

The Dusty Trails

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From the Presidents' Desk

As the end of 2022 is upon us, it's time to wish everyone a very happy and healthy 2023. Time passes so quickly, and I can't believe that it has been 23 years since many thought the computer world would blow up as we transitioned from 1999 to 2000. Everyone was holding their breath at the stroke of midnight and waited to see what would happen with our electronics and all the data stored on computers. I worked for a bank at the time and when everyone realized things were fine, it was a real New Year's celebration that no money was lost and accounts were all as they should be.

The world changes so much every year and often not for the better, but we can still all hope that 2023 brings world peace and that human suffering is eased.

Helen Keller is quoted as saying, "The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched, but they must be felt with the heart." Mark Twain said, "Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than the ones you did."

We shouldn't ever cry because something wonderful is over but rather smile because it happened.

Smiling at years passed and having fond memories of those years is what life is all about.

Let's hope we all make beautiful and joyful memories in 2023 and celebrate health with friends and family.

Happy New Year everyone.

Jane Lief

President



NEXT BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 10, 2023

7:00 PM



ZOOM MEETING



Birthdays & Anniversaries

Jan. Birthdays

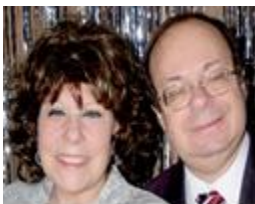


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Jan. Anniversaries

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Dorothy & Leon Stabinsky	19
Flo & Bill Tapp	23

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**TRAIL DUSTERS
RETURN TO THE
ROARING 2020'S
ON NEW YEAR'S
EVE**

**READ ABOUT IT IN THE NEXT
ISSUE OF DUSTY TRAILS**

Tinseltown Parties with Us at Bay Laurel

This was our welcome chant Wed. night, Dec. 14, when our room was once again filled with laughter, music refreshments and dancing.

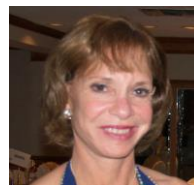
"You better watch out
You better not cry
You better not pout
We're telling you why
Tinsel Town is coming to Bay Laurel

Paul is making a list
He's checking it twice
He's gonna find out who's naughty
or nice
Tinsel Town is coming to town

Paul sees you when you're dancing
He knows when you screw up
He knows if you've been good or
bad
So be good for goodness sake!"
etc.

It was a wonderful evening dancing with our visitors and once again our volunteer refreshment committee put together a wonderful holiday table filled with many treats, only to be outdone by Paul Water's amazing homemade loaves of bread. It is truly amazing to watch us gobble down the food and treats after having just finished dinner! Many thanks to our wonderful members and class, who contribute selflessly to provide refreshments for the rest of us. Please find out what you can do to help for future celebrations.

Caren Blumfield



Coordinators Corner

Our Rail Dusters class is holding at number 13, six couples and one standout guy. You can see how much fun they are having in class, especially by their wide smiles. Come January 2023, they will have received their genuine official Rail Duster badges (you can't buy them at Amazon) and Paul Waters will continue to teach the SSD-level calls. Your coordinators thank all of you members who have come to class week after week and provided wonderful support for our Rail Dusters.

Now we have one challenge that has cropped up and another one looming just over the horizon. Please, we need more members to come to class. Sometimes we don't have that *last* guy or gal or couple to complete a square. Joel jumps in when that situation occurs. And on one or two occasions, Bill has had to quit his coordinator's job in order to fill out a square. We love dancing with our students and angels, but we do want to do our class coordinator tasks. So, you members who have not come to class or maybe once or twice, Uncles Joe and Bill need you! We need you to come to class to dance and help our Rail Dusters.

And speaking about helping our Rail Dusters, we also need you to attend the Student Stomp which is on Sunday, January 29th - see flier on page 7. This will be the Rail Dusters first square dance, and like our classes, the students really will need your support at this event. The Student Stomp will give our Rail Dusters a chance to dance to other callers and meet other square dancing clubs. With your help we can make the Student Stomp a fun dance that will hook the Rail Dusters on the fun of square dancing.

We look forward to dancing with you in the coming year. A very happy and healthy New Year to all.

Your Coordinators



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Sunshine & Showers

As we bid farewell to 2022, our Trail Duster family sadly bid farewell to long-time club member, **Gary Higer**, who, on December 9th, succumbed to an illness that kept him bed-ridden for nearly 2 years. **Gary** and his wife, Anita, were graduates in the Class of 2003 and then went on to take an active part in club activities where they both served in numerous capacities including as Club Presidents. **Gary**, together with Anita, loved square dancing, and was a strong advanced dancer. Private services for the family will be held in January. Anita, our hearts are with you at this difficult time, and we hope that all the memories you and **Gary** made together will bring you some measure of comfort - now and in the days ahead. May this New Year bring good health and happier times to you and to your family.

On the brighter side, the past month brought many reasons to make some very proud parents and grandparents in our Trail Duster family. President **Jane Lief** was the proud "Mother of the Bride" on December 1st when her daughter Tracey Wolfson was married to Rick Watson on a beautiful beach in

Hawaii. Following a 10-day Hawaiian vacation, the newlyweds returned to their home in Woodland Hills where they are planning a celebration of their marriage in a few months. **Jane**, we wish you years of joy in your role as mother-in-law.

Jeri Sobel is beaming with pride as her son Glen, now a world renown drummer for Alice Cooper, was a featured performer in the recent Hollywood Santa Claus Lane Parade. As Glen rode while playing his drums, **Jeri's** and Glen's many friends and acquaintances enjoyed his talents and wish Glen continued success in his career.

Nancy Wallach has good reason to be proud of her granddaughter, Allison Geller, who recently passed all four parts of the CPA Exam with high scores! Allison has a job with a big CPA firm in Los Angeles and is already working! Congratulations Grandma Nancy and to Allison on this major accomplishment! Here's wishing you every success and much enjoyment in your new career!

What is happening in your life that you would like to share with our Trail Duster family? All you need to do is to email me at the address below and I will contact you for the details. Meanwhile, may I wish you a healthy and peaceful New Year – filled with all that brings you and your family happiness!

Warmly,

Rusty Kaman,
Sunshine &
Showers Chair



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Ways & Means

Hi Trail Dusters & Rail Dusters,

We hope you have a wonderful Holiday Season. We would like to invite all of you to join us at our pre-class dinners. We meet at 5:30 pm each week. It is a great way to meet your fellow TRAIL DUSTERS. There is always good conversation and delicious food. The staff at these restaurants are always friendly and happy to see us. And It is a fundraiser for our Club since they send us 20% of the money we spend.

This month's line up for pre-class dinners are:

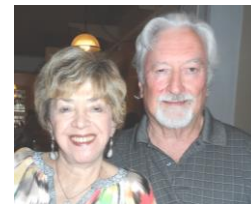
Jan. 4 NO CLASS
Jan. 11 Sharkey's
Jan. 18 Hook Burger
Jan. 25 Calif Pita

Let's have a big turn out as we greet the New Year.

Check your emails for any last minute changes

See you at dinner.

Ways & Means Chairs



Flo & Bill Tapp

Denise Kurtzer &
Richard Rose



On The Lighter Side

CLEVER SAYINGS

A SIGN IN A SHOE REPAIR STORE READS:

"We will heel you
We will save your sole."

In a Podiatrist's office:

"Time wounds all heels."

On a Septic Tank Truck :

"Yesterday's Meals on Wheels."

At an Optometrist's Office :

"If you don't see what you're looking for, you've come to the right place."

On a Plumber's truck :

"We repair what your husband fixed."

On another Plumber's truck :

"Don't sleep with a drip. Call your plumber."

At a Tire Shop in Milwaukee :

"Invite us to your next blowout."

On an Electrician's truck :

"Let us remove your shorts."

At a Car Dealership "The best way to get back on your feet - miss a car payment."

Outside a Muffler Shop:

"No appointment necessary. We hear you coming."

In a Veterinarian's waiting room :

"Be back in 5 minutes. Sit! Stay!"

At the Electric Company:

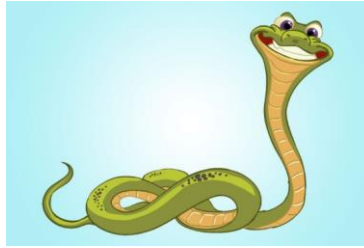
"We would be delighted if you send in your payment on time.

However, if you don't, YOU will be de-lighted."

In a Restaurant window:

"Don't stand there and be hungry; Come on in and get fed up."

AT THE EDGE OF THE RIVER



Having arrived at the edge of the river, the fisherman soon realized he had forgotten to bring any bait. Just then he happened to see a little snake passing by who had caught a worm. The fisherman snatched up the snake and robbed him of his worm.

Feeling sorry for the little snake with no lunch, he snatched him up again and poured a little beer down his throat. Then he went about his fishing.

An hour or so later the fisherman felt a tug at his pant leg. Looking down, he saw the same snake with three more worms in his mouth...

I can't believe I
forgot to go to the
gym today.
That's 7 years in a
row now.

Last year I joined a
support group for
antisocial people.
We haven't met yet.

MINUTE AND MINUTE
SHOULDN'T BE SPELLED THE
SAME.
I'M NOT CONTENT WITH THIS
CONTENT.
I OBJECT TO THAT OBJECT.
I NEED TO READ WHAT I READ
AGAIN.
EXCUSE ME BUT THERE'S NO
EXCUSE FOR THIS.
SOMEONE SHOULD WIND
THIS POST UP
AND THROW IT IN THE WIND.



TRAVELING WITH THE TRAIL DUSTERS



Paula & Jerry Seliga take the Dusty Trails in the Everglades on an airboat and to a light show in Palm Beach

CELEBRATING NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS AT BAY LAUREL



Front row: Patti Goldberg, Steve Berman, Harriet Berman, Victor Wolfe, Marilyn Bloom, Phyllis Saul
Back row: Alan Shotsky, Simcha Saul, Steve Rosentsweig, Paul Waters, Caren Blumfield

Dancing at Bay Laurel



SSD CLASS LEVEL DANCE

Everyone is invited! Class Members, Angels, Couples & Singles

**Some
Line
Dancing**



**Rotation
Board**

STUDENT STOMP

**Callers:
Dale
Hoppers**

**Dick
Hodnefield**

**Don
Schadt**



**Callers:
Mike
Seastrom**

**Paul
Waters**

Sunday, January 29, 2023

2 – 4:30 pm

Donation \$10.00

Wilkinson Center

8956 Vanalden Ave. Northridge, CA 91324

PROOF OF VACCINATION REQUIRED

**Sponsored by Valley Trailers - Boots and Slippers – Buckles and Bows
Farmers and Charmers –Lads N' Lassies – Sierra Hillbillies –
Trail Dusters – Western Weavers – Taws N' Paws**

Information: Linda Kaplan 805-231-6171

January 2023 Trail Dusters Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 New Year's Day 	2	3	4 NO CLASS	5	6	7
8	9	10 Board Meeting  7:00 pm	11 Sharkey's 5:30 p m Bay Laurel 7:00 p.m	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 Hook Burger 5:30 p m Bay Laurel 7:00 p.m	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Calif Pita 5:30 p m Bay Laurel 7:00 p.m	26	27	28
29 STUDENT STOMP See pages 2 & 7	30	31				

