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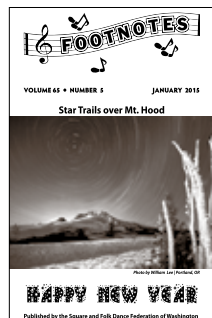
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Start the **NEW** Year of **R&S!**

Here we are – the year 2015!! Crazy!!! Are there any good New Year’s resolutions out there? Let’s see – Loss weight, exercise more, lose weight, eat healthier, oh yea, lose weight.

In all seriousness, it’s a new year and a great time to start fresh. Whether it is spending more time with family, getting those long awaited projects finished or just getting out to

more dances. Let’s just smile and remember, “It’s a New Year and we can have a fresh start”.

I would like to talk about something near and dear to my heart. Our Pets! It seems that more people are bringing their four legged family members with them to more different Square Dance functions whether it is camping in your trailer or staying in a motel. I love seeing everyone with their dogs walking around the camp grounds. All breeds, sizes and shapes. These pups are such great “Ice Breakers”. You can walk by someone you may not know very well or at all, and, suddenly you find yourself stopping to chat about your dogs. The next thing you know you are in a square with them that night and are no longer strangers. It’s amazing how often this happens. I love taking my two dogs, Koko and Gidget with us to square dance events. They love coming with us and meeting people and their four legged friends.

Another great thing about our pets is that they are wonderful stress relievers for their owners. Some of you may see caller Willie Sewell from Peninsula Council with his little dog, Lollie. She is a registered service animal. You will not see Willie without her. While he is calling, she sits in her basket on the stage and waits patiently until he is done with his tip. Willie is very willing to share her with people. Everyone loves this sweet tiny girl. Right now Willie is in the hospital recovering from a stroke you will find her cuddled next to him in his bed, helping to keep his stress level down.

While speaking of Mr. Sewell, please keep him in your thoughts and prayers for a speedy recovery. As well as Jim Hattrick and Debbie Taylor who also have had health issues this past month.

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

Call for Nominations

This is the time of the year nominations are wanted, needed and encouraged for the annual presentation of awards at the State Festival at Mt. Vernon in June.

Clubs, Councils and, yes, individuals may provide a nomination and/or support for a nomination.

If you have nominated someone in the past, nominate and/or support them again with an email or letter.

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SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

When I was first taking square dance lessons I did not think about styling. I was too busy trying to remember what action I should take to complete the direction of the caller. The summer I took my round dance lessons I began to think more about total body movement, handholds, arm turns, twirls and swinging. I became a little less aggressive and hopefully a lot more graceful.

The second year that I angeled for my club, I began to really hear some of the things my caller/instructor was saying. They cautioned us to keep our thumbs tucked when we did arm turns, not to grab any one by the thumb and not to jerk on any dancer's arm. Call it styling or just plain good manners, all dancers need to practice it. I remember an older dancer asking me to be gentle with her hands, she had arthritis, I was griping her too tightly and it caused her pain. During the past 4-5 years, I have had some physical problems. As a result I find that I have become much more aware of the roughness in our recreational dancing.

The second year I was dancing mainstream I went to Circle 8 Ranch. I was very impressed with the gentleness of both male and female dancers I was squared up with. After

the tip, I complimented the dancers and commented on how gentle and pleasurable they were to dance with. They knew I was a new dancer, and told me I would find this gentler style of dancing at the higher levels of square dancing. These folks were Plus and "A" dancers.

Club members had told me that the dance level where I would have the most fun would be Mainstream. (It is also where I find the most roughness.) I resisted moving up to other levels out of loyalty to the beginning square dance program, the basis for square dancing. I still support and belong to mainstream clubs. I also am a plus dancer. One year ago I decided to move up to "A" level. I felt that I was being driven out off the mainstream and plus level dance floor by a few rough dancers. I did not know how to tell them to be gentler. I did not want to walk out of a square to avoid them. I started lessons again. It was true. The dancers in the A-1 class were indeed gentler. They used an arm down position for swing-through. Mainstream teaches arms up, bent at the elbows. There is more touching or tapping of hands rather than hand holding, example, in star through or California twirl. I find that the arm

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All about the cover

This month's cover is the work of Mr. William Lee of Portland, Oregon, who kindly gave us permission to reproduce his beautiful picture.

As anyone who regularly writes for publication knows, sometimes it is hard to come up with a good idea. Yours truly is no exception. In addition to having an idea for writing, I also have the responsibility of finding a suitable subject for each month's cover. Awhile back, during contemplation of such, I thought about finding a photo of star trails to coincide with Christmas for the December issue. While cruising the internet I stumbled upon the photo you see up front. The fact that we've used it to wish you a Happy New Year instead is another story, but we thought you might like to hear more about the photographer and how he shot "Star Trails Over Mt. Hood". Although he is not a square dancer (I had hoped he was) his narrative is interesting. When asked about the picture he wrote the following:

"Thank you for notifying me the details. It's OK to be on the January issue.

I live in Oregon but am not square dancer. Though I am amateur, I always take photo seriously. So, the story was like this... Weather channel forecasted sunny for Timberline Lodge. But when I arrived government camp, it was totally cloudy everywhere. As the first time visitor of Timberline, I had no clue and was so disappointed in the accuracy of the forecast until I was three miles away from Timberline. Guess what? Timberline lodge was above clouds and the whole Mt. hood was shining bright under the strong sun light.

I carried my tent, pad and sleeping bag and went snowshoeing up to 7000' elevation. After shot some sunset scenes, I spent a while to survey the spot to setup tent and tripod. I knew I could not shoot star trails without the tent because it's too windy and cold. I almost gave up because when I inserted the rods and expanded the tent, the strong wind blew

tent and me all together down and rolled 20 feet away. Well, safe and sound then tried again with help by my camera bag's weight. The good thing is my second attempt was successful so I spent the whole night watching shooting stars and forgot my camera was doing long exposures for me. Thanks to the timer so I can lay back.

My tripod legs were one foot deep into the snow for stabilization (it's too windy). The consequence was after 3:00 am, I could not pull the tripod legs out because the snow became frozen ice. I used my hiking pole to dig them out. After I shot some more Mt Jefferson sunrise and colorful clouds photos, I finished my first ever unforgettable overnight shooting above clouds and in snow zone."

You can read more about Mr. Lee and enjoy this photo and other works of his in color at: <http://fineartamerica.com/profiles/william-lee.html>. It's worth the trip!

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Greetings and Happy New Year!

Wow, another year is done!! 2014 really did go by fast!

The start of a new year for us means that we will begin the process of the club and individual membership renewals. We will be handing out the requests for 2015-2016 club renewals to the councils at the January meeting along with special instructions for completing the procedure. We will also be emailing this information to the council treasurers in case they would prefer an electronic version of the procedures. We would like to give a great big thank you to all the council treasurers for all the work you do in getting us these renewals. We really appreciate your cooperation and hard work. And remember, we are always available for any assistance needed. Again, thank you all so much!

We are receiving your requests to add new members to your clubs, keep them coming, we want to add to our rolls. Also, don't forget to send us your new student's names.

While making a telephone call one day I dialed a wrong number. A man answered. I said "This is Patrick, could I please speak to Robin". "@)##!" the man said and slammed the phone down. I immediately called back and said "You're a jerk!" and hung up. Every couple of weeks, when I was having a bad day, I'd call him, he'd answer, and I'd yell "You're a jerk!" and hang up. Very therapeutic. One day at the grocery store, patiently waiting for a parking spot, someone in a black BMW cut me off and took the spot. There was a 'For Sale' sign in the car window, so I wrote down the number. Later I dialed that number and said "Do you have a black BMW for sale?" "Yes" he replied. "Where can I see it?" I asked. He answered "1802 W 34th Street, a yellow house, and the car is parked out front". "What's your name?" I asked. "Don Hanson" he answered. I said "You're a jerk" and hung up. I called jerk #1, said "You're a jerk", but did not hang up. "Who are you?" he asked. "My name is Don Hanson you jerk". "Where do you live?" he asked. "Jerk, I live at 1802 W 34th Street, a yellow house with a black BMW parked out in front". He said "I'm coming over there right now and you better say your prayers". "Like I'm really scared of you" and hung up. I then called jerk #2 and said "Hello you jerk!" He said "If you don't quit calling me I going to kick your %&&^@!" I said "Here's your chance, I'm coming over right now!" and hung up. I then called the police and said that I was on my way over to 1802 W 34th Street to kill my gay lover. I then called Channel 13 news about the gang war on West 34th Street. I jumped in my car and headed to 34th Street. There I saw two jerks beating the #*(^&\$ out of each other, six squad cars, a police helicopter and a news crew. Very therapeutic.*

Take care,
Richard and Barbara

SQUARE DANCING IN OTHER PARTS OF OUR WORLD

by Lois Cassidy
Fidalgo Fogcutters &
Mt. Baker Singles

While I was visiting in Melbourne, Australia, I went to the square dance club, "Chemistry Sets" which celebrated their 27th anniversary in September. One of their members,



Jenny Smith, picked me up at the BnB where I was staying. There were just enough people for one and half squares due to many people being at a special weekend dance elsewhere in the state. Everyone was very friendly and happy to have an American visitor. They made sure that I had

the chance to dance every tip.



Lois Cassidy and Doona Young

Photos by Lois Cassidy

A couple of days later, I met Doona Young with whom I had been emailing before I left home. She has been to three of our National Festivals including Spokane and plans to go to Springfield. Doona wanted to repay the hospitality that she received in Spokane. She took me on a walking tour of Melbourne which included the State Library and other interesting architectural buildings. I joined an organized

tour later that day and toured five cities in 15 days with 12 people. We went to Adelaide, Alice Springs, Uluru (Ayers Rock), Port Douglas near Cairns and Sydney. It was a great vacation made even better by being able to square dance "down under".

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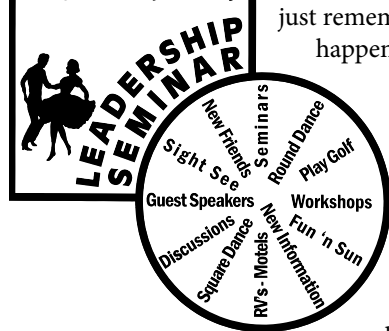
HAPPY NEW YEAR

Yes, it's January 2015!! Where did last year go! Hey folks, only six more months (seven counting January), until the greatest weekend of all time will be upon us. Have you registered yet? Better get on the ball and get registered.

Don't wait until the last minute, if you do then you may not get that great RV spot that you are hoping for or that nice shady camping spot. If you have not yet decided if you want to attend this fun-filled weekend, just remember, it will be another year before this will happen again.

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2nd Weekend in July
Friday • Saturday • Sunday



Have you thought about what you can gain and what you will learn during this time? You will come away with plenty of new ideas to help you strengthen your club and re-light that kindling flame that used to be ever so bright. You will come away with new friends that you will be able to see again and again at various dances. Those who will be attending for the first time, you will come away wishing that the year will go by quickly

so that you can attend the next seminar weekend.

When you combine the very informative seminars that will be presented, along with the fellowship and fun of dancing with your friends in the beautiful setting and quiet location of Circle 8, this Leadership Seminar is one that you won't want to miss.

See you all in a square!!

Glen & Tami

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There's always room for improvement

Well here it is, a brand new year. New Years resolutions are firmly in place (for the moment anyway) and we are ready to proceed into a new Square Dance year. I often wonder what resolutions others who are involved with our activity have made. There are always the ones about health and weight, etc. What about our activity? I wonder if we have given thought about a resolution to improve Square and Round Dancing. Things like being more inviting to our guests, making our dances more fun, or traveling with our club more often.

"Thinking out of the box" or in other words, searching for non-traditional ways to improve our activity, is something we all, caller, cuer, and dancer alike, should do. There are very few areas in our country that our activity is actually growing. Most continue to see a decline. Those that are growing have found new ways to market the activity. Anything that can make our activity better or better attended would be welcome.

For me, I plan to continue to upgrade my music and choreography. I also plan to work with the Callers Associations that I am a member of,

to do what I can to help create unity and harmony between them. More or less to do what I can to bring them together with common goals and purpose. As Abraham Lincoln once said, "A house divided cannot stand". I am not necessarily suggesting that our house is divided, only that for the overall good we could be working more closely together to make the activity better. Please be sure to share your thoughts with your clubs and leadership, and let's see what we can do to improve in 2015.

What about you as a caller or cuer? Will you be calling or cueing for a brand new club, or for a club that is new to you? Will your calling or cueing take you out of town? Especially for callers, will you be calling dances with other callers? There are many challenges when something new comes along, and many different philosophies on how to deal with them. When calling out of town, especially for a club I have never called for before, I keep in mind the great advice I received many years ago from Bob Fisk. Bob was a very well known and respected National Caller. Bob's advice to me was "At home educate. On the road

entertain". Sage words that have served me well! Working with other callers can be difficult. There is no substitute for practice. From time to time a caller may consider that they are in competition with the other caller. Nothing could be further from the truth. You are working with the other individual to improve the dancer's experience, not for competition. I love to sing backup harmony and work with other callers. In doing so, I am doing whatever I can do to give the dancers a positive experience. Remember, there are enough things Square and Round Dancing needs to compete with, competing with each other should not be one of them.

(Note; this article is being written in November to be prepared for the January issue).

One of the more recent things that have come to our attention is health. Not only my own, as many of you know, I recently had a knee replacement, but more importantly is one of our colleagues, Jim Hattrick. Jim had an unexpected health issue come up that put him in the hospital for an extended stay. For many of us Calling or Cueing is an ancillary income, and we have our work income and health insurance to fall back on. Some callers have decided to make calling a full time job. Such is the case with Jim. Daryl Clendenin is helping to organize a benefit dance for Jim on December 21st from 2:00 to 5:00 pm at Milwaukee Grange, in Portland. We are planning to attend and sincerely hope this is well attended. I know that Jim and Judy will appreciate this. We are not certain how long Jim will be in the hospital. Please keep Jim and Judy in your prayers.

One other subject I would like to touch on in this article is: **How you as a caller go about dealing with your traveling colleagues.** I often get requests from callers who are "passing thru" to see if there is a dance in the area they could call. If I know them and their ability, I will either have them 1) call a dance I am scheduled to call, with club approval of course, 2) occasionally I will pass them on to the local callers association or, 3) I will, as I have many times, rent a hall and put on a dance for them to call. You may consider asking other local callers if they may want to help this caller out. Often times the traveling caller will be likely to reciprocate when you travel thru his or her area. This is typically the norm. You should always consider what other events are happening at that time. Is one of the local clubs having a special dance you may be competing with? Is there already a special event in the area either immediately before or after the one you are planning? Often times another "special" dance too soon will detract from attendance, and after all, when a traveling caller is coming thru, we want to put our best foot forward.

Teaching Hints

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

Teaching Jewel

For those of us who are working with novice callers, it can be good for both students and the novice caller to warm up your class for the first tip.

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ROUND OUT YOUR LIFE

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Yo Baby! EXPOSED

“Baby, it’s Cold Outside!”

Have you noticed that all of this cold weather makes us hurry just a little more to get from place to place? Brrrr! One way to warm up, and burn a few calories as well, is dancing. We all tend to set new goals for the New Year so just be sure you include dancing on your list. With classes starting back up, we get re-energized and want to do more and more. If you’re not taking any dance classes at the moment, be sure and ask your club caller or cuer about classes that are starting soon. Get those feet Two-Stepping or Waltzing or Foxtrotting or Jiving, among other rhythms, or Square Dancing or maybe there’s a new Plus class starting. That does sound like fun, doesn’t it? Let’s start moving and dance, dance, dance.

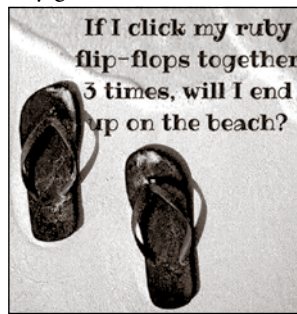
Yo Baby! Just what does that mean anyway? Many of you that have danced with me previously, along with some of the new dancers, may not know what this is all about. When teaching the Slow Open Vines, there is a free arm with a hand attached to it that is really not doing much. To get new dancers to raise that arm, I explain to them that the cuer is on stage, all by her/himself, and it does get lonely on the stage. So, what to do about it? Answer: let the

dancers participate in the dance. The dancers use the free hand at the end of the arm to wave at the cuer or the dancers on the sidelines. That shows those sitting on the sidelines how much fun they are having and also let’s the cuer know that the dancer knows the move. Thanks to Mikie McBride for giving that modified move a name, and that is “Yo, Neva” when I’m cueing and “Yo, Baby” when you, as the cuer, are cueing. The next time you dance with me and I say “Slow Open Vine 8 with Waves”; you will know what I’m taking about. Is that necessary? No. Is it fun? Yes! And that’s what Dancing is all about. Keep On Dancin’ and Keep On Smilin’!

Just to warm you up a bit, January is always a very good month for us.

Not only is it the month of our oldest son’s birthday, it’s also my birthday month.

And, since we’ve been going to warmer weather (Maui here we



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“HIT THE ROAD JACK”

(CHOREO – C & S PARKER, MUSIC – RENEE OLSTEAD 3:22 DL)

INTRO ABC ABA CC END

2S PH II+1 (SD CORTE)

SPD: as D/L & SLO FOR COMFORT

FCG 6 FT APT

INTRO WW;; STRUT TOG 4 [BFLY];;
SLO OP VN 4 [SCP];; RK FWD REC; RK BK REC;

A 2 FWD 2S [FC];; SLO OP VN 4 [SCP];;
2 FWD 2S;; DBL HIT [FCW];;
TRAV BX [SCP];;;;
CIRC AWA 2 2S;; STRUT TOG 4 [BFLYW];;

B FC-FC; BK-BK; BBL TRN [OP];;
FWD HIT 3; BK WK 2; BK HIT 3; FWD WK 2;
LC ACR 2S [LOP]; FWD 2S; SCOOT; WK 2;
LC BK 2S [OP]; FWD 2S; SCOOT; WK 2 [SCP];

C BRK BX [FCW];;;;
FWD HIT 3; SCIS THRU [FC]; TWL/VN 2; WK 2 [SCP];

A 2 FWD 2S [FC];; SLO OP VN 4 [SCP];;
2 FWD 2S;; DBL HIT [FCW];;
TRAV BX [SCP];;;;
CIRC AWA 2 2S;; STRUT TOG 4 [BFLYW];;

B FC-FC; BK-BK; BBL TRN [OP];;
FWD HIT 3; BK WK 2; BK HIT 3; FWD WK 2;
LC ACR 2S [LOP]; FWD 2S; SCOOT; WK 2;
LC BK 2S [OP]; FWD 2S; SCOOT; WK 2 [SCP];

A 2 FWD 2S [FCW];; SLO OP VN 4 [SCP];;
2 FWD 2S;; DBL HIT [FCW];;
TRAV BX [SCP];;;;
CIRC AWA 2 2S;; STRUT TOG 4 [CPW];;

C BRK BX [FCW];;;;
FWD HIT 3; SCIS THRU [FCW]; TWL/VN 2; WK 2 [CPW];

C BRK BX [FCW];;;;
FWD HIT 3; SCIS THRU [FCW]; TWL/VN 2; WK 2 [SCP];

END 2 FWD 2S [FC];; SLO OP VN 4 [SCP];;
2 FWD 2S;; SLO OP VN 4 [SCP];;
WK 2 [FCW]; SD DRW CL; SD CORTE & HOLD;

YO BABY

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come) for a number of years, I just want to say "Aloha". See you on "Some Beach Somewhere!"

The ROM for January 2015 is a two-step, "Hit the Road Jack", and choreographed by Casey and Sharon Parker. The dance is a Phase II+1 with the 1 being a Side Corte. The music is by Renee Olstead, and can be found on the CD "Skylark". It is available as a download from iTunes and Amazon, among others, and the download time is 3:22 minutes. You can dance the dance at the downloaded speed or the music may be slowed for comfort.

A very Happy New Year to all of you and we hope your year is everything you wish it to be.

Neva & Bill, too!

"And when you get the choice to sit out or dance, I hope you Dance."



Attention Cuers: Cuer Needed

Rhythm Rounders, at Lac-A-Do Hall, is auditioning for a Part Time phase 3-6 cuer on the 4th Saturday while our cuer, Randy (Rose) Wulf, is snowbirding January through June.

Our program is: Clinic 3pm--Potluck 5pm -- Dance 6:30 to 9:30pm. Can get home early. We will be missing them greatly and will be using guest cuers until we find one that fits in with our club.

Cuers interested in visiting us should call Phyllis Hanks at 360-556-1683 (cell). Can also send email:

hanler2@yahoo.com

We can also use a 3/4 Lesson instructor for Wednesday night.



A NEW SOLO

by

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Actions speak louder than words

Happy New Year! 2015 is here. A new year and with it come resolutions and contemplation. What a great time to take a good look at how you and your club handle single dancers that come to your dances!

I received another email from another reader and find that the problems I have written about plague our state and square dancing around the United States. Again this can be the year of change! Are you willing to take the steps needed? My new friend writes, "I'm a widow of two years so I have no partner for square dancing. I'm not interested in having a steady relationship. I just want someone to dance with at the dances." She has some good suggestions as well as the sad story I keep hearing over and over.

I would ask you to do one thing for me this month, at your next dance take a good look around and see if those solo dancers there are smiling and enjoying your dance. If even one is not, what can you do to change their experience right now?

Let me know how it worked and how you felt at the time and after.

WISHING EVERYONE A VERY HAPPY 2015!

We are great at thinking and talking change let's make 2015 the year we act with change.

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2ND & 4TH Saturdays: 7:30-10:30PM

Mainstream with Plus tip

Guest Callers; Cuer Debbie & Paul Taylor

Edmonds Masonic Hall 5th & Dayton

Edmonds, WA 98020 Info 206.783.0929

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2ND & 4TH Sat Sep - Jun, 2ND Sat Jul & Aug

Pre-rds 7:30 - 8 MS w/+ tip 8 - 10:30 PM

GREG WEBER, Caller

LORRAINE ROUSE, Cuer

Collins Grange 3404 - 120th St E Tacoma

South Sound Singles

1ST & 3RD Sat. Dark: 6/20/15 & 7/4/15

Pre Rounds 7:30PM - Dance 8-10:30PM

Caller: Kenny Freeman/Guest Callers

Cuer: Lorraine Rouse

Mainstream/Plus tip at end

Info: 253-851-5773

Collins Grange 3404 - 120th St. E., Tacoma

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2ND & 4TH Fridays Sep - June

Pre Rounds 7:30-8 PM Dance 8-10:30 PM

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Seam Allowances

Seam allowances, on most American made garment patterns, are $\frac{5}{8}$ inch. This was selected because $\frac{5}{8}$ inch equals 1.5 cm (15 mm). Stitchers can work with the pattern either in metric or imperial measurements. It also gives the stitcher large consistent seam allowances to hold on to. Not all patterns have the same seam allowances. Marfy patterns from Europe have NO seam or hem allowances. The person cutting the fabric to determines the size of the seams. Some patterns for knits, designed for serging, are cut with $\frac{1}{4}$ inch seam allowances. Kwick Sew patterns have small seam allowances. Some patterns have different seam allowances in different parts of the garment.

Clothing patterns are designed to go together at the seam lines. If the shoulder seam is reduced to $\frac{3}{8}$ instead of $\frac{5}{8}$, then $\frac{1}{2}$ inch has been added to each side of the neck line. The collar won't fit because the neck line seam is one inch bigger than the collar. Making all of the seam allowances smaller is not the way to make a garment larger. Consider what the seam is going to be attached to before making any changes.

One place you can usually change is the side seams of garments Increase

these seams by one inch before cutting. The side seams are the last to be sewn and can be adjusted to make the garment fit perfectly. That is what they do in the great houses of Paris, Rome and New York. They take your measurements and make up the garment leaving the side seams open. Then when you come in for the final fitting they sew up the side seams to fit you perfectly.

Even if it is a pattern you have made before it is wise to add to the side seam allowances. I made a pair of slacks in tightly woven gabardine and ended up with $\frac{1}{4}$ inch side seams. Using the same pattern I made slacks from corduroy. The side seams were one full inch wide. The stretch and stiffness of different fabrics will cause the garment to fit differently.

The seams should be the weakest part of the garment. I repeat - The seams should be the weakest part of the garment. When you raise your arm for a twirl, do you want the seam thread to pop, or the fabric to rip? I know, you are saying neither. Well, there are times when something's got to give. If the stitching of the seam pops it can be re-sewn later. If the fabric rips, the garment is ruined.

Some people sew the under arm seams four or five times to make them

“stronger”. They are actually making them weaker. Each time the seam is sewn the needle punches holes in the fabric. Just like the perforations in a paper towel. If there are a lot of perforations in the same place the fabric will rip more easily. The underarm seam should be sewn twice, with the stitching about $\frac{1}{8}$ inch apart. If this is not enough to hold the seam then there is too much stress on the garment.

Some stitchers like to finish the edges of the seam allowances to keep them from fraying. This is a personal decision. I do not finish the seams of my outfits or my husband's shirts. Yes, they are messy looking, but if anybody is looking at the inside of my husband's shirts I have more problems than messy seams. All of the garments I sew go through the washer. None of them have ever come apart due to fraying seam allowances.

After all of the effort and money that you have put into pattern, fabric,

layout and cutting, now is not the time to cheap out on the needle and thread that make the seam. Start each new garment with a new sewing machine needle. Only buy Schmetz brand. Cheaper needles are inferior. They are dull and the eyes are rough. Keep a good supply of new needles on hand and throw away the old ones.

Buy new fresh strong quality thread. Do not buy the bargain basement thread, it will break and fray. Old thread is just that - old and weak. Thread on wooden spools is over 40 years old. Thread colors change with the fashions. When purchasing new fabric buy a new fresh spool of thread to match.

While working on those seam allowances, allow yourself some consideration. Just because that seam isn't perfect doesn't mean that the creation is a failure. Don't point out the flaws and no one will be able to see them. Just dance faster.



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SATURDAY MEETING, JANUARY 17, 2015

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

Friday Dance Jan. 16, 2015

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

Hosted by Mt. Baker Council

Open Mic

Caller Host: Susan Morris

Cuers Host: Shirley Cook

Refreshments are provided as a fundraiser

Saturday Dance Jan. 17, 2015

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

Hosted by Skagit Squares

Caller: John Corrigan

Cuer: Bob & Linda Berka

Finger food potluck

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



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January 16, 2015

Leadership Seminar Dinner Meeting 5:00 PM
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Dance 7:30 – 10:30 PM
MS/ w Plus Tips, Trail-In, Casual Attire
Hosted by Mt. Baker Council **OPEN MIC**
Skagit Valley Grange
Caller Host: Susan Morris
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January 17, 2015

XPs Breakfast 7:00 AM
Bob's Burgers & Brew (I-5 Exit 232)
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Festival Committees 7:30 AM
Skagit Valley Grange

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

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

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

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

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

Finger Food Potluck
Ways and Means benefits Festival 2015 both nights

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Responses needed on New Year's resolutions

As January begins, as well as resolutions, I want to share mine with you all. My resolution for 2015 is to get more people into square dancing or to know what REAL square dancing is and how much fun it can be.

What is your dance resolution?

What do you think of square dance attire at dances? Do you think we could get more people to come to dances and join our clubs if we didn't have dress attire at dances? Or more options of dress attire? Is there a way we could make square dance clothes more welcoming to people who are not accustomed to them?

I have not been getting a ton of responses to my monthly questions, so I need more people to tell me how they feel and what they want to do. So email me your responses.

MAGGIE

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down position, etc. is easier on the shoulders, less fatiguing and allows for faster smoother dancing. Couldn't we do some of this in mainstream?

So, where am I going with all of this? I would like each dancer and caller to think about smooth and gentle dancing. I do not think I am the only dancer who feels they have been roughed up on the dance floor. We need to keep our dancers in a square and supporting our activity. I would not want to give up square dancing as an activity. I would not want any one else to feel that they could not dance because it was painful. None of us would deliberately hurt another dancer. Sometimes, when I angel, I forget and block a dancer trying to keep them from making an error. I should not do that. The caller will correct the dancer. I just need to fill out the square.

Happy New Year!
Maggie

SQUARELY SPEAKING

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Make certain you review their material to be certain it is appropriate. This gives them some floor time and provides a new voice for the students to hear.

Have a great 2015
Don & Marie



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All Clubs Dance September through May with Some Summer Dances

BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL

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COLUMBIA RIVER SQUARES hope that everyone had a great Thanksgiving and a Very Merry Christmas.

November brought us 2 great dances. Our Food Bank dance provided much needed food that was donated to the local food bank.

Decembers Christmas Dance which was our Angels for Kids dance. The donations received meant so much to the children who might not otherwise receive anything. What better way to make a child's life a little brighter. Thank you to all who donated to the cause.

January is a start of the New Year and a chance to a new beginning. Hope your new year is full of health, love and laughter. May you take time to dance and enjoy the time with old and new friends. We hope 2015 is a great year for us all.

January 10th Jim Swanson will be our caller with Lorna Hayden cueing. January 24th Adam Christman will be our caller & Bill Holm is our cuer.

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

Betty

The Milton-Freewater **MUDDY FROGS** have completed the cha cha social ballroom lessons and will begin waltz lessons in February. The square dance class continues and is going well. Class members have been joining us for regular dances, which are called at class level and made fun for everyone.

By the time you read this, the Frogs and Family-a-Fair will have celebrated the New Year with a joint dinner, dance and games at the Frog's hall. This is always such a fun event!

Best wishes to all of you for health, contentment and much dancing in 2015!

Barbara Walter

FAMILY a-FAIR had a great Christmas party. Lot of people came. We joined the Muddy Frogs for a New Year's Eve Party in Milton Freewater.

Starting in January we will be having our square dances lessons on Mondays. Same time 6:30-8:30. Happy New Year!

Mickie Thompson

MELODY MIXERS hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. It's hard to believe that it's already 2015.

The Melody Mixers dance every Tuesday evening. We have a Phase 4 dance

and work shop 5:30 to 6:45 and then 6:45 to 8:00 there is Beginning Two Step lessons. 8:00 to 9:00 is our Foxtrot work shop time and we finish our evening with some of our dancers favorites 9:00 to 9:30. The second Tuesday is always our Party Dance night when we just dance without any work shopping. For more information: Bill & Karen Holm at 509-542-1310.

Bill Holm, bkholm@charter.net

PRAIRIE SHUFFLERS... Well, I think most of us have survived the holidays. I hope the LORD was as good to you as he was to me!

Our December 6th dance was called by Tom (Chris) Clymer and cued by Bill (Karen) Holm. Love going out for Chinese when Tom and Chris visit us! Our Dec 20th dance started with a pot luck dinner and then Tina Allaway and Larry Clark called for our new student's dance cued by Bill Holm.

Our new class of dancers did so well, that we graduated about 2 squares of new dancers. How thrilling it is to see so many turn out to learn and join us. Larry and Tina have done a great job. And let's not forget our newest teacher, Chelsey Holman! She has been teaching on Thursday night so our new dancers have a choice of when to come learn or they can do both nights.

Tina calls for us on January 3rd and Daron Tandberg calls on Friday January 16th. Bill Holm is cueing both dances.

Please note that unless noted, we will be dancing on the first and third Fridays! We look forward to Doug Davis calling on Friday the 6th of February and Larry Clark calling on Friday the 20th of February.

Please put May 15th and 16th on your calendar as our 60th anniversary dance... I'll have more information on this event later. And we hope to see YOU in a square soon.

Mary Stultz

Thursdays - the **TRI-CITIES CIRCULATORS** Plus Club, Jim Swanson calling, dance from 6:30 - 8:30 pm at the Eagles, Canal & Fruitland in Kennewick. Mainstream lessons are Tuesday nights from 6:30 - 8:30 at the Eagles.

Yes it is still Taco night. A cook is on duty and there is a varied menu.

Contact Thelma @
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PRAIRIE SHUFFLERS

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PLUS 7:00 - 8:00 PM

MAINSTREAM 8 - 10:00 PM

January 3rd-TINA ALLAWAY/BILL HOLM

January 16th-DARON TANDBERG/BILL HOLM

February 6th-DOUG DAVIS/BILL HOLM

February 20th-LARRY CLARK/BILL HOLM

March 6th-BOB AMSBURY/CLAUDIA AMSBURY

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All of us at **CENTRAL AREA COUNCIL** hope everyone had a delightful Thanksgiving and Christmas and are ready to start dancing off any extra pounds that might have caught up with you over the holiday season (I know I have a few). We look forward to seeing our old friends and some new ones in Moxee at the YVSDC on January 31st with Tom Clymer and Jim Spence. Those two always present a great evening.

And please be sure to keep your New Year's Resolution to dance more and travel more. Let's meet up in a square sometime soon.

Carel Edgerly, carel@centurylink.net

The **BLUE AGATES** wish all of you a fun year of dancing and a healthy 2015. We enjoyed a wonderful Christmas party at the home of Larry and Helga Firkins that included food donations for our local food bank and a gift exchange among our members.

Several members attended the Gateswingers' Anniversary Dance in December and caravanned to the Pi'R Squares on December 13th.

Barbara and Jerry Pettit are chairing our Anniversary Dance on Saturday, March 28, with Kenny Freeman calling and Noelle Miller cueing. Daron Tandberg, our caller, will prepare the BBQ pork for the dinner preceding the dance. Plan now to join us at the Swauk-Teaway Grange for a fun evening.

An introduction to square dancing and a potluck of desserts will take place January 10th for potential students with lessons starting the following week.

Sally Gililand, sallygililand@wildblue.net

December came (and went) too fast this year!! The **SILHOUETTE DANCERS** are doing well. We did miss one dance due to Debbie being ill, but you know what a trooper she is. You can't keep a good cuer down!! The rest of the month was a fun month even with the holidays our class was well attended. They are doing so well!

Of course, Christmas wouldn't be as much fun if we didn't have the paper bag gift exchange. The treats were great, so, we all got a good start on the "weight gain".

We hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and wish you all a Happy New Year.

Dorothy Crosslin

GATESWINGERS had a presidential celebration dance in November recognizing Roger and Kay Mahan the 2014 WA State Federation President's Award winners. Scott (Darcy) Coon were our Callers and Neva & Bill Reid brought a little snow with them and cued the rounds. We had a great turnout of square dancing friends from all around Washington. Thank you for celebrating with us and Thank you to Kay and Roger for all the hard work.

December 6th we hosted our Diamond Jubilee 60th Anniversary Dance with Doug (Priscilla) Davis calling and Jim (Vonnice) Spence cueing. There was Plus dancing with rounds in the afternoon; a wonderful Roast Beef dinner, then dancing the night away at the diamond jubilee.

One highlight of the evening was the presentation of the Gateswingers Spirit Award. Our 2014 honorees started dancing years ago but stepped away as their lives went in many directions. They came back to square dancing and have been dancing for several years here in Yakima. They are very active in club events, serve on the board, building committee, decorating committee, clean up nights, rest stop work, yard sale, almost every time our dancers get together these two are there too. It is our pleasure to introduce David and Ruth Welch and present them with the 2014 Gateswinger Spirit Award.



Ruth & David Welch
 2014 Gateswinger Spirit Award recipients

Square dance and round lessons continue on Sundays. Squares begin at 3:30 pm and rounds at 5:30 pm. Cyndi Silicki's class will be starting Two-Step lessons on January 4th, new students are welcome. The Gateswingers dance on First and Third Saturdays, pre-rounds at 7:30 pm MS Squares with rounds 8:00-10:00 pm. Please join us.

submitted by substitute scribe, Holly Gonseth, hgonseth6712@gmail.com

GATESWINGERS
 Sept. thru May: 1st & 3rd Saturdays
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 4th Fridays Phase II Rounds 7:30-9:30 PM

ORVIN LOGAN, Caller
CYNDI SILICKI, Cuer
 Summer Dance--4th Saturday eve in July
 caller & cuer to be announced

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 Moxee, WA Info: (509) 949-6712
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 2nd Weekend In August

BLUE AGATE SQUARES
 2nd Friday, 4th Saturday
 7:30 - 10:30 p.m.

Daron Tandberg - Caller
Cyndi Silicki - Cuer
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Happy New Year to all our dance friends from the **BOOTS & LACES!** We welcomed guest Caller Dan Preedy, to our 64th Anniversary Dance on November 7th. Debbie Taylor was our Cuer and they kept all dancers entertained and enjoying every bit of the evening. November 21st was our Food Bank Dance where many bags of non-perishable groceries were collected. Club members, Erin & Devin Hersey delivered them to an area food bank.

Our lesson dancers are having a great time as they continue to learn new moves. It is amazing how easily the youth pick this up, quicker than some of the adults do. Some of us are wishing their energy level could rub off on us.

We have some Teenage Angels who have been learning to call under the guidance of Steve Noseck, one of our class instructors, and Glenn Raiha, who are teaching a group of 12 people interested in becoming callers. Our club will host these "Budding Callers" at our January 16th dance as they call our dance and entertain us as part of their graduation.

Please join us at our 3rd Friday night dance at the Meridian Grange, 25422 SE 272nd Ave in Kent to see how well we measure up to these new voices.

We welcome visitors to any/all of our dances with mainstream starting at 8:00 pm. Square Dance workshops are on the 1st Friday with Round Dance workshops on the 3rd Friday, both starting at 7:30 pm.

Jan Emerson, emersonbobjan2@hotmail.com

Hello from the **JACKS & JILLS!** The holidays have come and gone, but we are still going strong. Our club has a fun thing to share, namely, that many of our kids are learning to call and cue! We have a brilliant young man, Kyle Quande, writing round dances that we have all enjoyed and two more starting that journey. There are a handful of others who are jumping on the "Calling Bandwagon" and it makes the upcoming competition season all the more exciting! Usually, there are only a few of us who call or cue at PNTSDF, but it looks like the ranks are beginning to swell. This bodes well for the future and it gives our caller, Brett Kappenman, a small break from time to time. *Wink wink*. It's always good news when the kids start to take dancing into their own hands.

Lessons continue apace and while only a handful of new dancers have arrived, things are looking up. If you know of any young folk who do not have a dancing home yet, please send them our way! We'd love to have them! The Jacks

and Jills dance at the Kent Meridian Grange every Sunday night at 6:00 pm.

Here's to a beautiful New Year, 2015, and any new dancers who decide to join us!

Emily Kosterman, daughter.kosterman@comcast.net

The **Pi-R SQUARES** had a busy November. Ester Pederson passed and her service was held at Zion Lutheran Church in Auburn. Ester had been a Pi-R member since the 60's. We will miss Ester. Fred, her husband, has ALS and has moved into a group home. Fred was always active and it is sad to see him go downhill. On the bright side, Joyce Carpenter, an ex Pi-R member got married on the same day as Ester's service. Kind of mixed signals.

Our Canned Food Drive Dance on November 8th was a huge success and we donated all the canned food to the food bank. Andy and Kyle kept us all "moving and happy" at our dances in November.

Hope everyone had a great Christmas holiday. In December, we caravanned to the Jet Steppers and to the Sky Valley Whirlwinds. These were good caravans! Our classes have been going well. Andy is out of town most weeks with his new job and we have had great teachers filling in for Andy. We have had Wayne Easton, Steve Noseck, Brett Kappenman and Stephen Cole filling in for Andy. What great exposure for the students!

In December, there was also a square dance at "The Rocking Horse Barn" (formerly Hagen's Barn) that we enjoyed. It was great to be back at Hagen's and we hope to write something about this experience next month.

In January, we caravan to the Spinners in Buckley and to the Wagon Wheels in Kent. Should be fun caravans! Our January 10th dance is our student level with Andy and Kyle with Mainstream moves 1-51. The theme is our "Winter Luau" Dance. Our second dance on January 24th with Andy and Kyle is Mainstream and the theme is "Snowflake Sash-say."

Happy square dancing and come dance with us any 2nd or 4th Saturday at the Meridian Grange in Kent.

Terry & Marilyn Quinnett, mvjunkdealer@juno.com

Hi Everyone and Happy 2015 from **SOLO SQUARES!** Hope your holidays were filled with many happy times for wonderful memories to come.

With the start of the New Year, the Solo Squares will be offering a new set of Mainstream lessons beginning Sunday, January 11th, from 3:00 to 5:00 pm at the Burien Elks. Our address is 14006 1st Ave South in Burien, WA 98198. Any questions, please contact Bob Travis, Solo's President at (206) 244-0818. We dance the 1st and 3rd Sundays from 7:00 to 9:00 pm with workshop from 6:30 to 7:00 pm. Please come out and join in the fun. Happy Dancing!

Bobbie Benson, pugzr4us@yahoo.com

WAGON WHEELS commemorated the military branches of the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines, National Guard and Navy at our Veterans Dance on November 15th. Dancers stood behind the wreath of the Military Branch they served with in, various wars since World War II through the present. The rest of the dancers got in line and shook all their hands thanking them for their time in the military serving and protecting our nation.

Wagon Wheel Squares Veterans, Kent, Washington



Wagon Wheel Dancers Honoring Veterans



Photos by Donna Rhode

Many Wagon Wheels along with dancers from across the State of Washington went to Woodinville on November 29th to attend the "Safari Swing" Mount Baker Council Dance, sponsored by the Whirlybird Square Dance Club. There were over 50 squares on the Leota Junior High gymnasium dance floor enjoying the calling of Canadian Callers Steve Edlund, Brent Mawdsley, and Ray Brendzy, as well as Dave Harry and Cueing by Roxanne Boelter. Dave Harry also spent the first half of the evening teaching beginning square dancing to people of all ages in the "No Experience Hall". Then these "dancers" were brought into the big hall to merge with square dancers to "show the dance moves" that they had just learned!

We had our first "Choose Your Prize" Raffle Dance on December 6th which was a big hit. Many of the dancers went home with wonderful prizes including gift certificates to local businesses, a birdhouse, fleece blanket, game table, wood carvings, holiday decorations, and homemade "goodies" to name just a few. We want to thank Solo Squares from Burien who caravanned to our Raffle Dance!

Wagon Wheels had to say goodbye to our long-time Cuer, Randy Wulf and his wife Rose at our December 20th Christmas Dance. They are going to

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Weekly (Beginner/easy/intermediate)
Edgewood Grange
Sher Francis
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FRIDAY

BOOTS & LACES

1st & 3rd (Mainstream)
Meridian Grange, Kent
Steve Noseck / Debbie Taylor
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KT's

3rd (Plus)
Cedar Grange, Maple Valley
Kevin Thomaier
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2nd & 4th (Mainstream)
Meridian Grange, Kent
Kevin Thomier / Marge Kost
253-804-3244
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SATURDAY

JET STEPPERS

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

WAGON WHEEL SQUARES

1st & 3rd (Mainstream) Plus at 10:30pm
Meridian Grange in Kent
Wayne Easton / Randy Wulf
206-915-1415

SATURDAY

CONTRAILS CONTRA DANCERS

2nd
Juanita Community Club, Kirkland
Susan Morris
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susan@callersusan.com

PI-R SQUARES

2nd & 4th (Mainstream)
Meridian Grange in Kent
Andy Garboden / Marge Kost
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HAPPY HOPPERS Report for January, 2015: Here it is, a new year, and there is some troubling news to report. Our long-time club caller and cuer, Jim Hatrick, dealing with serious medical issues, is unable to preside over our club dances and square dance lessons. His recovery will require an extended time frame. The Happy Hoppers and the entire regional square dance community are doing what we can to support Jim and his family. Our thoughts, prayers, and healing energy are focused on helping him through the current trouble. We request that each member of the community take some time to hold Jim in the Light and pray for his health.

There are a couple of benefit dances coming up, with the proceeds going to Jim and his family. The first is (was) on Sunday, December 21st, from 1:00 to 5:00 at the Milwaukie Community Center. Also, the Hoppers' regular dance night on Saturday, January 17th will be a benefit dance for Jim.

In the meantime, the "show must go on". Our president, Jim Martinez, has been scrambling to find callers and cuers to fill in for our scheduled dances and lessons. It's been a challenge to get that done on such short notice, but Jim M. has found that the sense of community has prevailed, with local talent stepping up to the plate for us. The square dance community is both beautiful and resilient!

We are continuing with the monthly cycle for our Monday evening square dance lessons, with Craig Abercrombie presiding in Jim's absence. Through May, we encourage beginning dancers to start introductory lessons on the first Monday of each month at 7:30. Plus lessons start at 6:30, Basic 1 at 7:30, Basic 2 at 8:45, and Mainstream from 9:15 through 9:45.

As always, we have Plus dances on the first and third Saturdays of the month at the Clark County Square Dance Center. Pre-rounds start at 7:30, with squares at 8:00.

This report is for January, but if you happen to see it before the turn of the year, "A Night in Venice" will be the theme of our New Years Eve dance. Dinner will be included (Italian food!) in this special event. Adam Christman and Craig Abercrombie will be calling. Dorothy Lowder will be cuing. Buffet dinner starts at 7:30 with dancing at 8:30. The Happy Hoppers would be even more happy than usual to see you there!

Marc Kahn

Albany at the end of January. We are looking forward to renewing friendships formed in years past as well as making new ones. Our club will be dark on this Saturday so we are able to do this.

We have our calendar full through June with guest callers--please watch our ads to see who is on our schedule. Dorothy Lowder continues to be our cuer--we appreciate her so much.

Mainstream lessons continue on Tuesday evenings with George Herman doing the teaching. We had a well attended New Dancer Jamboree in November with 7 - 8 squares on the floor most of the night. What a fabulous evening with George calling and Dorothy cueing, showing the new dancers what a fun time can be had when all are working (dancing) to a common goal--fun.

We continue to wish Jim Hatrick well as he continues his recovery. Warm wishes and thoughts go to Judy as she continues to care for him. You both are in our prayers and thoughts.

Here's to a fabulous January. Stay safe and Happy Dancing.

Teresa Hill

Greetings and Happy New Year from the **BUZZIN' BEES!**

In November we had our first Elvis dance. Thank you, Mark "Elvis" Wheeler for a great dance. In December we decided to do a theme dance of "Honoring our Seniors". We will collect items to donate to low income residents of local assisted living facilities for Christmas. They can use stationery, shampoo,

socks, slippers, large print puzzle books, writing items, lotion. This is a population I work with in my job as a physical therapist so I see the need daily. I want to thank the Buzzin' Bees for contributing. It will make a difference in the lives of many.

We hope you had a great holiday season and are ready for a fresh New Year. Some of our upcoming dances include our Pajama dance, Sweetheart prom, Pie eating contest, Honey time, Legends, and our end of the year summer BBQ dance. But first, we are looking forward to Oregon mid-winter in January. The Bees always gather for dinner on Saturday night and the last few years we have gone to Bo-Macks BBQ in Albany. Nothing better than good food, shared with good friends. Hope to see you there.

Debbie Broers

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January 10
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 Edmonds Masonic Hall, Edmonds, WA

January 17
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Happy New Year from **MOUNT BAKER COUNCIL!** We hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday season with family and friends and that you were able to spend some time attending the many holiday dances in our area. Thank you for your generosity providing toys for needy children during our council wide Toys for Tots drive in December.

Our council has a busy year ahead hosting the January State Meeting and finalizing plans for the State Festival in June at the Skagit County Fairgrounds. All the committees are busy preparing to offer you a great time. Have you registered yet?

Leslie Keyes, L_a_keyes@msn.com

“Imagine” (see pictures below)... one of the posted notes on the ½ mile long



Photos by Jean Raymond

fence at Marysville-Pilchuck High School (where 5 children were killed) asks us to do what we can to make others feel good about themselves. It could be a comment, a hug or a smile. The beauty of the fence postings was the number of people from all over sending messages of caring. To start out our New Year we have many opportunities each day to let someone know they are appreciated.

The **HAPPY HOPPER'S** only dance this month will be January 17th with Scott Coon, our class instructor, and Stephanie Speelman cueing. This dance, being a level dance, gives us lots of chances to make our newer dancers take on

this sport with enthusiasm for years to come. Come with smiles.

Hoppers are planning a group soup supper and game day to get to know our newest dancers and a new experience for us all. We are always looking for new social events. In December, we had our annual wreath making /soup day, and a day train ride to Seattle for the Christmas season.

May you have a safe and healthy winter.

Did you know that snowmen fall from heaven unassembled?

Caravan...we need each other and have more fun in groups of 8.

Jean Raymond, frjr@msn.com

Happy New Year from **RAINBOW SQUARES!** In November we celebrated our 33rd Anniversary. Thank you to all our visiting square dance friends and our club members for helping to make Rainbow Squares a fun and successful club! We also collected and donated food to the local Food Bank.

In December we held a Student Level Dance for new students, movements 1-20, and opened our Experienced Clothing sale. We also collected Toys for Tots and delivered them to the Whatcom County Toys for Tots Center.

We are starting the New Year off with some fun dances! January 10th will be Saturday Night at the Movies with Brent calling & cueing (and popcorn!). On January 24th will be our 2nd Student Level Dance, movements 1-60, along with an experienced clothing sale. Come join us for some fun dancing!

Lew Gaskill, olgaskill@comcast.net

Oh my, it's January already! Come and frolic with **CHECKERBOARD SQUARES!** Craig Abercrombie and Debbie Taylor will be at their microphones for our “Frosty Frolic” from 7:00 pm to 10:30 pm on Saturday the 10th. On the 24th it will be Checkerboard's 50's Dance, with dinner of Chili Dogs and Root Beer Floats. Stephen Cole and Debbie Taylor will be leading us from their places on the corner platform.

Oh, and just so we/you don't forget – we gather again at the Pancake Haus in downtown Edmonds at 9:30 am on the 21st.

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

Jim Erickson, charjim2213@gmail.com

The **WOODINVILLE SQUARE CROWS** have enjoyed a wonderful Christmas this year and we hope all our friends have as well!

Our first dance in January is on the 2nd. Because of Jim Hattrick's illness, Craig Abercrombie will be on stage. On January 16th, we are having a level dance with Gary Monday and Karen Neverdowski on stage. All students are encouraged to join us as we welcome the Happy Hoppers. Our lessons resume on January 6th with teacher Mike Olson. Any and all angels who need

something to do on Tuesday nights are welcome to join us at 7:30 pm!

Lynn Von Seggern, lynnvs@cablespeed.com

The **FIDALGO FOGCUTTERS** Plus Club has no dances planned for January! We had decided to go dark on January 2nd after the New Year dance at our hall, and we offered the use of our Skagit Valley Grange to Mount Baker Council to host the 2015 Winter State Federation meeting on January 16th and 17th. The Skagit Squares have moved their January dance to the hall on that Saturday evening with our own John Corrigan calling and Bob and Linda Berka cueing.

Don Carlson and Ron Ploeg have been busy building a new wheel-chair ramp at the hall so that John Corrigan in his wheelchair can access the stage more easily – great job guys!

Plus Lessons will begin January 10th at the Mount Vernon Senior Center and continue twice monthly into May with John Corrigan teaching.

One of our members, Lois Cassidy, recently vacationed in Australia and sent an article, including pictures, of her special evening dancing with the Chemistry Sets square dance club in Melbourne. See the article on page 9.

Gailyn Ploeg, ploegrj@msn.com

SAMENA SQUARES continue to have a strong class. With 30+ students it has been important to have plenty of angels and we are grateful for those who show up regularly to lend a hand. We have students getting out to dances like Whirlybird's First Friday Funfest and a number of them participated in the Mt. Baker Council Dance. Having a hall for new dancers and non-dancers was a wonderful idea. Talking to some of our students afterwards they shared how much fun it was to be with so many other dancers.

Our only November dance was our Pilgrims and Pumpkins dance with caller Roger Spiese. It is always a pleasure to have him come over.

We've changed our hours this season and the new schedule seems to be working well. We have a Plus workshop from 7:30 to 8:00 each 2nd and 4th Friday and now dance until 10:00 pm. We are ending 30 minutes earlier than we used to.

Hope to see you on the dance floor with us in 2015! Happy New Year!

Barbara Huber, hubertones@hotmail.com

Happy 2015 from the **FREEWHEELERS!** We enjoyed the holiday season with fun dances and visits to other clubs in the Seattle area! On December 7th we collected lots of toys and donations for Toys for Tots. Gary Monday was our guest caller and Debbie Taylor entertained us with songs of the season for our round dancing pleasure. We enjoyed a holiday potluck and dance on December



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DANCING SHADOWS Rounds, 1st & 3rd Sat 7:00-10:30 pm @ Juanita Community Club, Kirkland – Debbie & Paul Taylor, (425) 478-5128

DUDES AND DOLLS MS, 2nd, 4th & 5th Fri 7:30-10:30 pm @ Cedar Valley Grange, Lynnwood – Scott Coon & Guest Callers/Debbie Taylor, (206) 542-1668

FERN BLUFF SQUARES MS, 2nd Sat 7:30-10:30 pm, @ South Lake Stevens Senior Center, Lake Stevens – Ray Gallagher/Linda Nold, (425) 334-5184

FIDALGO FOGCUTTERS Plus, 1st & 3rd Fri 7:30-10:00 pm @ Skagit Valley Grange, Sedro-Woolley – John Corrigan-1st Fri and Guest Callers-3rd Fri, Bob Berka, (360) 387-8727

FREEWHEELERS MS, 1st & 3rd (some 5th) Sun 7-10 pm @ Mountlake Terrace Senior Center, Mountlake Terrace – Roger Spiese/Debbie Taylor, (206) 992-4932

HAPPY HOPPERS MS, 1st & 3rd Sat 7:30-10:30 pm, Stillaguamish Senior Center, Arlington - Guest Callers/Cuers (425) 397-0535

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

MT. BAKER SINGLES MS, 2nd Fri 7:30-10:30 pm @ Skagit Valley Grange, Sedro-Woolley – Mike & Kathleen McCalib (360) 392-5620

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RAINBOW SQUARES MS, 2nd & 4th Sat 7:30-10 pm @ Ten Mile Grange, Lynden – Brent & Therese Mawdsley, (360) 733-4487

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

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

SKAGIT SQUARES MS, 3rd Sat 7:30-10 pm @ Mount Vernon Senior Center, Mount Vernon – John Corrigan/Bob Berka - (360) 424-4608

SKY VALLEY WHIRLWINDS MS, 3rd Fri 7:30-10:30 pm @ Triway Grange, Mill Creek – Guest Callers/John Neverdowski - (360) 657-0895

STANWOOD SASHAYERS MS, 4th Sat 7:30-10:30 pm @ Stillaguamish Grange Hall, Stanwood – Ray Gallagher/Bob Berka - (360) 387-5055

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

WOODINVILLE SQUARE CROWS MS, 1st & 3rd Fri 7:30-10:30 pm @ Sammamish Valley Grange, Woodinville – Guest Callers/Karen Neverdowski (360) 863-8112

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CASCADE TWIRLERS: November 1st dance was a lot of fun. We had Don Jackson calling and Chelsey Holman calling with Marilyn Holman cueing. Chelsey is Marilyn's granddaughter and is very proud of her. I know Wes Holman was looking down from Heaven with a big grin and saying that's my granddaughter! We hope to have her back in the near future. This was also our annual *Support the Troops Dance*. It was a good dance and it helped to know where and to whom all the supplies were going to. Sandy Briggs knows the family and grew up with the mother. On November 15th Jim Swanson was our caller and cuers were Marilyn Holman and Noelle Miller, this was our annual *Mens Nite Out* dance. The theme was "A camping we will go" so for decorations we had camping supplies and food. For door prizes we had a lantern, canned beans and s'more makings. The door prizes were just for the men. After the dance we fixed a camp meal of hotdogs and baked beans and s'mores for dessert. Our men in the club do so much for us and this was to show you how much we appreciate them.

January 3rd is our first dance of the New Year and themed *Warm Up With Summer* and I hope it will warm us up. This gal for one is very cold! Jim Compton will call and Noelle Miller will cue. On January 17th Rob Krum will call for us with Marilyn & Noelle cueing. This is our *Wild & Crazy Dance* with a theme of *Yabba Dabba Doo*, in case you haven't figured it out it is the cartoon *Flintstones*, costumes are optional, but they do add to the dance. Hope to see you to have fun with us.

Have a great New Year!

Noelle Miller, noellemcues@charter.net

Well the **4X8's** have a new year ahead of us and a whole new set of dancers to welcome into our club. I know they won't graduate for a while yet but they will be attending dances and that is good for the club. New dancers mean new blood and fresh fun for everyone. Let's make them feel welcome by sitting and visiting with them and inviting them on to the floor. That will help them integrate and feel welcomed.

Our 63rd Anniversary dance will be coming up in March and all are welcome. Costumes are optional but encouraged with the theme of Marti Gras. That will be fun. The dance will be held on Saturday March 7, 2015, 7 pm at Chief Moses Middle School. Bill and Neva Reid will call and cue again this year. They do a great job.

Patti Roberts, pattiroberts@ifiber.tv

WHEATLAND WHIRLERS had Don & Nora Jackson call and cue for us on November 22nd. They did a fun dance and we had a good time. Harold & Judy Schock made soup for us before the dance, YUM YUM. Our Round dance class is still going strong. The students are having fun.

Our January 10th and 24th will have Jim Compton & Noelle Miller teamed up again for really fun dancing.

Happy dancing in the New Year.

Noelle Miller, noellemcues@charter.net

Welcome to 2015! The **APPLELAND PROMENADERS** hope everyone is ready to socialize and dance to beat the winter blahs. If your budget took a hit over the holidays, the APs have a real deal for you. The dance on Saturday, January 10th, will feature 2 callers--Tom Clymer and Don Jackson, as well as 2 cuers--Jim Spence and Nora Jackson! What a deal! This should be a great time. Saturday, January 24th, brings Dave Boggs to call and Sharon Boggs to cue. Hope to see you in a square.

Kay White, kwhite@nwi.net

BUDS & BLOSSOMS hosted the Council Dance in late November, and our own Zoe Tyrrell was presented with our Council's Inspiration Award. Congratulations Zoe! It is a well deserved award for the many years of dedication to Square Dancing.

We thoroughly enjoyed the various Christmas dances in December. We followed our caller Don Jackson as he called for Cascade Twirlers Christmas Dance on the 20th. Fun was had by all--and excellent Christmas cookies afterward.

We hope all of you enjoyed the blessings of the season, and we wish you all the best in the New Year.

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Legacy of Dirty Dan Harris

Hi All: Can you believe its 2015 already. Our Washington State Festival is just around the corner. The Committee is hard at work getting ready for it to happen. We are really excited and making plans for this to be a great Festival. Mount Vernon is a great town and in the summer is known for its charm.

In November's article I told you about La Connor and Sedro-Woolley. This month I will tell you about Fairhaven. This is a small community about 20 miles north of Mt. Vernon overlooking the water of Bellingham Bay. It was established in 1883 by Dirty Dan Harris. It has many old buildings dating back to the 1890's. All the shops are owner operated, so you really get treated like royalty. If you come a day early, Wednesday, "Farmers Market day" you will find many unique

items most of which are handmade/homemade/or painted by local artist. The main district is about 4 blocks square so just park your car and walk.

Fairhaven is also known for its many trails, one of which leads to Larrabee State Park.

Another is the South Bay Trail that goes to Bellingham and has gorgeous water views.

Be sure to register for the 2015 State Festival. And plan to stay a few days and enjoy the towns around Mt.

Vernon. Even if you thought there was nothing new to see

come and have another look.

Look for the registration form on line @www.lifesadance2015.org and join in the fun.

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Even with the holidays behind us, the news of Jim Hattrick has us still praying and hoping for his speedy recovery. Just recently, the **RHODY O's** and the Strait Wheelers Square Dance Clubs have gotten together to plan a fundraiser for Jim and Judy. It has been tentatively set for Saturday, January 10, 2015. At this point in time, the hall has not been finalized. So please, if you would like to attend, either call your respective club president or send this reporter an e-mail. We would like to pack the hall to show our support and love to the Hattricks.

After our January dances we float right into February which is turning into one busy month. Our first dance will be on Friday, February 6th at the same time and station. Next, we share the 3rd weekend of the month with the Mid Winter Blues Chaser Dance with Steve Noseck, Kevin Thomaier and Lynn Peltola. The Rhody O's will be sponsoring the Trail - In Dance on Friday, February 20th at the Gardiner Community Center. Pre-Rounds at 6:30, Mainstream from 7:30 - 9:30 with Spike Reid calling and cueing. The Trail-In dance is \$7.50/ person at the door. The Blue Chaser Dance will be held at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds at Port Townsend on Saturday, February 21, 2015. Saturday workshops and dance \$20/person (\$10/person evening dance only). For more information and/or a flier, please contact Dave Johnson at 360-301-9082 or chinook_6@hotmail.com Please spread the word about both of our big dances and here's hoping to greet some 'old' friends and meet some 'new' ones.

So, let's get dancin'!!!!

Trish Gaine, fasolard@olypen.com

The **STRAIT WHEELERS** hosted their 40th annual Canadian visitation with a fabulous dinner and fun dance. In April we will be traveling across to enjoy their hospitality. The competition of trying to outdo each other with the dinner has provided each club with a challenge and is so much fun.

All of our members have placed Jim and Judy Hattrick in their prayers and we hope you have done the same. Another prayer needs to go out to all the men and women who protect our great Nation.

We send a wish to everyone for a safe and happy New Year and hope we meet you somewhere on the dance floor. Just think of the many new experiences that are waiting for all of us in 2015.

Again, we wish you a Happy New Year.

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GIG HARBOR TWIRLERS wish everyone a healthy Happy New Year 2015!

Mary McGannon, mekm3591@msn.com

Several **ROUND SQUARES** club members travelled to Lac-A-Do Hall in Olympia on November 8th to attend the dance honoring Joyce Sebree, who received the McNutt Award at the State Festival. Several other council club members also attended.

Tuesday night square dance lessons are moving right along. The new students will be graduating soon.

December 5th was the gathering of dancers to decorate the hall and the big tree for Christmas. We downsized from a 12 foot to a 9 foot tree. In addition, each club decorates their own small tree that sits around the hall.

We will be dancing January 24th to the calling of Willie Sewell and Joyce Sebree cueing. Come join us and help us begin the New Year with our favorite hobby.

Don't forget to bring non-perishable food items for the food drive box in the hall entry way!

Happy New Year! Hope everyone had a good holiday.

Betty Force - Reporter

Where does all the time go, here it is the end of the year and seems like yesterday it was the 4th of July; maybe because I am getting so old. Our Christmas dances put everyone in the Holiday spirit. Not sure about all the shopping and advertisements!

PAWS & TAWS' Christmas party was held December 15th, with all the fun, good food and the game of exchanging our gifts. Never know what will be in the one you got.

Peninsula Council held the New Years' Eve Dance and many attended. Many of our dancers have been traveling it is so hard to keep track of them all. John and Anna Marie Jürgen's returned from a trip around the United States, they were visiting friends and family. John has just retired. The rest have been to

Mexico, Las Vegas, Spokane and Montana.

Hope everyone's New Years is turning out the way they wished for. I'm looking forward to spring and the flowers.

Leota Lewis, leotal@msn.com

SQUARE STEPPERS wish everyone a Happy New Year. Hope everyone had a nice Holiday Season. Now that Thanksgiving and Christmas are over it's time to get down to the normal busy lives we all have.

In December, Roger Spiese called for our dance. Our next dance will be January 10th.

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

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DUDES & DOLLS enjoy dancing every Monday at Kitsap Square Dance Center from 1 to 3 pm.

Hope everyone had a great holiday and that the New Year will be one of joy for everyone.

Joan McLean, mcleancnj@harbornet.com

PENINSULA COUNCIL clubs caravanned to Woodinville to Leota Junior High on November 29th to attend the council dance featuring the BC Boys from Canada – Safari Swing – and there was some great swinging going on. Peninsula Council had about 3 squares of dancers attend. The total number of squares that night was about 50.

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Happy New Year from **RAINIER COUNCIL!!** 2014 is behind us, and it's time to look forward to the continuation of a successful 2014/2015 dance year and the start of a new calendar year.

I confess, prior to becoming the Rainier Council's Area Reporter for Footnotes for the current dance year, I do not recall reading a single issue cover-to-cover. Forgive me if the topic I've chosen to focus on in this issue's "editorial" has been covered by others, but I feel it's one that warrants emphasis and repetition, if necessary, until facts on the dance floor render it an irrelevant and unnecessary topic of discussion.

I'm referring to the plight of "solo" square-dancers (or "un-partnered individuals", if you prefer) and, in my opinion, the inexcusably shabby (just calling it what it is) treatment these dancers experience all too often... sitting patiently on the sidelines waiting for someone to invite them to dance. It's not just lady-solos that experience this... it happens to gentlemen also.

Square dance clubs already have a big-enough challenge maintaining, let alone growing, their rosters. Making bona-fide members of our square dance community-at-large feel unwelcome by essentially ignoring them in favor of "committed couples" runs against the grain of what square dancing is (or should be) all about. Solo's make their door donations when they arrive at a dance (just like couples do) and deserve to enjoy actually dancing (just as much as couples do).

My favorite dance partner of all time is my wife (I think it's safe to say she feels the same way about me). But we make it a point to see that solo's are made to feel welcome (just like the couples who come through the door) at our dances. We, along with other partner-couples in our membership, and our own solo members, do what we can to make sure guest solos do not just sit on the sidelines at our dances.

The setting of policy, written or unwritten, starts at the top. I believe it is the responsibility of the club presidents and board members to set the example for the membership-at-large. I would encourage an honest appraisal of where your club stands (or sits) on this issue. Continue to do the right thing if you're already doing it, or change course if you're not. Get solos out on the dance floor. Encourage them to partner-up on their own... and when they cannot, encourage them to stake out a claim on the dance floor with a raised arm and crook'd index finger. We are healthiest as a society when we are all "up and dancing"!

Lane Johnston, lanej@chessmenkastle.com

January is when many youth clubs like the **YOUNG BUNCH** start practicing in preparation for the teen competition in May. It will be held in Canada again this year, and back in the states in 2016. This means parents and kids schedules will be "wicked-busy".

Most adult clubs don't understand this kind of busy. I admit I didn't either until we got involved. If you take into account a youth might be competing in rounds, calling, cuing and squares, there's an unbelievable amount of practice required. Parents take their kids to every practice, are involved in helping to create a theme and other important activities (even sewing all the outfits). Now you can see why we go nuts from January to May. If you don't see the youth or parents at dances very much during this time frame, hopefully you now know why. Trust me, we all miss our friends, but there is only so much time in a week.

Hope to see ya'll at one of our dances!

Leslie Young, pollyanna1962@gmail.com

The **ROAMIN TACOMANS** are hosting the Rainier Council's spring festival on January 31st. There aren't any fifth Saturdays this spring so we are having a Winter/Spring Festival. The theme is "I Wish It Was Spring." Tom Tomlinson will be our emcee and there will be Callers and Cuers from the Rainier Council. We will provide the meat, and side dishes and desserts will be pot luck. It will be a grand feast. Pre-rounds start at 7:30 and the Mainstream dance starts at 8 pm. Cost is \$6 each. Our hall is at 1705 Willow St. in Sumner.

Our Plus dance this month is January 10th. It is our Re-Stock The Food Bank dance. If you want to help, bring a can of food. Our mainstream Snowflake dance is January 24th. Tom will be calling and cueing for both. We hope you will come join the fun and dance with us this month.

Our Plus class will be graduating soon and Plus workshops will be starting on Sundays from 4:30 to 6:30 pm.

Sharon Herman, tonysharp@yaho.com

Happy 2015 from **SWINGING SQUARES!** We look forward to welcoming you for our 2nd and 4th Friday dances in January at our usual location: Sumner Dance Center, 1705 Willow St. We always have fun with our Caller Andy Garboden (Tricia) and Cuer Lorraine Rouse (John).

The Friday, January 9th Plus dance has a "Snowman and Snowflakes" theme.

Then we're looking forward to welcoming caravans from the Bonney Lads & Lassies and the Spinners to our Mainstream dance on Friday, January 23rd. So come brave the chill and maybe real snowflakes for great dancing and socializing in our cozy hall.

Both dances begin at 7:30 with Lorraine's Round Dancing, which includes various phases and requests. Lorraine usually includes the Dance of the Month, and then Andy joins her for our Mainstream dance from 8:00--10:30.

Mary Kun, marmikk@comcast.net

The **SWINGNUTS** dance at the Sumner Valley Dance Hall, 1705 Willow Street in Sumner, WA.

The SwingNuts hope that everyone had a good Holiday Season! We invite you to come and have fun dancing with us.

We dance "All-Squares", and all Mainstream (Student Level when classes are in session). The Call of the Night workshop will start at 7:30 pm and Mainstream dancing will begin at 8:00 pm. Our Caller is Cliff Nichols.

Our dances are held on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays. On January 3rd the theme is the "Ski Lodge"; and on January 17th, the theme is "Casino Night".

Come and dance with the SwingNuts! We look forward to dancing with you in 2015.

Gail Johnston, gailj@chessmenkastle.com

The **BLAZING STARS** of Federal Way are looking forward to a brand-new year, and are welcoming all our square dance friends to dance with us. January will see tickets for a "sweetheart basket" which will be raffled off during February. Recently we welcomed a new member to the club, and look forward to more new members in the coming year.

Blazing Stars dance at Steele Lake Grange located at 2920 S. 298th in Federal Way, WA, twice a month on the second and fourth Saturdays all months, except August. Pre-rounds begin at 7:40, with Plus dancing from 8:00 to 10:00 pm. Advanced (A-2) dancing is held from 6:30-7:30 pm also called by Caller Kevin Thomaier.

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

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

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Happy New Year from the **SOUTH SOUND SINGLES!** Our Bazaar was great (and so was the dance afterward). We want to thank everyone who participated and attended. We would all like to say "Hope you had a great Holiday Season".

Our dances in January will be held on the first and third Saturday. The theme for our third Saturday dance is "The 12th Man".

See you at are Collins grange. Dance times: Pre-rounds begin at 7:30, and Squares start at 8 pm. We also have a Facebook page, so please watch for lessons and upcoming class graduation dates.

Cecilia Graeff, cecilia_graeff@yahoo.com

EVERGREEN ROUNDS is a casual, fun loving, Phase 3 and easy 4 Round Dance club. We dance to the floor and workshop different rhythms. We have done Jive, Mambo, Slow Two-step, Waltz, Cha-Cha, Foxtrot etc.

We meet every Wednesday night (except the 3rd Wednesday) at the Riverside Valley Grange from 6:30 to around 10. We're "dark" on the third Wednesday due to a grange meeting. Tom Tomlinson, Charles Moorhead and Shawn Cavness cue for our club on a regular basis.

Looking for more challenge than Phase 2 provides??...then come join us! The snack table is open all evening! Would love to have you come dance with us! For more info or directions contact Charles at 253-927-2887.

Katie Petrovich, thequeensransom1@gmail.com

Well hello again from the **BONNEY LADS 'N LASSIES**. We want to start out by thanking all of our members and guests that came out to our club dances this past year. All of you are family and we really appreciate your support. We hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and a fun and Happy New Year. We will again be having our lessons every Sunday starting January 4th from 4:30 to 7:00 pm at Collins Grange. Teaching again this year we will have the One, the Only, Greg (I have to come up with a nick name for you) Weber. If you know anyone who wants to learn to square dance, just bring them on by...it's going to be a whole lotta fun!

We have our first dance of the year on January 10th, it is our Family and Friends Dance. Bring all of your family, friends, neighbors, and anyone else you might find wandering the street. We will get them up dancing in no-time, and just have a great time starting off the New Year. On January 24th, the club will be having our 58th Birthday Dance. We want to invite all of our square dance family and friends to come and help us celebrate. Remember all of our dances start with Pre-rounds at 7:30 and the Square dancing starts at 8:00. So, to all of our friends until next time, keep dancing, but most of all keep smiling.

Ron & Linda Sferrazzo, sferrazzo5@msn.com

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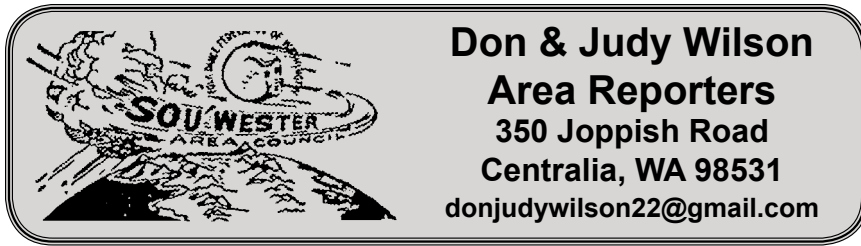
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SOU'WESTER COUNCIL clubs wish everyone a Happy New Year filled with lots of dancing! As we begin another year, we are thankful for our extended square dance families. As our 2015 blank calendars begin to fill up, be sure to include dances offered by at least one club you haven't attended yet, as well as your regular routine. There are friends out there you may not have met yet. Enjoy!

HARBOR HAYLOFTERS are wishing everyone a happy start to 2015 and hope you continue to keep square dancing all year long. We will be dark in January because of the holidays. We invite everyone to join us at our regular dances February thru June on the first Saturday of every month at the American Legion Hall, 112 W. 1st St. Aberdeen. Pre-rounds begin at 7 and Mainstream at 7:30.

Our snowbirds are now headed 'South'. We wish them luck and good traveling and wait for their return in the spring.

November's dance was great fun with a Sadie Hawkins theme. Ladies had their choice of men they wanted to dance with. We had visitors from the Square Ones and Cougar Squares. We visited Prairie Steppers and R Square D. The Sunday after Thanksgiving was our annual wreath making party at the home of Bruce and Terry Kuhnau.

December 6th was our Christmas Dance. Our Caller, Randy and Kris Carlson, did a great job and fun was had by all. We also had our Christmas party and Santa was very good to our caller.

We hope that you can come out and have some fun with us. We have Mainstream (and a little Plus) work shop every Tuesday 7 - 9 pm at the Aberdeen Eagles, 204 W. Market.

Ann Kilwien, sqcamper@comcast.net

Happy New Year!! Time to mark your calendars! Turn to April. On the 25th sign-on to be part of the crew for the **SALTY SASHAYERS** "Old Salts Anniversary" Dance. The Saltys are a travel club, but we do host one dance a year, AND THIS IS IT! So be there or "walk the plank", mates. Find details in a future entry of the ship's log.

The Salty Sashayers are a small travel club, but we are alive and active. Recently, Salty showed up at the R Square D Octoberfest dance; ate pie at the Flutterwheels pie contest dance; congratulated Joyce Sebree, recipient of the McNutt award, at the Do-Si-Dos dance honoring her; helped Glen Raiha

celebrate his 65th birthday; and enjoyed a delicious turkey dinner at the Cougar Squares "Thankful-Christmas Dance". Salty also helped the Sou'Wester Council raise money by working at the Maytown rest area. So be sure to let us know about your club's special dances, and look for us there. See you in a square.

Bonnie Blewett, blew@hctc.com

The **SQUARE ONE** Plus Club had some fun dances in November and December and gathered lots of food for the Food Bank and toys for Toys for Tots. We held our annual Christmas Dinner at a nice restaurant and most of the club attended. It is always nice to get out with our club and have functions like this outside of square dancing. We also helped out at the New Year's Eve dance at Lac-A-Do Hall hosted by the FlutterWheels. Glenn Raiha and Dave Harry did a great job calling and Joyce Sebree, cueing.

The Square Ones are looking forward to another fun year of dancing. Please join us to kick up your heels at our first Friday and third Sunday Plus dances. Happy New Year and hope to see you in a Square!!

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RUFF & RUFFLES held their annual Pie Dance and Auction November 15th. Members and friends brought assorted kinds of pie to be auctioned with half of the proceeds to go to COTA (Children's Organ Transplant Association) on behalf of Gina Moriarty who is a niece of club members Dalton & Paula Pfau. She (Gina) is waiting for a double lung transplant. And would you believe that one pie actually sold for \$105.00! WOW! There were many great pies including some made by a few of the guys. Jim Raupp and Donna Madsen were the auctioneers and kept everyone busy bidding. Over \$500.00 was donated to COTA. Four + squares attended the dance with Jim Raupp and Susan Healea as caller and cuer. Visitors were from Cougar Squares and R Square D. The Pfau's and Ken and Donna Madsen had kitchen duty and of course what else would they serve but pie. Thanks to everyone who came and donated so generously. It was a very rewarding and fun evening.

Back tracking, the "4th Friday Social" in October was hosted by Dave & Marge Martin. AND no one had to cook this time. No potluck. Pizza was ordered in. That was great and made for a most relaxing evening followed by games and conversation. On the mend and home is Eileen Rosevear who had double knee replacement surgery. AND this reporter has returned from her trip to Miami, FL to visit Cuban pen pal and take a Cruise. Trip was great but weather was very hot and very humid. I am glad to be back home in the Pacific NW.

We invite all dancers to come dance with us on the 3rd Saturday at Catlin Grange in Kelso with Jim Raupp and Susan Healea as caller /cuer. Pre-rounds at 7:30 - Dance 8 - 10:30 pm. From us to you -- Happy New Year!

Betty Clifton, sqkats@q.com

DO- SI-DOS honored Veterans and 2014 McNutt Award recipient Joyce Sebree in November. We want to thank everyone that attended, we had a lot of fun, and Joyce had a lot of family there. We recognized past McNutt recipients and State and Council Officers, and thanked them for their service to the Square and Folk Dance Federation of Washington.

The Do-Si-Dos and other local clubs participated in two demonstrations in December: one at the State Capital, in the Rotunda and another one at the East Olympia Elementary School. Do-Si-Dos traveled to the Cougar Square's Christmas Dance in December.

The Do-Si-Dos dance the second Saturday of each month at Lac-A-Do Hall, 1721 46th Avenue NE, in Olympia. Rounds begin at 7:30 and Mainstream is from 8 - 10:30, and a Plus tip during break. Joyce Sebree is our club cuer. Craig Abercrombie will be (was) our guest caller in December. Jim Hattrick is in the hospital, and we look forward to his return. Our President, Eric Metsch is working on the guest caller(s) for January, February, and March.

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

Lisa Metsch, 1Sereno@comcast.net

R SQUARE D saluted our veterans with a rousing dance on November 14th, Thank You to our Military. Steve Noseck was our caller with a little help from Bill Lundin. Lonnie Sycks did the cueing. We had visitations from Buzzin' Bees, Cougar Squares, Harbor Haylofters, Happy Hoppers and Hoe Downers. Everyone marched to the music and enjoyed the evening of honoring those who serve.

The 17th of November found us gathering for our monthly meeting hosted by Charlotte and Cliff Houghtlen, thanks to them both. On November 22nd we hosted our Thanksgiving dance, Craig Abercrombie gobbled his way through the evening and provided an enjoyable time for all. Lonnie Sykes provided additional cueing and cackling, we trotted the evening away. Visitations were from Stardust, Ruff and Ruffles and Cougar Squares.

R Square D lost a friend and dancer this month. Bill Lammi was put to rest on the 17th with many attending his service. We will miss seeing him come through our dance hall entryway.

Please join us for our Snowflake Frolic on January 9th, hot soup to feed the body and good fellowship to feed the soul. R Square D will be dark on the 24th. New square dance lessons start January 7th. Ya all come! For more information about the R Square D club please visit our website at www.r-square-d.info or friend us on Facebook.

Stay warm and Happy Holidays.

Marie Geisler

Happy and prosperous New Year from **ROUND ABOUTS!**

Ron and Georgine Woolcock, the club's Cuer Couple have been adventurers and travelers again this year. Several of Round A-Bout members and 62 other Square and Round Dancers joined them and the Harry's in October for a fantastic Caribbean Cruise. If you get a chance to take one of these cruises, don't pass it up. (Grand Cayman, Cozumel, and Jamaica)

The club would like to thank all the cuers, especially, Randy Wulf and Maria Wood, who stepped up and did a fantastic job in leading us around the hall during this summer and fall.

Round A Bouts had a fantastic Waltz class with the lessons ending just before Christmas. There are now 12 more couples having a great time with Round Dancing.

As of this writing, the Club is looking forward to another great Pound Exchange Dance for their Christmas Dance. It is great fun to see everyone in the Christmas spirit and seeing some very unique "Pound" Christmas presents.

The club is also looking forward to the new Two-Step class starting the first Tuesday in January. (January 6th) If you are ready, come on out and join us on Tuesdays. The club's Cuer Couple, Ron and Georgine Woolcock, are back at the helm and teaching classes. (Although they cued rounds on the cruise, the Ship's Captain decided to keep him off the helm on the Royal Caribbean "Navigator")

The club also hopes that you can come out and have some fun with them, while dancing circles "around" everyone at Lac-a-Do. Their regular round dances are held on the first Tuesday and third Friday of the month 7:30- 9:30 pm (January 6st and 16th). They dance Phase II and Phase III. Thank you again for all your support throughout the year.

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Happy New Year from the **PRAIRIE STEPPERS!** Our November dance was to Honor Those Who Served hosted by Dick and Diane Russell. We had four squares on the floor and two of our students enjoyed their first club dance. December's dance theme was Joy to the World with gifts from Santa (no sitting on Santa's lap this year) and January's theme will be 50s and 60s, so dust off your poodle skirts and leather jackets.

Our November travel was to the Silver Stars with a stop for dinner at the Oak Tree in Woodland. There were ten of us so we were able to take away a Silver Stars traveling banner. The Prairie Stepper Chicken made an appearance to promote our 34th Annual Chicken Dance on May 8th and 9th, 2015 with callers Roger Spiese and Don Wood and cuer Lonnie Sycks. We planned to make our annual travel to the Cougar Squares Thankful Christmas Dance.

Many thanks to Pete Murray and Glenn Raiha who filled in for Don Wood on a few lesson nights while he recovered from knee surgery. Don is back doing a fine job of teaching lessons and we have six students who are doing very well.

Our condolences go to the family of Glenn Tanner, long time member of the Cougar Squares who passed away in November. Best wishes to Lil Johnson who

fell and injured her knee. Cliff and Lil recently celebrated 81 years of marriage. And best wishes also to Jim Hattrick who has been very ill. On another note, a celebration of Don and Marie Wood's Parker Award is scheduled for the Flutterwheels' March 7, 2015 dance at Lac - a- Do. The Prairie Steppers will co-sponsor this dance.

We hope you'll join us at our club dances on second Saturdays at the Oakview Grange with Plus from 7:00 to 8:00 pm and Mainstream and rounds from 8:00 to 10:30 pm with a dinner break at 9:00 pm.

Marion Freels, M_librarion@yahoo.com

OLYMPIA AREA SQUARE DANCERS, INC. has a great deal to celebrate, as Olympia area square dancers. Thanks to our great leaders: our OASDI board, callers and cuers, club officers and many behind the scenes heroes that work to keep our hall well-maintained. Thanks for the friendship and camaraderie of our fellow dancers. Ours is an activity that brings us together, often for many decades, and they become second families to us.

Also, thanks to our new dancers, those bright, eager folks who magically appear when we start each of the four sets of lessons we hold annually. They infuse us old timers with their enthusiasm and remind us how all-encompassing square dancing is for mind, body and spirit.

We use every resource to encourage them to keep coming back at lessons and after graduation to dances. We turn out in great numbers to angel them. We acknowledge their progress and have frequent dances at their level to give them valuable floor time to hone their new skills. We ensure they have dance nights during the holidays, so they don't get rusty or find new ways to spend their time. And, we become their friends.

Our reward for nurturing these new dancers comes back to us in growing club membership... help with maintaining our great hall, and, most important, they bring future students to lessons as they share their new activity with friends and family.

Nurturing our new students is a win-win situation.

Kathy Rooney, OASDI Secretary

STARDUST DANCERS always enjoy dancing to the cueing of Susan Healea. A few students in her class come to put into practice what they have learned and are doing very well. It's fun to have students dance with us. December 4th was our Christmas, Silent Auction Dance and half the proceeds went to Hospice. Come join us for a fund evening of round dancing!

Linda Sycks

COUGAR SQUARES thank everyone who attended our Thankful Christmas Dance on December 6th. It was a great way to begin the holiday

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

Tuesday

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

Thursday

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

Friday

1st **Square One Plus Club** Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-10:30
Gunter Monroe, caller, Joyce Sebree, cuer PLUS
2nd **Rhythm Rounders Fun Dance** Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-10:00
Randy Wulf, cuer ROUNDS phases 2-5
2nd **R Square D** Kelso Senior Center 7:30-10:00
Craig Abercrombie, caller, Lonnie Sycks, cuer SQUARES AND ROUNDS
3rd **Round-A-Bouts** Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-9:30
Ron Woolcock, cuer ROUNDS phases 2-3
4th **Capitol Singles** Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-10:30
Don Wood, caller, Randy Wulf, cuer SQUARES AND ROUNDS

Saturday

1st **Cougar Squares** St Francis Parish Hall, 139 Spencer Rd. Toledo
Jim Raupp, caller/cuer SQUARES AND ROUNDS 7:30-10:30
1st **Harbor Haylofters** Aberdeen Eagles 200 W Market 7:30-10:30
Randy & Chris Carlson SQUARES AND ROUNDS
1st **Flutterwheels** Lac-A-Do Hall 7:00-10:00
Don Wood, caller, Ron Woolcock, cuer SQUARES AND ROUNDS
2nd **Olympia Do-Si-Dos** Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-10:30
Jim Hattrick, caller Joyce Sebree, cuer, SQUARES AND ROUNDS
2nd **Prairie Steppers** Oakview Grange, 2700 N. Pearl, Cent. 7:30-10:30
Don Wood, caller, Lonnie Sycks, cuer SQUARES AND ROUNDS
3rd **Ruff and Ruffles** Catlin Grange 8:00-10:30
Jim Raupp, caller, Susan Healea, cuer SQUARES AND ROUNDS
3rd **Flutterwheels** Lac-A-Do Hall, Olympia, 7:00-9:30
Glenn Raiha, caller, Ron Woolcock, cuer, BASIC 51
4th **R Square D** Kelso Senior Center 7:30- 10:00
Craig Abercrombie, caller, Lonnie Sycks, cuer, SQUARES AND ROUNDS
4th **Rhythm Rounders** Lac-A-Do Hall, Olympia 6:00-9:00
Guest cuers ROUNDS phases 3-6

Sunday

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

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

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



The **DANCING SHADOWS** would like to thank everyone who donated a teddy bear at our November dance. We collected quite a bunch of them for the local C.O.P.S. Our annual Christmas dance in December was a great time. Everyone received a stocking filled with goodies, and of course there was a visit from Santa. Don Cochrane and Carol Shopbell did a wonderful job calling and cueing for the dance.

Our January dance is our Mexican dance. Come out and join us for a fun evening of dancing. Plus with Advanced Rounds starts at 7 pm and Mainstream with Rounds is at 8 pm. We dance on the 3rd Friday of each month at the Western Dance Center. Hope to see you there.

Submitted by Tami Carson

The **DIAMOND SQUARES** are having a great time traveling to other club dances for the season. Our Round dance class wrapped up on December 29th. Our "Honoring Our Veterans" dance was a good turnout. Photos of our heroes were displayed on the tables. 19 of our club members traveled to the NSDA Halloween dance. Joshua Strickler won a prize dressed as a woman.

Our beginning Square dance lessons will start on January 5th, 2015 at the Western Dance Center. Classes go from 7:15-9 pm. Bring your friends, neighbors and co-workers. This is a healthy exercise and a fun way to meet new friends. "Adventures in Dancing" at the NSDA hall is the 3rd Friday of every month. Dances include mixers, line, contra, squares, rounds and even hex. Join us on January 10th for our "It's Cold Outside... Come in for Hot Chocolate" dance. Bob and Claudia Amsbury will be calling and cueing. Dancing is from 7-10 pm. Have a marvelous and prosperous New Year.

Submitted by Nelly Christoffersen

November's dance was a lot of fun for the **JACKS & JENNYS**. Vern Boggs was our caller and John Downing was our cuer. Several clubs visited making it a good crowd and a lot of fun. Each year in November we give a turkey away as one of the door prizes. This year the turkey went home with Jim and Mary McAdams. A fall wreath was won by Jim and Sharon Cline. Small door prizes were won by Kathy Boggs, Eunice Erickson and Bill Seil. The 50/50 pot went home in the pocket of Chuck Courville.

January will be our Prime Rib dinner on the 17th at the NSDA hall... always a good time.

Submitted by Helen Knapp

The **MODEL T'S** once again had a successful Toys for Tots Christmas dance in December. Thank you everyone who donated gifts. We enjoy the Marines coming to our dance to collect the barrels of toys. They always join us on the dance floor for a tip instructed by our caller Vern Boggs.

In January join us for our dance on Saturday the 10th. Our theme is road trip. Come and see where this will take you. Vern and Kathy will begin the evening at 7:00 pm with Plus and Advanced Rounds and Mainstream at 8:00 pm. We dance at the NSDA hall.

Submitted by Charlene Weist

The **STAR SHOOTERS** would like to wish everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year. To keep the chill at bay we danced our way through December. Starting with our "New Dancers" party dance, Mainstream and Plus lessons and ending the month with our New Year's Eve dance called by Dan Preedy and cued by John Downing. Everyone was able to enjoy a steaming bowl of soup and ringing in the New Year with our square dance family.

We would like to extend an invitation to come and dance with us on the 4th Saturday of every month at the Western Dance Center.

Submitted by Gary and Kelly Hoff

The **WILD ROSE RAMBLERS** hope everyone enjoyed the holidays. The "baskets" raffle at our December dance was a lot of fun, and the club's Christmas dinner and gift exchange was enjoyed by all. January 3, 2015 dance is Hawaiian themed, so feel free to show off your favorite floral attire. If you have a favorite coconut or pineapple "snack food" you'd like to share, you're welcome to share it with other dancers. Rob (Vicky) Krum will be calling, and Nina Leisi cueing a fun dance.

Theresa Ray's "due date" is (was) December, so she anticipates cueing for us in February. Happy New Year!

Submitted by Judy Ottoson



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Krazy 8's 1 st Friday 7:00 P&R; 8:00 MS&R. WDC	Twin City Twirlers 1 st & 3 rd Saturday 7:30 R; 8:00 MS&R. Twin City Square Dance Center
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North Spokane Dance Assoc 5 th Friday at NSDC	Wag Arounds 1st Sun 7-9 R II-III WDC 2nd Fri 8:00 R III- IV NSDC
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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

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Contact Thelma Swanson 509-539-2660 or
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Saturday

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Contact Jeanne Cozad 509-302-7334 or
jeannecozad@charter.net

Columbia River Squares: Mainstream with Rounds
2nd & 4th Saturday September thru June
Guest Callers/Cuers
Richland Community Center 500 Amon Park Dr Richland, WA
Contact Vickie Weber 509-546-1435 or
vickiweber99@yahoo.com

Family a-Fair: Mainstream with Plus and Rounds
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CENTRAL PUGET SOUND

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head South and travel for awhile. We are going to miss them, but wish them "Happy Traveling"!!! Lorraine and John Rouse will be Wagon Wheel's new Cuers beginning in January 2015.

Our January 3rd dance will be our "Winter Fest and Sports" Dance. Dancers are encouraged to wear T-Shirts honoring their favorite sports team. This should be a fun and interesting dance!

We are looking forward to our first "Black and White" Dance on January 17th. We are asking that dancers dress up in black and white square dance attire which makes everyone on the dance floor look "elegant"! We will also decorate the hall in black and white and hope that dancers will be creative and bring black and white food "with a touch of color"! Pi-R Squares and Spinners will be caravanning to this dance which will make it more fun.

Beginning in 2015, Wagon Wheels is changing the start time of our dances for the rest of the year. Our dances will begin at 7:30 pm with our workshops starting at 7:00 pm.

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

Wishing all the dancers a Blessed and Beautiful Christmas with family and friends and a Wonderful and Healthy New Year of 2015!

Donna Rohde, donnalou13@comcast.net

MT. BAKER

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21st. Roger Spiese and Debbie Taylor called and cued a festive dance. Food and fun are big parts of square dancing with the Freewheelers!

We caravanned to the Dudes & Dolls in December and will visit the Whirlybirds in January. There are many opportunities to dance with other clubs in our area and we enjoy hosting other clubs at our dances as well.

We wish you all the very best in the New Year and hope to see you in a square at our 1st dance of 2015 on January 4th with Spyder Webb and Debbie Taylor calling and cueing. January 18th will be the "Snowflake Dance" with Roger Spiese and Debbie Taylor. Our 1st dance in February on the 1st has been cancelled so that everyone can enjoy the Super Bowl!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our caller Roger Spiese and our cuer Debbie Taylor and her husband Paul for making 2014 a very entertaining year of dancing. Thank you also to our guest callers and cuers. Without all of their tremendous talent dancing would not be as much fun or as challenging. Freewheelers are looking forward to dancing with you in 2015!

Yellow Rocks!!!

Ruth Jester, ruthjester@frontier.com

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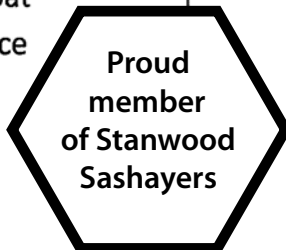


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Education



**Celebrating Our Dance Heritage
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Education at the 64th NSDC®

For those of you new to the National Square Dance Convention®, there is much to do at the Convention in addition to a full dance program. Be sure to purchase your **Convention Program Book** to read about the variety of activities, speakers, and exhibits that we hope you will find to be a lively and informative Education Program at the Convention.

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SOU'WESTER

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season with a full turkey dinner and dancing for only \$8 each. A bargain and a joy! If you didn't attend, put it on your 2015 calendars for December 5th.

Cougar's January 3rd dance will not be at the usual location due to another event scheduled for that same day and time. Contact a Cougar for the new location! Dancing will begin at 7:30 with Plus and 8:00 with Mainstream. Jim Raupp is our caller/cuer and Susan Healea is our "Special Cuer".

Cougar's Round Dance lessons continue at Adna Grange on Sundays with Cha and Rumba, beginning Two-Step and waltz workshops. Susan Healea is our cuer teacher. If you have had these rhythms in the past and need a brush-up, come to Adna and check us out.

Cougar square dance lessons at Napavine Elementary School and Salkum continue in January also. Jim Raupp is our caller teacher at both locations. They begin at 7:00 pm. and continue until 8:30. There are Plus lessons following the Mainstream lessons at 8:30.

On a sad note, Cougar's lost a long time friend and member, Glenn Tanner in November to cancer. Glenn and Virginia were active in Cougars for many years holding offices and supporting new dancers with humor and kindness. Their last office was that of vice-president. They were at every event, stored the club's decorations, made phone calls and encouraged everyone whether they were a new dancer or a seasoned veteran. Glenn had four generations of his family dancing and they were pictured in Footnotes a year ago. Glenn will be missed and we welcome Virginia and the other three generations back into our square dance family as soon as they are comfortable.

Don and Judy Wilson,
donjudywilson22@gmail.com

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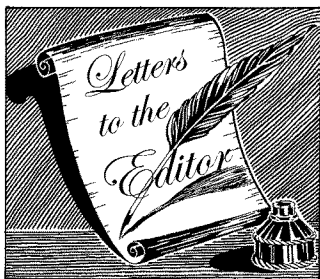
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Letters to the Editor are welcomed and encouraged. They may be sent by email or snail mail. Feel free to comment on what you see or read in FOOTNOTES or our square dance activity at large. Names withheld upon request although unsigned letters will be sumarily assigned to file 13.

Sewells send thanks

Willie Sewell and family want to thank everyone for all the cards, visits and support during his stay at St. Joseph's in Tacoma.

Willie is recuperating in intensive care after his massive stroke on the 22nd of November and the outpouring of concern from all his square dance friends has been great. His left arm is paralyzed and his left leg has been affected also but has some movement. He will be going from the hospital to a rehabilitation center and we will keep everyone informed. Once again I want to thank everyone for their great show of love for us.

Missie Sewell

Ed note: Cards and other greetings may be sent to Willie & Missie's home, PO Box 1217, Poulsbo, WA 98370-0089.

Time is Flying by!

Oh No You almost missed one of the most important dances of the year. Or at least it should be. Every state, and every province, all around the world has its own Festival each year.

How many of us go to them? How many of us tell our friends that this is a great way to meet others from around the state. How many share how much fun we had last year? How many of us encourage new dancers to attend? We wonder why are dances are getting smaller and smaller. Could one of the reasons be because we ourselves have lost interest?

The State Festivals should be attended by ALL DANCERS, new and not so new alike. Committee members work hard to put on these festivals only to have a few show up. That is very discouraging, not only to the committee but, also to the dancer's that do attend.

This said how many of you have signed up for the 2015 State Festival? Look them up on face book or at www.lifesadance2015.org

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