminds them of the "olden" days. Open 24 hours, only closed on Jewish holidays, you can come here anytime for a delicious taste of yesterday. In 2003 Canter's Deli opened in Las Vegas at Treasure Island and in June 2017 they quietly opened a kitchen downtown solely for delivery purposes for those who have long been clamoring for "pastrami on rye."

Our schedule of restaurants for January is as follows:

5:30 is the time so we can get to Bay Laurel in time to start dancing at 7:00 PM. Please join us. We have lots of fun.

January 8 Mod Pizza
January 15 Sharkeys
January 22 Corner Bakery
January 29 The Stand



Your Hostesses,
Jane Lief

Flo Tapp

The Trail Dusters were recently honored with



a wonderful award from Ronald McDonald House. The Award was for "Hero of the House 2019, for your support and dedication to the families and the house." Joni and I, as well as Rusty & Norm Kaman, and Pat & Rick Kessler were very privileged to receive this award on behalf of the Trail Dusters.



Joni & Mark Simon, Rusty & Norm Kaman, Rick & Pat Kessler

NOVEMBER & DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



Front row: Leslie Ruiz, Les Light, Harriet Berman, Art Hirsh, Janice Reiss, Marilyn Bloom, Paula & Jerry Seliga
Back row: Nikki Rosentsweig, Steve Rosentsweig, Simcha Saul, Judes Gatchell,

DUSTY TRAILS GOES TO THE FEDERATION LUNCHEON ALONG WITH...



Nikki & Steve Rosentsweig, Joni & Mark Simon, Flo Tapp, Bill Dickter, Carol & Richard Lewis, Jeri & Ron Sobel, Marilyn Bloom

DUSTY TRAILS TRAVEL TO JAPAN WITH MANY TRAIL DUSTERS

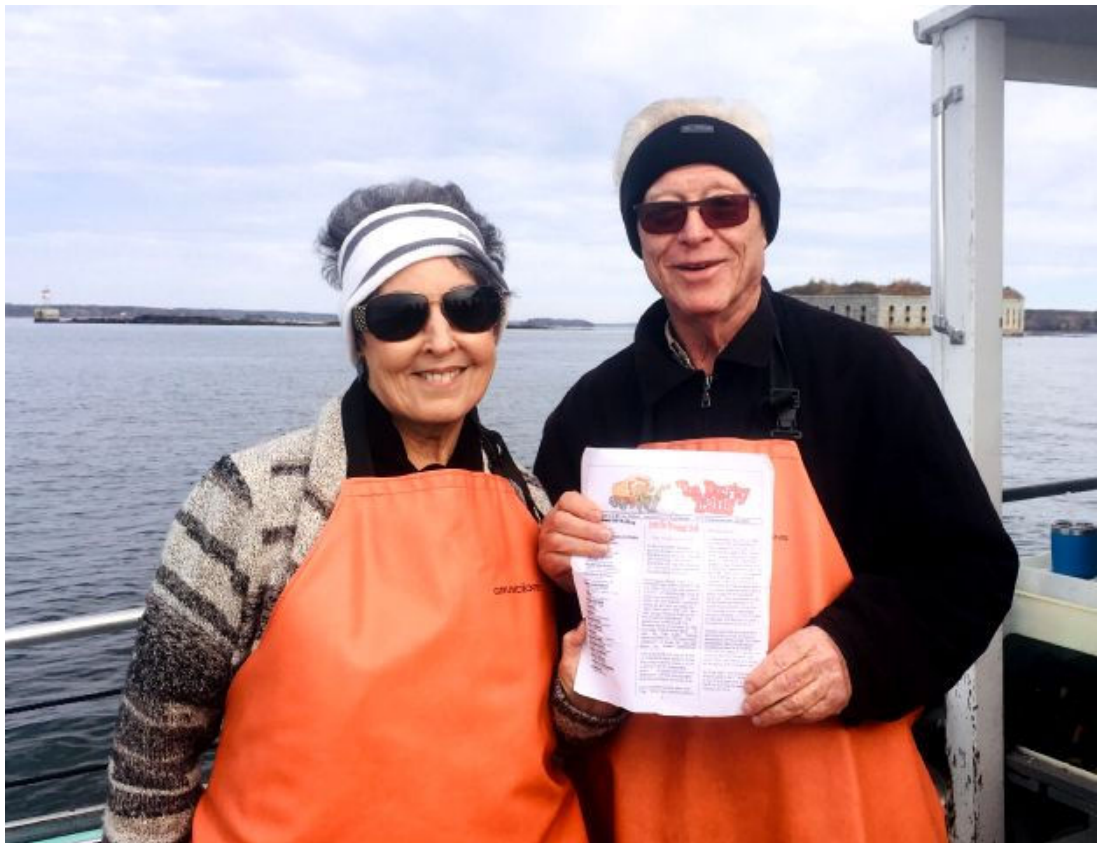


Front row: Dave & Arline Simon, Shelly & Maureen Fried, Joni Simon, Debbie Garner, Margie Hausman, Paula & Jerry Seliga, Denise Kurtzer
Jeff Hausman, Sandy Cohen, Nikki Rosentsweig
2nd row: Terry Karsh, Renny Traub, Mark Simon, Ian Garner, Phyllis Saul, Steve Rosentsweig, Richard Rose, Jeff Cohen, Simcha Saul

AND ALSO GOES SQUARE DANCING IN TOKYO WITH PAULA & JERRY SELIGA



DUSTY TRAILS GOES TRAVELING TO MAINE WITH ADRIANE & MIKE KREISBERG



AND TO MAUI WITH ROBERT & LESLIE RUIZ





Trail Dusters Square Dance Club

Dance Schedule – 2020

2ND Saturday of Month

Rounds @ 7:00 PM – First Tip @ 8:00 PM
Alternating Rounds & Tips with 1 A-1 Tip

Wilkinson Senior Center – 8956 Vanalden – Northridge

DATE	CALLER	THEME
Sunday 2:00 - 4:30 pm January 12, 2020	<i>Mike Seastrom & Paul Waters Class Level Dance</i>	Tailgate Party- Get Ready for the Super Bowl
February 8, 2020	<i>Rod Shuping</i>	Love Is In The Air
March 14, 2020	<i>Dick Hodnefield & Andy Allemeo Class Level Dance</i>	Shamrock Sashay It's St. Patty's Day
April 11, 2020	<i>TBD</i>	Hobo Hoedown Taxes Paid
May 9, 2020	<i>Mike Kellogg</i>	No Siesta - Let's Fiesta
June 13, 2020	<i>Mike Seastom</i>	Crazy Socks - Crazy Shoes
July 11, 2020	<i>Ken Bower</i>	* Summer Camp Days
August 8, 2020	<i>Pat Carnathan</i>	* Mad Hatter's Tea Party
September 12, 2020	<i>Buddy Weaver</i>	* Rock Star - Rock On
October 10, 2020	<i>Tim Pepper</i>	Pajama Party
November 2020	<i>Dark</i>	

*** Summer Casual Attire***

ROUND DANCE CUERS Milo & Cinda Molitoris

For additional information call: Joni & Mark Simon 323-333-4947 marksimon43@gmail.com



REFRESHMENT ASSIGNMENTS - JANUARY 2020

All food need to be plated and do not need cutting

January 1

Dark

January 8

Fruit
Fruit
Dessert
Dessert
Cheese & Crackers
Cheese & Crackers

Larry Rofe
Linda Peck
Jeri & Ron Sobel
Sandra & Robert Sobel
Barbara Solomon
Dorothy & Leon Stabinsky



January 15

Fruit
Fruit
Dessert
Dessert
Cheese & Crackers
Cheese & Crackers

Gayle Stern
Ellen & Mike Sternfeld
Flo & Bill Tapp
Diane Townsend
Maxine & Irwin Tuckman
Jordan Wank



January 22

Fruit
Fruit
Dessert
Dessert
Cheese & Crackers
Cheese & Crackers

Michael Whitman
Victor Wolf
Marlena & Reuven Zeavy
Arlene Zoren
Ilene & Mark Abramson
Judith Altman



wiseGEEK

January 29

Fruit
Fruit
Dessert
Dessert
Cheese & Crackers
Cheese & Crackers

Ronna Banks
Harriet & Steve Berman
Steve Besem
Marilyn & Leonard Bloom
Caren Blumfield
Cher Bodner



wiseGEEK



For more information call Paula & Al Masters (818) 360-7857

Email al_masters@msn.com



TRAIL DUSTER ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

DUES: \$70 COUPLES / \$35 SINGLES
MAKE CHECKS OUT TO "TRAIL DUSTERS"

RETURN COMPLETED FORM WITH DUES BY NOVEMBER 30 (EARLIER PREFERRED!)

PLEASE PRINT

DATE _____

LAST NAME _____ FIRST NAME(S) _____

☐ Information in the roster is correct – no changes

☐ PLEASE MAKE THE FOLLOWING ☐ CORRECTION ☐ ADDITION ☐ DELETION

Enter Only The Information To Be Changed, Added or Deleted (Since Last Published Roster)

Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone (hers) _____

Cell Phone (his) _____

E-Mail Address (hers) _____

(his) _____

☐ Everybody please fill out the info below

Birthday (Month & Day)

Hers _____ His _____

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY (MONTH & DAY) _____

PLEASE MAIL FORM AND DUES TO:

ILENE AND MARK ABRAMSON
4425 ESTRONDO DRIVE
ENCINO CA 91436

(make check payable to "Trail Dusters")



TRAIL DUSTERS

SUNDAY, January 12
2:00 - 4:30 PM

Tailgate Party **CLASS LEVEL DANCE**



PAUL WATERS

MIKE SEASTROM

Wilkinson Senior Center
8956 Vanalden Ave, Northridge, CA

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED

WEAR YOUR FAVORITE TEAM'S COLORS!!

Hat, Jersey, Scarf, Pins
(Either Professional or College Teams)

For More Information Call: Joni & Mark Simon -323 333-4947
Website: www.traildusters.com – Singles and Couples Welcome

SWEETHEART BALL

Sunday, February 9, 2020 2:00 – 4:30

Hawthorne Memorial Center

3901 W El Segundo Blvd. Hawthorne CA

Please join us as we travel to the 57th Annual Sweetheart Ball to celebrate and honor our Club Sweethearts.

FARRYL & BILL DICKTER!



Farryl and Bill have been active and committed members of our Club for 20 years! Since joining the Club in 1999 they have been steadfast and reliable in their support of the Club. Bill has been Class Coordinator (twice), Ways & Means, Membership & Statistics to name just a few as well as rarely misses being a Wednesday night angel. He and Farryl have served a term as Presidents and Farryl is currently serving on the Board as the Caller Contract Coordinator. Both have served on numerous committees over the years and are among the first to respond to calls for help and to take on special tasks that need to be done. The title of Club Sweethearts 2020 is very well deserved!

Tickets \$10.00 pre-sale or \$12.00 at the door - to purchase presale tickets please see Marilyn Bloom or email marlenbloom2@gmail.com

Associated Square Dancers 57TH ANNUAL SWEETHEART BALL

CELEBRATE AND HONOR THE STARS WHOSE EXTRA EFFORTS KEEP OUR CLUBS AND ASSOCIATION VIBRANT AND GROWING. THEY ARE THE HEART & SOUL OF SQUARE DANCING

Sunday, February 9, 2020

Plus Level Dance with A-1 tip

pre-rounds 1:30-2:00 squares w/rounds 2:00 - 4:30pm

JOHNNY PRESTON



ROMNEY TANNEHILL



JOE SCARLATELLA

\$10 pre-sale

\$12 at the door

HAWTHORNE MEMORIAL CENTER

3901 W. El Segundo Blvd., Hawthorne, CA

See your Club Delegate for Ribbons

More Information: Diane 213-309-2630 di6@earthlink.net



Information: Linda Kaplan
805.231.6171

FUN LEVEL * CLASS LEVEL

Everyone is invited! Class Members * Angels * Couples * Singles

STUDENT STOMP

Solo  Corner



Wilkinson Center
8956 Vanalden Ave
Northridge, CA 91324

Sunday, January 26, 2020

2:00pm-4:30pm
Donation \$8.00

Callers:
Arlen Miller
Dale Hoppers
Dick Hodnefield*MC



Callers:
Don Schadt
Mike Seastrom
Paul Waters
Rod Shuping



Sponsored by Valley Trailers and Santa Barbara, Ventura and SFV
ASD Sponsored 

January 2020 Trail Dusters Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			1 New Year's Day NO CLASS .	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 Mod Pizza 5:30 p m Bay Laurel 7:00 p.m.	9	10	11
12 Class Level Dance 2-4:30 Wilkinson-callers- Paul Waters & Mike Seastrom pages 2 & 11	13	14 Board Meeting 7:30 pm Caren & Sherwin's House	15 Sharkey's 5:30 p m Bay Laurel 7:00 p.m.	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 Corner Bakery 5:30 p m Bay Laurel 7:00 p.m.	23	24	25
26 Student Stomp – Half Way Dance 2:00-4:30 PM Class Level Dance See page 3 & 14	27	28	29 The Stand 5:30 p m Bay Laurel 7:00 p.m.	30	31	

TRAIL DUSTERS

