

Happy 2025!

Let's hope that 2025 is as successful for the Grape Stompers as 2024 was. Here are some of the 2024 highlights.

- With the addition of four new members this past week, our membership jumped to 80 dancers, which is exactly double the number of dancers we had when we started our post-Covid workshops in August 2021. This remarkable growth can be attributed to our successful classes and social events that led to a feeling of family, so that all the plus graduates from the past three years joined the club. We've also added dancers from other clubs, who enjoy the GS fellowship, social events, and fun dances.
- For February December 2024, we averaged 64 dancers per dance, and for our January anniversary ۲ dance we had a whopping 94 attendees.
- All our 2024 dances had a net profit.
- Our monthly social events were fun and well attended.
- We held our first campout that included a guided museum tour, hiking, a scrumptious potluck, a fire ring with s'mores and two nights of dancing. 42 people participated, and the surveys were very positive with people expressing an interest in making the campout an annual event.
- Our most elaborate social event ever was our Christmas Gala at the 'castle' with almost 70 people enjoying a sit-down, candlelight dinner followed by games and dancing with Pat.

In 2025, we're trying a new theme concept for our club dances as we tour around the world. Our first stop is a Winter Wonderland in Scandinavia. With a magnificent array of glistening snow, our colors will be white and silver with a big splash of purple to celebrate our 44th anniversary. See the flyer on page 7 for all the details of this wonderful celebration at Cowtown with Pat calling

Here's the start of your 2025 GS Calendar. We'll be adding to it as we finalize more events. Check the dance list on page 15 for more information about the January dances.

- Visitation south to the Ocean Wavers in Vista Fri Jan 3
- Sat Jan 11 Visitation north to the Thunderbirds in Apple Valley
- Sat Jan 18 GS anniversary at Cowtown Dance Hall in Riverside with Pat calling

Sun Jan 26 Class level dance at Cowtown with Mike Haworth calling. Following the dance, we will travel to Menifee for our January social event, dinner at the Black Bear Diner in Menifee (flyer on page 2).

GS dance with Mike Sikorsky calling at Hope Lutheran Church in Temecula (new venue) Sat Feb 15

Sun Feb 16 Afternoon class level dance at Hope Lutheran Church in Temecula (awaiting venue confirmation)

Fri Mar 14 **RSS dance with Hunter Keller calling**

Sat Mar 14 GS class level dance followed by club dance (new format) with Dan Nordbye calling.

Mar 21 - 23 Fiesta de la Cuadrilla in San Diego with Pat Carnathan, Mike Hogan (NE) and Jet Roberts (AL) calling.



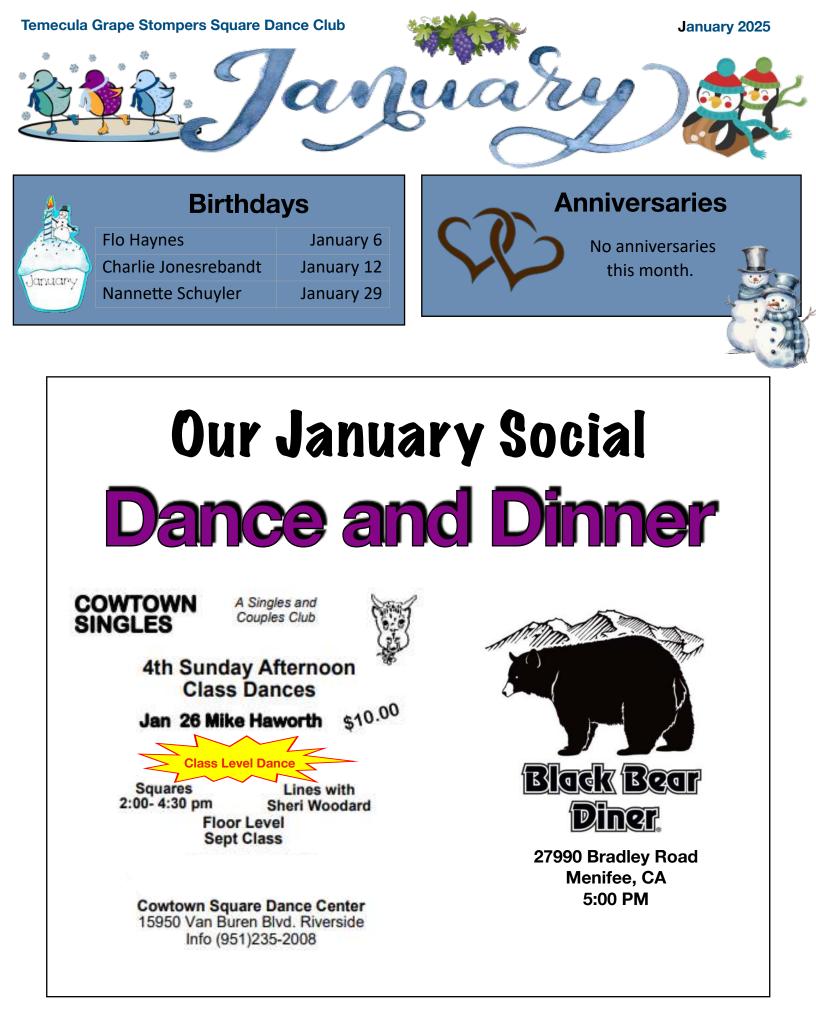
Fabulous dinner at the Christmas Gala



The dessert buffet at the Gala

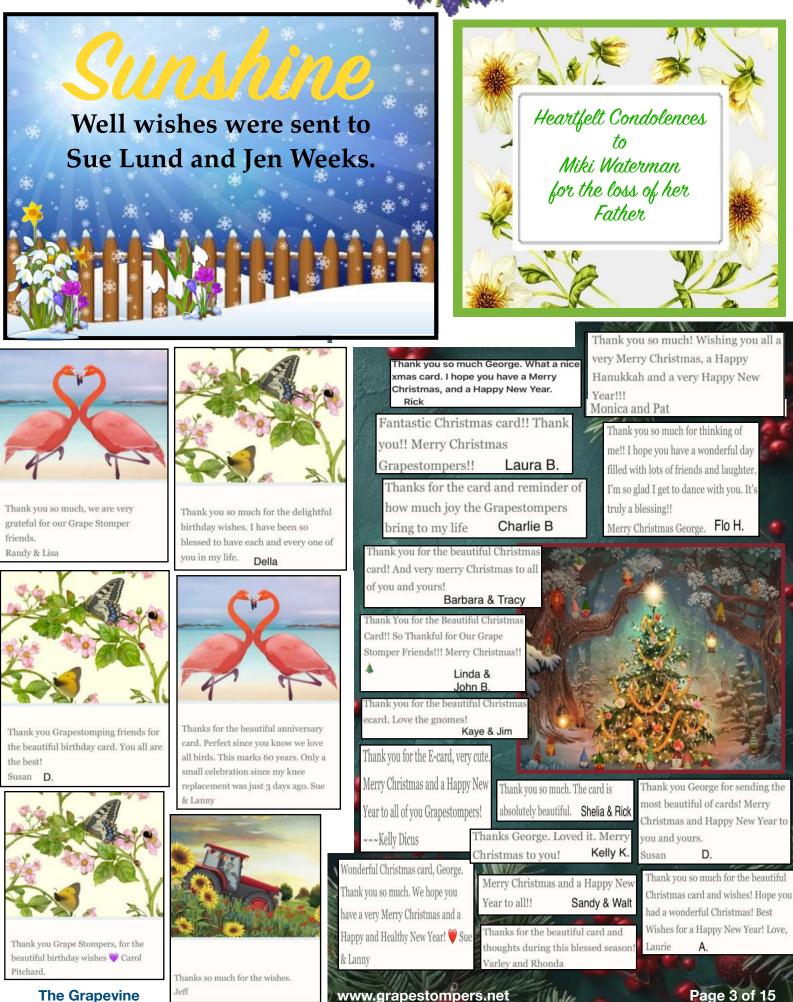


Santa attended class





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Donna Holmes' Blueberry Cream Cheese Torte

Mix the following together and spread on the bottom of a 9x11 pan:

1cup crushed graham cracker crumbs (16 crackers) 1/2 cup melted butter (1 stick)

1/2 cup sugar

Then mix the following together:

2 beaten eggs

2 8-oz packages of cream cheese (room temperature)½ cup sugar

Spread the mixture on top of the crumbs and bake for 20 minutes at 350°. Cool.

Spread one can of blueberry pie filling on top of the cooled mixture. Cool again.

Spread Cool Whip on top.

Jody Fast's Sweet Potato Casserole

3 cups cooked and mashed sweet potatoes
½ cup brown sugar
½ cup milk
2 Tbsp melted butter
1 tsp vanilla
½ tsp salt
2 egg whites, slightly beaten (I use two whole eggs)

Combine all seven ingredients. Mix and stir well. Spoon into a greased 8" baking pan

Topping: ¹/₂ cup brown sugar ¹/₄ cup flour 2 Tbsp butter ¹/₃ cup chopped pecans

Cut butter into sugar and flour. Add pecans. Sprinkle over sweet potatoes. Bake at 350° for 30 minutes.

Barbara Meinke's Garden Herb Rolls

1¼ cups tepid water
3 cups white bread flour
2 tablespoons dry milk
2 tablespoons sugar
1½ teaspoons salt
2 tablespoons butter
1½ teaspoons dried chives
1½ teaspoons dried marjoram
1½ teaspoons dried thyme
1 teaspoon dried basil

1 tablespoon active dry yeast

Combine ingredients using the dough cycle on your bread machine or do it the old-fashioned way with a mixer and dough hook or by hand and let it rise to double in size. The dough should be smooth and elastic.

Portion into approximately 40 g pieces (I weigh the entirety of the dough and divide by 18, portioning each piece to that amount). Roll each into a 6-7 inch log. Cross the ends over each other, overlapping a good inch, and tuck one end under and up through the hole to tie a little knot. Place on greased baking sheet or parchment or silicone baking mat on a baking sheet, cover with a towel and allow to rise about an hour.

Preheat your oven to 375°F. Gently brush the top of each roll with beaten whole egg or egg white and sprinkle with a little coarse flake salt. I like Malden sea salt for this! The salt is optional but don't skip the egg wash as it makes the rolls look really pretty.

I did not write down exactly how long I bake them, so start with 10 or 12 minutes and take it a minute or two at a time from there until they are beautiful golden brown.

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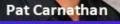
Our January Dance Temecula Grape Stompers

Scandinavia: Winter Wonderland & 44th Anniversary Dance

Present:

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







INLAN Saturday 18th 2025 January

Sunds

NOTE * TEMPORARY LOCATION

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

COWTOWN DANCE HALL 15950 Van Buren Boulevard Riverside 92504

\$10.00

For Info: 951-676-5216 No Texts

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CLASS SCHEDULE

6:15-7:45 Mainstream Class 7:45-8:45 Plus Workshop 8:45-9:15 Super Plus Workshop

January 2: Rainbow Valley Grange, 2160 Rainbow Valley Rd.

January 7, 14, 21, 28: Zion Lutheran











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Sunkissed Squares with Bill Hunt, Eric Atherton and Elise Carlucci



Calico Quails with Dennis Young



Church Mice with Mike Haworth



Sandpipers with Michael Kellogg



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Twirlers with Buddy Weaver and Jennifer Hunt



Thunderbirds with Dennis Young



Whirlaways with Mike Haworth





Riverside Single Swingers with Bill Gipson

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Temecula Grape Stompers Square Dance Club ance Club remecula Grape Stompers January 2025

Save the Dates Grape Stompers 20 25 Dances Join us as we tour the world!

Square Dance Club

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	
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	
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	
October 18	Johnny Preston	Jennifer Hunt	New York: Roaring Twenties Costume Party	
November 15	Mike Seastrom	Jennifer Hunt	USA: First Thanksgiving	
December 6	Mike Haworth	Rey Garza	Home for Christmas	

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Date	Club	Venue	Cuer/Lines	Caller	Theme
Fri Jan 3	Cowtown Singles	Cowtown 15950 Van Buren Riverside	Jennifer Hunt Rounds 6:30	Dennis Young Plus 7:30-10:00	New Year Fling
Fri Jan 3	Ocean Wavers Visitation	Lifeline Comm. Center 642 Vista Village Dr. Vista	John Downing Rounds 7:00	Janienne Kellogg MS or SSD/Plus 7:30-9:30	Snowflake Twirl
Sat Jan 4	Double SDs	Westminster Presby. Fellowship Hall 1500 S. Juniper St. Escondido	None	Mike Haworth 6:00-7:30 Plus 7:30-9:30 Advanced	Ring in the New Year
Sat Jan 4	Wranglers	Seven Oaks Comm. Center 16789 Bernardo Oaks Rancho Bernardo	John Downing Pre-Rounds 5:45-6:15	Buddy Weaver 6:15-7:15 Plus 7:15-8:45 SSD	Black and White Dance
Fri Jan 10	Riverside Single Swingers	Wesley Methodist Church 5770 Arlington Ave. Riverside	Shauna Kaaria 6:30	Mike Seastrom MS/Plus 7:30-10:00	Black and White Dance
Sat Jan 11	Thunderbirds Visitation	James Woody Comm. Center 13467 Navajo Road Apple Valley	Dawn Mee Rounds 6:00	David Mee SSD/Plus 6:30 - 9:00	Dance with Mee
Sun Jan 12	Menifee Twirlers	North Town Hall 26850 Sun City Blvd. Menifee	Rey Garza Rounds 1:30	Johnny Preston MS/Plus 2:30 - 5:00	Ring in the New Year
Fri Jan 17	Calico Quails	Redlands Comm. Center 111 W. Lugonia Ave. Redlands	Heather Haworth Rounds 7:00	Bill Hunt MS/Plus 7:30 - 9:45	
Sat Jan 18	Temecula Grape Stompers	Cowtown 15950 Van Buren Riverside	Rey Garza Rounds/Lines 6:00	Pat Carnathan Plus 6:30-9:00	Scandinavia: Winter Wonderland 44th Anniversary
Sat Jan 18	Double SDs	Westminster Presby. Fellowship Hall 1500 S. Juniper St. Escondido	None	Michael Kellogg 6:00-7:30 Plus 7:30-9:30 Advanced	Winterfest
Fri Jan 24	Riverside Single Swingers	Wesley Methodist Church 5770 Arlington Ave. Riverside	Jennifer Hunt Rounds 6:30	Frank Lescrinier MS/Plus 7:30-10:00	Boot, Scoot, and Boogie
Sat Jan 25	Sunkissed Squares	Redlands Comm. Center 111 W. Lugonia Ave. Redlands	Jennifer Hunt Rounds/Lines 6:00	Brent Lively SSD/PLUS 6:30 - 9:00	Crazy Hat Dance
Sat Jan 25	Sandpipers	San Dieguito United Methodist Church 170 Calle Magdalena Encinitas	Intro to Square Dancing 6:00-7:00	Dan Nordbye MS/Plus & Rounds 7:00-9:00	Winter Wonderland
Sun Jan 26	Cowtown Singles	Cowtown 15950 Van Buren Riverside	Sheri Woodard Lines 2:00-4:30	Mike Haworth Class Level 2:00-4:30	Class Level Dance
Thurs Jan 30	Wranglers	Seven Oaks Comm. Center 16789 Bernardo Oaks Bansha Bornarda	None	Buddy Weaver SSD Dance	

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6:30-8:45

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