



Starlighter Gazette

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Fall Semi-Formal at the Foxfire

On September 17 we'll be trippin the lights fantastic with the very popular Street Corner Symphony Band and one of the larger dance floors of our venues. Foxfire always has a great array of hors d'oeuvres elegantly served, and a very complete bar at reasonable prices. Dinner, always tastefully served, will start with a flavorful Boston Bibb salad with oranges, Maytag Bleu Cheese, and a raspberry vinaigrette dressing. Yum!. Your choice of entrees is: Chicken Florentine, stuffed with spinach, mushrooms, mozzarella; or Shrimp Provencal, both accompanied by fresh vegetables and twice baked potato, followed by a decadent Crème Brule` cheesecake dessert. You may bring your own wine selection for a mere \$10 corkage fee. The cost will be \$100 per couple. Doors open at 6:30 PM. Don't be too early. Don't be late!! Let's just have fun!! See you there!!

The Foxfire: An Elegant Venue!



Kegels Korner

Millie Kegel spent July in Kauai with hubby , Bob, and did not have an opportunity to collect "happenings" around the Starlighter members for her column. However, Bob Meehan will fill in as best he can. One of our esteemed members, Cliff Thompson, (of Cliff and Jan) had hip replacement surgery followed by a week of rehab near the end of June and early July, and is doing splendidly. Cliff and Jan attended the Santa Ana Elks Luau, August 13. Cliff and Jan danced a few dances and looked great, something we haven't seen in a long time because of Cliff's ailing hip. Bravo Cliff and keep on truckin. Ironically, Our very own Millie Kegel suffered a mild stroke a week after returning home from Kauai. I've spoken to her. She sounds good, but is a bit tired. Her doctor wants her to rest and take it easy for awhile. She sees her neurologist August 26. We hope he clears Millie for the September dance. We've missed you Millie and want to see you having fun. *Until next time! Bob Meehan for Millie Kegel.*

Remember: New Members Can Invite Guests Immediately!!

Host your friends as a guest couple. They are eligible for membership at their second dance and should submit an application for membership. Share the Starlighter Website with your guests. *The website address is: thestarlighters.org. The user name is members. The password is only.*

Starlighter Board Activity: A hearty thank you to those who have come forward to offer their time and talents to help the form the Starlighter Board for 2012. And an equally hearty thank you to those who have served and will retire for the next year. Announcements will be made in the November newsletter and at the Winter Formal, November 19, 2011. You may hear some scuttlebutt before then. Hopefully it will be true. You can ask me!!



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Mark your calendar NOW to reserve these 2011 Saturday nights for the Starlighters dances!!

Date	Theme	Venue	Band
July 16, 2011	Summer Casual	Mile Square	Phil Anthony
September 17, 2011	Fall Semi-Formal	Foxfire	Nick Pepper/MPG
November 19, 2011	Winter Formal	Foxfire	Street Corner Symphony

The Summer Casual at Mile Square Clubhouse Was a Blast

37 happy couples attended the Summer Casual at the well appointed Mile Square Clubhouse. Tables were attractively set, and with flower and candle center pieces provided by Marilyn Bailey, the whole thing made a pretty picture. The staff was courteous and attentive. They walked around serving some really elegant hors d'oeuvres until we all had those hunger pangs satisfied sufficiently to engage the three course dinner which followed. It should be added that many enjoyed the bar and the variety of drinks available as well. Starlighters hosted three first time guest couples: George and Shelia Franklin, guests of Gary and Linda Grear; Sam and Marge Johnson, guests of Paul and Jan Morin; and Dick and Peggy Jones, guests of Ed and Mikelle Watson. Guest Hosts: Please thank the guests for coming and invite them back!! We danced to a variety of great music supplied by the Phil Anthony Band. As evidenced by the crowd dancing, everyone enjoyed the ample size dance floor. Satisfaction Survey comments: Our Survey Said (Member Comments): 95% of attendees rated the room Excellent to Good. 96% rated the dinner Excellent to Good. 94% rated the band Excellent to Good. Overall the members attending were positive in their praise of the event.

Fly the Flag Campaign 9/11

THE PROGRAM

OK Starlighters, let's get behind this PROGRAM. On Thursday, September 11th, 2011, an American flag should be displayed outside every home, apartment, office, and store in the United States. Every individual should make it their duty to display an American flag on this tenth anniversary of one our country's worst tragedies. We do this to honor those who lost their lives on 9/11, and their families, friends and loved ones who continue to endure the pain, and those who today are fighting at home and abroad to preserve our cherished freedoms.

Honored Guest Couples at Mile Square, July 16



George & Shelia Franklin,
Guests of Ed & Mikelle Watson



Sam & Marge Johnson,
Guests of Paul & Jan Morin



Dick & Peggy Jones,
Guests of Ed & Mikelle Watson

In the days, weeks and months following 9/11, our country was bathed in American flags as citizens mourned the incredible losses and stood shoulder-to-shoulder against terrorism. Sadly, those flags have all but disappeared. Our patriotism pulled us through some tough times and it shouldn't take another attack to galvanize us in solidarity. Our American flag is the fabric of our country and together we can prevail over terrorism of all kinds.

Seating at a Starlighter Dance

You never have to sit alone. You never have to sit at a partially attended table. There is always plenty of seating available. If you come a little late or if you don't see a friend with whom you've sat before, you will always find an empty seat at a table. And it's fun to sit with different folks you may not have met before. So enjoy the Starlighter experience and expand your acquaintances and friendships.