

Temecula Grape Stompers Square Dance Club

President's Message

Happy July!!

Our plus class is progressing well; we've learned 60% of the plus program and are marching forward to graduation. Our Petticoat Junction dance was a great success; wonderful dancing with Pat and Rey and petticoats everywhere, including as dance attire for men and women. Thanks, Shawn and Laurie, for supplying so many pretty petticoats.

Now it's time to focus our attention on our Semper Fi Benefit Dance to help those who fought for our freedom and now need and deserve our support through donations to The Semper Fi and America's Fund. (See flyers on pages 5 and 6.) In 2016, Randy and I researched worthy and successful charities. The Semper Fi Fund (name expanded later) was a standout for supporting wounded and critically-ill service members from all branches of the Armed Forces with financial support and one-on-one compassionate care. Our benefit dances from 2016-2020 raised thousands of dollars. This year, the Grape Stompers will pay the fixed costs of the dance so that every single penny donated by dancers will go directly to the Semper Fi Fund. Your check to the Semper Fi Fund will serve as your entrance ticket to the dance. Please serve as Semper Fi ambassadors as you visit with your friends from other clubs and encourage them to support this worthy cause. You can also invite interested Veterans and VFW members to join us at 6:30 to meet Arabelle Flores, a recipient of the Semper Fi Fund, who served as a Master Gunnery Sergeant in the United States Marine Corps. She will share her perspectives of the Semper Fi programs. Below are some photos of Semper Fi Fund recipients and important features of the various programs.



The Service Member & Family Support Program provides financial assistance and tailored support to help with the expenses incurred during initial hospitalization and throughout recovery.

- Bedside financial support
- Housing modifications
- Specialized equipment
- Adaptive transportation
- Home care nursing visits
- Caregiver support and retreats.

The Transition Program helps recipients thrive on their journey from recovery to reconnection.

- Educational support and career assistance provides them the skills to successfully build new, productive lives.
- The Apprenticeship Program helps veterans find a new passion, direction, and purpose. The Semper Fi Team inspires, motivates, and helps recipients find their new path forward through powerful mentor relationships.
- Veteran Leads provide a one-on-one mentorship experience for service members who transition out of the military and return to their local communities, often feeling lonely and fearful.



The Integrative Wellness Program applies a holistic approach to long-term health by providing tools to improve body, mind, and spirit, fostering healing through powerful therapies and innovative technologies.

- The Fund's Neuro-Fitness courses are uniquely designed to rebalance the brain and improve cognitive performance.
- The Tim & Sandy Day Canine Companions Program is dedicated to the training and expenses of providing service and companion dogs for fund recipients and their families.

It's a vital program! Will you help our military heroes? Hugs. Agnes



Birthdays

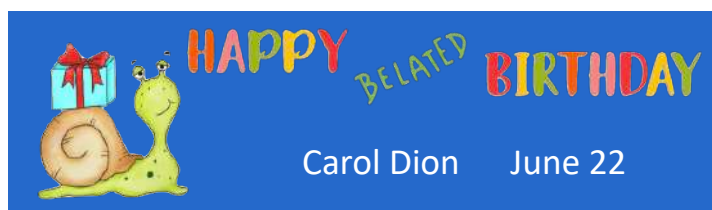
Rhonda Longson	July 6
John Hansen	July 7
Pat Sperling	July 11
Donna Holmes	July 12
Charlie Braden	July 14
Kasey Jonesrebandt	July 14
Don Cardamon	July 15
Tim Pearce	July 17
Gena Smith	July 17
Randy Whaley	July 20
Linda Boman	July 25
Chantal Stapelton	July 25
Lisa Spencer	July 28
John Boman	July 30



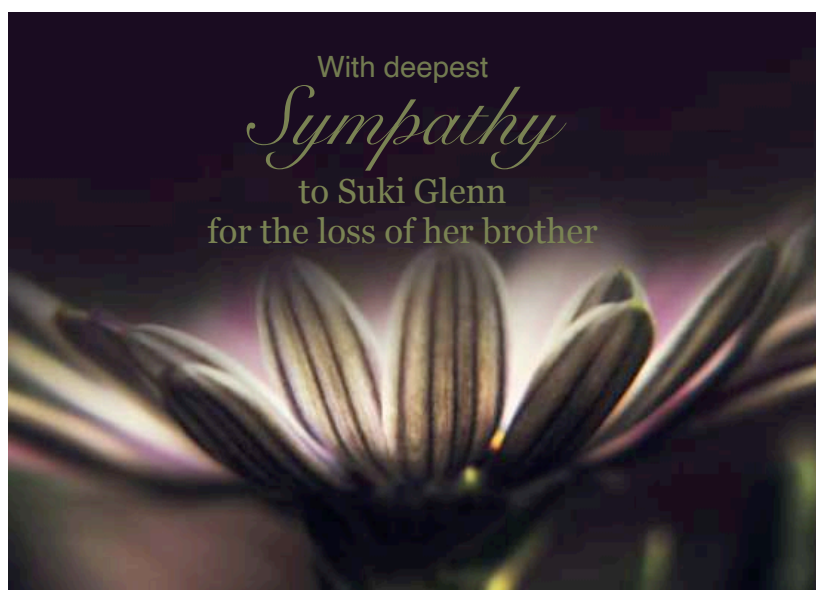
Anniversaries



Agnes and Harvey Gaertner
July 1
Jackie and Randy Neff
July 2
Rick and Shelia Wilson
July 8
John and Linda Boman
July 18
Rhonda and Varley Longson
July 20



Carol Dion June 22



UPCOMING

Looking for Something New and Fun to Do?

**TELL
A FRIEND**

Square Dance!

**Two FREE Intro Days to Give it a Try
2 Different Locations. Come to both!**

**Tuesday, July 29, 2025 at 6:00pm
Zion Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall
1405 E. Fallbrook St., Fallbrook, Ca 92028**

**Singles
or
Couples**

**Date
Night**

**Sunday, August 24, 2025 1:00 to 2:00 pm
Hope Lutheran Church
29043 Vallejo Ave., Temecula, 92592
Refreshments following Fun Intro Session**



**Casual Clothes
Modern Music
Great Exercise
New Friends
Get your steps in**

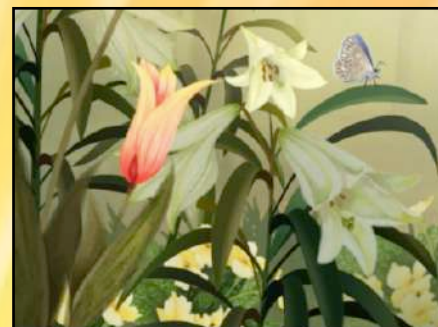
**Presented by Temecula Grape
Stompers Square Dance Club**



For more info call:

**Agnes 951-676-5216 (no text)
or go to: www.grapestompers.net**

**New class starting Tuesday,
9-09-2025 6:15 - 7:45pm**



Thank you so much Grape Stompers Friends! I was quite surprised and moved to see the e-card. Your club is so loving! Friends like you are making this process a little easier. Dan is in a better place, but I miss him so much ! 😊

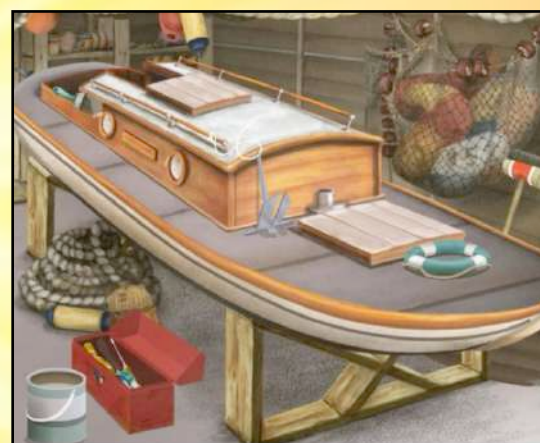
~ Sandy



Thank you for thinking of us on our anniversary. We love the Grape Stompers! Kasey & Charlie



Thank You Grape Stompers for thinking of me on my birthday. Erin and I are enjoying our grandchildren and should be back dancing with all of you soon. Bernie C.



Thank you Jerry D.

Line Dancing



Rockin' the Wagon Wheel

K Is For Kicks

Gives Me Shivers

****Click above for links to the stepsfeets, demo videos, and tutorials****



Our July Dance

Temecula Grape Stompers Present:



Semper Fi Benefit Dance



Andy Allemao



Mike Haworth



Rey Garza



THANK YOU!



100% of the door and 100% of donations
will go directly to Semper Fi Fund

Semper Fi Fund is dedicated to providing immediate financial assistance and lifetime support to combat wounded, critically ill and catastrophically injured members of all branches of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families. They deliver the needed resources during recovery and transition back to their communities, working to ensure no one is left behind.

Saturday
July 19th 2025



Pre-Rounds **6:00**
Mainstream/
PLUS Squares/
Rounds/Lines
6:30 – 9:00



\$10.00

Temecula Community
Recreation Center
30875 Rancho Vista Rd.,
Temecula, CA 92592

For Info: 951-676-5216
No Texts

CCHA & PSDA Affiliate
www.grapestompers.net

Semper Fi & America's Fund

Grape Stomper Semper Fi Benefit Dance – July 19, 2025

COMPELLING REASONS TO SUPPORT THE SEMPER FI AND AMERICA'S FUND

- This charity cares for our Nation's critically wounded, ill, and injured service members, veterans, and military families from all branches of the Armed Forces.
- It provides programs and services through a "needs-based" approach. Staff and volunteers work one-on-one with recipients and provide ongoing support for as long as legitimately needed.
- It has an A+ rating (100%) from Charity Watch and a 4-star rating for 15 years from Charity Navigator.
- When the Board voted to sponsor a Semper Fi Benefit Dance in 2016, 94% of all funds raised were used for their programs. Even with increased costs in recent years, it's still an impressive 90%.
- Their cost to raise \$100 is only \$4.
- Karen Guenther, the founder (2003/2004) and president since inception, received a salary of \$278K last year compared to the City of Hope president receiving 4.5 million and the Heart Association president 4.4 million.
- Great hero stories from the recipients (see below and at HeroStories-SemperFi&America's Fund.

A Holiday Hero – The Tenacity and Grit of Marine Corporal Jesse Medina



After Marine Corporal Jesse Medina was catastrophically injured in Afghanistan, he persisted, persevered, and was determined to get back into a service line of work. Today, he serves his community as a patrol supervisor with the police department.

On Christmas Day in 2011, while many gathered to celebrate the joy of the holidays with family and friends, Jesse was fighting for his life. His world changed in an instant when an IED blast took his right leg above the knee and resulted in his finger amputation, elbow damage, and multiple shrapnel wounds. Facing months of surgeries and a long and arduous road to recovery, Jesse naturally had doubts, tough new realities to consider, and difficult decisions to make about his future. But he would never have to travel the journey to healing on his own. **"From the day I arrived at the hospital, The Fund was there, ready to assist."**

Determined that Jesse would not spend the holidays alone, The Fund brought his family to his hospital bedside to offer care and support as he learned to navigate life as an amputee. In the early days of his injury, The Fund helped anticipate Jesse's needs and was there to provide a handicap van to transport him to and from appointments and to provide critical loss of income reimbursement for family members to remain by his side. Throughout the years, The Fund has remained faithful with grants for Jesse's own adaptive vehicle, specialized athletic equipment, and camaraderie, connection and ongoing support through Team Semper Fi,

"Since separating from the Marines, The Fund and my case manager have kept continuous communication with me, showing The Fund truly cares about the veterans it supports."

"The Fund holds a dear spot in my heart ... I am truly grateful for this organization."



Our August Dance

Temecula Grape Stompers



HAWAII: HAWAIIAN LUAU



Dance with us in 2025, as we travel around the world

Saturday August 16th 2025



Buddy Weaver



Jennifer Hunt

Pre-Rounds 6:00

Mainstream/Plus Tips

Rounds/Lines

6:30 to 9:00

**Temecula Community Recreation Center
30875 Rancho Vista Rd., Temecula, CA 92592**

**For Info: 951-676-5216
www.grapestompers.net
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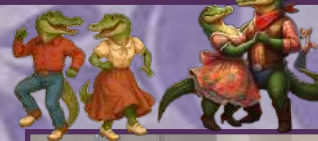


\$10.00





Our June Dance



The Grapevine





- Acey Deucey ✓
- Spin Chain the Gears ✓
- Grand Swing Thru ✓
- Triple Scoot ✓
- Teacup Chain ✓
- Ping Pong Circulate ✓
- Load the Boat ✓
- Peel Off ✓
- Coordinate ✓
- Anything and Spread ✓
- Track 2 ✓
- Anything and Roll ✓
- Follow Your Neighbor ✓
- Fan the Top ✓
- Dixie Grand ✓
- Spin Chain & Exchange the Gears ✓
- Explode the Wave ✓
- Explode & Anything ✓
- Crossfire
- Relay the Deucey
- Linear Cycle
- Peel the Top
- Diamond Circulate
- Cut the Diamond
- Single Circle to A Wave
- Trade the Wave
- Flip the Diamond
- All 8 Spin the Top
- Chase Right



Learning Plus



CLASS SCHEDULE

6:15-7:45 Plus Class

7:45-8:45 Plus Workshop

8:45-9:15 Super Plus Workshop

July 29

Special Schedule

6:15-7:00

Intro to Dancing followed
by refreshments

7:15 Plus class starts



Our June Social





Ocean Wavers with
Mike Haworth



Twirlers with Darren Gallena
and Jennifer Hunt



Thunderbirds with Mike Sikorsky



Riverside Single Squares with Mike Hogan



Sunkissed Squares with Dennis Young



Calico Quails with Andy Allemao



Riverside Single Squares with Dennis Young

EAT.
SLEEP.
Dance
REPEAT.



74th National Square Dance Convention in Louisiana



Special Sunday Dance at Cowtown



Sandpipers with Mike Haworth



KISSING THE BLARNEY STONE



FAMILY Reunion







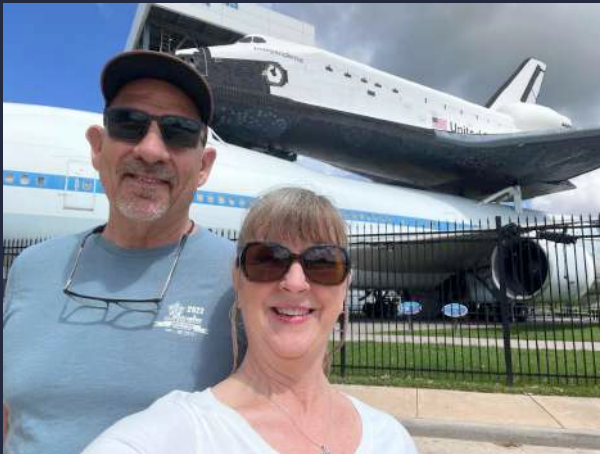
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TIME
TO
TRAVEL



PLANNING AHEAD

GS Campout at Dos Picos County Park
17953 Dos Picos Park Road, Ramona, CA
Only 50 miles from Temecula
October 31 – November 2, 2025

- Dos Picos means two peaks and refers to the tall mountains in the background
- Very scenic with ancient oak groves featuring Coast Live Oaks, some endangered Engelmann Oaks, along with boulder-strewn mountain slopes
- Attractive Luelf Pond has wildlife and fish
- Nearby lake for fishing, too.
- Hiking trails, picnic tables, and horseshoe pits
- Covered pavilion for potluck dinner and dancing
- 52 RV campsites with partial hookups and many have a variety of shade trees (top photo)
- Six heated (no A/C) cabins with one double bed and three bunk beds.
 All the 200 sq. ft. cabins have a bathroom with toilet and sink (see photo of cabin one below), but only C3 – C6 have a shower. However, there are hot coin-operated showers nearby
- Similar to Potrero Park, where we camped last year, but considerably larger
- The only negative I heard last year was the distance to Potrero. Good news..., Dos Picos is only 50 miles from Temecula!



Chic Weekend Getaway in Big Bear Lake, CA!

October 10-11, 2025
Indoor/Outdoor Dancing
MS/Plus/Advanced

We have moved!

Big Bear Elks Lodge
40611 Village Drive
Big Bear Lake, CA

Swiss Trax Floor!
Casual Dress!

Pat Carnathan
Patty Greene
Shauna Kaaria
Staff Cues Dawn Mee
David Mee
Steve Moore

- Dancing with a beautiful lake view! **REGISTER ONLINE** →
- On-site food service options (during Elks open hours)
- Conveniently located at the entrance of Big Bear Village
- Limited RV Parking w partial hookups (30-amp & water, dump station onsite).
- Lodging options nearby (see 2nd page for info)
- Same great dancing in a great new venue!
- All dancing will be at the Elks Lodge!

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____
Name: _____
Email: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Weekend: \$55/pp
Sat. All Day: \$90/pp
Fri or Sat Night: \$15/per person

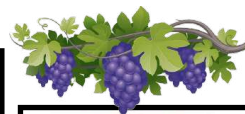
Grand Total: _____

Programs you dance:
Mainstream _____ Plus _____ Advanced _____

Information Email: shaunamaria@gmail.com Phone: 951 217-4130
Register online at www.chicrecordings.com/chic-weekend/ OR
Mail check to: 825 Bermuda Dr., Redlands, CA 92374

After Party Fun w/ Farley the Fiddler and Emily & Matt!

- Dancing Friday night and all day/night on Saturday! All dancing will be at the Elks Lodge this year!
- Elks bar open (adult beverage options at after-parties Fri/Sat.)
- Village with shopping/restaurants/ fast food in walking distance.



Harvest Hoedown
October 24 - 25 - 26, 2025
Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds
442 Franklin Ave., Yuba City, CA

64th Annual

Callers:
Dan Nordbye Arizona
Bobby Poyner Illinois
Charlie Robertson Oklahoma
Justin Russell Tennessee
Sharon & Casey Parker California

REGISTER ONLINE AT: WWW.HARVESTHOEDOWN.ORG
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 17, 2025
RIBBONS TO BE PICKED UP AT REGISTRATION DESK IN "THE BARN" PLUS HALL, OR AT RV CHECK-IN

Join Us for The Senior World Championships: Square Dancing

Register:
March 1- September 1, 2025
(Preregistration required)
Early Bird Pricing Ends August 1

Event Date: October 6 - 9, 2025

All Ages Welcome

Dancing in Two Halls at Washington County Fairgrounds, Utah:
Grafton Building- Plus & Round Dance
Harmony Building- Advanced & C1

Optional Timed Competition:
Tuesday, October 7
For Men and Women Ages 50+

Visit and Register:
www.seniorgames.net
helo@seniorgames.net
800-562-1268

Callers & Cuers:

Ray Brendzy
Buddy Weaver
Mike Hogan
Tony Oxendine
Chuck and Sandi Weiss

Follow the Yellow Brick Road...

64th California State Square Dance Convention
April 10 - 12, 2026
Santa Maria Fairpark
937 South Thornburg, Santa Maria, California 93458

CALLERS
Charlie Robertson "The Serenading Wizard" from Oklahoma
Vernon Jones "The Cowboy Wizard" from Texas
Andy Allemao "The Dancing Wizard" from California
Jet Roberts "The Flying Wizard" from Alabama

ROUND DANCE INSTRUCTORS
Sharon & Casey Parker "The Good Witch" from California
Rikki Lobato "The Smiling Witch" from Oregon

TRAIL'S END STAFF
Lawrence Johnstone "The Bashful Wizard" from California
Scott Pearce "The Santa Wizard" from California
Advanced Tips
Rounds with **Rikki Lobato**

Square Dancing SSD/Mainstream • Plus • Advanced
Rounds Phase II - V • Hex • Workshops
Thursday Trail's End Dance • Friday Caller Clinic with Vernon Jones • Saturday Night Tri-Tip Dinner
Opportunity Quilt Drawing & Silent Auction • and more (education, vendors, sewing corner...)

Lodging Information

Best Western Plus Big America
1725 N. Broadway • Santa Maria, CA 93454 • 805-922-5200
One King/Two Queen Beds: \$105/night
Mini-Suite: \$110/night (each plus 12% taxes and charges)
Rates applicable April 9, 2026 thru April 12, 2026
Reservation deadline: March 21, 2026

Fairfield Inn and Suites by Marriott
2061 Roemer Court • Santa Maria, CA 93454 • 805-925-8500
One King/Two Queen Beds: \$119/night for Thurs. or Sun. nights
One King/Two Queen Beds: \$159/night for Fri. or Sat. nights (each plus 12% taxes and charges)
Reservation deadline: March 9, 2026

Co-General Chairmen - Sally Bennett-Schmidt & Bonnie Abramson
CAState2026Chair@gmail.com • www.squaredance.org/convention/2026



75th NATIONAL Square Dance Convention

DIAMOND JUBILEE 2026
June 24th - 27th

Waco Convention Center
100 Washington Ave
Waco, TX 76701



Grape Stompers 2025 Dances

Join us as we tour the world!

Date	Caller	Cuer	Theme	Venue
January 18	Pat Carnathan	Rey Garza	Scandinavia: Winter Wonderland **44th Anniversary**	Cowtown 15950 Van Buren Riverside
February 15	Mike Sikorsky	Jennifer Hunt	Italy: That's Amore!	Hope Lutheran Church 29043 Vallejo Avenue Temecula
March 15	Dan Nordbye	Rey Garza	Ireland: Luck of the Irish	Hope Lutheran Church 29043 Vallejo Avenue Temecula
April 19	David Mee	Dawn Mee	Japan - Sakura (Cherry Blossoms)	Temecula Community Recreation Center 30875 Rancho Vista Rd
May 17	Don Schadt	Jennifer Hunt	France: Springtime in Paris	Hope Lutheran Church 29043 Vallejo Avenue Temecula
June 21	Pat Carnathan	Rey Garza	Missouri: Petticoat Junction	Temecula Community Recreation Center 30875 Rancho Vista Rd
July 19	Andy Allemao and Mike Haworth	Rey Garza	Semper Fi Benefit Dance	Temecula Community Recreation Center 30875 Rancho Vista Rd
August 16	Buddy Weaver	Jennifer Hunt	Hawaii: Hawaiian Luau	Temecula Community Recreation Center 30875 Rancho Vista Rd
September 20	Justin Russell	Rey Garza	Germany: Oktoberfest	Temecula Community Recreation Center 30875 Rancho Vista Rd
October 18	Johnny Preston	Jennifer Hunt	New York: Roaring Twenties Costume Party	Hope Lutheran Church 29043 Vallejo Avenue Temecula
November 15	Mike Seastrom	Jennifer Hunt	USA: First Thanksgiving	Temecula Community Recreation Center 30875 Rancho Vista Rd
December 6	Mike Haworth	Rey Garza	Home for Christmas	Hope Lutheran Church 29043 Vallejo Avenue Temecula

July Dances

Date	Club	Venue	Cuer/Lines	Caller	Theme
Fri July 4	Cowtown Singles	Cowtown 15950 Van Buren Riverside		Dark	
Fri July 4	Ocean Wavers	Lifeline Comm. Center 642 Vista Village Dr. Vista		Dark	
Sat July 5	Double SDs	Lifeline Comm. Center 642 Vista Village Dr. Vista		Dark	
Sun July 6	Boys 'N' Berries	Buena Park Elher's Senior Center 8150 Knott Avenue Buena Park		Dark	
Fri July 11	Riverside Single Squares	Wesley Methodist Church 5770 Arlington Ave. Riverside	Shauna Kaaria Rounds 6:30	Shauna Kaaria MS/Plus 7:30-10:00	National Blueberry Muffin Day
Fri July 11	Orange Coast Lariats	Anaheim United Methodist Church 1000 S State College Blvd. Anaheim	Judy Keller Rounds 7:00	Pat Carnathan Plus 7:30-10:00	Honoring Our Heroes
Sat July 12	Thunderbirds	James Woody Comm. Center 13467 Navajo Road Apple Valley	Sandy Butler Lines 6:00	Dale Hoppers SSD/Plus 6:30 - 9:00	Summer Daze
Sat July 12	Shirts N Skirts	Anaheim United Methodist Church 1000 S State College Blvd. Anaheim	Bill Bingham Rounds 7:00	David Mee Plus 7:30-10:00	Hawaiian Luau
Sat July 12	Double SDs	Lifeline Comm. Center 642 Vista Village Dr. Vista	John Downing Rounds 6:30-7:30	Pat Carnathan 7:30-9:15 Plus 9:15-9:45 Advanced	Summer Beach Fun
Sun July 13	Menifee Twirlers	North Town Hall 26850 Sun City Blvd. Menifee	Heather Haworth Lesson 1:00 Rounds 1:45	Mike Haworth MS/Plus 2:30-5:00	Freedom Day
Fri July 18	Calico Quails	Redlands Comm. Center 111 W. Lugonia Ave. Redlands	Heather Haworth Rounds 7:00	Johnny Preston MS/Plus 7:30 - 9:45	
Sat July 19	Temecula Grape Stompers	Temecula Community Rec Center 30875 Rancho Vista Rd. Temecula	Rey Garza Rounds 6:00	Andy Allemao and Mike Haworth MS/Plus 6:30-9:00	Semper Fi Benefit
Fri July 25	Riverside Single Squares	Wesley Methodist Church 5770 Arlington Ave. Riverside	Jennifer Hunt Rounds 6:30	Pat Carnathan MS/Plus 7:30-10:00	Hawaiian Dreams
Fri July 25	Sandpipers	St. James Parish Hall 625 S Nardo Ave. Solana Beach	Community Dance Party 6:00-7:00	Mike Haworth MS/Plus Heather Haworth Rounds 7:00-9:00	Hawaiian Night Dance
Sat July 26	Wranglers	Rancho Bernardo Comm Park Gazebo 18448 West Bernardo Dr. Rancho Bernardo	Rod Shuping and Bill Davenport 5:30 SSD/Rounds 7:00-8:45 Plus/Rounds		Outdoor Dance
Sat July 26	Sunkissed Squares	Redlands Comm. Center 111 W. Lugonia Ave. Redlands	Jennifer Hunt Rounds 6:00	Elisa Carlucci SSD/PLUS 6:30 - 9:00	Ladies Night
Sat July 26	Ramblin' Rogues	Laguna Country United Methodist Church 24442 Moulton Parkway Laguna Woods	Bill Bingham Rounds 7:00	Buddy Weaver MS/Plus 7:30-9:30	Surf's Up!