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**Leadership MC for Friday
night is
Craig Abercrombie**



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We hope that you are keeping your sanity through this pandemic - it is sad, depressing, frustrating and many other emotions play into our daily lives as we look toward getting back to our square dancing lives. We have missed being close to our families and friends, and the hugs. Remember to stay safe & be kind...

Kay & Roger

Continuing with getting to know your Federation officers, this month our Treasurer couple, Tom & Donna Rohde, share their story.

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MEET THE BOARD

Tom and Donna Rohde

Treasurer and Historian

Square Dancing has been “Our Other Life” for the past 35 years of our 36 years of marriage!

Whether we are “Swinging our Partner”; “Do-Si-Do’ing our Corner”; “Spinning the Top”; “Flutterwheeling” with Mainstream calls or doing the “Teacup Chain”, “Load the Boat”, “Relaying the Duecy” from Plus calls, we love it all. As Tom always likes to say, when dancers are doing the “Teacup Chain”, the Caller has time to go get himself a cup of coffee as the dancers go through all the maneuvers!

Looking back at our lifetime of interacting with people from School, Work, Church, and other Organizations, Square Dancers have been our best friends! They are our family and will always be there for you!

Tom and I became a “Blended Family” when we married on November 19, 1984 and are blessed with 4 children, 6 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren!!! Unfortunately, none of them wanted to follow in our footsteps of square dancing!

In 1985, I brought up square dance lessons to Tom when we were married for 10 months and he was all for it! I looked up square dancing in the yellow pages of the phone book, called a number and the woman asked where we lived. I said Auburn, and she gave me 3 phone numbers of dance clubs in the Kent area. I called the first number and the gentleman who answered invited us to lessons the following week with the “Square Rooters.” We took lessons with Dean Nichols as our Caller and joined their club after graduation. Tom and I were the “kids” at ages 35 and 36 at that time with all the members of Square Rooters being in their 50’s to 80’s. We had plenty of square dance “parents and grandparents” who took us under their wings! Looking back 35 years, I always wonder who the names of the other two square dance clubs in the Kent area were that I never called. Would it have been the “Wagon Wheel Squares”, “Pi-R Squares”; “Phils and Phillies”; or Timberline Squares? We will never know!

We have belonged to 3 square dance clubs dancing at the Meridian Grange Hall in Kent, Washington. Square Rooters (1985 - 1994); Lake Meridian Squares (1995 – 2000); and Wagon Wheel Squares (2002 to Present). We are Charter Members of Andy Garboden’s MVP (Maple Valley Plus) Club in Maple Valley since 2019. We also belonged to

the Fantastics Round Dance Club in Burien with Marv & Bev “K” from (1993 – 2001).

One of our highlights of dancing was being part of Wayne Easton’s “Dream Weavers” Exhibition Team from 2003 to 2012 where we performed at State Festivals, the 2012 Spokane National Convention; Dancer’s Retirement Parties; Parades, and Senior Living Homes.

Square dancing is a good way of traveling throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico and other Countries. Square dancing is popular throughout the world and is also the State Dance for 31 States. We have been fortunate to dance in Hope, Alaska; the Alaskan State Fair in Palmer, near Anchorage; San Francisco; Amsterdam, Holland; Munich, Germany; the Caribbean; and Mexico. We have even danced in our swimsuits in the lake in Penticton, British Columbia where we earned our “Aqua Duck” badge!

We attended our first Washington State Festival in Marysville in 1986 and other than missing 2 years for family events, we have danced at 33 State Festivals throughout the various cities and towns in the State of Washington.

We have enjoyed traveling to and dancing at 7 National Square Dance Conventions: 1994 & 2005 – Portland, Oregon; 2010 – Louisville, Kentucky; 2011 – Detroit, Michigan; 2012 – Spokane, Washington; 2013 – Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; and 2019 – Atlanta, Georgia.

We love living near and dancing with our Canadian square dance friends and callers and have enjoyed going to two Canadian Nationals in Vancouver in 1990 and again in 2000.

We have participated in two Out-of-State Festivals in Wallace, Idaho in 2017 and Ronan, Montana in 2018. We would like to go to more out-of-state Festivals in the future.

We felt honored when we were presented with the “Jack Willison” Award from the Central Puget Sound Council in 1994 by Bob and Jan Emerson. We were also awarded the “President’s Award” in 2017 from Gene & Tanya Currier at the Spokane State Festival.

We have made many lifelong friendships with dancers throughout the State of Washington by getting involved with square dancing at the Club, Council, State and National level.

CLUB LEVEL: (Square Rooters) - Club President, Treasurer, Caravan Chairman, Council Delegate; (Lake Meridian Squares) - Treasurer and Council Delegate; (Wagon Wheel Squares) - Treasurer; Council Delegate; 2009 Fireworks Manager; and Newsletter Editor since 2007.

COUNCIL LEVEL: Tom - Treasurer since 1994; Donna - Footnotes Reporter for CPSC since 2008 to Present; Donna - CPSC Historian (2012 to 2018).

STATE LEVEL: Tom - Finance & Audit for 4 years; State Treasurer 4 different times since 1998 with a total of 13 years; Donna - State Historian since 2017.

NATIONAL LEVEL: Treasurer for the 61st National Square Dance Convention in Spokane, Washington in 2012 working with George & Sharon Broom under their Business Committee.

There is so much to say about Square Dancing - the camaraderie and friendships formed, club dances, caravanning to other club's dances, New Year's Eve dances, dressing up for Halloween dances, as well as, the many themed dances; club campouts; the entertaining "skits" after the dances; watching the teen dancers at their annual Pacific Northwest Teen Square Dance Festival (PNTSDF), dancing to the Hatch Brothers and best of all - going to CIRCLE 8 RANCH in Cle Elum! We could go on and on!

We want to acknowledge the Square Dancer Callers who were part of our "Square Dance Journey" since 1985: Dean Nichols; Gordy Loomer; Ozzie Oswald; Kappie Kappenman; Ray Lindenau; Wayne Easton; Robert Sax; Scott Coon; Stephen Cole; Greg Weber; Don Wiggins; Kevin Thomaier; Mike DeSisto; Dave Harry; Andy Garboden; Steve Noseck; Tom Tomlinson; Jim Raupp; Brett Kappenman; Bill Reid; Tom Clymer; Bob Amsbury; Doug Davis; Brent Mawdsley, Ray Brendzy and we can't forget Christian, Joshua, and Caleb Hatch!

The Round Dance Cuers who were also part of our "Round Dance Journey" since 1986 include: Betty & Orin Voight; Marv & Bev "K"; Dennis & Ginny Crapo; Ozzie & Hazel Oswald; Patricia & Don Wiggins; Randy & Rose Wulf; Theresa & Roy Lusby; Ron & Georgine Woolcock; Lorraine & John Rouse; Debbie & Paul Taylor; Lynn & Randy Peltola; and Neva & Bill Reid.

As you can tell by our "Badge Board" that we LOVE SQUARE AND ROUND DANCING!!! We will dance as long as our feet will move and after that, we will still go to dances for "Fellowship" with our "Square Dance Families"!!!

Stay "Safe & Healthy" and hopefully we will all be back to dancing sometime this year in 2021. We miss you all!!!

*Tom & Donna Rohde
Wagon Wheel Squares - Kent, WA*



**Jack Wilson Award
2004**



President's Award 2017



A WORD FROM YOUR EDITOR

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HOPE EVERYONE IS GETTING THEIR SHOTS.



TB (Tibbles),
& Crazy Kramer.

It's not easy maneuvering the websites to find appointments. I went to the mass distribution center at Benton Franklin Fairgrounds. 2 lanes of cars winding through the huge parking lot for over an hour to check in for the second shot. Then waited in 1 of 6 lines for the shot and into 4 lanes for the 15 minute wait time. Over all it went well. They gave almost 2000 shots that day. Larry gets his the first part of March.

NOW, when can I dance? Oh yeah we can't. Since we just went into phase 2 in the last week and we have to wait until phase 4 (What ever that will be???)

Bowling has opened up starting March 1st. At least there will be some activity in the Clark household. I'm on 3 leagues and Larry is on one. We were able to bowl a couple weeks in September but that was short lived.

In the meantime, we have taken up "Paint and Sip at Home" with Michelle the painter on You Tube. Now Larry has been redecorating the house with amateur paintings. That's OK, they are fun to do.

Be sure to register for State Festival and Leadership Weekend. They need your commitment. You can download both registrations from the PDF version of Footnotes on the State Federation Web site.

See you next month.

Cynda and Larry

IMPORTANT NOTICES

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**The leadership flyer has been updated, but if you
have already registered there is no need to send
in the new flyer**

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DID YOU KNOW?

by Lane Johnston

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The information you need to stay “on top of things” in your square dance world can be at your fingertips (literally)?

If you read last month’s Did You Know...? article you already know the answer to the above question is YES!.. and you’ll recall I promised to show you how to set-up your smartphone in this month’s issue to help achieve that illusive goal of getting (and keeping) your square-dance-related information organized and at your fingertips, often with just a single click.

Something occurred last month that I’m going to take advantage of for this exercise. Footnotes has obtained new/updated software that enables its editors and article contributors to embed “live” hyperlinks in articles and advertisements submitted for publication. While it may take some time for this functionality to take its full effect, I’m confident that we will see this come to fruition in the coming months. Consider this article something of an experiment, a proof of concept, if you will.

Hyperlinks are readily identified in a document... They are often underlined and/or italicized, and are usually in a different color font than the main document. Clicking on a hyperlink will open a new window to display the contents or open the URL contained in the hyperlink. Let’s give it a try...if the hyperlink functionality is working as we hope it will here in a Footnotes article, hovering and/or clicking on the link below (preferably on your desktop device) will open a YouTube video that will show you how you can set-up your own square-dance-dedicated homepage on your smartphone. Having your smartphone handy will allow you to follow along with the tutorial. (I’m an Android user, so you may find the steps required using an OS device slightly different).

Organized Square Dancing - YouTube

Did it work? If so, great! I hope you were able to follow the tutorial and set up at least one or two square dance resources on a dedicated homepage. If the link above did not work, two alternatives are noted below:

Open a YouTube window on your computer and enter “Organized Square Dancing” in the search field. If you see an image of a smartphone homepage along with my name, you found the correct video link.

If you are reading this article online, or in PDF format, try scanning this QR code to access the tutorial.



Lastly, if you have feedback about this article (“liked it”, “hated it”, “worked for me”, “didn’t work”, “easy-peasy”, “too difficult”), feel free to send me an email: lanej@chessmenkastle.com

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State Directory

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Washington State
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June 17-19, 2021

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Everett, WA

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FIND ME AND WIN



One of my goals, when I took over Footnotes, was to increase the viewing of our Magazine. I've put some thought into this and would like to GIVE BACK to the dancers who read our magazine.

There are many snowflakes through out this issue. Find 7 to get 1 entry in the final drawing and all of the **GOLD COIN** to get 2 entries.

Drawing will be held at 2021 festival for a paid registration to the 2022 festival in Spokane. Send your entries to the address below.

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This will be a random drawing and winners may win no more than 2 times in any one volume year. (January-June)



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By the time you read this, the council treasurers should have received the club renewal instructions for the 2021-2022 dance season. We are following the same procedure as last year. We would ask each council to assist clubs that may have difficulty filling out the on-line form. Councils need to remember they are also considered a 'club' in the annual club renewal process. Clubs remember, these are club renewals under the direction of your council and returned back to your council. The one big difference this year is that there are NO State Federation fees required for club renewals this year (this is the \$5 fee normally required by the State). Your council may have some fees, so you will need to check with your council.

For your club renewal, the form is on the state web site under the M&I tab labeled "Club and Council Membership New Club & Renewal Form". Click on this form to begin the renewal process. Each line on the form contains specific instructions as to what information should be entered in that field. In order to 'see' this information, all you have to do is put your cursor in that field (do not click in the field, just put your cursor in the field) and leave it for two or three seconds. Lo and Behold!! Information magically appears as to what belongs in that field!

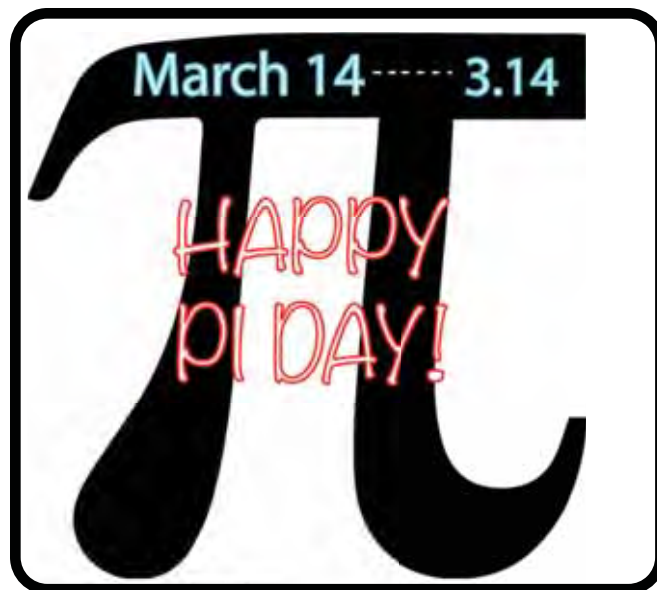
We will be emailing out the individual forms, invoices and instructions for the year 2021-2022 directly to every club treasurer in March. We will talk more about this in the next issue.

As always, please feel free to contact us with any concerns.



One Sunday in a Midwest City, a young child was "acting up" during the morning worship hour. The parents did their best to maintain some sense of order in the pew but were losing the battle. Finally, the father picked the little fellow up and walked sternly up the aisle on his way out. Just before reaching the safety of the foyer, the little one called loudly to the congregation, "Pray for me! Pray for me!"

Take care,
Richard and Barbara





52ND ANNUAL EDUCATION & LEADERSHIP SEMINAR TINA ALLAWAY

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Greetings and happy to all! Spring is just ahead with hopes of returning to the dance floor and with that tying the loose ends for summer dancing. Have you registered for the Leadership/Education weekend at Circle 8 Ranch yet? Those that registered last year I know either were rolled over or had their registrations refunded. It is my hope that we see you roll overs in July.

Early registrations are very important in that it helps the organizers in the planning the event or whether hosting the event will be profitable. If organizers can know in advance the number attending the rest is just frosting on the cake. If not enough preregister then the decision can be made to cancel.

At this writing, Circle 8 Ranch is planning on operating this summer whether there is dancing or not and so the Leadership committee will be going forward with the Leadership/Education weekend on July 9th thru the 11th. Plans have been made, the speakers are preparing their presentations and the caller and cuer are ready to provide a fun informative weekend.

Featured Caller and Keynote Speaker is Ken Ritucci of West Springfield, MA. Our very own Cuer/State Round Dance Cuer Coordinator, Bob & Linda Berka, Oak Harbor, WA. The cost of thing great dance weekend is \$40.00 a Family and & 20.00 a person. If things should back slide and we find we have to cancel, all registrations will have the option to roll it over for the next year or a refund. So I want to urge you to get your registrations in as early as you can so we can assess what we need to do. A registration form can be found in this issue of footnotes.

That Is all from me for now. Everyone please stay safe and well and I plan on seeing you all at Circle 8 Ranch in July.

Positive thoughts,

Tina

Craig Abercrombie

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Leadership & Education Seminar
July 9-11, 2021
Circle 8 Ranch, Cle Elum, WA



Start planning now for the 52nd Annual Education and Leadership Seminar

July, 10-11 2021 WITH:



KEN RITUCCI



BOB & LINDA
BERKA



Registration Information

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Circle 8 Ranch is located south of I-90 between Easton and Cle Elum. The campground has about 100 grassy RV spots with water and electricity, seven of which have sewer. There is also a community dump station.

Directions to Circle 8 Ranch

651 Lund Lane
Cle Elum, WA 98922

From Seattle:

Take exit 74. At stop sign turn right onto Nelson Siding Road. Go 1.8 miles. Turn right at Lund Lane and follow road to Circle 8.

From Spokane:

Take exit 78. At stop sign turn left onto Golf Course Road. Go back across I-90 & RR tracks .4 mile to Nelson Siding Road. Turn right on Nelson Siding Road for 2.6 miles. Turn left at Lund Lane and follow road to Circle 8.

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THIS LIST REVISED AUGUST 19, 2020

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The booklet, in any form, is included in the registration fee _____ No - I do not want the book.

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 Camping: Per night - RV \$32.00 (full); \$27.00 W&E - Tents \$20.00
 Number of Nights _____ @ \$ _____ .00 Per Night \$ _____
 Type of RV (Motorhome, 5th Wheel, Trailer) Circle one _____
 Length of RV _____ Number of slides _____
 Desired Space Number _____ Tow Vehicle _____
 Arrival Day/Date _____ TOTAL \$ _____

Note: Due to complications with changing prices we will no longer be rolling over registrations. No refunds after June 11, 2021

Do you plan on having lunch at Leadership Seminar on Saturday? Yes _____ No _____
 Donations gratefully accepted.

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at the beautiful Circle 8 Square Dance Ranch near Cle Elum, WA



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July 9, 10 & 11, 2021

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Annual Square Dance

EDUCATION & LEADERSHIP SEMINAR Schedule



If you know of a topic and/or presenter that you would like to hear, please let someone on the leadership committee know.

Friday evening events

Pre-Rounds with **Bob Berka** 7:30 PM
 Mainstream Dance – Squares MC – **Craig Abercrombie**
 Rounds MC – **Bob Berka** 8-10:30 PM
 Washington State Callers and Cuers 10:30 PM
 After Party presented by the 2023 State Festival

Saturday Information/Education Sessions

Coffee & Rolls 8:00 AM
 Welcome and Introductions 8:30 AM

IN Main Hall:

“How To Promote Your Club’s Events FOR FREE on WheresTheDance.com” by **Lane Johnston** 8:45-9:30 AM
 “Social Media - Strategies for Square Dance Clubs” by **Leticia Hatch** 9:45-10:30 AM
 “Promote Safety - dancers, facilities, and still have fun” by **Paul Gonseth** 10:45-11:30 AM

Lunch (Fundraiser by Donation) 12-1:15 PM

IN Main Hall:

Buzz Session with **State President, Kay Mahan, Moderator** 1:15 PM
IN the Cook Shack: “Ruffles” by Karen Reichart 1:30 PM
 Round Dance Workshop by **Bob Berka** 2:15-3:45 PM
 Square Dance Workshop by **Ken Ritucci** 3:45-5:00 PM

Dinner Break - Potluck in Main Hall 5:30 PM

Mainstream Dance with Caller: Ken Ritucci
 Cuer: **Bob Berka**
 Pre-Rounds 7:30 PM
 Dance 8:00-10:30 PM
 After Party presented by the 2022 State Festival 10:30 PM

Sunday Breakfast – Circle 8

(Donations gratefully accepted)
 Introductions and Acknowledgements
Keynote address by Ken Ritucci
 Q & A Share your ideas
 Summary and Closing

8:00 AM
 9:00 AM
 9:15 AM
 10:45 AM
 12:00 PM

Either Square Dance Attire or Casual Attire is appropriate for all activities

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www.squaredance-wa.org

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CRAIG'S CALLER CORNER

CRAIG ABERCROMBIE

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Here we are with springtime weather to give us hope for our upcoming summer. The same thing can be said about COVID-19 vaccines. Some of you probably have already had your first shot and maybe your second. Here in Oregon, we are a little behind as our educators will get theirs before we fall in line.

When we do and start looking for new dancers, do not leave out the possibility of "home Schooled" kids. These are not the ones that we have had home to start this school year. "Home schooled" kids are a wonderful and welcome addition to our classes and our activity. Additionally, it is a mutually beneficial arrangement. They benefit because it provides them physical activity in a non-competitive environment. They also benefit from the interaction with others, thus improving social skills, in a safe and friendly setting. I have seen whole classes of home schoolers that enjoyed having an evening out and an opportunity to be with their peers. If you are interested in coordinating with home school parents in your area, please contact their area organization, or the Washington Homeschoolers Organization (WEHO).

We will survive these lean times, and when the world once again lets us experience "real" social fiber back in our lives, we need to be ready with open arms to welcome all dancers with dancing that is appealing to all with no barriers, real or imagined. And do not forget to Thank them for coming.

As we look forward to longer days and warmer weather.

Have a Great Month,

Craig

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FISHTAILING FOR ROUNDS

Bob and Linda Berka

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The Art Of Balance Having trouble? Let's talk!

Dancing is such a fun activity. A good feeling and emotionally satisfying. We love it! A feeling we sometimes take for granted is "good balance". Dancers understand that if we don't have good balance...we could fall over. Okay, we accept the idea that if this happens we have the feeling of unsteadiness, an uncomfortable sensation, with an uneasiness.

To study this reaction of balance, we find it is often misunderstood. Balance is defined in the dictionary as a means of judging or deciding; a counter-balancing weight force or influence: mental and emotional steadiness.

Balance is a steady position or condition. It is the ability to maintain the center of gravity of the body while minimizing postural sway, which is a stay of bodily equilibrium characterized by complete stillness void of opposing forces on all sides.

An interesting example of balance in thought is walking on a suspended tight rope. Personally, not for me, but it is true if one thinks about it.

If you feel a little wobbly from time to time, here is an exercise you might try. I tried it and it does work, but be sure you have a quick grab for bracing if you suddenly feel a little "tippy". Here it is.....stand on one foot, bring the other foot up to your knee of the leg you are standing on. Point your toe to the floor of the raised leg...remain there in that position for 60 seconds. Repeat...now close your eyes and stand for 60 seconds. While you practice this exercise be thinking positive that you can do it . Because YOU CAN! But if you think and say you can't, then maybe you can't. My mother use to say, "Can't never did a thing!" She was right too. So think POSITIVE!

Dancing looks easy and it is, if you follow a few natural rules. Stand tall and erect, tuck in your bottom and push your shoulders back for a good dance posture. To dance you need to have good stability for balance. It enables you to react quicker to the dance routines for smoother moves

Another tip to try....do not look at the floor while dancing, which is a "no-no" in dancing anyway! Try finding a focus point. It creates a better, more controlled feeling of balance.

Ladies, do not lean on your partner....maintain your own body weight, keeping your "core" upward in a good dance form. One more helpful hint is to keep your head to the left of your partners head and looking over his shoulder and slightly to the left for a great form. Gentlemen, stand tall and hold your arms out....create a wonderful dance form for your partner. The feeling is so assuring and uplifting, creating good picture form that helps for good balance. Such a great beginning for any dance couple. AND you could both SMILE.

Try to become conscious of what your body is or is not doing. Understand what it should or should not be doing. Then try to discipline the body to the degree at which the performance becomes instinctive. The results could be well worth the effort and perserverance.

A quote from a prominent dance leader.....

"Point to ponder"

"Poise includes balance, but balance does not necessarily includes poise."

(given to us by Diana and Jerry Broadwater)

"smile, it walks a mile"

Linda Berka



FEBRUARY'S ROUND OF THE MONTH

STEAL AWAY

Choreographer: Jim & Vonnie Spence 227 L St SW, Quincy, WA 98848 509-787-2329.

Email: james.spence3@frontier.com

CD: Phil Coulter "Classic Tranquility" Track 7

Music has been modified: 22 seconds of the introduction has been eliminated

Footwork: Opposite unless noted

Rhythm: Waltz Phase II+1 [Hover] **opt Leg Crawl

Sequence: Intro, A, B, C, B, C, Ending

rev. 01/2019

INTRO

1 – 4 **CLOSED POSITION FACING WALL WAIT TWO MEASURES:: HOVER: PICKUP:**

1-2 wait;;

3-4 Fwd L, fwd & sd R rising, rec L to SCP/LOD; Fwd R (*W fwd L folding LF in frnt of M*);, sd L, cl R CP/LOD;

PART A

1 – 4 **FWD WALTZ: DRIFT APART: THROUGH TWINKLE TWICE::**

1-2 Fwd L, fwd R, cl L; Small fwd R, fwd L, fwd R allowing W to drift apt to LOP-FCG LOD;

3-4 Thru L to wall, sd R to fc ptr, cl L, Thru R to COH, sd L, cl R CP/LOD,

5 - 8 **TWO LEFT TURNS :: HOVER: PICKUP SIDECAR:**

5-6 Fwd L trng LF, sd R, cl L; Bk R trng LF, sd L, cl R CP/Wall;

7-8 Fwd L, fwd & sd R rising, rec L SCP/LOD; Fwd R (*W fwd L trng LF*), sd L, cl R SCAR/DLW;

9 – 12 **TWINKLE BJO: MANEUVER: TWO RIGHT TURNS::**

9-10 Fwd L, sd R trn LF, cl L BJO LOD; Fwd R trng RF, sd L, cl R CP/LOD;

11-12 Bk L trng RF, sd R cont trng RF, cl L; Fwd R cont trng RF, sd L cont trng RF, cl R CP/WALL;

13 – 16 **BOX TO SIDECAR:: TWINKLE BJO: FORWARD FACE CLOSE:**

13-14 Fwd L, sd R, cl L; Bk R, sd L, cl R blending to SCAR/DRW;

15-16 XLIF (*W XRIB*), sd R to fc ptr, cl L turning to BJO/DLW; Fwd R, sd L to fc ptr, cl R;

PART B

1 – 4 **LACE ACROSS: FORWARD WALTZ: LACE ACROSS: FORWARD WALTZ:**

1-2 Leading W undr jnd ld hnds & Xng bhd W fwd L, fwd R, cl L; twds LOD fwd R, fwd L, cl R;

3-4 Leading W undr jnd trl hnds & Xng bhd W fwd L, fwd R, cl L; twds LOD fwd R, fwd L trng to fc ptr, cl R BFLY/WALL;

5 – 8 **WALTZ AWAY: WRAP: FWD WALTZ: PICKUP:**

5-6 W/ trlg hnds jnd fwd L trng awy f/ptr, sd & fwd R to slight bk to bk pos, cl L; Fwd R, fwd L, fwd R (*W roll LF L, R, L to WRP pos*);

7-8 Fwd L, fwd R, cl L; Relg trlg hnds fwd R, fwd L cl R (*W fwd L trng LF, sd & fwd R foldg in frnt of M, cl L*) to CP/LOD;

9 – 12 **TWO LEFT TURNS: SOLO WALTZ TURN::**

9-10 rpt meas 5-6 Part A BFLY/WALL ;;

11-12 Relg hnds fwd L trng LF, sd R contg trn, cl L to LOP RLOD; Bk R trng LF, sd L contg trn, cl R CP/WALL;

13 – 16 **DIP BACK & HOLD: MANEUVER: TWO RIGHT TURNS::**

13-14 Bk L, hld, hld; rpt meas 10 Part A CP/RLOD;

15-16 rpt meas 11-12 Part A BFLY/WALL;;

PART C

1-4 TWISTY BALANCE LEFT AND RIGHT:: TWIRL VINE 3: MANEUVER:

1-2 Sd L, XRib (W XLif), rec L; Sd R, XLib (W XRif) rec L;

3-4 Sd L, XRib, sd L (W sd & fwd R trng ½ RF, sd & bk L trng ½ RF, cl R); rpt meas 10 Part A CP/RL0D;

5 – 8 ONE RIGHT TURN: FWD WALTZ: TWO LEFT TURNS::

5-6 rpt meas 11 Part A CP/LOD; rpt meas 1 Part A;

7-8 rpt meas 9-10 Part B;;

9 – 12 TWISTY BALANCE LEFT & RIGHT:: TWIRL VINE 3: PICKUP :

9-10 rpt meas 1-2 Part C;;

11-12 rpt meas 3 Part C; rpt meas 4 intro;

13 – 16 ONE LEFT TURN: BACKUP WALTZ: TWO RIGHT TURNS::

13-14 rpt meas 5 Part A CP/RL0D; bk R, bk L, cl R;

15-16 rpt meas 11-12 Part A CP/WALL;;

Repeat Part B

Repeat Part C

ENDING

1 – 3 HOVER: THROUGH FACE CLOSE: DIP BACK. TWIST **[OPT LEG CRAWL]:

1-2 rpt meas 3 intro; thru R, sd L to fc ptr, cl R;

3 -Bk L, extend R, - (Fwd R, extend L, -);

**optional W meas 3: (Bk L, lift L leg along M's outer thigh w/toe pointed to floor, - ;)





SEW MUCH FUN
Karen & Dave Reichardt
squarelyyourscloud.com
www.squaredancesewing.com



Photo by Lane Johnston
Miami at sunrise



SOLO CORNER

Marsha Sullivan

solo@dosido2go.com



I have been delighted to hear of the virtual dances that have been heating up the internet.

First, a shout-out to Ray Brendzy, of Canada, who has been doing virtual lessons for Beginners, Advanced, and Challenge dancers.

Secondly, I have been hearing more about callers who care doing virtual calling on a regular schedule. I will be attending my first Virtual Dance on March 20. This is NOT phantom dancing. It is actual dancing to calls that don't require opposites (I think). There will be an orientation hosted by Rainier Council on February 20, so I hope to come away better educated. If you would like to join us for the dance, or to get more information, email me at solo@dosido2go.com, and I will make sure you are on the invite list.

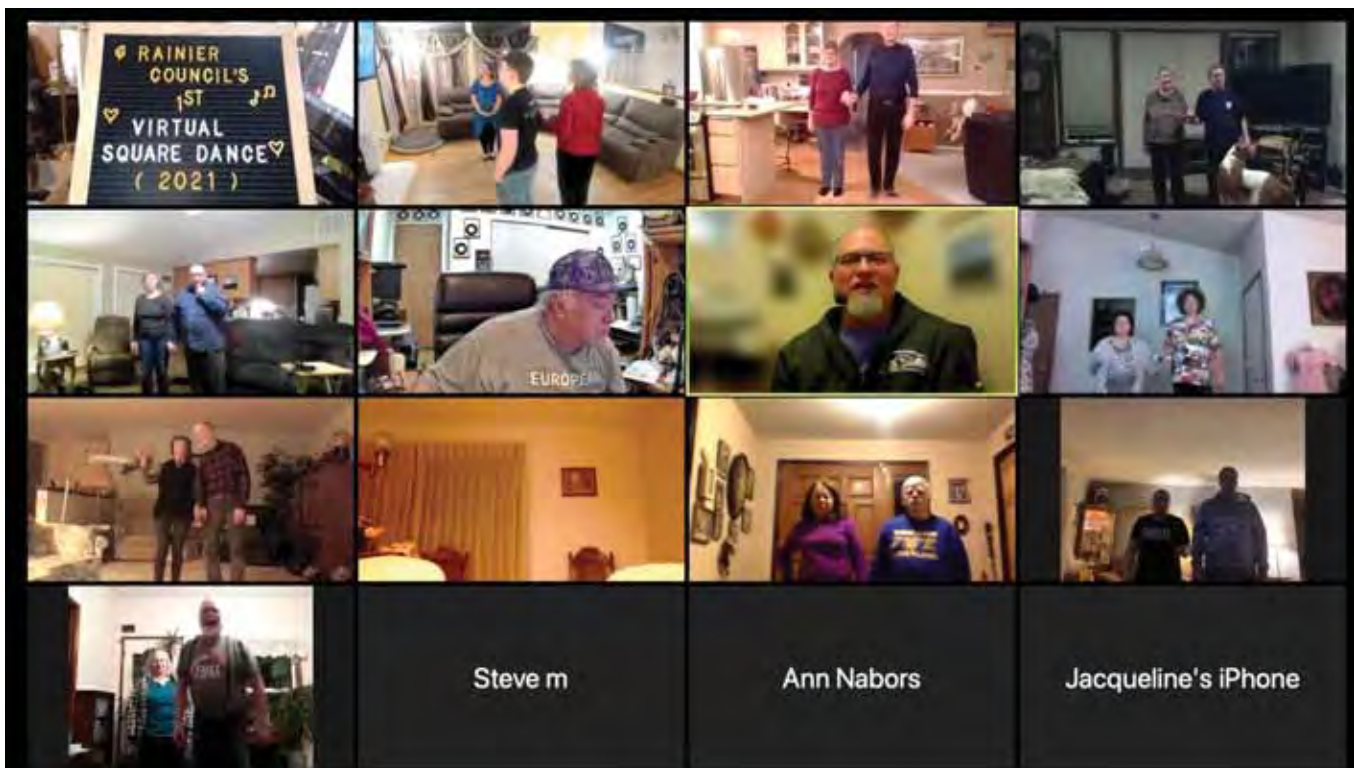
If you know of virtual dancing in your area, please send me a note so we can broadcast it to our readers.

Thoughts for reflection:

“Don't wait for your ship to come in. Swim out to it.”
“To love what you do and feel that it matters—how could anything be more fun?”

“Whether you think you can or you can't, you're right.”

Marsha Sullivan





YOUTH COORDINATOR

Sierra Weber

P.Dolphin1110@comcast.net

253-445-6692

Happy March everyone!
Happy St. Patrick's day

I miss seeing you all!
However, just because we can't do anything doesn't mean you can't apply for scholarships...

As always, it is never too late to start thinking about scholarships! If you are 16 to 22 years of age and pursuing a postsecondary education next year then this is the perfect scholarship for you! The Square and Folk Dance Federation of Washington will be accepting applications for the Youth Scholarship until the end of April.

Youth Scholarship:
c/o Sierra Weber
1717 Wildflower CT SE
Puyallup, WA. 98374

Or email: P.Dolphin1110@comcast.net

Please share this information with all the youth in your clubs and councils! If you can't apply for this but want to help the youth around Washington State then you can donate to the funds of this scholarship. Any amount helps. The scholarship is given to students who are actively involved in square dancing and the funds must be used to further their education beyond high school. Please send donations to:

Tom Rohde
Washington State Federation Treasurer
31429 114th Pl. SE
Auburn, WA 98092
Attn: Youth Scholarship

Questions? Future article ideas? Please e-mail me at P.Dolphin1110@comcast.net

Thank you!
Sierra Weber



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On January 15, 2000, the Square and Folk Dance Federation of Washington, Inc. voted to award an annual Youth Scholarship.

Scholarships are awarded at the Washington State Square and Folk Dance Festival in June of each year. Monies are paid directly to the winner's college or trade school.



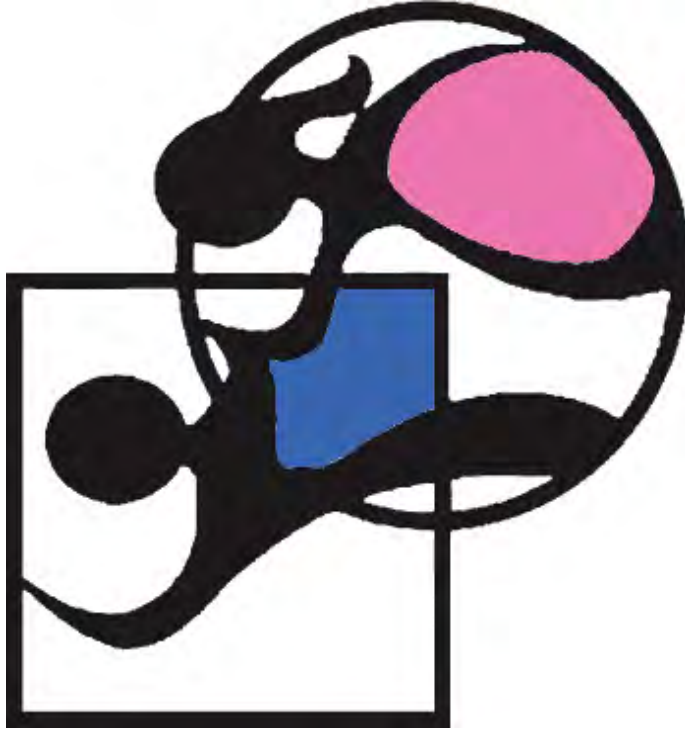
Tax deductible donations to this scholarship may be made through the Square and Folk Dance Federation of Washington, Inc. State Treasurer.

For more information to to:

www.squaredance-wa.org

Square and Folk Dance
Federation of Washington, Inc.

Youth Scholarship Fund



Supporting our Leaders
Of Tomorrow!

Square and Folk Dance Federation of Washington, Inc.

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The Square and Folk Dance Federation of Washington, Inc. is accepting applications for the merit based \$1,000.00 scholarship from youth members active within our clubs and councils.

Eligibility Requirements

- Applicants must be active members in good standing of a Washington State Federated Club.
- Applicants must be 17 through 22 years of age.
- Applicants must show a commitment to the promotion of square dancing.
- Funds must be used to further education beyond high school.

Application Procedures

The following items are required:

- A completed application form
- A letter of nomination from an un-related adult, who is an active member in good standing of a Washington State Federated Club
- An essay on your involvement in square dancing; how it has improved your life; how would you help square dancing grow, and why you deserve this scholarship
- A short paper telling us about yourself (hobbies, sports, family, goals, etc.), including your volunteer work

Applications must be postmarked no later than April 30th

Please send all applications by mail or email to the State Youth Coordinator:

Mail to: **Sierra Weber**
1717 Wildflower Ct.
Puyallup, WA 98374-1403
253-686-2133
Email: **p.dolphin1110@comcast.net**

Youth Scholarship Application

Square and Folk Dance Federation of Washington, Inc.

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Birth Date: _____ Age: _____

High School: _____ City: _____

Graduation Year: _____ Email: _____

College or Trade School you will be attending:

Name: _____

City & State: _____

Area of study or major: _____

Club Affiliation(s): _____

Council: _____ Number of years danced: _____

- Only completed applications forms, including a letter of nomination, essay and personal description will be considered.
- All material must be received by April 30th.

WASHINGTON STATE FESTIVAL TONS OF FUN IN 2021



2021 Washington 68th State Square Dance Festival
Tons of Fun 2021 June 18-19, 2021 9am - 10pm
Delta Hotel 3105 Pine St. Everett, WA

Register on-line with @ <https://festival.wasdf.org/>

ENTERTAINER INFORMATION:

Caller Coordinator Steve Noseck
connorst_1@msn.com

Cuer Coordinator Karen Neverdowski
orbets@yahoo.com

Vendor Coordinator Doug Keys
KeysDL7@gmail.com



Thursday, June 17th
 (see below)

Friday, June 18th
9:00 am – 10:00 pm
 ALL DANCE HALLS OPEN
 MS, Plus, Advanced, Rounds,
 Youth/High Energy and
 Specialty Halls
 REGISTRATION OPEN
10:00 am – 10:00 pm
 VENDORS, SEWING,
 & HERITAGE
11:30 am – 12:30 pm
 HALLS CLOSED FOR LUNCH
 PRE-BUY YOUR BOXED LUNCH
 Glacier Room
5:30 pm – 7:00 pm
 HALLS CLOSED FOR DINNER
 PRE-BUY YOUR DINNER TICKETS

Saturday, June 19th
9:00 am – 10:00 pm
 ALL DANCE HALLS OPEN
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 HALLS CLOSED FOR BANQUET DINNER
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 PAGEANT AWARDS
 President's, McNutt, Parker, & Youth Awards

Sponsored by Mount Baker Council
TRAIL IN DANCE
at Host Delta Hotel
7 to 10pm on Thursday 6/17/21

CALLERS: Steve Edlund, Brent Mawdsley, Steve Noseck and Kevin Thomaier

CUER: Karen Neverdowski

M/S with 2 PLUS tips \$10.00 each at the door only



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REGISTRATION:	until 12/31/20	after 01/01/21	MEALS:	Friday	Saturday
Adult	\$50.00	\$60.00	Lunch	\$15.00	\$15.00
Teen	\$25.00	\$30.00	Dinner	\$30.00	\$30.00
Family	\$125.00	\$150.00	Meals are Optional		

Name _____ Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Email _____ Phone _____

DANCER LEVEL (check all) __M/S __Plus __Advanced __ 2/3Rounds __ 4/5 Rounds

Last Name	First Name	Adult	Teen	Family	WA Badge\$5	Lunch\$15	Dinner\$30	Total
TOTAL								

FOOD Select choice and the number of meals:

Friday Box Lunches

- () Turkey,
- () Beef,
- () Vegetarian

Friday Dinner

- () Pasta Buffet

Dietary Limitations

Saturday Box Lunch

- () Turkey
- () Beef
- () Vegetarian

Saturday Banquet Awards Dinner

- () Chicken
- () Beef
- () Vegetarian

MAIL REGISTRATION TO:
Sheryl Long
10922 - 132nd Av NE
Redmond, WA 98052

Make checks payable to: **2021 WA State Festival**

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keyesDL7@gmail.com

CALLERS & CUERS (check all levels you want to call/cue)

Caller Cuer M/S Plus Advanced 2/3 4/5 Rounds

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION INFORMATION:

HOST HOTEL Delta Hotels by Marriott (425) 339-2000

Ask for "Square Dance Festival 2021" RATE: \$155/night FREE parking & breakfast
book at Jennifer.Leyda@Marriott.com or <https://tinyurl.com/TonsofFun2021Hotel>

Courtyard by Marriott Everett 3003 Colby Av. Everett, WA 98201 (425) 259-2200

(0.8mi.) RATE: \$139.00/night king \$159.00/night 2 queens NO BREAKFAST

Hampton Inn Seattle/Everett 2931 W Marine View Dr. Everett, WA 98201

(425)349-4466 (1.1mi) RATE: \$140.00/night FREE breakfast

Best Western Cascadia Inn 2800 Pacific Av. Everett, WA 98201 (425) 258-4141

(1.5 blks) RATE: \$119.00/night FREE breakfast

No Camping on site. Find available camping on-line.

NOTES:

*Refunds available until May 31st, 2021 less \$10.00

*Ribbons will be mailed to the address listed above

*Festival Bars are included with registration

*WA State Badge available for \$5.00 purchase

FOLLOW US: **Web:**<https://festival.wasdf.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WAsdfestival/>

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**70TH NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE
CONVENTION
JUNE 23-26, 2021**

NEWS RELEASE

70th NSDC IS STILL ON!

Plan to get together with friends in the City with Soul

January 4, 2021— Chances are you probably haven't gotten out much this past year thanks to the pandemic. Jackson, MS can cure that wanderlust as the city and surrounding areas have something to cater to all interests as the hosts for the 70th National Square Dance Convention®. The fun starts with the Pre-convention tour June 20-23, which is dedicated to the King, Elvis Presley. The tour will visit his birthplace in Tupelo, MS before heading to Memphis, TN for two days near his well-known home in Graceland. You will also get a chance to visit Beale Street, one of the best-known streets in the United States.

During the convention, there are plenty of other tours, if you can tear yourself away from the dance floor. Continue the music theme with the Delta Blues Tour, which stops at the Grammy Museum, the Delta Blues Museum, and the Crossroads, where a blues legend sold his soul to the devil, or the Sing the Blues Tour, which visits the BB King Museum and Club Ebony. Pay tribute to the military with the Armed Forces Tour, which visits the Armed Forces Museum near Hattiesburg.

Jackson has plenty of history as well. Visit Merrehope, one of the few remaining Antebellum homes in Meridian, MS, on the Meridian Tour, or Stanton Hall, one of the most opulent houses in the south, on the Natchez Tour. If you want military history, travel to Vicksburg, MS a major turning point in the American Civil War at Vicksburg.

Come for the dancing, stay for the culture! There's plenty to do in the City with Soul! For more information, visit 70nsdc.com and click on "tours."

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<http://nsdcnec.com/flipdocs/NatSqOnline/Natsq0221/index>

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The Convention is on!
Register Today & Join Us!

70th National Square Dance Convention®

June 23 – 26, 2021
Jackson, Mississippi
www.70nsdc.com



HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES INFORMATION

What is a hearing assist device?? Where do I get one? How much do they cost? How do they work? What happens when the batteries go dead? How do I change channels? HELP! HELP! HELP!

These are a few of the questions and comments that we receive from first encounters when people talk to us about a hearing device. It's kind of like going to the Doctor's Office, you know that you're not hearing all of the words that people are speaking to you, so you try to guess what they just said. The vanity in all of us says "I can hear just fine; I don't need hearing aids or a hearing assist unit for me to hear clearly."



Well..... that being said.....my response is, this hearing device is much better than hearing aids so you can enjoy for all dance activities.

First of all, there are 3 components that are used. A transmitter that will be positioned on the caller/cuer stage which is connected to the turntable used in a particular dance hall, an FM receiver that you will wear on your body that has the capability of changing channel frequencies, and an earpiece that plugs into the receiver you are wearing. It is kind of like listening to your iPod or MP3 player, (sometimes people think you are listening to a ballgame!). You control how much volume you receive in your ear.

These devices will be available for rent or sale at a very nominal fee for the 4 days of the convention. Here's the good part...when you wear one, there is **NO BACKGROUND NOISE** coming through the receiver that you will be wearing. Only the voice from the caller or cuer will be coming into your ear. The clarity of these units is phenomenal. They are easy to wear and the best part is.....they will be available at the 70th National Square Dance Convention® held in Jackson, Mississippi in June 2021!!! This would be a really good time to try one out to see how they work for you.

Look for us at a table in the Main lobby area outside the Live Band Hall with the 70th "Ways and Means" area. There will be signage there directing you to where we are located. We still have a few details to get worked out yet, so future news on this will be reported later. Just know that **WE WILL BE THERE FOR YOU** all three days of the convention. We will be just a phone call away if you need help.

Becky and Mike Phillips
Services Chairman



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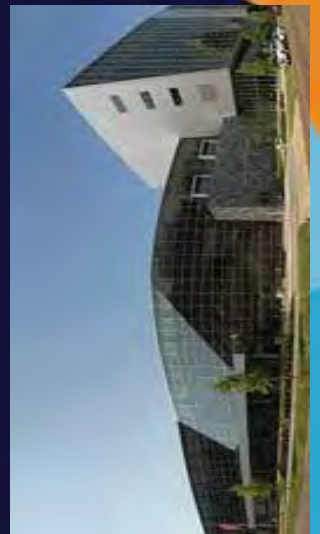


COME DANCE & EXPLORE MISSISSIPPI

The Convention is on!
 We're getting ready to welcome you to Jackson in June!

Send in your *Registration Long Form* to reserve your hotel room, order a Convention Program Book, reserve your seat at the Evening with Elvis on Wednesday Night after Open Ceremony, and more. www.70nsdc.com

The Convention will be held at the **Jackson Convention Complex**, 105 E Pascagoula Street, Jackson, MS 39201. **Free Parking** is available to attendees.



Hotels

9 Hotels to choose from. The registration form **MUST be received by May 15, 2021** to guarantee pricing.



RV Campground

The campground is close to the Convention Center and within walking distance of several museums on the way to the Convention Center (Museum of Mississippi History, Old Capitol Museum, Mississippi Museum of Art, the International Museum of Muslim Cultures, and more). Almost all sites have water, sewer, and 30 or 50-amp electric service available. regcampingrv@70nsdc.com



All aboard! Bus passes from hotels or campground to convention center are available for \$50.00. Let us do the driving to the convention from the campgrounds and hotels in our air-conditioned coach.

Reserve seats on Convention Registration \$50.00 per person



Nick Perkins
 Award Winning Elvis
 Tribute Artist
 Wednesday, June 23rd
 Dinner 5:30 / Show 7:00

Reserve your seat today!
 Dinner & Show \$50*
 Show Only \$25
 *Advance Ticket Sales Only!





Is this your *First Convention?* Are you aware of all the exciting activities that take place at a National Square Dance Convention® - *it is more than a dance!* Besides dancing there are many fun things to explore and enjoy. The Convention kicks off on Wednesday at 5:00 PM with our *Opening Ceremony* followed by our *Special Event* with Elvis.

Did you know that the National Convention conducts an Educational Program during the Convention? **It is more than a dance!**



If this is your 1st National Convention? Dan & Glinda Torvik, 70th NSDC General Chairman would like to personally invite you to join them in **Room 210 on Thursday, June 24th, at 9:00.**

They will share with you the *who, what, and where* of a National Convention during this Seminar.

Showcase of Round Dance

The Showcase of Rounds is held each morning, Thursday through Saturday. During this event, they will “showcase” various Round Dances that will be taught during the afternoon in the Round Dance Clinics. This is a wonderful event to watch and enjoy. Starting at 10 AM and for the next hour and a half, one after another, each Round Dance teaching couple will "demo" the dance they will be teaching that afternoon. It is a wonderful way to see some of the best Round Dancing in the world displayed, and you get a preview as to what you can learn that day at the teaches.



The word is out -- there will be a 2021 National Square Dance Convention® in Jackson, MS on 23-26 June 2021. And as usual there will be Round Dance Clinics and Teaches on each day, Thursday through Saturday. Square dancing is great -- perhaps it stirs your soul as it did us when we first saw and learned round dancing. The Clinics and Teaches will pass this passion on to you.



ATTENTION SOLO DANCERS

**“Ribbon UP TO FIND A
PARTNER”**

**Solo ribbons are color coded to
help you find a partner.**

“ASK ME TO DANCE”

PINK – DANCES THE LADY’S PART

BLUE – DANCES THE MAN’S PART

PURPLE – DANCES EITHER PART

Ribbons are available at the table across from the registration desk! Pick up your

Ribbons and **Dance Dance Dance**

(Remember if a dancer is wearing an ‘Ask Me to Dance’ Ribbon
it is OK to ask them to Dance!)



COME ONE, COME ALL!
to the
70th NSDC Round Table



“Future of Dancing”

Friday, June 25, 2021 from 10:00 – 11:30 am
3rd Floor Theater, Jackson Convention Complex

Round Table Members include:
Moderator: *Deborah Carroll-Jones*
USDA: *Jim Maczko*
ARTS: *Butch Hayes*
CallerLab: *Betsy Gotta*
CallerLab: *Mike Seastrom*



Baked Filled French Toast

French Toast

8 oz. cream cheese

6 eggs

1 ½ cups half and half

1/8 tsp. cinnamon

1/8 tsp. nutmeg

1 tsp. vanilla

8-12 slices of thick bread (French or Italian)

Spray 9x13 baking dish with nonstick oil. Line bottom of pan with 1" thick slices of bread. Add small pieces or slices of cold cream cheese over the bread. Use the full package of cream cheese. Add a second layer of bread. Beat together remaining ingredients. Pour over bread in pan, cover and refrigerate overnight or at least 4 hours. Take out of refrigerator 30 minutes before baking.



Toppings

½ cup butter, melted

2 tbsp. dark corn syrup

1 cup brown sugar

1 cup pecans, chopped

Mix all ingredients together. Spread toppings over top of soaked bread. Bake in oven at 350° about 40 minutes and until set in middle. It will puff up. Allow to rest out of the oven for 5 minutes before slicing.

Natalie & Don Sprosty and Doug Sprosty
Callers & Cuers
Solid Gold Weekend, Iowa



45th Annual
ROUNDALAB CONVENTION

June 19th – June 23rd 2021

Jackson, Mississippi

Marriott Downtown



Jackson Marriott

Downtown
200 East Amite Street
Jackson, MS 39201

Who Can Attend the ROUNDALAB Convention?

Round Dance Teachers, Cuers, & Dancers

Anyone seeking to improve their
cueing, teaching, and dancing skills.

Our convention starts with a Welcome Reception-Saturday
at 7pm – includes a variety of educational sessions and dancing for all
phases thru Wednesday approx. noon.

If you are attending NSDC (immediately following our convention) you may
request to NSDC to stay in the same hotel for both conventions.
The Marriott is an NSDC Headquarters hotel and 3 blocks from the NSDC.

Why Attend ROUNDALAB?

Your ROUNDALAB registration includes: *Dancing on wood floors, Saturday evening reception,
3 Evening dances, 2 beverage breaks each day, Tuesday evening awards banquet,
Dancing/education for all phases, Fabulous education from leading Round Dance instructors,
An electronic version of the Education Syllabus,
Networking opportunities with Round Dance instructors, and much more.....*

Jackson, Mississippi Attractions



Mississippi
Civil Rights Museum



Eudora Welty
House & Garden



Mississippi Sports
Hall of Fame & Museum



Old Capitol
Museum

Jackson, the "City with Soul", is the capital city of Mississippi and is known for true southern hospitality, nationally recognized institutions of higher learning, a mecca of Art Deco architecture, and the home of internationally-renowned author, Eudora Welty. The statewide Mississippi Freedom Trail runs through the city, encompassing a number of historic sites that were significant in the civil rights movement. These include the Medgar Evers Home Museum and the landmark Mississippi State Capitol building.

Prices & Registration Form on Reverse Side





Enjoy Camping & Dancing
at the
70th NSDC in Jackson, MS
June 23 -26, 2021

after Jackson...Get On The Rayne Train



June 27 - July 3

A week-long Camping & Dancing Adventure that will take you from Jackson to...

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The Frog Capital of the World
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63rd International Square Dance Camporee
July 4-5-6-7 & 8 2021



It's gonna be...
Ribbit'ing



"REGISTRATION INFO" @ **NSDCA.ORG**

John & Dolly Ide (352) 208-5980 or (352) 598-7162

johnide2016@outlook.com

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WEDNESDAY JUNE 23, 2021

DINNER & SHOW \$50

SHOW ONLY \$25

DINNER AT 5:30

SHOW STARTS AT 7PM

PURCHASE ADVANCED TICKETS ON
YOUR 2021 NSDC REGISTRATION FORM



Vicksburg Tour

Abraham Lincoln called Vicksburg “the key” to ending the Civil War. The defeat in this city was a turning point in the war and the city’s significant role is made evident when touring the **Vicksburg National Military Park**. See the battlefield with over 1,340 monuments, including a stop to see the USS Cairo Museum – an ironclad struck by two underwater torpedoes in the war. Lunch today will be at **Walnut Hills Restaurant**, featuring southern plantation cuisine. After lunch we visit the **Old Court House Museum**, filled with items reflecting Southern Heritage, including the largest Civil War memorabilia in the South.



Tour days: Thursday, June 24 and Friday, June 25, 2021
 Time: 8AM – 5PM Cost: \$99 pp
 Includes: Bus transportation, guide, admission, and lunch.

<u>Tour Registration</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u># of Tickets</u>	<u>Total</u>
Everything Elvis Tuesday, June 22	Sunday 1pm	\$650 pp double or \$850 single		
Jackson City Tour	9am-1pm	\$43		
Wednesday, June 23				
Jackson City Tour	9am-1pm	\$43		
MS Delta Tour	7:30-7:30	\$105		
Natchez Tour	8am-6pm	\$121		
Thursday, June 24				
Jackson City Tour	9am-1pm	\$43		
Armed Forces Tour	9am-4:00	\$79		
Sing the Blues Tour	8am-4:30	\$83		
Meridian Tour	8:30-5:30	\$92		
Natchez Tour	8am-6pm	\$121		
Vicksburg Tour	8am-5pm	\$99		
Friday, June 25				
Jackson City Tour	9am-1pm	\$43		
The Help Cooking Tour	8am-6pm	\$112		
Meridian Tour	8:30-5:30	\$92		
Natchez Tour	8am-6pm	\$121		
Vicksburg Tour	8am-5pm	\$99		
Saturday, June 26				
Armed Forces Tour	9am-4:00	\$79		
Flash Mob Tour	9am-1pm	\$35		
		Grand Total:		\$ _____

All participants in activities and use of Facilities shall be undertaken by each individual at his or her own risk. The 70th NSDC shall not be liable for any claims, damages, actions or causes of actions whatsoever to person or property arising out of or connected to the use of any service or facilities arranged for or the premise where the same are located or arising out of acts of active or passive negligence by agents or volunteers of the 70th NSDC. Personal items and souvenirs are the sole responsibility of the tour patron.

Please make checks out to: 70th NSDC or enclose credit card information and mail to:
8538 Lotticks Corner Rd SE Elizabeth, IN 47117 Cancellation Fee is \$10 per person.

Name _____ Address _____
 City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
 Phone (____) _____ Email _____
 Check enclosed for \$ _____ Card Number _____
 Expiration Date _____ Security Code (3 numbers on back) _____
 Special Needs – physical, dietary? _____
 Emergency Contact Name _____ Phone _____

1. Print legibly all names, address, city, state, zip code, country, and B/D of youth (age 5-17 by June 26, 2021 discounted price) to ensure correct registration.
2. Correctly enter all amounts in the Subtotals, including registration fee for each dancer plus quantity and amounts for all other materials. Calculate the Total and include credit card information, check or money order payable in U.S. funds to the 70th National Square Dance Convention® and return it with the Registration Form. Do Not Send Cash. No Single Day Registrations.
3. A \$10.00 fee per registrant will be assessed for cancellation. No refunds after April 30, 2021.
4. **Important! Daily schedules are only available with the purchase of a Program Book. Daily schedules will not be available separately at the Convention. Most dancers will want to purchase the Program Book.**
5. TOUR FORM AND PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS: Please complete the Tour Order Form and mail directly to: Dream Vacations (70th NSDC), 8538 Lotticks Corner Rd SE, Elizabeth IN 47117. For any questions call 812-969-2307 or email to c.schoen@dreamvacations.com. For Tour information and Order Form go to www.70nsdc.com and click "TOURS"

INSTRUCTIONS FOR RV/CAMPING

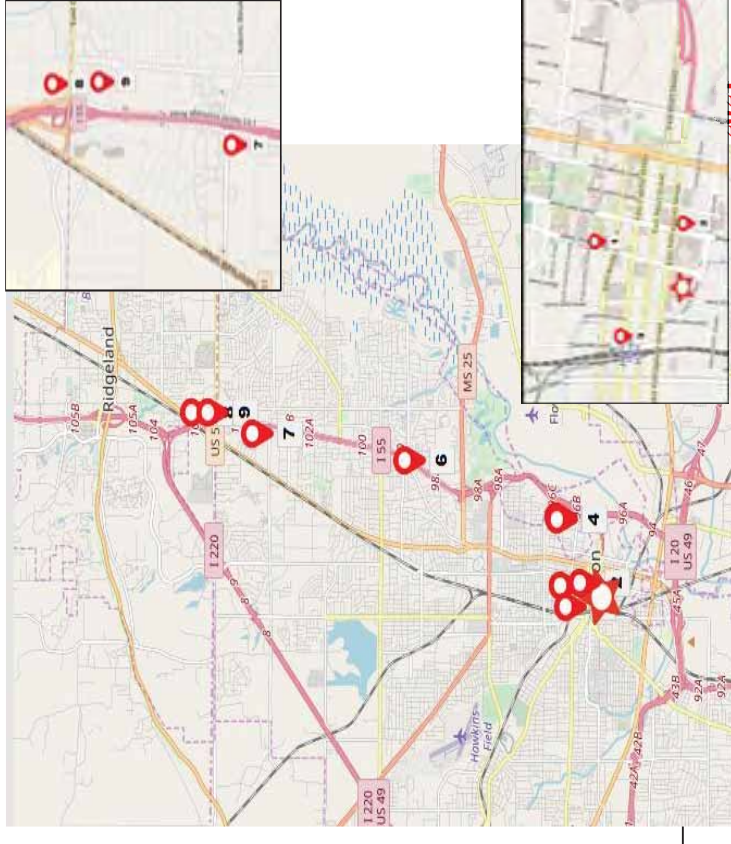
Indicate RV Camping on your registration form and enclose the required fees (4-night minimum) to cover the nights that you intend to stay, 30 or 50 Amp and water available at all sites with sewer at most sites. Free dump station on site. If you plan to camp together, you must arrive together. For more information contact RV Vice-Chairman, John & Dolly Ide regcampingrv@70nsdc.com.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOUSING (RIGHT FRONT SIDE OF FORM)

1. The 70th NSDC Housing Committee is pleased to offer website online access for housing reservations available after March 1, 2020. If you book your room online, check the box provided on front side of this form; otherwise complete the entire housing portion on the right side of the front of this form. This form must be received by May 15, 2021 to guarantee the 70th NSDC pricing.
2. Indicate three (3) choices of hotel preference by specifying hotel code number. Also, be sure to indicate 1 bed (Standard King) or 2 beds (Queen). Hotels will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis according to availability.
3. Only one person per room should complete a hotel reservation request on the front of this form. Please list all room occupants. (The Housing Committee does not find or assign roommates.)
4. Shared Room or Same Hotel Requests can be made through the online site OR forward registrations together in the same envelope.
5. All Block Housing requests staying in the same hotel are due by January 2, 2021, include the name and telephone number of Block Leader to rehousing@70nsdc.com
6. Hotel Reservations: Your reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card and a \$3.50 non-refundable processing fee. The hotel may require an advance deposit for 1st night. The balance will be paid at the hotel. An alternative form of payment may be presented at check in. Ensure expiration date is after July 2021.
7. Hotel Confirmations: You will receive a hotel confirmation from the 70th NSDC via email or mail. A Hotel confirmation will be sent after March 1, 2021. If you do not receive your confirmation by March 30, 2021, please contact the Housing Committee by email at rehousing@70nsdc.com
8. Hotel Changes: After receiving Hotel Confirmation, if you need to modify your hotel reservation you must contact the 70th NSDC Housing Committee, rehousing@70nsdc.com
9. Hotel Cancellations: Your confirmed hotel will assess a one-night room/tax charge for cancellations received less than 72 hours prior to arrival.
10. Hotel Early Departure: An early departure fee may be charged unless the 70th NSDC Housing Committee rehousing@70nsdc.com is notified at least 72 hours prior to a change in the planned stay.

BUS PASS AVAILABLE IF NEEDED

Map of Hotels



Code	Hotel Name * parking fee	1 person	2 people	3 people	4 people	Distance
1	Jackson Downtown Convention Center Hotel by Marriott	\$139	\$139	\$149	\$159	.3 miles
2	Westin Downtown * **	\$159	\$159	\$169	\$179	.3 miles
3	Hilton Garden Inn (Culler/Cuer) *	\$139	\$139	\$149	\$159	.2 miles
4	Hampton Inn & Suites **	\$102	\$102	\$102	\$102	1.4 mile
5	Holiday Inn Express **	\$129	\$129	\$129	\$129	1.4 mile
6	Residence Inn	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150	3.7 miles
7	Oyo Townhouse **	\$80	\$80	\$80	\$80	7.7 miles
8	Hilton Jackson	\$119	\$124	\$129	\$134	9 miles
9	Courtyard Jackson/Ridgeland	\$129	\$129	\$129	\$139	7 miles



Jackson Convention Complex 105 E Pascagoula St, Jackson, MS 39201

Return completed form with payment to:
70th NSDC, 5252 McIngvale Rd., Hernando, MS 38632
Any questions, please call 901-628-4356

Come Early or Stay Late! The Soul Team of the 70th NSDC is committed to making our Convention fun and memorable experience for you. Please email us if you have a concern or suggestion.

Dan and Glinda Torvik, General Chairman, generalehair@70nsdc.com



70th National Square Dance Convention

June 23, 24, 25, & 26, 2021, Jackson MS
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For Convention Use Only
 Registration # _____
 Date Received _____
 Payment Processed (Check) _____

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
 Address: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Country: _____
 City: _____ Cell: _____
 Phone: _____
 Email: _____

(Email addresses will only be shared with the NEC for upcoming convention information)

Check if you do not want your email shared

Registrations are non-transferable.
 Youth born after June 26, 2003 \$30.00
 A \$10.00 fee per Registrant will be imposed for cancellations or changes.
 Children 5 and under (born after June 26, 2016) FREE

Prices will increase May 1, 2021 to \$75 for adults, \$37.50 for Youth born after June 26, 2003.

Registrations received after April 30, 2021 will receive e-mail confirmation only.

Mail-in Registrations must be sent by June 5, 2021 or email by June 12, 2021.

SOLO		For badges		First Name	Last Name	Subtotals			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adult:	_____	_____	_____	_____	\$ _____			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adult:	_____	_____	_____	_____	\$ _____			
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Program Book w/Daily Schedules (\$20.00 after 4/30/2021)	_____	_____	# _____	@ \$15.00	\$ _____			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Round Dance Syllabus	<input type="checkbox"/> USB Drive or	<input type="checkbox"/> Printed	# _____	@ \$10.00	\$ _____			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Round Dance Syllabus	<input type="checkbox"/> USB Drive and Printed		# _____	@ \$16.00	\$ _____			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sew & Save Book "Spinning and Swirling Skirt"	<input type="checkbox"/> USB Drive		# _____	@ \$10.00	\$ _____			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cookbook			# _____	@ \$15.00	\$ _____			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wednesday Special Event - DINNER & SHOW			# _____	@ \$50.00	\$ _____			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wednesday Special Event - SHOW ONLY ELVIS TRIBUTE ARTIST			# _____	@ \$25.00	\$ _____			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bus Pass (if needed) (\$60.00 after 4/30/2021)			# _____	@ \$50.00	\$ _____			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Magnet for Badge, pins are provided Free of charge			# _____	@ \$ 2.00	\$ _____			
<input type="checkbox"/>	RV Camping (4 night minimum). All campers MUST register. You will receive a profile form when your payment is received. To camp together, arrive together					\$ _____			
S	M	T	W	T	F	Sa	S	# of Nights	\$ _____
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	# of Nights	\$ _____
No Refunds or Cancellations After April 30, 2021									(U.S. Funds) Total Due: \$ _____

**TOURS - Please complete separate Tours Order Form and submit separate payment.

Check Enclosed # _____ Visa MasterCard Discover

Name on Card: _____

Credit Card No.: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____ (Ensure expiration date is after July 2021)

Return completed form with payment to:
70NSDC, 5252 McIngvale Rd. Hernando, MS 38632

Please mark which dance program you will be attending the most:
 Squares: Basic M P DBD Hex A1 A2 C1 C2
 Hi Energy Low Energy
 Rounds: 2 3/4 5/6
 Other: Clogging Contra C/W Lines Handicapable
 Will you be participating in the Education Leadership Certification Program?

HOUSING

Select your hotel online at: www.70nsdc.com select "Housing" Tab for a direct secure link to the Hotel Booking Module after March 1, 2020

I have selected my Hotel On-line. YES NO

I need Housing Reservations for the dates and selected Hotel below:

Please Circle Room Nights Needed:

Sa	S	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa	S
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27

3 Hotel Preference required (hotel codes on back): 1st _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____
 Please check the appropriate box: One Bed (1-2 people) 2 Beds (2-4 people)
 Wheelchair Accessible Room Special Needs Room: _____

Shared Rooms or Same Hotel, registrations must be mailed together in the same envelope.
 Same Hotel as: _____

Block Housing Requests are due by Jan 2, 2021.

Block Housing (10-25 rooms) E-Mail: _____

Block Leader Name: _____ Phone: _____

Group Name: _____

To guarantee your room reservations, you must provide a credit card number and pay a \$3.50 processing fee. Deposit may be charged in advance, balance for your room will be charged by hotel at check in.

Check Enclosed # _____ Visa MasterCard Discover

Name on Card: _____

Credit Card No.: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____ (Ensure expiration date is after July 2021)

Dance Leader Name to be programmed *Go to www.70nsdc.com to update your profile

Name: _____ Caller C/Cuer Contra Clogging C/W Lines

Name: _____ Caller C/Cuer Contra Clogging C/W Lines

Convention badges required for entrance to all convention activities; Dressy Casual attire allowed until 6:00pm. PROPER DANCE ATTIRE is required after 6:00pm for all dancers.

Registration: Mary Ann Walker E-mail: regchair@70nsdc.com

71st NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE 2022

PRE-CONVENTION DANCE MARCH 13, 2021 virtual



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NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

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71st National Square Dance Convention® Pre-Convention is first to be virtual

The COVID-19 pandemic has forced events to be cancelled and upended lives, but it has also brought innovation.

The 71st National Square Dance Convention's® Pre-Convention is one example. The event was originally scheduled at Evansville's Doubletree Hotel, but the National Executive Committee (NEC) granted permission to NSDC organizers to hold the Pre-Convention virtually, after they determined COVID caseloads were still too high to hold large gatherings in person. Because necessary planning still needed to happen, organizers decided to use Zoom and make the event the first virtual Pre-Convention.

The event will run four days beginning March 10. The NEC will have meetings and hear reports from the 70th, 71st, 72nd, and 73rd conventions. On Saturday, March 13, there will be breakout sessions beginning at 10 a.m. that will stretch until 4:30 p.m. and reconvene with a wrap-up session at 7 p.m. There will be eight virtual "rooms" that will be renamed after each round of meetings.

There will also be a virtual dance on March 12 beginning at 8 p.m. with callers James Cha and Janet Lewis. Virtual square dances usually have two couples at a time dancing. There will also be at least one game.

While the Pre-Convention is the first to be virtual, plans are still underway to have the 2022 National Square Dance Convention ® fully in-person. Keep June 22-25 on your calendars and "Join Us Down By The River" for a memorable convention. Register for the virtual dance and the 2022 convention at 71nsdc.org.

NEWS RELEASE

Contact Information:
Bill Garrison/Paula Egenolf
317-273-8345/317-370-9213
Bgarrison27@comcast.net
Paulaegenolf50@att.net

For Immediate Release: Jan. 13, 2021

71st NSDC offers historic tours, education events

The 71st National Square Dance Convention® committee, nicknamed the “River Rats,” is working hard to make sure everything is just right for the dancers coming to Evansville, IN, in June 2022.

Tours are being organized in Evansville and the surrounding area. Vincennes, offers the Red Skelton Museum and Grouseland Mansion, home of William Henry Harrison, 9th President of the United States. Another tour is in Corydon, IN, the first Indiana State Capitol, with a themed-luncheon featuring one of the first Governors of Indiana.

Register for the convention at 71nsdc.org. While you’re there, check out the education programs, themed “Making Waves.”



Cupid Crossfire and Angel Circulate wish you a happy Valentine’s Day.

The Indiana "River Rats" invite you to:
Make fast tracks to the
71st National Square Dance Convention®

Evansville, Indiana
June 22 - 25, 2022



**Preregister now for the 71st NSDC
go to 71NSDC.org to register online or download
PDF form for mailing.**

Your registration ribbon includes admission to the
preconvention dance on March 13th, 2021



**Dino Martino Says:
"Make tracks to the 71st NSDC In
Evansville, IN. June 22-25, 2022.
I'm ready to process your registration."**



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IN MEMORY



Bob Wright Jr., 4-2020-Lifetime Member-Freewheelers- MT Baker Council

Larry Hartley, Star Shooters, Spokane Area Council See Page 74

***Honor your dancers with a memorial donation to the Heritage Center.
Contact Ellen Ostrum (425-308-9559) or Doug Keyes (425-478-3397)
for more information***

This will be a regular page in Footnotes. I hope it's a blank page always! If your club would like to include dancers on this page please send a [separate email to footnotes_wa@yahoo.com](mailto:footnotes_wa@yahoo.com). If their names are in the articles only they may be missed when compiling the magazine. A separate email will help ensure they are included so healing thoughts and prayers may be sent their way.

BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL

Area Reporter



There is not a **BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL** meeting scheduled at this time.

All **PRAIRIE SHUFFLER** activities are canceled through January. We are hopeful we can dance in February.

We are also planning our anniversary dance June 4th. Please see our flyer on the next page.

Gary and Suzanne Benefield, will notify the club when dances and lessons will resume.

PRAIRIE SHUFFLERS
Shufflers Shanty
717 N. Irving, Kennewick

DANCING 1ST & 3RD FRIDAYS
SEPTEMBER-JUNE
PLUS 7:00 - 8:00 PM
MAINSTREAM 8:00 - 10:00 PM
CHECK OUT OUR AD FOLLOWING THE REPORT

See Shuffler ad for dance information

The **MUDDY FROGS**, of Milton-Freewater, are dark until next season or later depending on the “stay at home” orders in Washington and Oregon. However, The Milton-Freewater Muddy Frogs plan to welcome in 2021 as soon as we can. For further information, please call Merri Anne Huber at 541-861-9055.

**MUDDY FROGS
SQUARE DANCE CLUB**

Caller: Guest
Cuer: Guest
3rd Sundays • 2-4 PM
Milton-Freewater Community Center
105 NE 5th Milton-Freewater, OR
For info • e-mail:
merriannah@charter.net

TRI CITIES CIRCULATORS and **FAMILY-A-FAIR** are not meeting for dances or lessons at this time.

The **MELODY MIXERS** Round Dance club has canceled all dances and lessons through the rest of the fall season, but that will be dependent on the status of the COVID 19 closures and restrictions.

Dancing will certainly be different when we resume. I assume that food and drink may be restricted to personal water bottles. Hand washing or sanitizing will be a must between tips or sets. Will we all be wearing face coverings? Maybe. Probably. I can't figure out a way that we can dance and still comply with Social Distancing – 6 feet strictions are lifted.

Prairie Shufflers 66th Anniversary Dance
June 4th and 5th 2021

Caller Dan Nordbye
Cuer Bill Holm

Friday 4th Pre-Rounds 7:00 PLUS Dance 7:30 to 10:00
Saturday 5th DBD Plus Funshop 3-5
Potluck 5:30 Pre-Rounds to follow
Mainstream 7:00-9:30

Shuffler Shanty 717 N Irving Kennewick, WA
Contact: Garry Benfield President 509-585-0548 or Urban Jenquin 509-628-0354

Craig Abercrombie

Featured MC
Friday evening
Leadership Weekend
July 9, 2021
Circle 8 Ranch



BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL DANCE SCHEDULE



MOST dances are cancelled until further notice

Sunday -

Muddy Frogs: Mainstream & Rounds 3rd Sunday Year Around
..... Teacher, Merri Anne Huber
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
Eagles Lodge #2485 115 Fruitland St. • Kennewick, WA
Contact: Thelma Swanson 509-539-2660 or paintedswan@frontier.com

Friday or Saturday - **Hoping to start dancing in May/Junr--Stay tuned!**

Prairie Shufflers: Mainstream with Plus and Rounds 1st & 3rd September
thru July, (*See Prairie Shufflers Ad for dates*)
..... Guest Callers and Cuer, Bill Holm
Shuffler's Shanty 717 N Irving • Kennewick, WA 509-783-4222
Contact: Jonnie Jenquin 509-628-0354 or jenquin.uj@gmail.com

Family a-Fair: Mainstream with Plus and Rounds 2nd & 4th Saturday Year Around

..... Caller, Jim Swanson
Vetrans Memorial Golf Course • 201 E Rees Ave
Walla-Walla WA • 509-525-2870
Contact: Thelma Swanson 509-539-2660 or paintedswan@frontier.com

CENTRAL AREA COUNCIL

Area Reporter
Carel & Michael Edgerly
carel@centurylink.net



www.centralareacouncil.org

Craig Abercrombie

Featured MC
Friday evening
Leadership Weekend
July 9, 2021
Circle 8 Ranch



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Central Area Council *invites you to dance with us*



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BLUE AGATE SQUARES

1st & 3rd Saturday
7:00—9:30PM

Daron Tandberg, Caller
Cyndi Silicki, Cuer

Swauk-Teaway Grange—

Cle Elum

509-304-4478

Or

509-304-8040

GATESWINGERS

2nd & 4th Saturdays
7:00—9:30PM

Daron Tandberg, Caller
Debbie Taylor, Cuer

Summer Dance

4th Saturday July

Dave & Sharon Boggs—

Caller/Cuer

Yakima Square & Round

Dance Center—

Moxee

509-949-6712

SILHOUETTE DANCERS

Thursdays

Ph 3-5 Rounds

6:00-7:30PM

Debbie & Paul Taylor

Yakima Square & Round

Dance Center—Moxee

509-965-3015

www.centralareacouncil.org



www.cpsc-squaredance.org

CENTRAL PUGET SOUND COUNCIL

Area Reporter

Donna & Tom Rohde

253-833-2825

donnalou13@comcast.net

The BOOTS & LACES wish everyone a very Happy St. Patrick's Day. We are all hoping that we will get back to dancing soon. We sure are missing our square dance friends and our fun times. Please stay safe and healthy. Looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

Pat Hoot

hootpnr@yahoo.com

All activities for March have been canceled due to Covid-19 restrictions placed upon Cedar Valley Grange where the JET STEPPERS dance in Maple Valley. The Jet Steppers hold monthly gatherings the third Thursday of each month via ZOOM. These virtual gatherings will continue until we are able to resume normal activity again.

Dave Smith,

daves787@comcast.net

Well, here we are one year into this CoVid-19 area and still not square dancing. I have had back surgery and Marilyn is hopefully going to have rotator cuff surgery sometime in February. Then we will be 100% behind getting square dancing going again.

We both had an introduction to our hobby in 1961 with Kappie Kappenman and started seriously square dancing in 1968 with Gene Dana and the Pi-R Squares. We have enjoyed every phase of our hobby and wish we could enjoy it now. Keep the faith as we believe we will square dance again if not this Spring, then sometime this Summer.



We will let you know if and when the Pi-R SQUARES with Andy Garboden and Kyle Quande will dance again. Thank You for your patience and keep safe, wear a mask and stay six feet apart. We will get over this.

Terry & Marilyn Quinnett

mvjunkdealer@juno.com

Here we are almost a year since the CoVid-19 virus arrived on the scene and it seems we have been “marching in place” since last March. It still doesn't look like much forward progress is being made toward getting back out on the dance floor. At this time, all WAGON WHEEL SQUARE DANCE CLUB lessons and dances are still canceled. Members continue to keep in touch using all modern media from Zooming to the telephone so the spirit lives on even in these difficult times. Members are busy on home projects, hobbies, some travel, even some skiing. Melanie Berg, our Club President spent a week as a Missionary in Costa Rica!

Of special note is our most senior and esteemed Club member, Art Smart, turned “100” on February 18th. Members sent cards, emails, messages and some did drive-by visits to honor Art. When things get back to normal, I am sure we will be celebrating Art's “100th” birthday in real time, so stay turned and plan to join us.

Our wonderful Round Dance Cuer, Lorraine Rouse, is recovering from a broken leg in January. She is off her crutches but continues to walk in a “boot”! Fortunately, she is doing well, no surgery was required and her husband, John, has turned out to be a great nurse!

With March comes the knowledge that Spring is right around the corner, a time for new beginnings in so many ways. Let us hope that Square and Round Dancing will see new beginnings as well. In the meantime, stay well, keep moving and brush up on your “Spin the Top.” New beginnings can be seen on the distant horizon!

Geri Kraft

pinefox@comcast.net



**ART SMART
100 YEARS YOUNG
February 18, 2021**

I asked, “100 Years Young” Wagon Wheel Square Dancer Art Smart, “What is the secret to your longevity?” His answer: “Keep Breathing.” Now you know why I call Art, “Art the Smarty” as he always has a smart remark to keep everyone on their toes! He also pointed to his head stating it is all up here in your attitude. His exceptionally witting sense of humor may have had something to do with it too. Art also credits a few other life events with enabling his long and well lived life. Square dancing was one of them.

In about 1974, a neighbor suggested that Art and his beloved wife Viette take some square dance lessons with them and so began his lifelong involvement with square dancing. Living in the Renton area, Art and Viette and three other couples formed a traveling square and would go to different dances each week rather than join a specific club. At first, not having mastered many moves, they were so embarrassed at their lack of skill, they sometimes would dance outside on the lawn. Persistence paid off however, and square dancing became a lifetime pursuit as they enjoyed local dances as well as traveling to Festivals around the State. When guests were introduced at a dance, their square was introduced as the “Renton Bunch.” Art attributes the great fun, friendships and the dancing itself to making a huge contribution toward his good health and 100 years!

The greatest life changing event Art happily talks about was meeting and marrying his wife of 61 years, Viette. “Meeting Viette changed my whole life, let’s just say she changed me from a bad boy to a good boy.” Knowing Art, it is hard to imagine him as a bad boy; however, that mischievous smile of his had to come from somewhere!

Early in his truck driving career, Art drove for Consolidated Freightways, which was the largest freight company in the United States. Heading down the highways of primarily Oregon and Washington, Art had lots of thinking time. Upon the return from one of his trips, while talking with a fellow driver at the freight docks, Art caught sight of a very pretty blue-eyed blond walking by. Art turned to his friend and announced, “I’m going to marry that gal.” She worked in the dispatch office and it wasn’t long before Viette succumbed to Art’s charms and in 1947 they began their 61-year marriage, ended only when Viette passed away about 12 years ago.

During their marriage they accomplished a lot; had a family, one boy and two girls and while raising their family, continued to work at Consolidated Freight, Viette for 40 years and Art for 43. Two of Art’s children live nearby and keep an eye on him, as well as, his 4 grandchildren, 3 girls and 1 boy.



Art and Viette became avid square dancers, traveled to the Mesa, Arizona area in the winter where they continued to dance and visited National Parks such as Glacier, a favorite of Arts. Other activities that kept Art young were hiking, bowling, horseback riding, and volunteering at the Boys and Girls Club.

Life was not always fun and games, however. Art served his Country spending 3 years, 6 months, and 18 days in the Navy during World War II. He was a Gunner’s Mate, an armed guard on merchant ships. His unit, numbering 365,000 seamen, lost one third of its men during the war. Art was sailing the Pacific most of the time and is grateful that he only had one tour of duty on the Atlantic where heaviest casualties occurred. Even after his return to civilian life, Art still helped the war effort, often transporting truckloads of metal, ammunitions and other explosives to and from Bremerton, McCord Air Force Base and to Nike sites.

Attitude is an important part of Art’s formula for a long life. Besides keeping breathing, he suggests not worrying about anything and taking things day by day. He says Viette did enough worrying for the family and Art told her “there only needs to be one worrier in the family, so you go right ahead.”

After Viette’s passing when Art felt it was time to get back into life, the first thing he thought to do was to go square dancing. In 2010 at the age of 89, he started dancing at the Kent Senior Center and says that his friends from square dancing are what kept him going after the loss of Viette. Some of his fellow dancers belonged to the Wagon Wheel Square Dance Club in Kent and invited Art to join them and fortunately for Wagon Wheels, he did and quickly became a favorite at the Club. At Wagon Wheels he met a lovely lady named Neta and she became his dance partner and companion. If there was an award for “Cutest Couple” they would have won! They still talk on the phone each day to keep each other company since health issues and Covid-19 have kept them apart this past year.

Being physically fit has always been important to Art who still works at keeping fit. Always somewhat athletic, he has used a personal trainer for the past 12 years, was going to the gym regularly (before Covid) and continues to work in his yard and maintain his home. He works out at home

using some kind of securely affixed straps to assist him in doing his squats; yep, that is Art the Smarty, doing squats at “100” to stay in shape! Of course, one must not neglect the mind, so Art keeps up with current events and reads periodicals and books on his Kindle. He also enjoys being on his computer every evening before going to sleep. One of his goals for the year is to dance at least one tip at the age of “100”. Let us hope that this will happen as Wagon Wheels plans to celebrate Art’s belated birthday once it is safe to circle up on the dance floor again.

Art’s quick wit, sparking eyes, and sense of humor endear him to all he meets. He often tells the women that he is very shy, (patently false), and some members started calling him Pinocchio, informing him that his nose was growing. Over the years it has fluctuated quite a bit! Creating fun for all those around him is one of Art’s greatest qualities and he is living proof that laughter is the best medicine. Art reminds us that when little kids tell their age, they add “and a half” to their age, proud that they are growing up. He has observed that the same thing happens to people as they get older, say in their 90’s, so proud of that additional half year. On August 18th, he will be “100 and a half!”

Art’s love of people and life shines through to all who know him and they love him back which keeps him going. He spreads joy and laughter wherever he goes and he is a “Blessing” to all who know him. Art the Smarty is an example of how to live life to the fullest, taking it day by day and not worrying, come what may. How blessed we are to have Art Smart in our lives to show us how to make the best of it each day, so take Art’s advice and “Keep Breathing” and “Square Dancing!”

Geri Kraft
Wagon Wheel Square Dance Club
Kent, Washington



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JACKS & JILLS - KENT

Caller: Brett Kappenman
Cuer: Kyle Quande
Every Sunday - Meridian Grange
6:00 - 8:30 pm - Teen Club - M/S

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Caller: Andy Garboden
Cuer: Kyle Quande
2nd & 4th Sat - Meridian Grange
2nd Sat - 7:00 RD W/S or Teach
4th Sat - 7:00 - "Plus" Dance
7:30 - 10:00 - Mainstream Dance

JET STEPPERS - MAPLE VALLEY

Caller: Chuck Martin
Cuer: Rochelle Catt
1st & 3rd Saturday - Cedar Grange
1st Sat - 7:00 - Round Dance W/S
3rd Sat - 7:00 - Square Dance W/S
7:30 - 9:30 - Mainstream Dance

WAGON WHEEL SQUARES

Caller: Scott Coon / Stephen Cole
Cuer: Lorraine & John Rouse
1st & 3rd Sat - Meridian Grange
1st Sat - 7:00 - "Plus" Dance
3rd Sat - 7:00 - Round Dance W/S
7:30 to 10:00 - M/S & 1 Plus Tip

"No Dances until Further Notice Due to the Corona Virus"



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Blessings and joy to all our friends from **R Square D** as we move into 2021.

Annie Tietze

Buzzin' Bees
MS Square Dance Club

1st & 3rd Sat. at Hazel Dell Grange
Pre-Rounds at 7:00
MS & 3rd tip Plus 7:30
7509 NE Hazel Dell Ave.
Vancouver, WA 98665

Caller: K.C. Curtis
Cuer: Guest

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Lonnie Sycks, Cuer

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MOUNT BAKER COUNCIL

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As of February 10th, the **2021 STATE FESTIVAL COMMITTEE** reports that the Festival is a GO. They have 180 reservations so far, 48 rooms reserved at the Delta Marriott Hotel, and 500 meals requested. Committee Chair Judy Corning says they would like to have 250 to 300 dancers registered, so encourage your friends to register now (<https://festival.wasdf.org/>). Judy indicates that we don't know at this point if the State will place any restrictions on the number of participants, but the Committee will keep everyone updated. What follows are reports from 11 clubs from the Mt. Baker Council.

Ronald A. Ward

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The **STANWOOD SASHAYERS** want to inform the Council that because of the pandemic and the inability of the State to reopen in a timely manner, that we will be closing our club doors on February 1, 2021. We want to thank all of our friends and dancers for their patronage over the years. We hope that when we can get together again for a dance that we can support your clubs. Thank you and may you always turn a Square with friends.

Lonny Graff

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Here we are, another month has past. I look out, the weather is starting to look like spring. Our dancing is still on hold, the virus is coming at us with new strains.

At **FERN BLUFF SQUARES** Dance club, we don't have halls for dancing, or the ok to gather. In the last couple of days I heard that we need to double our masks. For now we have cancelled our dances through April.

I'm in that group that is attempting to get this vaccine. It has been a challenge. I'm not quick enough. I'll keep trying. I am encouraged with the news that increased supplies of vaccines are on the way.

John Dow, President

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The **SAMENA SQUARES** are staying safe and waiting for the day they can return to one of their favorite past times. However, they are still not dancing and will be dark until further notice. Hope everyone is being blessed during this time of confusion and uncertainty.

Cynthia Kemp, President

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The **SQUARE CROWS** are still in a holding pattern right now but restrictions seem to be relaxing a bit but not for groups like square dancing. I believe the Mt Baker Council met recently to propose some financial assistance to clubs like suspending M & I payments for 2021-22 and also do the same for membership dues for 2021-22. Hopefully this will pass when the delegates convene in the near future. We'll keep our fingers crossed and hope to get back on the dance floors in a few months! In the meantime everyone stay well and get those vaccinations as soon as you can.

Lynn Von Seggern, Secretary

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FREEWHEELERS will be continuing to stay at home until it is safe to dance again. The predictions from our state leaders have us staying on the road to recovery through June of 2021. Our club had a zoom meeting on February 10 (too late for me to report the things we discussed in this issue). Any new information will be in my April report.

Sad news: our original club caller, Bob Wright Jr., passed away in April of 2020. He was a lifetime member of our club which began in 1986.

Our current club caller, Roger Spiese, is having some health issues and made the difficult decision that he would not be able to continue to call for the Freewheelers when dancing starts up again. This was not an easy decision for him. He stated how much he has enjoyed calling for us, visiting with the great members and how supportive the club has been over the years.

Roger started to call for the Freewheelers in 2002, so almost 20 years of calling for our club. He provided interesting and clever patter calls and has such an amazing singing voice. Our annual "Hot Hawaiian Nights" dance with all singing calls was always extremely popular. Going forward, he plans to limit his calling just to his club, the Paws and Taws, in Gorst. So if you want to dance to Roger, it will require a trip across Puget Sound. I'm sure many of us will be making the trip.

FREEWHEELERS will be busy planning for our new season when we can resume our much loved dancing. I am looking forward to getting my 1st COVID-19 vaccination

in early March so that I will be ready to safely dance again. I'm sending all of you wishes for continued good health and hope to see you all dancing in 2021.

Ruth Jester
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HAPPY ROUNDERS still has no plans for starting this dance season. We hope for a change.

Larry Mercer, President
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A BLAST is on stand by. If we get the go ahead from the State, WE WILL HAVE A DANCE. So stay tuned for updates.

Judy Corning
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CASCADE CROSSFIRES are cancelled for the rest of this season.

Judy Corning
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DUDES & DOLLS had a Zoom Board Meeting January 19th, 2021 where we voted to give Cedar Valley Grange \$50.00 per month for any month from January to May 2021 that we weren't able to hold dances. We also voted to give our Caller, Scott Coon and our Cuer Debbie Taylor a thank you gift of \$100.00 each.

The annual square dance season runs from June 1, 2021 to May 31, 2022 and the Square & Folk Dance Federation of Washington has notified our club that it is waiving the normal annual \$7.00 per Dudes & Dolls member fee for Dues and Insurance for 2021-2022 dance season, so our board voted to also waive the normal annual club membership dues of \$13.00 for existing Dudes & Dolls members for the 2021-2022 dance season as well.

All of our Current Officers and Board Members have agreed to continue their positions for the 2021-2022 dance season.

Unfortunately at this time we are still banned from dancing. Dudes & Dolls Square Dance Club of Lynnwood Washington will not be dancing this year until Snohomish County gets to Phase 4 of the Governor's COVID recovery plan.

We have had a number of our folks already able to get the vaccination series for Covid and we hope everyone who

can, will be able to get vaccinated soon.

As always we hope this message finds all of you well in this new year, we miss dancing with you, and look forward with new hope to the time when we will again, say and mean "see you on the dance floor!"

Robert Reichle & Vicki Lieske
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The **WHIRLYBIRDS** are still hunkering down and hoping everyone is staying safe. We are hoping with the vaccine, we can start dancing soon. Hang in there and keep safe.

Karla Boehme
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The **FIDALGO FOGCUTTERS** held a recent Board meeting at which they voted to cancel the rest of their 2020-2021 dance season through May, 2021. In particular, they will not hold their annual Good Times Potato Feed at which they normally raise money for the Pacific Northwest Teen Square Dance Association. We remain hopeful that the State Festival will still take place as planned on June 17-19 at the Delta Hotel by Marriott in Everett, WA.

Looking ahead to next dance season, the Fogcutters have contracted with Dan Preedy for our September 2021 dance, and have voted to keep the same themes for next year's dances as those we had scheduled for this year's dances.

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State Website www.squaredance-wa.org
 See Washington State Square Dance Directory for hall addresses

Council information: Council President Doug Keyes 425 478-3397
 Council Meeting 1st Wednesday - September thru June
 Marysville School District - Board Room 7:30-9:30 PM
 4220 80th St NE
 Marysville, WA

- A BLAST** / A1-A2 / 1st & 3rd Saturdays (Check Council Website)- 11:00 AM-1:30 PM
 Cedar Valley Grange, Lynnwood Guest Callers & Cuers 206 369-7131
- CASCADE CROSSFIRES** / Plus / Mondays - 6:30-9:00 PM
 Cedar Valley Grange, Lynnwood Susan Morris & Guest Callers 425 739-6096
- DANCING SHADOWS** / Rounds / Phases 3, 4, 5 / 1st & 3rd Sundays - 12:30, 2:15, 4 PM
 Juanita Community Club, Kirkland Debbie Taylor 206 362-3734
- DUDES AND DOLLS** / Mainstream / 2nd, 4th, some 5th Friday - 7:00-10:30 PM
 Cedar Valley Grange, Lynnwood Scott Coon/Debbie Taylor 425 308-3950
- FERN BLUFF SQUARES** / Mainstream / Family, 2nd Saturday - 7:30-10:30 PM
 South Lake Stevens Grange, Lake Stevens Robert Sax/Karen Neverdowski 360 926-6673
- FIDALGO FOGCUTTERS** / Plus / 3rd Friday - 7:00-10:00 PM
 Skagit Valley Grange, Sedro-Woolley Guest Callers/Bob Berka 360 682-5348
- FREEWHEELERS** / 1st Sunday Mainstream/3rd Sunday Plus/Advanced Rounds 6:30 PM Dance 7:30PM 9:30PM
 Cedar Valley Grange, Lynnwood Roger Spiese/Debbie Taylor 206 367-9219
- HAPPY HOPPERS** / Mainstream / 2nd & 4th Sundays 6:00- 9:00 PM
 The Hayloft, Lynnwood Guest Callers/Guest Cuers 425 238-7870
- HAPPY ROUNDERS** / Rounds / Phase 3 & 4, Tuesday - 7:30-9:30 PM
 The Hayloft, Lynnwood Randy Preskitt 206 365-8095
- MT BAKER TEACHERS, CALLERS & CUERS** Information: Steven Cole
 stephen@isquaredance.com 206 769-4959
- RAINBOW SQUARES** / Mainstream / 2nd & 4th Saturday - 7:00-9:30 PM
 Ten Mile Grange, Lynden Brent Mawdsley 360 961-6170
- SAMENA SQUARES** / Mainstream / 2nd & 4th Friday - 7:30-10:00 PM
 Juanita Community Club, Kirkland Guest Callers/Cuers 425 686-2488
- SKAGIT SQUARES** / Mainstream / 3rd Saturday - 7:30-10:00 PM
 Mount Vernon Senior Center, Mount Vernon John Corrigan/Bob Berka 360 630-4378
- SKY VALLEY WHIRLWINDS** / Mainstream, 3rd Saturday - 7:30-10:30 PM
 Tri-way Grange, Mill Creek Guest Callers/Karen Neverdowski 360 805-1902
- SQUARE CROWS** / Mainstream / 3rd Friday - 7:30-10:00 PM
 Maltby Community Center, Maltby Guest Callers/Karen Neverdowski 206 914-2253
- STANWOOD SASHAYERS** / Mainstream, 1st Sat - 7:30-10:00 PM
 Stillaguamish Grange Hall, Stanwood Eddie Harry/Bob Berka 206 383-4977
- WHIRLYBIRDS** / Mainstream / 1st Friday (Floor Level) & 2nd Saturday - 7:30-10:30 PM
 The Hayloft, Lynnwood Dave Harry/Roxanne Boelter 206 687-3308

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NORTH CENTRAL COUNCIL

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The CASCADE TWIRLERS club members are thankful for all the hard work and dedication of the many people around our state, in our council and our local community who are continuing to work on behalf of all the square dancers. While there is no dancing at the present time, there are still zoom meetings to plan and attend, business to take care of and plans to be made for the future. We are especially thankful for the waiver of insurance fees for the upcoming dance year.

Sincerely
Sandy Briggs

THE APPLELAND PROMENADERS have cancelled Apple Blossom. We will see you in 2021 with Joe Saltel calling and Debbie Taylor cueing. Because there is no square dancing happening I once again will write a travel article. We have been fortunate to travel twice to the Huntsman Senior Games in St. George, Utah for square dancing. The Senior Games are held in October and last for 4 wonderful days of dancing. You can bring your own square or if you are on your own find other dancers to join up with. The levels include mainstream, plus, advanced, and random plus. The competition happens on Tuesday and is a timed event similar to how the teen dancers are judged at the Pacific Northwest Teen Festival. Gary Shoemake and Ken Bower were the callers the two years we attended. In 2019 a group of dancers from Japan attended. They were great dancers and lots of fun. Gold, silver, and bronze medals are awarded on Thursday morning at the Sports Medal banquet. The 2021 festival will be called by Gary Shoemake and Darryl Lipscomb and take place October 4-7, 2021. The dancing is held at the SunRiver Community Center which has a beautiful wood floor – always nice for those of us with aching knees and feet. And if you are into other sports they have everything from bridge to golf to pickleball. (P.S. We did win bronze in mainstream in 2016!)

Connie Mulholland



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March 2021. It has now been a full year without dancing and my heart and soul yearns for the

Day we can gather again with our dancing friends. I pray with the new vaccines we will see our dancing sooner than later. We are hoping to be able to dance at the state festival as well as Circle 8. Reading Footnotes and all the festivals that have been planned I hope some will be able to enjoy the freedom to dance.

Maybe we can spend some time planning a new garden. I hope to have lots of strawberries this year and some raspberries, lettuces, squash, pumpkins, sweet peppers. Are you planning a garden? Send me your favorite garden tip and I will post what comes in next month.

Until we meet again, Yellow Rocks to everyone.

Patti Roberts
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WHEATLAND WHIRLERS

March is here and still no dancing in the near future. I was talking with some square dance friends who live near Victoria, B.C. and they said that they have been told that there would be no square dancing until January, 2022. I sure hope that does not happen here. Not only do we miss the social and mental activity that is so much a part of square dancing, we miss the HUGS and SMILES! I was getting my toe nails done in Moses Lake and found out why the doors are kept locked. I was told the doors are kept locked because that way the virus cannot get in.

“A recent study has found women who carry a little extra weight live longer than men who mention it.”

“I love approaching 80, I learn something new every day and forget 5 other things.”

“We all get heavier as we get older, because there’s a lot more information in our heads. That’s my story and I’m sticking to it.”

If a tiny virus can do this much damage, imagine what a mustard seed of faith can do. God is still on the throne.

Judy Shock



APPLE BLOSSOM DANCE

APRIL 30, MAY 1 AND 2, 2021
APPLELAND PROMENADERS

CANCELLED DUE TO COVID

In 2022 Joe Saltel will be the caller and Debbie Taylor will be the cuer.

Pre-Registrations from 2020 will be automatically rolled over to 2022. Please contact Chris Clymer at 509-293-3514 or cclymer@charter.net if you wish a refund.



The Clubs of North Central Council



Appleland Promenaders – Mainstream

www.applelandpromenaders.com

1st Friday, 2nd & 4th Saturday

East Wenatchee Grange • 3400 Sunset Hwy., East Wenatchee

Info: Bob & Connie Mulholland - 509-881-4961

or sqdnrc@nwi.net

Buds & Blossoms – Mixed Level

2nd Friday; 1st & 3rd Saturday

East Wenatchee Grange • 3400 Sunset Hwy., East Wenatchee

Info: Don Jackson - 509-670-3540

or jmt655@hotmail.com

Cascade Twirlers – Mainstream

1st & 3rd Saturday

East Wenatchee Grange • 3400 Sunset Hwy., East Wenatchee

Info: Randy & Sheila Ogle - 509-663-2395

Moses Lake 4x8's – Mainstream

1st & 3rd Saturday

Moses Lake Senior Center • 608 E. 3rd Ave., Moses Lake

Info: Del & Jackie Chase - 509-764-4254

or deljackiechase@nctv.com

Plus Bunch – Plus Level

Every Wednesday

East Wenatchee Grange • 3400 Sunset Hwy., East

Wenatchee

Info: Tom & Chris Clymer - 509-293-3516

or Tom.Clymer@charter.net

Wheatland Whirlers – Mainstream •

2nd Saturday; Sept.-Dec. 2nd & 4th Saturday; Jan.- June

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July 9, 2021
Circle 8 Ranch**



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The vaccine keeps rolling along up here on the north-west corner of Washington State. Many of us are awaiting our 2nd injection. The **RHODYO'S** are sad about the cancellation of our Blues Chaser Dance but will be ready next year for an even bigger celebration. Probably the only positive thing about the state-wide 'no dancing' edict is the fact that we no longer have to worry about how the 'snow' will affect our dancing - no more unthawing parking lots or loss of electricity to worry about.

Take care, stay warm and hope to be dancing with some of you sooner than later.

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Keep Safe – Stay Healthy – and look forward to dancing
again hopefully in 2021.

Kitty Ogg
Peninsula Council Editor
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**The Clubs of Peninsula Council - 6800 W. Belfair Valley Rd, Bremerton
Kitsap Square Dance Center in Gorst – kitsapsquaredance.com**

DUDES AND DOLLS

Mondays from 2nd Monday in Sept to 2nd Monday in June

Plus Dancing – 1-3PM

Kitsap Square Dance Center, Gorst

Caller: Don Smith filling in for Willie Sewell

More info call: Russ Richardson – 360-373-1822

GIG HARBOR TWIRLERS

1st Saturday each month except

1st & 3rd in January & 3rd Saturday in September

7:30-8PM Plus – 8-10PM Mainstream

Lessons, Student Level Dance, Mainstream & Rounds

Caller: Roger Spiese, Cuers Carolyn & Larry Small

Kitsap Square Dance Center, Gorst

More info call: 360-692-3723

ROUND SQUARES

4th Saturday, 3rd Saturday December only

7:30-8PM Plus; 8-10PM Mainstream, Rounds

Guest Callers

Cuer: Joyce Sebree

Kitsap Square Dance Center, Gorst

Caravans-Mystery Trips-Camping \$15.00 per Night

More info call: 360-307-8460

SWEETHEART ROUNDS

Lessons Thursdays 7:00-9:00 PM

Dances on 2nd Fridays 7:00-10:00

Cuer- Shawn Cavness

Kitsap Square Dance Center, Gorst

SQUARE STEPPERS

2nd Saturday each month

Plus Dancing – 7:30 - 10PM

Kitsap Square Dance Center, Gorst

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3rd Saturday only in July & August

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Kitsap Square Dance Center, Gorst

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RAINIER COUNCIL

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Lane Johnston**

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RAINIER COUNCIL dancers dearly miss our favorite social activity! Check our Facebook group/page or the Rainier Council website for the latest updates about our ongoing Zoom get-togethers on the 3rd Saturday each month. The future is finally beginning to look a bit brighter, and our clubs have begun to collectively discuss plans for resuming square and round dancing activities within our council. We discussed and approved for distribution a survey form inspired by a similar one from Peninsula Council. The survey was designed to assess the general “comfort level” of our dancers about when, how, and under what conditions we might resume square dancing in the coming months.

At our most recent council meeting (February), there was universal agreement that resuming square dancing will require an “All-Ahead, but Slow-and-Easy-As-You-Go” approach initially, at least. Many dancers will need an opportunity to refresh their memories and skills and will appreciate the opportunity to restore their confidence before going full steam. We briefly discussed the potential of clubs coordinating their efforts to bring existing dancers back to the dance floor and attract new dancers when it makes sense to do-so. This was an open discussion...no hard and fast decisions made, but the spirit of cooperation was encouraging to hear.

In line with the above, Rainier Council will soon be attempting to hold online square dance events. By the time this issue of Footnotes is published, we will have had at least one “try-it, you might like it” Zoom-style event in late February. We may experiment with different approaches to online dancing: e.g. “Single-Couple” dancing (where all the calls are essentially two-person calls with minimal use of phantom dancers); or “Virtual” square dancing (where dancing with phantoms is more common), but plan to hold our first “official” online dance on March 20th.

Lane Johnston,
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The SWINGNUTS club is a mainstream club that typically dances in Sumner WA on the 1st Saturday of the month for our themed dances, and year-round we meet every Thursday for lessons or workshops, and for our popular Thursday-Nite Lites summer series. We dance at the Sumner VFW Hall, 1705 Willow Street. Our



caller is the incomparable Don Wood, and his fabulous wife Marie Wood is our cuer.

Currently, however, our club is not dancing due to the regulations for Covid 19.

We wish you a Happy St. Patricks Day! We are (still) looking forward to dancing sometime this year!

With our “fingers crossed” we are tentatively planning to hold our Thursday-Nite Lites program again this summer. If conditions allow, we think it would be a great way to help re-ignite the “fire” for square dancing in our area...the fire that has, unfortunately, only been allowed to smolder for the past year.

Gail Johnston,
gailj@chessmenkastle.com

The ROAMIN TACOMANS are missing seeing and dancing with all our dance friends and are wishing we could get back to dancing soon. We are hoping that increasing Covid vaccinations will shorten the time we have to wait. Tony and I got our first vaccination two weeks ago and are anxiously awaiting our second one.

At the February Rainier Council meeting we had a presentation from a Canadian caller about two person FaceTime square dancing that they are doing. Seems strange but listening to him it really sounded like it would be a lot of fun. We are going to hear more and try a tip after our March Council meeting. Mark your calendar on March 20 for a two-person online Rainier Council dance. You will be getting information from your

Roamin' Tacomans



Caller/Cuer: Tom Tomlinson
We are not currently dancing
Please check Wheresthedance.com
or call Sharon Herman at
206-510-1984 to find out when
& where our next dance will be

clubs about it before then. Hope this finds you well and that we will see you on the dance floor before too long.

Sharon Herman,
tonysharherm@yahoo.com

The **SPINNERS** officers meeting on Feb 5th included one Tip of Virtual Dancing, 4 couples, with Greg Weber calling. Wanted to start out small to be able to work out any kinks. We enjoyed it but realized we really need more space to accommodate the moves. We also desperately need a refresher on the moves!!! We appreciate being able to use the Rainier Council zoom. There were no rounds, maybe next time. We are planning our club social zoom Feb 9th and will try virtual dancing with more of our members. If it goes well on the 9th, we will plan and send out invitations for a March 5th (first Friday), virtual dance, for ALL. Hope to see more of you-all soon!

Neil Andrews,
neilc42@yahoo.com

The **BONNEY LADS 'N' LASSIES** dance mainstream at Collins

Grange with Greg Weber calling and Lorraine Rouse cuing. Because there is no

dancing due to the pandemic, we will provide brief bios of our key people, this month featuring Len and Jeanette Howe.

In early 1974 Jeanette and Len Howe had just completed a folk dancing class with three other couples and were asked to continue to the next level. But the club wanted the entire fee in advance, so they decided against it. Jeanette saw an ad for square dancing in the newspaper, and all four couples started lessons. They took the lessons from Ralph and Eleanor Rowland in 1974. When Len was asked why he went to square dance classes he joked, "She forced me to go." Square dancing is great exercise and everybody should do it. If you only associate with people you work with, you won't meet other people with different backgrounds and experiences. In square dancing you find that everyone is same.

Len and Jeanette have served as the President of the Bonney Lads and Lassies many times over the years. They were elected President in 1975, 1980, 1982, and 1996 through 2000. In addition, they have served in all the club offices at one time or another. Jeanette was the caravan chairman for many years, and she has been the club's delegate to Rainier Council for the last 30 years (or more).

Len and Jeanette both grew up in Eastern Montana; Len was born in the town of Ismay, and Jeanette was born

in the town of Scobey. They met in Miles City, Montana, in 1950 when Len was attending junior college and Jeanette was a sophomore in high school. Len joined the Air Force in 1951, and Jeanette moved to Tacoma, Washington, to attend Pacific Lutheran College. Len later attended PLC also and graduated with a degree in teaching. Jeanette graduated with a degree in Medical Technology. Len taught shop in the Tacoma School District for 28 years and then ran his own Lawnmower Repair Service for several more years. Jeanette was a Medical Technologist at Cedar Medical Lab in Tacoma for close to 30 years.

They were married in 1957 and have four children who all took square dance and round dance lessons. Their ages were between 8 and 16 at the time of their lessons. They have six grandchildren, two of which also have square danced. "One of the best things about square dancing was we were able to dance and be with our kids in the wholesome activity from Arizona to Canada," Len commented.

Len enjoyed restoring old Gibson tractors made in the 1950's. The tractors were only made in the Northwest before and after World War Two. They were made from car engines and parts. This equipment was for returning soldiers until the big companies took over and began making tractors again. He was known around the region as the "Gibson Man" to go to for problems that needed to be solved in repairing of their tractors.

Jeanette wrote, "We have enjoyed our time in square dancing and the Bonney Lads and Lassies. We have made many friends over the years that we wouldn't have without square dancing. The bus trips, club caravans to Canada, club campouts, and caravans around the state, plus the great State Festivals. What a great activity!"

Stay safe everyone, so we can reunite on a dance floor soon, we hope. Who should we feature next month?

Sandy Anderson,
sandy@pobox.com

The **YOUNG BUNCH** is always interested in good ideas. A survey posted today from Rainier Council leadership that asked about dancer "comfort level" with regard to resuming square dancing is one such good idea.

I can only speak for myself, but I think it is time we start thinking about opening up again. Being a nurse for a long time, I have some thoughts (in bullet point format) I would like to share:

Masks are here to stay. If you look at the influenza outbreaks, they are down from last year... proving masks do help to decrease the spread of viruses.

Washing hands are also crucial to limiting viral transmission, and should be done after every tip.

The most important is this--- if you feel sick, STAY HOME! Or if you have a sick child STAY HOME! It's not worth risking the health of others.

As a nurse, I have often been asked about the pandemic...and every time I am asked, I can't help but think about the dinosaurs. They may have become extinct, but they didn't succumb due to fear.

But living in fear, however, is not "living". I believe there is a way to open-up safely, and I will do my part to keep others safe.

And, yes, I am getting vaccinated! I hope you will also (or, at the very least, will seriously consider it).

Leslie Young,
pollyanna1962@gmail.com



**Len and Jeanette
 Howe**

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Thursday-Nite Lites



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We've all missed dancing.
 It's about time we have
 some fun again!

** *Schedule is contingent
 upon Washington State
 "Re-Opening Plan"
 Guidelines. If "allowed",
 we'll dance!*

	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>August</u>
	24 Greg Weber	1 Steve Mazel	5 Mike Sikorsky
		8 Leo Caff	12 Steve Noseck
		15 Brett Kappenman	19 Andy Garboden
		22 Stephen Cole	26 Don Wood
		29 Don Wood	

Sumner VFW Hall, 1705 Willow St., Sumner WA 98390

More Info? Call (253) 200-4566



Rainier Council Clubs

Website: squaredance-rainier.org
 (check Calendar link for latest info.)

ALERT: DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, CLUBS ARE NOT DANCING UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE !

MONDAY

Every **ROUSE-A-ROUNDS** Collins Grange (East Tacoma, WA)
 Lorraine & John Rouse 6:30 Beginners, 8-9:30 Ph2/EZ3
 Dance 4th Monday, 7-10
 (253) 846-8203

WEDNESDAY

Every **EVERGREEN ROUNDS** Sans Souci Estates (Puyallup, WA)
 Cuer: Tom Tomlinson 6:30-8 Teach, 8-9 Ph2-3, 9-10 Ph4-5
 (253) 906-9949 or (253) 229-9443

FRIDAY

1st **SPINNERS** (Mainstream) Buckley Hall (Buckley WA)
 Caller: Greg Weber 7:00 Pre-Rnds, 7:30-10 MS/Rnds/+Tip
 Cuer: Sue Weber (360) 829-0251

2nd **YOUNG BUNCH** (Mainstream) Collins Grange (East Tacoma, WA)
 Caller: TBA 7:00 Pre-Rounds, 7:30-10 MS/Rounds
 Cuer: Sue Weber (206) 240-2624

SATURDAYS

1st **SWINGNUTS** (Mainstream) Sumner Valley VFW Hall (Sumner, WA)
 Caller: Don Wood 7:00 Pre-Plus/Rnd, 8-10 MS/Rnds/+Tip
 Cuer: Marie Wood (253) 200-4566

1st **NW CALLER ASSOCIATION** Cedar Grange (Maple Valley, WA)
 Monthly Meeting, Dances TBA
 (253) 445-4691

3rd **SOUTH SOUND SQUARES***
 *No longer dancing ("folded" in 2020)

2nd & 4th **BONNEY LADS 'N' LASSIES** (Mainstream) Collins Grange (East Tacoma, WA)
 Greg Weber/Lorraine Rouse 7:00 Pre-Rnds, 7:30-10 MS/Rnds/+Tip
 (253) 431-5156

2nd (&/or) 4th **ROAMIN' TACOMANS** (Plus) Sumner Valley VFW Hall (Sumner, WA)
 Varies...check Tom Tomlinson 7:30 Pre-Rounds, 8-10 Plus/Rounds
 WheresTheDance (253) 848-7073



SOU'WESTER COUNCIL

Area Reporter
Don & Judy Wilson

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SOU'WESTER COUNCIL clubs wish everyone a healthy and happy spring season. We hope to be at least thinking about dancing again during the spring and summer months. This long period of isolation will make lessons a top priority. Here's looking at a brighter future beginning with a safe return to dancing.

Hard to believe that spring starts this month. **HARBOR HAYLOFTER** members are starting their

HARBOR HAYLOFTERS

2nd Saturday monthly

Caller: Randy & Chris Carlson

Pre Rounds 7:00
Ms Dance 8 -10:00

BRAND NEW LOCATION
ABERDEEN VFW
105 E HERON- Aberdeen, WA

gardens, getting their herb beds weeded and fertilized. Many of us are feeling isolated because of this virus. We are missing our square dance friends and many of the

clubs we visited. This is hoping that most of us were able to get our vaccine and that will put us on the road to recovery. Hope all have a happy St. Patrick's Day and stay safe.

Ann Kilwien
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SQUARE ONE PLUS CLUB is eagerly awaiting the time when we can return to square dancing. As I write this in January 2021 some of our members have received their first COVID vaccine. We hope that everyone will get the vaccination and then hopefully we will be able to return to dancing. It is hard to not see everyone, but know it is the safest thing to do. Still hope that we can dance at the State festival in June, but time will tell. Until then stay safe, [wear your mask](#).

SQUARE 1 PLUS
1st Friday - 7:30 - 10:00 PM
3rd Sunday - 6:30 - 9:00 PM
Gunter Monroe Caller
Guest Cuers
Lac-a-do Hall, Olympia, WA
Info: 360-754-1830

Peggy Smith
pegscott29@comcast.net

Prairie Steppers

2nd Saturday, 7 - 8 Plus • 8 - 10:30 Mainstream
September to May, Oakview Grange,
2715 N. Pearl, Centralia, WA 98531

DON WOOD, CALLER • LONNIE SYCKS, CUER

THE PRAIRIE STEPPERS hope all of you are keeping in touch with family and friends while observing pandemic precautions. Many of us are eagerly awaiting our chance to get Covid vaccinations knowing that the sooner most of the population is vaccinated, the sooner we can get back to dancing.

Our March dance themes were centered around Saint Patrick's Day including Wearin' of the Green, Pot O' Gold, Singing in the Rain, Time for the Irish, and St. Patrick – Still Kicking Up His Heels. And the menu often included baked potatoes. There were some deviations from the Irish theme including Surf's Up in 2017 and Basketball in 2010. Maybe we were feeling nostalgic for the Seattle SuperSonics team which played in the NBA from 1976 until 2008.

The Prairie Steppers Chicken Dance was held on the last weekend in March at the Olympia Area Square Dance Hall with Don Wood as principal caller and guest callers Scott Zinser in 2012, Craig Abercrombie in 2013 and Vern Boggs in 2014. The Chicken Dance had usually been called at Swede Hall prior to those years. In 2015 and subsequent years the Prairie Stepper Chicken Dance came home to roost at the Oakview Grange.

We hope to be able to dance with you at the 68th Washington State Square Dance Festival on June 17 through 19 in Everett Washington.

Laughter is the sound your soul makes when it is dancing.

Marion Freels
M_librarion@yahoo.com

I think the **DO SI DO CLUB** and everyone else is asking the same question: Is It Spring Yet!?!

Okay, we are probably asking several questions related to the weather and the pandemic. We continue to support one another as we are able and continue to hope for our

dances to begin so we can interact on a more 'normal' basis. It will happen!

At this point in time, seems most likely that dances will begin this fall. Although, who knows? They could begin this summer! Stay tuned for updates!

When we do begin dancing, we will ensure communication of our dance theme, time and date will be shared through a Footnotes article, as appropriate due to timing, and probably a flyer sent via email to club presidents to share with their members.

We are still following the guidance shared by the State Square and Folk Dance Federation. Additionally, we look forward to any of the Governor's limitations on group size that may allow us to start hosting dances.

Again, when 2021 sees a return to hosting our dances, we will happily embrace the recommendations from the state organization, the Governor and State Department of Health, plus any guidance noted by OASDA for the use of Lac A Do Hall so that we can safely hold dances. When we announce the reinstatement of our dances, we will also communicate impacts.

In the meantime, stay safe and healthy!

Jim Hattrick is our regular Caller and Joyce Sebree is our regular Cuer. We offer delicious treats and door prizes for those who have traveled to the dance. Join us in our monthly celebration of the Do Si Do Square Dance Club and square dancing at Lac A Do Hall (1721 46th Avenue NE, Olympia, WA 98506).

Katherine Deuel

COUGAR SQUARES wishes everyone a Happy St Patrick's Day and happy spring! Cougars are in the process of getting their Covid vaccine and are eager to return to dancing when it is safe to do so. We will all need to attend

COUGAR SQUARES
1 st Sat Sep-June
PLUS 7:30 MS 8 - 10:30 PM
3 rd Thurs Jul (7 PM) / 1 st Thurs Aug (7 PM)
Sound Enhancement
Caller/Cuer - JIM RAUPP
St. Francis Rectory Hall/Spencer Rd.
off Jackson Hwy. Toledo, WA

lessons before we try to dance, because our memories are not getting the messages to our feet after this long period of

isolation.

As of this writing, the end of January, we don't see ourselves dancing in the near future. As people have access to vaccines, things look brighter and better. At this time, we have no plans in the works to dance in 2021 yet. We usually dance September to June on the first Saturday of each month and once a month in July and August on Thursdays, no set dates. September is probably more likely..

Jim Raupp is our caller/teacher and Susan Healea is our cuer/teacher. We will dance at the St. Francis Mission on the first Saturday of each month beginning at 7:30 p.m. when restrictions are lifted. Hope to see you soon in person on the dance floor in 2021.

Don and Judy Wilson
donjudywilson22@gmail.com

STARDUST DANCERS
<i>Round Dance Club</i>
SUSAN HEALEA, Cuer
1st & 3rd Thursday 7:30 - 9:30 PM
Catlin Grange #199
205 Shawnee St., Kelso, Washington

restrictions to be lifted so groups can gather and not be worried about being "super spreaders". We watch the news for information

about vaccine availability and try to remember some of those steps we enjoyed in dances we loved to do.

Stardust is a round dance club and will dance again on the first and third Thursdays of each month beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Catlin Grange when restrictions are lifted. Susan Healea is our cuer/teacher. We are looking forward to dancing but know that lessons will be a big part of getting back to dancing.

Stardust dancers have been meeting via ZOOM a couple of times each month just to keep in touch with one another. It is good to talk to each other, but it isn't dancing!

We wish you a happy spring and Happy St Patrick's Day. Hoping to be resuming more normal activities as soon as it is safe.

Don and Judy Wilson
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FLUTTERWHEELS
1st Saturday 7-10 pm Mainstream
+ 3rd Saturday 7:00-9:30 pm Student Level
Don Wood, Caller • Marie Woods, Cuer
+ Glenn Raiha, Caller Guest Cuer
Lac-A-Do Hall-1721 46th NE, Olympia, WA
Sound Enhancement + All Dancers Welcome

ROUND-A-BOUNTS
Lac-A-Do Hall -- Olympia
1st Tuesday & 3rd Fridays
7:30 - 9:30 PM Phase 2 & 3
Mary Parsons - Cuer & Instructor

Come Dance with Sou'Wester Council Clubs

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

MONDAY -

Every TANGLEFOOT CLOGGERS..... Brighton Park Grange / 4-8:00
Mary Dart, Instructor Clogging / All levels

TUESDAY -

1st ROUND-A-BOUTS Lac-A-Do Hall / 7:30-9:00
Mary Parsons cuer ROUNDS, Phase 2-3

THURSDAY-

1st & 3rd STARDUST DANCERS..... Catlin Grange / 7:30-9:30
Susan Healea, cuer ROUNDS, Phase 2-4

FRIDAY -

1st SQUARE ONE PLUS CLUB..... Lac-A-Do Hall / 7:30-10:00
Gunter Monroe, caller; Joyce Sebree, cuer PLUS

2nd RHYTHM ROUNDERS FUN DANCE..... Lac-A-Do Hall / 7:30-10:00
Guest cuers ROUNDS, Phase 2-5

3rd ROUND-A-BOUTS..... Lac-A-Do Hall / 7:30-9:30
Mary Parsons, cuer ROUNDS, Phase 2-3

3rd SALTY SASHAYERS..... Shelton Senior Center / 7:00-9:00
Tim Blacksead, caller; Guest, cuer Mainstream

4th CAPITAL SQUARES..... Lac-A-Do Hall / 7:30-10:30
Don Wood, caller; Marie Wood, cuer SQUARES & ROUNDS

SATURDAY -

1st COUGAR SQUARES St. Francis Parish Hall / 7:30-10:30
Jim Raupp, caller/cuer SQUARES & ROUNDS

1st FLUTTERWHEELS..... Lac-A-Do Hall / 7:00-10:00
Guest callers and cuers SQUARES & ROUNDS

2nd OLYMPIA DO-SI-DOS..... Lac-A-Do Hall / 7:00-10:30
Jim Hatrick, caller; Joyce Sebree, cuer SQUARES & ROUNDS

2nd PRAIRIE STEPPERS Oakview Grange / 7:00-10:30
Don Wood, cuer; Lonnie Sycks, cuer SQUARES & ROUNDS

3rd HARBOR HAYLOFTERS VFW 105 E Heron / 7:00-10:00
Randy & Chris Carlson SQUARES & ROUNDS

3rd FLUTTERWHEELS..... Lac-A-Do Hall / 7:00-10:00
Glenn Raiha, caller; various cuers SQUARES & ROUNDS

4th SQUARE ONE PLUS Lac-A-Do Hall / 7:30-10:00
Guest Callers & Cuers PLUS

SUNDAY -

Every DOUBLE A'S Lac-A-Do Hall / 4:30-6:30
Jack Hardin, Caller; Lynn Petola, cuer ADVANCED

3rd SQUARE ONE PLUS CLUB..... Lac-A-Do Hall / 6:30-9:00
Gunter Monroe, caller; Spike Reid, cuer PLUS

ADDRESSES FOR PLACES WHERE THERE ARE MORE THAN ONE DANCE A MONTH:

Lac-A-Do Hall..... 1721 46th Ave. NE, Olympia
Catlin Grange 205 Shawnee St., Kelso
St. Francis Parish Hall 139 Spencer Rd., Toledo

Kelso Senior Center..... 106 NW 8th Ave., Kelso
American Legion Hall..... 112 W 1st St. Aberdeen
Oakview Grange..... 2700 N. Pearl, Centralia

SPOKANE COUNCIL

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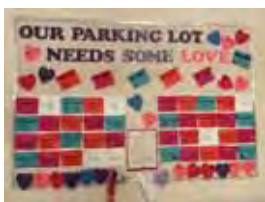
<https://www.squaredancespokane.org>

Although SPOKANE AREA COUNCIL has not been meeting, our 2022 State Festival chair, Joshua Strickler and his committees, are busy finalizing plans for you to attend the State Festival here in Spokane of June 2022. The SAC newsletter coordinator, Allan Villars, encourages dancers to keep watching this newsletter and the website—[squaredancespokane.org](https://www.squaredancespokane.org)--for dance opportunities as they become available.

COEURLY Q's club is patiently waiting for the possibility of dancing soon. Since we're in Idaho the gathering restrictions are different from Washington. Governor Little has just increased the group meeting numbers so we are checking with our dancing facility for their protocol; we're hoping to have the necessary compliance possibly for April.

We continue to make personal and written contact with our members. The group has been fortunate, no complications for anyone having had Covid. We all agree that a lengthy refresher course will be a must on our lessons agenda. The Joy of square dancing will return.

*Donna Seil
Reporting*



NORTH SPOKANE DANCE ASSOCIATION has come up with some unique/interesting fundraisers for getting their parking lot fixed. Since no dancing for a year, no income means that fundraising is needed. Dancers work the rest stop four times a year when allowed. This picture is the first of many fundraisers—it gives dancers and ?? to pick an amount to donate and put it in the envelope—what an easy way to raise some money for a much needed project.

Another fundraiser is the “GotSneakers” and ALL dancers statewide can help. Here is some info: A collection barrel will be setup at the North Side Dance Center. We are looking to follow these Footwear Donation Guidelines;

- 1) Branded or Non-Branded
- 2) New, Lightly Used, Moderately Used, Extremely Used (both reusable & recyclable accepted)
- 3) Style - Athletic Sneakers, Rubber Soccer Cleats, Rubber Baseball Cleats
- 4) Performance/Activity - Running, Jogging, Basketball, Training, Sports
- 5) NO boots, heels, sandals or dress shoes of any kind

GotSneakers will pay NSDA to recycle sneakers, keeping them out of landfills. All sneakers are either recirculated or repurposed into new surfaces such as playgrounds and tracks. It's a win, win program for all!

Everyone can participate in this fundraiser by reaching out to dancers, friends, family, neighbors, co-workers, etc., asking them to clean out closets and donate unwanted and/or outgrown sneakers!

Flyers and other informational material will be available so you can get a contact name/number when you are ready to donate!!!

*David Reinhardt & Jenny Zachman
Reporting*

VALLEY CROSSTAILERS Celebrate Jayne's birthday on March 17—a St. Patrick's day baby! Super Bowl and Valentine's Day has come and gone as well as other February special days—isn't 2021 going by fast? Valley Crosstrailers have sponsored our Marathon Dance for many years and we all will surely miss dancing in our PJ's to Doug and Adam and eating breakfast at midnight and then dancing till 2 am!! We are looking forward to Spring and seeing all the pretty flowers popping up and blooming. Life goes on but we pray we'll be dancing again soon with all our square dance friends.

*Priscilla Davis
Reporting*



THE WAG AROUNDs are ready to Dance! We are missing this activity we all enjoy. We recently reached out to our cuers Jack DeChenne (Ph3-5/6) and Nina Leisi (Ph2-3) and they assure us they are ready to cue for us! Let's pray the vaccine helps bring the numbers to a safe level soon! Hang in there every one! May the luck of the Irish be with everyone

*Linda Willand & Dan Bailly
Reporting*

WESTERN DANCE ASSOCIATION held their annual Trustee meeting on February 21 via Zoom and in person at the WDC. Two volunteer board members are needed and since the meeting is after this report, a summary will be in the April edition of Footnotes. WDA is encouraging all who choose to do so to get the vaccine shots and feel they are the answer to returning to normal and Square Dancing in person again. WDA president, Jon Love included this quote from Anita Krizzan, "Sprig WILL come and so will Happiness. Hold on. Life will get warmer!"

*Jon Love
Reporting*

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Twin City Twirlers
 1st & 3rd Saturdays, Oct thru May
 Rounds: 7:30pm, Squares: 8:00pm
Lessons
 Thursdays, Oct thru Apr, 6:30-8:00pm
 (509) 758-3543 www.twincitytwirlers.com
 2130 5th Ave, Clarkston (Heights), WA



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Karen Reichardt	509-329-8825
Bev Mustard	509-710-3787
Ellen Ostrum/Doug Keyes	425-308-9559



Good Morning Friends,

As many of you know **Larry Hartley** developed cancer just 2 short months ago. This morning I received an email from Diane that Larry fought a hard battle but has now passed. She also wanted everyone know, thier kids were able to by his side and able to give their love to him.

There will be an obituary but there will not be a service because Larry's wishes were to be taken to Yellowstone (his favorite camping spot). At this time Diane said she will not be communicating by phone, text or emails. She is just overwhelmed with everything.

I am asking everyone to please send cards and prayers to Diane and their kids.

With a heavy heart,
Kelly & Gary Hoff

Please find Diane's address in the 2020-2021 State Directory





Spokane Council Clubs Dance Schedules

Come and Dance with our Clubs

www.squaredancespokane.org



<p>Coeurly Q's - 1st Saturday 7:00 Plus & Rounds; 8:00 Mainstream & Rounds Harding Family Center 411 N 15th St., Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814</p>	<p>Roundup Workshop - Tuesdays 7:30 Rounds III-VI Western Dance Center 1901 N. Sullivan Rd, Spokane, WA 99216</p>
<p>Dancing Shadows - 3rd Friday 7:00 Plus & Rounds; 8:00 Mainstream & Rounds Western Dance Center 1901 N. Sullivan Rd, Spokane, WA 99216</p>	<p>Spokane Area Council – March 30, 2019 at WDC Gary Shoemake, Caller – Carol Shopbell, Cuer 7:00 Plus & Rounds; 8:00 Mainstream & Rounds</p>
<p>Diamond Squares - 2nd Saturday 7:00 Plus & Rounds; 8:00 Mainstream & Rounds Western Dance Center 1901 N. Sullivan Rd, Spokane, WA 99216</p>	<p>Spokane Callers & Cuers - 2nd Friday 8:00 Mainstream & Rounds Western Dance Center 1901 N. Sullivan Rd, Spokane, WA 99216</p>
<p>Heartbeats - Wednesdays except 5th 8:30am Beginning/Intermediate/Advanced Clogging Knechtel's Shop 211 E Ziegler Ln, Colbert, WA</p>	<p>Spokane Carousels - 1st & 3rd Saturday 7:30 R III-VI East Spokane Grange 1621 N Park Rd, Spokane Valley, WA 99212</p>
<p>Hi-Flyers - 3rd Friday 7:00 Plus & Rounds; 8:00 Mainstream & Rounds Cheney City Hall 609 2nd St, Cheney, WA 99004</p>	<p>Star Shooters - 4th Saturday 7:00 Plus & Rounds; 8:00 Mainstream & Rounds Western Dance Center 1901 N. Sullivan Rd, Spokane, WA 99216</p>
<p>Hoodoo Valley Hoedowners - 3rd Saturday 7:00 Plus & Rounds III; 8:00 Mainstream & Rounds Various Locations Call for information: 208-946-0741 <i>Special dances during year</i></p>	<p>Twin City Twirlers - 1st & 3rd Saturday 7:30 Rounds; 8:00 Mainstream & Rounds Twin City Square Dance Center 2130 5th Ave, Clarkston, WA 99403</p>
<p>Jacks & Jennys - 3rd Saturday 7:00 Plus & Rounds; 8:00 Mainstream & Rounds North Spokane Dance Center 7424 N Freya St, Spokane, WA 99217</p>	<p>Valley Cross Trailers - 3rd Saturday 7:00 Plus & Rounds 4th Fri 7:00 Plus & Rounds; 8:00 Mainstream & Rounds Western Dance Center 1901 N. Sullivan Rd, Spokane, WA 99216</p>
<p>Krazy 8's - 1st Friday 7:00 Plus & Rounds III; 8:00 Mainstream & Rounds Western Dance Center 1901 N. Sullivan Rd, Spokane, WA 99216</p>	<p>Wag Arouds 1st Sunday 7:00 Rounds II-III. WDC 2nd Friday 8:00 Rounds III-V. NSDC WDC - 1901 N. Sullivan Rd. NSDC - 7424 N Freya St.</p>
<p>Model T's - 2nd Saturday 7:00 Plus & Rounds; 8:00 Mainstream & Rounds North Spokane Dance Center 7424 N Freya St, Spokane, WA 99217</p>	<p>Western Dance Association – 11/30/18 & 5/31/19 7:00 Plus & Rounds; 8:00 Mainstream & Rounds Western Dance Center 1901 N. Sullivan Rd, Spokane, WA 99216</p>
<p>North Spokane Dance Assoc – March 29, 2019 Gary Shoemake, Caller – Carol Shopbell, Cuer 7:00 Plus & Rounds; 8:00 Mainstream & Rounds North Spokane Dance Center 7424 N Freya St, Spokane, WA 99217</p>	<p>Wild Rose Ramblers - 1st Saturday 7 Plus & Rounds III; 8:00 Mainstream & Rounds North Spokane Dance Center 7424 N Freya St, Spokane, WA 99217</p>
<p>Octo-Plus Squares - Tuesdays 7:00 Plus Workshop East Spokane Grange 1621 N Park Rd, Spokane Valley, WA 99212</p>	

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