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JULY 13 - 14 - 15, 2012
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THE GAVEL

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Obviously I cannot report on the January State Meeting as it has not been held yet; however I can tell you that I am looking forward to an exciting meeting. Several of the things we had started in September have been addressed and we will hopefully complete.

I am extremely satisfied with the results of the voting by the membership concerning the 501(c)3 which was received in January and that we had enough to validate the results and it did pass. Thank you all for your consideration and your prompt responses. As a result of that we will be taking the necessary steps to complete the action. The Special Committee to update the Constitution and bylaws under the excellent leadership of Joyce Sebree and Su Evans, with Doug Keyes and Ellen Ostrum have worked diligently for long hours to complete, will also be brought up during this meeting; which becomes the second part of the requirement to complete the 501(c)3 action. They have been meeting during the holiday season, gathering here at my office to complete the action. This has given me the opportunity to stop in occasionally to peruse. I will tell you it has been a long and hard job. Thanks to all four of you for your professional and competent job in updating the bylaws and standing rules. I would also like to thank Vern Boggs and his committee for their work on the update of the Article concerning the Festival sponsorship by the State Board if it became necessary. Again a lot of work, excellent job; this will be included in the acceptance with the other changes. It is remarkable to be involved with such dedicated people. It seems all of our State Federation meeting attendees are likewise dedicated.

Also at the January meeting I will be forced, by the directives, to appoint someone to handle the State Festival for 2014 if no one steps up to sponsor at the meeting. I will let you know the results. I hope you were able to safely join the meeting; it is an important meeting in that the other topic will be a slate of officers for the 2012-2013 board. Fay and I have enjoyed the two years we have and are presently serving and wish the new slate good luck in their endeavor. One thing that has bothered me since completion of my first year is that I was told that I didn't provide certificates to all the Committee chairs of the 2010-2011 committees. In checking that out, I was told two of the Committee Chairs are voted by their group (XP's and Heritage Center); therefore not being appointed I did not provide those certificates. I sure hope I can get a clear requirement before the end of my second term – I don't want to leave someone out because of a misconception.



FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

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New Years seems to have more dances than any other Holiday. The reason I say that is you can have your Valentines Dance the whole month of February and you can't do that with a New Years dance. Every Club and Council wants to have their big Dance on New Years Eve. Many of those dances are quite well attended.

Rainier Council decided to have their New Years dance on Australian time and held it on Friday December 30 which would be December 31st in Australia. I guess what I'm trying to say, they thought out of the box and had a very successful dance.. Sometimes we all have to think "OUT OF THE BOX"

In my January message I happened to say "CHECK YOUR EXPIRATION DATE." I received quite a few calls on that, because it could be taken a couple of ways. What I wanted you to do, was to check the Expiration date on the Mailing Label on the back of the last Footnotes you received. Some of you told me you really didn't know when you might expire. I subscribe to quite a few magazines and they keep asking me to renew several times a year, starting right after I subscribe. We aren't that big of a publication and we depend on YOU to keep looking when your subscription ends.

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Don & Pat Wiggins

Enjoy your new year, see you all at the National Convention and hopefully at Circle 8 for the Seminar – and please remember the State Pageant will be held at the Seminar.

Tom and Fay, President Couple

44TH ANNUAL LEADERSHIP SEMINAR
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Hi, All Y'all,

Happy Valentine's Day! Here's a gift idea for you. Give your favorite Dance Partner a Leadership Seminar Registration for two! This will give you both another opportunity to have fun together. If you don't have a Dance Partner, then treat yourself to a fun week-end of dancing and festivities.

Our featured Caller/Speaker will be (ta-da!) Steve Noseck. He is real treat to dance to. Steve began dancing in 1976 in Springfield, MA (only one letter off from WA). Two years later he started Calling after moving back to the Seattle area. The first Club he Called for was the Mavericks. Issaquahs & Braves, Golden Nuggets and Shindiggers were soon on his schedule.

Steve has shared his talent with many Councils at their Council Dances and has been involved in State Festivals. He has been a staff member of Circle 8 with Mike DeSisto, Mark Clark and Glen Raiha for about 10 years.

Steve has Called with Jim Hattrick and Debbie Taylor Cued at their famous Hat, Nose and Tayl dance annually for several years. What adelightful team!

He has Called in Alaska, Oregon and Hawaii besides Washington. He has led Square Dance Cruises with Mark Clark, where they were known as the Cruise Brothers. He has also Called in Jamaica, Puerto Rico, Cayman Island, Barbados, St Thomas, Panama Canal and South America. With that kind of resume, you just have to know he is a fantastic Caller!

His current schedule includes teaching Mainstream and Calling Mainstream and Plus dances on a regular schedule.

Steve has three children who are all adults. They are Chris, Steffie and Scott. Scott is serving on the aircraft carrier Stennis in the Persian Gulf.

Steve is delightful and interesting to talk with, and you'll regret it if you do not take advantage of this opportunity.

Join us for the fun!
 Oren & Lew



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In the next couple of issues of “Footnotes” we will be directing our attention to the annual renewal process.

We are going to make a slight change this year in the handling of the club renewals through each council. In the past we have handed out instructions for each council to the delegates at the January state meeting. We realize that each council makes out their own instructions due to the fact they all have different regulations and fees for their clubs. So, this year, we will be emailing the renewal notification to each council treasurer with a ‘cc’ to the council president. We will include a generic sample that they are welcome to use in handling the renewals of their clubs. We intend to email these notifications out the first part of February. These club renewals will still be due back to us the 31st of May, so we’re hoping this method will give the councils a little more time to complete this renewal process.

Remember, the above process has nothing to do with the individual renewal process that we will be mailing out in early March to each club treasurer. We will speak more on that in the next “Footnotes” issue.

Another situation we would like to address is club/council dissolution. We realize at the present time there are no instructions regarding a council or club that wishes to fold. However, it is imperative that the state M&I Chairman be kept up to date on your club/council status in regard to membership in the federation. At the present time, since there is no formal instruction, a simple letter to the M&I Chair stating the status of your club/council is adequate. We really need to know to maintain accurate membership records. In other words, if your organization is folding, let us know. There is another thought behind this. There is a possibility that there may be alternatives to just giving up and folding. Remember, the state officers are here to help you, but we can’t do it if we don’t know. Talk to us, that’s what we’re here for.

Take care,
Richard and Barbara

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*Roses are red and dance shoes are slick,
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And make sure your partner dresses in sync.*

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*So go out to a dance while the skies are grey,
And celebrate a wonderful Valentines Day!*

IT IS TIME FOR THOSE HARRY MAC GREGOR AWARD RESUMES

The deadline for submitting your resumes on your candidate for the Macgregor Award is fast approaching the deadline of April 1, 2012. You all should know of someone who has done a lot for square dancing that you could write in about. Please put your thinking caps on, take some time sit down and write up your resume on your candidate and send too: Jim & Polly Burnside, 8321 - 15th PL SE, Lake Stevens, Washington 98258-3686. You may also email your resume too: jpburnside@comcast.net. Remember the Deadline is April 1, 2012.

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Love Is In The Square

Dancing has been an activity to bring communities together and encourage pair bonding for centuries. In ancient times major events and holidays were celebrated with dancing. Even today, this custom of “The Dance” is practiced in most cultures around the world. It’s as if dancing is woven into the very fabric of our humanity. There are so many different types of dancing with new dances being created all the time. Square Dancing is one of them. All forms of dance share many characteristics and I am certain many relationships have begun at a dance. Even Cinderella met her Prince at a dance.

I have been a Square Dancer for many years. One of the things I’ve noticed is how many people fall in love through Square Dancing. Since I’ve become a Caller it’s one of the things I use to encourage single people to try Square Dancing. I like to say “It’s better than any dating service out there.” Now I don’t have hard facts to back that up, but it’s a good line to get them thinking. I’m sure being single is not too fun at times. Loneliness can be a real issue for some people. We as human beings are meant to seek out companionship. We are social beings. Square Dancing addresses that need for companionship and family. Square Dancing is the perfect activity for relationships to flourish and love to be nourished. For those that are married it can certainly add a new dimension to the relationship.

For single people and married alike Square Dancing is a “no brainer” date night. If you and your partner both dance, you don’t have to worry about choosing the right activity. Square Dancing is one of the last wholesome activities out there. You can enjoy the evening without alcohol and the music doesn’t have a bunch of potentially objectionable lyrics. People participate without the fear of competition as the dancing is performed in a spirit of teamwork and cooperation. There’s a clear leader of the activity – a Caller – so the dancers are free to follow along without having to “make up” the dance. Everyone wears name badges so you know their name and the exercise makes you feel better. Even touching and hugging is encouraged – and necessary - as the dancers interact. With all these benefits Square Dancing is a wonderful way to meet someone or get to know them better. It’s an activity often shared by the whole family. In fact, at one point or another everyone in my family has Square Danced. Now that’s a different kind of Love but its still “Love in The Square.”

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So much to do ~ so little time...

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BUCK KNIVES, CABELA'S AND THE NUT FACTORY

June 29 9:30am – 3:00pm

Take a tour of famous Buck Knives, a knife manufacturer, which has lasted through five generations, starting in 1902. Founded in San Diego, they moved the plant to Post Falls, Idaho in 2005. Then, it is on to visit Cabela's, the world's foremost "outfitter" of outdoor gear. This is not just a store; it is a destination, with huge displays of wild animals and outdoor scenes. We will have a catered lunch on site. Last stop is The Nut Factory to see the roasting of the nuts; taste the freshly roasted nuts and shop in their gift shop. Includes: Motor coach, guide and lunch at Cabela's. Spokane Winery Tour June 28, 29 & 30 1:00 pm 5:00pm

WINERIES TOUR • Did you know Washington is the second largest wine producing state in the country?

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I realize Square Dancing isn't the only way to meet someone but it sure is a great way. I meet my wife at a Square Dance and I know many others who have as well. There is just something special about a dance that makes meeting someone and interacting with them so much easier. One of the things I like about being a

Square Dance Caller is playing a part in the "matchmaking" story. I have gotten comments from dancers saying "We met at one of your dances" or "We took lessons with you X years ago and now we are married." Its great knowing you played a part in someone else's happiness.

As with any activity you never know who you're going to meet and how that meeting can change your life. If you want more love in your life, get out and dance because... "Love is in The Square." "To be fond of dancing was a certain step towards falling in love." ~Jane Austen

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This month I want to point out the importance of having the proper dance shoes. While it is acceptable and many are comfortable dancing in street shoes, I want to explain why I think it is important to have a good pair of dancing shoes in your closet. First, as you all know, street shoes pick up a lot of gunk on the bottom. When sliding your feet while dancing, this can transfer all that icky stuff onto the dance floor. While we don't eat off the floors, it is important to maintain a clean and smooth surface upon which to dance. Second, shoes that are made for street wear are often non-skid, definitely a disadvantage when trying to glide effortlessly. I have danced in tennis shoes only a couple of times out of necessity and found it to be extremely difficult. When you are used to sliding your feet across the floor and all of a sudden you cannot because of your shoes, you can falter- or worse, twist an ankle. Some students have told me that they do not have to worry about that because they learned to dance in street shoes. For those of you comfortable dancing in street shoes, please continue. However, consider trying out a pair of dance shoes, because you will be amazed at the difference in how much easier it is to skim across the floor. Finally, a good pair of dance shoes can often be more comfortable and more supportive than a pair of street shoes. Dance shoes are designed to support your instep and alleviate pressure. While a pair of Air Jordans® might be more your style, dance shoes are designed to keep your feet happy while you are strutting your stuff on the dance floor.

There are many different styles, brands, and price ranges for men and women both. Heeled, flats, tennis shoes, or dress; dance shoes come in as many varieties as dancers. Setting aside a good, comfortable pair of dance shoes will not only help to keep the floors cleaner, but will allow you to dance the night away in comfort, style, and suave confidence. So, please consider finding a pair of new dance shoes to break in while we are still breaking in the New Year! Until

next month . . . Keep Dancing.

The Round of the month for Feb. 2012 is: "I WILL LOVE YOU FOREVER II"
Artist is Shelby Flint Waltz Phase II +2 (Hover & Chasse)

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

Jill & Roger

I WILL LOVE YOU II

*Phase II + 2(Hover, Chasse) Waltz Choreo: Chuck & Sandi Weiss
CD: Shelby Flint (THE QUIET GIRL) Track 6*

INTRO: BFLY WAIT 2 MEAS, ;; TWIRL VINE 3 ; THRU FACE CL ;

*A: LEFT TURNING BOX ;;; HOVER ; MANEUVER ; 2 RIGHT TURNS
BFLY ;; WALTZ AWAY ; WRAP ; FORWARD WALTZ ; THRU FACE CL BFLY ;
BALANCE L & R ;; CANTER 2 X ;;*

*B: BOX ;; DIP BACK ; MANEUVER ; PIVOT 3 ; THRU CHASSE BJO ; FWD
CHASSE SEMI ; THRU FACE CLOSE ; WALTZ AWAY ; WRAP ; FORWARD
WALTZ ; THRU FAC CLOSE BFLY ; BALANCE L&R ;; CANTER 2 X ;;*

*C: SOLO TURN TO BFLY ;; WALTZ AWAY ; PU ; 2 LEFT TURNS ;;
BALANCE LEFT ; SIDE DRAW TCH to CP & HOLD ;*

*A: LEFT TURNING BOX ;;; HOVER ; MANEUVER ; 2 RIGHT TURNS
BFLY ;; WALTZ AWAY ; WRAP ; FORWARD WALTZ ; THRU FACE CL BFLY ;
BALANCE L & R ;; CANTER 2 X;;*

END:TWIRL VINE 3 ; THRU FACE CLOSE ; DIP, TWIST, ;

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Pre washing of fleece fabric is not necessary because it does not shrink or bleed. Launder fleece garments inside out with similar garments. Use cold water with powdered laundry detergent on a gentle cycle. Liquid laundry detergents can affect the moisture wicking and water repellent properties of fleece fabric. Do not use bleach, fabric softeners or dryer sheets. Tumble dry for short time on a low setting. Over drying will shorten the life of the garment. The best way to dry is to shake out and hang up. Do not dry clean.

Never press fleece, it will melt. If it needs a bit of touch up try steaming the garment and use a clothes brush to revive the nap. Use a clothes shaver or a sweater comb to remove the 'pills' that form on the outside where the fleece rubs. Especially in places like the under arms.

It is often hard to tell the right side from the wrong side of a fleece fabric. Look closely at each side. The better looking side is the outside. Looking at the edge you may see that one side is thinner than the other. The thinner side is the outside. If you can't decide from those tips just choose one side of the fabric as the outside and be consistent. Mark the inside of each piece with a small piece of blue painters tape. This tape will not leave goo on the fabric. Mark the notches and other construction points with a fabric marker on the inside. Do not try to clip the notches because the clips will be difficult to locate. On pieces like pockets there it is difficult to tell the top from the bottom always mark the top edge.

Always choose patterns with simple lines. There are many patterns that are designed just for fleece. When laying out a pattern on fleece use a 'with nap' layout. Make very sure that all of the pieces, even the little ones, are going the same way. If the nap is running in different directions the pieces will appear to be different colors. Pin with quilters pins. They are extra long and have big plastic heads so they don't get lost in the nap of the fabric. When cutting out the pattern use a 45 or 60 mm rotary blade cutter. This will be much easier on your hands than cutting with scissors. Polyester is very tough and it dulls rotary blades, scissors and needles faster than other type of fabrics.

The edges of fleece fabric do not have to be finished. It does not ravel. It can be dressed up with pinking shears or a wavy blade rotary cutter for a decorative effect. Fleece seam binding (Wright's) or regular cloth seam binding can be used to cover up the exposed edges. Some people like to work a blanket stitch, or other decorative stitch, around the edges either by machine or hand stitching.

When you begin sewing insert a new needle, Universal 90 is a good choice to start with. Set the stitch length at 4 mm or 8-10 spi. A too short stitch length will cause the fleece to stretch. Thread the machine with a good quality polyester thread and practice on scraps before starting the garment. If the stitching is not looking right try a stretch or ball point needle. If the fabric is very thick lighten the presser foot pressure. The instructions are in your sewing machine manual. Reducing the thread tension may also help the stitch quality.

The information presented here is very basic. The absolute expert on all types of fleece is Nancy Cornwell. Her books *Adventures with Polarfleece*, *More Polarfleece Adventures* and *Polar Magic* have all of the answers to any sewing problems concerning fleece fabric. In addition they contain hundreds of suggestions and ideas for fleece garments and projects. These books are easy to read and a great addition to your sewing library.

Make a fleece cape to wear with your square dance outfits. It will keep you toasty warm without crushing your ruffles or mashing your skirts. A long cape in your club colors will make a great entrance at the next dance. There will be patterns for and examples of different types of fleece capes at the 61st National Square Dance Convention in Spokane. Stop by the Sewing Studio to see the many displays and new patterns to trace.



Dear Friends,

I would like to say thank you all so very much for the cards, prayers and thoughtfulness we received during and after Judy's illness. It has meant so much to us knowing we have so many square dance friends.

Thank you seems so inadequate, but please know it's appreciated from the bottom of my heart.

Sincerely, Don Cochrane and family.

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BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL



COLUMBIA RIVER SQUARES Mystery Caravan is February 4th. This year the Prairie Shufflers are going dark and will be with us on the caravan bus. These trips are always a lot of fun, especially this year with the addition of the Shufflers. As the old saying goes; "the more the merrier". The CRS newsletter will have all the details so be sure to sign up early as the bus might fill in a hurry.

Our first dance in February is February 11th with Jim Swanson calling and Lorna Hayden cueing. Jim always calls a good dance. We always enjoy his calling.

In our second dance of the month, February 25th, Tom Clymer is calling and Jim Spence is cueing. This is also our Sadie Hawking/Footnotes dance. Break out your overalls, straw hats, suspenders, etc. and we will have a real fun dance. Both dances in February are at the Richland Community Center, and that is also where we meet for the mystery caravan.

Hope you all have a fun month dancing the night away!! God bless!

Willis Rappe barbrappe@gmail.com

The **PRAIRIE SHUFFLERS** started a new class on January 23rd, so by now they have learned a (very) few basic steps. I think we often forget that it takes quite a long time for most of us to get our feet to do what the caller/teacher wants us to do. We know it intellectually, but the message takes quite awhile to get from the brain to the feet.

We will be dark on February 4th to join with the Columbia River Squares on a mystery caravan. Mysteries are always exciting, so we look forward to it. Let's hope the weather cooperates and makes it easy for us.

Our February 18th dance will feature Bob Amsbury as caller and his wife, Claudia, as cuer. There are several caller/cuer couples now - I think that is a way for couples to really enjoy a dance. So many times, a cuer's wife has to sit out the rounds, but this solves that problem.

Over the years we have changed the times we have our plus dance, our pre-rounds and our mainstream dance, trying to accommodate all the levels that come to the dances. Right now we have plus from 6:30-7:30, pre-rounds (mostly intermediate level) from 7:30-8, and mainstream from 8-10:30. We'll try it for awhile to see if it works well, if not, well we may be in for another change. Like everything else, we go with the flow.

Ginger Vetrano jbvetrano@frontier.com

The **MELODY MIXERS** are having their monthly Party Dance Night on Tuesday, February 14th. All round dancers are invited.

On Party Dance Night we dance from 6:30 till 9:00 and dance a mix of rounds from Phase 2 up thru Phase 4. The other Tuesdays in February we are working on Phase 3 & 4 steps in Waltz and Foxtrot from 6:30 till 8:00 and dancing from 8:00 till 9:30.

The Wednesday night workshop group is working on Phase 2 & easy 3 steps in Waltz at a slower pace than the Tuesday night group.

Bill & Karen Holm bkholm@charter.net

MUDDY FROGS SQUARE DANCE CLUB will celebrate its 29th anniversary with a dance on Sunday February 19th at the Milton-Freewater Community Center. Tina Allaway will call and Lorna Hayden will cue. A potluck will follow; need more information? Please call... merriannah@charter.net

With Christmas and New Years Day both falling on a Sunday Frogs had a two week vacation from square dance lessons, dances, potlucks etc. Some of the Frogs traveled to visit family and friends (no snow); others enjoyed the local scene with all of the decorative lights, community displays and Holiday programs. These were all quite impressive.

Frogs were back to their Sunday square dance classes January 8th. Becky, one of our new dancers, participates as a skier in the Special Olympics. Hopefully she won't miss too many classes. Frogs hope she will be able to attend the 61st NSDC, in June, in Spokane. Time will tell.

Tina Allaway planned to teach beginning round dance to any square dancers that were interested starting on January 8th at 5 PM (after the mainstream program except for the 3rd Sunday of each month). At the time of this writing it was not known if enough dancers were interested in a Sunday evening program.

Happy Valentine's Day, enjoy the Presidents Day weekend...See you again soon.

Margaret Miller m2p2w2@yahoo.com

TRI-CITIES CIRCULATORS is a "Plus" Club. Jim Swanson call Plus each Thursday 6:30 – 8:30* The Circulators will also have a cuer for rounds. The First Thursday of each month will be a regular "dance" – square dance attire – bring finger food to share (*may dance later). The remaining Thursdays will be "workshops".

February 26th: Tri-Cities Circulators beginning Plus dancers plan to attend the New Dancer Jamboree: 1 – 4 pm at the Walla Walla Senior Center, 720 Sprague Ave., Walla Walla

Info call (509) 539-2660)

Greetings from the FAMILY a-FAIR Square and Round Dance Club. Happy Valentine's Day! Our class is going quite nicely. The dancers are getting closer to graduation each week.

Our New Year's Eve Dance was a lot of fun. Everyone had a great time dancing and playing board games till midnight.

We hope everyone will come to our New Dancers' Jamboree. The dance

is for all dancers—experienced, mainstream, plus, rounds. All new dancers will have an opportunity to strut their stuff. Hope to see everyone of Sunday, February 26th from 1 to 4 pm.

We also dance of Saturday, the 25th. Does anyone want to stay over and dance with us at the Jamboree? If you need a place to stay, please contact one of us: Glenda 509-526-4368 or Carolyn 509-520-9057. See ya in a square.

Glenda Beach Gbeach97862@hotmail.com



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The GATESWINGERS would like to thank everyone who attended our Anniversary Dance. You helped make it a fantastic Dance.

At the dance Kris and Margaret presented the Gateswingers' President, Russ and Elaine Kruse with the 2011 Spirit award. They started dancing in 1979. Immediately after



lessons, they danced at every dance they could go to. They haven't stopped and have also been active at the club level. They have been Presidents on numerous occasions with their organization and leadership being invaluable! The Club, the Building Committee, the Area Council all 'love' them; because not only do they provide leadership, but they are not afraid of work and do what ever needs to be done. If the hall doors are open, Russ and Elaine are usually there. Russ never misses an opportunity to promote Square Dancing. He wears a hat that has Square Dancers on it. 'With his great smile and fantastic sense of humor, he can snare anyone who asks about his hat into the Square Dancing World before they know what happened. One of his best recruits is Dick and Mary. Questions



about his famous hat got them into lessons and the rest is history. The club congratulates Russ and Elaine on receiving this well deserved award. We look forward to many more dedicated and fun filled years of dancing with you!

The Gateswingers have a Valentines dance on Feb 11th and a regular dance on Feb 25th. The Phase II Round Dance is Feb 17th.

Jan Logan ojlogan@charter.net

BLUE AGATES, will host their popular Soup Dance on Saturday, February 25, at the Swauk –Teanaway Grange starting at 6pm. Whatever soup is left over will be sent home with those attending. Daron Tandberg will call this Mainstream dance and Cyndi Silicki will cue. Our club started lessons for new dancers on January 10th, every Tuesday and Thursday nights. To introduce square dancing to the community of Cle Elum, we held a demonstration dance and spaghetti dinner on Saturday January 7th. We will caravan to the Buds and Blossoms Spaghetti Dance on Friday February 10.

Address for the grange is 1361 Ballard Hill Road, Cle Elum. Call Michael or Carel at (509) 674-5744 or cell (509) 961-1409 if you have questions about any of our dances.

Sally Gililand, sallygililand@wildblue.net

LOWER VALLEY SQUARE DANCERS, are looking forward to another year of fun dancing, spending time together, and hopefully meeting lots of new dancers. This year has had it's moments of struggle (financially), as is true with a lot of clubs. With many members getting older and fewer younger dancers making the commitment required for successful lessons many clubs are finding it difficult to continue. Looking back at the years of fun and many wonderful, joyful people we've met square dancing, we would not have missed it for the world. A new year is ahead and we all look forward with enthusiasm to a new year of wonder and joy.

HAPPY NEW YEAR everyone!!

Peggy Zeebuyth

SILOUETTE DANCERS, took an unexpected vacation from dancing in January. Our hall was flooded right before Christmas, in order to take care of the floor properly they asked we not use the hall so it could be done properly. So until next month we will give you all our updates at that time. Happy Valentine's Day.

Dortothy Crosslin, doti55live.com

CENTRAL AREA COUNCIL, we hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. We sure did, enjoying time with family and friends. We look forward to a quick spring, we have had such a mild winter. I am not complaining, I am sure the farmers are though. We all look forward to getting out and around the state dancing with all our friends. Kris and I presented Kay and Roger Mahan with the inspirational award at the council dance in October. They really work very

hard at doing whatever needs done, no matter what we ask they never say no. So we do appreciate them and everyone else who works hard in our activity. We would like to welcome everyone to Yakima in May for the spring state meeting, details to follow next month. Stay safe and keep dancing, we love each and everyone of you!

Margaret Kiser, gramakiser@yahoo.com.

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BOOTS & LACES members are enjoying our monthly level dances as we are able to meet new dancers and encourage them to continue having fun wherever they may be dancing. We enjoy all our dances and those who come to dance with us. We are experiencing mainstream dancing that is challenging and lots of fun thanks to Caller Don & Marie Wood. Our Cued couple, Debbie & Paul Taylor also keep the round dancers on their toes.

Some of our members are Angels for the combined class of Solo Squares and Boots & Laces. The students are having fun and learning quickly. They will be graduating soon, according to Instructor Cliff Nichols.

A local food bank received several boxes of nonperishable food items after members and guests brought their contributions to our January 20th dance. Thank you to all who thought of others who are in need. The recipients would thank us, if they could.

Jan Emerson, emersonbobjan2@hotmail.com

The **JET STEPPERS** will be holding a "Shadow Dance" on February 4th. Join us in a celebration of Groundhog Day! On February 18th, we will be celebrating all former Presidents by holding a Red Carpet Dance. We would be honored to have your presence and to have you dance with us that night at our 7:30 workshop and 8:00 dance.

Marilyn Hobbs-Gibson, mhg111@juno.com

The **PI-R-SQUARES** hope everyone had a great Christmas and a Happy New Year. The first dance of December was student level with The Spinners caravanning to us. They brought a great caravan and Andy did an excellent job of calling to our students and many other students and letting them discover what they have learned.

We caravanned to the Wagon Wheels dance in December with Wayne Easton and Randy Wulf. What a great dance with almost all of the Wagon

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SUNDAY

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Cliff Nichols / Linda Nold
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www.solosquares.wordpress.com

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Sher Francis
253-761-2232

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www.bootsandlaces.org

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Cedar Grange, Maple Valley
Kevin Thomaier
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PHILS & PHILIES

2nd & 4th (Mainstream)
Meridian Grange, Kent
Kevin Thomier / Marge Kost
253-804-3244
www.philsandphilies.com

SATURDAY

JET STEPPERS

1st & 3rd (Mainstream)
Cedar Grange in Maple Valley
Chuck Martin / Linda Nold
425-271-3645
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WAGON WHEEL SQUARES

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Wayne Easton / Randy Wulf
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www.wagonwheelssquaredance.org

SATURDAY

CONTRAILS CONTRA DANCERS

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N Hill Community Club, Des Moines
Susan Morris
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Northwest Round Dance Teachers Assn
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Updated
4/11

Wheel members both active and not so active there due to a turkey Christmas meal before the dance. Over 10 squares and Wayne & Randy put on a great performance. The PI-R's had quite a few of our current class there and they all had a good time. Wayne tested them as to what Andy had taught them.

On Saturday, February 4th, Andy is calling in East Wenatchee and some of us are going with him. It was a fun adventure last year and it will be fun again this year. On Saturday, February 11th, the PI-R dance will be our Spaghetti Feed/Valentine Dance. It is always fun to watch the men get voted on for the best sauce and everyone enjoying the feed before the dance. Some of the non Pi-R dancers have won first place the last few years. We welcome sauce from all dancers as long as they are men. This is a student level dance and the Phils & Philies are caravanning to us. Come and dance with us.

Our classes are still going well. We have started the second set of 8 lessons and our lessons are well attended. We always need men as our class has more women than men.

Do not forget about the 61st National Square Dance Convention in Spokane from June 27 to 30, 2012. Come dance with us any 2nd or 4th Saturday through May at the Meridian Grange in Kent.

Terry & Marilyn Quinnett, mvjunkdealer@juno.com

SOLO SQUARES of Maple Valley, Washington had a busy, but fun December. When we caravanned to Boots & Laces Square Dance Club in Kent, more than half of the Solo Squares members attended their special holiday dance. The first Student Level Dance of the year brought out half of our students, plus students from other clubs around the area. Everybody had a good time at our Holiday Dance and our students were proud to show off their newly-learned dance skills.

It appears these student dances have whet some appetites for more dancing and they indicate that they are looking forward to the New Year and some more student level dances.

Lucy Prindle, dlprindle@comcast.net

WAGON WHEEL SQUARES enjoyed both of our December dances. We had a wonderful Christmas Bazaar and Silent Auction Dance on December 3rd with many of our creative members donating wonderful homemade items. Our members enjoyed a delicious turkey, ham, stuffing, mashed potatoes Christmas Dinner with all the trimmings before our December 17th dance. We loved all the great food, but it was hard to go out on the dance floor with "full tummies"!!!

On Thursday, December 22nd at 10:00 in the morning, about 25 Wagon Wheel dancers showed up at the Talbot Retirement Home in Renton to square dance at their annual Christmas party. Their dining room was full of people dressed in their Christmas finery enjoying watching our square dancers perform.

Many of the Wagon Wheels dance members brought in the New Year by dancing at the Gorst Dance Center in Bremerton with Mike DeSisto and Wayne Easton. What a wonderful time everyone had!

February 4th will be our 3rd Annual Movie Theme Dance where dancers dress up as their favorite Celebrity, Movie, Television or Cartoon Character. Join us at this dance and see who will be “Walking Our Red Carpet” that evening.

February 18th will be our Badge Dance. We had a great time last year participating in various “fun” dances. We danced with a “broom” as our dance partner; the women had a lemon slice and the men had a pickle in their mouths trying to dance while making sour and grimacing faces; the men danced with their partner’s petticoats on and trying to dance the ladies part which brought a “roar” of laughter throughout the hall! Come and join us on the 18th to see what fun dances we will have in store for the dancers this year.

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With winter comes snow and cold, unless you are in the southern end of the state. **EVERGREEN COUNCIL** has had sunshine in the normal variety and also in the liquid variety; we down here are definitely in the area that gets a lot of the wet and grey variety.

As for dancing news the council is busy looking to fill our officer slate for next year and making plans for our council dance the 5th Saturday in March. All of our clubs have been busy as you will see below.

Our regular Council Reporter will be back from vacation to put in next months goings on. We know Rex and Jean had a great time on their vacation.

Kathy Donmoyer (acting reporter)

January was a busy month for the **BUZZIN' BEES**, Washington State Federation meeting and the Oregon Mid-Winter Festival. Our Round dance class, taught by Debbie & Mike Combs, began on Tuesday nights in January. Square dance class continues on Sunday nights.

Visitations are planned for the next few months, The annual Pie Eating Contest Dance is on February 18th. Buzzin Bees dance the 1st and 3rd Saturdays at the Hazel Dell Grange with caller Bill Lundin and Cuer Debbie Combs

Ann Heikkinen

HAPPY HOPPERS: Now that the hectic pace of the Holiday Season and Mid-Winter Festival are over, the Happy Hoppers will refocus on its' lesson programs. For the sixth season the 4 X 8 program continues to grow

and welcome new dancers into the square of dancing friends. Forty five to fifty students return each Monday night for classes of Basic, MS and PL with instruction by Jim Hatrick.

The Hopper visitation program too has been well supported with three to four squares of members in attendance at each visitation. Next month the Hoppers look forward to a visit to the Silver Stars.

Because of the many activities and the friendly atmosphere, the Happy Hoppers continue to receive great support and involvement from its membership and supporters each season.

Pauline & Walt Eby

JEANS & CALICO: It was a wonderful Christmas, nice weather here for traveling. By the time you get this, our New Years Eve dance will be history. If you missed it, you missed an awesome time! The Spokane NEC meeting will be over as will Oregon's Mid-Winter Festival. Jeans & Calico's next dance will be April 14, 2012. The theme is "Jump into Spring" with Jeans & Calico. It will be at the Goldendale Primary school, yes, really! Potluck at 6:30, Pre-Rounds at 7:30, Mainstream from 8:00 to 10:00 and then announcements and goodies and split the pot followed by a plus tip for those inclined to whoop and holler a little more! Bill Reid will be calling and Neva Reid will be cueing. For info call 509-773-3379. Our next meeting will be on March 17, at Karl & Pam's at 6:30. Jeans & Calico has kitchen duty at the March 31, 2012 Evergreen Council dance. If you are not registered for the 61st NSDC® in Spokane from June 27-30, Get-'er-Done!

Mikie, the Prez

The **SILVER STARS** had a wonderful Christmas dance/silent auction with several visitors attending. Our January theme is "Midwinter Warm-up" with Chuck Garner calling and Dorothy Lowder cueing. February brings us our Sweethearts Ball. Lessons have been progressing well, with our class progressing to a level able to dance at Midwinter Festival at the end of January. We dance on the 2nd Saturday of every month at the Hazel Dell Grange.

Teresa Hill



Silver Stars
Square Dance Club
Hazel Dell Grange
Vancouver, Washington
Caller: Chuck Garner
Cuer: Dorothy Lowder
7:30-10:00 pm
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Year Around
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SKY VALLEY WHIRLWINDS had a wonderful Holiday Season with our dance “Snowflakes and Santa”. Stephon Cole and John Neverdowski kept the dancing lively and fun. A lot of laughter and fun was had with the visit from Santa and his helper who came in from the North Pole for the evening. Pictures were taken for memory lane and everyone got into the holiday spirit. Santa even did a few dances!

It was an exciting month for our club with an article in the University of Washington’s Dimensions paper. An article was written about our club in regards to the fundraising for the Alzheimer’s research centers at the university and at Rush University. Write to Joe Barr (JLBahr777@hotmail.com) for a copy of this article to be emailed to you.

Joe has been working hard (along with a few other volunteers) to promote our annual dance and get the word out there through television and radio. So, it was a privilege for many members of our council to participate in a KCTS (channel 9) evening telethon on Saturday December 10th. A large group of our members tended to the phones and were shown on television. Square dancing and the Alzheimer’s dance were promoted by Sally Buckingham of the Freewheelers and Joe Bahr of Sky Valley Whirlwinds. This was a big recognition for the square dance community.

We will have our 5th Annual Alzheimer’s Benefit Dance held at the Edmonds Masonic Hall, 515 Dayton, Edmonds, 98020. Sunday, February 26, 2012. Callers to be announced. Dance will include square dancing, round dancing and contra dancing. Donations go to Rush University Medical Center Alzheimer’s Research and to the University of Washington Alzheimer’s research “ARDC”. We can contribute to research and help fight this horrible disease while having a good time on the dance floor. Any club is encouraged to participate (even from a distance – we will collect funds like in a telethon and give the clubs their recognition). Contact Joe Bahr for more details: 306-310-5627 or JLBahr777@hotmail.com.

The dance is also going to be advertised on a couple of local, national and world-wide TV and radio spots. Ken Schram will be announcing the dance on TV and Delilah will give us a spot on her radio station which is world wide!

So, this is a BIG event. We certainly hope many of our square dance community state-wide will join in for our fund-raising this year. We want to make it our biggest and best year to date, not only for Alzheimer’s research, but for the promotion of our wonderful Square Dance communities.

It is also to be noted that a web site is being built to allow people

more information and to donate on line. The site will be named: www.remembertodance.org. Watch for it to be available this January 2012. There will be a Pay-Pal account to receive donations.

Also to mention: our club has one of the most "decorative" committees -- they go all out above and beyond in decorating our hall for each of our theme dances. Thank you to all who take part in that (we know who they are and are so appreciative). Also, we're so appreciative to those who helped in renovating the hall with brighter painted walls, pictures hanging, curtains, new stage floor, chimney, downstairs improvements, outside improvements too, etc, etc. Great Job - now we are very proud of our hall and its facelift.

Come see for yourselves at our club's next dance at our Tri-Way Grange: February 17, 2012 - "Saddie Hawkins" theme....Wayne Easton will be calling and John Neverdowski cueing.

Linda Foster/Lee Clark, ssvwhirlwinds@aol.com

Wow! It's February 2011 already! What a great dance year we are enjoying! Special thanks go to our caller, Brent Mawdsley, and our guest callers, for providing us with such fantastic dancing! And thank you to all of our visitors and club members for the friendship, laughter, and dedication they share, which make our dances so great.

Thanks to our club Co-Presidents, Agnes Niemiec and Barbara Clark, for the fun and creative themes for this year's dances, and to Gayle Bruun and the other volunteers for helping with the fantastic decorations.

Feb 11th is our favorite "Brent Does Broadway", featuring Brent Mawdsley singing all Broadway Tunes.

Feb 25th will be "Johnny Appleseed" theme Student Level Dance and Pie Social, with a nice selection of experienced clothing for sale. Guest Caller Heather Wallace, from Canada, will be calling and cueing.

Happy New Year from **RAINBOW SQUARES!**

Lew & Oren Gaskill, olgaskill@comcast.net

WHIDBEY WHIRLERS will have a Valentine Level Dance February 11 with John Corrigan calling and Bob and Linda Berka cueing. John will also have a mainstream workshop 7:30-8:00 p.m. Rounds and squares are 8:00-10:00 p.m. Bring your sweetheart and join us for a fun-filled evening. Our dances are held at the Coupeville Rec Hall.

Our famous Soup/Chili Supper and dance will be February 25 starting with Steve Noseck calling plus dancing 4:00-6:00 p.m. After we're stuffed with good food, we'll have our regular schedule with Steve calling and Bob and Linda cueing. We look forward to dancers joining us from several clubs.

Harley & Mary Sittner, hmsittner@frontier.com

The **FIDALGO FOGCUTTERS** Plus Club had a really busy January. We participated with three other mainstream clubs to ring in 2012 at our New Year's Eve Dance at the Skagit Valley Grange in Sedro Woolley. We danced and

celebrated to the music and entertainment of Dave and Bonnie Harry with their “aLive Sound” and the cueing of Bob and Linda Berka. Many dancers from North Puget Sound helped to ring in New Year 2012, and a great time was had by all.

Also in January the club hosted the Friday night state meeting dance with Steve Noseck as caller and Bob and Linda Berka as cuers; four clubs from our council caravanned in to a really fun night of dancing to kick off the state meeting weekend, which was hosted by Mt. Baker Council.

The Fogcutters sponsored a Plus Workshop mid-January with club caller John Corrigan teaching at our grange hall, and has scheduled another Plus Workshop on March 10th from 1-3:30 pm.

In February we have caravans scheduled to the Samena Squares on the 10th, and to the Whidbey Whirler's Plus Afternoon and Soup Supper on the 25th. With the addition of our two regularly planned plus dances on February 3rd with our own John Corrigan and the Berkas, and February 17th with Stephen Cole and the Berkas, it will be another full month of dancing.

Gailyn Ploeg, ploegrj@msn.com

CHECKERBOARDS enjoyed our traditional Rock and Roll 50's dance in January with Debbie and Greg coming up with great music for us to dance to as we revisit the fashions of the day. As always, there was a nice selection of poodle skirts and a few “pedal pushers” in the mix.

Several of our members made an annual trek down to the Oregon Mid-Winter Festival in Albany, Oregon, and enjoyed dancing to Jerry Junk.

We have a new crop of students that are blooming under the tutelage of Ray Gallagher. Some of them signed on during our fall demonstrations that Glenda Gow worked on so diligently, to expand our exposure in the community.

February brings longer days and our romantic Sweetheart Ball, with our wonderful caller, Greg Weber and marvelous cuer, Debbie Taylor. The annual Alzheimer's Fund Raiser is scheduled the last Sunday of February in the Masonic Hall in Edmonds and is always well supported by the Checkerboards as Joe Bahr is so dear to us.

Sheryl Landry, saastro@juno.com

“Keep words soft and sweet in case you have to eat them.” This is the month of candy and valentines and sweet words like “Let's go dancing, honey.” It is a weight bearing exercise which builds strong bones and muscles.

HAPPY HOPPERS got to have John and Wendy Syrstad for one fun Christmas dance. We were also treated to pictures with Mr. and Mrs. Santa. It was a warm gathering of friends.

Coming Events: The Hoppers welcome Kevin Thomaier for our Sweetheart dance on February 4. Kevin has a fine following at his dances. On February 18, our students will be moving into the realm of real mainstream dancers and the caller for them will be Rem Remington. He will be new for our students so they are looking forward to this event.

CHECKERBOARD SQUARES

MS, 2nd & 4th Sat 7:30-10:30pm @ Masonic Hall, Edmonds ~ Greg Weber/Debbie Taylor (425) 338-2255

DANCING SHADOWS

Rounds, 1st & 3rd Sat 7:30-10:30 pm @ Lake City Community Center, Seattle ~ Debbie & Paul Taylor (425) 483-6701

DUDES AND DOLLS

MS, 2nd, 4th & 5th Fri 7:30-10:30 pm @ Cedar Valley Grange, Lynnwood ~ Scott Coon & Guest Callers/Debbie Taylor (425) 486-8587

FERN BLUFF SQUARES

MS, Family, 2nd Sat 7:00-10 pm @ East County Senior Center, Monroe ~ Ray Gallagher/Linda Nold (360) 805-6853

FIDALGO FOGCUTTERS

PL, 1st & 3rd Fri 7:30-10:30 pm @ Skagit Valley Grange, Sedro-Woolley ~ John Corrigan - 1st Fri, Guest Caller - 3rd Fri/Bob Berka (360) 707-2466

FREEWHEELERS

MS, 1st & 3rd (some 5th) Sun 7-10 pm @ Lake City Community Center, Seattle ~ Roger Spiese/Debbie Taylor ~ (425) 337-5441

HAPPY HOPPERS

MS, 1st & 3rd Sat @ Stillaguamish Senior Center, Arlington ~ Guest Callers/Shirley Cook ~ (360) 387-8727

HAPPY ROUNDERS

Rounds, Ph 3-4, Tues 7:30-9:30 pm @ The Hayloft, Lynnwood ~ Randy Preskitt (425) 348-6030, (206) 364-4173

K-9 CORPS

PL, 2nd & 4th Fri @ Sammamish Valley Grange, Woodinville ~ Dave Knien/Stephanie Speelman (425) 778-6163

MT. BAKER SINGLES

MS, 2nd Fri 7:30-10:30 pm @ Skagit Valley Grange, Sedro-Woolley ~ Dave & Bonnie Harry (360) 629-6380

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RAINBOW SQUARES

MS, 2nd & 4th Sat 8-10 pm @ Ten Mile Grange, Lynden ~ Brent & Therese Mawsley ~ (360) 738-8186

SAMENA SQUARES

MS, 2nd & 4th Fri 7:30-10:30pm @ Juanita Community Club, Kirkland ~ Guest Callers/Cuers ~(425) 823-6581

SHIRTS-N-SKIRTS

MS, Teens, Wed 6:30-9 pm @ Canyon Park Jr Hi, Bothell ~ Randy & Marie Preskitt ~ (425) 348-6030

SKAGIT SQUARES

MS, 3rd Sat 7:30-10 pm @ Mt Vernon Senior Center, Mt Vernon ~ John Corrigan/Bob Berka ~ (360) 424-9675

SKY VALLEY WHIRLWINDS

MS, 3rd Fri 7:30-10:30 pm @ Triway Grange, Mill Creek ~ Guest Callers/John Neverdowski ~ (425) 334-4934

STANWOOD SASHAYERS

MS, 1st Sat 7:30-10:30 pm @ Floyd Norgaard Cultural Center, Stanwood ~ Ray Gallagher/Bob Berka ~ (360) 387-5055

WHIDBEY WHIRLERS

MS, 2nd & 4th Sat 7:30-10:30 pm @ Coupeville Rec Cntr, Coupeville ~ Guest Callers/Bob Berka (360) 293-0472

WHIRLYBIRDS

MS, 1st Fri & Sat, & 3rd Sat 7:30-10:30 pm @ The Hayloft, Lynnwood ~ Dave Harry/Roxanne Boelter (425) 806-8423

WOODINVILLE SQUARE CROWS

MS, 1st & 3rd Fri 7:30-10:30 pm @ Sammamish Valley Grange, Woodinville ~ Guest Callers/Linda Nold (360) 863-8112

Website <www.sqdance.org>

See 2011-2012 State Directory for street addresses of halls.

One more: In March , on the 3rd, the pliable, moving baritone will be at the Hoppers for an afternoon of Plus from 3-5 pm. He will not let us loose 'til we dance a wild and lively Mainstream dance that same night. Pre rounds start at 7:30 and the show goes from 8 to 10:30pm. Oh, the caller is.....MIKE SIKORSKY!

Get yourselves in shape.

Jean Raymond, frjr@msn.com

On January 15th the **FREEWHEELERS** brought in the New Year 2012 with an all singing calls Snowflake Dance featuring Roger Spiese, with Debbie Taylor doing the cueing. Debbie and Paul Taylor enjoy more snow at their home in the mountains than most of us so we honor them with a "Snowflake Dance" each January. We visited the Samena Squares on January 13th.

Our 2nd session of Mainstream dance classes began Wednesday, January 18th, and will continue for 14 weeks until April 18th, 2012. Dennis "Spider" Webb is teaching at the Lake City Community Center from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. Spider will continue Plus lessons before each Mainstream class from 6:30 to 7:30 pm.

We enjoyed a 5th Sunday Sadie Hawkins dance on the 29th with guest caller, Willie Sewell, and Debbie Taylor cueing. It was ladies choice all evening with the men choosing a partner on the 3rd tip. We hope you will join us for our first dance in February on the 5th and again on the 19th.

Please remember to support the Alzheimer's Benefit Dance on February 26th, 2012 at the Edmonds Masonic Hall. There will be quite a lineup of callers and cuers and all proceeds go to a very worthy cause.

Happy 2012!

Ruth Jester, ruthjester@frontier.com

WOODINVILLE SQUARE CROWS have had a fruitful year in 2011 with an expanded membership due mostly to our year-round student classes from which several active new members have come. This past year the new 16-week training schedule that is now catching on with other clubs throughout Western Washington was an experiment for us, too. After some tinkering we found this new format to be superior in several ways compared to the much longer once-per-year training cycle traditionally used by our club and others.

In addition, we have rededicated ourselves to hiring the best callers & cuers we can find in Western Washington in order to fill our schedule with themed dances that have more decorations and auxiliary events than ever to greet our visiting dancers. Also, we have aggressively expanded our revenue stream by raising membership renewal and dance lesson fees in addition to filing an application for IRS code section 501(c)(3) tax exempt status for our club to attract more and greater "angel" donations. To date we have not raised dance fees though we are considering this since costs have risen and door fees have not changed in more than 20 years.

Meeting the challenge of maintaining a viable and progressive square

dance club in year 2012 is our highest priority. While we recognize that some social and economic factors may, in general, be working against the square dance community at various levels, we are firmly committed to providing a thriving local community focal point for healthy and fun family entertainment through our wonderful brand of American folk dance. In that light we are very appreciative of the inter-club support and friendly helpfulness of all of our affiliated clubs in the Mount Baker Council. After all, we are in this together.

Paul Quistgard, paulquistgard@aol.com

SAMENA SQUARES only had one dance in December, and that was our Candy Cane Level Ball. Besides the standard red or green attire, some of us wore dressy attire for the event. Susan Morris was our caller and Karen Neverdowski was our cuer for the evening. We had a lovely turnout of new dancers join us at our dance. Just because there was only one dance, that didn't mean we didn't see each other more. Every year we attend a Christmas function. This year many of us attended a performance at the Kirkland Performing Arts Center. We were amused and entertained by singing, tap dancing, juggling, and a memorable rendition of "The Night Before Christmas". A few more people joined us as we went on to the next part of the afternoon which was dinner at Big Fish restaurant. The restaurant was well equipped for our large group, featuring a variety of entrees to please each one of us. We had our own separate room at the restaurant which allowed us to get out of our seats some and move around and converse more than we would in a standard restaurant environment. The evening festivities culminated with a gift exchange back at Juanita Community Club. Chocolate seems to be a favorite gift for people at an exchange of this nature. Jeff, one of our members, had lined up some special cupcakes for the evening so we didn't even have to worry about bringing any treats for it.

As if a Christmas event wasn't enough, many of us joined together on New Year's Eve for a special night together. Square dancing is more than just an activity. It is a circle of friends.

February will feature our Hopelink Dance on the 10th with Steve Noseck and John Neverdowski and on the 24th will be our Backward Dance with Susan Morris and Karen Neverdowski. I don't think we've ever had a Backward Dance before, so this could be interesting. Hope you can join us. The more the merrier!

Barbara Hubert, hubertones@hotmail.com

The **WOODINVILLE SQUARE CROWS** enjoyed a fun start to the year with a very successful first dance of January called by Jim Hattrick, and our fun second dance on January 20th called by local favorite Andy Garboden with Karen Neverdowski cueing.

Our student classes had taken a break for two weeks over the holidays and got back into full swing on January 10th with our student graduation dance on January 31st. New 8-week classes start again on Tuesday, February 7th at 7:30 p.m. with caller Andy Garboden continuing on as square dance instructor.

As usual, we Square Crows have our dances on the first and 3rd Fridays in February so be sure to put us on your calendar.

We are looking forward to a marvelous spring with two major square dance venues coming our way. The Woodinville Square Crows are sponsoring the Mt. Baker Council Spring Dance this year on Saturday, March 31st. The location is in Mill Creek at the Heatherwood Middle School. The caller is Doug Davis and the cuer is Randy Preskitt. The most appropriate dance theme is "Dancin' in the Rain".

And, of course, the 61st National Square Dance Convention is soon upon us with a date of June 27th. We are excited to be joining dancers from all over the world at this unique Spokane gala.

Paul Quistgard, paulquistgard@aol.com

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NORTH CENTRAL COUNCIL is having a Subscription Dance February 5th at the East Wenatchee Grange from 2 pm - 5 pm

Dance will be from 2 - 4 pm, with Potluck meal to follow.

Jackie Chase

BUDS & BLOSSOMS Big event for Buds & Blossoms in February is our annual Valentine Dance And Spaghetti Dinner which will be Friday, February 10 this year. Once again Daron and Jim will be back for this big event. Daron Tandberg calling and Jim Spence will cue. Everybody turns out for this one so mark it on your schedule and be sure to be there.

During February, Buds & Blossoms will have lesson/workshops each Tuesday evening and Friday dances on the 17th and 24th, Sterling McKenzie calling, Fran Lucas cueing, all at Beacon Hill Grange Hall in Wenatchee.

Don Richardson ventusnord@aol.com

4X8's Well the holidays are over. Hope everyone had a great holiday season. The 4 x 8's Christmas party was lots of fun with 57 members and students in attendance. Also, there were 60 of us in attendance at our Christmas dance on Dec. 18th. Students are doing exceptionally well and will be graduating soon. Also, the advanced members have been working on round and plus moves. And now we are all looking forward to spring.

Mabel Hawkes hawkesm@q.com

APPLELAND PROMENADERS The East Wenatchee Grange was the place to be on December 16th, as more than five squares of APPLELAND PROMENADERS danced to the seasonal tunes of John and Wendy Syrstad. Also, it was the graduation for the club's twelve new dancers. An additional four dancers went through the class to refresh their skills. Everyone had a great time.

February 3rd brings Dave & Sharon Boggs our direction to call and cue. Caller Tom Clymer and cuer Jim Spence will pair up again on February 11th. We love visitors--come join us anytime.

Kay White kwhite@nwi.net

CASCADE TWIRLERS December 3rd dance, our annual Mens Nite Out, with Jim Compton and Noelle Miller calling & cueing was a very good dance. They did a good job of honoring our men. December 17th Gavin Siem called our Christmas dance with Marilyn Holman cueing. We collected food for

a family for a dinner and also to help fill thier cupboard. Hopefully it made a happy Christmas for them.

February 4th is our annual Ladies Nite Out with Andy Garboden calling and Jim Spence cueing. The ladies are looking forward to this dance and hope you will come and join us. Andy is a fun caller and Jim a great cuer. We will be cancelled March 3rd for 4x8 anniversary dance. We always have such a good time. March 17th will be our anniversary dance with Greg & Sue Weber calling & cueing. This will be our black light dance with a touch of green. Hope to see you all there. Happy dancing

Noelle Miller noellemcues@charter.net

WHEATLAND WHIRLERS only had one dance in December and that was with Jim Compton and Noelle Miller doing the calling and cueing. It was a very fun dance. Our 2nd dance was cancelled for Christmas, so all families could travel to be together.

Our February 11th dance, our Sweethearts dance, with be with Dave & Sharon Boggs, our Sweetheart couple. On February 25th we will be dancing to Kirk Holman calling and Marilyn Holman cueing. A great son & mom team, proving square dancing is a family affair. See you in a square

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Buds & Blossoms-Mixed Level

2nd/3rd/4th Fri. Beacon Hill Grange, 323 Easy St., Wenatchee
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Cascade Twirlers-Mainstream

1st & 3rd Sat. East Wenatchee Grange, 3400 Sunset Hwy. East Wenatchee
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Moses Lake 4X8's-Mainstream

1st & 3rd Sat. Moses Lake Senior Center, 608 E. 3rd Ave., Moses Lake
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Plus Bunch-Plus Level

1st & 3rd Mon. East Wenatchee Grange, 3400 Sunset Hwy. East Wenatchee
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CIRCLE SQUARES, and **COUNTRY SQUARES**, have a dance coming up on Feb. 4th. with DOUG (Priscilla) DAVIS from Colbert. The cuer is Regine Anderson from Penticton. All dances are FREE, dancing at Tonasket Grade School, 35 Hwy. 20 E. Potluck starts a 6pm and the Round Dance at 7pm. Dancing the squares are 7:30 to 10pm. Finger food to follow.

Next dance is on March 31, 5th Saturday, with ROB (Vicki) KRUM.

This dance has the same time for potluck and dancing as Feb.

This is our last year and hope we will be visiting in the future to dance with you all.

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The **POULSBO PROMENADERS** got together on December 10th for a Christmas party -- great exchange of gifts and sharing of the holiday spirit. Some gifts were livelier than others! We also made our get together a potluck and as usual, the food and company were wonderful.

Poulsbo Promenaders will hold a birthday/anniversary dance on February 17th, 2012. This dance will mark 37 years and will feature Willie Sewell and Don Wiggins as callers and Pat Wiggins as cuer. Looking forward to seeing you at our dance!

Sharon & George Broom geobrooms@aol.com

ROUND SQUARES met at Dan and Reva Dubiak's home on December 11th for their annual Christmas party, which was a huge success. A wonderful potluck was enjoyed by all, with a ham and turkey cooked by the Dubiaks. A gift exchange (along with some stealing) and a Foodline donation over one hundred dollars were the highlights of the day. Our caller Willie and Missie Sewell and cuer Joyce Sebree were able to attend this year.

Our dance in December was great fun with Willie Sewell calling and Joyce Sebree cueing. All enjoyed our beautifully decorated hall. Our own Peggy Fix does such a great job figuring out what the decorations will be each month.

All at the New Year's Eve dance at KSDC had a great time with Mike Desisto and Wayne Easton calling and Jill Spiese cueing.

Hope you all came out to enjoy the calling of Willie Sewell and Joyce Sebree at our 4th Saturday Dance in January.

We dance February 25th (7:30-*:00 P.M. Plus and 8:00- 10:00 P.M. Mainstream) with Willie calling and Joyce cueing. March is our Anniversary month. Round Squares will be 58 years on March 24th (fourth Saturday) with Willie and Joyce. Please come and help us celebrate.

Betty & Gale Force Ruth & Russ Richardson rr_rmrichardson@comcast.net

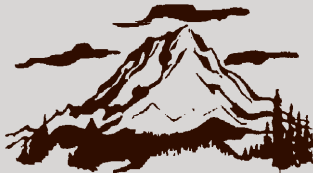
The New Year has arrived and Clubs are busy with starting up new Square and Round Dance Classes. The Snow Birds are off enjoying warmer weather and the diehards are still keeping the home fires burning. **PAWS AND TAWS** are doing some household things like cleaning closets and sending our extra Square Dance outfits to KSDA's Second Life Sale to be held in February. Some how after the Christmas holidays we have a few that do not fit quite as nice as they used to.

Our prayers go out to Judy Cochran's family; many dancers will miss her.

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Christmas and the New Years dances were a lot of fun – great to see all our friends dancing. **GIG HARBOR TWIRLERS** wishing you all a Happy Valentines Month!

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RAINIER COUNCIL is in love..... Ok perhaps not, but in honor of Valentines day it seemed like a good opener. The dance season is off and running with one month down and 11 to go there is much still to look forward to. The Footnotes dance is happening this month (See South sound singles article).

Spring Festival is happening in Sumner this year. Come on down to Sumner on March 31st (5th Saturday), and celebrate spring with a Mainstream Spring Festival dance. Feel free to dress up as any of your favorite movie stars or any of the characters they have portrayed thru the years. Dressing up not your style? **NOT A PROBLEM**-just come on down and dance with us as you are (Clothes are **NOT** optional, but costumes/Traditional attire are). Remember You are **IMPORTANT**, you are Rainier Council.

Mike Bowen

HAPPY NEW YEAR from the **RAINIER CALLERS AND CUERS ASSOCIATION!** In December, we enjoyed the much anticipated Christmas luncheon with our fellow colleagues from surrounding councils. We also invited the Presidents of the Rainier Council clubs to show them how much we appreciate their work in running the clubs. It's always a fun time socializing "off" the dance floor and getting to know them all a little better. It's an annual event that this reporter looks forward to every year. Several door prizes were given. The recipients were Kathy Christensen, Aileen Kappenman, Mike Grater, Jess Thomas, Lorraine Rouse, Frank Fohn Thal Crutchfield, and Sierra Weber. A **HUGE** thanks to the Chairmen of this event, Steve and Sherry Haslett.

Some of our members are going to be starting a new beginner class soon and could always use more angels at these lessons. Our next meeting will be held on the 3rd Sunday in January at the San Souci Mobile Estates clubhouse at 1:00 pm. Although that meeting will have already passed by the time you read this, we will be back again on the 3rd Sunday in February and we always enjoy visitors. For address and/or directions, please call Tom Tomlinson at 253-770-7447.

Sue Weber Sue.weber@mil.wa.gov



**Rainier Council's "Down Under"
Eve of New Years Eve Dance**

Photos by Anita Miller

The **SOUTH SOUND SINGLES** have lots going on this winter. We have three dances planned in February. We love having visitors. It is seeing and dancing with all of you that make it so much fun. On January 28th we visited the Bonney Lads 'N' Lassies for their anniversary dance. We have our anniversary dance on February 4th at Collins Grange. Pre-rounds start at 7:30pm and mainstream at 8:00pm. The Bonney Lads 'N' Lassies will be visiting us for our birthday dance. Happy Birthday South Sound Singles. February 18th is our Sweetheart dance. Bring your sweetheart and join in the fun. Of course, Kenny Freeman and Lorraine Rouse do such a fabulous job calling and cueing for us. Then on Sunday, February 26th, from 1:30pm to 3:30pm, at Collins Grange, we are hosting the Footnotes Ball. If you subscribe to the Footnotes publication for the next year (that afternoon), you dance for free. Oh, I don't want to forget to mention we will be celebrating our graduating students in March.

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The **SPINNERS** honored their long-time president, Dave Pearcy, and his wife, Nina, at the November dance by presenting them with a scrapbook of their square dance history. Especially notable were the pictures of Dave and Nina's square dance 'wedding' where a memorable event was Nina's wheelbarrow ride. Our Christmas Ornament Exchange dance exceeded all our expectations with six lively squares crowding the dance floor. We are looking forward to our 'teddy bear' dance in January this year, with the hopes that Elvis just might appear. Many thanks to the clubs who caravanned to these dances - Solo Squares, Phils & Philies, and Pi-R-Squares.

Tweak your chili recipes and join in the competition chili cook-off on February 3 at our Western dance. This will be a student level dance. Calling and Cueing is our popular team, Greg and Sue Weber. And mark your calendars for our annual Poker Run on March 2 featuring Joker's Wild (callers Greg Weber and Steve Haslett). Dance location: Buckley Hall. See you there.

Marjorie Eldred

Greetings from the **SWINGING SQUARES!** We hope 2012 has gotten off to a great start for you.

Both of our Plus dances in February will feature the color RED. Friday, February 10th is our Valentines' Dance and Friday, February 24th will be our Red, White, and Blue Presidents' Day dance.

Our dances are held at the Sumner Dance Center, 1705 Willow St. They begin at 7:30 with Lorraine Rouse's Round Dance workshop, including various phases and requests (and often the Dance of the Month). Then our caller, Tom Tomlinson, joins Lorraine for our dance from 8-10:30.

Tom's 7:00 -9:00 Tuesday evening Plus workshops are going very well, so if you're a plus dancer who wants to brush up or just have a good time, you'll enjoy them a lot. Tom also cues some round dances during breaks for your dancing pleasure. They're at the same location as our dances -Sumner Dance Center. Please tell your friends too. We're already looking forward to our 50th birthday dance on. Friday, May 11th. It will be a special Mainstream Dance and we hope to have many dancers and previous dancers celebrating with us.

Mary Kun, marmikk@comcast.net

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Every **ROUSE-A-ROUNDS**
Lorraine Rouse

Collins Grange
6:30 Beg., 8-9:30 Phase 2+EZ 3
Dance 4th Mon., 7-10
253-846-8203

WEDNESDAY

Every **EVERGREEN ROUNDS**
Pat Wiggins

Edgewood Grange
7-8:30 Beg; club dance 8:30-10
253-445-4691

FRIDAY

2nd **SPINNERS**
Greg Weber/Sue Weber
(September & October)

Buckley Hall
8-10:30 MS/QS
360-829-0251

2nd **YOUNG BUNCH**
Mark Sebree/Pat Wiggins

Collins Grange
7:30 Pre-Rounds, 8-10:30 MS/QS
253-472-9092

2nd/4th **SWINGING SQUARES**
Tom Tomlinson/ Lorraine Rouse
(2nd & 4th Friday, September-June)

Valley Square Dance Hall
7:30 Pre-Rounds, 8-10:30 Plus/QS
253-845-3481

5th **SOUTH SOUND SINGLES**

Collins Grange
253-851-5773 call for information

SATURDAY

1st **NW CALLERS ASSOCIATION**

Cedar Grange
253-445-4691; mtg w/dances TBA

1st & 3rd **SOUTH SOUND SINGLES**
Kenny Freeman/Lorraine Rouse

Collins Grange
7:30 Pre-Rounds, 8-10:30 MS/QS/Plus Tip
253-851-5773

1st & 3rd **SWINGNUTS**
Leo Catt/Stephanie Speelman

Valley Square Dance Hall
7:30-8 Pre-Rds; 8-10:30MS/Rds/Plus Tip
253-230-0827

2nd & 4th **BONNEY LADS 'N' LASSIES**
Steve Haslett/Lorraine Rouse
(2nd Saturday, July and August)

Collins Grange
7:30 Pre-Rounds, 8-10:30 MS/QS/Plus Tip
253-846-7943 or 253-531-9223

2nd & 4th **BLAZING STARS**
Kevin Thomaier/Lynn Peltola
(except August)

Steele Lake Grange
6:30-10 A-2/QS/Plus
425-881-8190 or 206-244-5196

2nd & 4th **ROAMIN' TACOMANS**
Tom Tomlinson
(July=4th Sat, Aug=2nd Sat)

Valley Square Dance Hall
7:30 Pre-Rounds, 8-10:30 MS/Plus/QS
253-447-4218 (2nd Sat +; 1st Sat MS)

Sunday

2nd **ROCKIN' TEENS**
Brett Kappenman/Sue Weber
(September thru June)

Valley Square Dance Hall
5:30 Pre-Rounds, 6:00-8 MS/QS/Plus Tip
253-474-9889

3rd **RAINIER CALLERS & CUERS**

Sans Souci Mobile Estates
12:30-2:30 workshop
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SOU'WESTER COUNCIL wishes everyone a Happy Valentine's Day and hopes that you will celebrate this happy holiday by dancing! Many clubs have special dances planned for February, some to honor hard working members and others to recognize friendship set to music. We hope you will be able to attend one more dance in February than you usually do to celebrate. This is a great mouth to show new dancers the warmth and friendships that develop through dancing. Invite a new dancer to go with you to one of your visitation.

At **R SQUARE D'S** Christmas Toy dance, we collected \$278.00 in toys to give to the Salvation Army. We also sponsored a family with a Christmas dinner



and gift certificate. After we decorated our caller and cuer they looked like reindeer or a Christmas tree with antlers. They pranced around in their Christmas slippers calling and cueing to four squares of dancers. It was a class level dance with lots of goodies to eat at break time.

We got our club flag back from the "Sunset Promenaders" at our Christmas potluck dinner and meeting, which was held at Helen and Bob Leu's. The flag was given to our President as a gift, along



with other gift exchanging. We had a great time at our visitation to the Happy Hoppers.

We continue to work on the Kelso Senior center making it our home for dancing. Our Valentine's Dance will be February 10th. We also dance on the 4th Saturday of each month.

Our second set of lessons will start February 29th. For information call Dick or Sandy (360) 749-3963. See you in a square soon.

Arlene Evanson, reporter

GRAND SQUARES of Olympia enjoyed many fun events during the past holidays. Our usual Christmas party was again held at Glenn and Nancy Raiha's beautiful home overlooking the bay. They cook ham for us to enjoy and everyone else brings planned potluck dishes to add to the dinner. Um-mm – good! A white elephant “take a way” gift exchange brings many laughs - some dismay at what you see on opening the gift – and you probably don't go home with what you really wanted! After this we enjoy Christmas goodies bought by the attendees, add pounds by eating too many and enjoy visiting with everyone. This year we seemed to want to solve the economy problems of our nation. At least we think we are solving them!

Next came another great dance of the basic 51 moves so the new dancers can attend a real dance. These dances seem to be attracting dancers from all levels. Everyone wants to show these new dancers what real fun this really is and how many new friendships can be made. People are still looking for activities like square dancing.

The club still welcomes traveling clubs. In February we will be having the Penguins visit Mardi Gratis. Plan to come dance with us, good callers, good dancing, and good food. We will be looking for you!

Lee & Catherine Eason Leason@aol.com

Greetings from **SQUARE ONE PLUS CLUB!!** Our Christmas dinner was well attended by 25 members. Olive Garden did a great job with the food and of course doing the dishes. Less stress for all of us and a chance to sit and visit with people.

Square One is back to our regular dancing at Lac--A-Do Hall in Olympia on the 1st Friday of the month and 3rd Sunday of the month. We had graduation of our PLUS Students on January 15th at our regular dance. Ten students learned their PLUS moves from our club caller Gunter Monroe. We have not decided on workshops at this time, but will let you know if we will offer them.

In February, we dance on Friday the 3rd and Sunday the 19th. Our club caller Gunter Monroe and club cuer George Haller. We will have a travel to the Roamin Tacomans on February 11th.

BIG NEWS for March !!! We are having our 30th ANNIVERSARY SPRING/FLING DINNER & DANCE, FRIDAY MARCH 2nd. We are considered a “young club” of 30 years, but think that is still a long time to be dancing. We will have a turkey dinner from 6:30-7:30 PM Pre-rounds 7:30- 8 PM with club cuer

George Haller PLUS DANCE 8-10 with guest callers Kevin Thomaier & Glen Raiha. They do a wonderful job calling together. We hope that you can join us for our 30 years of PLUS Dancing in March. Any Square One member can get your tickets so hope to see you all there! Don't forget Friday March 2nd Lac-A-Do Hall for a GREAT dinner and dance.

Peggy & Scott Smith pegscott29@comcast.net

LASDA (Longview Area Square Dance Association) is no more. If you haven't heard we lost our square dance hall. We were notified by the City of Longview in June that the property was being sold and we would have to vacate by end of October. THEN...just before Labor Day we were told the sale fell through. Since the clubs had already managed to re-locate and contracts signed, there was nothing we could do. The hall was obtained in 1978 through a grant to the City, the inside redone by fellow dancers including laying a floating dance floor and then was maintained by dancers ever since.

LASDA held their free "Farewell" final dance on October 15th preceded by a last potluck in the hall. Jim Raupp was caller MC and Susan Healea was cuer MC. Many clubs were in attendance filling the hall. It was a great dance, but sad for many who had been there since getting the hall. Then came the clearing out of 33 years accumulation. Dancers who donated items could redeem them, then clubs made their requests and then local dancers had their choice plus helping to store some things in their garages. Thanks to Lac-A-Do for taking many items. The hall was cleared of everything. Not even a chair was left to sit on. It was so very sad to see it vacant.

November 19th LASDA officers, trustees and some dancers met for dinner and then held their last meeting. LASDA's treasurers books had been audited and found to be balanced and in order. Money in the account was divided up between the three clubs and LASDA was officially declared dissolved and cease existence by unanimous vote. All we have now is memories of a great hall to have danced in. Betty Clifton sqkats@q.com

RUFF AND RUFFLES hopes all had a wonderful holiday season and that the new year brings many more great dancing memories. Their Christmas Dance was really fun with Jim Raupp and Susan Healea doing all Christmas songs. They all had fun dancing with friends from R Square D, Cougar Squares, and Stardust Dancers. They also had Christmas gifts and food donations of over \$400 that they donated to the Salvation Army. What a generous bunch!

They will continue to have guest callers in the months ahead. For information on who will be calling, call Neil at 360-636-2276 or Peggy at 503-556-2319. All the dances will be at their new home at the Catlin Grange Hall (205 Shawnee St. Kelso, WA). They would like to invite everyone to their 59th Anniversary Dance and Sweetheart Ball on February 18, 2012. George Clark, formerly from The Promenade Shop, will call squares and Susan will cue rounds.

The Rosevear's would like to thank all those who helped make their 50th Wedding Anniversary party on December 11, 2011 a fun time.

Neil Rosevear, nerosevear@gmail.com

Come Dance with Sou'Wester Clubs

(Note the changes of locations and days) for some clubs

Tuesday

1st **Round-A-Bouts** Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-9:00
Ron Woolcock, cuer ROUNDS phases 2-3

Thursday

1st & 3rd **Stardust Dancers** Catlin Grange 7:30-9:30
Susan Healea, cuer ROUNDS phases 2-4

Friday

1st **Square One Plus Club** Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-10:30
Gunter Monroe, caller, George Haller, cuer PLUS

2nd **Rhythm Rounders Fun Dance** Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-10:00
Randy Wulf, cuer ROUNDS phases 2-5

2nd **R Square D** Kelso Senior Center 7:30-10:00
Craig Abercrombie, caller, Lonnie Sycks, cuer SQUARES AND ROUNDS

3rd **Round-A-Bouts** Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-9:30
Ron Woolcock, cuer ROUNDS phases 2-3

4th **Capitol Singles** Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-10:30
Don Wood, caller, Randy Wulf, cuer SQUARES AND ROUNDS

Saturday

1st **Cougar Squares** St Francis Parish Hall, 139 Spencer Rd. Toledo
Jim Raupp, caller/cuer SQUARES AND ROUNDS 7:30-10:30

1st **Harbor Haylofters** Aberdeen Eagles 200 W Market 7:30-10:30
Randy & Chris Carlson SQUARES AND ROUNDS

1st **Lacey Daisys** Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-10:30
Don Wood, caller, Ron Woolcock cuer SQUARES AND ROUNDS

2nd **Olympia Do-Si-Dos** Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-10:30
Jim Hatrick, caller Joyce Sebree, cuer, SQUARES AND ROUNDS

2nd **Prairie Steppers** Oakview Grange, 2700 N. Pearl, Cent. 7:30-10:30
Don Wood, caller, Lonnie Sycks, cuer SQUARES AND ROUNDS

3rd **Ruff and Ruffles** Catlin Grange 8:00-10:30
Guest Callers, Susan Healea, cuer SQUARES AND ROUNDS

3rd **Grand Squares** Lac-A-Do Hall, Olympia, 7:30-10:30
Glenn Raiha, caller, Ron Woolcock, cuer, SQUARES AND ROUNDS

4th **R Square D** Kelso Senior Center 7:30- 10:00
Craig Abercrombie, caller, Lonnie Sycks, cuer, SQUARES AND ROUNDS

4th **Rhythm Rounders** Lac-A-Do Hall, Olympia 6:00-9:00
George Haller, cuer, ROUNDS phases 3-6

Sunday

Every **Double A's** Lac-A-Do Hall, Olympia 4:00-6:00
Jack Hardin, caller, George Haller, Cuer ADVANCED

3rd **Square One Plus Club** Lac-A-Do Hall Olympia, 6:30-9:00
Gunter Monroe, caller, George Haller, cuer PLUS

Addresses for places where there is more than one dance a month

Lac-A-Do Hall 1721-46th Avenue NE, Olympia,
Catlin Grange 205 Shawnee Street, Kelso
Kelso Senior Center 106 NW 8th Avenue, Kelso

Many of the **ROUND-A-BOUTS** renewed old acquaintances and had a great time dancing the New Year “IN”, at the Olympia Area Square Dance Inc. (OSDAI) New Years Eve dance at Lac-A-Do hall. The Do Si Do’s hosted an outstanding event with Willie Sewell and Joyce Sebree performing their skillful work of calling and cueing. Round-A-Bouts sincerely hopes that everyone has a wonderful year in 2012.

Randy & Rose Wulf continue doing a wonderful job as club teachers. The intermediate workshops have been especially well attended and they have recently completed the dance “Carnival”. The Tuesday beginning Two-Step class is going well.

Our cuer couple, Ron and Georgine Woolcock are preparing to go to “Caller Lab” in Nashville this April, this is part of their duties of being Chairman of Roundalab. They are also working with Randy and Rose on the Showcase and Teaching Committee for the 61st National Convention in Spokane. If you haven’t already done so, please register and go it will be a long time before another National Convention is held so close to this area again.

Again, Happy New Year Everyone! Please come out and dance Rounds with us at Lac-A-do hall. We Dance the first Tuesday and the third Friday of each month. The next dances are Tuesday February 7th and Friday February 17th. Please come out for some great Phase II and III round dancing, some fun, and you too ... can dance circles “around” everyone here at Lac-A-Do hall. (1721 46th Ave NE).

garygerdes@comcast.net

The **PRAIRIE STEPPERS** hope you’ve had a great start to 2012. We traveled to the Cougar Squares Thankful Christmas Dance on December 3. The Cougars served their traditional turkey dinner followed by dancing to Jim Raupp’s calling and Susan Healea’s cueing. Santa was too busy to attend.

At our Christmas dance, Santa did take time out to call some favorite Christmas tunes while Lonnie Sycks provided the cueing. All of our guests received gifts while sitting on Santa’s knee before the dinner break.

We welcome back former Prairie Steppers Jim and Diana Findley who have recently completed a set of refresher lessons at Lac-A-Do. We’ve also enjoyed having former Prairie Steppers Rick and Linda Allen join us for our last two dances.

We plan to start Modern Western Dancing classes with Centralia Community College Continuing Education Classes. Lessons for Winter Quarter are to be held on Tuesdays from January 3 to March 13 from 7 to 9 PM at the Oakview Grange with Don Wood as instructor.

The theme of our January Dance was Ugly Ties and School Supplies. We planned to collect donations of school supplies or cash to be donated to Andrea Kershner’s class at Fords Prairie Elementary School. Our planned travel was to Ruff and Ruffles dance at their new home in the Catlin Grange in Kelso.

Please plan to attend our February “Let Me Call You Sweetheart Dance” on February 11. The travel for February will be our annual Mystery Trip planned by

Don Wood. This should be a great travel and we hope you'll join us.

Please plan to attend our 2012 Chicken Dance that is scheduled for Saturday, March 31, 2012 at Lac A Do Hall. We will serve our regular chicken dinner prior to the Saturday night dance. The Friday, March 30, 2012 dance will be hosted by the Capitol Singles at Lac A Do. The Saturday events will be: 1:30 to 4 PM Plus Level with Intermediate Rounds, 5:30 PM Chicken Dinner with all the trimmings, 6:30 to 7:30 PM New Dancers' Dance, 7:30 PM Pre-rounds and 8 to 10:30 PM All Singing Calls dance.

Marion Freels, M_librarion@yahoo.com

Hello from the **HARBOR HAYLOFTERS**. This fall, we have been involved in more than just dancing. In November and December we assisted the Aberdeen Eagles in helping a family in need over the holiday season. We collected food and cash donations to give to the family. It was a heart-warming time for all involved.

In November, we held a wreath making party and made over 30 wreaths to sell for our club. They turned out beautiful. A huge thanks to Bruce and Terri Kuhnau for allowing us the use of their workshop and to Guy and June Priest for securing the machines to speed up the process of making the wreaths.

Randy Carlson, our caller, is once again involved in sports at the local high school. While those duties prevent him from calling, we have been blessed with two callers to fill in the slots. Bill Wilson assisted in September and October. In November, Pete Murrey offered his assistance for the rest of the year. We have not had to miss a day of dancing.

Come and join us for dancing when you are in town. As always, we dance on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9 and on the first Saturday of each month (7:30 begin rounds, and 8:00 for mainstream). We dance at the Aberdeen Eagles, 200 W Market, Aberdeen.

Hope your holidays were happy. We look forward to seeing all of you through the rest of the year.

Deborah Bergen, cpbergens@comcast.net

COUGAR SQUARES are looking forward to graduating our new and renewed dancers in a month or so. They are doing very well and have had a chance to dance at our regular dances on the first Saturday of each month because Jim Raupp, our caller, teacher, calls class level tips at each dance. Everyone enjoys the opportunity to dance with new dancers and show them what fun square dancing really is.

We have talked with Santa Claus and set up a date with him for Saturday, December 1, 2012.

He put it on his calendar, so he will be there again next year. There is even some talk about pictures and goodie bags. It isn't too soon to put this date on your calendars either. We all have new blank calendars waiting to be filled. December activities accumulate quickly.

Before next Christmas, however is the National Square Dance Convention

in Spokane. This is square dancing's biggest event of the year and it is in our backyard. What fun to be around so many people that love to dance. Be sure you don't miss out on all the fun and register ASAP if you haven't already.

Cougars dance the first Saturday of each month. Our next dance will be February 4th with plus dancing beginning at 7:30 p.m. and mainstream and rounds at 8:00. There will be class level tips also, so bring your new dancers and let them hear a new voice calling. Jim Raupp is our caller/cuer/teacher. We dance at St Frances Parish Hall just north of Toledo at the blinking light on old highway 99.

We hope to see you in a square somewhere and wish you a Happy Valentine's Day and happy dancing.

Don and Judy Wilson, donjudywilson22@gmail.com

SQUARE 1 PLUS

1st Friday - 7:30 - 10:00 PM

3rd Sunday - 6:30 - 9:00 PM

Gunter Monroe Caller

George Haller Cuer

Lac-a-do Hall, Olympia, WA

Info: 360-754-1830

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Plus 7:30 to 8 pm

Mainstream & Rounds 8 pm to 10:30 pm

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Dance 8:00 – 10:30 PM

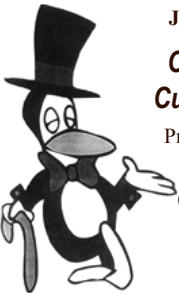
Grand Squares

Lac-A-Do Hall

1721 46th Ave NE

Olympia, WA

360-413-6913



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4th Sat 8:00 - 10:30 MS

3rd Sat Dec only

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Mainstream/every 3rd tip Plus

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Anniversary Dance

March 30, 2012

Caller: Nasser Shukayr (San Antonio, TX)

Cuer: Bill Holm (Pasco, WA)

Plus 7-8 PM

Finger Food

Mainstream 8-10:30PM

w/Inter. Rds

w/Rounds

Western Dance Center 1901 N. Sullivan Rd. Spokane Valley, WA



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**Deb Gruber
Area Reporter**

There were 23 **COEURLY Q'S** members and guests celebrating at our Christmas dance with Adam Christman calling and Justine Brown cueing. Our New Year's Eve dance was a fun party level dance with Ed Schiffner calling and Theresa Nichols cueing. January kept us busy with our club dance and travels to other clubs. We have been asked and will once again be at the Pioneer Days celebration at the Betty Kiefer Elementary School in Rathdrum March 23rd.

Thanks go out to the angels who help new dancers learn the figures and steps. Our next dance is February 4th at the Harding Center. Hope you can join the fun.

Submitted by Nancy Pearson

Having trouble seeing in the dark? Well this is one dance eating your carrots **WILL NOT HELP!** The **DANCING SHADOWS'** third Friday dance at the WDC this month is on Feb. 17th. It will be our Black Light dance. To help you see when the lights go off, you will be fitted with white gloves. It is also a lot of fun to see dancers all aglow with outfits that glimmer in the UV light. Starting at 7pm, Don Cochrane will be calling plus with Carol Shopbell cueing rounds between sets. Mainstream dancing starts at 8pm.

Submitted by Mark Talbot

DIAMOND SQUARES wishes everyone a peaceful and joyful year. Our "Full Moon Madness" dance was well attended and we thank Bob and Ronda Gimlen for hosting the after party. It gave everyone the chance to get together, visit and enjoy the spirit of the festivities. Our Christmas party on December 4th at Old Country Buffet was full of interesting gift ideas. Allen Villars seemed to be our official un-wrapper. His gifts were always stolen, so he got the chance to open more. It was an afternoon of fun and laughter.

Our round dance class wrapped up on December 26, with six new dancers. Four of them joined our club. Thanks to the angels who made learning easier. Diamond Squares hosts square dance classes beginning Monday, January 2, 2012, 7:15 pm at WDC with Bob and Claudia Amsbury teaching. February 11th is our "Mardi Gras" dance. Join us and find out who our "sweetheart recipient" will be this year. It's always a surprise that keeps everyone guessing. We hope to see you at our dances or travel dances somewhere enjoying our favorite activity.

Submitted by Nelly Christofferson

The **JACKS & JENNY'S** had a wonderful time at the Christmas dance hosted by the Dancing Shadows. Our own Christmas dance kept us moving to the calling and cueing of our own Jack Blood. Winners of the door prizes were: Brian & Gabriella Green, Patrick & Nora McKinney, Gary Hannamon and Trisha Webb, and Irvin and Verla Steffen. Our Christmas party which followed the dance was a lot of fun and the bedpan went to Patrick & Nora McKinney. We are looking forward to our Sweetheart Dance February 18th, called and cued by Jack Blood at the North Spokane Dance Center.

Submitted by Helen Knapp

The **MODEL "T"** Square Dance Club had their Black and White dance in January. Everybody looked really dressed up in their black and white. It must be a little hard on Vern Boggs, our caller when everybody looks alike. February 12th is our sweetheart dance. We will be selling chocolate truffles, so be sure to attend so you can buy your sweetie a sweet.

Submitted by Beth Barnes

PLUS & STUFF took a break between Christmas and New Year's Day, but not without having a Christmas dance. We had lots of goodies and a good time together bringing in the New Year!

We have a lot of fun on Monday nights. Advance dancing is from 6:30pm to 8:00 and the Plus Workshop is from 8:00 to 9:30pm with Rounds. Vern defines "Plus" moves in every direction possible and you might say it's "Beyond Vanilla."

If you need some floor time to work on Plus figures, join us Monday Nights at the North Spokane Dance Center. We have a great time and even have a door prize every night. Come enjoy the fun! For more information, call 509-484-5068.

Submitted by Kathy Boggs

Spokane round dancers can dance all year long thanks to the Carousels and Wag Arounds.

The **WAG AROUNDS** dance from October to June, meeting on first Sundays at the WDC from 7-9 pm and dancing to Nina Leisi's phase 2/3 cues; then on second Fridays, it's Jack DeChenne cueing a phase 3/4/5 dance at the North Spokane Dance Center from 8-10:30 pm. Our season ends with the annual Butterfly Ball in June, a phase 3/4/5 round dance weekend.

The **SPOKANE CAROUSELS** dance year long, meeting first and third Saturdays at the E. Spokane Grange from 7:30 -10:30 pm. Jack (Judy) DeChenne cues phase 3/4/5/6 for those who like more challenging choreography. The Carousels host Wednesday workshops at the Grange from 8-10 pm where we learn new and review past choreography. We also host the annual August of Rounds. We are truly blessed to have great cuers in the Spokane area. So, whatever your round or square dance level, enjoy dancing and the added benefits of friends, fun and exercise to your New Year's resolutions!

Submitted by Deb Gruber

The **WILDROSE RAMBLERS** all hope your new year is off to a great start. We are all looking forward to the National Convention coming up. Our club dances are the first Saturday of every month. Our awesome Cued-Genie Parrill with our fabulous caller Rob (Vicki) Krum) make sure we have a great evening of fun and friends.....oh and goodies too!

Please note, beginning with our January 7th dance, the format has changed. Plus and Phase 3 Rounds are from 7-8pm and Mainstream with Phase 2 Rounds will begin at 8pm. For more information, see our web site, www.wildroseramblers.com or call: 509-489-3486.

Happy Valentine's Day to Everyone!!!

Submitted by Martha Luttrull

Greetings from the **TWIN CITY TWIRLERS!** I suppose by now everyone has settled into their routine of lessons and dances for the New Year. Isn't it fun?!

Join us in February at the TCT Hall for lessons and dances.

Sunday Lessons: Intro Rounds 3-5pm, Levels 3 & 4 from 6-8pm.

Tuesday Lessons: Plus 6:30-8pm and A-1 from 8-9pm.

Thursday Lessons: Mainstream from 7-8:30pm.

Sat, February 4th – TCT Valentine Dance: Rounds 7:30pm, Squares 8pm.

Sat. February 18th – TCT 50's Dance: Rounds 7:30pm, Squares 8pm.

Fri. February 10th – Squaredevils Valentine Dance, Rounds 7:30pm, Squares 8pm.

Fri. February 24th – Squaredevils Dance, Plus Workshop 7:30pm, Squares 8pm.

We have some exciting events planned that you might want to put on your calendar! March 22nd will be Wade Driver. May 4-6 will be our annual Blossom Daze weekend.

Happy Valentine's Day from all of us at the Twin City Twirlers.

Submitted by Georgia Bowen

Happy New Year everyone from the **VALLEY CROSSTRAILERS!** Our members have enjoyed all the holiday dances this year including ours in December. Our potluck was well attended, and the selection of food was awesome. Thanks to Doug Davis and Justine Brown for the season- appropriate music.

February is our "Food Drive" dance. Now that the holidays are over, we need to remember that hunger never takes a holiday. The need is great all year round, and the food banks need to be replenished often. If you could bring a couple of non-perishable items with you when you visit, we will make sure the items make it to the food bank. Doug Davis will be calling and Justine Brown will be cueing February 18th starting at 7:00 with plus and intermediate rounds, 8:00 with mainstream and easy rounds, and a break at 10:00. We hope you will come and dance with us.

Submitted by Chris Smith



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Dancing Shadows 3 rd Friday 7:00 P&Int R; 8:00 MS&R. WDC	River City Steppers 4 th Friday 7:15 P&R; 8:00 MS&R. Tri- Community Grange
Diamond Squares 2 nd Saturday 7:00 Hex; 8-10 MS&R; Plus tip after break. WDC	Roundup Workshop Tuesdays 8:00 R III-VI. WDC
Frolickers 2 nd /4 th Saturday 7:00 R; 7:30 MS&R. Albion Comm. Cntr	Spokane Callers & Cuers 2 nd Friday 8:00 MS. WDC
Heartbeats Wednesdays except 5 th Beg/Int/Adv Clogging 9-11 AM Deer Lake Resort	Spokane Carousels 1 st /3 rd Sat. 7:30 R III-VI. East Spokane Grange
Hi-Flyers 3 rd Saturday 7:00 R; 7:30 MS; 9:30 P. Cheney City Hall	Spokane Tapeworms Thursdays 7:30 A-2. Central Baptist
Hits 'n' Misses 4 th Friday 7 Pre-R; 7:30 P&R; 8:15 MS&R. WDC	Spurs & Skirts 4 th Friday 7:30 PreR; 8:00 MS&R. Oct-Jan-Feb-Mar-Apr. NSDC
Jacks & Jennys 3 rd Saturday 7:30 P; 8:00 MS&R. NSDC	Star Shooters 4 th Saturday 7:00 R III-IV; 7:30 R II; 8:00 MS&3 rd tip P&R. WDC
Krazy 8's 1 st Friday 7:00 P&R; 8:00 MS&R. WDC	Twin City Twirlers 1 st & 3 rd Saturday 7:30 R; 8:00 MS&R. Twin City Square Dance Center
Model T's 2 nd Saturday 7:00 P&IntR; 8:00 MS&R. NSDC	Valley Crosstrailers 3 rd Sat. 7:00 P&R; 8:00 MS&R. WDC
North Spokane Dance Assoc 5 th Friday At NSDC	Wag Arounds 1 st Sun. 7-9 R II- III. WDC. 2 nd Fri 8:00 R III-V NSDC
Octo-Plus Squares Tuesdays 7:00 P (wkshp). East Spokane Grange	Western Dance Association 5 th Friday 7 P&R; 8 MS&R. WDC
Plus & Stuff Mondays 6:30 Adv; 8:00 Plus. NSDC	Wild Rose Ramblers 1 st Sat. 7 P&R III; 8:00 MS&R. NSDC
For further information contact:	Priscilla Davis @ 509-979-2607

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All Dancing on Wood Floors / Same Level



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Grand Sierra Resort
Thursday, May 10, 2012 — 7pm
\$7.50 per person, Pay at door

1pm - 4pm Friday Afternoon
Warm Up Square & Round Dance
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SQUARE DANCE ATTIRE REQUESTED AT ALL EVENING FUNCTIONS

RIBBONS	Qty	Total
Order 3 Day Ribbons Early & Save		
<input type="checkbox"/> Three Day (before 4/11/12)	\$40	
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<input type="checkbox"/> All Day Saturday	\$30	
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday Night	\$25	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sunday	\$20	
<input type="checkbox"/> Youth under 18	\$25	
Total Amount		

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Visa / MasterCard (Must Complete all sections below) CVC: _____
No.: _____ Exp. Date: _____
Signature: _____

A fee of \$10 per person will be imposed for any changes or cancellations.
NO REFUNDS AFTER April 11, 2012

CVC is the 3 digit code on the backside of card

Ribbons for individual events & any orders received after April 30th will be available at the door

Make Checks (US Funds) Payable To:

Silver State Dance Festival
Mail To: Silver State Festival/Registration
P.O. Box 20403
Reno, NV 89515-0403

E-mail: SilverStateSquareDanceFestival@hotmail.com
Registration Information: 775-425-5892

Please check where you plan to spend most of your dancing time (more than one ok):

RD Ph 2-3 RD Ph 4-6 ND/MS PLUS A-1 A-2 C-1

Rev 3: 5-13-2011

Boots In the Blue Mountains

April 6-8th, 2012

Pendleton Convention Center

1601 Westgate, Pendleton, Oregon 97801



***FRIDAY 7-10 pm**

Mainstream Dance

***SATURDAY**

10-12 noon Pajama Dance

1-3 Easter Bunny Plus Hop

3 pm Easter Bonnet Parade

4-6:30 Dinner

6:30-7 pre rounds

7-10 pm Mainstream

10 pm Deborah & Jon
in concert

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How Many _____ @ \$25 each to : Kay and Jim Rogers

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The Chicken Has Flown the Coop!

Dry Camping!

Wood Floor!

I'm off
to Lac-A-Do
Hall



The Prairie Steppers'
31st Annual Chicken Dance
Lac-A-Do Hall Olympia, WA
March 30-31, 2012

New Place!
New Dates!



Don Wood
Squares

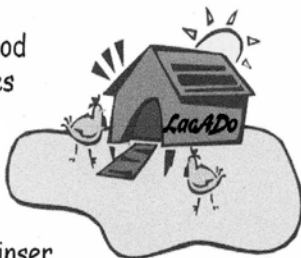


Scott Zinser
Squares



Lonnie Sycks
Rounds

Come see the Chicken's
new digs!



Friday Night
Hosted by Capital Singles

Pre-rounds 7:30 PM
Trail-In Mainstream Dance 8-10:30
(\$7.00 per person)

Saturday Events
Hosted by Prairie Steppers

1:30-4 Plus Level
with Intermediate Rounds
(\$7.00 per person)

5:30 Chicken Dinner

6:30-7:30 New Dancers' Dance (free)

7:30 Pre-rounds
8-10:30 All Singing Calls
(\$7.00 per person)

Weekend registration
\$28.00 per person

Full chicken dinner
\$7.00 per person
(After February 15,
\$10.00 per person)

Pre-registered dinner guests will be entered in a special drawing to be held at dinner time.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Club: _____

RV?:Length? _____

Make checks payable to: Prairie Steppers Square Dance Club c/o Al Fryer, 1310 NW State Ave. #31, Chehalis, WA 98532 Email: chickendances@juno.com www.thesteppers.org

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61st NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION®
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We are VERY EXCITED to officially announce that The Ghost Riders Square Dance Band will be appearing at the 61st National Square Dance Convention® in Spokane. You will be able to enjoy listening and have fun dancing to them Wednesday night at the Trails-End dance, then Thursday through Saturday in the MAINSTREAM Hall during the Convention.

The Ghost Riders Square Dance Band is from California. They have been playing for square dance groups and conventions since 1972 and have been featured at fourteen National Square Dance Conventions®. The band is made up almost entirely of square dancers turned musicians. Come and experience square dancing to a live band!

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Enclosed is \$15 (\$20 Canadian) for which I will receive ten issues of Footnotes

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Round Dance Club
SUSAN HEALEA, Cuer
Every Thursday 7:30 - 10:00 PM
Longview Area Square Dance Center
1041 Industrial Way, Longview, WA

OLYMPIA DO-SI-DOS
Second Saturday Year Round
Jim Hatrick, Caller
Joyce Sebree, Cuer
Pre-rounds 7:30 MS Dance 8-10:30
Sound Enhancement Finger Potluck
Lac-A-Do Hall, Olympia, WA

TWIN CITY TWIRLERS
1st & 3rd Sat: Oct. 3 thru Jun. 5
Caller: Butch Suttley
Cuer: Lorraine Kennedy
Rounds at 7:00 PM ~ Squares at 7:30 PM
509-758-3543
2130 ~ 5th Avenue, Clarkston, WA 99403

RUFF & RUFFLES
Mostly 3rd Saturdays, 8-10:30 p.m. MS
Guest Callers
Susan Healea, Cuer
Catlin Grange, 205 Shawnee Street, Kelso
Using Williams Sound System
Check dates at 503-556-2319 Peggy Rolf

Prairie Steppers
2nd Saturday, 7:30 - 8 Plus 8 - 10:30 PM - Mainstream
September thru April, Oakview Grange, 2700 Block N. Pearl, Centralia
Don Wood, Caller - Lonnie Sycks, Cuer
CHICKEN DANCE SECOND WEEKEND IN MAY

Lacey Daisys

1st Saturday No Dance Jul or Sep
Lac-A-Do Hall - 1721 46th NE, Olympia WA
Pre-Rounds 7:30, Mainstream 8:00-10:30
Caller: Don Wood, Cuer: Ron Woolcock
Caravans & guests always welcome

Round-A-Bouts

1ST TUESDAYS 7:00 TO 9:00 PM
PHASE 2 & 3

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INFORMATION 456-2056

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2nd Friday & 4th Saturday

Plus 7:30 - Lonnie Sycks, Cuer

Mainstream Dance 8 - 10 PM

Craig Abercrombie, Caller

Annual OCTOBERFEST 1st weekend Oct.

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Every 4th Sat except December
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Mainstream 8 -10:30

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Feb 11th (2nd Saturday):

*Spaghetti Dinner & "Sweethearts
Serenade" - level dance*

Andy Garboden, caller ~ Marge Kost, cuer

Come dance with us!

Feb 25th (4th Saturday):

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Feb 10

R Square D (MS)

SWEETHEART DANCE

Kelso Senior Center, Kelso, WA

Feb 18

Danebo Circle 8 (MS) Calling & Cueing

SWEETHEART DINNER DANCE

Emerald Dance Center, Springfield, OR

Feb 19

Cast-A-Shadows (ADV-C 1)

Emerald Dance Center, Springfield, OR

Feb 25

R Square D (MS)

Kelso Senior Center, Kelso, WA

For Info Call 971-223-6128 or
email @Cabcrcrombie1@comcast.net
<http://craigabercrombie.webs.com/>

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“CIRCULATE IN WASHINGTON STATE 2012”
 Registration Form
 June 27, 28, 29, 30, 2012 Spokane, WA
 Website: www.61nsdc.com



Directions for completion of Registration Form on back

Complete the housing portion of this form only if you choose not to make your Hotel Reservation online at www.61nsdc.com
 Requests for Shared Rooms or Same Hotel can be made through the online site or registrations can be mailed and arrive together in the same envelope.

Housing Required? YES NO NO **Please Check Room Nights Needed:**

June	<input type="checkbox"/> 23 Sat	<input type="checkbox"/> 24 Sun	<input type="checkbox"/> 25 Mon	<input type="checkbox"/> 26 Tues	<input type="checkbox"/> 27 Wed	<input type="checkbox"/> 28 Thurs	<input type="checkbox"/> 29 Fri	<input type="checkbox"/> 30 Sat	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Sun
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Hotel Preference (hotel codes on back): 1st _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____ 4th _____
 Please check the appropriate box: One Bed (1-2 people) 2 Beds (2-4 people)
 Preference: Non-Smoking Smoking Wheelchair Accessible Room

Special Hotel Room Needs: _____
 Additional Room Occupants: _____
 Same Hotel as: _____
For Assignment in Block Housing - Requests are due by September 15, 2011.
 Block Housing - 10 or more rooms.
 Block Leader Name: _____ Phone: _____

Print Name On Card: _____ Visa
 Credit Card #: _____ Master Card
 Expiration Date: _____ Discover Card

Return Form, with payment, to:
 61 National Square Dance Convention®
 Registration Department
 PO Box 48775 • Spokane, WA 99228
 Form may also be sent by fax, with credit card information to: 509-465-0201

Adults will dance! (Check all that apply)
 Squares: M P A1 A2 C Rounds: 2 3/4 5/6 Other: Clogging Contra
 Line Dancing/Country Western Handicappable

Program Info for Callers/Cueers/Educators (✓ your expertise) Name: Caller: _____ Cues: _____
 Caller & Level (M P A C) Cues & Level (2 3 4 5/6)
 Caller for Youth Clogging Instructor Contra Prompter Exhibition Group
 Educator Handicappable C/W Lines Instructor Exhibitor

*** Fill out your profile on our web site: www.61nsdc.com ***

PLEASE PRINT
 Last Name: _____ First: _____
 Address: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 City: _____
 Country: _____
 Phone: _____ Cell: _____
 Email: _____
 Handicappable Dancer
 Registration fee per Registrant: \$50.00 Youth age 5-17 by 6/27/2012 . . . \$25.00 Under 5 years . . . Free
 After April 30, 2012 (e-mail confirmation only):
 Registration fee per Registrant: \$60.00 Youth age 5-17 by 6/27/2012 . . . \$30.00 Under 5 years . . . Free

First Name - for Badges - Last Name

Solo Duo Trio Quartet Quintet Sextet Septet Octet Nonet Tenth

Number of past Conventions attended: _____

Subtotals		Wa	Th	Fri	Sa	Su
Adult:	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Program Book w/daily schedules (\$15.00 after 4/30/2012)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Syllabus:	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
On CD:	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Sew & Save Book - "Sew Creatively" <input type="checkbox"/> CD <input type="checkbox"/> Book _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Cookbook - "There's More to an Apple Than Meats the Pie" _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
National Squares Magazine - (Non-Refundable, 1 year sub) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Wednesday Special Event - <input type="checkbox"/> The Timebeaters only <input type="checkbox"/> BBQ Dinner only	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Wednesday Special Event w/Dinner - The Timebeaters _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
61st Parking Lot Shuttle Loop Pass (4 days) (See Reverse) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Hotel Bus Pass <input type="checkbox"/> RV Park Bus Passes - 4 day pass (See Reverse) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
RV Camping - Electric/Water Only (4 nights minimum) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
RV Camping - Dry Camping (4 nights minimum) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Tours - Please see reverse for payment information and instructions.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
No Refunds/Cancellations after April 30, 2012	Total (U.S. Funds)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

We will pre-register all campers. You will receive a profile form. To camp together, arrive together.

Expiration Date: _____ / _____ / _____
 Credit Card #: _____
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 Mailing Address w/zip code of Credit Card Statement: _____
 Visa MasterCard Discover Card
 Check (enclosed)

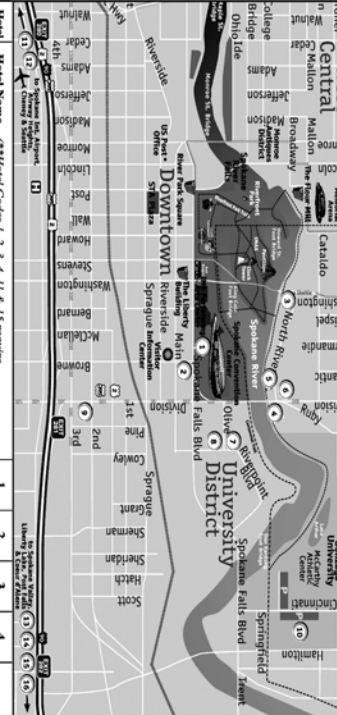
Registration Office: 509-628-0354 / Fax: 509-465-0201 E-mail: regchair@61nsdc.com
 Badges REQUIRED at all times. Dressy Casual until 6pm/Proper Square Dance Convention

Instructions for Registration (left side)

1. **Print** legibly all names, address, phone, address, city, state, zip code, country and BPO of youth (age 5-17 by 6/27/2012 - 1/22 prior) to ensure correct registration.
2. Correctly enter all amounts in the Subtotals including registration fee for each dancer plus quantity and amounts for all other materials and tours.
3. **Important!** Daily schedules are only available with the purchase of a Program Book. Daily schedules will not be available separately at the Convention. Most dancers will want to purchase the Program Book.
4. Correctly calculate the Total and include credit card information (with signature), check or money order payable in U.S. funds. **No Single Day Registrations Sold.**
5. **RV Camping.** Include RV Camping on your Registration Form, and enclose the required fees (four-night minimum) to cover the nights that you intend to stay. Please check appropriate boxes. RV camp sites will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. There is 15 amp service at the RV sites. If you plan to camp together, you must arrive together. For more information contact RV-vochul@61nsdc.com
6. **Hotel Bus Pass & RV Park Bus Pass** are available only to registered dancers staying at the West Hotels in Spokane Valley and at the Fairgrounds.
7. **61st Parking Lot Shuttle Loop Pass.** This four day pass is recommended for dancers planning to drive to the Convention. The 61st Parking Lot Shuttle Loop Pass will be available on the website www.61nsdc.com.
8. **Tour Forms and Payments** are to be mailed directly to: 61st National Square Dance Convention*, PO Box 48775, Spokane, WA 99228. Include completed Tour Form with this Registration Form.
9. A \$3.00 fee per registrant will be assessed for cancellation or changes.

Instructions for Housing (right side)

1. The 61st NSDC Housing Committee is partnering with Spokane Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) Housing Bureau to provide housing for our registrants. The CVB Housing website can be accessed to view the hotels, see photos of rooms and make reservations. Dancers who choose, may make housing reservations using the printed registration form, the same way dancers have made housing reservations for past conventions.
2. Complete the housing portion of this form only if you choose not to make your hotel reservations online at www.61nsdc.com. This form must be received by May 15, 2012 to receive the 61st NSDC contracted room rates.
3. If you request housing at the Doubletree, Travelodge, Red Lion Hotel at the Park, Red Lion River Inn, Pleasant Hill or Northern Quest, you must stay a minimum of four nights, including Wednesday through Saturday, June 27-30, 2012. Only one person per room should complete a hotel reservation request. Please list all room occupants. (The Housing Committee does not find or assign roommates.)
4. **Shared Rooms or Same Hotel Requests** can be made through the online site or registrations can be in the same envelope mailed and arrive together.
5. All Book Housing requests staying in same hotel are due by September 15, 2011 submitted with name and telephone number of leader.
6. Indicate four (4) choices of housing preference, by specifying hotel code number. Be sure to indicate 1 or 2 beds as well as preferences. Hotels will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis according to availability.
7. **Hotel Reservations. Your reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card.** Your credit card will not be charged in advance of arrival and an alternate form of payment may be presented at check in.
8. **Hotel Confirmations.** You will receive a hotel confirmation via email or mail. If you do not receive your confirmation (and you have not received a confirmation from the CVB) you must call the CVB at (509-465-0201), (c) 61st NSDC, Attn: Housing Committee, PO Box 48775, Spokane, WA 99228 through May 15, 2012.
9. Hotel Changes: Any requests for change/cancellations must be made through the 61st NSDC Housing Committee by: (a) email: housingcommittee@61nsdc.com; (b) fax at 509-465-0201; (c) 61st NSDC, Attn: Housing Committee, PO Box 48775, Spokane, WA 99228 through May 15, 2012.
10. Hotel Cancellations: Your confirmed hotel will assess a one night room/tax charge for cancellations received less than 72 hours prior to arrival. An early departure fee may be charged unless the hotel is notified at check in or before, of a change in planned length of stay.
11. **The Apple Core Board of the 61st National Square Dance Convention® is committed to making our convention fun and enjoyable for you! Call or E-mail us if you have a concern or suggestion.** Call 509-628-0354, E-mail: regchair@61nsdc.com



Hotel Code	Hotel Name	1	2	3	4	Distance
1	**Doubletree Hotel (Hwy 90/200), 33 W Spokane Falls Blvd.	\$135	\$135	\$135	\$135	0
2	**Travelodge at Convention Center (Hendry), 33 W Spokane Falls Blvd.	\$127	\$127	\$127	\$127	1 block
3	**Red Lion Hotel at the Park, 700 N Division St.	\$135	\$135	\$135	\$135	2 blocks
4	**Red Lion River Inn (Culter/Curt), 700 N Division St.	\$135	\$135	\$135	\$135	4 blocks
5	Oxford Suites, 115 W North Spokane Blvd.	\$129	\$129	\$139	\$139	3 blocks
6	Holiday Inn Express, Downtown Spokane	\$119	\$119	\$119	\$119	4 blocks
7	Courtyard by Marriott Downtown Spokane	\$175	\$175	\$175	\$175	2 blocks
8	Fairfield Inn by Marriott, 1214 E. Mission, Spokane Valley	\$159	\$159	\$159	\$159	3 blocks
9	Fairbridge Inn Express, 909 N. Division Blvd.	\$129	\$129	\$129	\$129	7 blocks
10	Westgate University, Coughlin Residence Hall, 816 Chinchault, Dorn	none	865	897	none	7 blocks
Hotels / Bus Pass Needed						
11	**Northern Quest Resort & Casino, 100 N Hayford Rd, Arway Heights	\$139	\$139	\$149	\$159	10 miles
12	Best Western Peppercorn Airport Inn, 3711 S Geiger Blvd.	\$129.95	\$129.95	\$129.95	\$129.95	8 miles
Fast Hotels in Spokane Valley / Bus Pass Needed						
13	Holiday Inn Express-Valley, 1000 N. Division, Spokane Valley	\$115	\$115	\$115	\$115	7 miles
14	Quality Inn Valley Suites, 8922 E. Mission Ave., Spokane Valley	\$140	\$140	\$140	\$140	7 miles
15	**Pleasant Hill Inn & Suites Hotel, 12415 E. Mission, Spokane Valley	\$119	\$119	\$119	\$119	8 miles
16	Mirabeau Park Hotel, 1100 N Sullivan Rd., Spokane Valley	\$119	\$119	\$119	\$119	10 miles