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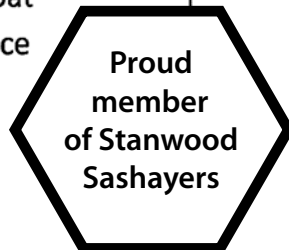


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Hosted by Oregon Federation of Square and Round Dance Clubs
January 23-25, 2015
Linn County Fairgrounds
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*68th Annual Silver State Square & Round Dance Festival
May 8 - 10, 2015
Reno, Nevada*

*63rd Washington State Square and Folk Dance Festival
"Life's a Dance"
Hosted by Mount Baker Council
June 19-20, 2015
Skagit County Fair Grounds
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*64th National Square Dance Convention®
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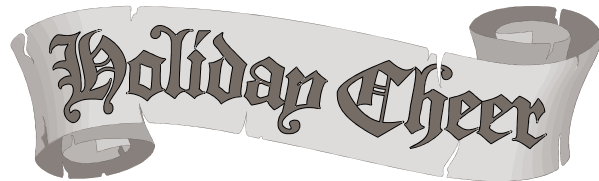




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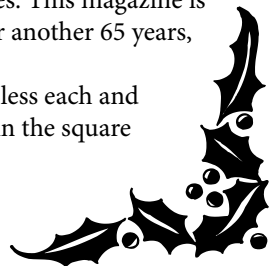
Here we are! December 2014 only 20 some days of shopping, whether it's Christmas, Hanukkah or whichever holiday you and your family observe. Just enjoy this festive season. Family is the most important thing we have.

We have had some negative responses regarding the information in last month's issue of FOOTNOTES with the idea of putting the magazine in everyone's home. The intention was not to upset anyone or try to force this on anyone and I want to apologize. The Federation would never do that. The reason we send out ballots to all Federated members is so that, "You", the members have a say. Any major changes are made by the "Whole" body, not just the officers and/or committees during a State Meeting. As I told one of the couples I heard from. I literally grew up with this magazine with my folks dancing my whole life as well as Dad being the Editor for so many years and I am proud of it. We are passionate about FOOTNOTES and would love to see it in each home, but not at the expense putting families in a financial hardship, forcing it on anyone and/or possibly losing members because of it.

No matter how this vote goes, please remember, FOOTNOTES is a great tool for everyone. Advertise upcoming dances, your business, share ideas in an article. Learn ideas from others articles. This magazine is in its 65th year, we just want to see it continue for another 65 years, whether it be paper form or on line.

Have a wonderful holiday season and God Bless each and every one of you. You are all a part of my family in the square dance world.

Until next month,
 Kathy (the Brat) & Frank Chase



Angels we have heard on high...

By now, you may have received an 'Audit' that we do to verify we have collected Membership and Insurance Dues from all members and also that no member has paid more than once. We did our best to send these audits to the club treasurers and of course only the clubs we found a problem with will receive an audit letter (you may get a refund, or you may owe money). If you have any questions concerning these, be sure to call us so that we can get the records straight.

Our article last month regarding the sign-in sheets generated a question we hadn't addressed: what to do about callers and cuers. The bottom line is we need a record of who was in the building during the dance. If you have a club caller/cuer, we can assume they would be at the dance and not necessarily have to sign in as such. If you have a guest caller/cuer, their name should appear somewhere on the sign-in sheet. We would suggest, as a courtesy to the caller/cuer and to cover all bases, that whoever is responsible for the sign-in sheet simply write the name of the caller/cuer at the top of the page indicating that they are there that night.

Santa was very cross. It was Christmas Eve and NOTHING was going right. Mrs. Claus had burned all the cookies. The elves were complaining about not getting paid for the overtime they had worked making toys, and were threatening to go on strike. The reindeer had been drinking eggnog all afternoon. To make matters worse, a few of the other elves had taken the sleigh out for a spin earlier in the day and had crashed it into a tree. Santa was furious. "I can't believe it! I've got to deliver millions of presents all over the world in just a few hours, and all of my reindeer are drunk, the elves are walking out, and I don't even have a Christmas tree! I sent that little angel out HOURS ago to find a tree and she isn't even back yet! What am I going to do?" Just then, the little angel opened the front door and stepped in from the snowy night, dragging a Christmas tree. The angel said, "Hey, fat man! Where do you want me to stick the tree this year?"

And thus the tradition of angels atop the Christmas trees came to pass...

We wish you and yours a very merry Christmas, and a fantastic 2015!

Take care,
 Richard and Barbara
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Happy Holidays! May this winter month be kind to you and your families.

Wow! Some Dancers have had a lot to say about the proposed changes in the payments and subscriptions to Footnotes Magazine. Me? I'm just coasting along with other things on my mind at the present time. Like will all 20 guests show up for Thanksgiving dinner? Many publications have to make the tough decision about continuing a printed version mailed to a home. According to what I read in Readers Digest they went from 12 issues to 10 issues... rather than provide something their readers did not wish to receive or an electronic copy. FOOTNOTES magazine prints 10 issues a year. I'm withholding personal comment on this choice until after I cast my vote.

Reading the club news was interesting. The number of new dancers is encouraging. It is nice to see "Level Dances" being promoted. In my hometown the Contra Dancers are very active. I wish I had their Leaders energy. They seem to be doing a lot of dancing and get small articles in the newspaper frequently. That takes a lot of time and dedication.

I made my last medical trip to Spokane on November 3rd. My daughter and I detoured to Moscow Idaho to deliver winter clothes to my granddaughter who will graduate from the University of Idaho in December. It was a pleasant day and the time went quickly as we enjoyed Books on Tape during the drive.

The three of us, three generations, had dinner at Red Bento and celebrated Grandma's 83rd birthday and mom's 60th birthday and Granddaughter's soon to be 22nd birthday. We then scooted on to Spokane before it got too dark.

It is hard for visitors to find a place to eat on Sundays unless you really know a city well. We checked out the nearby Starbucks but found the pastries were more breakfast type. Back at the hotel we ordered room service provided by the hospital kitchen and settled back to enjoy the rest of the day. It was only 7 pm.

See you again soon...
Maggie

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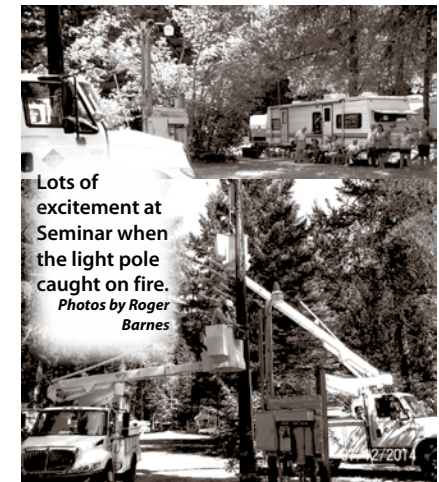
I didn't really have much to say this month so I thought I'd bore you with a few left over photos that were left of the editing room floor, so haven't previous been seen.



Neva and Bill Reid were in Virginia in October and saw this sign on a building as they were leaving Smithfield. Neva says she couldn't help but take the picture!



December 2014



Lots of excitement at Seminar when the light pole caught on fire.
Photos by Roger Barnes



Left column:
46th Seminar.
Right column:
62nd Festival
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47TH ANNUAL EDUCATION & LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

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47th Annual Christmas gift

What's this? You are not yet registered for Leadership?? Are you crazy??? Come on folks, let's get on the ball and get registered! This is going to be one exciting weekend, July 10, 11, and 12, 2015. There are going to be LOTS of fun activities to choose from. If you are a golfer there is going to be a golf tournament on Friday. There will be dancing in the evening with callers and cuers from around Washington State. Caller Don Wood is MC for the callers and Neva Reid will MC for the cuers.

On Saturday there will be yummy cinnamon rolls for breakfast and then two fun seminars (to be announced later). Then a terrific lunch will be provided, which will be a fundraiser (by donation). After lunch we will have our Buzz Session with the state federation president. This will be followed by a round dance workshop by Neva Reid and this will be followed by a square dance workshop by Jerry Junck. Later in the evening there will be another fun dance with caller Jerry Junck and cuer Neva Reid.

On Sunday there will be another great breakfast (pancakes maybe?) and then a wonderful session with our featured caller Jerry Junck. How can you not want to be in attendance for such a lineup as all of this??

You won't be able to find another weekend such as this ANYWHERE!!!

Are you looking for that special gift to give someone this holiday season? Surprise them with their registration already taken care of for this fun weekend. Or, if you don't want to go that route, give them a registration form and help them fill it out and send it in.

Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night!

Glen and Tami

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2nd Weekend in July
Friday • Saturday • Sunday

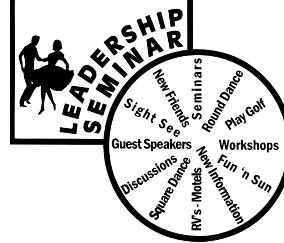


LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

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Round Dance
Play Golf
Sight See
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Fun 'n Sun
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2nd Weekend in July
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47th Annual Square Dance Education & Leadership Seminar

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Pain, pressure, burn out and honesty

It is hard to believe the year is nearly over, it passed so quickly. For Marie and me, it has been a wonderful year. We had some terrific times culminating with the honor of receiving the Parker Award in June. It has also been one of the most challenging years of my life. I was diagnosed early in the year with advanced osteoarthritis in my left knee. After trying all the shots and alternative treatments we decided to have a complete knee replacement. This surgery, while common place in today's medical parlance, is not for the faint of heart. I am working thru it; however the recovery will likely be a full year. I want to thank all my dancing and calling friends for their support.

Square and Round Dance friends are the very best. They are among the first to offer support whenever a member one of Square and Round dance family are in need. I have personally been on the receiving end and am grateful.

Well, on to the article. Around this time of year many clubs are beginning to sponsor new dancer dances. Some are even graduating their new classes. As is always the case some of the new dancers are stronger than others. We need to keep this in mind when we are dancing with them. At our dances I make certain to mention that we need to remember we were not always strong dancers, and to have some patience with our newer dancers.

It is also important to note that this is the time many of the new dancers begin to visit various area clubs. As club members, we need to do what we can to put our best foot forward, welcoming them, filling squares for them rapidly, and making sure they are having a good time. Be certain to invite them back again. In a situation such as ours in Olympia, where lessons are sponsored by the association rather than a single club, one of the pitfalls we often run into is the rush to get these new dancers to become members of our club. Primarily the purpose of their visit is to see if they enjoy dancing at a specific club. All too often when we find a new dancer(s) we like, we tend to press them to JOIN XYZ CLUB. Unfortunately, if we corner them and make them feel pressured to join the club, we can just as easily drive them away.

One other thing to keep in mind is *Dancer Burn Out*. Many new dancers are very enthusiastic and want to attend or be part of everything. All too often

we see them jumping right into clubs, becoming officers, taking more lessons or progressing thru the levels too fast. This can create *Dancer Burn Out* causing them to leave the activity completely. We, as experienced dancers need to keep these factors in mind as well. Remember too much of even a good thing can spoil it for them. We want to keep them enthused and having fun but not overwhelm them.

From time to time a new dancer will indicate they would like to try their hand at calling. Learning a singing call and presenting that at a dance is one aspect. Trying to learn to call without a very strong basic foundation can be a very slippery slope. Generally while they may be good dancers they are rarely in a position to understand the mechanics of calling. Trying to learn to call without a very strong foundation in the basics can do more damage than good. There is no formula to determine when one is ready to take this step, therefore the responsibility of making that decision falls on those of us who are teaching Caller Classes. As caller teachers we need to be honest with those who are contemplating taking our classes, and let them know if they are ready or not.

Choreo Gems

Heads Lead Right Star Thru Pass Thru Bend The Line Reverse Flutter wheel
Pass the Ocean Boys Circulate 1 ½ Girls Cast Off ¾ In The Wave Swing Thru
Center Girl Run Around End Girl Center 6 ½ Tag Face Right Center 2 Girls Slide
Thru Everybody Slide Thru Your Home.

Teaching Hints

Warm up the student dancers using two couple material. Most calls can be taught using two couples and this technique can enhance your choreography.

Teaching Jewel

Sometime ago, I learned a technique for teaching Square Thru from a very well known National Caller. In essence the theory is to use "Wrong Way Grand" as the foundation. The first step is to get the students to do Wrong Way Grand from a normal Static Square pulling by on the last hand to face the corner. Once they feel comfortable with that, then have the heads step into the middle and starting with the opposite do a mini wrong way grand pulling by on the last hand to face the corner. Using the same technique, and having the heads sashay first, then using a mini Right and Left grand for them you accomplish a half sashayed Square Thru. This may not work for everyone, but I have used it successfully and found it to be functional.

Don & Marie



ROUND OUT YOUR LIFE

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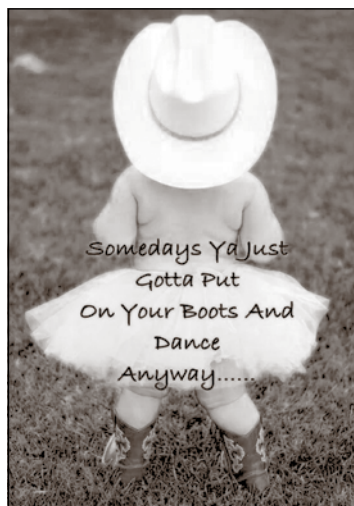
Yo Baby! Knock out depression

“It’s beginning to look a lot like Christmas”, and the New Year is on the way! The stores are stocking up on all of those things that we think we need; whether we do or not, is another question. This time of year, for a lot of people, is a very difficult time to handle. Whether they’re in a bad relationship or perhaps they’re alone, there are some ways we can all help others to better handle the season. If you have some spare time to bake cookies or knit ear warmers or make hats for the kids’ clubs or for the homeless shelters, that would be more appreciated than most of us can imagine. Most of us have what we ‘need’ and most of the time what we ‘want’, but there are those that don’t. They may even be with us at classes or dances.

There are many Square and Round Dance parties happening this month so take a moment and look around you. Locate that person that appears to need a little extra something to make the holidays more what they ought to be. Share your love and enjoyment and take them with you to a party or out to coffee. Fill the days with the joy as it is intended to be. Share your time.

It’s been said that one in three suffer from depression sometime in their life, and it’s especially prevalent during the holiday season. Let’s try to change that even if for only a little while. Depression, anxiety and panic attacks are not a sign of weakness. They are signs of having tried to remain strong for too long. If you see someone without a smile, give them one of yours. Hugs are always nice, too!

The ROM for December is a waltz, “Memories Waltz II”, choreographed by Larry and Susan Sperry. The dance is a Phase II+2, Hover and Pivot and one unphased move, an Interrupted Box. The music is by Lawrence Welk and his Orchestra, and can be found on a CD “22 Greatest Waltzes”. It is available as a download from iTunes and Amazon, among others, and the download time is 2:41 minutes. The choreographer suggests that



Memories II

“MEMORIES II”

PH II WZ + 2 (HVR, PVT + unph (INTERRUPTED BX))

(Chore LARRY & SUSAN SPERRY, Music-LAWRENCE WELK’S ORCHESTRA DL 2:40)

SPD: AS DL 45 + 4% = 47

INTRO AB AB END

BFLY W

Intro WW;; TWSTY BAL L & R;;

A TWL/VN 3; PU 3 [CPLD]; 2 FWD WZ;;

INTERRUPTED BX [CPLD];;;;

(M-2 BX;; L- ½ BX; 2 R TRNS UNDER LEAD HNDS CPLD;; BK ½ BX;)

DIP BK; REC [SCAR]; 3 PROG TWKS [BJO];;;

MANUV; PVT 3 [SCP]; THRU FC CL [BFLY W];

B WZ AWA; X WRP; BK FC CL [CPCOH]; SD DRW TCH;

[TO REV]WZ AWA; X WRP [LOP RLOD]; BK FC CL; SD DRW TCH [CPW];

BAL L; REV TWL; THRU TWK; MANUV;

2 R ¼ TRNS [LOD];; FWD & PT FWD; BK ½ BX; 2 L TRNS [FCW];;

A TWL/VN 3; PU 3 [CPLD]; 2 FWD WZ;;

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2 R ¼ TRNS [LOD];; FWD & PT FWD; BK ½ BX; 2 L TRNS [FCW];;

END HOVER [1/2 OP]; M ROL ACR; L ROL ACR; THRU FC CL [CPW];

DIP TWST & HOLD;

the music be increased by 4% for dancing enjoyment.

Wishing each and everyone a very Merry Christmas, and a happy and healthy New Year,

Neva & Bill, too!

“The best place in the world is in the arms of someone who will not only hold you at your best, but will pick you up and hug you tight at your weakest moment.”



A NEW SOLO

by

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Reaching out...it makes a difference

I am so thankful that you continue to email me and I am also sad that I keep hearing of others who are experiencing many of the things I have. I can only hope that club and council leaders and members are also reading my articles and realize the need to reach out to partner-less dancers that come through their doors either to attend their dances or to join their clubs.

It's December, Thanksgiving is behind us and Christmas just a few short weeks ahead. For me and many others out there this year's holidays bring sadness filled with loneliness and bittersweet memories along with the joy of the season. I don't tell you this for sympathy or to make you sad. I share it hoping you will make an extra effort to reach out to those you know that are also feeling these things. If you haven't yet made the time to make them feel special what better time than this?

Maybe you have asked or thought after reading my articles why aren't we, the partner-less dancers speaking out and saying what we need. Do you the dancers with the partners always tell others how you are feeling? Works the same way. Yes I know and have given the argument of how are others to know if you don't voice what you need. After all, "I'm not a mind reader". But does it take mind reading to look at that person setting there, or in most cases no longer setting there and realize that maybe "I" should reach out.

After my October article I received a very encouraging and empathetic email from one of you and my heart goes out to her this month. Though as she says, our situations are similar but yet different. We are both feeling the loss and missing the person who had been a part of our lives for so many years that they were the other half of us. And it is as she also said, within a matter of a few minutes, my life was changed. I have learned and it was/is hard that I must take each day one step at a time. Do what I can, as I can and I am finally learning to ask for help from family and friends. Life goes on but it is sure different. Though we continue being a part of our dance family and its activities, we miss what we had. We are now singles and the evenings seem longer when we are in an empty home, especially now that fall & winter months are ahead. I would add here that if someone does ask for help be sure to take that request seriously as it is not easy and if even one person denies that help it makes it harder for us to ask the next

time.

My wish and Holiday prayer is that YOU, after reading this will take the time and energy to reach out to at least one person from your dance family you haven't seen in a while and be a blessing and receive a blessing by reaching out to them. And take it one step farther pull them out on the dance floor!

Wishing all of you a Very Festive and Memorable Holiday!



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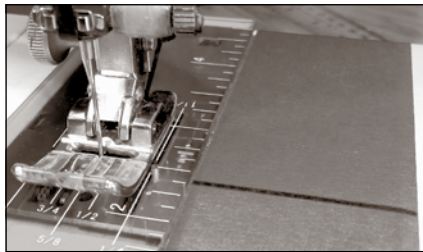
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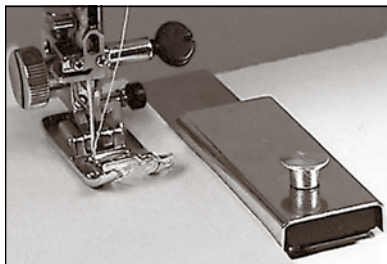
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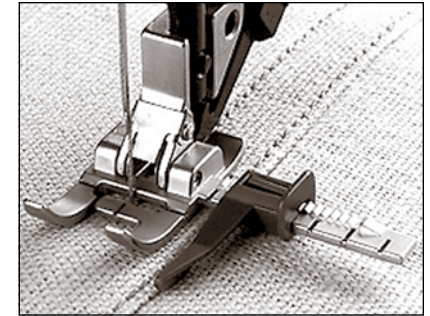
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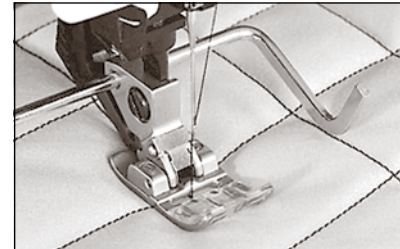
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State Federation Meeting 9:00 AM – 12 Noon
Luncheon 12 Noon – 1:00 PM
State Federation Meeting 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Friday Dance Jan. 16, 2015

From: 7:30 – 10:30 PM
 MS/w Plus Tips, Trail-In, *Casual Attire*
 7:30 Pre-rounds, 8-10:30 PM Dance

Hosted by Mt. Baker Council

Open Mic
Caller Host: Susan Morris
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 Refreshments are provided as a fundraiser

Saturday Dance Jan. 17, 2015

From: 7:30 – 10:30 PM
 Mainstream, *Traditional Attire*
 7:30 Pre-rounds, 8-10:30 PM Dance

Hosted by Skagit Squares

Caller: John Corrigan
Cuer: Bob & Linda Berka

Finger food potluck

Friday and Saturday Ways and Means to benefit Festival 2015 hosted by Mt. Baker Council



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SKAGIT VALLEY GRANGE

21273 COOK RD SEDRO WOOLLEY, WA 98284

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January 16, 2015

Leadership Seminar Dinner Meeting 5:00 PM
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Dance 7:30 – 10:30 PM
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 Caller Host: Susan Morris
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January 17, 2015

XPs Breakfast 7:00 AM
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 Burlington, WA 98233 360 757-9097

Festival Committees 7:30 AM
 Skagit Valley Grange

Continental Breakfast 8:00 AM
 Skagit Valley Grange
 Hosted by Checkerboard Squares

State Federation Meeting 9:00 AM – Noon
 Skagit Valley Grange

Luncheon 12 Noon – 1:00 PM
 Hosted by Mount Baker Council

State Meeting Continues 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Dance 7:30 – 10:30 PM
 Mainstream, Traditional Attire
 7:30 Pre-rounds, 8:00 Dance
 Skagit Valley Grange
 Hosted by Skagit Squares
 Caller: John Corrigan
 Cuers: Bob & Linda Berka

Finger Food Potluck
 Ways and Means benefits Festival 2015 both nights

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December Question(s) of the Month:

If you were not already a square dancer what would make you want to get into square dancing?

What would make you want to stay in square dancing?

How can we get more youth and adults into our hobby?

E-mail your answers to Tiffany Garboden at:

Teencoordinator2015@gmail.com



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MAINSTREAM 8 - 10:00 PM

December 6th-TOM CLYMER/BILL HOLM

December 20th-LARRY CLARK & TINA ALLAWAY/BILL HOLM

January 3rd-TINA ALLAWAY/BILL HOLM

January 16th-DARON TANDBERG/BILL HOLM

February 6th-DOUG DAVIS/BILL HOLM

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GATESWINGERS

Sept. thru May: 1st & 3rd Saturdays
 Pre-rounds 7:30 PM • Mainstream 8:00-10:00 PM

4th Fridays Phase II Rounds 7:30-9:30 PM

ORVIN LOGAN, Caller

CYNDI SILICKI, Cuer

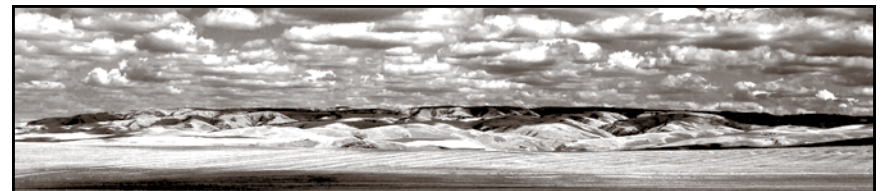
Summer Dance--4th Saturday eve in July
 caller & cuer to be announced

Yakima Valley Square Dance Center

Moxee, WA Info: (509) 949-6712

Gateswingers@ Circle 8 Ranch

2nd Weekend In August



BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL

Sunday

Muddy Frogs: Mainstream and Rounds

3rd Sunday Year Around

Bill & Neva Reed Teachers with Guest Callers/Cuers (see ad)

Milton-Freewater Community Center 109 NW 5th

Milton-Freewater, OR

Contact Merri Anne Huber 541-861-9055 or

merriannah@charter.net

Tuesday

Melody Mixers: Rounds Ph 2-4

Every Tuesday Year Around

Cuer Bill & Karen Holm

Shuffler's Shanty 717 N Irving, Kennewick, WA

Contact Karen Holm 509-542-1310 or bkholm@charter.net

Thursday

Tri-City Circulators: Plus and Rounds

Every Thursday Year Around

Caller Jim Swanson & Guest Cuers

Eagles Lodge #2485 115 Fruitland St, Kennewick, WA

Contact Thelma Swanson 509-539-2660 or

paintedswan@frontier.com

Saturday

Prairie Shufflers: Mainstream with Plus and Rounds

1st & 3rd Saturday September thru July

Guest Callers (see ad) and Cuer Bill Holm

Shuffler's Shanty 717 N Irving, Kennewick, WA 509-783-4222

Contact Jeanne Cozad 509-302-7334 or

jeannecozad@charter.net

Columbia River Squares: Mainstream with Rounds

2nd & 4th Saturday September thru June

Guest Callers/Cuers

Richland Community Center 500 Amon Park Dr Richland, WA

Contact Vickie Weber 509-546-1435 or

vickiweber99@yahoo.com

Family a-Fair: Mainstream with Plus and Rounds

1st & 4th Saturday Year Around

Caller Jim Swanson

Elks Lodge 351 E Rose St Walla-Walla WA 509-525-2870

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FAMILY a-FAIR went dark on November 28th. We all had a wonderful day. It's nice to be with our families. Thanksgiving is one of days that we can share with our loved ones. Our dance nights are on the 1st & 4th Saturday of the month. Our lessons are at 6:30 -8:30 on Fridays. We dance at the Elks in Walla Walla.

We are having our Club Christmas Dance on December 6th at 7 - 10 pm. Family a-Fair will be dark for the Christmas weekend, 26th - 27th.

Mickie, MickieThompson50@gmail.com

PRAIRIE SHUFFLERS celebrated October with Mary Stultz's 80th Birthday. Her family had an open house, dinner celebration. She square danced with Dan Preedy. She finished the evening with some of her family taking her on an evening cruise on the Columbia River. Here's to another 80 Mary. What a celebration.

Our lessons with Larry Clark, Tina Allaway, and Chelsey Holman are going well. We have had four squares on the floor. It is great to hear a student commenting: That was fun! It makes it all worthwhile. Thanks to our angels who have been coming. We can always use more angels... Especially men!

In November we danced to Vern and Kathy Boggs and Bob and Claudia Amsbury. We always enjoy dancing and visiting with the Boggs and Amsburys. In December we have Tom Clymer with Bill Holm calling and cueing and our Christmas (Student level) Dance with Larry Clark and Tina Allaway and Bill Holm calling and cueing. (See our ad for times and location) Are you ready for the holidays??? They are fast approaching.

Shufflers held a successful garage sale. We are thinking of having another this spring. We are hosting a Pampered Chef fund raising party this November. Anybody have any other ideas on raising funds for our club? Please let us know... We are open to ideas.

NOW: Remember to save the 3rd weekend in May for our 60TH



October birthday celebration.
Back row - Cynda Clark. Left to right: Chelsey Holman, Dan Preedy and Mary Stultz (celebrating her 80th Birthday).
Photo by Jeanne Cozad

ANNIVERSARY DANCE WEEKEND. We plan on having a **BIG PARTY.** Save the date and come and help us celebrate this occasion with us.

Have fun dancing during the holiday season.

Mary Stultz, mbstultz@yahoo.com
Jeanne Cozad, jeannecozad@charter.net

The **MUDDY FROGS** began lessons on Sunday, October 5th. Squares are being taught by Bill Reid from 2:00-3:30, and Social Ballroom lessons are being taught by Neva Reid from 3:45-5:00. The Ballroom class is the largest, with 16 people, two of which are retreats, five active Muddy Frogs, and the rest new people. In the Ballroom class, we are learning the Cha Cha for six weeks, then on to the waltz for six weeks, and end with the jive/swing the final six weeks. We continue to meet at the Community Building in Milton-Freewater. Lots of hopping going on!

The third Sunday of November found us having our Thanksgiving dance, a turkey dinner followed.

The third Sunday of December will be our Christmas dance at the Community Building, with Bill and Neva Reid calling and cueing.

Come and join the fun with us!

Barbara Walter

The **MELODY MIXERS** meet every Tuesday evening at the Shanty in Kennewick. We are currently doing Phase 4 dancing and workshops 5:30 to 6:30. 6:30 to 8:00 is beginning Two Step lessons and 8:00 to 9:00 is Phase 3 & 4 Foxtrot. The second Tuesday, December 9th, will be our annual Christmas Party Dance night. We will celebrate Christmas 7:00 to 9:30 dancing everyone's favorites and many nice Christmas dances. Join us if you can.

We will not dance December 23rd or December 30th. But, join us at the Shanty on December 31st for a fun dance with Tom Clymer calling and Bill Holm cueing. There will be lots of fun dancing with lots of rounds.

We want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy holiday season.

Bill & Karen Holm

COLUMBIA RIVER SQUARES had a great Veterans Day dance, honoring those veterans that attended. We would like to thank all the veterans who put themselves on the line for our freedoms.

Our Thanksgiving Food Bank dance held on November 22nd brought in a lot of food to be donated to the local food bank.

We have 1 dance scheduled for December, on the 12th, due to the Christmas holidays; Jim Swanson is our scheduled Caller with Bill Holm as our Cuer, and this dance will be floor level so the beginner students can join in the fun.

Our **CHRISTMAS DANCE** is also our annual **ANGELS for KIDS** Dance.



CENTRAL AREA COUNCIL is looking for a lot of visitors at our 5th Saturday Dance on January 31st at the YVSDC in Moxee with Tom Clymer calling and Jim Spence cueing. They always offer up a great dance so be sure to be there and be square! In the meantime, we hope everyone has a wonderful holiday season--parties and gatherings with friends and family. May Santa be good to all of you and have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! We'll see you on the dance floor.

Carel Edgerly, carel@centurylink.net

Thanks to a suggestion from Ruth Welch, the GATESWINGERS tried a new approach to attract people for lessons. Our first Dance was called "Fall Round-Up", which was a free Dance. The decorations set the tone depicting a Round-Up on a Ranch. The first part of the dance was 7:30 to 8:30 pm and was devoted to introducing our sport to potential dancers.

When they came in we had the new dancers sign up at the front door with our two most enthusiastic new members greeting them. (Club dancers signed up at the regular place) At 7:30 pm The Round-Up began. Paul Gonseth started the night out with everyone in a circle. I cannot believe the moves they learned. Next Cyndi Silicki taught a simple round dance. Following this was a Square and Round Dance demo. (Note we wore a combination of 'street clothes' that we thought new people would associate with and on up to traditional Square Dance attire.)

Potential dancers ended their experience by learning a traditional Square Dance called by Orvin Logan. This portion of the dance ended with a break right on schedule at 8:30 pm. Cookies were waiting on the tables and drinks were served. This was a fantastic success. Our new people not only 'caught the fun' of dancing and also the social enjoyment of our sport; but they left the experience talking, laughing and did not seem ready to leave. It was a long break before we went back up stairs where the regular dancers completed the night with our traditional dance.

It was exciting to have seven squares between experienced and new people coming out for the Open House. But best of all there were 24 potential new dancers of all ages and most of them came out for lessons. Linda Stillwaugh won the prize for bringing the most people (16 in all). Thanks go out for all the people who helped plan this. It went smooth as butter. (Committee: Dave and Ruth Welch, Dale and Debi Danielson, Paul and Holly Gonseth, Orvin and

Jan Logan, Roger and Kay Mahan and Cyndi Silicki.) I also thank the Club for their tremendous support. They made the new people feel so comfortable and welcome.

December 6th is our Diamond Jubilee 60th Anniversary Dance with Plus dance 2-4 pm, Roast Beef Dinner 6 pm (RSVP 509/966/4356). December 20th is our Christmas dance. Friday Round Dance cancelled.

Jan Logan, ojlogan@charter.net

The BLUE AGATES recently had a good time on their caravans to the Pi-R Squares in October and to the Gateswingers on November 15th to honor Kay and Roger Mahan on their award.

We are gearing up for lessons in the new year with the distribution of posters and brochures locally and announcements at all the upcoming Swauk-Teaway Grange events. Local organizations will be contacted for publicity among their members. Social media will also be used.

Our annual Christmas party will be held on Saturday, December 20th, at 4 pm at the home of Larry and Helga Firkins. It will be potluck with a unisex gift exchange.

Members have been asked to save the weekend of August 14-17, 2015, to help out at our fundraiser at the Indian John Hill rest area.

We wish all of you a happy holiday season!

Sally Gililand, sallygililand@yahoo.com

The SILHOUETTE DANCERS are enjoying round dancing and are glad to get back into having weekly dances. Debbie Taylor has great programs for us and sometimes (at least once a night) a challenge.

The class is doing very well. It's wonderful to have new students that we can socialize with. We have our break at the end of the lessons so that we can visit and get to know them. We also welcome the visitors who come to dance with us.

We don't usually decorate for Thanksgiving, but decided to do so this year. Sometimes we get so involved with outside activities we ignore the fun part of life.

Have a wonderful holiday!

Dorothy Crossland, dotif55@live.com

BLUE AGATE SQUARES
 2nd Friday, 4th Saturday
 7:30 - 10:30 p.m.
Daron Tandberg - Caller
Cyndi Silicki - Cuer
Swauk-Teaway Grange, Cle Elum
 Dale: 509 260-1025 or 509 674-5275

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Time flies very quickly when we are having fun and this month will seem to go by much faster as we are so busy. Between working, shopping, attending regular club dances, lesson nights, caravans and trying to get ready for the holidays, most of us will be hoping to accomplish the many things with and for our families and friends and still make some time to help others around us.

BOOTS & LACES will be accepting donations of toys at our December 5th "Toys for Joy" Dance if you care to bring an unwrapped gift to add to our member's donations in the brightly decorated boxes. They will be delivered to a local charity for distribution to some needy children.

We have a nice size class with many youth dancers. The new dancers are mastering their skills and will be encouraged to attend level dances starting this month. Please invite them into your square if they come to your dances. We have new dancer's dances on the 1st Friday of December, January and February.

We enjoyed our caravans to the Solo Squares at Burien Elks Lodge on October 5th and the Jet Steppers at Cedar Grange in Maple Valley on October 18th. On November 22nd, we traveled to the Bonney Lads & Lassies dance in Tacoma. Thank you for allowing us to dance with you.

Jan Emerson, emersonbobjan2@hotmail.com

The last contra dance of 2014 is upon us. Don't wait to put "Go Contra Dancing" on your 2015 New Year's Resolution list. Dance now! In 2014! The **CONTRAILS** will be hosting their Christmas Contra Dance on Saturday, December 13th from 2:00 to 5:00 pm at the Juanita Community Club, 13027 - 100th Ave NE, Kirkland.

Don't worry if you have never danced contra before. We walk through all the dances before we put on the music. And you are in luck! The December dance is also our Holiday Potluck. We will dance until about 4:00 and then eat together. Please bring a dish to share. (There is no stove in the hall, but there is a microwave and plenty of outlets.) See you there! If you would like any more information, email me at susan@callersusan.com.

Susan Morris, susan@callersusan.com

This article is from Emily Kosterman of the **JACKS & JILLS** who is writing an open thank you note to the parents of square dancers everywhere.

Thank you for getting your kids ready, wrangling them into the car, dealing with the general bedlam of children-in-the-backseat, and then finding a place to sit patiently while practice goes on. You are the bedrock of a youth club, keeping kids calm after a frustrating lesson. Tears, sweat and blood get wiped away and confidence installed. That is empowering.

Thank you so much for the time and effort you put into Festival preparations; fabric for uniforms, dues, apparel, etc. Thank you for the gas spent to bring your kids to this amazing sport. We know some of you come from a great distance and how important money is, so thank you, thank you, thank you!

Thank you for your patience with how long our practices go and for the trust you show in letting your older kids drive on their own. Thank you for the years you've watched them come home and repeat the calls, the moves, and the pain of practice. Our legs really hurt! Thank you for taking us to Canada when the year calls for it. That is a marvel, now I understand finances and car insurance.

In closing, the biggest, warmest and most appreciative hug to those who have gone before. For raising us, supporting, and encouraging the kids who are in the sport now, our loudest THANK YOU!

Emily Kosterman, daughter.kosterman@comcast.net

Here it is time for the December newsletter already and today, October 14th, they have all their Christmas items on display at Costco. So I guess I better start getting in gear. At the time of this writing, over 60 square dancing family members are getting ready to go on a cruise to the Western Caribbean. So it's really hard to begin to think about December, but here goes.

Our Square dancing lessons are going great with a huge success. We have three squares of students. It brings tears to my eyes with delight to see so many! We had a dance on November 1st. We invited all the students to come dance with us.

The **JETSTEPPERS** are looking forward to our dances this month. We invite all dancers to come to our "Toy Shop" Dance on December 6th. Please bring an unwrapped toy. Our Christmas dance will be on December 20th. We look forward to meeting as many fellow square dancers at one time or another. Happy Dancing and have a Blessed Christmas and a Joyous New Year!

Sharon Buechler, buechler73@comcast.net

The **Pi-R SQUARES** will start off the month of December with a caravan to the Jetsteppers on December 6th at the Cedar Grange in Maple Valley. We like to start with a dinner at Gloria's in Maple Valley at 6:30. Gloria's is a great place to eat. Then Chuck Martin and Linda Nold always have a wonderful dance. This will be their Toy Drive Dance.

Pi-R's first dance in December will be on December 13th at the Meridian Grange in Kent. Andy Garboden is the Caller with Kyle Quande as our Cuer covering for Marge Kost who is somewhere in her motor home enjoying the

sunshine. If you have never danced to Kyle, please come, as he is a really good cuer. This dance is a student level dance with moves 1 to 43 with a holiday theme "Holly Jolly" Dance. Our Square dance workshop is at 7:30 with our dance from 8:00 to 10:30.

Our second dance of the month is on December 27th at Meridian Grange with Andy and Kyle. This is a "Christmas Memories" Dance with an after Christmas chance to work off some of the holidays gains. Please come and enjoy. Hope everyone has a good Christmas and please pray for those that do not have as much as much as the rest of us. Happy Holidays!!!

Terry & Marilyn Quinnett, mvjunkdealer@juno.com

We are in full swing of the holiday season. I love all the lights, laughs, watching the amazement on kid's faces and gatherings with family and friends.

We hope all the clubs are enjoying the holiday celebrations and festive caravans. Prior to **SOLO SQUARES** dance on December 21st which is our Christmas dance, we will be having an "Open Bar" type cookie exchange from 6:00 to 6:30 pm. Just bring the same number of cookies to share with others as you plan on choosing to enjoy at home, along with a container to take your goodies home.

We are planning on offering a 2nd set of Square dance lessons to begin the New Year. What a great way to stay in shape during the winter months and learn a new fun hobby at the same time. Classes will begin January 9, 2015 from 3:00 to 5:00 pm at the Burien Elks Lodge at 14006 - 1st Ave S. in Burien, WA 98168. For info, please contact Bob Travis at 206-244-0818.

Happy and Safe Holidays to you and yours!

Bobbie Benson, pugzr4us@yahoo.com

WAGON WHEELS had a fun "Toys for the Kent Fire Department" Dance on November 1st and collected wonderful toys for girls and boys to help make their Christmas a little bit brighter. We also had an awesome "Veteran's" Dance on November 15th where we honored the men and women who are or have served in the Military. Many dancers brought in memorabilia and pictures from their military days. My husband Tom brought in a check he was issued the day he was discharged from the Navy on December 6, 1972. The check was for 66 cents (six cents a mile) to help him get home from Sandpoint Naval Station in North Seattle to Renton "as the crow flies"!

We want to thank the Phils & Philies for caravanning to our "Toy Dance" on November 1st and our club enjoyed caravanning to the Solo Squares in Burien on November 16th to their "Favorite Pie" Dance where we enjoyed a beautiful array of delicious pies - yum!!!

Wagon Wheels is going to have a fun "Choose Your Prize" Raffle Dance on December 6th. Raffle tickets will be sold and dancers will have a chance to

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SATURDAY

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The **SILVER STARS** have been busy with lessons with a small but energetic group of students. George Herman is taking them through their paces at a fairly fast rate of speed. Thanks to our angels for supporting these every week.

December brings a very festive season. We will be having our silent auction dance with Adam Christman doing the calling for us on December 13th with Dorothy Lowder doing the cueing. Wear your holiday finest and join us. We will be dancing also on December 27th with Ian Craig as our caller.

Plans are being made for our 35th anniversary dance in April. Dig out those leg warmers and plan on celebrating with us 80's style. Watch for our ads and flyers after January.

Hope to see you in a square out and about, enjoy your family and friends during the holiday season, and my wishes for traveling mercies for those traveling.

Teresa Hill

Season's greetings from the **BUZZIN' BEES!** It is the start of one of the busiest seasons of the year. I urge everyone to take some time to be with friends and family at this time of the year. For some, it is a tough season to get through.

October's theme dance "Raining Cats and Dogs" happened on a dry night but we took in a lot of pet food and supplies that we donated to the Humane Society and a few days after the dance the mega rain started. By the time you read this we will have had our first Elvis dance and we're very much looking forward to our guest caller, Mark Wheeler.

We decided to take a different direction with our holiday dance this year. Instead of donating toys for tots we decided to honor our senior citizens and collect donations of toiletries and socks for donation to local assisted living facilities. We have 4 assisted living facilities within 2 miles of the Hazel Dell Grange so we are hoping for a large dance and large donations. I know I will be hitting Fred Meyers "early bird" socks sale on the day after Thanksgiving.

We will be starting lessons again in January and the date has yet to be determined. We do lessons on Sundays at 6 pm.

I want to thank all of our club members for working so hard to keep our club going. We have a good and fun group of people. I wish you Happy Holidays and a healthy New Year.

Debbie Broers

HAPPY HOPPERS: "A Night in Venice" will be the theme of our New Year's Eve dance this year. The Front Porch Trio (Jim Hattrick, Craig Abercrombie, and Adam Christman) will do whatever it takes to keep us moving to the music. Dinner will be included (Italian food!) in this special event. It is rumored that, in keeping with the theme, a moat will be excavated around the Clark County Square Dance Center and filled with water. If this plan works out, gondola service, with gondoliers singing operatic arias, would be provided to move our guests from the parking lot to the dance venue. It should be quite an occasion!!

We now have a monthly cycle for our Monday evening square dance lessons. From now until May, we encourage beginning dancers to start introductory lessons on the first Monday of every month at 7:30. We are committed to serving both beginners and continuing students with this new lesson format, allowing individuals to move up to higher levels at their own speed. Plus lessons start at 6:30. Mainstream lessons are available starting at 9:15.

As always, we have Plus dances on the first and third Saturdays of the month at the Clark County Square Dance Center. Pre-rounds start at 7:30, with Squares at 8:00. Jim Hattrick serves as both caller and cuer.

November 1st was a first Saturday, a regular dance night for us, but we

were dark to accommodate the Royal Romp. So, we seized the rare opportunity to have a visitation with the Buzzin' Bees, at the Hazel Dell Grange Hall.

Marc Kahn

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Area Reporter

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With December comes holiday cheer, and ringing in the New Year. **MOUNT BAKER COUNCIL** wishes you and your family good health and much happiness during the holidays. We had a very fun and successful council dance on Saturday November 29th. Dancers were not disappointed by the very entertaining calling of the BC Boys – Brett Mawdsley, Steve Edlund and Ray Brendzy. Roxanne Boelter did a great job of keeping the round dancers on their toes. Thank you everyone for supporting this fun event!

Leslie Keyes, L_a_keyes@msn.com

The **FIDALGO FOGCUTTERS** Plus Club has John Corrigan calling and Bob and Linda Berka cueing both of our regular December dances at the Skagit Valley Grange. The club members will bring food staples to support the grange's Community Food Drive at the first dance of the month, and we will also finish collecting Toys for Tots.

Both John Corrigan and Bob and Linda Berka will call and cue our New Year's Eve Dance to welcome in 2015, again at the Skagit Valley Grange, and sponsored by the four north-end clubs of our Council – the Skagit Squares, Mount Baker Singles, Rainbow Squares and the Fidalgo Fogcutters. Dancing is Mainstream with every third tip Plus. Planning this year includes holding a block of rooms at a local motel to encourage our Canadian friends to join the celebration.

Plus Lessons will begin after the first of the year at the Mount Vernon Senior Center and continue into May with John Corrigan teaching.

Gailyn Ploeg, ploegrj@msn.com

Then there was Winter! We wonder where the years have gone. Some of us are not there yet. The message is we have filled our lives with family, friends, affection, jobs, sports, music and dancing. We carry these reminiscences with us as we live our days. Our heart lives with purpose adding more events to our lives. We have 28.400 seconds a day to spend as we choose and they pass quickly. Life is a gift... health is wealth. At this season of pleasin', we can choose to use this time to "scatter" ourselves sharing with others. We really appreciate our Square and Round dancing friendships. It is Time always well spent.

The **HAPPY HOPPERS** would like to share some of that time with you. On

Saturday, December 6th, that notorious and personally interactive caller, Mike Desisto will share space with us. Stephanie Speelman will do her best to keep him under control. Hoppers will also get to experience a first with Spike Reid from the Peninsula and since he travels so far, he will share a challenge to us all. Karen Neverdowski will give us a break between calls.

Just a note... the Hoppers will be DARK on January 3, 2015. We all hope to join you all at the New Year's Eve events in our area.

Now that the northern hemisphere has turned itself away from our heat source and the environment chills the air, remember "One good turn gets most of the blanket."

Jean Raymond, frjr@msn.com

The **CHECKERBOARD SQUARES** of Edmonds always has a good turnout when we gather together for food. It's a time for "retired" dancers to keep in touch. The favorite place and time for breakfast is each third Wednesday at the Pancake Haus in downtown Edmonds. And since this is December, we're adding to the list with our Christmas Luncheon on the 6th.

The one Regular Dance this month is on Saturday the 13th, with Dave Harry and Debbie Taylor. It's our Christmas Dance and Basket Raffle. We'll welcome Caravans from the Whirlybirds and the Square Crows.

Our second dancing opportunity this month is an evening I am sure you will enjoy. Come and "Dance the Night Away", 8:45 pm on Wednesday, December 31st, into the "wee" hour of 12:05 am on Thursday, January 1st. At the mic will be Kevin Thomaier and Lynn Peltola.

And remember, Checkerboards' web-site can be found at the following link: <<http://checkerboardsatedmonds.wordpress.com/>>.

Jim Erickson, charjim2213@gmail.com

An established tradition for **SAMENA SQUARES** is their Halloween Level Dance. This year's dance was particularly well-attended because we had 25 of our 30 students there, as well as students from various other clubs and a caravan from Sky Valley Whirlwinds. With their new badges on, it was easy to make friends and get to know our new dancers. One couple is actually there because of our annual trip to Winthrop. While at the Winthrop Barn Dance, Ron Blue introduced a couple from Bothell to our caller, Susan Morris. They had come into The Barn in Winthrop to watch and decided they too wanted to learn to dance. Now they are here on the dance floor with us. Perhaps they'll end up joining us in Winthrop next fall. Jeffrey, one of our ladies who took lessons last year, is learning to dance the men's part at lessons this year. We have a few extra women at lessons and with both she and her husband, Kip, dancing separately we can get more women on the dance floor.

We also gathered together to watch a Seahawks game from the home of John and Sheron Mohan. They too just took lessons last year. We cheered & groaned

together, ate too much, and enjoyed each other's company. Some of our women who weren't into the game quite so much played Uno in the back of the room, peeking up to check things out when the cheering grew louder.

Barbara Huber, hubertones@hotmail.com

The **WOODINVILLE SQUARE CROWS** new students are doing very well and STILL having fun! We'll be taking a break from lessons on December 23rd and 30th to observe the Holidays.

Our first dance in December, on the 5th, is a toy drive dance. Everyone is asked to bring a new, unwrapped toy to be donated. Jim Hatrick is on stage. On December 21st, Craig Abercrombie will be calling our Snow Dance; however we hope there won't actually be snow! Our caravan that we schedule for October 25th was rescheduled to December 13th, so we'll be joining Checkerboard Squares for their dance that night.

We received very sad news in October. Good friends, and former Square Crows, Jim & Shirley Bennor's daughter, Laurie, passed away suddenly in Missouri. This comes just a few years after their daughter, Jodie Anderson, passed away from cancer. It's not supposed to happen this way, and we are very sad for their loss.

The Square Crows wish all our square dance friends a very happy holiday season!

Lynn Von Seggern, lynnvs@cablespeed.com

FREEWHEELERS enjoyed our Harvest Dance and collection for Northwest Harvest on November 2nd. A great time was had by all with the bonus of contributions of food and monetary donations that give back to our community. Our November 16th Thanksgiving Dance was called by Dennis "Spyder" Webb and cued by Debbie Taylor. Special thanks to the Whirlybirds for sponsoring the Safari Swing Council Dance. It was fabulous!!!

We hope to see many of you on December 7th for our Toys for Tots Dance. Our guest caller will be Gary Monday with Debbie Taylor cueing. We will gather toys and donations for families in need. Our Happy Holidays Potluck and Dance on December 21st will begin at 6:00 pm. We enjoy eating almost as much as dancing so please join us for food, fun and dancing. Roger Spiese will be calling and Debbie Taylor will entertain us with dances to the music of the holiday season.

Caravanning to other clubs is a great way to promote square dancing. We visited the Skagit Squares in November and we look forward to visiting the Dudes & Dolls in December. The Sky Valley Whirlwinds & the Fidalgo Fogcutters will join us in December.

Freewheelers wish you all a happy and healthy 2015.

Ruth Jester, ruthjester@frontier.com

Happy Holidays! **RAINBOW SQUARES** have had a lot of fun so far this year. Our dances have been colorful and festive, with everyone having a great time dancing to the calling and cueing of our own Brent Mawdsley.

We are delighted to have 16 enthusiastic students in our new dancer class this year being taught by Oren Gaskill. They are looking forward to attending some of the upcoming level dances.

Our Christmas "Toyland" dance will be a student level dance on December 13th, with Brent calling moves 1-40. There will be a "Toys for Tots Drive", and we will have our famous 'experienced' clothing sale going for dancers. We will not have a dance on December 27th as we are caravanning to Mt Baker Singles and Skagit Squares "Tween" Level Dance. We wish everyone a happy holiday. See you in the New Year!

Lew Gaskill, olgaskill@comcast.net

To the dancers who love dancing, this month is a disappointment. The lone **DUDES & DOLLS** December outgoing caravan will be traipsing to the Wild and Woolly Woodinville Square Crows.

One measly get-together dance on December 12th with a theme of Peppermint Lane and includes a Toy Drive for those kids that need toys. The incoming caravaners are the frolicking Freewheelers. Bring a brand new unwrapped toy for those that can't get onto Santa's list, even though they have been really good all year. Show them you care.

But, for those searching for a spot to trip the light fantastic, and shuffle off to Buffalo or Edmonds, the Checkerboard Squares club is putting on a New Year's Eve Dance in downtown Edmonds at the Masonic Hall. We have been to a few of their NYE dances, especially when the Dudes & Dolls were helping with some of the tasks. I cannot think of a better club to work with and to cooperate with than the Checkerboard Squares.

The fourth Friday is the day after Christmas, Boxing Day to those that know, and we don't want no boxing at a square dance. So the D&D dance hall is dark that day.

Mainstream learning, we will have the new square dancers complete the first round of Lessons in Modern Square Dancing, aptly taught by the patient and persevering Scoot Coon. On the last day of the lessons, Scott proudly introduces the newest Mainstream Square Dancers to our world. Great Job Scott and thanks to all the wonderful Angels, willing to help on Tuesdays, from 7 to 9 pm. A new session of lessons starts January 6th. If you know someone that should be dancing, please let them know when and where they can learn.

Have a Merry Christmas, and make someone happier this year by doing a bit extra. Happy New Year! 2015! From someone born in the 1930's, these centuries are just flying by!

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4x8's have had a busy fall. As I sit here writing this I feel the chill in my bones. Some say it will be a long hard winter. Me? I say Square dancing in any weather is great.

Ray Brendzy called a terrific dance for the Appleland Promenaders and his kids promoted the International Teen Competition by putting on a round dance demonstration.

Buds & Blossoms Anniversary Dance, with Doug Davis was exceptional. He is the consummate showman. I heard we lacked just one person to have made a square of 4X8's in attendance.

Classes are going great, last Thursday night we had seven squares of class members and angels on the floor.

Annual 4x8 Christmas Party is December 14, 2014 at Moses Lake Senior Center 2-8 pm. As always there will be too much food and lots of fun.

We will host a New Years Eve dance this year Wednesday, December 31st at 9 pm. Dave will MC doing the first and last tip and we will have the rest of the night open mic.

The club made a donation, to the Heritage Center in memory of Ken Gibson and Don Wiggins. We send our sympathy to their families.

Sharon Boggs is continuing round dance classes, and Dave is continuing All Position & Plus Workshops at the Youth Dynamics Bldg 106 E. Third, Moses Lake, Sat.9 am-1pm.

Patti Roberts, pattiroberts@ifiber.tv

BUDS & BLOSSOMS celebrated their 29th anniversary with a dance October 17th, caller was Doug Davis, dancers from many clubs in the area were at this dance, and attendance was good.

December dancing will follow our regular schedule of dances on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Fridays. This year that will mean dances December 12th, 19th, and

2x4 's calling a dance for the 4X8's



L-R: Andrew Huber, Michael Ioeffler, Like Huber, Kayla Huber and Katie Harper.

26th. If we recover from Christmas enough for that last one – the 26th. All these dances will be at East Wenatchee Grange Hall with club caller Don Jackson and our club cuers Fran Lucas and Nora Jackson. Come and dance.

Don Richardson, donrichardson@live.com

The **APPLELAND PROMENADERS** will be collaborating with the Cascade Twirlers for their cereal drive this month. The CTs will kick it off with their Cereal Dance on December 6th and the APs will follow with contributions at their December 13th dance. All donations will be given to a local food bank to help those in need.

As for dancing... The APs will support the Gateswingers at their Anniversary dance on December 6th in Moxee. Doug Davis calls this and Jim Spence will cue. On December 13th, the APs welcome guest caller Steve Noseck. This promises to be a lively event; Jim Spence will cue. Attention: 7 to 8 pm will be Plus, with Mainstream dancing following at 8 pm.

There has been a good turnout for both Round and Square dance lessons this year. Round lessons are every Tuesday from 6 to 7 pm with Square dance lessons following from 7 to 9 pm. Welcome, new dancers!

Enjoy the spirit of the holiday season with your loved ones, stay warm and safe, and get ready to welcome in the New Year. 2015 will come regardless, so keep calm and dance on!

Kay White, kwhite@nwi.net

CASCADE TWIRLERS attended the Buds & Blossoms and Appleland Promenaders anniversaries and had a great time at both of them. On October 18th we traveled to the 4x8s and danced to the 2x4s. They put on a very good dance and we are looking forward to dancing to them again.

On December 6th we are having our annual Cereal dance. We collect boxes of cereal for the food bank. Appleland Promenaders are donating at our dances to help make this a success. It is nice when clubs work together to help others not as fortunate.

December 20th is our Christmas dance with Don Jackson calling and Marilyn Holman cueing. Our dance on January 3, 2015 is Warm up with Summer and once again the Appleland Promenaders and Cascade Twirlers are working on decorations together. If you are in the area come out and see what we can do and dance to good callers & cuers.

Have great holidays with your families

Noelle Miller noellemcues@charter.net

WHEATLAND WHIRLERS attended Buds and Blossoms and Appleland Promenaders anniversary dances and had good times at both. October 25th was our Halloween dance with Jim Compton calling and Noelle Miller cuers. They

had scarey music and kept us dancing and having fun.

January 10th & 24th 2015 Jim Compton will be calling and Noelle Miller cueing. We always have a fun time with them. We are going to start serving healthy snacks after our dances, fruit & veggies, should help after the holidays. Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Noelle Miller noellemcues@charter.net

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With the Thanksgiving turkey a thing of the past, we now have December looming before us. And as usual, December will be packed with lots of fun things to do for **RHODY O's** and friends. First - our lessons are still held every Tuesday evening: Round lessons from 6:30 to 7:30 and Mainstream lessons from 7:30 to 9:30. Second - we have three dances this month. One on Friday, December 5th, our Class Level Christmas Dance on Friday, December 19th, and our BIG year end blow out on December 31st. Our Class Level Dance on the 19th will start at 6:00 with CL Rounds, 7:00 with a CL Mainstream WS followed by a CL Dance from 7:30 to 9:30. Spike Reid is our caller/cuer - and there's not a better one around. No 'second guessing' by our angels when Spike calls. Our third dance for December is our "World Famous" North Olympic Peninsula New Year's Eve Dance. Hosted by the Rhody O's and the 4Plus4 Clubs- this dance is hard to beat!! Dinner begins around 7:30 with dancing from 9:00 pm to 12:20 am. We have room for 10 squares, so get your tickets early. As usual, our ticket sellers are Louie Torres and Spike Reid and if you have any trouble reaching them, send me an e-mail. We do all this dancing at the Gardiner Community Center located at the intersection of Old School House Rd and Hwy 101 in Gardiner, WA.

Because of the Christmas Holiday, our hall will be dark on Tuesday December 23rd and 30th. The Rhody O's wish each and every dancer a wonderful Christmas Season with lots of family and friends close by. Share whatever you can with someone close - even if it just a smile!!

Trish Gaine, fasolard@olypen.com

The **STRAIT WHEELERS** had a blast celebrating Halloween. Everyone came, to the dance, in costume and one member, a man, came as a very attractive lady and even danced as the lady during the evening. Everyone, plus Jack, great job!

Lessons are going well thanks to our fantastic club members and caller. In December the club has only one dance and that will be their Christmas celebration. Please join us on December 13th for a fun dance and Santa might even come down the Chimney.

The preparations for our fifteenth Annual Lavender Dance Weekend are in progress and committees say this will be one of the best ever. Place an X on the



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GIG HARBOR TWIRLERS hope everyone had an enjoyable Thanksgiving. We had our "Fall Back Dance" on November 1st in honor of that time of year we all love - remembering to set back our clocks one hour for the end of Daylight Savings Time on November 2nd.

Come on out and dance with us at our December dance, where there will be some terrific Callers and Cuers to dance to.

Merry Christmas everyone and see you all in the New Year of 2015.

I cannot believe that the New Year is just around the corner!

Mary McGannon, mekm3591@msn.com

ROUND SQUARES would like to wish everyone a wonderful holiday season. 2014 zipped by way too fast.

Our caller Willie Sewell decided he wasn't able to do Tuesday night square dance lessons due to his health problems. We have hired Don Smith to teach the new students and angels are always needed.

Our annual Christmas party will be at the home of Tim and Sheila Spiro on December 14th with a potluck, games, singing and gift exchange. Everyone always has a good time.

Our Christmas Dance will be December 20th at Kitsap Square Dance Center. It is time to dress up in our Christmas attire and enjoy the music.

Merry Christmas to all and Happy New Year!

Betty Force, Reporter

SQUARE STEPPERS' November 8th dance was canceled so that Peninsula Council dancers would be encouraged to attend the Olympia Do-Si-Dos dance. The Do-Si-Dos honored their Cuer, Joyce Sebree who was awarded the 2014 McNutt Award. The McNutt Award is a symbol of recognition for inspiring work done in the field of Round Dancing. Congratulations Joyce.

Our next dance will be December 13th and Roger Spiese will be the caller.

Square Steppers is a Plus Club that dances on the second Saturday of each month from 7:30 to 10 pm.

Barbara Pennington, bardeldry@gmail.com

PAWS & TAWS welcome Shawn (Wendy) Cavness as our new Club Cuer. They are doing a great job.

Also want to apologize to Russ Ranger who I renamed in the last issue. Sorry!

Everything is going well and dances are fun. A lot of the members will be gone on trips in November so will miss them and hope to see them home safe.

Leota Lewis, Leotal@msn.com

Willie (Missie) Sewell calls for about 3 squares at the **DUDES & DOLLS** plus workshops on Monday afternoons. Willie continues to keep us on our toes as we refine our skills.

President Anne (Sid) Ondeck keep the hall running smoothly and the snack table full. Many thanks go to the dancers for providing goodies every week.

Our Christmas potluck (often the 3rd Monday in December) is always a highlight and a wonderful start to the holiday season. The workshops resume on January 5th, 2015.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all!!

Joan McLean, mcleancnj@harbornet.com

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RAINIER COUNCIL wishes each and every one of our Square dance “family” members a joyous and fulfilling holiday season and nothing but “success” during the rest of the dance year. May every dance be “A 10 Dance” (think about it...you’ll get it...it’s a FUNdamental component for any successful social activity like ours)! As long as we support one another we’ll survive and, hopefully, flourish.

Remember, you can always find up-to-date information for Rainier Council clubs on the web at <http://squaredance-rainier.org> (then click on the /Calendar tab).

Lane Johnston, lanej@chessmenkastle.com

No matter your nationality or religious preference, **YOUNG BUNCH** would like to wish you a very Happy Holiday Season. Christmas means so many different things to so many people. But the one thing I think we can all agree upon is that it is a time of year meant to bring those we love most together, and a time to make memories.

The Northwest Callers Association is hosting a grand Christmas Square Dance. We haven’t had a Holiday Square Dance since 2009 when we had our last Center House Holiday Dance. Thanks to the callers of this great organization we get a Christmas Square Dance back. YAY, this makes me happy... HAPPY! The event will take place at Hagen’s Barn (aka Rockin’ Horse Dance Barn) on Sunday December 21st. For more info find the event on Facebook.

Thank you to the Northwest Callers Association for bringing the holiday cheers back into our Square dance world. I am sure looking forward to all the festive wear.

Leslie Young, pollyanna1962@gmail.com

Good Tidings from the **SWINGNUTS**. We dance Mainstream at the Sumner VFW (aka “Valley Dance Hall”), 1705 Willow Street in Sumner, Washington on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays.

We have a great beginners’ class. Our first Level (meaning “student”-level) dance was in November. All SwingNuts dances will be Level dances until the class graduates in early spring 2015. Students from other clubs in the area are invited to attend our Level dances. Level dances are called to the “floor-level” capabilities of those in attendance.

SwingNuts dances are currently an "All Squares" format. A half-hour Call of the Night (featured call) workshop at 7:30 pm precedes the official start of the Mainstream/Level dance at 8:00 pm. Our Caller is Cliff Nichols.

Our 1st Saturday dance in December (12/6/14) will be our Pirates and Treasure dance, and our 3rd Saturday dance (12/20/14) will be our Frozen dance.

Come and dance with the SwingNuts! Check our webpage (<http://tinyurl.com/SwingNuts>) for more details.

Gail Johnston, gailj@chessmenkastle.com

The **BLAZING STARS** of Federal Way proudly welcomed Caller Steve Noseck and Cuer Linda Nold at our regular dance on October 25th. We love having the Dance-N-Diamonds visit our club to enjoy our great dancing. Our annual Christmas dance/party is scheduled for December 13, 2014. Instead of the regular snacks, we'll serve holiday appetizers and holiday desserts during the dance. All dancers are invited to attend this special event.

Blazing Stars dances at Steele Lake Grange located at 2920 S. 298th in Federal Way, WA on the second and fourth Saturdays every month (except August). Pre-rounds begin at 7:40, with Plus dancing from 8:00 to 10:00 pm.

Round dance Cuer Lynn Peltola is the perfect accompaniment, bringing a mix of Phase 2, 3 and 4 round dances to make the rounds truly "something for everyone."

Blazing Stars members look forward to seeing you across the square at one of our dances. We are eager to welcome all dancers.

Lucy Prindle, dlprindle@comcast.net

Holiday Greetings from the **SWINGING SQUARES** Plus club! We dance at the Sumner Valley Hall, 1705 Willow St and always have a good time with our Caller Andy (Tricia) Garboden and Cuer Lorraine (John) Rouse.

Swinging Squares will hold just one dance in December. We're looking forward to seeing you for our Early Christmas Plus dance on Friday, December 12th. Lorraine has a variety of pre-rounds at 7:30, then Andy and Lorraine's dance is from 8:00 to 10:30.

We had a fun night of dancing with the Bonney Lads 'N Lassies last month. Thanks for inviting us!

Our continuing Plus lessons (7:00 -9:00 Tuesday evenings) are perfect for Mainstream dancers who wish to have even more dancing fun. Angels are welcome too - please come out, and bring your friends. Call (253) 841-9656 for details.

For planning ahead with your students, our Friday, January 23rd dance will be a "Plus" Student-Level dance. Watch for more details in the next issue.

Finally, thanks so much to everyone for helping to make our fourth annual Holiday Bazaar a success. We had fun organizing and putting it on.

Mary Kun, marmikk@comcast.net

The **ROAMIN TACOMANS** want to wish you all a merry Christmas and a wonderful holiday season. Our Christmas Plus dance will be on December 13th. After Christmas, on December 27th, we will be having our mainstream dance, Let's Dance.

Tom Tomlinson is our marvelous Caller and Cuer. Pre-rounds start at 7:30 pm and our dances are from 8 to 10:30 pm. We dance at the Valley Square Dance Hall, 1705 Willow St. in Sumner. Come dance with us and check out the "experienced" square dance clothing shop. It is loaded with bargains for everyone.

Our Plus lessons are continuing on Sundays from 4:30 to 6:30 pm and we are having a great time. Angels from all clubs are welcome...the more the merrier.

Sharon Herman, tonysharp@ yahoo.com

October 3rd found the **SPINNERS** at home for the Witches Brew dance. There was a caravan from the Swingnuts and guests from several other clubs that joined us. It was a fun dance thanks to our Caller and Cuer team (Greg and Sue Weber) and all of the guests. Several people left early so we quit early and had a great potluck. Lots of good food!

The Spinners had 2 caravans in October. We visited the Swingnuts on October 4th, and Boots and Laces on October 17th. Both clubs had great dances and it was a real treat to visit and dance with some old friends that you don't see often enough. Come join us on December 5th for the Ornament Exchange dance. Bring a wrapped ornament and take a different one home.

Dave Percy, skidave@comcast.net

The **RAINIER CALLERS & CUERS ASSOCIATION** had their monthly meeting on the 3rd Sunday in October. Thanks to Jeff Graeff for presenting the square dance workshop. Sue Weber presented the ROM for November, a Phase II two-step called Dance With Me Tonight. We thank Jess and Jean Thomas for providing the wonderful spaghetti lunch.

We are gearing up for our annual Christmas luncheon in December and it promises to be a fun time. Instead of having an official business meeting during December, we will meet at our usual date and time for some socializing and food. We'll be back again in January for our meeting that always includes both square and round workshops.

We invite dancers to come participate in our workshops, and also invite other callers and cuers who want to come learn what we're all about. Our meetings are held the 3rd Sundays (September through May) at the Sans Souci Mobile Estates club house in Puyallup. For times and directions, feel free to call Tom Tomlinson at (253) 770-7447.

Sue Weber, dosadogreg@comcast.net

Hi from **SOUTH SOUND SINGLES**. Our Fall Harvest dance was great...we had two squares. Thanks to all of you who attended.

Our next dance was on November 1st at Collins Grange. Pre-rounds started at 7:30, and Mainstream dancing started at 8:00. We hope you all were there.

We'll have our annual Christmas Bazaar and Come as You Are Dance on November 15th, also at Collins Grange. We'll have a raffle, so if you see any of our South Sound Singles members out and about, get your raffle tickets from them. There are a lot of great prizes.

We are having our beginners' lessons on Wednesday evenings at American Legion Post 138 in University Place with the Legion Squares, and we would appreciate having Angels attend. Have a safe rest of the year, everyone!

Cecilia Graeff, cecilia_graeff@yahoo.com

Happy holidays from **EVERGREEN ROUNDS!** We will be dancing 3 Wednesdays in December. We are dark for both Christmas Eve and New Years Eve! Normally we dance every Wednesday (except the third Wednesday of each month, which is reserved for grange meetings).

We dance in Puyallup at the Riverside Valley Grange on Levy Road (across from River Road). We dance Phase 2, 3 and 4s, but we'll dance floor-level! We dance from 6:30 to 10:00 pm. Tom Tomlinson is our Cuer. Charles Moorhead and Shawn Cavness also cue for us! A snack table is always open, so please come and join us!

Katie Petrovich, thequeensransom1@gmail.com

Well hello to all! The **BONNEY LADS 'N' LASSIES** had two great October dances. First, I would like to congratulate Frank & Diane Fohn for putting together our fifth, Dance for the Cure dance on October 11th, to benefit The American Cancer Society. They recruited quite a few people to help with the decorations and it turned out awesome, again. We had a great turn out for this dance, and we donate all the net proceeds to the American Cancer Society. Great job from everyone involved!

We want to invite all of our Square Dance Family to our Christmas Dance on December 13th. It will be our only dance that month. The "Great and Powerful OZ" Greg Webber will be Calling and the beautiful "Good Witch of the North" Lorraine Rouse will be Cueing. Pre-rounds are at 7:30 and the dance is from 8:00-10:30. We really hope to see you all there. Well, that's all for now, so to all of our friends...keep dancing, keep smiling, and Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night.

Ron & Linda Sferrazzo, sferrazzo5@msn.com

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FRIDAY

1st **SPINNERS** Buckley Hall
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(Sept-June) 360-829-0251

2nd **YOUNG BUNCH** Collins Grange
Mark Sebree/Sue Weber 6:30 PreRds, 7-9 MS/Rds
253-472-9092

2nd & 4th **SWINGING SQUARES** Valley Square Dance Hall
Andy Garboden/Lorraine Rouse 7:30 PreRds, 8-10:30 Plus/Rds
(2nd & 4th Friday, Sept - June) 253-841-9656; break @ 9:15

5th **SOUTH SOUND SINGLES** Collins Grange
253-851-5773 for information

SATURDAY

1st **NW CALLERS ASSOCIATION** Cedar Grange
253-445-4691; mtg; dances TBA

1st & 3rd **SOUTH SOUND SINGLES** Collins Grange
Kenny Freeman/Lorraine Rouse 7:30 PreRds, 8-10:30 MS/Rds/+Tip

1st & 3rd **SWINGNUTS** Valley Square Dance Hall
Cliff Nichols - caller 7:30 wrk shop, 8-10 all sqrs w/+ tip
253-200-4566

2nd & 4th **BONNEY LADS 'N' LASSIES** Collins Grange
Greg Weber/Lorraine Rouse 7:30 PreRds, 8-10:30 MS/Rds/+Tip
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2nd & 4th **BLAZING STARS** Steele Lake Grange
Kevin Thomaier/Lynn Peltola 6:30 A-2, 7:30 Rds, 8-10 Plus
(no dances in August) 425-881-8190, 206-244-5196

2nd & 4th **ROAMIN' TACOMANS** Valley Square Dance Hall
Tom Tomlinson - caller/cuer 7:30 PreRds, 8-10:30 MS/Plus/Rds
(July: 4th Sat=MS; Aug: 4th Sat=Plus) 253-848-7073 (2nd Sat Plus, 4th Sat MS)

SUNDAY

2nd & 5th **LEGION SQUARES** American Legion Post 138
Jeff Graeff/cuer TBA 6-9 MS/Rds; lessons start W 7/9/13
253-720-2788

3rd **RAINIER CALLERS & CUERS** San Souci Mobile Estates
253-846-8203



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SOU'WESTER COUNCIL wishes everyone a very merry Christmas! This is the time of year to be thankful for all the blessings that we have and to share with others the good things and times we have in abundance. Dancing is a real blessing to those of us who participate and as lessons continue into 2015, we want to continue to encourage and invite new people into this great activity. So make it a goal to share dancing with someone before 2014 is over and again in 2015.

HARBOR HAYLOFTERS are getting ready for the holidays with their Christmas Dance on December 6th. All of our Saturday night dances are now at the American Legion Hall at 112 W. 1st Street in Aberdeen.

Our Anniversary Dance in October was small, with just two squares on the floor, but what fun we had celebrating our 54th year. We visited the Cougar Squares, Prairie Steppers and Olympia Do Si Dos.

November was our Fall Harvest Dance. We visited the Prairie Steppers, and caravanned to the council dance. We had our annual wreath making party. A big thank you to Bruce and Terry 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 wreath making. We had a great time and enjoyed a potluck after.

December finds us getting ready for our Christmas Party. We have talked to Santa and set up a date with him. He is checking his list and I am sure our caller, Randy and Kris Carlson, are on it. We are not dancing Tuesdays 23th and 30th. We will also be dark on our January Saturday dance night.

We hope your holidays are happy. We look forward to seeing all of you through the rest of this year and the next.

Ann Kilwien, sqcamper@comcast.net

RUFF & RUFFLES gathered at the home of Fred and Peggy Rolf on September 26th for the "4th Friday Social" evening. There was the usual potluck followed by games and social time. We split into two groups. One group played a Dice game (they really made a lot of noise) and the other one played Hand and Foot. Then everyone stayed a while longer to visit. An interesting discussion came up about cooking a meal for one or two people. No real solutions. Square dancing was also talked about. A fun evening that started at 5:30 and lasted to almost 11 pm.

The October 18th club dance used the theme "A Caped Crusader" dance. Various capes included Zoro, "Mash" nurse, a Nun, cancer Pink, WA Cougars,

etc. Visitors from Cougar Squares and R Square D helped to fill the four squares in attendance. Jim Raupp as "Super Man" entered as the "Super Caller" and Susan Healea entered as "Princess" Round Dance Cuer in a bath towel cape, red wig, a crown and rubber boots. It was a fun evening. At break time Lavon Hirsch and Moni Payder served different kinds of cakes.

By the time you read this report, this reporter and my daughter will have returned from a trip to Miami, FL to visit my Cuban pen pal who lives there (Been pen pals for 65 years) and also taking a 7-Day Eastern Caribbean cruise.

Happy Holidays everyone...



Susan and Jim at our October "Caped Crusaders" dance. Susan was "Princess Penelope of the Potty Patrol, and Jim was "Super Caller."

Photos by Marge Martin

Betty Clifton, sqkats@q.com

Summer's past and **OLYMPIA AREA SQUARE DANCERS, INC** new board is in place, ensuring that our hall and finances are in great shape going into the future.

Our past president and vice-president, Bill Pearson and Tony Hroncich, presided over our hall organization for five years, making great improvements to our facility and taking us from financial danger to solvency. When no one else would accept nomination, they alternated their positions. At five years they insisted they were done. Our fine treasurer Gary Gerdes, also wagon master at Circle 8 and having major surgery, stepped aside. John Ho graciously stepped in for Gary, until following a job to Seattle.

We now have a newly elected board made up of relatively new dancers, bringing fresh energy and ideas to their positions. Mitch Larsson, our new president, is a great leader and takes initiative, from changing our hall to cost-saving lighting to replacing our tattered signage with a fresh look. He and first lady Jo Ann spruced up our kitchen with paint and colorful coverings on the shelves and under the coffee maker.

New vice-president, Eric Metsch, a relative youngster, climbed onto the high hall roof, checking for loose shingles and spreading moss killer.

New treasurer, Linda Comer, brings professional knowledge of taxation, informing us of regulations of which we weren't aware.

We do our organizations injustice when we hold people to their positions for years. New people bring fresh perspectives, differing abilities, and enthusiasm.

Next election, step up and share your talents.

Kathleen Rooney, Secretary of OASDI

What a fun October dance **PRAIRIE STEPPERS** had with Steve Noseck guest calling and Lonnie Sycks cueing. Don and Marie Wood stopped in for a visit. Don is recovering from knee surgery in late September. Another visitor to the October dance was long time member Desda Rice who is recovering from hip surgery. It was so good to see her. Hosts Mary Niccoli, Pat Colton, and Gretchen Kunkel did a great job of decorating the hall and served tasty pulled pork for dinner.

Several Prairie Steppers attended the R Square D Octoberfest Saturday evening dance at the Rose Valley Grange with caller Les Seeley and cuer Tami Helms. It was a great venue and R Square D members did lots of work to make it look great. We planned to travel to the Silver Stars in November with a stop for dinner at the Oak Tree in Woodland. The Silver Stars hosted a jamboree for their students and invited our class members to attend. What a nice opportunity for our students to get a taste of club dancing. We also planned to attend the Cougar Squares Thankful Christmas dance.

Don was back to teaching Prairie Stepper square dance lessons on October 15th. Thanks so much to Pete Murray for covering square dance lessons for Don after his surgery.

The Prairie Steppers participated in the Oakview Grange Rummage sale on the first weekend in October and raised \$185.00 for our chosen charity, Camp Leo. This is a summer camp for children with Type 1 Diabetes sponsored by the local Lions clubs.

We hope you enjoyed our November dance to Honor Those Who Served hosted by Dick and Diane Russell and that you are planning to attend the Prairie Steppers 34th Annual Chicken Dance on May 8th and 9th, 2015 with callers Roger Spiese and Don Wood and cuer Lonnie Sycks. You might even get to dance with the Prairie Stepper chicken.

Marion Freels, M_librarion@yahoo.com

R SQUARE D says autumn is the hush before winter. Here at R Square D we have been anything but hushed this month. We celebrated fall with our 3-day Oktoberfest on the first weekend of the month. The club served 93 dancers a good old fashioned German dinner followed up by 12 squares of dancing to the enjoyable calling of Les Seeley and Tami Helms. We thank the River City Riders for the entertainment on Saturday, a good time was had by all. We appreciate all the hard work that Arlene Evanson has done for so many years to head up this event.

The second weekend of the month we continued to celebrate with a harvest dance with caller Craig Abercrombie.

Dance lessons started on the 15th with 13 new dancers, WOW! Our monthly meeting was held at Ron and Lynn Waliezer's home with good conversation surrounding this dance we all enjoy.

December brings us a B-51 toy dance on the 12th and the 27th is our Christmas dance, please join us.

For more information about the R Square D club please visit our website at www.r-square-d.info or friend us on Facebook.

Marie Geisler

The **DO-SI-DOS** had an awesome 65th Anniversary dance in October (13 squares). Thank you to everyone that attended, we had a lot of fun.

The Do-Si-Dos dance the second Saturday of each month at Lac-A-Do Hall, 1721 46th Avenue NE, in Olympia.

At Lac-A-Do, the next date for beginning square dance lessons is January 8th, 2015 - 6:30 p.m. Contact Eric Metsch at ericmetsch@gmail.com or Ed Murray (360-352-2662) if you have any questions or need additional information.

Lisa Metsch, 1Seren@comcast.net

STARDUST DANCERS thank all who came to our October 2nd dance to help us celebrate our 18th Anniversary and enjoyed a tasty turkey dinner before the dance. Everyone had a great time dancing with our cuer, Susan Healea. Our next big dance will be our Christmas Dance and Silent Auction on December 4th. We dance the 1st and 3rd Thursdays and would love for you to join us.

Linda Sycks

COUGAR SQUARES are excited about our annual Thankful Christmas Dance to be held on Saturday, December 6th. Tickets include a full turkey dinner with dessert and an evening of dancing for \$8 each or \$10 at the door. Dinner begins at 6:30 pm. and dancing at 7:30. Jim Raupp will be calling and Susan Healea will be cueing this all Christmas songs dance. The dance will include photo opportunities, door prizes, Santa and a couple of surprises. We invited everyone to join the fun and get into the holiday spirit.

Cougar lessons are in full swing, both Square and Round dancing. Both Jim and Susan will have the students feeling comfortable doing some of the dances December 6th, so bring your students along and get them involved also.

A reminder that Cougar's January dance will be held at Adna Grange in downtown Adna, very easy to find! This is a new venue for club dances, but familiar to Round dance students, as this is where Susan Healea teaches rounds each Sunday after/evening. Come out and enjoy this new location. It was wood floors and will be warm and toasty.

Cougars dance the first Saturday of each month, usually at St. Francis Parish Hall just north of Toledo at the blinking light. Jim Raupp is our caller/cuer and Susan Healea is our "special" cuer. Please join us for this year and also in 2015.

We wish you a very Merry Christmas and hope it is filled with lots of dancing.

Don & Judy Wilson, donjudywilson22@gmail.com

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

Friday

1st **Square One Plus Club** Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-10:30
Gunter Monroe, caller, Joyce Sebree, 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 **Flutterwheels** Lac-A-Do Hall 7:00-10:00
Don Wood, caller, Ron Woolcock cuer SQUARES AND ROUNDS
2nd **Olympia Do-Si-Dos** Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-10:30
Jim Hattrick, 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
Jim Raupp, caller, Susan Healea, cuer SQUARES AND ROUNDS
3rd **Flutterwheels** Lac-A-Do Hall, Olympia, 7:00-9:30
Glenn Raiha, caller, Ron Woolcock, cuer, BASIC 51
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
Guest cuers ROUNDS phases 3-6

Sunday

Every **Double A's** Lac-A-Do Hall, Olympia 4:30-6:30
Jack Hardin, caller, Ron Woolcock, cuer ADVANCED
3rd **Square One Plus Club** Lac-A-Do Hall Olympia, 6:30-9:00
Gunter Monroe, caller, Spike Reid, 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



COEURLY Q'S beginner square dancers are progressing along very well and we couldn't be more proud of them.

Our Anniversary Waltzes dance in November was so much fun and very well attended. We Square dancers are a romantic lot and to be able to dance with your honey or your friends just makes it all the better.

Coeurly Q's will be dancing with bells on at our December 6th dance titled "Wrap It Up" called by Adam Christman and cued by Justine Brown on December 6th. We also will have a Christmas Raffle that features lots of enticing items for you to choose from. You might be able to knock out some Christmas shopping.

Come dance with us!

Submitted by Marcia Siring

DIAMOND SQUARES had a great turn out at our October dance celebrating Vera Ottoson's 90th birthday. There was a Potluck before the dance and of course socializing with other dancers and family members of Vera from out of town. Bob Amsbury danced a special round dance with Vera. Twenty-four club members traveled to Jacks and Jenny's on October 18th. David Reichardt's unique prisoner costume netted him a special prize. Our Monday night round dance students are doing well.

Our club Christmas party is scheduled on December 7, 2014 at 1:00 at Timber Creek Grille on Argonne. Hope your holiday is fun and festive. Here's wishing you peace and joy this holiday season with your family and friends. The dance floor is waiting for us all.

Happy dancing and always keep smiling. It makes other dancers happy and relaxed.

Submitted by Nelly Christoffersen

The **JACK & JENNYS** have had a busy month. On October 4th we were joined by the Model T's for our annual hayride. We met and caravanned to the farm of Bob & Maggie Forwood. After riding the hay wagon thru the fields we went back to the barn hayloft where all enjoyed homemade stew, chili, rolls and

a large assortment of homemade pies. After everyone was full we danced to the calling of Vern Boggs and had five squares dancing. We also bobbed for giant marshmallows hanging on a string.

On October 11th we traveled to the Diamond Squares. On October 18th we had our own club dance with many unique costumes. Prizes were won by Dave Reichardt as best costume male, Maggie Forwood as best costume female, and William Green and Moriah Hebb as best couple. Special prizes were given to Thomas and Kaylie Schneider. Door prizes were won by Glo Villars and Helen Knapp and Gary Prewitt went home with the 50/50 cash in his pocket.

We are looking forward to seeing you at our next dance.

Submitted by Helen Knapp

The **MODEL T's** joined the Jacks and Jenny's for a fun hayride in October. After the ride we enjoyed homemade stew, chili, pies and games. On December 12th we anticipate a fun night at our Christmas dance with donations to Toys for Tots. Our Caller and Cuer will begin the evening at 7:00 pm with Plus and Advanced rounds and Mainstream at 8:00 at the NSDA Hall.

Happy Holidays to all.

Submitted by Charlene Weist

The **VALLEY CROSSTRAILER's** October Applefest Dance was a lot of fun with several great tasting finger foods. Priscilla Davis provided many apple-themed decorations, and two baskets of apples were given as door prizes.

Chocolate, chocolate and more chocolate will be in abundance for our December dance. Doug will be calling and Justine will be cueing... Third Saturday, Plus and Intermediate rounds at 7:00 with Mainstream and easy rounds at 8:00. Let's jump start the holiday season with this decadent get-together!

Submitted by Chris Smith

WILD ROSE RAMBLERS are enjoying the fall/winter of dance. Upcoming visitations were made to Crazy 8's, Valley Crosstrailers and Dancing Shadows. At our November dance John (Fran) Downing cued for the club. Our November celebration of Veterans was very special for all those who attended.

Lessons are in full swing, with a new session beginning in January. We hope the shorter sessions are beneficial to the "newbies" and refreshed dancers as well. Preparations have begun for the fun "silent auction" of baskets which are prepared for our annual December dance. Our club caller is Rob (Vicki) Krum and cuer is Theresa (Zach) Ray. Nina Leisi will cue for our December 6th dance.

Join us in the fun – or dance somewhere else – just get out there and enjoy our favorite activity! **HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

Submitted by Judy Ottoson

<p>Come and Dance with our Clubs www.squaredancespokane.org</p>  <p>SPOKANE AREA COUNCIL SQUARE AND FOLK DANCE FEDERATION OF WASHINGTON</p>	
<p>Coeurly Q's 1st Saturday 7:00 P 8:00 MS/R Harding Family Center</p>	<p>River City Cloggers Wednesdays, 1-3 p.m. Corbin Community Center</p>
<p>Dancing Shadows 3rd Friday 7:00 P&Int R; 8:00 MS&R. WDC Mondays 10-Noon Line Dancing</p>	<p>Roundup Workshop Tuesdays 7:30 p.m. R III-VI. WDC</p>
<p>Diamond Squares 2nd Saturday 7:00 "MS w/a Twist"; 8-10 MS&R; Plus tip after break. WDC</p>	<p>Spokane Area Council 5th Saturday 7 P&R; 8 MS&R September - May</p>
<p>Heartbeats Wednesdays except 5th Beg/Int/Adv Clogging 8:30am-12 pm Garden Spot Grange, Deer Park</p>	<p>Spokane Callers & Cuers 2nd Friday 8:00 MS. WDC</p>
<p>Hi-Flyers 3rd Friday 7:00 R; 7:30 MS; 9:30 P. Cheney City Hall</p>	<p>Spokane Carousels 1st/3rd Sat. 7:30 R III-VI. East Spokane Grange</p>
<p>Hoodoo Valley Hoedowners, 3rd Saturday, 7:00 R III; 7:30 P; 8:00 MS & R II. Jewel Lake Barn, Sagle. Special dances during year.</p>	<p>Spurs & Skirts 4th Friday 7:30 PreR; 8:00 MS w/every 4th round as line dancing. Sept thru April WDC</p>
<p>Jacks & Jennys 3rd Saturday 7:00 P&R III; 8:00 MS&R. NSDC</p>	<p>Star Shooters 4th Saturday 7:00 R III-IV; 7:30 R II; 8:00 MS&3rd tip P&R. WDC</p>
<p>Krazy 8's 1st Friday 7:00 P&R; 8:00 MS&R. WDC</p>	<p>Twin City Twirlers 1st & 3rd Saturday 7:30 R; 8:00 MS&R. Twin City Square Dance Center</p>
<p>Model T's 2nd Saturday 7:00 P&IntR; 8:00 MS&R. NSDC</p>	<p>Valley Crosstrailers 3rd Sat. 7:00 P&R; 8:00 MS&R. WDC</p>
<p>North Spokane Dance Assoc 5th Friday at NSDC</p>	<p>Wag Arouds 1st Sun 7-9 R II-III WDC 2nd Fri 8:00 R III- IV NSDC</p>
<p>Octo-Plus Squares Tuesdays 7:00 P (workshop). East Spokane Grange</p>	<p>Western Dance Association 5th Friday 7 P&R; 8 MS&R. WDC</p>
<p>Plus & Stuff Mondays (wkshp). 6:30 Adv; 8:00 P&R. 4th Friday 7:00 A2, 8:00 P&R.. NSDC</p>	<p>Wild Rose Ramblers 1st Sat. 7 P&R III; 8:00 MS&R. NSDC</p>

For further information contact **Kelley Sweet @ 509-823-5610**

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December 22-DARK

Dec 12
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Dec 19
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Dec 27
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Press release dated November 6, 2014

Good Morning from the Publicity Committee!!

We have been receiving questions about parking. The following is the reply from the General Chairman:

We strongly suggest that dancers buy Bus Passes. We are planning for 4 bus routes to the hotels indicated on our Registration Long Form as well as other contracted hotels on those routes. We also have one to the Eastern States Exposition (Big E) Fairgrounds for those camping. Dancers housed outside the contracted area may wish to park at the Big E and ride the bus to the MassMutual Center, Sheraton or Marriott Hotels. The Bus Pass will cost \$50 per rider, but will relieve the stress of finding a parking space especially on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of Convention when Springfield workers are regularly at work and filling the parking lots. You will get one free ride in to Springfield to register at the MMC. You will be given your coded name badge. To ride the bus anywhere else on the bus route, the dancer must purchase and wear the coded BUS badge for riding privilege. Daily automobile parking is free at the Big E with the purchase of the Bus Pass.

Any guests who stay in the Sheraton or Marriott Hotels will have in and out parking privileges; \$15 guest overnight in the Marriott, \$13 guest overnight in the Sheraton. The Parking Garage next to the MassMutual Center has 600 spaces with in and out privilege for \$8.00 per day until filled. The Marriott offers no in and out for public parking at \$8.00 per day.

The 64th is still discussing the parking issue with the City of Springfield Parking Authority.

Lenny and Connie Houle

This Month's Updates

If you do not presently subscribe to the NEC publication National Squares E-Magazine We would highly recommend taking the time now to sign up. It is free and comes by email. It has a lot of in depth information about the 64th NSDC®. We have reprinted some of the information below. You may sign up to receive the magazine to your inbox by using the following link:

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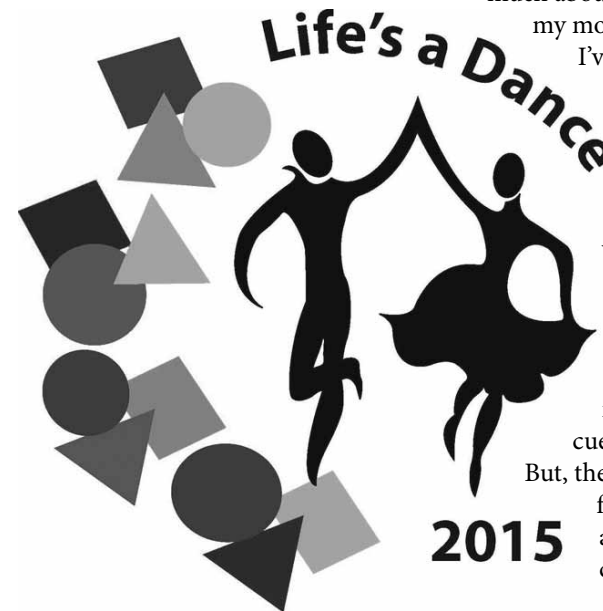
Time is really flying by. Before you know it, it will be June again. We the Committee members are getting ready for a great festival.

Sandy said she is planning many ways to get the SINGLES involved. Don't think that this will be like most festivals where if your single you sit all by yourself. That's not going to happen. So please SINGLES register early so she knows how many to count on.

Susan has a great stage for all you "Contra" dancers out there. I don't know much about Contra other than what my mom said she used to do.

I've watched it and it looks like fun. So please come and fill the Contra stage it's right in the center of all the fun so everyone can watch you dance.

We will have ALL WOOD FLOORS, well maybe not all. The restrooms and the callers/cuers hall will not be wood. But, the plan is to put down a few large throw rugs, and a few easy chairs in the callers/cuers hall.



So please look on our web page <http://www.lifesadance2015.org/> for a registration form and send it in right away so you don't forget.

Mount Baker 2015 festival

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BLUE MOUNTAIN

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Dancers bring new toys to be donated for the less fortunate children in our area so they are not forgotten at Christmas. What better way to help celebrate this special holiday.

The CRS will sponsor the New Years Eve Dance at the Shuffler Shanty with Tom Clymer calling and Bill Holm cuing. This duo makes an enjoyable way to bring in the New Year. Tickets will be on sale soon.

January we have two dances: January 10th with Jim Swanson Caller & Lorna Hayden Cuer. Theme of this dance is Fabulous 50's. On January 24th Adam Christman will be calling and Bill Holm will Cue.

Put on your dancing shoes and join in the fun. We hope to see you in a square.

Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Betty Frisbee

CENTRAL PUGET SOUND

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choose items they would like to win by placing their tickets into a container in front of each item. The club will draw raffle tickets to determine the winners. Solo Squares are scheduled to caravan to our Raffle Dance, so this should be a fun evening for them.

Our Christmas Dance is on December 20th. Both of our December dances are Level Dances, so encourage your students to come to our dances for more practice and experience in dancing with other callers.

If you are in the Kent area in December, please stop by and "dance with us" to the calling of Wayne Easton and the cueing of Randy Wulf at the Meridian Grange on Kent-Kangley.

Donna Rohde,
donnalou13@comcast.net

NORTH OLYMPIC

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fourth weekend of July 2015 for a fantastic time dancing to the calling and cueing of Jim Hatrick.

Our club sends out their wishes that everyone has a beautiful Holiday Season and during your festivities please remember, in your prayers, the many women and men who are serving in our Armed Forces.

Barbara Wright, sqdancinlady@yahoo.com

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