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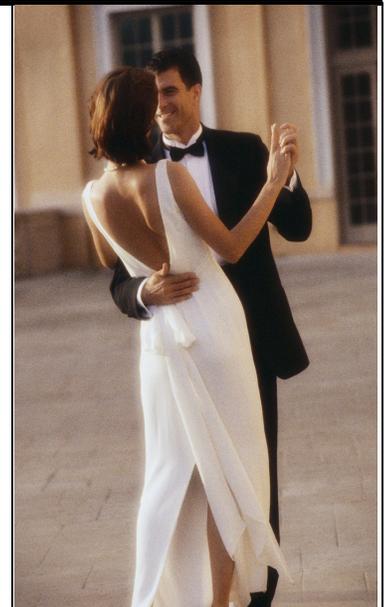
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STARLIGHTERS' SPRING FORMAL— YOUR NEXT DANCE AT THE ANAHEIM SHERATON HOTEL

On May 16, we return to the attractive Anaheim Sheraton (by Disneyland) for our spring formal dance with the super popular Street Corner Symphony band, our favorite—"the best band in the land." Many will recall the Starlighter Summer Casual dance at the Sheraton last July. It was a wonderful affair with all expectations met and exceeded. The Sheraton provides a very generous size dance floor, second only to the Phoenix Club, which will allow you to do your fanciest steps. Hors d'oeuvres are five-star, and the Sheraton chefs serve a very high quality dinner. The menu planned includes a scrumptious Caesar Salad, with entrée choice of Pacific Halibut with a tangy lemon caper sauce or individual Beef Wellington served with a mushroom duxelle, Twice Baked Potatoes and Green Beans Almondine round out the entree, For dessert a wonderful, not-to-be-missed, mouth-watering cheesecake with strawberry sauce will fortify your best efforts on the dance floor. You may bring your own wine selection for a mere \$10 corkage fee. The cost will be \$125 per couple. Doors open at 6:30 PM. Don't be too early. Don't be late!!

As I mentioned in my remarks at the Yorba Linda Country Club, the Sheraton venue requires that we cover a \$4000 minimum plus tax. While this seems formidable, it comes with an exceptional five star meal and a great dance floor, not to mention the great people that will attend.... So, folks, it is important to attend, not only so that you won't miss one of our best events and the opportunity to be with your good friends, but also to ensure that our Club will be able to meet expenses and plan more wonderful, quality dinner dances. And it's a great way to kick off the summer season!

**YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS
THIS GEM
&
WE DON'T WANT TO MISS YOU!!**



O body swayed to
music, O bright-
ening glance,
How can we know
the dancer from
the dance?
Yeats

MYSTERY OF THE DANCE DRESS FASHION CODE

Want to be among the best dressed attending Starlighter dances? Follow these simple fashion rules so you will always be "in style" and avoid a fashion faux pas.

Formal Attire: Men should wear an evening tuxedo or a formal dark or black suit. Women should dress in an evening gown or a formal evening pants suit.

Semi-Formal Attire: Men should wear a business suit or a sport coat and tie. Women should wear a cocktail dress or a dressy pants suit.

Dressy/Casual Attire: Men should wear slacks and collared shirts. Women should wear a casual pant suit, dress or skirt. Shorts on men or women are not appropriate at any dance.

Theme Dances—use your creativity and have some fun with the theme.

NEW MEMBER COUPLES

Please join me in welcoming our newest member couples, Rad and Mickey Dundee, and Alan Mannason and Pat Nyborg, who were accepted as new members at the April Board meeting. Rad and Mickey were sponsored by Bob and Adrienne Meehan; and Alan and Pat were sponsored by Bob and Doris Muschek. Please stop by their table, say hello and welcome them to Starlighters. We will have their pictures in the next issue of the Starlighter Gazette.

Dance Schedule
Mark Your Calendars



January	March	May	July	September	November
17	21	16	18	19	21

When you receive your invitation in the mail, submit your reservations *no later* than Saturday night, one week prior to the dance. Your cooperation will ensure that you get the meal of your choice; and no undue stress will be placed upon your Board members responsible for dance preparations, including the treasurer, membership, hospitality and especially arrangements chairpersons.

On July 18 Starlighters will be at the Orange County Mining Company for our summer casual dance with music by the wonderful Don Peterson trio. On September 19, we have our fall semi-formal at the Mile Square Golf Club in Fountain Valley; and lastly, on November 21 we will return to a 2008 favorite, the Foxfire Restaurant, for the winter formal with the great Street Corner Symphony again providing music. ***Please mark your calen-***



Dance is the hidden language of the soul. -Martha Graham

dars for the above dates to be able to enjoy all that our dances offer. Starlighter dances are every other month beginning in January, concluding in November, and are always scheduled for the third Saturday of the month.

Help the club grow by planning to bring friends and neighbors as guest couples. The Board will do all they can to help them get acquainted with our great members and make them feel comfortable. When guests attend two Starlighter dances they are eligible for membership and should submit an application at their second dance. Your Membership Chairpersons always have applications on hand at the dances. Don't forget to share the Starlighter Website with your guests.

Yorba Linda Country Club Was a Fine St. Paddy's Day Celebration

34 happy couples attended the elegant Yorba Linda Country Club where everyone enjoyed a St. Paddy's Day theme on March 15. The Club hosted four guest couples: Kent and Judith Dickinson, guests of Dale and Marsha Cook, and Ivan and Barbara Bishop; Jerry and Shelley Ziliak, guests of Bob and Adrienne Meehan; Rad Bechtel and Mickey Dundee, guests of Bob and Adrienne; and Alan Mannason and Pat Nyborg, guests of Bob and Doris Muschek. We danced to the sounds of a band new to Starlighters—MPG—a four piece ensemble that played a good variety of music and sang vocal renditions that were easy to dance to on a generous size dance floor. The band was rated excellent to good by 87% of the attendees, and fair by 13%, with a number of the folks OK'ing a repeat performance at some future dance.

The YLCC servers circulated among the guests and served a yummy variety of appetizers that seemed to please everyone. Our beef dish met with most of our approval, but there were some who felt the fish was dry. The dinner and appetizers were, however, rated excellent to good, overall, by 100% of attendees. The bar was well stocked, well served, and the prices were reasonable. What a great country we live in!!

Starlighter Website: Share it with your friends and neighbors

The website address is: thestarlighters.org. The user name is members. The password is only.

Did You Know?

Dance is a very powerful drug. If embraced judiciously, it can exorcise demons, access deep seated emotions and color your life in joyous shades of brilliant magenta that you never knew existed. But, one must shoulder its challenges with intrepid countenance if one is ever to reap its rewards.

Dance is the mother of all languages. -- R.G. Collingwood

The only way to do it is to do it. --Merce Cunningham



Paid Annual Dues Equals Starlighter Quality and Success

If you have not yet sent in your annual dues of \$80, please remember to do so with your reservation for the May dance. **Even if you are unable to attend the May dance, please remit your dues in the return envelope provided** so that you are assured your membership will be maintained.



Memorial Day

Let's remember why Freedom rings throughout our fair land. May it always be so and may God Bless America, ALWAYS.....