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LOVE IS IN THE AIR

Or is it the February breeze? All the holidays are behind us and we are on our way to spring. YES, warmer weather.

The first thing I want to do is thank everyone who sent prayers and good thoughts for Mom after her stroke. She spent three days in the hospital and is

now in a rehab center close to her home receiving the care she needs to get strong again.

Shall we talk about club caravans this month?! I always loved going on club caravans. We always had so much fun. Our club always tried to outdo whichever club we were visiting with different ways of paying our donation into the dance. Man, we came up with some crazy things. Let's see, what were they? Coins in a jug of honey, baked in a cake or stuffed in pumpkins. Dollar bills in feather pillows, cemented in a brick, helium balloons (really fun when the hall had a tall ceiling), locked in a safe, etc. Gosh, you name it, we did it. It was always done in good fun, of course. I truly miss those days. We had one treasurer ask if he could exchange the coins for a check. He came around to the fun of it later in the evening. Of course, then there was the payback. It could get a little crazy, but so much fun.

Caravans are meant for us to get together so that we can visit, support and best of all, dance with each other. I wish caravanning was like it used to be, where we, as a club, would meet at a specified place and all travel together. These would make for a great dance and a great support for the club that we were visiting. I'm sure there is still caravanning out there. And I am so glad when I hear about an event that was well attended by another club.

Oh, and don't forget the mystery bus trips. We went once a year to a destination only known by the caravan chairman. A bus load headed off for a great evening of fun and fellowship. One time, the bus was so old that it kept overheating and we had to stop several times so that the poor gal could add either water or oil all the way from Auburn to Vancouver, WA. She felt so bad about it, but we just took it in stride and the guys would help her out. Square dancers are good like that, aren't they?

Let's get out there and support each other, both your club joining in and the clubs that you are caravanning to.

Until next month,
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We tip our hats

Saxum Printing (officially Inland Saxum Printing LLC) has had a long history with FOOTNOTES. Except for a brief period when Bob Joy was editor, they have been the printer of record since the early part of the 21st century. There were brought on board by Margaret Miller in 2001 when she became editor. The fact that we have done business with them for such a long period of time is testament to their good work and service. The quality of the print work has always been top notch, and when problems have arisen, they have been quick to respond with a fix.

Question. Have you noticed anything different in the appearance of your FOOTNOTES lately? If you have there is a good reason. About a year ago everything changed. In December 2013, in addition to the color cover, there was a new crispness of print and much more detail in photographs. When we inquired about this, Saxums informed us that they had just purchased a new digital press and we were the first customer they tried it on. They were genuinely delighted when we noticed, without them inquiring, that we were pleased with the results. Ever since then FOOTNOTES has been printed on their new digital press.

Last summer Shirley and I personally visited Saxums and were treated to a tour of the facility. Like many other facets of our current electronic and digital world, what we saw was less rather than more. With the new press Saxums can output much faster and provide even better quality for their customers. The fact that the press takes up a fraction of the space of former presses and requires fewer persons to operate is not lost. They, and other printing companies, are changing over to digital presses, which operate not entirely unlike your own home printer. The saving of time, space and operational expense provides them with a unique advantage in their part of the country.

A few days ago I received an email from Saxum's owner, Gail Lane, who informed me of an exciting bit of news. Inland Saxum Printing was chosen by the (Walla Walla) community as the "Best of the Best for Printers in their valley." There are five printers in their area. "Saxums didn't campaign for the selection, so that made it all the better" Gail said. She added "No one in the office even voted. (It is) nice to be recognized".

We, at FOOTNOTES, congratulate Saxums and are pleased to be associated with them. They have done much to help your editors make FOOTNOTES the publication it is today.

FROM MY POINT OF VIEW

The winter months certainly passed quickly, and per clubs reports there will be lots of new dancers for you to smile at across the square.

The big question now is how do we keep them dancing in our area clubs and councils.

I think club caravans are a great tool. Dancers can carpool /share the ride or take our personal vehicles. Dancers meet at a designated parking area and play follow the leader. Perhaps they'll be joined by other dancers for dinner along the way. This is a good way to cement a lasting friendship. With the days becoming longer many dancers are really ready to kick off their boots and tennis shoes to don their dancing slippers.

Club theme dances are in full swing with local area clubs hosting for the dancers pleasure. The snowbirds will soon be packing up their RVs for the travel back to the Pacific Northwest. Some of them will stop in Bakersfield, CA for the March Fiesta.

Others may take in the Desert Stomp in Laughlin, NV and/or the 68th Silver State weekend in Reno. These are good dances with well known caller and cuers. It is a fun way to break up the long journey back from Arizona or wherever you spent the winter months.

Happy Valentine's Day,
Maggie



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No Youth in Heritage Center!

Hello all,

This month in place of a question of the month I have a huge favor to ask of all dancers. I am trying to put together a display to put in the Heritage Center for the youth. There is NOTHING representing the youth in the Heritage Center and this year I want to change that.

So I was thinking about what to put in the display case for the youth and what says youth square dancers in Washington more than the PNTSDF? I am looking for a pin or a picture of pins from each year competition has been going on and even before it was called the PNTSDF. If you have a pin that you would be willing to give me or even a picture of a pin from the years you, your parents, children and/or grandchildren competed in competition that would be super helpful.

Let's get youth square dancing out there and build the population of our hobby. Please feel free to email me pictures or ask for my address to send me pins. Or give me a call and see if there is a way we can meet up. Anything helps!

Tiffany Garboden
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Heads Up for Club Renewal Time

In the next two issues of FOOTNOTES, the M&I article will be dedicated to the annual renewal process.

In this issue we will explain the club renewals which are handled through each council. Contrary to our article last month, we are not handing out instructions for the councils to the delegates at the winter state meeting. We realize that each council makes out their own instructions due to the fact they all have different regulations and fees for their clubs. So again, this year, we will email the renewal notification to each council treasurer with a 'cc' to the council president. We will include a generic sample that they are welcome to use in handling the renewals of their clubs. We intend to email these notifications out the first part of February. These club renewals will still be due back to us the 31st of May, so we're hoping this method will give the councils a little more time to complete this renewal process.

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

We would like to remind you about some of the things our insurance covers. First and foremost we have an accident policy that serves as a supplement to your personal insurance in case you incur an injury participating in square dance activities. Secondly, and equally important, we have liability insurance to protect us from lawsuits. Third and not so well known, we do have a crime policy which helps to protect us from loss of money. Remember, if you have ANY questions or concerns about any of our insurance coverage, give us a call and we will get you the answers. Also, as in all insurance, the final outcome is determined by the claims adjuster.

There was a blind man who decided to visit Texas. When he got on the plane, he felt the seats and said, "Wow, these seats are big!" The person next to him answered, "Everything is BIG in Texas." When he finally arrived in Texas, he decided to visit a bar. He ordered a beer and got a mug placed between his hands. He exclaimed, "Wow these mugs are huge!" The bartender replied, "Yup! Everything is BIG down here in Texas." After a couple of beers, the blind man asked the bartender where the restroom was located. The bartender replied, "Second door to the right." The blind man

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Junck for Seminar

Hello to all you dancers and Happy Valentine's Day. Have you registered yet for Leadership Seminar? If not, you still have time so let's get to it and get registered!

Our featured caller this year is Jerry Junck. Jerry is from Wayne, Nebraska and began square dancing in 1965. He started calling a year later while still in high school.

For the next 20 years, he was the club caller for a number of clubs in northeast Nebraska and traveled as much as his farming operation would allow. The spring of 1986 brought with it the decision to devote full time to calling square dances.



An accredited member of CALLERLAB since 1976, Jerry has served as chairman of both the Rural Area Considerations Committee and the CALLERLAB Foundation. He was a member of the Board of Governors for nine years, having served on the Executive Committee six of those years. He was Chairman of the organization in 1997 and 1998. Re-elected to the Board in 2001, he began serving his fourth term. Jerry firmly believes in the development of new callers and the continuing education of established callers. He is co-author of a book on choreography called, "Standard

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Choreography." Designed with the newer caller in mind, it provides examples of danceable choreography from standard formations to assist in teaching new dancers. As an accredited CALLERLAB coach, Jerry conducts caller schools and seminars around the country and is a permanent staff member of the Heart Of America Caller's School held in Kansas City, Missouri each summer.

During the winter months, Jerry and his wife, Sharon, make their home in Mesa, Arizona where he is the resident caller for three travel trailer parks. While

there, he maintains a complete program of square dancing from Beginners through A-2.

Jerry records for Chinook Records and has been the featured caller at many festivals and weekends around the country. Traveling extensively during the summer months, he thoroughly enjoys the traveling side of calling and the many friends he has made throughout the activity. He takes special pride in calling smooth flowing choreography with the basic philosophy..... "SQUARE DANCING SHOULD BE FUN"

As you can see from his resume, if you miss this weekend you will be missing out on a very fun and enjoyable weekend. See you in a square and see you at Leadership Seminar!

Glen & Tami

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SQUARELY SPEAKING

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This month I would like to discuss “Presentation”. In particular, Stage Presentation. Many years ago, one of my mentors, Bill Peters, addressed Stage Presentation, as it pertains to a caller. There are several aspects that apply to Presentation. They are:

- a) **Attire** - I am of the opinion attire is very important for callers and cuers. Our attire does not necessarily need to translate to “Expensive”, only that we are neat and well groomed. We need to remember that we are “on stage” at all times with the dancers, not just when we are performing. I have noticed, especially at events like the National Convention, some callers will arrive at afternoon slots in the same type of attire as worn by some of our Country Western or Rock entertainers. This includes jeans with worn patches, and in one case, flip flops. I often wear a polo for these slots because of the comfort. During the day, this type of attire is appropriate. However, in the evening, we should always present ourselves as professionals and dress accordingly. It is very important to present ourselves in the best light possible.
- b) **Preparedness** - A caller or cuer should take whatever time is necessary to prepare for the dance and arrive in ample time to setup. This includes following a theme if there is one for the evening and allowing enough time for traffic issues. It is unprofessional to run in at the last minute rushing to setup. Of course, in an emergency situation, it is understandable. It is always a good idea to have either a copy of the contract or the contact phone number with you in case you do have an emergency or are running late for some reason. However on a normal basis it is incumbent upon us to be punctual and prepared to present the best dance possible.
- c) **Presence on stage** - I find myself from time to time leaning back against a cabinet rather than standing straight while calling. I have to actively force myself not to do that. Another thing I have noted over the past couple of years is that there are a number of callers and cuers who, for one reason or another, call or cue with their hand in their pocket. I am of the opinion that doing so does not present a very professional presentation. It is more or less lackadaisical. For me it is a pet peeve and something I specifically teach my caller students not to do. Another thing to remember about your stage presence is having a good time. Don't forget to smile and enjoy yourself. How can you expect others to have fun if you aren't having fun?

Presentation goes beyond the stage. It is important that you, as the caller or cuer, greet all the dancers who took time to come to your dance. Being made to feel welcome and special will go a long way to make the dancers want to come back.

Tip Structure

Eight tips per a 2½ hour dance are fairly standard. Plan accordingly. When the caller and cuer work together, getting on and off stage in a timely manner is important. We must be considerate of others.

Planning your tip is equally important. Have you ever danced to the caller who basically calls the same material in patter tip after tip or singing call after singing call? Good planning / programming can help with this. You can theme various tips to feature a specific call or sequence of calls. You can also theme your tips to support the theme of the dance. Remember don't be a rote caller. That is to say, calling the same sequence over and over again. Sequences, like “Swing Thru, Spin the Top, Right and Left Thru and Square Thru 3”, are often used in singing calls. This combination is used to the extent that some dancers will do the sequence automatically once it has begun. Varying your sequences can be advantageous to you as a caller and most dancers will appreciate your efforts.

All of this deals with your dance presentation. This includes those of you who are tip callers. If you are going to a dance and expecting to be asked to call, be prepared. Dancers will recognize if you are making an effort to change your patter or singing calls or not.

Tip timing is also very important. Have you ever danced to the caller who calls 30 minute patter calls? An entire tip should not exceed 15 minutes. Longer tips will only tire the dancers, both physically and mentally.

That's about all for this month. *We are still looking for nominations for the Parker award. Please submit your recommendations to dwood196@comcast.net*

Teaching Hints

I use the first tip of class to warm up the students using all materials taught to date. Walking the new dancers thru the newer material is a way to help them be successful should they need it.

Teaching Jewel

Demonstration squares can be very helpful to new dancers. They get an opportunity to see the move in action before having to do it themselves.

Choreography Gem

Heads Spin The Top, Extend,
Swing Thru, Girls Run,
Pass Thru, Wheel & Deal, Centers Sweep 1/4,
Centers Spin The Top, Extend,
Swing Thru, Single Hinge,

Boys Run,
Promenade Home

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Yo Baby! What you always wanted to know about Valentine's Day

The days are getting longer, have you noticed? Yes, each day is gaining from a few seconds to several minutes per day, since the winter solstice, which was December 20, 2014. It's February so here are a few tidbits of information for you to think about that occur in the shortest month of our calendar year:\

The February birthstone is the Amethyst.

The American Heart month is February. The National Wear Red Day is February 6, 2015.

The Violet is the February Flower.

The Astrological Sign for February is Aquarius.

According to estimates by the United States Greeting Card Association, approximately 145 million valentines are sent in the United States each year. Women purchase approximately 85 percent of all valentines.

Teachers will receive the most Valentine's Day cards, followed by children, mothers, wives, sweethearts and pets.

73 percent of people who buy flowers for Valentine's Day are men, while only 27 percent are women.

15 percent of U.S. women send themselves flowers on Valentine's Day.

The red rose was the favorite flower of Venus, the Roman goddess of love.

189 million stems of roses are sold in the United States on Valentine's Day.

California produces 60 percent of American roses, but the greater number sold on Valentine's Day in the U.S. are imported.

Over \$1 billion worth of chocolate is purchased for Valentine's Day in the U.S.

In the 1,800s doctors commonly advised their heartbroken patients to eat chocolate, claiming it would sooth their pain. To this day, many women find comfort in a box of chocolates when dealing with heartbreak.

The most fantastic gift of love is the Taj Mahal in India. It was built by Mughal Emperor Shahjahan as a memorial to his wife.

The ROM for February 2015 is a waltz, "Tattoos Of Life", choreographed by Carolyn and Tony Ahart. The dance is a Phase II. The music is by Steve Wariner, and can be found on the CD "Two Teardrops". It is available as a download from

TATTOOS OF LIFE

"TATTOOS OF LIFE"

(Choreographers CAROLYN & TONY AHART, Music STEVE WARINER, DL 3:10)

PH II WZ

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BAL L & R;; VN 3; PU 3 [SCAR];
3 PROG TWK [BJO];;; TWK [BFLYW];
BAL L & R;; VN 3; THRU SD CL; CANTER TWC;;

A WZ AWA; PU 3; L TRN BX ¼ [FC COH]; BK ½ BX;
TWL/VN 3; THRU TWK TWC;; THRU FC CL [BFLYCOH];
WZ AWA; PU 3; L TRN BX ¼ [FCW]; BK ½ BX;
TWL/VN 3; THRU TWK TWC;; PU 3 [CPLD];

C 3 PROG TWK [BJO];;; TWK [BFLYW];
BAL L & R;; VN 3; PU 3 [SCAR];
3 PROG TWK [BJO];;; TWK [BFLYW];
BAL L & R;; VN 3; THRU SD CL; CANTER TWC;;

END SOLO ROLL 3; THRU FC CL [CPW]; TWSTY VN 3; FWD FC CL;
APT PT;

iTunes and Amazon, among others, and the download time is 3:10 minutes. You can dance the dance at the downloaded speed or adjust for comfort. Happy Valentine's Day to all of you! Listen to the music and Dance!

Neva & Bill, too!

"Grudges are a waste of perfect happiness. Laugh when you can, apologize when you should, and let go of what you can't change."



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Serger Seam Savvy

Most ready-made clothing is cut with 1/8 or 1/4 inch seam allowances because all of the seams are serged (overlocked). This keeps the tiny seam allowances from shredding in the wash. Serged seams also have more stretch to them and with 3 to 5 threads they have backup if one thread breaks, but they don't leave room for alterations. When using a home serger you need to be sure of the seam before serging. Baste the seam together on a regular sewing machine. Try the garment on for fit, then serge the seams.

Stitchers get frustrated because they can't sew a straight seam on the serger like they can on their sewing machine. Think about the first seams you made on the sewing machine. They wandered all over the place. You need to practice on the serger to get that same degree of skill. A Sew Steady acrylic surround table can be purchased to fit any serger. They help to hold up the fabric so it is easier to guide. They are available from sewing machine shops. The cost is about \$80.

Can you make your serger do all of it's tricks? Many people buy an expensive serger with 18 programs, then only use one of them, because they are afraid of changing the threads.

I don't know who started the idea that threading a serger is difficult. Just look at the threading guides and follow them like a road map. The instructions are in the book. Take a serger class or watch videos online and you can get the upper hand with your upper looper.

Everyone tries to do the trick of tying the threads together to change colors. What if the thread breaks? Or gets looped around a guid? This method isn't fool proof and it only allows you to use one program. Pull all of the threads out of your serger and rethread it with colors that match the colors on the tension dials. Thread it for the rolled hem and make a sample. Try the rolled hem on several types of fabric. Change the stitch length and see how it looks. Write notes on the samples and staple them to pages in a binder. Rethread the machine for the four thread stitch and practice again. Then you will have examples to guild you for your next project.

The instruction book must be next to the serger whenever it is in use. With all of the adjustments and changes in the thread paths required change programs, there is no way they can all be memorized. I teach serging classes and I still refer to my

book when changing programs. Take the book to a office supply store and they can put spiral binding and plastic covers on it. Have them make enlarged color copies of the pages with the threading guides and laminate them. Keep the laminated copies right next to the machine under your coffee cup.

The tension setting in the instruction book are guide lines. They are the most frequently used settings. When you change threads, type of fabric and stitch length the settings may need to be adjusted. Fiddle with them until they are right for your project.

Practice to find the spot where the seam line needs to be guided. Painter's tape can be used to mark a guide on the serger. If you are going to serge on the 3/8 inch seam line you will have to cut off some of the seam allowance. Draw a 3/8 inch seam line on some scraps. Serge with the left hand needle on this line to find the spot where the

edge of the fabric needs to be guided. If your are working on a project that doesn't needed to be trimmed, the fabric must still be up against the blades to ensure that it is in the right place. Little bits of thread and fuzz on the edge should be cut by the blade. This is called feathering and keeps the edges neat.

Take care of your serger and this new addition to the sewing room can become your friend. Go back to the book and oil the serger carefully, according to the directions. It should be oiled once a month. Keep it clean by vacuuming the insides when ever you vacuum the sewing room. Or take it outside and give it a good blow with a compressor. Don't use canned air, its too cold. You can also use a hair dryer. Just do it outside. Don't get over crazy about getting out all of the little bits of fuzz. You are going to use it again tomorrow, aren't you?

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Cuer: **Lorraine Rouse**
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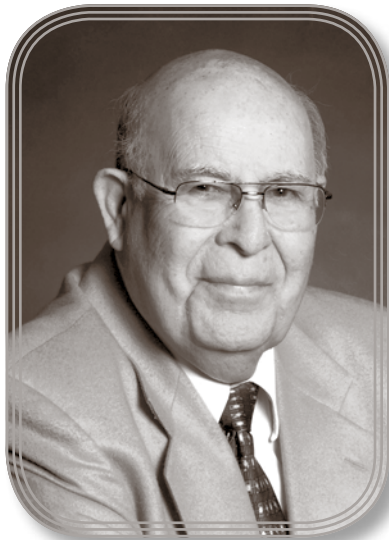
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Bob "Pop" Bush

November 25, 1924 - January 1, 2015

Robert Eaton Bush... better known to most as Bob... to others he was Dad (3), Grandpa (6) and Great Grandpa (7).

To me he was known as "Pop". Bob lost a short battle with Myelodysplastic Syndrome (MDS). Bob was born south of Republican City, NE, on the family farm to Earl & Ruth Bush. He passed peacefully in his home surrounded by his family.



Bob served in the Army Air Corps from 1943 to 1946. He married the love of his life, Aleene, November 17, 1943. In September 1944, he began serving in the WWII China-Burma-India Theater in the following places in India: Dibrugarh, Dergaon, Dimapur & Sadiya.

Bob and Aleene were blessed with three wonderful kids, Gary, Lee and Dorothy. In 1951 the family moved to Richland where Bob worked for GE, ITT, ARHCO, Rockwell & Westinghouse as a financial analyst at the Hanford Site from 1951 to 1987.

Bob loved volunteering and served as scoutmaster for a local Boy Scout Troop. A man of integrity, his life modeled the scout oath, law, motto and slogan.

They started square and round dancing with Prairie Shufflers in 1963. Bob was very active throughout the many years of dancing. Bob served on the Board of Directors with the Shufflers and the Prairie Land Company. He was involved in the Heritage Center while it was at the Shufflers' Shanty, He was also very involved with Blue Mountain Council, the State Federation, Farwest Conventions and both the 1969 and 1981 National Convention in Seattle. They loved traveling around the state and even danced at the 1974 World's Fair in Spokane.

Retirement didn't slow Bob down. He never stopped volunteering. He was passionate about helping others including Meals on Wheels, Visitation of Shut-ins, working at the reception desk at the Community Center, and numerous other ways.

Thanks to Bob's topic "Acquisition of a Square Dance Hall" at the 2nd Leadership Seminar at the Singing Hills Guest Ranch near Ellensburg, the ball started rolling for the purchase of what we now know as Circle Eight Ranch. In 1973 Bob and Aleene were presented with the MacGregor Award, being only the fourth couple given this great award. In 1975 they were the chairman of the State Festival in Richland.

Bob had a wonderful smile and a very big heart. He will be missed by many, me being one of them. As Bob didn't like saying "goodbye," he would have told you "Until we meet again"... I for one, will look forward to that.

Kathy (the Brat) & Frank Chase

Deadline=April 1st

Time is passing swiftly. April 1st* is the deadline for nominations for the annual presentation of awards.

Any member Club, Council or individual 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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***See also "Letter to the Editor", Page 60**

BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL

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Christmas brought many great memories and funny ones to all of us. New Year's Eve was an evening full of fun and good eats while ringing in the New Year, 2015.

I don't know about you but I hope this cold weather is gone by the time this article is printed in the Footnotes.

COLUMBIA RIVER SQUARES February 14th dance is our 2015 Valentine's Day celebration dance with Daron Tandberg calling and Bill Holm cueing. February 28th is our Sadie Hawkins and Footnotes dance with Tom Clymer calling and Jim Spence cueing.

Hope to see you in a square.

Betty Frisbee, betty0267@gmail.com

FAMILY a-FAIR attended the Blue Mountain Council meeting on the 4th of January. There was much discussion about plans for 5th Saturday dances this season and which clubs would be hosting the events. Family-a Fair wishes you all a prosperous New Year. Let's all work together for a better year.

Sincerely, Mickie Thompson

The Milton-Freewater **MUDDY FROGS** welcomed the New Year with a great New Year's Eve celebration beginning with a potluck dinner, then games and dancing until midnight, all in conjunction with the Family a-Fair club. This has become an annual event we all look forward to.

Neva Reid will begin six weeks of social ballroom waltz lessons the first Sunday in February from 3:45 – 5:00 pm at the Milton-Freewater Community Building. That has been a very popular class, and we are expecting a good group again. Following that will be six weeks of jive/swing lessons.

February 15th will be the Muddy Frogs' combination of Valentine Dance and anniversary celebration, with our own Bill and Neva Reid doing the calling and cueing. The dance will be from 3:00-5:00 pm at the M-F Community Building, with a potluck following. We hope to see many of your smiling faces!

Keep those toes tapping!

Barbara Walter

PRAIRIE SHUFFLERS: My, how time flies. How many people rushed to finish Christmas shopping? Very definitely winter is here.

The Shufflers had a very successful Xmas Dance that Larry Clark and Tina Allaway called and Bill Holm cued. It was class level, with a potluck before

the dance. What fun we had. Both Columbia River Squares (CRS) and Prairie Shufflers students attended.

We plan on starting a new class January 19th and 22nd. Having classes twice a week is working well for us. We started the New Year dancing with CRS that had Tom Clymer calling and Bill Holm cueing. What a wonderful time we had ringing in the New Year with great friends

In January we are changing our schedule to dance on 1st and 3rd Fridays. We find it necessary to have the hall available for rental on Saturdays, plus it will leave us available to caravan. We will be dancing some Saturdays... So please look for our ad in Footnotes. February 6th, 20th, March 6th and 20th; we will be dancing Friday nights; Plus 7-8 pm; 8-10:30 pm Mainstream. Please come and join us.

Respectfully, Jeanne Cozad and Mary Stultz

The **MELODY MIXERS** dance every Tuesday evening at the Shanty in Kennewick. We have a Phase 4 dance and work shop 5:30 to 6:45 and 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 dancer's favorites 9:00 to 9:30.

The second Tuesday is always our Party Dance night when we just dance without any work shopping. For additional information; contact Bill and Karen Holm at 509-542-1310.

Bill Holm, bkholm@charter.net



BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL

Sunday

Muddy Frogs: Mainstream and Rounds
3rd Sunday Year Around
Bill & Neva Reed Teachers with Guest Callers/Cuers (see ad)
Milton-Freewater Community Center 109 NW 5th
Milton-Freewater, OR
Contact Merri Anne Huber 541-861-9055 or merriannah@charter.net

Tuesday

Melody Mixers: Rounds Ph 2-4
Every Tuesday Year Around
Cuer Bill & Karen Holm
Shuffler's Shanty 717 N Irving, Kennewick, WA
Contact Karen Holm 509-542-1310 or bkholm@charter.net

Thursday

Tri-City Circulators: Plus and Rounds
Every Thursday Year Around
Caller Jim Swanson & Guest Cuers
Eagles Lodge #2485 115 Fruitland St, Kennewick, WA
Contact Thelma Swanson 509-539-2660 or paintedswan@frontier.com

Friday or Saturday

Prairie Shufflers: Mainstream with Plus and Rounds
1st & 3rd Friday or Saturday September thru July (check ad for details)
Guest Callers (see ad) and Cuer Bill Holm
Shuffler's Shanty 717 N Irving, Kennewick, WA 509-783-4222
Contact Jeanne Cozad 509-302-7334 or jeannecozaad@charter.net

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

Family a-Fair: Mainstream with Plus and Rounds
1st & 4th Saturday Year Around
Caller Jim Swanson/Cuer Lorna Hayden
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CENTRAL AREA COUNCIL hosted a great 5th Saturday dance on January 31st with Tom Clymer and Jim Spence. Those guys sure know how to show us a great time. Thanks to all the old and new friends who shared the evening with us. We'll be looking forward to meeting the new dancers from our clubs' lessons as they start out on their career as Square and Round dancers.

Be sure to give your Valentine lots of Yellow Rocks all month long.

Carel Edgerly, dancing@centurylink.net

The BLUE AGATES put on an introduction to square dancing and a potluck of desserts on January 10th for potential students. Lessons started the following week with Daron Tandberg teaching. We look forward to Angelizing these students through Mainstream and hope to see them in our club before the end of the season.

Please make plans now to attend our Anniversary Dance on Saturday, March 28th. Kenny Freeman will call and Noelle Miller will cue. Jerry and Barb Pettit are chairing this dinner and dance with the theme "Do-Si-Do Around the World" in recognition of the international nature of our hobby.

Hope to see you on the dance floor with our club at the Swauk-Teaway Grange sometime during 2015. Our best wishes to all of your clubs in 2015!

sallygililand@wildblue.net

The GATESWINGERS hope everyone has a great New Year of dancing fun. We will be graduating our beginner Square Dancers this month. We are hoping to start Plus lessons if we get enough people.

We will be dancing February 7th and February 21st. Come join us for a Valentine's Dance. The Round Dance is Friday February 27th.

Jan Logan, ojlogan@charter.net

The SILHOUETTE DANCERS are looking forward to the New Year. We have no special events happening until Valentine's Day. Our student's are working hard and doing a great job. All of us enjoyed the holidays, but want to get back to our normal routine.

The Intermediate class is learning a new Slow Two Step that is fun to do. Of course, Debbie always has something new and challenging for us. Some of us

belong to the Grange and we participate in their activities. We rent the Grange for our dances and want to help them as well. Debbie likes the snow, but some of us are looking forward to spring already.

Have a happy Valentine's Day. We're sending hugs.

Dorothy Crosslin, dotif55@live.com

GATESWINGERS

Sept. thru May: 1st & 3rd Saturdays
 Pre-rounds 7:30 PM • Mainstream 8:00-10:00 PM
 4th Fridays Phase II Rounds 7:30-9:30 PM

ORVIN LOGAN, Caller
CYNDI SILICKI, Cuer

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

Yakima Valley Square Dance Center
 Moxee, WA Info: (509) 949-6712
 Gateswingers@ Circle 8 Ranch
 2nd Weekend In August

FLUTTERWHEELS

1st Saturday 7-10 pm Mainstream
 + 3rd Saturday 7:00-9:30 pm Student Level
Don Wood, Caller • Ron Woolcock, Cuer
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BLUE AGATE SQUARES

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

PRAIRIE SHUFFLERS

Shufflers Shanty
 717 N. Irving, Kennewick

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 PLUS 7:00 - 8:00 PM
 MAINSTREAM 8 - 10:00 PM

February 6th-DOUG DAVIS/BILL HOLM
 February 20th-LARRY CLARK/BILL HOLM
 March 6th-BOB AMSBURY/CLAUDIA AMSBURY
 March 20th-ROB CRUM/BILL HOLM
 April 4th-RICHARD LANE/BILL HOLM

509-628-0354 or 509-783-1521

SILHOUETTE DANCERS

1st Thursday Intermediate
 Thurs - Ph 2 + 7:30-8:30 pmsome intermediate
 Ph3/4 lessons 6:30-7:30 PM Dance/Workshop 8:30-9:30 PM
 Cuer: **DEBBIE & PAUL TAYLOR**
 Terrace Heights Grange, 3701 Birchfield Road
 Yakima, WA 98901
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MUDDY FROGS SQUARE DANCE CLUB



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It is difficult to focus on a report speculating on items that may or may not happen by the time this will be delivered to your door. **BOOTS & LACES** will be holding our 3rd Student Level Dance on February 6th starting at 7:30 pm for the square dance workshop. Our class members are doing a great job learning all the mainstream moves. They will be graduating soon and we want to encourage all dancers to welcome them to the wonderful activity that we enjoy so much. Invite them into your square and visit with them during the break. Let's make them feel wanted in our dance family.

The January 16th dance had some New Callers on the stage as part of their graduation from a Callers class. You could tell a few were nervous as they started their selection, but it quickly disappeared as they relaxed. Congratulations to all who participated. It was an enjoyable evening for the dancers.

Plans are coming along under the leadership of Ron & Pat Hoot for the CPS Spring Council Dance scheduled for May 30, 2015. Please circle the date on your calendar and join us at the former Hagen's Barn now known as "Rockin' Horse Dance Barn." More information will be out next month.

We dance at Meridian Grange located at 15422 SE 272nd St, Kent on the 1st & 3rd Friday nights with square dance workshop on the 1st Friday and round dance workshop on 3rd Friday starting at 7:30 pm with squares starting at 8:00 pm. Debbie Taylor teaches two-step dances from 6:15 to 7:15. Come out to learn or brush up your round dance skills.

Jan Emerson, emersonbobjan2@hotmail.com

Happy Valentine's Day! The **CONTRAILS** is the only Contra Club listed in the membership of the Square and Folk Dance Federation of Washington. A quick Internet search came up with this definition of Folk Dance from Wikipedia: Folk dances are dances that share some or all of the following attributes:

- *Dances performed at social functions by people with little or no professional training, often to traditionally based music.*
- *Dances not generally designed for public performance or the state, though they may later be arranged and set for stage performances.*
- *Execution dominated by an inherited tradition rather than innovation (though folk traditions change over time)*
- *New dancers often learn informally by observing others and/or receiving help from others.*

That's Contra Dancing with the Contrails! No experience necessary. We gladly walk through all the dances before we dance them. Time is growing short to give it a try. The last half of the 2014-2015 dance season will find the Contrails dancing in March and May ONLY. Therefore, the next Contrails Dance is Saturday, March 14th from 2:00 to 5:00 pm at the Juanita Community Club, 13027 - 100th Ave NE, Kirkland. We hope you will come celebrate St. Patrick's Day and the coming of Spring with some lively contra dances. We will also see you at the State Festival in June. Look for us there!

Susan Morris, susan@callersusan.com

With the holidays behind us, things settle into a pretty routine pace at the **JACKS & JILLS**. Lessons are finishing and actual Competition Squares are beginning to form. The norm will soon be "come in, get changed, find your square, practice till you drop!"

We are blessed with a crazy good caller in Brett Kappenman and can ALWAYS trust him to come up with something both devious and instructive. When I say devious, it's because he reminds me strongly of Bryan Clark, who in my opinion is one of the trickiest and most difficult callers out there. If you want a square to learn how to fix itself after breaking down (an essential for the competing teen), you listen to difficult callers. Mostly, we get whatever crazy move Brett has dreamed up while stuck in traffic, which is generally enough to wreck our squares on a regular basis.

To add to our training, we also rerun the Mystery tapes from previous competitions. You want a real life example of a call that crashed my Senior Square? Try this: Heads Fan the Top, Double Pass Thru, Left Track 2, Left Square Thru, Crossfire and Roll, Load the Boat, Acey Deucey and Roll, Circulate, Left Swing Thru, All 8 Circulate, Right and Left Grand. If you can get through that without pausing, or worse yet, crashing the square, I applaud you.

We got stuck at the Crossfire and Roll. Being someone who is not intrinsically good at math and formulaic processes, I've found that calls like these are really good for my brain. Square dancing is a great way to test your memory. There are lots of left and rights involved and needing to know where everyone else is going, so you don't get lost. Being able to work through tough calls gives most dancers a great sense of accomplishment. And when we feel accomplished, we have more fun and that just makes the whole thing better!

Emily Kosterman, daughter.kosterman@comcast.net

The **Pi-R SQUARES** will start off February with a caravan to the Solo Squares in Burien at their new location at the Burien Elks and look forward to dancing with Cliff and the Solo's. Then on February 7th, we go to East Wenatchee and dance to our caller, Andy Garboden, who is calling for the Cascade Twirlers. This is always a fun weekend as we stay at Crescent Bar and have a great weekend.

Our first dance in February will be on Saturday, February 14th and will be our "Sweethearts Swing" as it is on Valentine's Day and will be student level with Andy & Kyle. Square Dance workshop especially for the students (new dancers) is at 7:30 and followed by our 8:00 to 10:30 dance.

On Saturday, February 28th, we will have our annual Spaghetti Feed Dance at the Meridian Grange with Andy & Kyle and will have the theme of "Red, White & Blue" Dance. The men make the sauce and if you wish to bring sauce for the judging, please bring it early as judging begins at 6:15 with eating beginning at 6:30. Our Round dance workshop is at 7:30 and then we Square dance from 8:00 to 10:30 pm.

The Pi-R's December dances were great with caravans to the Jet Steppers, Sky Valley Whirlwinds and one to the Rocking Horse Dance Barn, formally called Hagan's Barn in Renton. Lots of NW Callers and a good time was had by all.

The Spring Festival on May 30, 2015 will be held at the Rocking Horse Dance Barn sponsored by the Boots & Laces and should be a great dance.

Our lessons have been going well. With Andy's new job taking him out of town during the week, our class has had a total of 5 different callers teaching them. All of the teachers have been great and our class has gotten to hear a lot of very talented teachers (callers).

Come and dance with us any 2nd or 4th Saturday at Meridian Grange and enjoy our activities of Square Dancing! Thanks for dancing.

Terry & Marilyn Quinnett, mvjunkdealer@juno.com

Hope everyone is staying warm during these winter months. Hopefully before too long, we will be seeing warming and drier days ahead.

The **SOLO SQUARES** would like to invite everyone to come over and dance with us at our new location, The Burien Elks Lodge. We have been asked if you had to be a member of the Elks to come and dance with us and the answer is NO. The Solos are just renting the Lodge room for our dances.

We dance the first and third Sunday with workshops at 6:30 to 7:00 and the mainstream dance from 7:00 to 9:00 pm.

If you have questions, contact our president, Bob Travis or Bobbie Benson, secretary at (206) 244-0818. Happy Dancing!

Bobbie Benson, pugzr4us@yahoo.com

WAGON WHEELS had a fun-filled month of dancing in January with dancers wearing their favorite Sports Team T-Shirt at our January 3rd dance. Most of the dancers were supporting our Seahawks Team with their "Hawks" T-Shirts. However, my 86-year-old mom who was born in Colorado was wearing her bright orange "Denver Broncos" T-Shirt. Many dancers came over to my orange-clad mom and gave her "Yellow Rocks" anyway! Our Black and White Dance on January 17th was very elegant with dancers dressed in black and white square dance apparel. We were happy to have the Pi-R Squares and the Spinners caravan to this dance and some of their dancers dressed in black and white also!

Now, we are getting ready for our Valentine's Dance on February 7th and our annual Pajama Dance on February 21st. The pajama dance is always a lot of fun each year with more dancers wearing "Seahawks" pj's! We are also looking forward to caravanning to the Boots & Laces on February 6th!

Our lessons are right on track with our students looking forward to their Graduation in mid-March. Our students have learned many moves and Wayne Easton keeps the squares moving at a fast pace. We get more of a workout with lessons than we do at dances!

We miss our former Cuers, Randy and Rose Wulf, who left us at the end of December, but are getting to know our new Cuers, Lorraine and John Rouse.

Happy Valentine's Day to everyone! If you are in the Kent area in February, 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.

Donna Rohde,
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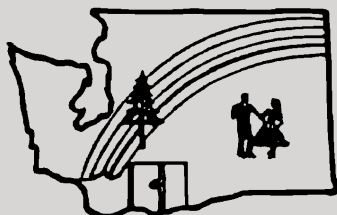
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HAPPY HOPPERS: Our New Year's Eve dance was a raging success with about 15 squares of happy celebrants. The Clark County Square Dance Center was converted to a Venetian motif, complete with gondola for those special photo ops. We feasted on a hearty lasagna dinner. Craig Abercrombie and Adam Christman collaborated on the calling while cueing was covered by Dorothy Lowder. Just after midnight, we were all very pleasantly surprised to be witness to the wedding ceremony of our club treasurer Melody Wilson and her partner-for-life Darrell Mitchell. By all means, a special way to start the year and an evening to remember!

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. Our January 17th dance was a benefit dance for Jim Hatrick, with Craig Abercrombie calling and Jeanine Norden cueing.

Happy Valentine's Day.

Marc Kahn

Greetings from the **BUZZIN BEES!** In December we changed our tradition of gathering toys for tots and did a collection for residents at 2 low income assisted living facilities. We had a fantastic turn out and I delivered 5 full bags of donated goods to Woodland Assisted Living and Arbor Ridge Assisted Living. It brought tears to my eyes to see the gratitude from the staff and residents of those facilities. Well done, Bees!

February brings us a Sweetheart dance on the 7th and a mystery trip on February 21st. We extend a special invitation to one and all to come eat pie on March 7th when we have our pie eating contest. It's Chocolate cream pie for the contest and lots of other pies for the break.

Happy dancing!

Debbie Broers

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CASCADE CROSSFIRES Plus, Mondays 7:00 pm @ Sammamish Valley Grange, Woodinville – Susan Morris & Guest Callers, (425) 591-8692

CHECKERBOARD SQUARES MS, 2nd & 4th Sat 7:00-10:30 pm @ Masonic Hall, Edmonds – Guest Callers/Debbie Taylor, (206) 783-0929

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

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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

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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



MOUNT BAKER COUNCIL hosted the State Square & Folk Dance Federation meeting in January and would like to thank all the volunteers who pitched in to make the dances and meeting a success.

We hope you'll consider supporting the Alzheimer's Benefit Dance sponsored by the Sky Valley Whirlwinds on Sunday, February 22nd. See their article for more information.

Leslie Keyes, l_a_keyes@msn.com

From Maria Shriver, journalist -- "My kids used to say, 'I don't really want to come over to your house because your mother is gonna like make me volunteer and we're gonna have to live on an Indian reservation or go to Africa.'"

I am thinking the **HAPPY HOPPERS** have celebrated their 57th Anniversary, like many other clubs, have danced, socialized and laughed together all on the support of VOLUNTEERS. Officer and committee positions will soon be available to all of us then we too can do our share to promote square and round dancing -- for without us it will not survive. Get on board, for the music of the merry-go-round brings out the best in us knowing we left a legacy to our future.

The efforts of the Hoppers, dancers and James and Leslie Ewing, gave a real boost to Christmas for Toys for Tots this last season so we applaud you all for your giving natures. Some youngster out there got a smile on their face because of you. Thanks to you for the food and cash donated to the food bank from 50/50 income and real food for real people.

Santa and Mrs. Claus, Bud and Paula Sykes, joined us again for photos and made us grateful for the joys of the season to be with friends.

Scott Coon will provide 3 Mainstream workshops in February. Steve Noseck will provide us with another opportunity to expand our brain cells when he holds DBD classes with the Hoppers starting Monday, March 2nd for 11 weeks. We only grow old when we quit learning. Both these boys know how to give us a good time so try not to be left out.

John Corrigan and Roxanne Boelter will open our hearts to "Pink Awareness" on February 7th and 2 weeks later on February 21st, Randy Dibble from Oregon will help us celebrate our historic Red, White and Blue dance complemented by cuer Karen Neverdowski who used to be a Texan.

"Don't worry if your jobs are small and your rewards are few, remember that the mighty oak was once a nut like you." Get involved.

Jean Raymond, frjr@msn.com

The **WOODINVILLE SQUARE CROWS** February dances are the 6th with Jim Hattrick on stage and the Sky Valley Whirlwinds caravanning in. Craig Abercrombie calls and cues the February 20th dance and the Crows caravan to Dudes & Dolls on February 27th. We will graduate 4 students this year on February 3rd. Guests are welcome to join us for a fun evening. The Square Crows wish everyone a very happy Valentine's Day and we hope to see you on the dance floor this month!

Lynn Von Seggern, lynnvs@cablespeed.com

The **SKY VALLEY WHIRLWINDS** have started the New Year with Spyder Webb teaching our new dancer class on Thursday, January 8th. Starting with a complimentary dinner at 6:30 pm, everyone had a good time with beginning square dancing skills. Our lessons began at 7:30 pm at the Triway Grange in Mill Creek.

It was in 2009 when our club started a rewards program to encourage fellow members to participate in our caravans to other clubs. Going on a caravan meant receiving a dangle for their club badge. The dangle is blue with a Whirlwind imprinted on the front. If someone had five blue dangles, they would be able to exchange them for a silver dangle. If a club member had five silver dangles they could exchange those for a gold dangle. We have quite a few people with blue dangles, silver dangles and gold dangles on their badge. The rewards program has been successful over the years. We've had clubs say to us, "You really made our dance a success! Thank you for coming." At the Fall Council Dance in November Sky Valley Whirlwinds had the highest percentage of members attending and were awarded the traditional gift basket at the Mt. Baker Council Dance sponsored by the Whirlybirds.

The Sky Valley Whirlwinds are sponsoring their 8th Annual Alzheimer's Benefit Dance on Sunday, February 22nd, at the Edmonds Masonic Hall, 515 Dayton in Edmonds from 1-4 pm. Square dancing is one of those social activities that keep the mind sharp.

royhjohnson@comcast.net

Wow! It's February 2015 already! What a great dance year **RAINBOW SQUARES** are enjoying! Special thanks go to our caller, Brent Mawdsley, and our guest caller/teacher Oren Gaskill, for providing us with such fantastic dancing! And thank you to all of our visitors and club members for the friendship, laughter, and dedication they share, which make our dances so great.

February 14th is our Valentine's Dance, and then on February 28th will be our fun "Disney On Parade" with Brent singing all Disney tunes.

Rainbow Squares wishes you all fun dancing in 2015!

Lew Gaskill, olgaskill@comcast.net

On January 4th the **FREEWHEELERS** brought in the New Year 2015 with

a dance featuring Spyder Webb, with Debbie Taylor doing the cueing. Our “Snowflake Dance” on January 18th was great fun with Roger Spiese entertaining us with singing calls. This is one of Debbie Taylor’s favorite dances and she always has great music in store for us. The Dudes & Dolls joined us for a great evening of dancing.

Our “New Dancer” classes with Dennis “Spyder” Webb continued after a brief holiday break on January 6th from 7-9 pm at the Mountlake Terrace Community Senior Center.

Normally our first dance in February would be on the 1st but since it is Super Bowl Sunday we have decided to cancel our dance so that all of you can enjoy the game. Our only dance in February will be on the 15th when we will celebrate President’s Day with a pie and ice cream social. Roger Spiese will be calling and Debbie Taylor will be cueing. The Mt. Baker Singles will be visiting us. We will caravan to the Checkerboard Squares on February 14th.

Please remember to support the 8th Annual Alzheimer’s Benefit Dance sponsored by the Sky Valley Whirlwinds on February 22nd, 2015 from 1-4 pm at the Edmonds Masonic Hall. There will be quite a lineup of callers and cuers and all of your donations go to a very worthy cause.

Ruth Jester, ruthjester@frontier.com

Is there a better way to celebrate (and dance) on Saint Valentine’s Day than to be with the **CHECKERBOARD SQUARES** in Edmonds? The Freewheelers will join us on the 14th for the Swinging Sweethearts Dance. Stephen Cole will be calling the Squares while Debbie Taylor cues the Rounds.

On the 28th it will be Salute to Past Presidents. Stephen Cole and Debbie Taylor will be leading us from their places on the corner platform. Preceding the dance is a Baked Potato Feed. \$10 for the meal includes the dance. We’re pleased to have the Dudes and Dolls joining us with their caravan.

SPECIAL: Sunday afternoon, the 22nd, from 1:00 to 4:00 is the time for the 8th Annual Alzheimer’s Benefit Dance, brought to you by the Sky Valley Whirlwinds Square Dance Club and held at the Edmonds Masonic Hall at 515 Dayton in downtown Edmonds.

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

Jim Erickson, charjim2213@gmail.com

The **FIDALGO FOGCUTTERS** Plus Club is back to our regular dance schedule in February, dancing on the first Friday with club caller John Corrigan and on the third Friday with guest caller Susan Morris and the Bob Berkas cueing both dances.

Plus Lessons continue at the Mount Vernon Senior Center and continue twice monthly into May with John Corrigan teaching. The lesson on February 21st has been moved to the Skagit Valley Grange due to conflict of use at the Senior Center.

The Fogcutters have two caravans scheduled in February to visit both the Samena Squares and the Happy Hoppers.

The Fogcutters recently donated \$500 to the Skagit Valley Grange to help them install tile flooring in the bathrooms at the hall for a major upgrade project.

Gailyn Ploeg, ploegrj@msn.com

There was an abundance of red at the **SAMENA SQUARES** Candy Cane Ball. Caller Susan Morris kept the floor dancing as a number of our students came to our yearly Christmas Ball. Students from other clubs in the area also attended and smiles and laughter were plentiful. Each year the Samenas decorate the hall for the Christmas holidays and this year we invited the students to join us. It is a good way to help them begin to feel what it means to be a club member. As members we not only dance together, we work together as a club to maintain our facility in various ways. With enough of us working side-by-side, the tasks go quickly. Although there was only one SAMENA dance in December, we also had our yearly Christmas outing and dinner. As usual, it was well attended.

We are looking forward to a strong 2015 and invite you to join us at Juanita Community Club on the second and fourth Friday at each month. We dance plus from 7:30 to 8:00 and mainstream from 8:00 until 10:00.

Barbara Huber, hubertones@hotmail.com

In the shortest month, because of the way the days fall, **DUDES & DOLLS** have two (count ‘em ... 1, 2) dances this month. One of the two dances for the month will be on Friday the 13th with the theme of Southern Belles & Beaus. Dress as Rhett Butler or the ever lovin’ Scarlett O’Hara, or come as you are. On the 27th, Itzza Pizza Party at Cedar Valley Grange. Fern Bluff Squares will be there, along with Woodinville Square Crows. Both clubs add frivolity and fun to any dance they attend.

We also have a couple of outgoing caravans, one on February 20th to Sky Valley Whirlwinds (Mardi Gras!), with Wayne Easton calling the dance. On February 28th off we go to the Checkerboard Squares, to their “Salute to Past Presidents” themed dance. Stephen Cole will be calling and Debbie Taylor will be telling the Round Dancers where to go.

Square and Round Dancing are the sweetest exercise routines in the world. If you know how to mainstream dance, you do not have to join an expensive gym with dues that are payable every month, whether you go or not. With Square and/or Round dancing, you pay if you go, and there are usually a few goodies at break time. Inexpensive exercising, along with great camaraderie for a few dollars a person is the best deal you will find in the area.

Support your club, support the Mount Baker Council and support your local dances by attending.

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NORTH CENTRAL COUNCIL

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The 4X8's held their annual candy cane dance in December. Dave Boggs called a super dance and Katie Harper did a great job with rounds as our regular cuer Sharon Boggs was out of town.

Our class members have been welcomed to club dances and we seem to be averaging 3 to 4 squares on the floor now. We all know the more they dance the more comfortable they become. Offer to pick up a couple and take them with you when there is another dance in the area to attend. It's more fun to travel together and more fun to attend another club when you have a group go.

Our club president Emanuel Schaible made a stained glass picture and offered it to the teens for fundraising. It is so generous of him and it's a beautiful floral design. Be sure to help out our teens as they raise funds for their



Photo by Judy Carlson

L-R Back Row: Matthew Loeffler, Luke Huber, Katie Harper, Emanuel Schaible, Kayla Huber, Michael Loeffler and Mark Loeffler. Front Row: Elijah Long, Danyal Kile and Andrew Huber

International Competition again this May, 2015. It takes a lot to send all the kids and their chaperones to a weekend event as this, especially when it is held so far away from here. (Western British Columbia.)

Our 63rd Anniversary dance will be coming up in March and all are welcome. Bill and Neva Reid will call and cue. 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.

We had a great Christmas and New Year's so it is time to look forward to the rest of what winter has to offer.

Patti Roberts, pattiroberts@ifiber.tv

BUDS & BLOSSOMS will have their annual Valentine Dance and Spaghetti Dinner on the second Friday of February, which will be the 13th. Daron and Jim will once again be there to call and cue for this great tradition. Be there to dance with Daron Tandberg's calling and for round dancing with Jim Spence. And as always, there will be an excellent spaghetti dinner, about 6:30, and dancing should start about an hour later, with things going full blast by 8 pm, at the East Wenatchee Grange Hall.

Other Friday dances for Buds & Blossoms are planned on the 20th and 27th, with club caller Don Jackson and club cuers Fran Lucas and Nora Jackson. We are looking forward to dancing with all of you.

Don Richardson, donrichardson@live.com

CASCADE TWIRLERS December 6th dance was a success for collecting boxes of cereal for the food bank. Appleland Promenders and Buds & Blossoms help donate the cereal: A big thank you to them. The East Wenatchee Grange had a food drive for the food bank and with all the clubs dancing there we were able to help several families for the holidays. On December 20th we had our Christmas dance. We had a small attendance with members sick and travelling but we had fun. Lots of Christmas goodies at the end of the dance.

On February 7th we are having our annual Ladies Nite Out, in which the men do all the planning and decorating also the treats after the dance. This is always a fun night for us girls. Andy Garboden will be calling and Jim Spence will be cueing. They are a great duo. Then on February 21st Don Jackson will be calling and Marilyn Holman cueing. All thru the night there will be G-Rated Jokes being told by the dancers... It should be a "funny night". Hope to see you in a square.

Happy Valentine's Day

Noelle Miller, noellemcues@charter.net

The **WHEATLAND WHIRLERS** had a pre-Christmas potluck, meeting and dance on Saturday December 13th. Calling and cueing was done by our club caller, Jim Compton and cuer, Noelle Miller. We had 2 squares of dancers and fun was had by all. On Thursday, December 18th graduation of our Round dance students was held at the Ephrata Senior Center. We had 10 students graduate. Our teachers were Sherryll & Jim Compton. Our club has decided to hold Thursday Round dance workshops at the Ephrata Middle School. They will be from 6:30 – 8:15 pm. So if you think that you need a brushup in Round dancing, come and join us.

Our dances for February will be as follows: February 14th will be our Valentine's Day dance with Jim Compton, calling and Marilyn Holman, cueing.

February 28th will be our Sweetheart Dance with Dave & Sharon Boggs, calling and cueing.

Be sure and mark your calendars for our 63rd Anniversary dance with Brett Kappenman calling and Jim Spence cueing. Theme for this dance is "Shower of Flowers" which seems to be an appropriate theme for April with showers being the normal for that time of the year and Flowers coming out for Spring. Hope you can come

Judy Schock, jaschock@homenetnw.net

February promises to be a full month of dancing for the **APPLELAND PROMENADERS** and the East Wenatchee Grange. On February 7th, the Cascade Twirlers bring in caller Andy Garboden. Jim Spence will cue. The Buds and Blossoms hold their annual spaghetti dinner on February 13th, after which Daron Tandberg will call the dance and Jim Spence will cue. On February 14th, Tom Clymer will call and Noelle Miller will cue. Be sure to bring your favorite dance partner to this one! Later in the month, on February 28th, Tom Clymer and Jim Spence travel to Richland to call and cue for the Columbia River Squares. Find a date... or several... that works for you and get out to dance. See you there.

Kay White kwhite@nwi.net

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Contact: Bob & Connie Mulholland, (509) 881-4961 or sqdncr@nwi.net

Buds & Blossoms-Mixed Level
2nd/3rd/4th Fri. East Wenatchee Grange, 3400 Sunset Hwy., East Wenatchee
Contact: Don Jackson, (509) 670-3540 or imt655@hotmail.com

Cascade Twirlers-Mainstream
1st & 3rd Sat. East Wenatchee Grange, 3400 Sunset Hwy. East Wenatchee
Contact: Noelle Miller, (509) 884-0497 or noellemcues@charter.net

Moses Lake 4X8's-Mainstream
1st & 3rd Sat. Moses Lake Senior Center, 608 E. 3rd Ave., Moses Lake
Contact: Del & Jackie Chase, (509) 764-4254 or deljackiechase@aol.com

Plus Bunch-Plus Level
1st & 3rd Mon. East Wenatchee Grange, 3400 Sunset Hwy. East Wenatchee
Contact: Tom Clymer (509) 293-3516 or Tom.Clymer@charter.net

Wheatland Whirlers-Mainstream
2nd & 4th Sat. Ephrata Senior Center, 124 C Street NW, Ephrata
Contact: Judy & Harold Schock, (509) 754-4803 or jaschock@homenetnw.net

Tri County Callers and Cuers Association
Contact: Dave & Sharon Boggs, (509) 787-4099 or grizzlyboggs@aol.com

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With a very energized January behind us in which we enjoyed the Fund Raiser Dance for Jim Hattrick and the **RHODY O'S** big Birthday Dance we now welcome February and a visit to Port Townsend. Our first regular February dance will be on Friday, February 6th, still at the Gardiner Community Center with Spike Reid calling/cueing. Our 2nd dance will be on Friday, February 20th as the Trail-In `Dance for the Mid-Winter Blues Chaser Dance. The Rhody O's are sponsoring the Trail-In Dance with Pre-Rounds at 6:30 (if a cuer is available) and Mainstream from 7:30-9:30 pm. Spike Reid has handed over the calling reins to Kevin Thomaier. The Blues Chaser Dance will be held at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds at Port Townsend on Saturday, February 21st. For more info on these dances please contact Dave Johnson at 360-301-9082 or chinook_6@

hotmail.com Come join the fun and excitement as we share in this special weekend of dance. Any questions just send this reporter an e-mail.

Trish Gaine, fasolard@olympen.com

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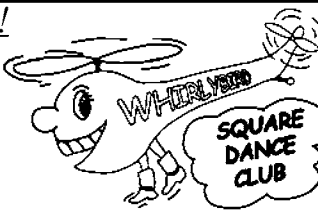
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PENINSULA COUNCIL

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The **DUDES & DOLLS** enjoyed a sumptuous potluck to welcome in the Holiday Season with 3+ squares in attendance on December 15th. We resumed dancing on January 5, 2015.

We feel lucky to have Don Smith filling in for Willie (Missie) Sewell as he heals. We wish Willie and Missie the best of everything as they deal with life changing issues.

Anne and Sid Ondeck have done a masterful job leading our group through these difficult few weeks. We are wishing all a happy and healthy New Year.

Joan Mclean, mcleancnj@harboret.com

GIG HARBOR TWIRLERS wish everyone a Happy Valentines month! We got to dance with the Dudes and Dolls and help them dance their last dance for the 2014 year. Then we danced with the Square Steppers and their Caller and Cuer were great as usual!

Mary McGannon, mekm3591@msn.com

PENINSULA COUNCIL – hosted a New Year's Eve Dance from 8 to midnight – we had plenty to eat and were entertained by an "Elvis" show done by Don Woods and Jess Thomas who also called for us – the cuer was Marie Woods. Then we danced the night away until the clock struck midnight and we wished everyone "Happy New Year".

Come dance with the clubs in Peninsula Council in this coming year of 2015.

Kitty Ogg, oggkitty@aol.com

POULSBO PROMENADERS will be having their Birthday dance on March 13th with the calling and cueing of Spike Reid. The dance will start at 7:30 with Plus and then Mainstream at 8:00 till 10:00. Look for our ad in the Footnotes and come help us celebrate.

Kitty Ogg, oggkitty@aol.com

ROUND SQUARES Club members are keeping our caller Willie Sewell — and Missie also — in their thoughts and prayers. Willie suffered a major stroke at our November 22nd dance after calling a tip. Many thanks to the callers who filled in when he was taken to the hospital. Missie fell at home and broke her wrist and is recovering.

We will be having guest callers at our fourth Saturday dances until we know the status of Willie's recovery. Greg Weber called for our dance on December

20th and Spike Reid for the January 24th dance. For our birthday dance on March 28th we will be having Glenn Raiha call.

The new students have graduated now and joined the club. We had a small class this year but an enthusiastic one.

December 14th we had our annual Christmas party hosted by Tim and Sheila Spiro at their home. Twenty six people attended including new club members and new students. Ham and turkey were furnished by the Spiro's. Everyone brought side dishes, salads, desserts, and oh yes - appetizers. We had an "ugly sweater" contest and the winners were Reva Dubiak and Russ Richardson. Lots of fun stealing Christmas presents also. The club donated a check to the food bank to help feed the hungry. Happy Valentine's Day!!

Betty Force, Reporter

SQUARE STEPPERS had dinner out at the Airport restaurant to celebrate Christmas way back in December. All members attended. After we ate we drove to the square dance hall and we had an ornament exchange.

Square Steppers wish all the best to Willie and Missie Sewell. Willie, a beloved and wonderful caller has had a stroke and he is recovering very slowly. Missie has fallen and broken her arm. We wish all to keep them in your prayers.

Our next dance will be a Valentine's Day Dance on February 14th.

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

Barbara Pennington, bardeldry@gmail.com

December 17th was a fun dance for the **PAWS AND TAWS** Club it was our "The Night before Christmas Dance". Everyone dressed in Holiday Outfits. Al and Kathy Tokin came with Al in his nights shirt and cap and even his lamp... It made for a great fun evening!

Many members attended the Peninsula Council New Year's Eve party and Dance. January 2nd, 2015 we held our Resolution dance, knowing that maybe we can keep them for a week or two... Especially the one about diets!

Mainstream lessons started January 7th with Roger Spiese Calling. Mainstream Round Dance Lessons started January 9th, with Spike Reed teaching. January 16th we hosted the Roamin' Tacomans, it is always a fun dance. Happy Valentine's Day Everyone!

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RAINIER COUNCIL is off to an exciting start in 2015! Our 30 second television ad promoting square dancing ran again on Comcast networks (CNN and Animal Planet) during the last two weeks of December 2014, and three of our clubs started beginning square dance classes early in January.

By the time you read this, the Council's "I Wish It Was Spring" fifth Saturday dance in January will be in the history books. We hope you were there to enjoy it!

It seems a common point of recent discussion (and handwringing, frankly) centers on the topic of square dancing's future. Is the future bleak? Some, sadly, believe it is. There certainly are fewer dancers and fewer clubs actively dancing than there were during the heydays of the 1950s and 60s, and the trend of dwindling numbers continues.

Is the trend reversible? Some, thankfully, believe it is!

Let's make 2015 a year to rekindle the flame that has burned brightly before, and can burn brightly again by thinking in terms of "THRIVING" instead of just "SURVIVING". By pooling our efforts, experimenting with new "formulas", implementing the ones that work, shedding the ones that don't; and by refusing to become despondent when things don't work, or complacent when things appear to be working, there's a good chance we can pass-on a healthy square dancing legacy to generations who will follow us.

Lane Johnston, lanej@chessmenkastle.com

Valentine's and Presidents' Day Greetings from the **SWINGING SQUARES!** We're a Plus club and dance on the 2nd and 4th Friday nights at Sumner Valley Dance Hall, 1705 Willow Street, Sumner, WA.

Our February dances are a Valentine's dance on Friday, February 13th, and a regular dance on February 27th. We begin at 7:30 with Round Dancing and continue on at 8:00 with Plus Square Dancing and more Round Dancing. We're very lucky to have such talented and friendly persons in our Caller Andy Garboden (Tricia) and Cuer Lorraine Rouse (John).

We're looking forward to our caravan to the Roamin' Tacomans dance on February 14th, the night after our dance... so there'll be lots of fun that weekend! We really enjoyed the caravans from the Spinners and the Bonnie Lads 'N Lassies at our 2nd January dance --thanks for coming!

Mary Kun, marrmikk@comcast.net

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

The SwingNuts are looking forward to a Happy Valentine's Day! We invite you to come any/all of our dances!

We dance "All-Squares" on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays each month, with a "Call of the Night" workshop starting at 7:30 pm, and Mainstream square dancing between 8:00 and 10:00 pm. We offer "open grazing" snacks all during the evening. We have short breaks between tips (no long break), and allow time for brief announcements and a 50/50 drawing on the dance floor in order to get more floor time in. Our Caller is Cliff Nichols.

February 7th theme: "Find Your Match"... but with a twist (we're NOT a dating service!)

February 21st theme: "Robin Hood" (archers, friars, noblemen, and sheriffs are welcome)

Come and have some fun!

Gail Johnston, gailj@chessmenkastle.com

February is an exciting month for the **ROAMIN' TACOMANS**. We start the month with our Plus dance, the "Sweetheart Dance," on Valentine's Day, February 14th. Then on Sunday, February 15th, we are having the Footnotes Mainstream dance from 2 to 4 pm. The dance is free, and you can subscribe to the Footnotes magazine at a reduced price. Tom Tomlinson will be emcee and there will be other Callers and Cuers from the area. Our hall is at 1705 Willow St. in Sumner.

After the Footnotes dance, and every Sunday in February (except Super Bowl Sunday), we will be having Plus workshops from 4:30 to 6:30 pm.

I saved the best for last. On February 28th we will be having our Baked Potato/Chili Feed and Mainstream dance. Dinner is at 6:30 pm. For \$3 each you get baked potatoes with all the trimmings, chili, cornbread, salads and desserts. Pre-rounds are at 7:30 and the dance starts at 8 pm. For \$8 you get dinner and a dance. Wow! Our Caller/Cuer is Tom Tomlinson.

Sharon Herman, tonysharp@yaho.com

Well hello again from the **BONNEY LADS 'N LASSIES**. We want to start out by thanking all of our members and guests that come out to our club dances. We know that we all have a lot of other things that vie for our time, but it's seeing and dancing with all of you that makes every dance night a fun night.

We would like to invite everyone to our 2nd and 4th Saturday dances on the 14th and the 28th of February. The 14th is our Sweetheart Dance. WOW, it's actually on Valentine's Day... how cool is that! So bring your spouse, your girlfriend, your boyfriend (just not all of them at once...that would be awkward) and make it a special night.

Lastly, to all Bonney Lads, it's "that" time of year again. We are looking for

volunteers to run for the board so please start thinking about it. So, if you're interested, give it a shot... you will have a lot of help... just let anyone on the board know. So, until next time, to all of our friends... keep dancing, but most of all keep smiling.

Ron & Linda Sferrazzo, sferrazzo5@msn.com

Hi, From **SOUTH SOUND SINGLES**. Hope your holiday was great, and Happy New Year! Our dance in February is our Second Annual Queen of Hearts--we hope you all can come. Last year our Queen of Hearts was Lorraine Krammer. We'll be having a guest caller and cuer for a while. Our dances are the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month, at Collins Grange. We're hoping that everyone has a great time dancing this year.

Cecilia Graeff, cecilia_graeff@yahoo.com

Hi from the **SPINNERS**. We hope everyone had a great holiday season. Now, it's back to dancing. The Spinners had a good December dance and would like to thank everyone who came and joined us that night. We also went on a caravan to the Bonney Lads 'N Lassies for their Christmas dance. Lots of friends there, so all had a great time. The Spinners are dancing again on February 6th. It is a Sweetheart dance, so grab your sweetheart and come join us for lots of fun. Greg and Sue Weber are the Caller and Cuer, and they are great! The dance is at the Buckley Hall and the dance starts at 7:30 with pre-rounds, and dancing is from 8:00 to 10:30. It is a level dance, so bring your students with you.

Dave Percy, skidave@comcast.net

By the time you read this report the **YOUNG BUNCH** will be at least two months into square dance practices. Round dance practices have been going on for a while now for some of our youth. We know our youth selling badges can be a bother sometimes to a few, but without that effort the teen competition would cease to survive... and we really can't afford to lose dancers, can we!

We would like to thank all the dancers, clubs, councils and state for their support when it comes to the youth in square dancing.

Young Bunch would like to send a special message to Doug Schafer who, along with Sandy, has always supported the youth. We love you Doug, and are sending you lots of hugs right now.

Leslie Young, pollyanna1962@gmail.com

Happy New year from **EVERGREEN ROUNDS!** Our group dances every Wednesday night, except the 3rd Wednesday of each month. We dance mostly phase 3 and easy 4s with workshops on different songs. Waltz, jive, foxtrot, slow

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MONDAY

Every **ROUSE-A-ROUNDS** Collins Grange
Lorraine & John Rouse 6:30 Beg, 8-9:30 Phaze 2+EZ3
Dance 4th Mon, 7-10
253-846-8203

WEDNESDAY

Every **EVERGREEN ROUNDS** Riverside Grange
Tom Tomlinson, Charles 6:30-7:30 teach; 7:30-10 Ph2/3/EZ4
Morehead, Shawn Cavness 253-927-2887, 253-229-9443

FRIDAY

1st **SPINNERS** Buckley Hall
Greg Weber/Sue Weber 7:30 PreRds, 8-10:30 MS/Rds
(Sept-June) 360-829-0251

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

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

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

SATURDAY

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

1st & 3rd **SOUTH SOUND SINGLES** Collins Grange
Kenny Freeman/guest cuers 7:30 PreRds, 8-10:30 MS/Rds/+Tip
253-851-5773

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

2nd & 4th **BONNEY LADS 'N' LASSIES** Collins Grange
Greg Weber/Lorraine Rouse 7:30 PreRds, 8-10:30 MS/Rds/+Tip
253-846-7943; 4:30-7 Sun lessons

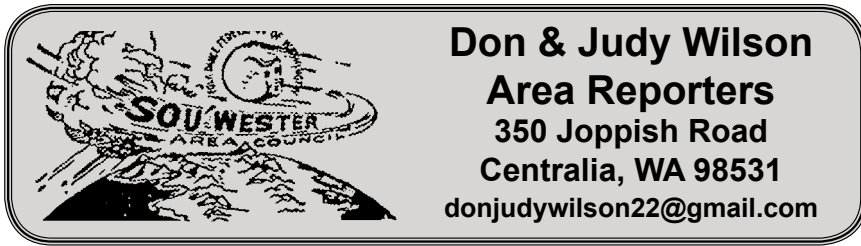
2nd & 4th **BLAZING STARS** Steele Lake Grange
Kevin Thomaier/Lynn Peltola 6:30 A-2, 7:30 Rds, 8-10 Plus
(no dances in August) 425-881-8190, 206-244-5196

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

SUNDAY

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

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



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SOU'WESTER COUNCIL clubs have lots of plans for dancing at many different levels. In this the shortest month of the year, look at attending a club dance you don't usually attend and see what dances they enjoy. Valentine's Day month is a great time to renew old friendships and maybe make some new friends too. Happy Dancing!

Here it is February already and the **HARBOR HAYLOFTERS** are looking forward to spring. Our Sweetheart Dance is on February 7th at the American Legion Hall, 112 W. 1st. Street in Aberdeen.

Our Christmas Dance on December 6th was filled with dancing, laughter, food, and fun. We presented our caller, Randy and Kris Carlson, with a beautiful gift. We had visitors from the Square One. Members of our club visited the Prairie Steppers and Square One.

We do workshops on Tuesdays and our caller has been involved with basketball, so Kris Kiser has tried his hand at calling for us. He is doing a very good job and is greatly appreciated. We also collected food for local food banks.

Harbor Haylofters were dark in January. We attended the Cougar Squares; our dances are on the same night so it was nice that we could pay them a visit. The second Saturday our club attended the benefit dance for Jim Hatrick. We also traveled down to Kelso and danced with the R Square D.

We enjoy eating almost as much as dancing so please join us for food, fun and dancing.

Ann Kilwien, sqcamper@comast.net

The **SQUARE ONE** Plus Club are excited by all the new Plus dancers coming out and dancing with us – it bodes well for 2015. In return, our club is getting out and dancing with more clubs and has been having a great time. We were out in force for the Do-Si-Do's benefit dance for Jim Hatrick in January and enjoyed dancing to Steve Noseck and Joyce Sebree. Thanks to the Do-Si-Dos for putting on this dance to support Jim. Well done!

We have started the preparations for our 33rd Anniversary Dance on March 6th. We will be having a turkey dinner preceding the dancing festivities. Please join us and help us celebrate with some great Plus and Round dancing -- featuring Kevin Thomaier and Joyce Sebree. Good dancing to you all!

Ken & Cathy Moller, ckmoller@outlook.com

I have to start this report on a sad note. Long-time member Merle Mortensen died on 6 December 2014. Merle and his wife Sandra have been members of the **SALTY SASHAYERS** for 30 years. Even though they haven't been dancing the last few years, they have always supported our annual "Old Salts Anniversary Dance". Merle's mischievousness and wit will be sorely missed.

Have you noticed that square dancers use their hobby to celebrate special occasions (e.g. weddings, birthdays, anniversaries, etc.)? The Flutterwheels hosted a dance for caller Glen Raiha's 65th birthday, which Salty attended. Square dancers also use special dances as an excuse to eat (e.g. Strawberry Dances, Chicken Dances, Oktoberfest Dances, etc.). Salty enjoyed a delicious turkey dinner, as well as a fun dance, at the Cougar Squares annual "Thankful Christmas Dance".

Not to be outdone, the Salty Sashayers also host a dinner-dance, our annual "Old Salts Anniversary Dance". For very little money, you get a delicious clam chowder dinner with salad, bread, and pie, plus a real fun dance. So mark April 25th on your calendars, and plan to visit us. This year's caller is Don Wood, and his lovely wife Marie Wood will cue the round dances. Dinner will be served at 6:30 pm in the galley of the Skookum Community Hall. Our mainstream dance begins at 8 pm. Hope to see you there.

Bonnie Blewett, blew@hctc.com

Greetings from the **PRAIRIE STEPPERS!** We had five squares on the floor for our Christmas Dance hosted by Bob and Shirley Spain. Before starting the Mainstream program, we graduated four new B51 dancers, Doug and Sharon Simpson, and Roger and Kathy Vallery. Roger is actually an accomplished square dancer so it was great having him to angel our lessons.

Santa and his elf entertained us and made sure that all present received a gift from the Prairie Steppers. The dinner was great with baked ham and scalloped potatoes provided by Bob and Shirley with many fine side dishes and desserts.

It was great to see Roy Fenstermaker and Al Fryer at the dance. Best wishes for speedy recovery to Prairie Steppers Marcella Zengota who has been having back issues and Patricia Hagquist who has been down with pneumonia.

Our travel was to the Cougar Squares Thankful Christmas Dinner and Dance. This is our tradition in December. It was very well attended and the dinner and the dancing were great. Prairie Stepper Ann Manes was recruited to be one of Santa's elves and enjoyed it very much.

We went dark in January in order to attend a benefit dance for Jim Hatrick sponsored by the Olympia Do Si Dos. Our best wishes for Jim's continuing recovery.

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 along with the Capitol Singles. There will be a reception from 2 to 4 pm with a potato bar at 4:30 and dancing after that.

Don't forget to send in your registration for the Prairie Steppers Prairie Steppers 34th Annual Chicken Dance on May 8 and 9, 2015 with callers Roger Spiese and Don Wood and cuer Lonnie Sycks. You might even get to dance with the Prairie Stepper chicken.

Marion Freels, M_librarion@yahoo.com

RUFF & RUFFLES visited Cougars Squares on December 6th to attend their "Thankful Christmas" dinner/dance. Those Cougars can sure put on a spread. The food was very good and the dance most enjoyable. Dave and Marge Martin were also able to visit R Square D.

Since the Catlin Grange was in use on our regular dance night, the club's Christmas dance was held on December 13th (2nd Saturday). Visitors included Cougar Squares and R Square D. About three squares danced to the calling of Jim Raupp and cueing of Susan Healea. We brought children's gifts and food that was donated to the Salvation Army. Neil and Eileen Rosevear and the Martins had kitchen duty serving a variety of cookies, nut breads and some candy. Martins hosted an after party in their home after the dance.

February 21st (3rd Saturday) will be our 62nd Anniversary and Sweetheart Ball. The event starts with pre-rounds at 7:30 with Susan Healea as cuer followed by the mainstream dance 8:00-10:30 with Jim Raupp as caller. We invite you to come help us celebrate. Who will be chosen King and Queen of the ball??

Ruff & Ruffles wishes everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.

Betty Clifton, sqkats@q.com

OLYMPIA SQUARE DANCERS, INC. say it's a sure sign the holiday season has begun when Lac-A-Do hall clubs bring in big boxes to collect food for the Food Bank, toiletries for the shelters, and Toys for Tots. It got me to thinking of all the other ways we square dancers contribute to society.

Knowing that times can be hard for some, OASDI gives scholarships to individuals and families, too, who can't afford the full price for lessons. Bringing square dancing into their lives is our way of sharing the relaxation and fun they might miss, otherwise.

With all our campouts and travels, we definitely contribute our share to the gas industry and the RV sales lots.

By attending dances in our area, we keep other clubs solvent and help make their dances successful and fun. Many of us travel across the country and into Canada for festivals and conventions, cultivating friendships and leaving money and goodwill in our wake.

Along with travel, we support square dance clothing shops and fabric stores, and food outlets when we take on weekends at rest stops. We like to think that we've helped many drivers stay awake on those three 24-hour days and nights we volunteer for.

Lac-A-Do Hall may be home to seven clubs, but we're one big family, caring when a fellow dancer is ill or injured, supporting each others' clubs and events, and being each other's friends through the years.

It's exciting to plan for this brand new year of fun and friendship, supporting each other and our communities!

Kathy Rooney, Secretary of Olympia Area Square Dancers, Inc.

The **ROUND-A-BOUTS** have been blessed with great cuers. In December, they shuffled Cuer duties again. Randy and Rose who have been teaching and cueing for the club during the fall, headed south on a road trip and vacation. At the Club's last December dance it was announced that a dance they choreographed, "Best of Life" was awarded "Round of the Quarter" by Round A Lab. This national award is for the 1st quarter of 2015, and it was selected from the 26 dances submitted.

Ron and Georgine returned in December, from their travels and adventure. Their trip started in October as they drove their RV to Galveston Texas, to join a Cruise to the Western Caribbean with 64 of their favorite dancers and friends (Cozumel, Mexico, Grand Cayman Islands, and Falmouth Jamaica). They traveled, danced, and visited with friends and dancers while returning home and arrived back just in time to support the December dance. Mary and Scott Parson, who have guest cued for the club several years back, have permanently returned to the local area from Alaska and the club is looking forward to Mary cueing at some of our dances too.

Everyone is always welcome at the club, they hope that you can come out and have some fun dancing to the great cuers at their regular Round Dances, which are held on the first Tuesday and third Friday of the month (February 3rd and 20th). Ron and Georgine Woolcock do a wonderful job at leading everyone around the dance floor from 7:30- 9:30 pm. The dance is at the Phase II and Phase III level. They hope to see many of you here at Lac-A-Do Hall.

Thank you again, for all your support throughout last year.

Gary Gerdes, GaryGerdes@comcast.net

The noises heard on the rooftop and inside the Catlin hall were not just those of old Saint Nick but of joyful dancers, square dancing to the sounds of the holidays. **R SQUARE D** had a busy December starting with 20 of our club members attending the Thankful Christmas dance put on by Cougar Squares. A feast, with Santa attending for pictures, gifts for all attendees and a full dance floor that delighted in stepping to the sounds of the Christmas music. Cougar Squares really knew how to get the holiday season started.

We were thankful to all the dancers that brought toys to be donated to the Salvation Army at our toy dance on the 12th. Craig Abercrombie called Holiday tunes and everyone jingled their way through the evening.

R Square D finished up lessons in December and will be starting a new set on January 7, 2015. We would love to see you.

Please come join us in February for our Sweetheart dance on February 13th and on the 28th we will be having a benefit dance for our local Emergency Support Shelter.

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

Marie Geisler

COUGAR SQUARES are looking forward to Valentine's Day and the days getting a little longer each day! Surely spring isn't too far off. Our February dance is back at St. Francis Parish Hall, its usual place. Plus begins at 7:30 and Mainstream and rounds at 8:00 pm. Hosts for the February dance will be John and Anita Prescott and Jerry and Pat Johnson.

Some sad news from Cougars, Ed Schroeder, long time Cougar member passed away just before Christmas. Our hearts go out to Edie, his wife and their families. Ed and Edie learned to dance in California and after moving to Chehalis they joined Cougar Squares. They danced Mainstream and Plus.

Cougars' Round dance lessons continue on Sunday afternoons/evenings at Adna Grange. Susan Healea, our teacher/cuer teaches intermediate Cha and Rumba, beginning two-step and a waltz workshop from 3:15 to 8:00. A real workout for the body and mind! However the results are obvious at dances with lots of round dancers on the floor.

Our next big event will be our Anniversary Dance on June 6th. Adam Chrisman will be calling and Susan Healea will be cueing this dance. It will be at the usual location, St. Francis Parish Hall at the blinking light just north of Toledo. Plus will begin at 7:30 and mainstream and rounds at 8:00. Put this on your calendars for a great start for summer dancing.

Cougars wish everyone a Happy Valentine's Day and hope you have lots of dancing in the shortest month of the year!

Don and Judy Wilson,
donjudywilson22@gmail.com



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

Tuesday

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

Thursday

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

Friday

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

Saturday

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

Sunday

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

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

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



The **DANCING SHADOWS** would like to thank everyone who attended our “Mexican” dance in January. A good time was had by all! We dance on the third Friday of each month. Our February dance is our “Black Light” dance. It’s always fun to see everyone “glowing”. White gloves will be provided for everyone who comes. Join us for a fun evening of dancing in the dark. Plus with Advanced Rounds starts at 7 pm and mainstream with rounds is at 8 pm. Don Cochrane is our caller and our cueing is done by Carol Shopbell. Hope to see you on the dance floor.

Submitted by Tami Carson

DIAMOND SQUARES had an exciting Christmas party on December 7th. There were lots of interesting gifts being stolen until “frozen”. 43 of our club members showed up. I picked 2 kinds of blankets and it seemed that Bob Amsbury also wanted them so I ended up getting a nice pillow instead. Thanks to Karen Reichardt for the scarves she made for all the female members. We appreciate all her hard work and generosity. We had an after party at Bob and Ronda Gimlen’s house after our December “Blue Christmas” dance.

Our beginning square dance class started on January 5th. February 14th is our “Be My Sweetheart” dance. This will be exciting because we are announcing our Sweetheart recipient. We start at 7:00 pm with Mainstream with a twist. Bob and Claudia Amsbury are the caller and cuer. We are saddened by the loss of our member, Beverly West, who passed away on December 18th. Our prayers go out to her family.

Hope you had a good start to 2015. Keep dancing and see you around on the dance floor.

Submitted by Nelly Christoffersen

In February the **HOODOO VALLEY HOEDOWNERS** will host two dances. Our annual afternoon “Sweetheart Ball” on Sunday February 15th at the Sandpoint Community Hall with Dan Preedy calling and John Downing cueing. A “New Dancers” dance on Saturday February 21st at the Edgemere Grange with Ed Schiffner calling and cueing. A good dance for this year’s students to see what square dancing is all about. More information or directions phone Penny

at (208)-946-0741. We recognized 16 new Mainstream dancers at the end of January and 13 new angels. Our next classes begin the first week in February.

Submitted by Penny Goodman

The **JACKS & JENNY'S** enjoyed our Christmas dance and white elephant auction which followed the dance. The dance was called by Dan Preedy and cued by John Downing. We had several door prizes. The main door prize was won by Rochelle Moe. Smaller prizes were won by Gordon Mustard, Arnie Anderson, Don Roman, Mark Hocum, Mary Dorsh and John Dorsh. The split the pot was won by Sandy Axtell.

We are looked forward to the January Prime Rib Dinner and dance called by Vern & Kathy Boggs.

It is with heavy hearts we report the death of club member Cindy Courville. She fought cancer for close to two years.

Submitted by Helen Knapp

The **MODEL T'S** welcomed in the New Year with a party level dance at the NSDA Hall. Thank you to all the angels who participated. Our February dance theme is Romantic Movie night. It will be on the 14th. Vern and Kathy Boggs will entertain us with their calling and cueing. Plus with advanced rounds begin at 7:00 pm and mainstream and rounds at 8:00. Happy Dancing.

Submitted by Charlene Weist

The **SPOKANE CAROUSELS** dance on first and third Saturdays at the East Spokane Grange from 7:30 to 10:30. These are dancer’s choice evenings and we up the level a bit by adding in some phase VI dances. Jack DeChenne is our club cuer. This month we’ll have guest cuer, Carol Shopbell, on February 7th and Jack will be cueing the third Saturday on February 21st. We welcome you to join us at a Carousels dance and offer you free admittance if it’s your first evening with us. Dancing and being with your friends-what a great time we all have. Please join in the fun!!

Submitted by Deb Gruber

Happy New Year from the **VALLEY CROSS TRAILERS!** Wow!!! Our December “Everything Chocolate” dance was a huge success. The chocolate fountain had fruit to dip as well as cookies, rice krispies treat bites, marshmallows, doughnut holes, pretzels and many other goodies. We also had lots of chocolate items at break time. If you missed it, we may do it again next year. Many thanks to the members, friends, Doug and Justine who helped make that night so memorable.

February will have a “poker” theme. Doug Davis will be calling and Justine Brown will be cueing that night. Plus and Intermediate rounds at 7:00 with Mainstream and easy rounds at 8:00. Please come in out of the cold for a night of fun with friends.

Submitted by Chris Smith

WAG AROUNDS invite you to join us on the dance floor on first Sundays and second Fridays. Nina Leisi starts us out Sunday, February 1st at the Western Dance Center with a phase II/III dancer’s choice program. From 7:00 to 9:00 pm you’ll enjoy the company of fellow dancers, some socializing at the break and the opportunity to have a good time just dancing. On Friday, February 13th, we all meet at the North Spokane Dance Center from 8:00 to 10:30 and enjoy dancing with Jack DeChenne. This is a III-V dancer’s choice evening, so be sure to look through Jack’s lists to find your favorite rhythm.

Submitted by Deb Gruber


The **WILD ROSE RAMBLERS** are excited for cuer Theresa (Matt) Ray at the birth of their daughter “Maddie” in December. Theresa plans to cue for our February dance. Rob (Vicki) Krum began teaching the next set of lessons in January. The new students are having a blast.

February’s dance theme is “Sweethearts”, of course. We encourage dancers to bring their favorite picture which celebrates love. Wouldn’t it be fun to “guess” the dancers in their prior years? There will definitely be something chocolate to enjoy. We hope the beginning of 2015 has been a wonderful adventure so far. Enjoy the dance!

Submitted by Judy Ottoson


TWIN CITY TWIRLERS
 1st & 3rd Sat: Oct 4, 2014 thru June 6, 2015
Caller: Butch Suttley
Curer: Lorraine Kennedy
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RUFF & RUFFLES
 3rd Saturdays, 7:30 pre-rounds; 8-10:00 p.m. MS
Jim Raupp, Caller
Susan Healea, Cuer
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 Using Williams Sound System
 Check dates at 503-556-2319 Peggy Rolf

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

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

M & I

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headed for the bathroom, but accidentally missed the second door. Instead, he entered the third door, which lead to the swimming pool and fell into the pool by accident. Scared to death, the blind man surfaced and started shouting, "DON'T FLUSH, DON'T FLUSH!!!"

Take care,
Richard and Barbara



June 19 & 20
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RAINIER

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two step, mambo are some of the rhythms we have learned. Please come join us for an evening of fellowship and fun! We are located at the Riverside Valley Grange in Puyallup and we dance from 6:30 to around 10. Tom Tomlinson, Charles Morehead, and Shawn Cavness are our regular Cuers. For more info contact Charles at 235-927-2887.

Happy dancing!

Katie Petrovich, thequeensransom1@gmail.com

The **BLAZING STARS** square dance club of Federal Way is looking forward to a brand-new year, and welcomes all our square dance friends to come dance with us. We'll be raffling-off our "Sweetheart Basket" in February.

Blazing Stars recently welcomed a new member to the club, and look forward to adding more new members in the coming year.

We dance at Steele Lake Grange located at 2920 S. 298th in Federal Way, WA. Dances are held on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays each month (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 with 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 eagerly welcome all dancers.

Lucy Prindle, dlprindle@comcast.net

ROUND SQUARES

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Square Dance Club

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Cuer: Dorothy Lowder

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2nd & 4th Saturdays

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Counting down, less than six months before the 64th National Square Dance Convention® in Springfield, City of Firsts, Massachusetts June 24-27 2015!! You still have plenty of time to register for this once in a lifetime event and to order things such as the New England Cookbook, featured later in this release.

We have added a new tour of the City of Springfield, details to come. We are also working to bring discounted shuttle service from the airport to the convention.

We have added new hotels and rooms. Please check with registration when you are completing your registration form. Do not forget to get your bus pass if you are not staying at the headquarters hotels. You can also purchase our cookbook, the sew and save book, "Needle Nook Notes" the Tribute to Neil Diamond Dinner and Show tickets, and syllabus for Rounds and Contra on the registration form. We highly recommend you purchase your program book using this form. This is the only place the program book and Daily Schedule will be sold. If you have already registered for the convention and did not order any of the above, just complete another form and add the additional items you want to purchase. Please add your registration number to the form.

Many items can be purchased from our website 64nsdc.org. Ways and Means also travels around to conventions in many states and has registration forms and many of the items for sale. We personally will be attending the Mississippi, Florida, and Ohio state conventions at the first of the year. I know we will have a table at the South Carolina convention in January.

Thanks to Shirley McEwen and Joan Gumkowski for the comments on the cookbook:

The "New England Cookbook" that is being featured at the 64th National Convention® this coming year in Springfield, MA, is a brand new book authored by New Englanders. Featured Recipes were submitted by square dancers, their friends, and some of the famous New Englanders who reside here.

Included are approximately 200 delicious recipes, many New England historical notes, food facts, and helpful hints as well as some cuisine history of New England. There are many colorful photos from various famous locations in N.E. (i.e.) lighthouses, panoramic views of some of our beautiful mountains decked out in fabulous autumn colors and popular lakes and coastal seashores.

Locating a recipe is simple in this book due to the table of contents at the very beginning of the recipe section. The colorful dividers are helpful, separating the recipes by category and the colorful hard cover provides easy cleanup from splashes and fingerprints.

We the authors are very proud of this beautiful book and urge everyone to get a copy.

Lynda and I have enjoyed reading the New England Cookbook and even if you do not cook you will enjoy the pictures, information and quality of this book.

We thank you for taking the time to read our release, and we really would enjoy seeing you at the 64th NSDC® in Springfield, MA June 24 -27, 2015. We hope you have a great Holiday Season and look forward to 2015!

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Corrections for the 2014 – 2015 State Federation Directory

- Page 12 Central Area Council: Secretary: dancing@centurylink.net
- Page 15 North Olympic Council: Vice President listed in the Directory is now the Secretary; there is currently no Vice President.
Nom. Committee: Jean & Larry Klahn (current Treasurer)
- Page 26 Wagon Wheel Squares: President - Geraldine Kraft, 1528 - 46th Ave SW, Seattle, WA 98116, 206-935-0856, pinefox@speakeasy.net
- Page 27 Happy Hoppers: Vice Pres.: Tom & Liza Halpenny
- Page 32 Mt. Baker Singles: President: 6448 F and S Grade Rd., Sedro-Woolley, WA 98284
- Page 31 Freewheelers: President: Francis Tyson (current Vice President moved into President Position;
Vice President: Ron Mitrovich, 21716 A 48th Ave. W, Mountlake Terrace, WA 98043, 425-582-0842, mitroman104@aol.com
- Page 33 Mt. Baker Teachers, Callers & Cuers Assn.: Secretary: 425-591-8692
- Page 34 Skagit Squares: Vice President – 505 Sterling Street
- Page 35 Stanwood Sashayers: President: Tami & Glen Shaw, tamisperry@msn.com (address is the same), Vice Pres.: Terry Graff, 28626 Kunde Rd, 425-470-4240, Treasurer: Glen & Tami Shaw, 1278 Roy Place, Camano Island, WA 98282. 360-387-5055, glenshaw1@msn.com
- Page 36 4x8's: Vice President: 509-760-3815, Secretary: 509-770-3677
- Page 38 Plus Bunch: Are now dancing on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday's
- Page 48 Capitol Singles: President: 301 Lee Street SW #22
- Page 49 Double A's: President: dancerooney@centurylink.net , Secretary & Treasurer: GrandmaSam54@gmail.com, Cuer: Randy Wulf
- Page 50 Harbor Haylofters: American Legion Hall, 112 W 1st St., Aberdeen, WA 98520, 360-532-9898,
Now dancing On the 3rd Sat./Sept. and 1st Sat./Oct.-Jun. (Jan. dark)
- Page 52 Round A Bouts: President: 360-459-8015
- Page 53 Stardust Dancers: President: mpmadam@comcast.net
Tanglefoot Cloggers: Treasurer – bidding.gene2@gmail.com
- Page 54 Dancing Shadows: Vice President – Eunice Erickson (Del passed away)
- Page 56 Hoodoo Valley Hoedowners – Secretary: Judy Black, PO Box 1074, Priest River, ID 83856, 208-448-2482, rody22@conceptcable.com
- Page 57 Model T Squares: Treasurer – Marleen & Gordon McCammond
- Page 61 Twin City Twirlers: President: 509-295-6239, Treasurer: 208-790-6078
- Page 62 Western Dance Assoc.: Vice President: 509-688-4060
- Page 74 Congrove, Lynda: 5333 N Greenwood Blvd., Spokane, WA 99205-6041
- Page 77 Toops, Elmer & Betty - betoops2000@frontier.com
- Page 79 Cuer: Shawn & Wendy Cavness, 34403 56th Ave S., Auburn, WA 98001, 253-929-8161, shawn@rounddancing.org, Paws & Taws
- Page 83 Dan Preedy, 10022 E. Day Mt., Spokane Rd, Mead, WA 99021
- Page 85 Suttley, Butch – 208-503-0551
Wulf, Randy & Rose – randyroosedance@hotmail.com
- Page 87 American Legion Hall, 112 W 1st St., Aberdeen, WA 98520, 360-532-9898 (Harbor Haylofters)
Elks Lodge #287, 351 E Rose Street, Walla Walla, WA 99362-1217, 509-525-2901
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Dancing has different feelings to different people. Dancing with the feet is one way, but dancing with the heart is another. True, the recreation is a great exercise to both the body and to the mind. But to further and broaden our thoughts a minute... Life is beauty, admire it... Life is a dream, realize it... Life is a challenge, meet it... Life is a game, play it... Life is a sorrow, overcome it... Life is a song, sing it...

Sometimes you lead and sometimes you follow. You learn as you go. The longer we live the more we believe you have to give if you want to receive. There is a time to listen and a time to dance... Take a chance on love. To dance is to be in tune with the steps of life.

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Mt. Baker Council would like to invite you to join us for our great event next year at the 2015 Washington State Square & Round Dance Festival in Mt Vernon in the beautiful Skagit Valley. The committee is working real hard to make sure there is something for everyone.

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

Susan has a great stage for all you "Contra" dancers out there. I don't know much about Contra other than what my mom said she used to do. I've watched it and it looks like fun. So please come and fill the Contra stage, it is right in the center of all the fun so everyone can watch you dance. There will also be Main Stream/Plus/Advance Dancing.

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

chairs in the callers/cuers hall.

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

And if you've not been to the Skagit Valley before be sure to come a few days before or stay a couple of days after and enjoy the area.

Mount Vernon was founded before 1880 but, didn't start to grow until the railroad came thru. Mount Vernon is mostly a farming community with a downtown area of older buildings, some fine restaurants, coffee shops, and local history.

La Connor: which is southwest of Mt. Vernon is only a stone's throw away. This is a great little town right on the river with some very unique little shops.

Sedro Woolley: lies northeast of Mt. Vernon and has a historic downtown area which is a trip back in time; with its numerous wood carving and wood benches next to the store fronts for you to sit on and watch the world go by.

Fairhaven 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.

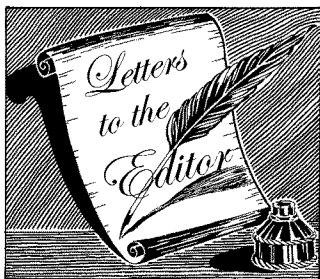
So if you are between the ages of 4 and 90+ we will have something for you.

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We look forward to seeing you

The 2015 Washington State Square and Round Dance Committee

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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 summarily assigned to file 13.

McNutt AWARD

Request for Nominees for the McNutt Award:

In June, 2014 I was honored to be the recipient of the McNutt Award.

The McNutt Award is given each year to a couple or individual as recognition for having done an outstanding job of teaching and promoting Round Dancing as a wholesome recreation for all ages.

He/She is an active participant of the Square and Folk Dance Federation of Washington and subscribes to its principles of Folk Dancing.

He/She has taught different rhythms and phases of Round Dancing.

The recipient will retain it for one year and then present it to another party outside of their council. The task of selecting a deserving individual or couple is a difficult one and I am asking for assistance in making a selection.

If you know of a cuer you would like to nominate please send us your recommendation.

Your recommendation should include the following:

1. Dancing background
2. Club, council, and state committee, and office positions held [include dates].
3. Involvement in State Festivals and the Education & Leadership Seminar.
4. National Conventions, ARTS etcetera if applicable.
5. Any other significant contributions to Square and Round dance activity.
6. Family background.

Submit recommendations to us by April 1, 2015 [include "McNutt Award" in the subject line]. Please update and resubmit any resumes of cuers previously submitted, but not awarded.

Thank you,

Joyce Sebree
7014 SE Arcadia Rd
Shelton WA 98584
icueRD4u@aol.com

SQUARE 1 PLUS
1st Friday - 7:30 - 10:00 PM
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Gunter Monroe Caller
Guest Cuers
Lac-a-do Hall, Olympia, WA
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