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MAY STATE FEDERATION MEETING
HOSTED BY CENTRAL AREA COUNCIL
YAKIMA SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CENTER
MOXEE, WASHINGTON
MAY 11 & 12, 2012

RENO, NEVADA
MAY 11 - 12 - 13, 2012

48TH ANNUAL IDAHO STATE FESTIVAL
JUNE 22 - 23, 2012
POST FALLS HIGH SCHOOL
2832 E. POLELINE AVE.
POST FALLS, IDAHO

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SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION, SPOKANE, WASHINGTON
JUNE 27 - 30, 2012
(Register early)

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44th ANNUAL LEADERSHIP SEMINAR
JULY 13 - 14 - 15, 2012
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MAY STATE MEETING



Central Area Council

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SATURDAY MEETING, May 12, 2012

State Federation Meeting

9:00 AM - 12 Noon

Luncheon

12 Noon - 1:00 PM

State Federation Meeting

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Friday Dance May 11, 2012

From: 7:30 - 10:00 PM MS, Trail-In, Casual Attire 7:30 Pre-rounds, 8-10:00 PM Dance

Hosted by the Blue Agates

Caller: Daron & Kresin Tandberg

Cuer: Cyndi Silicki After dance Refreshments

Saturday Dance May 12, 2012

From: 7:30 - 10:00 PM Mainstream, Traditional Attire 7:30 Pre-rounds, 8-10:00 PM Dance

Hosted by the Gateswingers Caller: Orvin & Jan Logan Cuer: Cyndi Silicki After dance Refreshments

Friday "Arms Length Raffle" to benefit 61st NSDC® Ways & Means Saturday "Load-the-Pot" to benefit Yakima Sq & Rnd Dance Center

Yakima Square & Round Dance Center

207 E Charron Rd - Moxee WA 98936

(I-82 Exit 34, go east 4.5 miles, L on Bell/Moxee, L on Charron, hall on left) Info: Margaret Kiser 509 307-4558 gramakiser@yahoo.com

RV Hookups Onsite (water/elec) \$12. per night Contact: Ruth Hamilton 509 966-4356 cw5hamilton@hotmail.com



May 11, 2012	May 12, 2012	
Leadership Seminar Dinner Meeting 5:00 PM Sea Galley (I-82 Exit 36) 925 E Valley Mall Pkwy Union Gap, WA 98903	XPs Breakfast 7:00 AM Shari's (1-82 Exit 36) 16 E Valley Mall Pkwy Union Gap, WA 98903	
Heritage Center Dinner Meeting Shari's (I-82 Exit 36)	Festival Committees 7:30 AM Yakima Square & Round Dance Center	
16 E Valley Mall Pkwy Union Gap, WA 98903 DANCE MS, Trail-In, Casual Attire	Continental Breakfast Yakima Square & Round Dance Center Provided by Central Area Council Donations Accepted	
7:30 Pre-rounds, 8:00 Dance Hosted by the Blue Agates Yakima Square & Round Dance Center – Moxee	State Federation Meeting 9:00 AM – Noon	
Caller: Daron Tandberg Cuer: Cyndi Silicky After Dance Refreshments	Luncheon 12 Noon – 1:00 PM Provided by Central Council Donations Accepted	
Arm's Length Raffle Benefits Ways and Means for 61st NSDC	State Meeting Continues 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM	
RV Parks Yakima Square & Round Dance Center (I-82 Exit 34) 207 E Charron Rd, Moxee WA 98936 Water/Elec Hookups @ \$12.00 per night Contact: Ruth Hamilton 509 965-4356 or ws5hamilton@hotmail.com	7:30 Pre-rounds, 8:00 Dance Yakima Square & Round Dance Center - Moxee Hosted by Gateswingers	
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THE GAVEL

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Everyone is feverishly working toward a successful National Convention next Month. Kudo's to all of those who have been involved and especially to our Co-Chairmen for their long job to get us to this point. I hope all of our dancers are signed up and ready for a great National, just remember it is being provided by a dedicated group of your friends – lets all get out and support them. It is hard to realize that 6 years ago as we got together to submit our bid that it would go by so quickly.

A highlight after all this work will be a celebration to be held at the Leadership Seminar this year at Circle 8 which will be a chance to let your hair down and take a deep breath. Remember that our Pageant which is normally done at the State Festival will be at the Seminar, a chance to honor those who have done so much for the Federation. My thanks also go to the hard work by our Leadership Committee who is looking forward to providing a rewarding Seminar. There are so many people involved in both of these great celebrations; make sure and thank them all for their involvement it just shows how great our dancers are.

Don't forget in all this rush of work and involvement that our next Federation meeting will be held this month; come join us at the Yakima Square and Round Dance center located in Moxee. Those dates are May 11 and 12th, hope to see you there. The new Officers will be announced at that meeting and I wish them all good luck and thanks for volunteering for an office in the State Federation.

Happy spring! Tom and Fay Tomlinson President Couple

🖁 "Each Square Dance Lights Anew The Flame of Friendship True. The Joy We've Had in Knowing You Will Last Our Whole Life Through." CHARLIE COOK, CENTRAL AREA COUNCIL

President Tom reflects on his experience with Parks & Rec

I was approached in 2003 to start calling for a group of Special Teens and Adults for Enumclaw Parks and Recreation, which over the years has been changed to Auburn Parks and Recreation. Our goal is not to teach them an



entire program, but repitition so they can feel comforable dancing without a lot of memory required for an entire Dance Club.

This has proven to be a great program and I have been volunteering for the past 9 years every Thursday evening during

the fall - spring period to keep them dancing. It has grown to include groups from Tukwila, Enumclaw, Auburn and Tacoma. We meet every Thursday and although they will never be able to dance a complete mainstream dance, they LOVE dancing and continue to come during

that entire 9 years, picking up a few more each year.

I love to do it, and they have become my fast and totally dedicated dancers over this 9 year period. My week is not complete without them. We



do Line Dancing, Contra's,
Some Round Dances (very
basic) and Square dancing
(mostly in a large circle.
They do look forward to it,
and it makes it worth every
moment I am with them.

Text by Tom Tomlinson, photos courtesy of Ramsey Graham, Enumclaw Parks and Recreation



FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

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Summer is almost here, that is accept for Puyallup. It was 30 degrees Easter morning. Many of you know that my second love is golf. Actually it's my 4th. (1) Patricia (2) Square Dancing (3) Stamps Collecting (4) Golf

I put golf 4th, because over on the West side, the season can be short, wet and cold. Stamp Collecting which I've been doing since I was in the 5th grade, but now I just don't have time to work on my collection because of number one and two. I went golfing on the 29th of March, teed off at 7:30 AM in the rain and cold. My rain Gear was soaked. My gloves were soaked and with type II Diabetes, my hands were almost Frozen, in fact that were almost "Frost Bitten and my golfing was worse. My goal in golfing is to get my handicap up to my weight

Would anyone have been upset if I would have used a photo on the front cover with me golfing in my Square Dance clothes?

I mentioned, Summer is here, the Snowbirds are back, the Nationals will be in Spokane in June.Leadership Seminar, the second weekend in July. Many, many great weekends of terrific dancing will be available. Don't forget to encourage your new dancers to go with you or bring them along to these events. I can gaurantee you, it will open their eyes to the wonderful world of our activity. Patricia and I have atended over 15 Nationals and have only missed one Leadership Seminar since 1985 I think.

This is also the time to really improve your own dancing by attending many workshops and dancing to callers & cuers you've never danced to before.

Start looking now for new people or convince your friends to go with you to some of the greatest and friendliest activity available from children to dancers in their ninety's. ALL OUT TO HAVE A GOOD TIME.

Don & Pat Wiggins

MUDDY FROG SQUARE DANCE

Tina Allaway Caller: 1st & 3rd Sundays 3 to 5 PM

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44TH ANNUAL LEADERSHIP SEMINAR **PUBLICITY & PROMOTION** Oren & Lew Gaskill, Bellingham, WA 360-733-4487 - olgaskill@comcast.net

It's Less Than 3 Months Until Leadership Seminar! Have you registered yet? In addition to the fun Seminar program and dancing, on Friday morning you can go GOLFING in Ellensburg!! Del Chase and Michael Edgerly have been working hard to put together a really fun golfing opportunity for you all. Here are the specifics:

Date: Friday, July 13, 2012 (The First Day of Leadership Seminar) Registration: Anytime between now and up until the evening before, (July 12th).

Registration Contact: Michael Edgerly - 509-674-5744, stickman@cleelum. com or Del Chase - 509-764-4254, deljackiechase@nctv.com

Here is a note from Michael:

Hello Golfers,

We have a choice of golf courses. Last year we played Ellensburg Golf Course, which is a 60 mile round trip from Circle 8. Prices are as follows: 9 holes with cart (2 golfers) \$17.00; 9 holes with cart (1 golfer) \$22.00; 18 holes with cart (2 golfers) \$32.00; 18 holes with cart (1 golfer) \$37.00.

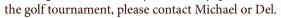
Our next choice is Sun Country Golf Course, which is 10 miles round trip from Circle 8. Friday is weekend prices: 9 holes \$28.00, with cart \$10/ person; 18 holes \$40, with cart \$14 / person.

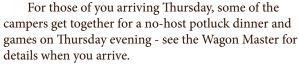
If you've played both courses, you know Sun country is the best of choices. More money and 50 mile closer. We have to decide whether the price of fuel versus golf price is more important. Please let me know as soon as possible where the golfers would rather play so arrangements for tee times can be made. Thank You,

Michael

2nd Weekend in July

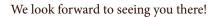
What a fun way to kick off a great weekend! If you have any questions about Square & Folk Dance Federation of Washington





Remember to send your registrations for Leadership Seminar to:

Merri Anne Huber 1539 Wilkenson Street, Milton-Freewater, OR 97862



Lew & Oren Gaskill

Membership & Insurance

Richard & Barbara Snyder 5612 S. Napa Street Spokane, WA 99223-8248 509-443-0126 richlsnyder@comcast.net



It's that time of the year again when we are working on membership renewals. So we take this opportunity to remind you the deadline is near, May 31st. Remember, Club Renewals are returned to your council, Individual Membership Renewals are mailed back to us. Hopefully, we will be able to collect a large number of club renewals at the state meeting in May. A few Individual Membership Renewals are trickling in to us, but we need to pick up the pace to get this completed by May 31st.

As usual, we are receiving inquiries as to the reason we are asking for these renewals so early. We sympathize with you as we do understand the problems involved, since we have also been club president, treasurer, etc. There are 150 clubs and councils and near 4,000 members in the Washington State Federation. All of the information we receive from you is entered into the database and cross-referenced multiple ways. Entering the information is relatively simple. Verifying the accuracy is not. Typos, mistakes, and response time on verifying questions, are some of the reasons for the time involved. We cannot begin the verification process until we have received ALL of the renewals. Believe us, 90 days is not too long to solve these problems. Also, this information is used to construct the state directory. These folks need time to put this together.

We understand the problems you encounter collecting from your members. We suggest you send us what you have by May 31st. Obviously the people you do not collect from will not be paid up members for the coming year but they can be added as you collect from them. Another alternative to consider would be to adjust your club renewals to coincide with the state renewals. Hence, everyone will be collecting at the same time plus the information for the directory would now be current and not last year's information. Our insurance requires 100% participation of the members. We do not want to risk any problems on insurance claims due to the mistakes or inaccuracies of our membership base. We appreciate your hard work and diligence in helping us to accomplish the above. We know it's not easy.

We've been asked the question "Do kids/teens pay the same state dues and insurance fees as adults?" The answer is "Yes", there is no discount on state dues or insurance fees for anyone. Remember, they are \$6.00 per person now. The reason for the increase is the addition of the 'door to door' coverage to our accident policy.

We would also like to review the procedures for reporting an accident/

incident. To report an accident or incident, you need to fill out the incident report which can be obtained on the state web site under M&I Incident Report (we recommend you print a few of these reports to place in your dance locations so they can be filled out at once while everything is still fresh in everyone's minds). Fill out the information on this report and send it to us, M&I Chair, and we will proceed from there. You will then need to notify us of any out of pocket expenses incurred over and above your personal insurance. Remember, any one can fill out the incident report, but the information on the report must relate to the injured party.

Remember, we're here to serve you. Don't be afraid to call us with any of your concerns or comments.

Take care,

Richard and Barbara

ROUND-A-BOUTS

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1st Tuesday & 3rd Fridays 7:30 - 9:30 PM Phase 2 & 3 Ron Woolcock - Cuer Randy Wulf - Instructor

PI-R SQUARES

May 12th (2nd Saturday):
"Salute to Summer"
Andy Garboden, caller ~ Marge Kost, cuer

Come dance with us!

May 26th (4th Saturday): "Red, White & Blue Tribute" Andy Garboden, caller ~ Marge Kost, cuer

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44th Annual Square Dance & Educational Seminar Circle 8 Ranch, Cle Elum, WA - July 13,14,15, 2012 Information & Registration

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Are You Having Trouble **Understanding the Caller?**

For most people hearing loss happens gradually. People learn to adapt their lives to it as it happens over time. Many people don't even realize when they have lost hearing. They've gotten used to the Huhs?, What was that? and Pardons? as part of their everyday conversation. Hearing loss can be frustrating in normal everyday life. Now compound that frustration with the need to hear and process directions in a timely manner. Difficulty hearing the Caller or Cuer while doing your favorite activity - Square Dancing of course - can really take the fun out of dancing. Some have given up dancing altogether because of difficulty understanding the Caller. A short time ago I noticed a dancer having difficulty and becoming frustrated with their dancing. I knew they were a competent dancer but I observed they just couldn't quite perform the moves in time with the music and keep up with other dancers. It turned out to be a hearing problem. They were trying so hard to make out the calls and watch the other dancers for clues, that they got nervous and were often a step behind. Once they got a bit of help they were back to having fun and dancing with the music. Did they get some operation or take some super pill that allowed them to hear again? No, that's not it. "Oh!" You say, "They must have found some miracle cure on the internet." Nope, but this "helper" is something that's been around for awhile. Many dancers are not even aware of it. What is it you ask? It's called Hearing Enhancement.

Hearing Enhancement works by sending sound over radio frequencies right to your ear. It does this in the very same way a radio station gets its signal to your car radio. The radio station (Transmits) their music or information on a certain frequency and you must tune your radio to that frequency in order to (Receive) the station. Likewise, the Hearing Enhancement (Transmitter) is connected to the audio source (the Caller's amplifier) and it sends this audio (voice, music or both) to the Hearing Enhancement (Receiver) worn by the dancer. Most Hearing Enhancement transmitters can be set to transmit on one of 17 different channels but can only transmit on one channel at a time. The receiver, worn by the dancer, must be set to receive on the same frequency as the transmitter. Nationally,

the Square and Round Dance communities have come together to adopt one frequency (or Channel) that is used at dances. This frequency is 72.90Mhz or Channel 3. While Hearing Enhancement transmitters can be easily changed to different Channels based on the need, this is not the case for most receivers. As receivers go there are single channel and multi-channel models. The single channel receiver allows you to tune to one channel and is meant to be left on this channel. It is possible to "retune" the frequency on these models but it is a time consuming and technical process. The mutil-channel receiver on the other hand, allows the dancer to change channels as needed, often at the press of a button. This type of receiver usually offers all 17 of the possible Hearing Enhancement frequencies so the dancer has the ability to use the receiver no matter where they go. Multi-channel receivers can be especially useful for dancers that travel and for use at large dance festivals where there are multiple halls and multiple Hearing Enhancement transmitters. At most dances the Club, Caller or Cuer setup the Hearing Enhancement transmitter. The only thing the dancer needs is the small receiver. Today's Hearing Enhancement Receivers are very small and can be easily worn by both female and male dancers without getting in the way. The receiver is clipped on belt or skirt and a small earphone is placed on the ear. The earphone right at the ear allows the wearer to hear the Caller's voice clearly without all the background noise getting in the way. By placing the earphone on only one of the ears the dancer is also able to hear the music. There are even adapters and TeleCoil Couplers that allow dancers with hearing aids, to attach the Hearing Enhancement Receiver directly to their hearing aid.

Hearing loss is a sensitive subject for many people. It's not easy to outwardly show others that we have a problem doing something and pride can get in the way. Many would rather go on struggling with the problems associated with hearing loss than do something about it. You don't have to! You can get a little "helper" that will allow you to get back to doing what you love to do. If you have stopped or reduced your dancing due to hearing loss, Hearing Enhancement could be your solution to "Getting Back in the Square". You know Square Dancing is fun, now go find out about Hearing Enhancement. You've been hearing about all the fun others have been having, now it's time for you go hear what you've been missing.

P.S. Oh!...and if you make a mistake in the Square...you know it's the Caller's fault anyway. ;-)

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SPRING into Graduation

I have been teaching Round Dance lessons for over 20 years. In that time I have introduced many people to the enjoyment of Round Dancing. To kick start their new adventure on the Round Dance Train of Fun, I like to begin at the Celebration Station. Helping to share in the joy of accomplishing something significant, Round Dance graduations can help to not only create a sense of community with the dancers, but also to kick start their dancing careers. A celebration dedicated only to Round Dancers reminds everyone that what first seemed impossible is now not only doable, but fun. Let me share with you how I have celebrated Round Dance Graduations in the past.

Each year toward the end of the lessons, we begin our preparations. Students and Angels alike are invited to sign up for an exhibition dance. Choosing their own dances, Roger and I help students practice for their big duo debuts. Some students choose to use pre-existing dances and others choose to write their own steps to their own music. Either way, the students can then choose to have their steps cued or perform from memory. All in all, this is a significant accomplishment for the students and quite an amazing sight to see.

Intermixed in the exhibitions are recognitions for the Angels who have continued to help throughout the year, the handing out of diplomas, and of course . . . food! What celebration would not be complete without a piece of cake and some punch? Roger and I have even been known to take a twirl around the dance floor a time or two to encourage students to keep dancing.

This is just one way to celebrate a graduating Round Dance class. There are many other ways to celebrate this achievement and each club must choose what is best for those in the club, the personalities of those in the graduating class, and of course, the Cuer! What is important to remember is to celebrate and welcome into the fold a new group of dancers into the wonderful world of Round Dancing. All aboard the Celebration Station for a Round of dancing fun and a lifetime of merriment through dance.

Until next month . . . Keep Dancing. Jill

The Round of the Month for May 2012 is

"WE'LL BURN THAT BRIDGE"

CHOREO: Nancy & Dewayne Baldwin MUSIC: Arista 12563

Artist:BROOKS & DUNN

available from Palomino records or various downloads

WE'LL BURN THAT BRIDGE

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- C: 2 FORWARD TWO-STEPS;; OPEN VINE 4 CPWALL; SCISSOR TO SDCAR; SCISSOR TO BJO CHK; FISHTAIL; WALK 2;
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May Question:

Should square dancing be taught in elementary school gym classes?

I only had a few responses to the question this month, but I feel they are all saying the same thing. If square dancing is to be taught in schools, it needs a good makeover! I can't tell you how many times I have heard"I tried it in



school and I didn't like it" as a reason for why youth are uninterested in joining our activity. I remember suffering through the P.E. unit in my own elementary school and wanting continuously to yell at the teacher, "that's not how we do it!"

I don't think the solution to this issue is pulling square dancing out of schools. It is our state dance and an important part of our history that should be taught. But, there is no doubt the curriculum needs to be updated. Unless schools are lucky enough to have a certified square dance caller come in to teach, there needs to be some kind of video instruction/recorded calls created for and aimed at youth, as a means to hopefully create a better first experience with dancing.

Elementary school is the perfect time to attract new dancers. At that age youth are trying out new sports and activities that they will most likely continue to participate in for years to come. If square dancing could be just another sport option, and youth have an enjoyable experience learning a few basics at school, I feel there is definite growth potential for youth clubs.

I have no idea going about making these changes to P.E. curriculum, but if it is as hard as getting nutritional lunches in schools I can foresee a long process! So let's get started!



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BEAUTIFUL BUTTONS

Buttons have a wonderful history. They are badges of rank, family heirlooms, containers for spy's microfilm and tokens of love. Most are mass produced but some are artistic works. King Louis XIV of France had 14 perfectly matched diamond buttons. Think of buttons as attached jewelry.

Upgrading the buttons on a purchased garment will improve the appearance and make it unique. Manufacturers use flat two hole buttons because they can be sewn by machine and are inexpensive. Take your garment to the fabric store and "try on" shank buttons while they are still on the card. Choose buttons that are the same size as the ones on the garment.

The button size on the pattern envelope is very important. Using larger or smaller ones will look uneven due to the amount of overlap from the center line. The overlap is smaller on a delicate blouse with small buttons than on a coat with large buttons. The distance the button is positioned from the fold and the place where the button hole starts is very important. Sewing a line of basting stitches down the center line of the garment will help guide positioning.

On women's garments the first button hole must be located directly between the bust points. This is required to prevent gaping. Adjust the location of the button holes from this point. This does not change the distance from the edge, just the vertical spacing. Measure from the bust point button hole to the top button hole and adjust the spacing from that measurement. Consider grouping the button holes in sets of two or three for a very high end designer look.

With a little practice and a few tips anyone can make perfect button holes. Practice several times to gain confidence. Read the machine instruction manual carefully for the best techniques for your machine. Cut the practice button holes open and slide one of the buttons through it to make sure it is the correct length. Domed buttons will require a longer button hole. To practice button holes you must use the same number and type of layers that will be in the garment. Usually this is two layers of garment fabric and one or two layers of interfacing.

There must be interfacing behind all button holes. Use fusible or sew-in depending on the garment but there must be interfacing. If the interfacing is very light add a second layer. Cut a small oval of interfacing about one inch wide and one inch longer than the button hole. Cutting the oval with pinking shears will soften edges. Position it on the inside of the facing, directly behind the

button hole. Fuse it in place or use a little glue stick to keep it flat. Cut one inch circles of interfacing to place, on the facing, behind the buttons. This will provide more support and keep the button thread from ripping through the fabric. The ultimate touch for buttons is to sew tiny flat buttons behind the fashion button. It doesn't take any more effort because both are sewn on at the same time.

For button holes in fabric that is thick, fuzzy or loopy try adding surface stabilizer. Use wash-away stabilizer for machine embroidery. Cut two inch wide strips and wrap them around the edge of the garment so that they cover both the back and front of the button hole position. Baste them in place. Stitch the button hole, tear off excess and spray with water. The stabilizer tames the surface of the fabric allowing the stitching to work better. Use the widest button hole stitch that your machine makes on this type of fabric.

Before cutting the button hole open run a thin line of Fray Check down the middle of the back side. Allow it to dry completely, for at least an hour. To cut the button hole open use an Exacto Knife and a small block of wood. Slice from one end to the middle, then from the other end to the middle. This will make a clean smooth cut. Never ever try to open a button hole with a seam ripper. That dull old thing will pull and tear its way through. You could end up ripping past the end of the button hole. If white interfacing is showing in the button hole opening on dark fabrics just touch it up with a Permanent Sharpie Marker in the right color.

Go jewelry shopping in the button area of the fabric store. Look at the wonderful selection of sizes colors and shapes. They will inspire you to include buttons in your next dance outfit.

Please consider volunteering for a shift in the sewing area of the 2012 Convention in Spokane. Special talents are not required. Passing out kits and helping with craft sessions is one of the jobs. Issuing handouts and helping seminar presenters is another. National Squares Magazine and the 61stnsdc web site have more information www.SquareDanceSewing.com has more information about the sewing area.

Prairie Steppers

2nd Saturday, 7:30 - 8 Workshop 8 - 10:30 PM -Mainstream w/ Plus Tips September thru April, Oakview Grange, 2715. N. Pearl, Centralia, WA. Don Wood, Caller - Lonnie Sycks, Cuer CHICKEN DANCE SECOND WEEKEND IN MAY



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Caller: Butch Suttey Cuer: Lorrayne Kennedy

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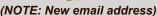
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BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL

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COLUMBIA RIVER SQUARES have Dan Preedy calling and Lorna Hayden cueing on May 12th. Dan is one of the best callers in the area; we look forward to a great dance. We usually have a dance on the 4th Saturday of the month; however, we are dark May 26 in favor of Memorial Day weekend.

Be sure to reserve June 23rd, the Saturday before the 61st National Square Dance Convention. We have Ken Ritucci calling and Bill Holm cueing on that date. Ken is on his way to the 61st NSDC in Spokane and is stopping off to call a dance for us. Hooray!

We graduated our new class and are excited to have them in our club. Please begin thinking about some students for our class in September. It would be nice to have a full square of new dancers.

Our 20 year anniversary dance is coming up, hope everybody will attend and congratulate each other for such a wonderful club and a great place to dance, the Richland Community Center.

God Bless all of you,

Willis Rappe brappe@gmail.com

WOW! BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL is excited! Be on the lookout for the colorful T-shirts promoting the 2013 Washington State Square Dance Festival; "Weekend in Wine Country". Ways and Means will soon be traveling around the state selling their wares. Jerry Junck is the feature caller, Ron and Mary Noble the featured round dance cuers, Janice Jestin will be leading the cloggers. I heard a rumor that Jim Hattrick would be calling a "Trails in Dance" ... it all sounds good to me!

Meanwhile committees are finalizing all of the duties for the 61st National Square Dance Convention®. Are you registered? There is still time.

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The Milton Freewater MUDDY FROGS Square Dance Club will have mainstream workshops for the new dancers on Sunday May 6th. (Doubt we'll dance on the on the 13thas we need to honor our Mothers on that day.) Frogs hope the workshops will encourage the new dancers to make the trip to Spokane for the National convention. The group has a good time together. Their youngest member, Gabe, is a good line and square dancer. He is learning a few singing calls to entertain the group with.

The third weekend in May, Frogs are Hosting the Oregon State Federation meeting at the Milton Freewater Community Center with a dinner (6 PM) and dance (8 PM) on Saturday the 19th. Bill and Neva Reid will call & cue the dance. The Oregon Federation will hold their meeting the morning of May 20th 9 AM to noon.

See you on the dance floor,

Margaret M2p2w2@yahoo.com

The **MELODY MIXERS** will not be dancing during the month of May. Karen and I will be gone all month back to Colorado. We will be back in Tri-Cities by May 31st and will start dancing again on June 5th.

Bill & Karen Holm bkholm@charter.net

TRI-CITIES CIRCULATORS are continuing to do 1st Thursday of each month as a party night: the rest of the Thursday nights are workshops.

Thelma Swanson paintedswan@frontier.com

Come help us celebrate the **PRAIRIE SHUFFLERS** 57th birthday on May 19th when Kevin Thomaier will call and Tina Allaway will cue. Fifty-seven years! That's a long time and we are grateful for all the people who have supported us over these many years. Even though that will be a special dance, we have another great caller-cuer combo in Doug Davis and Lorna Hayden for May 5th. We have been so fortunate to have such good callers and cuers at the Shanty. We have also been lucky to have so many long-time Shufflers. Although they don't dance anymore, Carl and Marge Lorenzen were here right from the beginning. Now they are honorary members. Other long-time dancers, some of whom don't dance, but still support the club, are Bob Bush; Urban and Jonnie Jenquin; Jim and Marlene Sloot; and Jim and Ginger Vetrano. Thank you all, new and old dancers

Ginger Vetrano jbvetrano@frontier.com

FAMILY a-FAIR Square & Round Dancers wish you all a Happy Spring. Because we were "dark" the entire month of April, there was not a lot of dancing at our hall. Several of our dancers went to the special dance weekend in Pendleton with Deborah-Carroll Jones calling. Also, several of our members went to Baker City, Oregon to celebrate their "Spring Fling" What a great time was had by all who went to both dances/weekends.Our busy summer starts in May. Dancing at the Walla Walla Hot Air Balloon Stampede will be a lot of fun. We hope several dancers from the Muddy Frogs and other clubs in the Tri Cities will join us. Contact Carolyn Fesler 509-520-9057 or Glenda Beach 509-526-4368 if you would like more information. We will be doing several other demos during the summer—dancing at the Fort Walla Walla Museum during the Fort Walla Walla Days and also the Ice Cream Social at the Museum. There is always dancing at the Walla Walla Fair in late August. Hope to see you in a square.

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CENTRAL AREA COUNCIL, welcomes all State Federation officers, committee's, and delegates and of course all our dancers to the Spring State meeting in Moxee, Wa. We will have beautiful spring weekend and we are all looking forward to meeting up with all our new and old friends alike. I would like to wish HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! To all the mothers young and old out there, spend it with the ones you love and keep them close.

We look forward to the biggest party Washington state has ever hosted the 61st National Convention in Spokane in June we have all been working hard, and look forward to meeting lots of new friends and reacquainting with old friends, this will be the best show of the summer. We look forward to seeing each and every one of you throughout the upcoming summer. CAC new officers for 2012-2013 will be President: Kay Mahan, Vice President Russ Kruse, Secretary: Carel Edgerly, Treasurer: Peggy Rusho. Thank you to all new and former officers we do appreciate all your hard work.

CAC President, Margaret Kiser gramakiser@yahoo.com

WOW! What great dances the **GATESWINGERS** had thanks to our new graduates, our many guests and our members. The dancers were spirited, enthusiastic and shared their laughter with anyone close by. First there were the Irish songs that are music to our ears like, 'Danny Boy' and 'When Irish Eyes are Smiling'. Our caller, Orvin Logan and cuer Jim Dobbs did Elvis proud for our 50's Dance.

Get out your calendar and Mark these dates for a fantastic extended weekend at Circle 8 (Program 11) with the Yakima, Wenatchee and Cowlitz Valley clubs. Dates are Aug 9th – 12th or Aug 10th --12th. In addition to the regular dancing and events there are two Round Dance Workshops led by Susan Healea and Jim Spence. Add to this a Mainstream Workshop and Plus Dance led by Orvin Logan and Tom Clymer. (Call Russ Kruse for questions at 509-966-4547)

May is a busy month. The Central Area Council is hosting the State Meeting and Dance May 11th and 12th. (Friday hosted by the Blue Agates) (Saturday hosted by the Gateswingers) The Phase II Round Dance is May 18th. On May 25th – 28th is the Annual Memorial Day Plus Weekend with Daryl Clendenin (Caller) and Debbie Taylor (Cuer). RV Parking is available. (Call Hamilton's for details at 509-966-4356.)

Jan Logan ojlogan@charter.net

BLUE AGATES, will hold their regular dance Friday May11th, in Moxee at the Square and Round dance hall in Yakima with pre-rounds at 7:30 pm, dancing from 8-10 pm. The Blue agates are hosting the Friday night dance at the Spring State Meeting. Our club will go dark over Memorial Day weekend, no regular dance on May 26th. Our winter class has finished lessons in April and will graduate soon. We have been caravanning to other clubs this spring Wenatchee, Yakima, Kent as well as attending special dances with National Callers.



Photo by Claire Lucke

THANK YOU to all of those who attended our Anniversary Dance, a great time was had by all who attended. It was a huge success, again thank you. Officers for 2012-2013 will be: President: Mike Edgerly, V-President: Dale Rusho, Secretary: Sally Gililand, Treasurer: Sally Noble. Contact Mike and Carel Edgerly about

caravans to our dances at (509)674-5774 or (509)961-1409 to set these up. Sally Gililand, sallygililand@wildblue.net

SILOUETTE DANCERS, have been enjoying the spring like weather. Thursday nights are full of exercising with all our dancing. Lessons are going really well. The students are having lots of fun and having advanced enough to dance a few dances with the club. It is neat and fun to see their progress. Regular dancing is from 8:30-9:30 pm, the third Thursday is always phase 2. Debbie always comes up with dances to keep us on our toes. Jim and Vonnie Spence were our cuers for the Sashay Around in April. We always have a great time seeing our friends. That is why we always look forward to spring. The Trail In dance to the Plus weekend is coming soon, May 24-25, with Debbie Taylor cueing. We are all looking forward to seeing many friends again. Wishing you a wonderful spring and Happy Memorial Day Holiday.

Dorothy Crosslin, dotif@live.com

LOWER VALLEY SQUARE DANCERS, had a wonderful Anniversary Dance. We would like to THANK everyone who attended. We will be dancing in May with Carl Edwards calling, and Lorna Hayden cueing, on May 4th, and May 19th, Then in June we will have our last dance on June 1st. This will be Lower Valleys last dance, due to small crowds and older members not able to dance any more they will be forced to make decisions on the future of their club. Check Footnotes next month for a special collage of pictures.

Peggy Zeebyth

Donna & Tom Rohde **Area Reporter** 253-833-2825 donnalou13@comcast.net www.cpsc-squaredance.org



We're back! The BUCKSKIN KIDS are now 8 kids strong. We are gearing up and getting ready to promote our activity to our target audience which are ages 6-13. One idea we had was to dress up in our Easter square dance attire and raid an Easter egg hunt. We are planning on doing many parades, festivals and events that are geared more for families.

The Buckskin Kids attended the CPS Council Dance on March 31st and had a super time. We planned an impromptu caravan and dressed in our red/ white/blue square dance attire. We would like to thank everyone who made us feel welcome and were so patient with our preteens. We will see you at the Fall Council Dance in November.

We are looking forward to our first year at the PNTSDF. Hope to see you there. Look for our teens and preteens selling badges. Look for us to shake things up super fantastic. Yellow rock from the Buckskin Kids.

The BUCKSKIN KIDS are getting ready to attend competition with weekly practices. For the first time in seven years, we will have a square, a preteen novice square, to enterinto the Pacific Northwest Teen Square Dance Festival. We hope to see you there at Hazen High School on May 4th and 5th to cheer us on.

Michelle Thompson Leslie Young

The MAVERICKS are busy, busy, busy practicing for the upcoming Pacific Northwest Teen Square Dance Festival. We will have two squares this year, an intermediate and senior square, many round dance couples, cuers and callers. We are also joining with the Buckskin Kids to enter a teen exhibition. Nominations for next year's officers are in and voting will be next month in April.

We have secured a hall for our annual fundraising marathon dance, so mark your calendars for Saturday, September 29th at Meridian Grange. We hope to see you on the dance floor somewhere. Happy Spring!

Michelle Thompson

BOOTS & LACES had a larger than usual dance on March 16th when many teenagers joined us for an evening of fun. Caller Don Wood did a nice job working with all of us on some of the moves as preparation toward Teen Festival. Thanks to all the youth and parents who came out to bring more activity to our dance. It was great and you are welcome to come back and dance with us again.

Members traveled to the Solo Squares and the Roamin' Tacomans in

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SUNDAY

SOLO SQUARES

1st & 3rd (Mainstream)
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Cliff Nichols / Linda Nold
206-525-2189
www.solosquares.wordpress.com

TUESDAY

TIMBERLANE CLOGGERS

Weekly (Beginner/easy/intermediate) Edgewood Grange Sher Francis 253-761-2232

FRIDAY

BOOTS & LACES

1st & 3rd (Mainstream) Meridian Grange, Kent Don Wood / Debbie Taylor 425-255-5894 / 253-630-0586 www.bootsandlaces.org

KT's

3rd (Plus) Cedar Grange, Maple Valley Kevin Thomaier 425-266-0311

PHILS & PHILIES

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

SATURDAY

JET STEPPERS

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

WAGON WHEEL SQUARES

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

SATURDAY

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PI-R SQUARES

2nd & 4th (Mainstream) Meridian Grange in Kent Andy Garboden / Marge Kost 253-569-0393 www.pi-r-squares.org

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BUCKSKIN KIDS

Mon lesson / Wed dance at 6:30pm Dimmit Middle School in Renton Stephanie Speelman 206-772-4255 www.huckskinsandmayericks.com

MAVERICKS

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JACKS & JILLS

Sunday Meridian Grange in Kent Rod Alex 206-718-2055 www.jjweb.net

CALLER / CUER

Northwest Round Dance Teachers Assn 206-364-4173 Puget Sound Teachers & Callers Assn 253-630-1114



Updated 4/11 March. We enjoyed dancing with you. We had a good turnout for the CPS Council Dance on March 31st with Kevin Thomaier, Mike DeSisto and Stephanie Speelman entertaining us. The dance was well-attended. In April, we will be visiting the Swing Nuts.

We had three dancers from the class join our club and a former member has also rejoined us. Welcome to the Boots & Laces – Alice Hayden, Sue Wood, Bob Travis and Dennis Castagno.

If you are in our neighborhood and looking for a place to dance, please join us. We dance at the Meridian Grange at 25422 Kent-Kangley Rd (Kent-Kangley is the same street as SE 272nd) in Kent, WA. Check our website at www. bootsandlaces.org for more information.

Jan Emerson, emersonbobjan2@hotmail.com

The **JET STEPPERS** are looking forward to their Anniversary Dance which will be held on Saturday, May 19th. The dance titled "Bling Fling" will be held at the Cedar Grange in Maple Valley starting with a Workshop at 7:30 pm and ending at 10:30 pm. We also would like to welcome you to a dance on May 5th entitled "Gypsy Dance". Wear your best gypsy outfit or not and come dance with us. The club is also anticipating a "Mystery Caravan" on May 12th where the club takes an excursion to another club dance, stopping at fun places on the way. Join us if you can!

Marilyn Hobbs-Gibson, mhg111@juno.com

The **PI-R-SQUARES** survived the very wet spring weather and a little bit of sunshine is appreciated. Our classes are still going well. We graduate the second set of students in early April and the last set will graduate the latter part of May. They are a fun group and should add a lot to our dances and the fun Andy has in calling.

In early March we had a good time caravanning to the Jet Steppers at Cedar Grange in Maple Valley. Nice floor and fun people to dance with! Our 62nd Anniversary dance in March was a fun evening. Andy and Marge called and cued and we had 6 squares in attendance with a "Rags to Riches" theme. There seem to be more "Riches" than "Rags!" The Rags were really quality Rags and some of the Riches were real classy. Glad Pieta was not there to see the fur shawls.

In May, we have two dances with Andy and Marge that will be nice as the weather is getting better. It seems that the dance year is fast coming to an end, but we always look forward to summer. Come and dance with us any 2nd or 4th Saturday from September to May at the Meridian Grange in Kent.

Terry & Marilyn Quinnett, mvjunkdealer@juno.com

WAGON WHEELS graduated 12 students on March 13th and everyone enjoyed a delightful evening with a wonderful graduation ceremony, fun games and two delicious cakes – your choice of white or chocolate! Among the games was blindfolding the students and having them dance with a brown paper grocery bag on one foot; tying pantyhose around their waists with tennis balls

stuck in the foot of the pantyhose and trying to dance with the tennis balls swinging around; and everyone trying to dance with a balloon held between their knees. It was a wonderful evening of fun and laughter!

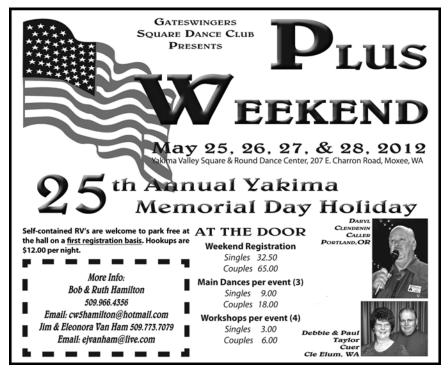
Another highlight of the evening was attending the Student's Graduation on my March 13th birthday. Wayne Easton had me stand in the center of the room with about 30 men forming a circle around me. He had the men hold hands, circle left, and sing Happy Birthday to me several times. The "icing on the cake" was getting a big "Yellow Rock" from each of the men as a finale!

Our club caravanned to the Phils & Phillies annual "Black Light Dance" on March 23rd. If you have never gone to a Black Light Dance, you are missing out on a great event! Most dancers wore outfits with the color "white" as well as wearing fluorescent pink and green so it stood out on the dance floor. The club handed out white gloves that dancers could wear to help "highlight" their dancing.

Eight of our students as well as many Wagon Wheel members attended the CPSC Council Dance at the Burien Community Center on March 31st dancing to Kevin Thomaier, Mike DeSisto and Stephanie Speelman. The highlight of the evening was Lewis & Madalyn Cato receiving the "Jack Willison" Award!

Our club is looking forward to our Mystery Caravan on April 28th as well as the Teen Competition being held at Hazen High School in Renton on May 4th and 5th!

Donna Rohde, donnalou13@comcast.net



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May will be a busy and exciting month for many of the EVERGREEN **COUNCIL** board members. Given that we are a small council, a large number of our Evergreen Council board members are working diligently to make the 2012 National Convention the best one ever.

For them, May and June will be a time of wrapping things up and getting ready for this terrific convention taking place in Spokane, Washington, June 27th to 30th. Given the talent, time, and energy our members, as well as chairpersons and committee members throughout the state have contributed to this convention, it is bound to be an unforgettable experience.

It would be sad to miss an event this great that is happening so close to home. So, if you haven't registered, do it today—there is still time! We are looking forward to seeing a lot of Washington dancers in Spokane.

Jean Tolstrup

BUZZIN' BEES square dance class did well this year. Round dance (waltz) class finished in March. The theme for the May 19th dance is "Red, White & Blue". Visitations will continue through the summer.

Ann Heikkinen

The **HAPPY HOPPERS** have really had their dancing shoes on lately! In March we had a great visitation to the Silver Stars where we enjoyed Chuck Garner's calling and Dorothy Lowder's cueing. In April we will be going to the Jeans and Calico in Goldendale and the Hoedowners in Hillsboro. We will finish the year with a visitation to Squaws and Paws in Aurora in May. In addition we have a number of enthusiastic club members who have been out dancing with clubs in our local area.

In March we added 41 new students to our current class roster for the final



session of lessons. They have been a delight! So enthusiastic, and so much fun! The hall has really rocked with up to ten squares of students and angels on the



floor during the basic session. The club also spent the month of March collecting food for a local food bank. This year we invited our students to participate in the food drive. It seemed to make them feel a part of the club.

Finally, May 5th is our 53rd anniversary dance, Cinco de Mayo. You definitely won't want to miss this event!

Jean Tolstrup

The **JEANS AND CALICO** are all saddened by the loss of one of our club members, Dan Ellis, on March 17, 2012. Dan went to that "big square dance in the sky" peacefully in his sleep. We will miss his humor and his at script writing, which he used to make us many banners for our dances. Our best wishes to his family. We also lost Tony Haskins on March 16, 2012. Tony was on the 61st NSDC® publicity committee acting as Vice Chair for local publicity. He was also on many other committees in Oregon. Tony will be greatly missed.

By the time you get this, the Jeans and Calico's April 14th dance will be history. If you missed it, you missed the best dance in the Gorge this spring!

There still some great spots open if you are not yet registered for the 61st NSDC, so let's get behind Washington State for this event! See you in a square somewhere!

Mikie McBride, the Prez

Spring has sprung. We have had some, hopefully more than a few, sunny days. In April the SILVER STARS celebrated our 32nd Anniversary. Thanks to all who attended to help us. We have been to Hawaii and back and can't wait to go again. May brings us our "May Flowers" dance, where we will be celebrating the season of flowers. Come join the hoopla. There are many members of the Silver Stars working on and finishing up plans for 2012 National Convention in Spokane. If you haven't registered yet, please consider joining us for 4 great days of fun and dancing.

We will be welcoming our newly elected officers during our May dance and installation. Thanks to all who have agreed to be an officer. We have formed a committee and are in the midst of planning our Mystery Trip. Where are we going? It's a mystery. s Until we see you again--Happy Dancing and Happy Spring.

Teresa Hill



Leslie Keyes

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Lighen up or die.." say the doctors at University of Maryland. People who fail to laugh every day at our vexations and blunders are susceptible to heart disease. You can laugh at a HAPPY HOPPER square dance anytime. Bad news is the IRS will not let you deduct the fees as a health expense.

Hoppers have some great opportunities for your heart health when Dave Knien calls our May 7 dance for this guy knows how to challenge the best of us. Then on May 21st the Hoppers celebrate their 54th Anniversary with Gaylen Sauve, a guy who grew up in square dancing, Gaylen s almost as old as the Hoppers... These callers and dancers have generated a half century of laugher and exercise for us. It seems to show a new dawn for square/round dance. Come on out and be a part of our "dancing with our stars.

When did you last have crepes for breakfast filled with cream cheese and raspberry jelly?

Enough for 4 -- 1 ½ cups of milk, 4 eggs, 1 cup of all purpose flour, 1 ½ teaspoons sugar and a dash of salt blend and sauté in butter... Now aren't you glad you read FOOTNOTES?

Hoppers would like to introduce you to our newest Hoppers of the Year, James and Leslie Ewing. You may recognize them from their contributions to our caravans and dance themes and their talents in dressing for the occasions. Come to our dance and you cannot miss them.

Jean Raymond, frjr@msn.com

The FIDALGO FOGCUTTERS Plus Club has had an especially successful caravan year with members numbering from 20 to 34 counted at our last four caravans out to the more local clubs in Mt. Baker Council. Caravan Chairman Sue and Gregg Walker have coordinated all of the caravan information to their Calling Committee and through emails to the club from their snowbird home [RV] in Arizona. We welcomed them home mid-April to finish off their year organizing caravan adventures for our club.

In May the Fogcutters host the local Mt. Baker Council youth clubs and support their efforts at competition by serving a Potato Dinner for our Good Times Dance the third Friday in May. We offer all youth free dinner and free admission, and ask that they prepare a short exhibition program to entertain the adult dancers. The Potato Dinner is served to all dancers by donation, and all proceeds are divided to support those youth clubs. Several of those youth will be on the stage to call and cue and otherwise strut their stuff! Our club members always enjoy the excellence our youth portray showing us the dances they

performed earlier in the month at competition, and they proudly claim many awards each year – the dancers of the future.

Gailyn Ploeg, ploegrj@msn.com

The **SKY VALLEY WHIRLWINDS** Hawaiian theme dance was an extremely fun time with people sharing their memories of trips to Hawaii – and everyone really getting into the dress code for the dance. We find that people love to wear casual breezy shirts, skirts and lays. They make you feel as though you are on the beaches of white sand enjoying the rays of sunshine.

Our decorating committee once again went all out to make it a festive theme (minus the truck loads of sand). John and Wendy Syrstad made it a great evening of dancing fun with their duets in calling. John Neverdowski cueing to the crowd made it so enjoyable on the dance floor too.

What a terrific time we had with John Neverdowski and Steve Noseck cueing and calling for our club's PLUS dance the end of March. Those two really know how to make a dance hall rock and swing to the beat. It was a memorable evening for those who attended.

This time of the year, we only have one more dance to look forward to and that is our May dance. This is our only Saturday dance – due to other commitments for the hall. So, on the 12th we will have our Anniversary Dance with a 50's theme. And, of course, none other than our council's own Scott Coon...who really gives us a 'thrill' with his Elvis impersonation. Anyone who hasn't been treated to this 'event' do come join us for a truly fantastic evening of great dancing, laughter and friendships. We're a club that enjoys dressing up with the theme...so come join us.

And an update on the Alzheimer's 5th Annual Fund Raising dance from the generous square dance community is \$6,700.00. The website is still generating money towards research. Thank you to all who contributed.

One of our new members asked about the origin of square and round dancing. So, in reviewing information to share with them, we found a long dissertation – but then picked out the following paragraph for those that would enjoy reading a simplified version.

Square dancing began its transition from the traditional, visiting couple type of dancing into all-four-couple-working kind of dancing in the 1950's. Callers discovered that they could move everyone at the same time and create more interest. Then Square Thru (which had been danced in contras for hundreds of years) was "invented" and introduced in 1955, and other movements followed quickly. Soon we had 16 basics, and then 20, and then 32, and then -- you know the rest of the story. Similarly, people began to write more couple dances, and the round dance picture changed. At first, the dancers memorized the dances and only an occasional cue was necessary. Then dances became more numerous and complex, new rhythms and terms were added, and a cuer became a must for many dancers who had neither the time nor the interest to memorize large quantities of material.

Linda Foster/Lee Clark, ssywhirlwinds@aol.com

Although no leprechauns showed up, **SAMENAS** had a delightful time at their Pot of Gold dance with Roger and Jill Spiese as our caller and cuer. Dancers attired in green attended....with a sprinkling of blue-clad dancers here and there. Our second dance of the month was our Bunny Hop dance with Kenny Freeman and John Neverdowski. Those two always make a good combination, although I missed their wearing matching shirts this time! Kenny led us in doing the Bunny Hop. We were off to a rocky start when he put on the music to the "Hokey Pokey" instead, but things were quickly turned around and we hopped across the dance floor. Our kitchen crew decorated the tables with bunnies (fake) and carrots (real). By the end of the evening, a number of the decorations had been eaten

Our club had a "Guess Who is Coming to Dinner" evening in March. Several Samenas volunteered to host a dinner and others paid to go out to dinner at their houses. The guests gathered together at Juanita Community Club where they were given directions to their evening dinner. No one knew who was going to end up at whose house. A fun evening of eating and talking was had by all -- two things that Samenas do particularly well. It was a new fundraiser for the club and I'm sure we'll discuss whether it is going to be a yearly event for the club.

May 11th will be our 48th anniversary dance with John and Wendy Syrstad. Our Paint the Town Red, White, and Blue dance will be on May 25th with Susan Morris and Karen Neverdowski. As usual, we'd love to have you attend! We're over here in little old Juanita. If you ever want to see what we're up to, check out www.Samenasquares.org. Jim Hunt, one of our members, keeps our page up-to-date. Barbara Hubert, hubertones@hotmail.com

Spring has definitely sprung and it is so-o-o-o-o nice to feel some warm sun on our cheeks again! It turned out that April was another good month for **WOODINVILLE SQUARE CROWS** in terms of attendance with caller Gary Monday calling our first Friday dance of the month with Karen Neverdowski cueing, followed by the ever-popular Craig Abercrombie calling and cueing for our 2nd April dance. Our students are continuing on right up until the end of May with a graduation level dance the first Tuesday in June that is open to all-comers. Unlike last year, our club will take a break from student classes over the summer and start up again on Tuesday, September 11th at 7:30 p.m. for our next series of 16-week lessons.

Cooperation between clubs is in the air with several of our clubs here in the south end of the Council area going in together for a tri-club New Years Eve dance at the end of the year. Also, we are looking at doing a shared student program this year in cooperation with nearby clubs to help facilitate efficiency and costs. We are still in the early planning stages so stay tuned!

The Square Crows dance all summer, folks, so mark your calendars to come visit us on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month. Check out the callers and cuers on our website at: www.squarecrows.org. Have a happy springtime everyone! Paul Quistgard, paulquistgard@aol.com

The last two dances of **DUDES & DOLLS** 61st year of square dancing are here. My, how time flies when you're having fun.

Our Cinco de Mayo Dance is the first dance for us in May at the Cedar Valley Grange on the second Friday, May 11. Bring lukewarm tamales and/or a cold partner, because the calling by Scott Coon, and the cueing by Debbie Taylor will keep both the tamales and the partners Hot, Hot, Hot. Dress up in your favorite 'South of the Border' Fiesta duds, and celebrate the night of dancing.

Dave Harry and the Whirlybirds in Lynnwood, and the Hayloft, will be caravanned to on May 19. That is always a fun time, and a great dance crowd.

Then, to calm and quiet down the rowdiness caused by 'Fiesta' and Dave, we plan our "Save the Last Dance for Me" on Friday, May 24. It will be the pie dance, when everyone brings a pie of their choice. It is my favorite, as I can sample all the special pies, just like mother used to make. Every once in a while, someone gets a piece of pie made by Costco and smacks their lips, and utters the cry of the next generation: "Mmmmmm, this pie is soooo good. It is just like mother used to buy!" Scott, in his usual classy manner, will call the dances and an unknown cuer will show up to give instructions to the rounders.

This is the end of the dance schedule at Cedar Valley Grange for Dudes & Dolls until September 2012, the start of our 62nd year.

Lessons start in September, so do some awesome recruiting through the summer.

A wonderful year, and a great time was had by all, and to all a Good Night.

Warren B Funnell / WarnFnel@msn.com

FREEWHEELERS first Sunday in April dance was our "April Fool's Dance" with guest caller Stephen Cole and our cuer Debbie Taylor. We caravanned to the Mt. Baker Singles "Tulip Promenade" and enjoyed dancing with our caller Roger Spiese and his lovely wife Jill who did the cueing. We also visited the Jet Steppers in Maple Valley later in the month. We had an "April Showers" dance on April 15th featuring Debbie & Paul Taylor cueing and Roger Spiese calling. Remember the 3rd tip at each of our dances is "Lady's Choice". The 2nd tip after our refreshment break is a plus tip. We enjoyed a special 5th Sunday dance with national caller, Ken Bower. He contacted us because he was traveling through our area and was willing to call for us.

Kevin Thomaier will call our "Maypole Dance" on May 6th. May 20th will be the "May Flowers" dance with Roger Spiese and Debbie Taylor. We are about to head into the summer season when many clubs don't have regular dances. Remember the FREEWHEELERS dance throughout the summer months with the exception of July 1st (4th of July weekend) and Sept. 2nd (Labor Day weekend). Yellow Rocks!

Ruth Jester, ruthjester@frontier.com

WHIDBEY WHIRLERS will have cheesecake and pie at our 50th Anniversary Dance May 12 with John Corrigan calling and Bob and Linda Berka cueing. John will have a mainstream workshop starting at 7:30 p.m. with

squares and rounds 8:00-10:00 p.m. Please join our club to help us celebrate 50 wonderful years and enjoy the delicious refreshments as well as dancing to our great caller and cuers at the Coupeville Rec Hall!

Our Fiesta Potluck Dance will be held May 26 at Leaps and Bounds Dance Center, 645 Industrial Avenue in Oak Harbor (off Goldie Road). Please bring all dishes ready to serve as there are no kitchen facilities. Be there at 6:00 p.m. with your dish so we can be set up and ready to eat by 6:30 p.m. Rounds start at 7:30 p.m. and squares will be from 8:00-10:00 p.m. This will be our last dance until September, but we'll be doing travel-outs during the summer so we'll see you in a square!

Harley & Mary Sittner, hmsittner@frontier.com

ALOHA! What a great Hawaiian Luau Dance we have planned for you on May 12th with Brent Mawdsley calling & cueing. RAINBOW SQUARES members Jean & Pete Hauck and Joan & Alan Yoder will oversee preparing an authentic yummy Luau dinner at 6:30 PM. Jean & Pete lived in Hawaii and Joan does catering, so they have some GREAT recipes! Tickets are \$15 per person for the dinner & dance, or \$6 per person if you do not wish to attend the dinner. Dinner tickets are limited so buy yours early!

The Hawaiian Luau is our last club dance of the 2011-2012 regular dance season, but many of our members will be attending and volunteering at the National Convention in June, and attending Leadership Seminar at Circle 8, the Skagit Valley Hoedown, and Penticton in BC, this summer. So many wonderful dances and so little time!!

Lew & Oren Gaskill, olgaskill@comcast.net

BLUE AGATE SQUARES

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



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CHECKERBOARD SQUARES

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

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Rounds, 1st & 3rd Sat 7:00-9:30 pm @ Lake City Community Center, Seattle ~ Debbie & Paul Taylor (425) 478-5128

DUDES AND DOLLS

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

FERN BLUFF SQUARES

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

FIDALGO FOGCUTTERS

PL, 1st & 3st Fri 7:30-10:30 pm @ Skagit Valley Grange, Sedro-Woolley ~ John Corrigan - 1st Fri,

Guest Caller - 3rd Fri/Bob Berka (360) 707-2466

FREEWHEELERS

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

HAPPY HOPPERS

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

HAPPY ROUNDERS

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

K-9 CORPS

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

MT. BAKER SINGLES

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

MT BAKER TEACHERS/CALLERS/CUERS

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RAINBOW SQUARES

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

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

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MS, Teens, Wed 6:30-9 pm @ Cedar Valley Grange, Lynnwood ~ Randy & Marie Preskitt ~ (425) 348-6030

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

SKY VALLEY WHIRLWINDS

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

STANWOOD SASHAYERS

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

WHIDBEY WHIRLERS

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

WHIRLYBIRDS

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

WOODINVILLE SQUARE CROWS

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

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Doug and Pat Coleman receive the 2012 Ila Williams Memorial Award

This couple goes back so many years that they did not keep records when they started square dancing, therefore we do not have their starting date. This couple has given generously of their time to help promote square dancing in many ways. Too many accomplishments to mention in our short time allowed. We would be here all night and then some if we listed them all.

To name a few this couple has done a lot in helping angel, and teaching for rounds and squares with the openness, the friendliness and the positive attitude that we all enjoy so much about round and square dancing. They have been involved with many demonstration dances at the Evergreen State Fair.



Does anyone know who our pick for this award

is at this time? It is very hard to try and keep people from knowing who our candidate is without giving it away, because they have done so much and have been so involved all of their square dance life. Their dedication is outstanding. Our couple really is a TV star after calling for a group on King TV. They are still active with the Mount Baker Council, big supporters of the "Newbie's Dance", and are still involved with the Mount Baker Teachers and Callers, and Caller Lab.

This couple started calling in 1960 and called for one club through 1999. They are recipients of the Parker Award in 1999, started a teen square dance club

the Jumping Joeys, and are still calling for a group called the Senior Swingers Club on Friday afternoons. They also have attended and participated in the Penticton Festival in Canada for nearly all of their calling years.

One phrase presented while this person is calling is, "I'm Freezing - -I'M Freezing", which alerts the dancers that they may hug their corners. And another



phrase is, that I have seen better wiggles on a dead angle worm.

Yes folks at this time we would like to call forward, Doug and Pat Coleman to receive this year's, 2012 Ila Williams Memorial Award. Congratulations Doug and Pat! Contributed by Jim and Polly Burnside • Photos by Lee Barnhart



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The APPLELAND PROMENADER members have enjoyed seeing friends and dancing with other clubs around the region as we've traveled this spring. Now, our thoughts are moving forward to the 37th annual Apple Blossom weekend we'll host on May 4th, 5th, and 6th in nearby Cashmere. Renowned caller Ken Bower will be calling this Plus format dance and area favorites Debbie and Paul Taylor will be doing the cueing. There's still time to register and join other Plus dancers for a weekend of fun. The pre-rounds start Friday at 7 pm so don't be late! A special treat following Friday night's dance is the homemade apple pie dessert buffet. Yum! So make plans, bring friends, and join us in Cashmere for some great dancing to celebrate the sunshine and spring blossoms. Kay White kwhite@nwi.net

BUDS & BLOSSOMS are moving to the East Wenatchee Grange. In Wenatchee

Buds & Blossoms will host the Council dance Friday, May 25, at East Wenatchee Grange Hall. Caller for this dance will be Chuck Garner and the cuer is Julie Stires. This will be our last Friday night dance of the season, so you want to be sure to be there.

Other Friday dances for Buds & Blossoms in May will be on the 11th and 18th with our caller Sterling McKenzie and cuer Fran Lucas.

No lesson / workshop for Tuesday May 22 as the Grange will be in use, but for all other Tuesdays in May are scheduled for dancing, this is a good opportunity to help new dancers and improve your own skill.

Don Richardson ventusnord@aol.com

CASCADE TWIRLERS helped 4x8s celebrate there anniversary dance and had a very good time. We also attended Buds & Blossoms dance with Wade Driver and Wheatland Whirlers dances on the 10th of March and on the 24th with Ray & Cindy Gallager. Our anniversary dance on March 17th was a huge success. Thank you to all who helped us celebrate and make this a special dance.

Our May 5th dance is cancelled because of Apple Blossom. May 19th is our annual Ice Cream Social and our last dance until next fall. We are looking forward to Nationals in Spokane and Leadership in July at Circle 8.see you in a square

Noelle Miller noellemcues@charter.net

WHEATLAND WHIRLERS helped 4x8s and Cascade Twirlers celebrate

there anniversaries. We had a good time at both. Our March 10th dance was a celebration of Bob Yearout as our club caller & teacher as he has retired from calling so he and Marty can do some traveling. Thank you Bob for all you have done for our club. March 24th Ray & Cindy Gallager called & cued for us. They always do a very good dance.

May 12th we will be having Adam Chrisman calling and his mother, Lorrie cueing. May 25 we are attending the Council Dance hosted by the Buds &Blossoms at East Wenatchee Grange so our May 26th dance we will be cancelling. Happy dancing to all

Noelle Miller noellemcues@charter.net

4x8's Thank everyone that attended our 60th Anniversary Dance. It was a lot of fun and there was enough dancers for 15 squares. Also, our thanks to the caller Dan Preddy and Jim Spence cuer, who always do a fantastic job. The 4 x 8's went dark on March 17th so we could attend the Cascade Twirlers Anniversary dance. March 24th a number of our club members caravanned to the Columbia River Squares. It was a very enjoyable evening.

If you haven't already registered for the National Convention, do so soon. Time is running out and we want to have a large turnout for this great event.

Mabel Hawkes hawkesm@q.com

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Buds & Blossoms-Mixed Level

2nd/3rd/4th Fri. Beacon Hill Grange, 323 Easy St., Wenatchee Contact: Sterling McKenzie, (509) 782-2770 or marymck@charter.net

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

Ist & 3rd Sat. Moses Lake Senior Center, 608 E. 3rd Ave., Moses Lake Contact: Dave & Sharon Boggs, (509) 787-4099 or grizzlyboggs@aol.com

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Ist & 3rd Mon. East Wenatchee Grange, 3400 Sunset Hwy. East Wenatchee Contact: Al & Anne Schmidt (509) 884-1469 or alannes@verizon.net

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

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CIRCLE SQUARES. and **COUNTRY SQUARES**. have a dance coming up on March 31, 5th Saturday, with ROB (Vicki) KRUM.

All dances are FREE, dancing at Tonasket Grade School, 35 Hwy. 20 E. Potluck starts a 6pm and the Round Dance at 7pm. Dancing the squares are 7:30 to 10pm. Finger food to follow.

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

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

THANK YOU!

Rob (Vicki)Krum, Wild Rose Ramblers and friends. The past President square (George and Sharon Broom) (Roger and Beth Barnes) (Bruce and Judy Ottoson) (Doug Keyes and Ellen Ostrum) and all our Canadians. You gave us a dance that we will not forget. The bus load of dancers, that some drove over from the coast to ride the bus from Spokane to Tonasket. That was great. Regine Anderson (our cuer) from Penticton, did a wonderful job over the noise and it was a great, fun dance. Makes you not want to give up the club, the council, and the monthly dances.

Also I would like to thank my friends and club members that have been there to help. In the kitchen, at the door and meeting, greeting, They don't care if they don't belong to our club, they are cleaning tables, floors, and making sure everyone gets to dance and having fun.

Under our belt will now be the dance with John (Mary) Corrigan, thank you Regine for letting them stay with you after the dance in Canada.

May 12th. Last Dance. Barry Sjolin, Caller fromPenticton., Regine Anderson, Cuer also from Penticton.B.C. RV camping at the Rodeo Grounds south of Tonasket, for the week-end. Potluck at 5pm. Rodeo Grounds, Dance at the Grade School, starting with Rounds at 7pm, dance at 7:30pm.35 Hwy. 20 E. Tonasket . Fun week-end. Last time to dance with the Country Squares and Circle Squares. Hope to see a few of you there. Call Levi and Sally Toulouse 509/422/0105. or Glenna and PeeWee Jones 509/486/2324 for more details.



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PENINSULA COUNCIL

Kitty & Paul Ogg

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The theme of the March **SQUARE STEPPERS** plus dance must have been "fun" as everyone enjoyed dancing to Mike Desisto's calling. I'm sure we all went home healthier and younger because of the laughter.

Our April dance started at 7:30 PM. This is a permanent change from the 8:00 pm start time. Join us for a fun evening of plus dancing to Wayne Easton's calling.

Mike Zeitner mbzeitner@gmail.com

GIG HARBOR TWIRLERS thank heavens that April Fools Day was on a Sunday this year. But the dancers still had a blast on our dance night.

Thank you Ron and Mary Wright for holding the clubs meeting at your home. A meeting took place to vote for state officers and vote for our club officers: Sid Ondeck our trustworthy President has agreed to stay on as president one more year, our new vice president is a new member of the club and "thank you" Brian and Janet Smith for taking on the Vice Presidential position, John McGannon is Secretary for one more year and "thank you" Katrina and PJ Gemin for continuing on to be our Treasurer.

March - the Luck of The Irish - brought us three squares of dancers or it may have been leprechauns, as it was the month of green. But with April Fools just around the corner not too sure what the leprechauns may have left behind - was it a pot of gold, three wishes or colorful flowers? Anyway every dancer had a blast.

Wishing every mother, grandmother, aunt, sister and whoever I missed mentioning a Happy Mothers Day from the Gig Harbor Twirlers.

Mary McGannon mekm3591@msn.com

ROUND SQUARES celebrated their 58th Birthday on March 24th. There were over 150 items that were donated for the silent auction. Many thanks to Peggy Fix, Sandy Brahm and Ruth Richardson for collecting items and getting the paperwork ready for the bidding - along with the setting up for the auction. The hall was decorated with lots of old 45 records along with memorabilia of happenings in the 1950's. Willie and Joyce were the caller and cuer.

We will be dancing at our regular June 23rd fourth Saturday Dance. Willie Sewell and Joyce Sebree will be the caller and cuer. Come dance with us on the way to the National Convention in Spokane.

Club member Dan Dubiak has been putting in a lot of time and work with

the KSDA website: kitsapsquaredance.com to get it up and running. Things are progressing. Our thanks to Dan for this task.

Betty Force Reporter

What is with all this snow and hail? I hope May lets spring really begin and hopefully summer won't be far behind.

April saw our **PAWS AND TAWS** Pajama Dance (with modest pjs of course) celebrating our Birthday Dance the first Friday in May. It is always a fun dance with all members in there black and gold outfits.

Looking forward to the Roaring 20's Dance the 3rd Friday and everyone bringing picture's of when they where in their 20's. Oh for the good old days.

Beginner's class is still going great and they are able to attend dances with our members.

> Leota Lewis Leotal@msn.com

PENINSULA COUNCIL presented their Spring Festival with 2011 Parker Award winner Kevin Thomaier calling and Lynn Peltola cueing at Kitsap Square Dance Center, Gorst on April 21st, 2012.

The Harold Rich Award was presented – look for a picture with the names and picture in the June issue.

Remember camping is available for \$12 a night with power and water. Jerry VanFossen 360 731 6619.



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253-851-5773

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Leo Catt/Stephanie Speelman

Valley Square Dance Hall

7:30-8 Pre-Rds; 8-10:30MS/Rds/Plus Tip

7:30 Pre-Rounds, 8-10:30 MS/QS/Plus Tip

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2nd & 4th **BONNEY LADS 'N' LASSIES**

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> Tom Tomlinson (July=4th Sat, Aug=2nd Sat)

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Sunday

2nd & 4th

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RAINIER COUNCIL

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The **RAINIER COUNCIL** is proud to announce that Spring Festival was a huge success. A huge thank you to all the Swing Nuts and to all 94 dancers in attendance. Without volunteers this activity would die. Which brings me to my next announcement. Every year one person is recognized for all their hard work and dedication thru the years within our activity. This year Lillian Davis was

selected and presented with the Ken Trimble award, so if you see her be sure to congratulate and thank her for her service. Lastly we wish to invite you all to our monthly meeting. We meet at Sans Souci Mobile Estates on S. Hill Puyallup the first Monday of every month from 7:30-9ish. Next month (June) we will be inducting new officers and I personally would love to see y'all there. For those who



Photo courtesy of Doug Schafer

do not know I will be stepping into some big shoes as your new president. I have lots of plans and will always welcome new ideas and suggestions. As I always say: Remember, YOU are IMPORTANT; you ARE Rainier Council.

Mike Bowen bowen_mike_roamintacoman@yahoo.com

The **BONNEY LADS 'N' LASSIES** annual garage sale will be on May 19th, 9:00am-5:00pm & 20th, 9:00am-3:00pm on the corner of Tule Lake Road & Pacific Ave. Please come and feel free to look around and visit with all of us. We are inviting everyone to our Student Level/Installation of New Officers Dance on May 12th.

Our lessons are going great, they are learning quickly and having so much fun. I want to thank Steve & Sheri Haslett and all the angels for helping at lessons, you guys are awesome. Speaking of our students, we had a great turn out for our Student Level Dance on 3/25. At one time we had 7 squares on the floor and we want to thank all of you for supporting our students and our club. The Bonney Lads will not be having a dance on May 26th due to Memorial Day Weekend.

We really want to take this time to thank all of the other clubs in our Square Dance Family that have danced with our club through out the year. We really appreciate your support. That's all for now, so until next time, keep dancing, but most of all keep smiling.

Ron & Linda Sferrazzo sferrazzo5@msn.com

Music is LIVE for the **ROAMIN' TACOMANS** in May. May 12 is our 51st anniversary plus dance and you don't want to miss it. Tom Tomlinson will be calling to live music by The Old Time Fiddlers. A great combination. We are also going to have a gift raffle with beautiful handcrafted items and gift baskets that will include gift cards and things donated by local restaurants and businesses. So join us for a fun dance and a chance to win big in the raffle.

Roamin' Tacomans dance plus on the second Saturday and mainstream on the fourth Saturday at the Valley Dance Hall, 1705 Willow St. Sumner. Rounds at 7:30, dance 8pm. Tom Tomlinson is our caller/cuer.

We are also having plus workshops on the first and third Sunday every month from 5-7pm.

Tom is teacher/caller and also cues rounds between tips. It's a great workshop. Have you ever done half of a load the boat? It's easy! Come join us.

Sharon Herman tonysharherm@yahoo.com

Where could you find **SPINNERS**, shuffle, square, salmon, seasoning, stumble, swing, skip, swirl and sway together in one place? At our Salmon-Chanted-Evening Dance on April 6, of course. Numerous special salmon-seasonings abounded since Dave Pearcy, the steadfast fisherman lost his stamina when it came to spicing the salmon and left town at the crucial moment—to visit grand kids, I hear. Our visiting Squares were related to Swinging and Wagon-wheeling. Many thanks for sharing with us!

Five promising dancers graduated on March 27 increasing our dancing pleasure in friendships greatly. The group included Teri Badgley, Rhonda Boman,



Linda Tibeau, Mikayla Weber, and Irene Hancock. Our Mystery Caravan became a victim of escalating costs and was cancelled.

We anticipate our warm and sunny Tropical Dance on May 4 when we'll be welcoming the Young Bunch and the Swing Nuts; and the slightly mysterious Hobo Stew we'll be enjoying on June 1—South Sound Singles will be visiting—all at Buckley Hall with Greg and Sue Weber calling and cueing; 7:30 for Pre-rounds and square-up at 8:00. Join us!

Marjorie Eldred cemeingv@q.com

The **SOUTH SOUND SINGLES** celebrated the graduation of their new dancers early last month. I remember how excited we were to graduate and join the South Sound Singles club. Our whole family took lessons with Kenny. Now we love telling our friends about the fun we have each and every week.. Thank you to all the angels that dedicated every Wednesday to coming and sharing their knowledge and love of square dancing. We also love to participate in caravaning. A special thank you to Jeff and Cecilia Graeff for planning three caravans last month. This month the Boots & Laces are caravaning to our Cinco de Mayo dance on May 5. Come and wear your bright clothes and enjoy some delicious Mexican dishes after the dance. Come see what surprises Kenny has in store for us. He always has something fun planned. Then on May 19th at Collins Grange we have our regular monthly dance. Jumping ahead, please mark your calendars to join us in caravaning to the Spinners in Buckley for their Hobo Dance on June 1. Let's not forget to wish all the Mother's a Happy Mother's Day on the 13th.

Ross & Noreen Tietje tietjefam@msn.com

Warm Greetings from the **SWINGING SQUARES!** We hope to welcome you each in person at OUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY DANCE ON FRIDAY, MAY 11TH (Plus with Mainstream tips). As usual, it'll be at Valley Square, 1705 Willow Street in Sumner from 7:30 to 10:30. The dance starts with ½ hour of Lorraine Rouse's fun pre-rounds, followed by Tom Tomlinson's great calling. We'd love to have you bring a caravan to fill up the hall. We'll especially be honoring our very active Charter Member, Lorraine Kramer, who started dancing in 1962!

Many of us had a wonderful time dancing and greeting old friends at the Rainier Council Spring Festival. Thanks to the Swing Nuts for hosting it.

There is no dance on May 25th, Memorial Day weekend. Looking ahead, our last dance of the season is our Potluck Dinner before the dance on Friday June 8th.

Tom's Plus lessons from 7-9 on Tuesday nights are going well. Lessons are still open to those who know Plus, but want to review or update their skills. A bonus is that Tom cues Round Dancing between the tips, so you get 2 lively hours of learning and dancing. Hope to see you!

Mary Kun marmikk@comcast.net

The **SWING NUTS** are having one heck of a good year! We consistently dance 2-3 squares and have recently graduated our first class as a federated club. Stephanie Speelman kicks things off @ the Valley Dance Hall in Sumner every 1st and 3rd Saturday with pre-rounds @ 7:30 and the Mainstream dance begins @

8pm with Leo Catt calling. We look forward to dancing with all of you. Saturdays no good for you? Every Thursday from 7-9 we hold mainstream workshop. This is a great chance to learn moves from different angles or just work on moves you personally need help with. Don't be shy, we are here to help.

Mike Bowen bowen_mike_roamintacoman@yahoo.com

COUNTRY CLOGGERS Attendance at last years Kick-Off was about 100 Cloggers. 12 instructors total, (4 Mational and 9 regional....Anne Mills, Matt Ellinger, Barry Welch, Darolyn Paycheck (sp?), but this is how it's prounounced), Barb Guenette, Susan Woods, Janice Jestinm Todd Harry, Kay Velmire, Kerri Orthner, Cheti Poswdel. Alberta Stamp

Looking forward to a Great Year in 2013. Our Apple Hoedown was attended by about 30 people, not counting Family and friends. Four hours of instructing with Anne Mill, Kay Velmire, Alberta Stamp, Kathy O'Btrie and Todd Harry.

There were approximately 60 pounds of apples that were processed through our Apple Press, with the help of Anne's son. Kevin and Kay's son Dan and his fiancé Daisy, which resulted in several galloms of apple juice being sent home with the cloggers. There was an abundance of food for the potluck and several of the cloggers enjoyed the games that were also on schedule. A good time was had by all and next year we will celebrate

The 13th anniversary of this function.

Sharon McIntyre

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SOU'WESTER COUNCIL is looking forward to warm weather and spring activities. There are lots of "special" dances being planned. Look for one of these "special" dances and broaden your horizons by attending a dance you have never attended before. The biggest opportunity of course is the National Convention, but there are many others throughout the spring and summer. Hope you find a new favorite place to dance!

In January **HARBOR HAYLOFTERS** were dark because of the New Year's Eve weekend. February found us celebrating Valentine's Day with Debbie Bergen bringing her camera and taking pictures of all of our sweethearts. March we all dressed in green celebrating St. Patrick's Day. April we decided to do something different and had a wild, wild west dance. Our members were dressed according and fun was had by all.

The last several months our club had done several caravans, going down to Centralia and dancing with Prairie Steppers. Also many of us went to Olympia and danced with Do-Si-Dos and the Capital Singles. At the end of March several of us attended the Chicken Dance in Olympia and stayed the whole weekend in our RV. One of our couples even went over to Yakima and danced in their Spring Sashay at Moxee.

April showers bring May flowers and we have welcomed our snowbirds back with open arms. Hopefully they brought the warm weather back with them.

Our May dance theme will be the The 50's. I am sure we will see lots of poodle shirts and leather jackets. I am also sure our caller will do a great job. We are also planning our Appreciation Dinner in May. It is to honor our caller, Randy Carlson and his wife, Kris. They do a terrific job and commute from Raymond. Our students are doing a great job and it is nice to see them all at our Tuesday dances. We will be graduating them soon.

June 2nd is our big Strawberry Dance with all the strawberry shortcake you can eat and, of course, with a little bit of dancing, too. We dance the first Saturday of every month at the Aberdeen Eagles, 200 W. Market Street. Hope to see you there. It is cool to be square.

Ann Kilwien, sqcamper@comcast.Net

SQUARE ONE PLUS CLUB is enjoying dancing to our caller and new cuers at our 1st Friday Dance and our 3rd Sunday dances at Lac-A-Do Hall in Olympia every month.

We enjoyed a travel to Lac-A-Do in April to a great Weekend of PLUS with

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Dan Preedy and Mike Syskorsky and the cueing of Randy Wulf. What a fun packed weekend of dancing.

We are getting ready to help out at the Memorial Day campout/dancing weekend at Lac-A-Do Hall May 25-28. Lots of local callers and cuers, dancing, games, food and there will be square dance clothes on sale. Always a FUN weekend and we hope there will be nice weather.

Coming up in June there will be a lot of Trail-In dances before Nationals in Spokane.

Square Ones along with Double A's will host a National caller Ken Ritucci from Massachusetts. He will be at Lac-A-Do on Sunday June 17th.

The `A` dance will be from 4:30 – 6:30 PM with Ken. Rounds from 6: 30 - 7 PM with Spike Reid, then the PLUS Dance with Ken from 7-9 PM. We hope that all you PLUS dancers can come out and join us that evening. Ken called for us last September and we had a good time and he was a lot of fun. It will be a GREAT way to start your dancing off in preparation for the Nationals in Spokane June 26-30. Hope to see you on the dance floor somewhere !!!!

Peggy & Scott Smith, pegscott29@comcast.net

The **GRAND SQUARES** club members are still spending much time in planning and presenting the good fun of square dancing to the newest square dancers. On the third Saturday in February, Lac-A-Do Hall was decked out with penguins, beads and lots of good food as the club celebrated their annual Penguin Dance attending Mardi Gras. Glenn Raiha and Ron Woolcock provided the good calling and cueing of rounds for four squares of dancers. All having much fun!

We did the Irish Jig at the March 17th dance. Guest caller was Andy Carbone, who came attired in his special Irish Kilts outfit. If you asked he would show what was worn under the kilts! His club's beginner class came along to dance, adding much to the dance. With visitors from several other clubs the hall was alive with fun dancing. Again we all were reminded that square dancing can be enjoyed when dancers from the lowest level to the advanced are dancing together.

Come out to visit us - bring you newest dancers along with you. Our club dances the Basic 51 figures. As one visitor commented "We always have a good time at a Grand Squares dance". We think you will also enjoy the third Saturday each month at Lac-A-Do Hall in Olympia. 7:30 to 10:30 PM. Glenn Raiha, caller, Ron Woolcock, Cuer.

Lee & Catherine Eason Leeason@aol.com

RUFF & RUFFLES actually got to hold their Saturday dance in March right on St. Patrick's Day, March 17th. Green was the color for the evening. Those not wearing green were given a "Leprechaun Hat" to wear for the evening. Only two people got that privilege!! Jim Raupp was the caller and Susan Healea was the cuer. Irish songs were used for the square dance calls and rounds to the delight of almost five squares. Peggy and Fred Rolf had kitchen duty and served Irish

Soda Bread and different types of green stuff at break time. (If you didn't happen to see Fred, he was the Leprechaun hiding under the bridge). Actually he was at work.

Following the break a contra dance was done to "Slaunch To Donegal". Visitors for the evening included Cougar Squares, R Square D, Prairie Steppers and Stardust Dancers and were much appreciated. Thank you all for coming.

Ruff & Ruffles will be hosting the southbound Toutle Rest Area the first weekend in May. If you're in the area stop by and have a cookie/ cup of coffee and chat. The club is looking forward to their "Beach Trip" to Ocean Park on the second weekend in May. Neil Rosevear will be the caller for their dance on Saturday May 19th. Hopefully the snowbirds will have arrived back home by then.

Betty Cliffton, sqkats@q.com

THE **PRAIRIE STEPPERS** mystery caravan on February 25 had approximately thirty folks heading south from the Chehalis Wal Mart and ended up at Sizzler in Kelso. After dinner, a short hop, skip, and jump landed them at the Kelso Senior Center, the home of R Square D. There was a great night of dancing with Craig Abercrombie calling, Kenny Freeman from the South Sound Singles and Don Wood guest calling, and Lonnie Sycks cueing. R Square D President Dick Sims presented Bob Spain with a travel banner that of course they now hope to retrieve. With Prairie Stepper, Capitol Singles, Cougar Squares and other visiting clubs, a ton of fun was had by all.

We were dark in March to allow club members to travel all month to other clubs to promote the Chicken Dance, which was scheduled for Saturday, March 31 at Lac A Do Hall. Many thanks go to the Capitol Singles who plan to host the Friday, March 30 dance. The Capitol Singles sponsored our club to allow us to hold the Chicken Dance at Lac A Do this year.

We plan to hold our regular club dances on Saturday, April 14 and Saturday, May 12. The theme of the April Dance was to be Dancing in the Rain hosted by Bob and Shirley Spain. We also plan to graduate our students at the April dance. The May Dance will be the Prairie Steppers 45th Anniversary Pie and Ice Cream Social with hosts Al Fryer and Chris Smith. Casual attire is encouraged.

We hope to see you in a square.

Marion Freels, M_librarion@yahoo.com

R SQUARE D had a fun St. Patrick's Dance on March 9th with Adam Christman as our guest caller. There were a few leprechauns spotted that night! We visited the Hoedowners on March 10th with two squares from our club. Chuck Garner was the guest caller at our Teddy Bear Dance on March 24th and we had a nice visitation from the Silver Stars that evening. We collected over 25 teddy bears and other stuffed animals that were donated to a local women's shelter.

We will have only one club dance in May, which is our Cinco de Mayo dance on Friday, May 11th. We will be dark on the fourth Saturday that month,

but we have a visitation scheduled on May 5th to the Sunset Promenaders in Hillsboro.

R Square D dances at the Kelso Senior Center at 106 NW 8th Avenue in Kelso, WA. On dance nights (second Friday and fourth Saturday), we have plus from 7:30 – 8:00 PM and mainstream with rounds from 8:00 – 10:00 PM. Craig Abercrombie is our caller and Lonnie Sycks is our cuer. Please



Photo courtesy of Chris Seward

call 360-636-1993 (Dick & Sandy) or 360-442-8535 (Toni – our new President, beginning in May) for more information. Hope to see you in a square!

Chris Seward

COUGAR SQUARES graduated sixteen dancers on March 29th! There were five squares dancing all evening with people resting on the sidelines! Jim Raupp, our caller, cuer, teacher, kept everyone dancing until the actual graduation ceremony. Each family received a Cougar Handbook, a Cougar badge, a two-year calendar and a Cougar pen! Graduating this early in the years gives the students time to dance at other clubs before the summer schedule begins.

Cougars 51st Anniversary will be June 2nd at St. Frances. Jim Raupp will call and Susan Healea, Cougar's "Special Cuer" will cue this dance. Dancing begins at 7:30 p.m. with plus and rounds and 8:00 mainstream and rounds. Square dance attire is requested at this dance

Cougars will be dancing during the summer on two Thursdays, July 19th and August 2nd. The July dance is an Ice Cream Social beginning at 7:00 p.m. and August is a Hamburger Feed beginning at 6:30 p.m. at St. Frances Parish Hall just north of Toledo. The dress is casual and the dancing is fun. So join us for a mid-week treat!

Cougars will have a float in the Cheese Days parade in Toledo this July. Look and listen for us as we dance our way through town. We will also be at Mossyrock's Blueberry Festival in August dancing after the parade. If you are at either event give us a shout!

Cougars are looking forward to the National Convention in Spokane. There is still room at the hotels and this great dance won't get much closer. We hope to see lots of western Washington dancers there!

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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 ROUNDS phases 2-4 3rd Susan Healea, cuer

Friday

1st Square One Plus Club Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-10:30 Gunter Monroe, caller, George Haller, cuer PLUS Rhythm Rounders Fun Dance Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-10:00 2nd Randy Wulf, cuer **ROUNDS** phases 2-5

R Square D 2nd Kelso Senior Center 7:30-10:00

Craig Abercombie, 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

Cougar Squares St Francis Parish Hall, 139 Spencer Rd. Toledo 1st SQUARES AND ROUNDS 7:30-10:30 Jim Raupp, caller/cuer 1st **Harbor Haylofters** Aberdeen Eagles 200 W Market 7:30-10:30 Randy & Chris Carlson SOUARES AND ROUONDS

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

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

Prairie Steppers Oakview Grange, 2700 N. Pearl, Cent. 7:30-10:30 2nd

Don Wood, caller, Lonnie Sycks, cuer SQUARES AND ROUNDS

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

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

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George Haller, cuer, **ROUNDS** phases 3-6

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> Gunter Monroe, caller, George Haller, cuer PLUS

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

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



At the **COEURLY Q'S** Luau dance in March, the dancers were twirling in Hawaiian attire thanks to the excellent calling and cueing of Don McPeak and Carol Shopbell. Thanks go to Rita Whiteford for volunteering to set up our summer dances in the park. At our May 5th dance, we will be honoring all mothers, past and present. Marvin Speck is calling with Nina Leisi cuing. And on May 19th, we're having a hoedown dance at the Lena Whitman Elementary School in Moscow, Idaho. Join us for the Trails Thru to Nationals dance just before Nationals in June. We hope to see you on the dance floor.

Submitted by Nancy and Arnold Pearson

When we think of carnivals, we think of fast rides and fun food (no not cruise ships). Well the **DANCING SHADOWS** are having their annual Carnival Dance on our regular third Friday, May 18th, at the Western Dance Center. Come dance with us and see what "treats" and "fast maneuvers" are in store for you! Carol Shopbell will be cuing higher level rounds starting at 7. Don Cochrane will be calling Mainstream starting at 8.

March was a busy visitation month for the Dancing Shadows. Early in the month we visited the Coeurly Q's. Later, our banner-stealing visit was to the Hi Flyers... and per our normal tradition, we started out with dinner at Lenny's and then another cash infusion into the Cheney economy by our visit to Ben Franklin:-) Needless to say our visitations brought us a lot of enjoyment and dancing to some of our area's fine callers and cuers.

Submitted by Mark Talbot

DIAMOND SQUARES invite you to our "Cinco De Mayo" dance on May 12th at the Western Dance Center. We start at 7:00pm for an hour of Hex squares and rounds followed by mainstream with rounds, called and cued by Bob and Claudia Amsbury. We are pleased to see our new students having such a great time learning. They celebrate their graduation on the last Monday of May with an ice cream social. We appreciate the help of our dedicated angels who make learning fun and easier.

Beginning June 4 and every Monday evening from 7:15 to 9:30pm at the Western Dance Center, Diamond Squares is sponsoring a "Mainstream Fun Shop" with easy level rounds. It's a casual dress event and the best way to brush up and polish our dancing skills for the Nationals coming to Spokane this

summer. Everyone is welcome!

April showers bring May flowers, so enjoy this beautiful spring weather. Keep smiling and dancing and I hope to see you in a square.

Submitted by Nelly Christoffersen

The JACKS & JENNYS enjoyed the calling of Don McPeak when they visited the Spurs & Skirts in Post Falls. Our club dance was a lot of fun to the calling and cueing of our own Jack Blood. Door prizes were won by Nada Morse and Alison Moss. It was also our food bank drive dance and we collected 134 pounds of non-perishable food items for the Second Harvest Food Bank. Thank you to all who donated.

Come join us in May for our "Blooms Day" dance and show off your new "Blooms Day" T shirts.

Submitted by Helen Knapp

The MODEL "T" Square Dance Club's May dance will be a "Jail House Rock." I'm sure the planning committee is having a lot of fun coming up with lots of ideas on how to get some of us in "jail," so put on your poodle skirt and saddle shoes and join us. Our March Silent Auction was a rousing success. We had a lot of dancers for both the plus and the mainstream and there were many items in the auction that were hotly contested. We caravanned to the Star Shooters' Wade Driver dance in March where everyone danced their feet off.

Submitted by Beth Barnes

PLUS & STUFF has "Plus" workshops on Monday nights from 8:00 to 9:30pm. If you need some floor time or just want to dance, come on out to the North Spokane Dance Hall. It's a lot of fun and there's even a door prize!

We are planning a special weekend of dancing Advance, Plus and Intermediate Rounds May 25th & 26th that you do not want to miss! Friday evening May 25th will be an A-2 dance with Intermediate Rounds; Saturday afternoon, May 26th, we'll be dancing Phase II, III & IV Rounds from 1 to 2pm. There will be a Plus with "Stuff" workshop from 2 to 4pm and Saturday evening we will have a Plus dance that will have a lot of the "Stuff" that you did during the afternoon workshop, called and cued by Vern Boggs and Kathy Boggs.

Come enjoy the fun at the North Spokane Dance Hall. For more information, call 509-484-5068.

Submitted by Kathy Boggs

The **STAR SHOOTERS** have had a wonderful class this year and are now in workshop mode through April and May. Same schedule-Wednesday nights from 7-8:30pm for Mainstream and 8:30-10pm for Plus. Come keep up your skills for the 2012 National Convention here in June. Our last 4th Saturday dance for this season will be May 26th with our club caller & cuers, Dan Preedy and John & Fran Downing. Phase 3 & 4 Rounds are 7-7:30pm, Phase 2 is 7:30-8pm and Mainstream is from 8-10:30pm with Plus every third tip. Join us for dancing all

summer on Wednesdays. Adam Christman calls Mainstream the first and third weeks; Dan calls Plus the second week, and Mainstream on the fourth week. It's absolutely the best night of the week with casual attire, light refreshments, great new music and awesome friends. We'd love to see you there too!!

Submitted by Diane Hartley

The VALLEY CROSSTRAILERS' March dance had the theme of "St. Patrick's Day." Several attendees dressed in their best "green." Our cuer, Theresa Nichols, wore an adorable themed costume and she and Doug Davis used Irish music to keep the dancing lively. We had two Japanese exchange students visit us that night to get a feel



each week of very enthusiastic dancers. We sincerely appreciate the angels who drop by to help. If you would like to dance plus for free on Thursday evenings, we would love to have you.

Our May dance theme is the 80's. Some of our younger members will be doing the decorating that night. If you can remember how the clothing, hair, etc. looked during that decade, feel free to dress accordingly. Doug Davis will be calling and John Downing will be cueing. Plus and intermediate rounds will start at 7:00 with mainstream and easy rounds at 8:00. This will be our last Saturday night dance till September so join us for some great dancing.



for the fun things we do in this country. Saya Onishi and Tomomi Kubota said they are really enjoying their visit here.

Our plus class has three to four squares



Photos by Tony Sereduck

Submitted by Chris Smith

The **SPOKANE CAROUSELS** invite you to join us for phase III-VI dancing on first and third Saturdays at the E. Spokane Grange. Jack (Judy) DeChenne calls a dancer-chosen program both evenings from 7:30 to 10:30. We dance all year and in the summer months we enjoy an air-conditioned hall. So come out

and enjoy intermediate to upper level round dancing with good friends!! We also invite you to join us for our annual August of Rounds with featured clinicians and cuer, Jack and Judy DeChenne. For more information or to register for this phase IV-VI weekend, please contact Hank (Toshie) Balcom at 509-328-0643 or email, hanktosh@comcast.net.

The **WAG AROUNDS** will be finishing up their season soon. We dance first Sundays at the Western Dance Center with Nina Leisi cueing a dancerchosen, phase II-III program from 7:00 to 9:00. On second Fridays, Jack (Judy) DeChenne cues an intermediate, phase III-V program at the North Spokane Dance Center from 8:00 to 10:30. Our last club dance is the first Sunday dance in June and then we'll be looking forward to the Butterfly Ball, June 8-10 at the Western Dance Center with this year's featured clinicians and cuer, Jack and Judy DeChenne. There is still space available for this phase III-V weekend. For more information or to register, call Deb or Bob at 509-238-4359 or email us at dagruber9@hotmail.com.

Submitted by Deb Gruber

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Saturday, July 28, 2012

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Cuer: Randy Wulf

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The voice commanded 'Allemande Left and Promenade Home', and so I did. The tip was complete, my score increased to 656, and I was getting that much closer to 'pro'. I rolled up the eight-foot square sensing mat, careful not to crease and break any of the fibers that transmitted signal to the receiver attached to the TV, pressed the 'power button', and the game was 'asleep' until another day.

I was glad to be able to Square Dance, even if only interactively with the 'boob tube'. The level of dancing was my choice, as was the degree of difficulty at that level. I had a choice of several callers, got to pick my partner and the other dancers in the Square. There were teaching modules for learning new moves, and special features like Hexagon Squares. The dancing was almost like the actual dancing that we had done a few years back, but not.

The new generation of electronic media had certainly given me entertainment without me having to go anywhere. I could truly "bowl alone", and stay right at home. It wasn't that I didn't like people, it was just that, well you know, my days were filled with people's demands of my time and energy. I needed to just relax and escape without someone asking something of me

I sat down and thought of how things had changed over the some thirty years since 1987, when I first learned to Square Dance. What had drawn me to that activity, anyway? Somehow the Square Dance 'bug' bit me, bit me hard. What was it, the dancing? Yes, but also the way the dancers moved around to the commands, and ended (if all went according to design) at their Corner with an 'Allemande Left'. Really, it was much more than that. It was all those truly nice people; an unassuming, welcoming group that shared a good time. But more than that, they were like a second family; they cared, they were there to celebrate the good times, and they were there for support in the not-so-good times.

You know what's really missing when it's just me and the 'boob tube' Square Dancing alone – there's nobody to talk to, nobody to smile at, nobody to have a good time with, nobody to care about, and there certainly isn't anybody to 'Yellow Rock'.

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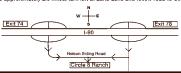
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July 1-8, 2012

The 61st NSDC® looks forward to capping off the Spokane Convention with an exciting journey to the great land of Alaska. As a place where glaciers thunder and the sights are so stunning they take your breath away, we will set sail for Alaska via Holland America Line's ms Qosterdam from Seattle.





A Traveler's Guide to Spokane

We are excited about you coming to Washington State this year to join us and other dancers from around the world in Spokane for the 61st National Square Dance Convention®. We would like to hear from you as to your interest in the Education Program Topics to be presented during the Convention. To participate in the survey, go to EDUCATION SURVEY. If at the 61st NSDC web site, an 'Education Survey' button is located on the left side. Once you have answered the survey questions, click the submit button to include your answers that will help prepare an education program tailored to what you want.

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Best Western Peppertree Airport Inn	509-624-4655	24/7 Taxicab	509-703-4884
Double Tree Hotel, Spokane City	509-455-9600	Best Taxi Cab	509-294-5606
Holiday Inn Express, Downtown	509-328-8505	Bill's Friendly Rides	509-951-5445
Maribeau Park Hotel, Spokane Valley	509-924-9000	Road Runner Taxi	509-990-7321
Northern Quest	509-242-7000	Spokane Cab	509-568-8000
Oxford Suites - Spokane City	509-353-9000	Bus Services	
Red Lion Hotel at the Park	509-326-8000	Northwestern Stage Lines (Amtrak/Greyhound Center)	800-366-6975
Red Lion River Inn	509-326-5577	Travel Washington Gold Line (Downtown Spokane)	888-739-5395
		Spokane Transit Authority (Transportations Plaza)	509-328-7433
Rental Car Agenci	es in the Ground	Transportation Center at the Airport	
Alamo	800-462-5266	Avis	800-331-1212
Budget	800-527-0700	Dollar	800-800-4000
Enterprise	800-325-8007	Hertz	800-654-3131
National	800-227-7368	Thrifty	800-367-2277
Important 61st !	National Square D	ance Convention® Phone Numbers	
Wednesday Night Special Event Information	503-931-6532	61st NSDC General Information	509-628-0354

The 61st National Square Dance Convention® in Spokane, Washington is less than 100 days away. It has been an exciting time for all the 61st NSDC committee in preparing a convention that will be fun, exciting and enjoyable. Keep this directory of contacts with you as you get closer to Spokane to call for assistance, information and directions.

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Email the 61st National Square Dance Convention® at regchair@61nsdc.com or write to Registration Chairman, 312 Riverwood Dr., Richland, WA, 99352

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Instructions for Registration (left side)

- Print legibly all names, address, city, state, zip code, country, and B/D of youth (age 5-17 by 6/27/2012 -1/2 price) to ensure correct registration
- ω Ņ Correctly enter all amounts in the Subtotals including registration fee for each dancer plus quantity and amounts for all other materials and tours
- Correctly calculate the Total and include credit card information (with signature), check or money order payable in Important! Daily schedules are only available with the purchase of a Program Book. Daily schedules will not be available separately at the Convention. Most dancers will want to purchase the Program Book

U.S. funds to the 61st National Square Dance Convention® and return it with the Registration Form.

- RV Camping. Indicate RV Camping on your Registration Form, and enclose the required fees (four-night minimum) first come, first served basis. There is 15 amp service at the RV sites. If you plan to camp together, you must arrive to cover the nights that you intend to stay. Please check appropriate boxes. RV camp sites will be assigned on a <u> Do Not Send Cash</u>. No Single Day Registrations Sold
- Spokane Valley and at the fairgrounds. Hotel Bus Pass & RV Park Bus Pass are available only to registered dancers staying at the West Hotels, in together. For more information contact RV-vicechair@61nsdc.com

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- 61st Parking Lot Shuttle Loop Pass. This four day pass is recommended for dancers planning to drive to when available. The 61st Parking Lot Shuttle Loop Pass' will be available to purchase at Convention Convention and use free parking lots that are available. Updated route information will be on the website www.61nsdc.com
- A \$10.00 fee per registrant will be assessed for cancellation or changes PO Box 48775, Spokane, WA 99228. Include completed Tour Form with this Registration Form Tour forms and Payments are to be mailed directly to: 61st National Square Dance Convention*

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Instructions for Housing (right side)

- dancers have made housing reservations for past Conventions reservations. Dancers who choose, may make housing reservations using the printed registration form, the same way www.61nsdc.com, the CVB Housing website can be accessed to view the hotels, see photos of rooms and make Bureau to provide website access for housing reservations. Dancers can make reservations on line. By going to The 61st NSDC Housing Committee is partnering with Spokane Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) Housing
- Complete the housing portion of this form only if you choose not to make your hotel reservations online at Only one person per room should complete a hotel reservation request. Please list all room occupants. (The Housing Northern Quest, you must stay a minimum of four nights, including Wednesday through Saturday, June 27-30, 2012. If you request housing at the Doubletree, Travelodge, Red Lion Hotel at the Park, Red Lion River Inn, Pheasant Hill or www.61nsdc.com. This form must be received by May 15, 2012 to receive the 61st NSDC contracted room rates Committee does not find or assign roommates.)

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- All Block Housing requests staying in same hotel are due by <u>September 15, 2011</u> submitted with name and telephone Shared Rooms or Same Hotel Requests can be made through the online site or registrations can be in the same envelope mailed and arrive together
- Indicate four (4) choices of housing preference, by specifying hotel code number. Be sure to indicate 1 or 2 beds as well as preferences. Hotels will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis according to availability number of Leader
- Hotel Confirmations: You will receive a hotel confirmation via email or mail. If you do not receive your confirmation not be charged in advance of arrival and an alternative form of payment may be presented at check in Hotel Reservations: Your reservations must be quaranteed with a credit card. Your credit card will within 21 days, please contact the 61st NSDC Housing Committee by: (a) email: housevicechair@61nsdc.com
- 6 Hotel Changes: Any requests for changes/cancellations must be made through the 61st NSDC Housing Committee by May 15, 2012. (a) email: housevicechair@61nsdc.com;(b) fax at 509-465-0201;(c) 61st NSDC, Attn: Housing Committee

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11. Hotel Cancellations: Your confirmed hotel will assess a one night room/tax charge for cancellations received less than 72 hours prior to arrival. An early departure fee may be charged unless the hotel is notified at check in or before, of a change in planned length of stay PO Box 48775, Spokane, WA 99228 through May 15, 2012

Call 509-628-0354, convention fun and enjoyable for you! Call or E-mail us if you have a concern or suggestion The "Apple Core Board" of the 61st National Square Dance Convention® is committed to making our E-mail: regchair@61nsdc.com

