



# TRAILBLAZER



SERVING THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ADVANCED/CHALLENGE SQUARE DANCE COMMUNITY

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## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY

John & Peggy Martin



**John and Peggy Martin**

Greetings

It has been a great winter. I love the crisp air. I love the clouds in the sky and breeze in my face. All the trees put on their winter coats and everything looks so clear and close. I have enjoyed the dancing and camaraderie. I enjoy the rain

and the spectacular sunsets. I love a cozy fire and a cool glass of wine. I will miss winter. I now need a goooooood diet.

Hello spring with all the promise of a new year. I am looking forward to Bakersfield and all the dancing at the fairgrounds. I know it is not as compactly housed as the extravaganza in Oxnard, but it is one of the first festivals I attended. This is the start of a wonderful year and I am looking for it to be one of the best.

We all need to be good ambassadors and promote Trailblazers to all the advanced dancers. The club is declining and is in need of more dancers.

The nominating committee has started and will be looking for a few good folks or people. We need your support for the club to continue. The board members cannot hold office forever. It needs revitalizing and with your help we can succeed.

I hope to see all of you in a square soon.

John & Peggy Martin

## SPECIAL NOTICE !!

Effective April 3, 2010, the dance times will be as follows:

Saturday C1—11:15 AM to 1:45 PM  
A2—3:15 PM to 5:45 PM

Sunday C2—11:15 AM to 1:45 PM  
C3A—3:15 PM to 5:45 PM

This is necessary so that there will be a 1-1/2 hour lunch break between sessions. We have made both days the same times to facilitate the session schedules.

## Coming Trailblazer Dances

Saturday—1st Session C-1, 2nd Session A-2  
Sunday—1st Session C-2, 2nd Session C-3A  
*See the last Page for Locations*

<b>Feb 6, 7</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>Bill Haynes</b>
<b>Mar 6, 7</b>		<b>Vic Ceder</b>
<b>Apr 3, 4</b>		<b>OPEN</b>
<b>May 1, 2</b>		<b>John Marshall</b>
<b>June 5, 6</b>		<b>Ross Howell</b>
<b>July 3, 4</b>		<b>DARK</b>
<b>Aug 7, 8</b>		<b>Del Powell</b>
<b>Sept 4, 5</b>		<b>Barry Clasper</b>

**SPECIAL EVENTS!!**

Feb 28, 2010	<b>MARTIN HALL SOUTH</b> Santa Ana, CA C-3A Danceshop Special Featuring: David Heffron Info: (714) 542-6868
Mar 19-21, 2010	<b>BAKERSFIELD FIESTA</b> Kern County Fairgrounds Bakersfield, CA Featured caller in C1 hall: Vic Ceder Info: elglines@att.net (661) 399-3658
May 8, 2010	<b>MARTIN HALL SOUTH</b> Santa Ana, CA C-3A Danceshop Special Featuring: Patricia Wahle Info: (714) 542-6868
Jun 12, 2010	<b>PHANTOM SQUARES C-3A WORKSHOP</b> Manhattan Beach, CA Featuring: Vic Ceder Info: Sharon & Ralph Simon (818) 769-3222 Gail & Nick Boone (818) 991-2706
Jun 16-19, 2010	<b>AACE CONVENTION</b> Milwaukee, Wisconsin Callers: Sandie Bryant, Vic Ceder, Barry Clasper, Ross Howell, Lee Kopman, Anne Uebelacker Featured Caller: Ian McConnell A2 thru C3 with part time C4 Info: Debbie Ceder 805-686-1108 Website: www.ceder.net/aace



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### Nominations for Trailblazer Board of Directors

Nominations are now open for the 2010-2011 Trailblazer Board of Directors. We are seeking nominees for the following positions:

- President
- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice-President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- A Square D Representative

Interested Trailblazer members may seek to run for office, or they may nominate another member. Please submit your nominations to the Nominations and Election Committee chairperson, John Melstrom, or any other current Board member. Nominations will close immediately following the end of the regularly scheduled March dance weekend. Voting will take place at the regularly scheduled April dance weekend.

Give something back to square dancing and become an active part of the Trailblazer team.

### ATTENTION C-3A DANCERS

C-3A dancers who have already completed learning all the 3A calls will soon have an opportunity to fine tune their skills at a one-day workshop with **Vic Ceder**, to be held in Manhattan Beach on Saturday, June 12. The total price for the two sessions on Saturday is \$20 per person. C-3B and C-4 Angels are, of course, welcome and encouraged to participate. Space is limited, so your check payable to Phantom Squares is needed to hold your spot. Mail to Ralph Simon at 6324 Bellaire Ave., North Hollywood, CA 91606. All sign-ups must be accompanied by payments. Refunds will be made ONLY if the space can be filled. Direct cancellations to Sharon and Ralph.

Vic's plan is to do two full workshops on Saturday. The hours for Saturday will be: 11:00 to 1:30 and 2:30 to 5:00.

Any questions can be directed to Ralph and Sharon Simon at (818) 769-3222 or Nick and Gail Boone at (818) 991-2706.



## TODD FELLEGY



**CALLER FOR  
TRAILBLAZER DANCE  
December 2009**

**Trailblazers was  
dark the first  
weekend in  
January, 2010.**

**For more EVENTS and info check out  
our website  
<http://www.trailblazers-socal.org>**

## Caller Quotes

Todd Fellegly  
December 2009

We'll give you enough time to Strip.

There is a better way to do that call (Stretch Single Wheel)

Good Boy. Stay Boy!

Anybody still want to change sides – while you have a chance?

Why does it take longer when you do less?

Don't worry, I'll fix it. That's what I get the big bucks for.

If you're facing out, like in square 2, do a partner trade. I didn't want to bring attention to it.

I guess I will try selling this card on EBay (after the floor broke down)

The good news is the value of that card just went up (after the floor got the sequence)

Let's end on a winner. I guess I'll start now.





At a recent dance this latest in foot fashion was observed.



# Notice of New Dance Start Times Effective April 3, 2010

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C-1 11:15 AM — 1:45 PM  
A-2 3.15 PM — 5:45 PM



**Sunday Schedule**  
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C-3A 3.15 PM — 5:45 PM



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