

DANCE STAR

Do You Book Ahead?

Let's ask some dancers!



Barbara Briggs:

The only time I may book is when somebody asks me for a dance and I've already got a partner, then I will book the next one. But I have a tendency not to book ahead because I want to

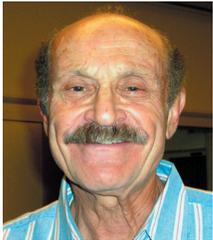
include everybody and not shut anyone out. With booking ahead, it's hard to keep track and sometimes when you go to find your partner, somebody else has grabbed him, so I don't really like to book, but a lot of people book the whole dance.



Jonathan

Southard: I book ahead sometimes. I understand and appreciate the desire some dancers have to book ahead some of the time, so I sympathize with that.

At the same time, I appreciate it when most people don't book ahead most of the time. I think you will get different answers from men than from women. The gender that is having more trouble getting partners will book ahead more.



Elliott Karpeles:

I do it pretty much all the time. When there are a lot of new people I will dance with them to help them, for the first couple of dances, but then after that I like to book ahead because

there are certain partners I like to dance with. I'll book through the first half or the second half of the evening. It's rare that I have a problem remembering who I booked with, but if I do I'm in trouble.



Kyre Adept:

I notice if I book ahead too far, I come unstuck further down the line. However, booking one or two ahead I find quite acceptable. There are people I really want to dance

with and sometimes I know I'm not going to get to dance with them unless I book them when I see them.

Attendance Is Up!

The annual meeting of the SBCDS Board was held on Sunday, April 22, 2007. There were 19 participants, including the seven board members. The Treasurer's report showed a net gain of \$181.00 for 2006, as opposed to a net loss of \$2500.00 in 2005. Attendance records for the first quarter of 2007 showed an average increase of 4.5 dancers per dance, as compared to the first quarter of 2006.

Simon Kiefer has volunteered to become the new scheduler, replacing Vicki Gardner. The Board extends its heartfelt thanks to Vicki for all her great work. The Board also wishes to thank all of the volunteers who have helped so much to make our dances possible.

A motion was made and passed to retain the same officers as last year. They are: President – Moira Butler; Treasurer – Rob Gardner; Secretary – Elliott Karpeles; Facilitator – Gary Shapiro

Free Dance June 17

See back page for details



DANCE SCHEDULE – Summer 2007

San Luis Obispo

Odd Fellows Hall
520 Dana St, San Luis Obispo
(Hwy 101 Marsh St. exit, left on Nipomo, left on Dana)
805-541-0201 www.cccds.org
Second Saturday of every month
7:30 to 10:30 (7:00 workshop) Admission: \$8.00

June 9 Jean Gorrindo/The Crabapples

July 14 Jonathan Southard/Growling Old Geezers

Aug 11 Warren Blier/Michael Gutin Band

Start checking our website at www.cccds.org early in July
for news about Contra Carnivale 2008

Ojai Art Center

113 S. Montgomery, Ojai
(South of East Ojai Avenue)
805-933-0660 www.ojaiartcenter.org/dance.htm

Contra Dance

7:30 to 10:30 (7:00 Workshop) Admission: \$8.00

June 16 Lynn Ackerson/Key Ingredients

English Country Dancing

Fourth Mondays 7:00 to 9:00 \$5.00 Recorded music

June 25, July 23, August 27

Gary Shapiro and guests leading the dances

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Carrillo Ballroom

100 E. Carrillo St., Santa Barbara
(Hwy 101, Carrillo St. exit, go north to Anacapa St.)
805-969-1511 www.sbcdds.org

Contra Dances Every Sunday
6:30 to 9:30 (6:00 Workshop)
Admission: \$8.00 unless otherwise noted

June 3 Susan Petrick/MG and the Generators

June 10 Jonathan Southard/Arroyo Burro Symphony

June 17 **FREE DANCE!**

Celebrating the birthday of Mignon (Mimi) Bradley
Lynn Ackerson/Michael Mendelson with Bonfire

June 24 **NO DANCE!**

July 1 Jim Saxe/Growling Old Geezers

July 8 Gary Shapiro/Fiddle Tunas

July 15 **NO DANCE!**

July 22 Donna Karpeles/Porch Dogs

July 29 **ZESTY DANCE!** 6:30-10:00 (\$9)

Karen Fontana/Chopped Liver

Aug 5 Susan Michaels/Synchopaths (\$10)

Aug 12 Warren Blier/Michael's Mixed Nuts

Aug 19 Gary Shapiro/Interfolk

Aug 26 **NO DANCE!**

English Country Dances

Westside Community Center
423 W. Victoria, Santa Barbara
(Where Victoria dead-ends at Hwy 101)
805-682-5523 www.sbcdds.org/ecd

Every Wednesday 7:30 to 9:30

Admission \$3.00 with recorded music, except as noted

June 13, live music with the English Roses (\$6)

July 4, First Presbyterian Church, 21 E. Constance Ave.

Dances of American Independence 2:00 to 5:00

Music by the English Roses (\$6)

Barbecue Potluck at 5:00

Senior Recreation Center

420 E. Santa Clara St., Ventura

(One block west of California St. near the corner of S. Oak St.)

Second Mondays 7:00 to 9:00 \$5 Recorded music

Calling by Alice Williams, Gary Shapiro and guests