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# SEPTEMBER 2015



WHEREAS, Western dancing is truly an American form of dance, originating when settlers danced squares, contras, and reels around campfires on their way to our Western shores; and

WHEREAS, square dancing has been an American tradition since our earliest history, promoting the spirit of fellowship among people of all ages; and

WHEREAS, the square dance is the official dance of Washington State; and

WHEREAS, 2015 marks the 36<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the legislation which established the official state dance;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim September 21-27, 2015 as

#### Square Dance Week

in Washington, and I urge all people in our state to join me in this special observance.

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signed this 15th day of May, 2015



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64th Washington State Square and Folk Dance Festival "Tall Timber Calling" Longview, Washington June 17 - 18, 2016

> 65th National Square Dance Convention® Des Moines, Iowa June 22 - 25, 2016

48th Annual Education & Leadership Seminar Circle 8 Ranch Cle Elum, Washington July 8, 9, & 10, 2016

Swinging Squares Plus Club 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays Sep - June Pre Rounds 7:30-8 PM Dance 8-10:30 PM Caller: Andy (Trisha) Garboden

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# STARDUST DANCERS

Round Dance Club

SUSAN HEALEA, Cuer 1st & 3rd Thursday 7:30 - 9:30 PM

Catlin Grange #199 205 Shawnee St., Kelso, Washington

South Sound Singles

1st & 3rd Sat. Dark: 6/18/16 & 7/2/16 Pre Rounds 7:30PM • Dance 8-10:30PM **Caller: Jess Thomas** 

**Cuer: Guest Cuers** Mainstream/Plus tip at end

September 2015

Info: 253-851-5773 Collins Grange 3404 - 120th St. E., Tacoma

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

R SQUARE D 2nd Friday & 4th Saturday Plus 7:30 - Lonnie Sycks, Cuer Mainstream Dance 8 - 10 PM Craig Abercrombie, Caller Annual OCTOBERFEST 1st weekend Oct. 360-425-0583 or 360-636-3358 Kelso Senior Ctr., 106 NW 8th Ave., Longview, WA



# THE GAVEL

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# A Fond Fairwell, but not Goodbye

WOW, we made it!! Our two year run is finished. The time has just flown by. I truly hope that I did an OK job as your State President. It was an honor and privilege to

follow in my Dad's footsteps. I think if I did half the job that he did, then I did OK. By the end of this month you will have a new President of the State Federation. Gene and Tanya Currier are taking the reins. I hope you will all make them feel as welcome as you did Frank and me. I think he and his board will do a great job this coming year.

What a summer we had in this great state of ours, huh?! Record highs and only a little bit of rain. I don't know about you all, but our poor lawn is a nice shade of "straw" yellow. Even with the crazy heat, I hope you all had a great summer. State Festival was awesome with just over 900 dancers enjoying themselves. We had great weather, other than a good rain Thursday evening. It cleaned the air and watered the lawn, so all was good.

Pageant was great with an outstanding and hilarious skit about dance etiquette. I wonder if they could take it on the road. I gave out the normal keepsake awards to last year's MacGregor, Parker and McNutt recipients. I also was honored to give out two President's Awards. The first went to a very deserving couple from Rainier Council, Dave and Nina Pearcy. The second went to Doug Keyes and Ellen Ostrum from Mt. Baker Council, also a deserving couple. One other thing I was pleased to do was to honor Doug and Pat Coleman from Mt. Baker Council. Doug and Pat have been to 55 consecutive State Festivals. It's an honor to have known them for many years and to call them my friends.

A few weeks later found us at Circle 8 for Seminar. Jerry Junck did an awesome job calling Saturday night's dance. His Key Note talk was on the good things that are happing in square dancing today. It was very

**Royal Romp** PLUS WEEKEND

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Craig Abercrombie and Adam Christman

Cuer: Joyce Sebree



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September 2015

# Down Rout

The Do-Si-Do's invite you to join us on Saturday, October 10, 2015 to celebrate our 66th Anniversary as we travel down Route 66 and Memory Lane

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Pre-Rounds 7:30 pm Mainstream/Plus Tip 8 - 10:30 pm

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# FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

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# Maggie Wonders

I wonder what kind of "Indian Summer" we will have. Hot and dry or cool and wet? Time will tell as we roll into "Fall" and the next group of special dances.

Reading through the club reports it seems that all of you have had some great times in the many locations you have travelled to and from. Everyone is still talking about the great job that Mount Baker Council did with their pageant on Saturday morning. Dave Harry and his friends were certainly full of fun. All of that laughter was a good way to start the Day.

I thought that the fair grounds were well located... right in the middle of town handy for sightseeing or shopping. Mount Vernon was more charming than I remembered!

I was sorry to miss our Leadership Seminar. I look forward to receiving my CD ROM Disk.

This year I chose to give my sister, my children and close friends' top priority. Dancing has been on hold.

I'll see what September brings.

Yellow Rocks, Maggie





# FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

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# What happened to the baby in the bathwater?

Without thoroughly thinking it through the Federation may have done itself a grave injustice, which in turn could cripple its function. Tiffany Richard, in her Youth Coordinator article on Page 12, describes the problem. With the recent By-Law change those persons, who are doing a good share of the work of the Federation by accepting committee chairmanships, are now without a voice in their own area of expertise. Tiffany describes how the youth of the state have suddenly lost their voice through lack of a vote. I could add to her concern that of FOOTNOTES. We, too, have lost our voice through our lack of a vote.

During the summer I have listened to a number of comittee chairs who wonder why they should continue coming to Federation meetings since they no longer have a vote. To be accurate, every committe chair may still make a motion, but may not vote, even on their own motion.

I'm not sure, in my own mind, that the reason for the change was valid. That, having been said, there is no doubt that there have been instances when votes were rendered moot simply because committe chairs and/or their Council Representatives voted in opposite directions. However, for the most part, it is all of those committee chairs who do most of the work of the organization. Approval or disapproval of all their work is now left in the hands of 11 Council

Buzzin' Bees MS Square Dance Club

1st & 3rd Sat. at Hazel Dell Grange Pre-Rounds at 7:30 Squares at 8:00 7509 NE Hazel Dell Ave. Vancouver, WA 98665

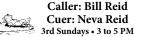
Caller: K.C. Curtis Cuer: Debbie Combs

Questions? (360) 253-3820

Representatives (make that 10 as there is almost always at least one absent and thus a vote not cast) and the State Officers. Did we throw out the baby with the bathwater?

Scotty & Shirley

# MUDDY FROGS SQUARE DANCE CLUB



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#### SEPTEMBER STATE TURN-OVER MEETING

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**SEPTEMBER 19 - 20, 2015** 

It's time again to mark your calendar for the new incoming 2015-2016 State Officers. Sou'Wester Council will be the Host this weekend at Lac-A-Do Square Dance Hall at 1721 – 46<sup>th</sup> Ave NE, Olympia, WA 98507. Lac-A-Do has 8 RV sites with electric at \$10.00 per night and \$5,00 per night for dry camping. Mitch & Jo-An Larson will be your Wagon master for the week-end. If you have any questions please give them a call at 360-413-1489. Your pets are most welcome to join you, but please keep them on a leash and make sure you pick up after them.

We are looking forward to saying "Job Well Done" for outgoing officers and "Good Luck" to the incoming officers. There will be more information on the website and in the September Footnotes. Wishing everyone a very nice rest of the summer and see you on the dance floor!

## **SATURDAY MEETING, SEPTEMBER 19, 2015**

STATE FEDERATION MEETING 9:AM – 12 NOON LUNCHEON 12 NOON – 1:00 PM STATE FEDERATION MEETING 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

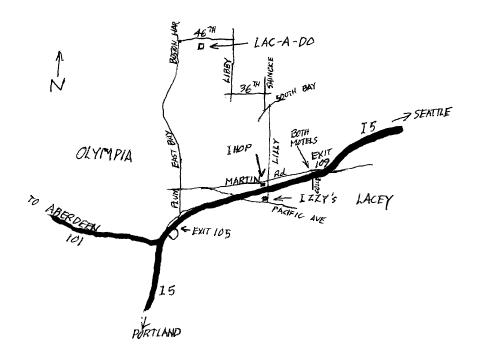
FRIDAY DANCE SEPTEMBER 18, 2015
FROM: 7:30 – 10:30 PM
MAINSTREAM, TRAIL-IN, CASUAL ATTIRE
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7:30 PRE-ROUNDS: MARY PARSONS
8-10:30 PM DANCE
CALLER: GUNTER MONROE
DANCE DONATION
ADULTS \$6.00
YOUTH \$3.00

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FRIDAY AND SATURDAY WAYS AND MEANS TO BENEFIT FESTIVAL 2016 SOU'WESTER COUNCIL





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#### MEETINGS

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Price good till 8-25-15

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STATE FESTIVAL MEETING
7:30 AM SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
LAC-A-DO HALL (STATE MEETING)
1721 46<sup>TH</sup> AVE. NE
OLYMPIA. WA 98507

FOR INFO CONTACT 360-427-3261 / GENE & TANYA CURRIER (curriertanya@juno.com)

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# **PROCRASTINATORS AND SPECIAL OCCASIONS**

This is the time of year when we are working with the procrastinators to get their memberships renewed for the coming year. We still have several clubs that we are doing our best to remind, badger, assist in completing this renewal process. Since August 31st is the absolute deadline for these renewals, you will realize as you read this that it is already too late. If you haven't completed your renewals (club, membership and insurance) you are not covered by insurance and you will be dropped from the federation, because our insurance year is from September 1st through August 31st. We have no choice, per the By-Laws, other than to drop these clubs from the federation.

We are not trying to be mean, we're simply trying to do our job and the insurance regulations dictate the policies we have to follow. We will continue through the month of August to do our best to bring these delinquent clubs into compliance.

Since we are still finalizing the new season's membership data we will report these statistics in the next issue.

My mother taught me to read when I was four years old. One day when I was in the bathroom, one of the cabinet doors was ajar and I saw a label on a box inside the cabinet. I asked my mother "Why do you keep napkins in the bathroom, don't they belong in the kitchen?" She told me that those were for 'special occasions' only. It's Thanksgiving Day and my folks are leaving to pick up my aunt and uncle for dinner. We all had our assignments while they were gone, and mine was to set the table. My uncle was the first one in the door and burst into hysterical laughter. My aunt was next, who covered her mouth and began to giggle. Next my father entered the room, falling down with laughter. Then my mom walked in and almost died of embarrassment. Each place setting on the table had a 'special occasion' napkin at each plate with a fork carefully set on top, with the little tails carefully tucked in so that they didn't hang over the edge. Mom was groaning, "Why, why, why?" "Mom, you said they were for 'special occasions!"

Take care, Richard and Barbara



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# CRAIG ABERCROMBIE

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St Helens Senior Center, St Helens, OR
Fairway Village Sqs, Monday, Sept 20, 12p.m.
Fairway Village Ballroom, Vancouver, WA
B N' B's, Tuesdays, Sept. 22, 7:00p.m.
Abernathy Grange, Oregon City, OR
R Square D, Wednesdays, October 7, 7p.m.
Kelso Senior Center, Kelso, Washington
R Square D, Wednesday, Oct 7, 6:00p.m.
Kelso Senior Center, Kelso, WA
Fairway Village Sqs, Every Monday, 1p.m.

# DARK Sept 7 & 14

Fairway Village Ballroom, Vancouver, WA
Red Rock Squares, Sept. 4, 7:00p.m.
Redmond Grange, Redmond, OR
Bachelor Beauts, Saturday, Sept. 5, 7p.m.
Pine Forest Grange, Bend, OR
Sky Valley Whirlwinds Fri., Sept. 18, 7:30p.m.
Tri Way Grange, Mill Creek, WA
B N' B's, Wed., Sept.23, 7:30p.m.
Abernathy Grange, Oregon City, OR
Tumbleweeds, Friday, Sept. 25, 11:00a.m.
Milwaukie IOOF Hall, Milwaukie, OR
Single Trees, Friday, Sept. 26, 7:30p.m.
Emerald Sq & RD Ctr, Springfield, OR
R Square D, Saturday, Sept 26, 7:30p.m.
Kelso Senior Center, Kelso, WA,

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# YOUTH COORDINATOR

# TIFFANY & MATTHEW RICHARD

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# Square Dance, Our Dying Hobby:

Youth clubs are the future of square dancing but who cares about the teens? Who is the voice of the teens in our clubs, councils and our hobby in general? I recently lost my right to vote for the teens at the state level but I keep hearing that the youth still have a vote. My question is where? And how? There are 9 youth clubs in Washington State.

Adult clubs in Washington State

- 6 in Blue Mountain Council
- 3 in Central Area Council
- 10 in Central Puget Sound Council
- 3 in Evergreen Council
- 18 in Mount Baker Council
- 7 in North Central Council
- 5 in North Olympic Council
- 8 in Peninsula Council
- 10 in Rainier Council
- 16 in Sou'wester Council
- 23 in Spokane Council

A total of 109 adult clubs in Washington State, which means the youth clubs are out voted by 100 adult clubs. So how are the youth supposed to get anything passed if the adult clubs don't support them? If each club gets one vote where is our vote for the youth? The future of square dancing? If I have no say at the State level and we don't really have a say in voting as youth clubs... where is our future in square dancing? Who is going to bring in the new people and the new technology and music to keep up with the times? I can't do it. I have no say in anything anymore. The youth can't do it. They have no say in anything. So how do we make a change when people don't want to make change or try something new? Someone needs to make a change and I can't do it alone.

I encourage you to reconsider and ask the State to give me my vote back so the youth, our future, has a vote, has a voice at the state level. Honestly if the youth coordinator doesn't have a vote why have that position or committee chair at all? The youth is the minority in square dancing already. We aren't heard or allowed to have an opinion, or listened to. Taking the youth coordinators vote

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# Sou'Wester Council Halloween Dance



Saturday, October 31, 2015



**Caller: Steve Noseck** 

**Cuer: Joyce Sebree** 



Cost \$7 Per Person
Costumes Optional











Lac-A-Do Hall 1721 46th Avenue, Olympia, WA

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# 47TH ANNUAL EDUCATION & **LEADERSHIP SEMINAR**

# Glen & Tami Shaw

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# What a great Education and Leadership weekend!!

Didn't we have a great Education and Leadership Seminar weekend? Did you fill out a comment form? If you did, we will address all of your comments and concerns. If you did not, but would still like to, please send your comments and/or concerns to the Education and Leadership Committee. We welcome all comments and suggestions to help us improve the Education and Leadership Seminar because this is presented for all dancers and we need your input to help make it better next year.

Those of us who attended had a great time, and those of you who missed it this year will want to be sure to attend next year! We learned so much from the interesting education seminar sessions. We had some wonderful presenters and the audience asked some very good questions, all of which can be valuable for dancers and clubs alike. When you receive your Seminar Booklet please share it with dancers who did not attend and give them a registration form for next year.

The dances were superb! On Friday night we danced to the state Callers and Cuers. WOW, what a great group of talented folks we have in Washington State! Saturday night we danced to the calling of Jerry Junck and cueing of Neva Reid. What a wonderful job they did keeping the floor moving and everyone having fun. Next year's 2016 featured caller will be

Square & Folk Dance

2nd Weekend in July

Friday • Saturday • Sunday

Kevin Thomaier and featured cuer will be Joyce Sebree. **Federation of Washington** 

The 2016 State Festival Committee from Sou'Wester Council provided a yummy BBQ pulled pork lunch served with baked beans and cole slaw. Next year's lunch will be provided by the 2017 State Festival Committee from Spokane Council.

> The Sunday morning presentation by Jerry Junck had a lot of good information and we hope that all who attended will take it back to your clubs and use it to help the square dance activity grow and our clubs to become stronger.

Looking ahead to 2016 – Your Education and Leadership Seminar officers for 2016 are:

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# **SOUARELY SPEAKING**



Guest Columnist
Dave Harry
Lynnwood, WA

# A promotional success -- Try it!

The Whirlybird Square Dance Club of Lynnwood Washington was sponsoring the 2014 Mount Baker Fall Council Dance. It was decided to have a no experience necessary dance event also simultaneously during the evening, so that we could spotlight square dancing to the general public. A lot of pre-planning and advertising went into that portion of the event. Square dancers were encouraged to bring friends and family; the clubs were encouraged to promote it to their new class members, and we attempted to spread the word through the school district where the event was being held. The Mainstream dance was made special. It was called in three-part harmony by three well-liked callers from Canada: Ray Brendzy, Steve Edlund, and Brent Mawdsley. I taught and called for the no experience dance.

Our average Council dance is around 25 squares. Wow! We had 76 paid squares for this one with over forty brand new dancers, and many of the current new students from the area classes attending. As the evening progressed our average attendance in the no experience necessary hall was fifteen squares! For the last tip we combined everyone into the main hall to dance to the featured callers and what a fantastic impression was made of square dancing with a full hall and energy we haven't seen for years!

Around the same time period of our planning the above event, our Mount

Baker Council was beginning plans to host the 2015 Washington State Festival. At one of the first committee meetings, I proposed that we have a no experience necessary dance and the committee accepted the idea. We decided that we would have two dances, Friday night and Saturday night, 7-10.

We kicked off our public appearance advertising in the local area with a street dance at a street fair six weeks before the festival and followed that with a mall dance two weeks before the festival. Part of our advertising campaign was to get posters in the windows of the local stores and at public places. We utilized as much digital media as we could, and handed out business cards advertising our festival and dance, and encouraged the local dancers to talk with the mayor, local chamber of commerce, and other groups in the area. We made sure that all available free written publicity was secured, newspaper, community webpages, social media event sites, etc.

The dances were a success with over sixty new dancers in attendance. We were happy to have some ex dancers return to join the fun, and recent graduates came who didn't feel confident enough to attend the whole festival. Between the council dance and state festival we have introduced over a hundred new prospective dancers to square dancing. And having the opportunity to show new people a large gathering of square dancers having fun

is valuable. Both our Council and State Federation planners are already in the process to repeat this at their future events.

A word of advice in trying this. Start early with your planning. Think of all the ways you can to promote the event. If promoting in the schools, be sure to go through proper channels, something we learned too late in our first promotion. If you're using multiple rooms or buildings, put this dance right in the middle of your event, so if they take a break from dancing, they can walk out and see the fun square dancers are having. Choose a caller who is going to entertain these new dancers and get them dancing (without too much "instruction"). Make it a fun party night. I usually start with: "This is your partner. This is your corner. You're standing in your home position, and each time we finish a sequence of calls you're going to end up back in your home position." Then I walk thru do si do (with partner) allemande left, promenade and then it's "let's dance!". I

only need to stop the music when I can't dance them through what I want them to do. The caller you choose should have the capability to teach more than just squares. I teach line dances and easy rounds (dances that I can teach in less than ten minutes) between each set of squares, and I only give them about a minute of rest time between the squares and line dances. Our new dancer event was three hours long, and at two and a half hours they were beginning to get tired but when we shut the dance down at the three hour mark we still had a full hall of new dancers...To me that is success!

Try it; let's grow our square dance family. Happy planning and happy dancing.

#### Dave Harry

Ed note: Our hat is off and thanks to Dave Harry for providing this special "Squarely Speaking" article. Starting next month your new Square Dance Editors, Rob & Vicki Krum of Spokane Valley, will share their ideas.

# THE GAVEL

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refreshing for a change and it gave us some great ideas to take back to our clubs and councils.

I want to say "Thank you" to my board for the past two years. I could not have done this job without the support and help from these great people. And you can't forget all the Delegates and Committee Chairmen. These people do so much work for the Federation. We couldn't do our job without the all their help.

Take care and see you on the dance floor,

Kathy (the Brat) & Frank Chase





# ROUND OUT YOUR LIFE

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# Yo Baby!

We are in those "dog days" of summer and looking forward to autumn with all of the fantastically fun fall things to do. We hope all of you enjoyed the summer activities and were able to take in a festival or two. Even though the weather has been extreme, all of the twirls and whirls, cooled things down in a flash.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Members of the 2014-2015 Round Dance Selection Committee:

Bob and Linda Berka, Mt. Baker Council
Debbie and Mike Combs, Evergreen Council
Shirley and Bernie Cook, Central Puget Sound Council
John and Fran Downing, Spokane Council
Kathy and Vern Boggs, Spokane Council
Lorna and Ken Hayden, Blue Mountain Council
Jim and Vonnie Spence, North Central Council
Joyce Sebree, Peninsula Council
Lonnie and Linda Sycks, Sou'Wester Council
Tom Tomlinson, Rainier Council
Debbie and Paul Taylor, Central Council
Louie and Sharrie Torres, North Olympic Council

A big "Thank You" to these Committee Members. They take the time to listen, review and dance the choices so that they can decide on the best possible Round of the Month. Choosing a Round of the Month is no easy matter. It involves researching cue sheets, checking on the music availability, assuring that the choreography fits the music and that the cue sheet meets Roundalab standards, and of course, hoping that the dance will be one that all dancers will want to dance and enjoy.

The Rounds of the Month program is a great part of our dancing activity. It enables Round Dancers the opportunity of knowing dances wherever they may be dancing in the state of Washington. Rounds of the Month are limited to Phase II dances, but that doesn't mean that only Phase II dancers enjoy them. Phase

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# "WAGON WHEEL"

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# SEW TOGETHER

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# Tension is NOT the problem

"There is something wrong with the tension." That is what almost every one said when they brought their machine into the repair shop. Usually they were wrong.

Timing and alignment are the most common problems. The needle must be in exactly the right position when the hook comes around the bobbin to catch the loop on the back of the needle and form the stitch. If the needle is a fraction out of alignment, the stitch will not be made. Timing and alignment must be adjusted by trained technicians who know the fine calibrations needed to make everything work together.

Some people sew with their left hand in back of the needle. They pull to help the machine sew faster. We can always spot pullers. The hole in the needle plate is ragged with pits where the needle has slammed, at a very high rate of speed, into the steel. Pulling on the fabric deflects the needle. It hits the plate causing a skipped stitch and jamming the needle bar up into the machine. If you are pulling on the fabric to get the machine to sew faster, (1) step down harder on the pedal and (2) increase your stitch length or (3) get a faster machine. Every time the needle slams into the plate it jams the needle bar up. It is just like hitting the parking bumper very hard with your front car

tire. A scratched plate snags fabric and shreds thread. Hitting the plate blunts the point of the needle causing it to punch and rip bigger holes in the fabric. This is also when the needle breaks, sending high speed needle parts at your face. Your hands should be in front of the needle.

Cleaning and oiling is the other major reason machines are brought in for repair. Some women were so proud of how clean their machine was when they brought it in. They very carefully used their little brush around the bobbin and blew on the machine. They never took off the needle plate and saw how their breath had dampened the fuzz, making it stick better and pushing it back into the machine.

To clean your machine, take off the needle plate and brush all of the toe jam out of the feed dogs. Taking off the needle plate is a routine part of home maintenance. Take out the bobbin case and vacuum the machine. If you have a snap on presser foot be sure and take that off too. It can get sucked into the vacuum. (Voice of Experience)

The machine can be blown out with a regular air compressor. Take the machine out side, this will produce a lot of flying lint. Use the compressor on the whole machine. Around the tension disks, by the bobbin winder,

on back vents by the motor and up where the light is. Do not use canned air. It is very cold and can crack plastic parts.

Oil the machine exactly as instructed in the manual. Only use sewing machine oil, not WD-40 or 3-in-1. Most machines only need a drop of oil in the bobbin race area. Do not over oil. Sew on scrap material after oiling to wipe out any excess oil.

O.K., maybe, it is the tension that is the problem. Turn the tension dial to zero. With a flashlight look very carefully around the disks and pull out any stray bits of thread. Take a strip of interfacing about an inch wide by eight inches long and pull it between the tension disks. Work it back and forth like flossing your teeth. This will clean out any lint bunnies. A little rubbing alcohol on the strip will

remove any goo. Turn the dial from zero to ten a couple of times, to loosen up the mechanism, and reset it.

Check the bobbin case for bits of thread or lint bunnies under the spring. To check the bobbin tension, put a bobbin in the case and hold it up by the thread. The bobbin case should hang in mid-air and not slide down. When you pull on the bobbin case it should slide down with a little bit of tension. There is an adjustment screw on the bobbin case, but it is best to let a technician set the bobbin tension.

It is a good idea to take your machine into the shop every three or so years for a complete cleaning, oiling and timing/alignment reset. A spool of thread is 500 yards. A mile is 1760 yards. How many miles has your machine sewn? Isn't it about due for a tune up?

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# THE SOLO CORNER Kathy Rooney

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# On a mission to share

When approached about writing this column, my immediate response was that I have nothing to add to what others have written. After some thought, though, I decided my experience may differ greatly from other dancing solos. And, if my experience has differed from others, many of you out there in Solo Land may have a differing perspective also.

I'd like to feature experiences of particular dancers entering dancing as solos, or in becoming solos as experienced dancers. If you feel your situation is unique please send me your story to feature in future articles. Email to dancerooney@centurylink.net I'll go first in next month's article.

My first article comes at an exciting time of change in our society. More relaxed social rules, which are welcome to many and threatening to others, have occurred recently and very rapidly...surprisingly so.

The condition of being solo has also changed dramatically over the decades. Newer dancers who are solos find a kinder, more welcoming square dance experience thanks to those of us from past decades.

Just as electing our first black President caused fear and anger, along with pride and acceptance, so did the early solos elicit these responses. In the past, both men and women were turned away at the door for coming solo, even though they may have been club members who lost their spouses. One nearby club evicted a member of their core group (who said clique?), when he lost his spouse to cancer.

So, I look forward to taking a journey back in time, and into the future,

sharing our experiences and possibilities as solo square and round dancers. Feel free to share your stories with me.

Kathy Rooney, Double A's Olympia

# TWIN CITY TWIRLERS

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# Square Dance Convention® Des Moines, Iowa June 2016

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All of us had a great time in Springfield, Massachusettes. Now is the time to start thinking about the 2016 convention, which will be held in the Iowa Events Center in Des Moines, Iowa. Contrary to what most people think Iowa is not all-flat land. We have rolling hills and tall bluffs to see and enjoy. Along the Missouri River by Council Bluffs, for example, are the Loess Hills, one of the few naturally occurring wind-blown silt deposits from thousands of years ago.

Des Moines is at the cross roads of I-35 and I-80, a major east west and north south highway system. If you want to see scenery along the way we have listed ten alternate routes using two lane roads to get to Des Moines. They are listed on our website, 65nsdc. org.

Des Moines is also easy to get to by air. We have a very modern International Airport, which has 18 direct flights in an out of the city, and is only 6 miles from the Iowa Events Center. There is also a Mega bus that links 120 major cities for really low prices. One of the stops is only a few blocks from the Events Center.

We have listed several of our best hotels on the back of our registration form. All will be linked by the purchase of a bus pass. A majority of these hotels are also linked by a skywalk, which is climate controlled, and also linked to the Iowa Events Center.

For those of you camping we will be using the Iowa State Fair Campground with 1600 sites. Many of them are full hookups. It has mature trees on gently rolling land. You may need lumber to level your RV.

Parking at the Events Center is \$7.00. There are other parking spaces around the Events Center as well.

The Events Center has four names; depending on which direction you approach it from, Veterans Memorial Auditorium, Community Choice Credit Union Convention Center, HyVee Hall and Iowa Hall of Pride.

The Events Center has four floors that will be used for the convention. The 300 numbered rooms will be used for Education Seminars, Panels and Clinics. Some of these rooms will also offer dancing, lines, hexagons, clogging, contra, rounds, advanced, challenge, DBD, high energy and low energy. Other areas will offer the Live Band, Fashion Show, Exhibitions, Showcase of Ideas, Sew & Save and more.

Registration will be located in part of the Memorial Hall. This is the main entrance to the convention center and is on the third floor. Ways & Means, Information, Tours, Lost & Found are some of the other items that can be found at this location.

When not dancing visit our Capitol Building, it is the only five domed Capitol in the country. One of the domes is gold plated with 24 karat gold leaf and the other four domes have gold on them near the very top.

# **BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL**

Margaret Miller Area Reporter 509-522-2716 m2p2w2@yahoo.com



By the time you read this, the Milton-Freewater **MUDDY FROGS** will have hosted a dance at Yantis Park in Milton-Freewater on August 16th, and a 2018 Washington State Festival meeting, Blue Mountain Council meeting, dance and barbeque on August 29th, also at Yantis Park.

Our September activities include dancing on our float in the Walla Walla Fair and Frontier Days parade on Saturday, the 5th, and sponsoring the Wallowa Mountain Rendezvous at Wallowa Lake near Joseph Oregon the weekend of the 11th to 13th. Bill and Neva Reid will be calling and cueing both events, with Roger Putzler being a featured caller at the Rendezvous. If you have never attended the Rendezvous, you have missed a great time, with lots of atmosphere provided by the building in which we dance. It was built in 1918 and is probably like nowhere you have ever danced before! Those of you who have danced there know what I mean! The lake setting is fabulous to boot. Wallowa Lake is one of the premier vacation spots in Oregon. Hope to see you there!

For the love of square dancing,

Barbara Walter

# **COLUMBIA RIVER SQUARES**: A message from Betty Frisbee...

Margaret, I am unable to get September Footnotes to you at this time. I do not know if you heard that Bill has Leukemia, the bad type with no cure. I am spending most of my time running him to the Cancer Center for blood draws, doctor appointments or visiting him in the hospital. I have a full schedule trying to take care of this place and Bill at the same time. He is really weak and very limited in what he can due.

Editor's note: Prayers for Bill and Betty would be appreciated.

Our 'Hot Summer' will soon be coming to a close. **PRAIRIE SHUFFLERS** will now turn their thoughts and energy to setting up lessons. Again, we will be having Monday nights with LARRY CLARK teaching and on Thursday nights TINA ALLAWAY teaching.

In early July, we had the unique pleasure of dancing to Jerry Junck on a HOT 106 degree day and to our amazement, we ended up with eight, yes eight, Squares! It was a wonderful dance!

We wish a speedy recovery to all of those in our circle of friends that have been having ill health.

Be sure to read our ad in this magazine to find our dance schedule and our guest callers.

We hope to catch you in a square soon.

Sent from my iPad, Mary Stultz

It has been so hot this summer. I'll be so happy when it cools down. In August there was a lot going on. The anniversary of the **FAMILY a-FAIR** was on the 22nd.

Walla Walla will be having their Fair and Rodeo days, the first week of September. We will be dancing there on Saturday and Sunday.

Many of us will be at the big dance at Wallowa Lake in Oregon... Close to the city of Joseph. That date is September 11th and the 12th.

Mickie Thompson, mickiethompson50@gmail.com

With fall about here the **MELODY MIXERS** will start back to our regular dance schedule. We dance every Tuesday evening 5:30 to about 9:30. We will be starting Beginning Waltz lessons on Tuesday, September 22nd. Waltz lessons will be 6:30 to 7:30 and open dancing 7:30 to 9:00 and 9:00 till about 9:30 a little something for the diehards. Join us if you can.

Bill & Karen Holm, bkholm@charter.net

**TRI CITIES CIRCULATORS,** a Plus Club, dances on Thursdays evenings at the Eagles Lodge #2485 in Kennewick, WA. For more Information please call Thelma – 509-539-2660.



# BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL

#### Sunday

Muddy Frogs: Mainstream and Rounds
3rd Sunday Year Around
Bill & Neva Reed Teachers with Guest Callers/Cuers (see ad)
Milton-Freewater Community Center 109 NW 5th
Milton-Freewater, OR

Contact Merri Anne Huber 541-861-9055 or merrianneh@charter.net

#### Tuesday

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

#### Thursday

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

#### Friday or Saturday

Prairie Shufflers: Mainstream with Plus and Rounds
1st & 3rd Friday or Saturday September thru July (check ad
for details)

Guest Callers (see ad) and Cuer Bill Holm Shuffler's Shanty 717 N Irving, Kennewick, WA 509-783-4222 Contact Jeanne Cozad 509-302-7334 or ieannecozad⊚charter.net

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

Family a-Fair: Mainstream with Plus and Rounds
1st & 4th Saturday Year Around
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CENTRAL AREA COUNCIL had a successful 5th Saturday dance in May with Kevin Thomaier and Lynn Peltola. Our clubs attended State Festival and Leadership Seminar, and various other dances at Circle 8 and other clubs. Our next 5th Saturday dance is scheduled for January and more information will be coming later. Our new officers are Kay Mahan, President; Cyndi Silicki, Vice President; Carel Edgerly, Secretary, and Holly Gonseth, Treasurer. Thanks to our retiring officers for all their work.

We congratulate the State Festival committee on a great event and especially Jim and Vonnie Spence from our neighboring North Central Council on receiving the McNutt Award.

We look forward to seeing you either in one of our squares or yours in the coming dance year. Hope everyone survived the summer heat okay--this one was a real cooker.

Carel Edgerly, carel@centurylink.net

Dance Time Change: The **GATESWINGERS** are starting dances at 7:00 pm with a half hour of Pre-Rounds or Pre-Plus dancing and Square Dancing from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. One Saturday a month we will start with the usual Pre-Rounds and the other we will start with Pre-Plus dancing.

The Gateswingers had their great annual Summer Dance –'Sunshine and Shades' – called and cued by Dave and Sharon Boggs in July. Many people came from out of town and we thank them all. We even had 2014 Parker Award recipients Don & Marie Wood's Motor Cycle group. We have been busy traveling all over this hot, hot summer and are ready to settle down for our fall dancing. We will start the season out with a Community Dance inviting non-dancers to come to an open house to introduce them to the fun of Square Dancing. The Gateswingers congratulate Jim & Vonnie Spence on being awarded the McNutt Award for Round Dancing for 2015. There could not have been a more deserving couple.

Events: September 5th Dance is cancelled due to Labor Day Weekend. September 12th is a Community Dance and September 19th is a regular dance with guest Cuer Jim Dobbs. Friday, September 25th is the Round Dance.

Jan Logan, ojlogan@charter.net

BLUE AGATES kick off our year with a meeting/barbeque at Jerry and Barb Pettit's country home in Ellensburg. Our first regular dance will be Friday, September 11th, at the Swauk-Teanaway Grange in Cle Elum. Daron Tandberg and Cyndi Silicki will call and cue for us again. Over the summer we attended the State Festival in Mount Vernon as well as the Leadership Seminar and other programs at Circle 8 Ranch. We also sponsored our annual party dance for the Children of Chernobyl group visiting Ellensburg this summer. The kids always have a great time and so do we. Daron makes it a fun evening with some squares, line, and mixer dances.

Your caravans are always welcome. Call our president, Dale Rusho, at 509-674-5275 to make arrangements.

Sally Gililand, sallygililand@gmail.com

**SILHOUETTE DANCERS** had a great turnout for our Mid-Summer Nights. Wonderful dancing and lots of fun! Of course Debbie did challenge us as usual! Now we are looking forward to next year, which will be at Fruitvale Grange, the one some of us belong to.

As for the rest of the summer, we didn't do much dancing at home, as Debbie is busy cueing in other places. Some of us did dance elsewhere when we got the chance.

We hope everyone had a super summer and looking forward to year of dancing.

Have an enjoyable Labor Day weekend.

Dorothy Crosslin, dotif55@live.com

## **COUGAR SQUARES**

1st Sat Sep-Jun
PLUS 7:30 MS 8 - 10:30 PM
3rd Thurs Jul (7 PM) / 1st Thurs Aug (7 PM)
Sound Enhancement
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Jim Raupp, Caller Susan Healea, Cuer

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# **GATESWINGERS**

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# ORVIN LOGAN, Caller CYNDI SILICKI, Cuer

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The **BOOTS & LACES** will host our first dance in the Fall on September 18th at Meridian Grange, 15422 Kent-Kangley Rd, Kent, WA. This dance will start with a Round Dance Workshop at 7:30 pm with Debbie and Paul Taylor. Steve Noseck likes to begin Mainstream with a lively tune that will have both our mind and feet moving at a fast pace at 8:00 pm. We welcome all dancers back to spend an evening with us and are pleased to have both our Caller and Cuer continuing to work with our club.

Some of our members enjoyed dancing at State Festival, Circle 8 Ranch and other dance opportunities throughout the summer. Others did some traveling and enjoyed time with family. Many of us are praying for cooler temperatures and some rain as we are not used to the 90+ days we have had this summer. It may be normal for Eastern Washington, but not on this side of the mountains. As we end July and move into August, I hope we do not see any more fires closing the freeways for hours at a time.

Jan Emerson, emersonbobjan2@hotmail.com

The **CONTRAILS** extend a HUGE THANK YOU to all the dancers at the State Festival "Life's A Dance" Contra Badge Dance. There were quite a few of us dancing in the sun. Fun times!

The Contrails have NO dances scheduled at this time. See you in a square? Happy Dancing!

Susan Morris, susan@callersusan.com

Can you believe it? September is here! Today at the time of writing this article, they are predicting 97 degrees, which beats all-time records. I pray that this heat wave we are having will soon all disappear and it will get cooler with yes, RAIN. I also hope that everyone was able to have an enjoyable summer, doing your favorite things.

SEPTEMBER: Time to get geared up for the Fall. The **JETSTEPPERS** are looking forward to another great year. Lessons start on Thursday, September 17th from 7:00 to 9:00 pm at the Cedar Grange in Maple Valley. Last year, we graduated 16 students and they all joined the club. Welcome new members! Our first dance will be on Saturday, September 19th starting at 7:30 pm. Come on down by the river and join us for a fun time. Chuck Martin, our Caller, always seems to amaze us.

See you on the dance floor!

Sharon Buechler, buechler73@comcast.net

The PI-R SQUARES welcomes you to come to any of our dances on the 2nd or 4th Saturdays from September through May. Andy Garboden will be our Caller for all but the dance on April 9th, 2016 and Mike Olson will be our Caller on that night. Kyle Quande will take over for Marge Kost this year as our Cuer for the Pi-R Squares. Kyle has done a really good job of cueing for Marge when Marge was traveling. Please come for a visit and enjoy Kyle's cueing!

Our first dance will be on Saturday, September 12th and it will be good to get back to square dancing. Our September 26th dance will be our Annual Pie Dance. Bring a pie early and get it judged or just come and eat the pies.

The summer has been very good with the exception of the hot weather and it seems that we are living with the Eastern Washington weather instead of our usually cooler Western Washington weather.

We had an excellent Campout in July at the Outback RV Park in Rochester, WA. Good food, games and square dancing in a very friendly setting.

We had a retirement party for Marge Kost at the Quinnett's house in late July that was very enjoyable and all who came had a good time. We roasted Marge, but not very badly. Marge has done a wonderful job as our Cuer for the past 20 years and always did a great job of choosing the dances we love and was always on time with the music. Good luck, Marge, on your traveling.

Our square dance lessons are a little different this year. They begin on Thursday, September 17th at 7:00 pm at the Meridian Grange and will continue every 1st and 3rd Thursday at 7:00 pm and every 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 6:00 pm just before our dances. All of our lessons will be at Meridian Grange. If anyone you know or don't know cannot take lessons on your night, please think of sending them to our lessons. Andy Garboden will be our teacher and Brett Kappenman will be the teacher when Andy is out of town. Both callers are excellent instructors!

Have a good dance year and keep dancing just for the enjoyment of our hobby!

Terry & Marilyn Quinnett, mvjunkdealer@juno.com

In my June report, I couldn't tell you where **WAGON WHEELS** went on their Mystery Caravan. Now I can. We went to the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation near Seattle Center and learned how the Gates Foundation is helping people all over the world. Afterwards, we enjoyed our lunch, either at the Seattle Center Food Court or a sack lunch by the Fountain. The highlight of our day was a two-hour tour of Seattle's Century Link Football Stadium. What an incredible stadium! We ended up dancing at Lac-A-Do Hall in Olympia for a fun evening of dancing!

It has been a busy summer with club members attending our 63rd State Festival in Mt. Vernon in June; several dancers having a great time going to

Leadership at Circle 8 in Cle Elum in July enjoying the calling of National Caller, Jerry Junck, from Nebraska; participating in Covington Days to promote Square



The Wagon Wheel Square Dance Club promoting square dancing at "Covington Days" parage on July 18th.

Photo by Donna Rohde

Dancing; an RV Caravan trip to USA West in Helena, Montana in August and enjoying our summer picnic!

Now, we are looking forward to our first dance on September 19th which will be our "Welcome Back from Summer" Dance where dancers can show off their summer tan and wear their summer clothes for dancing.

If you are in the Kent area on Saturday, September 19th, please stop by and dance to the Calling of Wayne Easton and the Cueing of Lorraine and John Rouse at the Meridian Grange on Kent-Kangley.

Donna Rohde, donnalou13@comcast.net

# Can you identify these dancers from yesteryear?

A caller in the Mount Baker area took a picture of this couple years ago and recently requested that it be sent to FOOTNOTES. He wanted to see if anyone would recognize these two people from about 20 years ago....

"Who are these people?"
Just for fun...

Answer: Next month



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**HAPPY HOPPERS**: After having been "dark" for the Summer, it's September and the Hoppers are happy to be back!

The highpoint of the summer season, our annual club picnic took place on Sunday, August 2nd, at Don and Joanne Oja's farm. Touching bases with old friends was the order of the day.

At the picnic, we heard some very upbeat news about our club caller, Jim Hattrick. Jim is on the rebound with an intact digestive system! He is now getting a significant amount of his nutrition the natural way, improving daily, and hoping to resume (at least partially) his teaching, calling, and cueing duties in September. Everyone is excited for Jim's progress and eager to greet him on his return.

The Happy Hoppers work hard to make our education program a comfortable environment for students. Many of our club members volunteer as "Angels" to help make it an easy and productive experience. Square dance lesson season will re-start on Monday, September 21st with a short session for September. We encourage beginning dancers to start introductory lessons on September 21st and, after that, on the first Monday of every month at 7:30. We are committed to serving both beginners and continuing students with our lesson format. Every Monday, Plus lessons will be given at 6:30, Basic lessons start at 7:30, and Mainstream lessons are available at 9:00.

As always, we have Plus dances on the first and third Saturdays of the month at the Clark County Square Dance Center. Pre-rounds start at 7:30, with squares at 8:00. Our "Back to School" dance will take place on September 5th, with Richard Lane calling and Dorothy Lowder cueing. We encourage our members to bring school supplies to donate to students unable to provide their own. On September 19th, Craig Abercrombie will be the caller and Lonnie Sykes the cuer.

Since the pace of Jim Hattrick's recovery progress is unpredictable, he may (or may not) show up at any of our September lessons or dances, participating to the extent of his ability at the time.

Over time, our education program has developed a stellar reputation as a great vehicle for beginning square dance students. Many students have risen to the Mainstream level only to be recruited by other clubs before they have had a chance to become Plus dancers and join the Hoppers. We are committed to remain a Plus club, but we also want to keep our students in the family. The best minds of the Happy Hopper leadership have been brainstorming about this for a while now. Several new ideas and variations have been discussed. We're not

yet sure about a long term strategy, but on December 5th, in an effort to provide our Mainstream students with some Happy Hopper floor time, we will have a "Mainstream Splurge" dance, with the great majority of the tips to be called at the Mainstream level. More details will follow next month.

Marc Kahn, Marc.kahn@comcast.net

The **SILVER STARS** have been busy this summer visiting summer festivals and weekend events, as well as visiting clubs that have danced all summer. It has been a long, hot summer but if you pace yourself in the heat, an enjoyable time can be had by all--even if it is more visiting than dancing.

We will begin our new dance year on September 12th, 2015 with an "Apples Galore" theme dance. Chuck Garner will be calling this dance for us and Dorothy Lowder cueing. We dance at the Hazel Dell Grange with Plus from 7 - 8 pm and Mainstream dancing from 8 - 10 pm. Hope you will come visit us.

Our 4th Saturday dance on the 26th is cancelled, due to a clogging weekend; however, we are having a mystery trip. Who knows, we may visit you. Our fall schedule is filled with Chuck Garner on 2nd Saturdays, and Darrell Kalmbach calling 4th Saturdays. Dorothy is our club cuer, and does her usual terrific job of keeping the round dance full and entertaining.

Hope you and yours have a fantastic fall season and Happy Dancing... Yellow rocks to all.

Teresa Hill, willbak4u@yahoo.com

Greetings from the **BUZZIN' BEES**. Hope everyone has had a good summer. We have lots of news to share. Bill Lundin has accepted a position with the Lions Club that will require frequent travel so he has decided to retire from club calling. Our first dance of the new season, on September 19th, will be a "Thank you" dance in honor of Bill and Linda. I am pleased to announce that KC Curtis has accepted our offer to be our new club caller. His first dance will be October 3rd. We welcome KC and Linda to the club.

Elmer Toops received his long awaited kidney transplant. Looking forward to his feeling better. Our lessons will start on Sunday September 20th from 6-8

pm at the Hazel Dell Grange. We will continue with our 1st and 3rd Saturday dances in September with the first Saturday being dark for Labor day. Hope to see you in a square.

Debbie Broers



1st Tuesday & 3rd Fridays

7:30 - 9:30 PM Phase 2 & 3 Ron Woolcock - Cuer & Instructor

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# **Leslie Keyes**

**Area Reporter** 

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Can it really be September already?! MT. BAKER COUNCIL hopes you enjoyed your summer and were able to experience many of the dancing opportunities around our state. The Washington State Square Dance Festival held in Mt. Vernon in June was very well attended and the callers and cuers provided very entertaining dances for everyone. Many of the local and upand-coming callers and cuers also had a chance to practice their craft. We hope you enjoyed all the dancing, the pageant honoring those who have volunteered their time over the years, dangle dances and other activities. Many thanks to all the volunteers who devoted their time to bringing you all the fun! Have you registered for the 2016 Festival in Longview yet?

Sadly, one our long time clubs, The Checkerboard Squares, decided to close their doors in June and we'll miss the dancing fun they provided over the years. We encourage the former members to continue being active members and enjoying dancing with other clubs in the council.

We are looking forward to our fall Council Dance on October 25th. See the Fidalgo Fogcutters report below for more details. They have a very special dance planned for your entertainment. We hope you will attend and share in some Hocus Pocus!

Leslie Keyes, L\_a\_keyes@msn.com

From Eboo Patel "America is an unfinished masterpiece. America, like other nations, allows us to participate in its progress, carve a place in its promise, and play a role in its possibilities. This is both a privilege for America and a necessity for the nation." Do we see any similarities to our square dance program?

This boils down to, if you like what we do, let's get out and round up some new dancers. They like to be held by the hand but let's try mailing class fliers along with our bills when we pay them (even add to email), get on Facebook, hand out fliers at the local grocery store, leave notes at the restaurant table and your server with a nice tip. Ask city hall and school districts if you can put up a sign. Let them know we are a non-profit, community service entity adding a healthy environment for people to live in.

This year the **HAPPY HOPPERS** added a note to our lesson fliers advising people to come and see us dance, when and where, to find out for themselves. Let them know we don't just learn to dance, they will learn a LIFE STYLE that can be carried with them the rest of their lives.

Hoppers LIFE STYLE starts on September 19th with the robust Mike

Desisto. He would cheer up people looking for a humorous and moving new activity. Mike is accompanied by Stephanie Speelman, the lady who is teaching and working with our youth who are dancing very well and they smile at it.

We invited new potential dancers to our National Caller dance on October 3rd with import Tom Roper. He doesn't get up this way very often. He has high praises from the 'AZers'. Karen Neverdowski, cuer, will help him keep up with us.

Enjoy our friends. Keep a few. And when it comes to Angeling, just paddle your own canoe. We have great instructor callers... they do their job well...

Jean Raymond, frjr@msn.com

The **FIDALGO FOGCUTTERS** Plus Club sponsored a very successful Plus Hoedown weekend on July 17th and 18th at the Skagit Valley grange, with over 9 squares dancing, numbers down a bit on Saturday due to the huge traffic accident and day-long back-up on I-5 in Skagit County that snarled traffic all day. We had 18 RVs parked for the week-end, with a very large contingent of our dance friends from across the Canadian border. The festivities began on Thursday with a gathering of a dozen RVs at the Ploeg home for a potluck dinner, with many dancers going afterwards to help Ron pull the first of the season crab pots at Samish Island. Crab was the dinner of choice at the hall on Friday evening! Yumm!

The Fogcutters dance only once in September beginning their season on Friday, September 18th with a club potluck before the dance, with Don Wood calling and Bob and Linda Berka cueing beginning at 7:30 pm.

Club officers for the year are: Don and Snookie Carlson, Presidents; Don and Pat Smith, Vice Presidents; Rita Frisk, Secretary; Roger Kessler, Treasurer, and Snookie Carlson and Lois Cassidy as Delegates to Mt. Baker Council.

Put the Fall Mt. Baker Council Dance on your calendar. The date is Sunday, October 25th and the theme is "Halloween Hocus Pocus" at the Stanwood Middle School; costumes encouraged, but optional. The callers are Steve Noseck and Kevin Thomaier, with Debbie Taylor cueing. Plus dancing with phase 3-4 Rounds begins at 2 pm; Mainstream with Rounds is 2:30-5 pm. Once again, Dave Harry will have a separate hall for No Experience Dancers. Tickets are available now. Contact any club in Mt. Baker Council. More information will follow next month. See our flyers and ads.

The Fogcutters would like to invite everyone to join us at our dance on October 16th to celebrate our members, Doug Keyes and Ellen Ostrum, recipients of the State Federation President's Award. Plus dancing begins at 8:00 pm at the Skagit Valley Grange on Cook Road, Sedro Woolley; Pre-rounds will begin at 7:30 pm with Brent Mawdsley cueing and calling for the evening. This promises to be a memorable occasion for Doug and Ellen, who have given so much to our square dance community in their clubs, Council and the State Federation. We hope to see you in a square!

Gailyn Ploeg, ploegrj@msn.com

RAINBOW SQUARES members enjoyed a delicious potluck General Meeting at the home of our Secretary Couple – Wendy Seidel & Larry White in July. We then participated in our 31st annual Demo Dance at the NW Washington Fair in Lynden in August, where we had 40 dancers enjoying the Calling of Oren Gaskill. We also handed out lesson flyers for our classes starting on September 22nd with Oren teaching.

DANCE TIME CHANGE: Our Club voted to move our dance time back by  $\frac{1}{2}$  an hour for this dance season to encourage more visitations and improve dance attendance. New times will be Pre-Rounds 7-7:30 pm and Mainstream 7:30-9:30 pm.

Our 2015-16 dance season starts off with a "Back to School Sock Hop" on September 12th. Dudes & Dolls will be Caravanning In, and we will collect school supplies for needy students. September 26th we will go DARK to Caravan to the Winthrop Barn Dance.

We all had a great summer and look forward to a fun dance season with fun themes - stay tuned!

Oren & Lew Gaskill, olgaskill@comcast.net

The **CASCADE CROSSFIRES** had 10 enthusiastic squares at their May dance, with Brent Mawdsley calling and Debbie Taylor cuing. June and July brought us to another couple of months of fun dancing on Mondays from 6:30 to 7:30 pm for "Awesome Plus" (all-position) and then regular Plus workshops from 7:30 to 9:00 pm.

Crossfires had two Saturday caravans to Circle 8 Ranch over the summer. We participated in the Circle 8 afternoon workshops, the potluck dinner and the evening Plus dance with Mike Sikorsky, Dan Preedy, and Debbie Taylor on August 1st, and Steve Noseck, Steve Edlund and Jim Spence on August 15th.

Monday Awesome Plus and workshops resume September 14th from 7:30-9:00. Plus lessons begin October 5th at 7:30 pm. We will continue to offer an "Awesome Plus" (all-position) workshop from 6:30 to 7:30 pm, prior to Monday lessons/workshops. Every 4th Monday is our "Workshop Extravaganza" dance (rather than a workshop) which features a "No Hands Challenge," great food and of course loads of laughter!

Crossfires will hold a special Plus dance on Friday, October 9th, 2015, with Dan Preedy and Susan Morris calling and Linda Nold cueing. The Crossfires are also very busy planning a New Year's Eve Plus dance at the Juanita Community Club.

The Cascade Crossfires is a "secondary" Plus club. Most of our members are active in a mainstream club and enjoy the fun, fellowship, and challenge of Plus dancing. We would love to have you dance with us as frequently as your schedule permits.

Diana Freyfogle; freyf@comcast.net

**WOODINVILLE SQUARE CROWS** had a good summer and hope that you did too. And we are thrilled to welcome Jim Hattrick back to call and cue on

September 4th. We're so grateful that he is doing so much better. We'll try not to tire him out too much! Gary Monday and Karen Neverdowski will be on stage September 18th and we'll welcome the Samena Squares to our dance. The Crows caravan to Whirlybirds on September 19th. Lessons begin September 15th with teacher Mike Olson.

We are also offering a discounted one year membership to mainstream dancers whose clubs have disbanded and would like to join the Crows. Please contact Alice Wright at 360-805-1891 or alicewright 2007@yahoo.com or come to one of our dances for details.

Lynn Von Seggern, lynnvs@cablespeed.com

The **SKY VALLEY WHIRLWINDS** are beginning the 38th year of dancing with their annual Corn Feed Dance. This September 18th dance has been a popular opening to the new dance year for many square dancers. The sweet corn on the cob that will be served comes from the surrounding corn fields near the Tri Way Grange of Mill Creek. Craig Abercrombie will be our caller with John Neverdowski doing the cueing.

Nearly half of our club members attended the 63rd Washington State Square Dance Festival on June 19th & 20th, 2015 in Mount Vernon, WA. Everyone had a wonderful time at this "Life's a Dance" State Festival.

The Sky Valley Whirlwinds are a Mainstream dancing club with most dances on the 3rd Friday of the month. We also sponsor one or two Plus dances each year. Kevin Thomaier will be calling our Saturday, January 30th, 2016 Plus dance.

The Spring 2016 Mt. Baker Council Dance is being sponsored by the Sky Valley Whirlwinds and will be held on Saturday, April 30, 2016 at the Skagit Valley Grange in Sedro-Woolley. Adam Christman will be the featured caller for this Council Dance.

Come and join us for a good time dancing throughout the dance year!

Roy Johnson; royhjohnson@comcast.net

Summer time and the livin' was easy ... easy and eventful for the **DUDES &** DOLLS! The world of Square dancing is wide and wonderful. All the effort and dedication to keep the events happening successfully, from nation-wide to clubwise, are the result of great people doing great things, a step at a time.

Even down to the individual club officers are to be commended. It is no simple task to keep over 100 people happily headed in the right direction.

The annual campout was held at Howard Miller's Steelhead Park, at Rockport on the North Cascades Highway. We occupied one camping circle, and the wagons (RV's and trailers) rolled in from different areas. The weather was cloudy, and had a few drops of rain. (You remember rain don't you?) The sun popped out a few times. So, it was actually perfect, without that searing hot weather we have experienced.

The Friday Night Spaghetti Feed, two breakfasts, the silent auction, the

camaraderie, the live auction, the RC car race, the burnt hotdogs, (Oops, I was not supposed to mention that; too late ... please disregard that statement about the hotdogs that were burnt to perfection. I always ask for a burnt one. This time I did not have to ask). Back to reality...the food, the friendliness, the members and of course the workers that made it all happen--a BIG D&D THANK YOU.

The results of the fund-raisers were successful, much to the efforts of the committee, and all the helpers. All I had to do was say, "2 dollars! Then 5 dollars! Then wait for the everlovin' 'Sold to the handsome gentleman in the third row ... number 2!". The 'handsome gentleman' are two words the auctioneer uses to keep me bidding on other items. I figured that out all by myself. The second event of the Summer of 2015, is a trip to the mountains, near the outskirts of Darrington, to the D&D Annual Picnic. The trip was worth the price of admission alone; and food and games and friendliness abounded.

This August, on a much sadder note, the Dudes & Dolls gathered for two Memorial Services. Beloved and always smiling, Judy Den went on to the next step in her life. The last time, when we were greeters, I saw Judy and she was laughing and dancing and loving life. She will always be that in my memory, for MY forever.

Earl Adamson, beloved husband of Vera, passed away while visiting family in Arkansas. We are all saddened at the loss of Earl. He was always there. Never in the front row, but if you looked around you saw Earl, waiting in the wings to help where he could and watching to see where he was needed. His absence leaves a void in the D&D.

Good bye, Judy. Fare thee well, Earl.

If you are one of the many that make things happen in this, our wonderful world of Square Dancing, or if you are just a dancer, or someone that says, "12 dollars!" keep on doing what you do. If you find the wherewithal, do a little more, and thank an officer of your club. They make it all work.

Warren B Funnell, WarnFnel@msn.com

Summer is almost gone and the **FREEWHEELERS** have been dancing most of the summer with the exception of August. From the Washington State Festival in Mount Vernon to our 30th Anniversary dance and barbeque featuring Dan Preedy and Debbie Taylor, we have enjoyed a summer filled with fun.

We had a wonderful caravan to the Square Crows in August. There will be no dance on September 6th because of the Labor Day holiday. Our first dance of the season will be on September 20th, with a 50's theme. Roger Spiese will be calling and Debbie Taylor will be cueing. The Stanwood Sashayers will be caravanning in.

Our first caravan of the new season for us will be on Saturday, September 26th, to the Stanwood Sashayers.

We dance the 1st and 3rd and some 5th Sundays of the month from 7:00-10:00 pm at the Mountlake Terrace Community Senior Center – 23000 Lakeview



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CASCADE CROSSFIRES Plus Mondays 7:00pm @ Sammamish Valley Grange, Woodinville – Susan Morris & Guest Callers, (425) 591-8692 **DANCING SHADOWS** Rounds, 1st & 3rd Sat 7:00-9:30 pm @ Juanita Community Club, Kirkland – Debbie & Paul Taylor, (425) 478-5128 DUDES AND DOLLS MS, 2nd, 4th & 5th Fri 7:30-10:30 pm @ Cedar Valley Grange, Lynnwood – Scott Coon & Guest Callers/Debbie Taylor, (425) 337-2906 FERN BLUFF SQUARES MS, Family, 2nd Sat 7:30-10:30 pm @ South Lake Stevens Senior Center, Lake Stevens – Ray Gallagher/Linda Nold, (425) 334-5184 FIDALGO FOGCUTTERS Plus, 1st & 3rd Fri 7:30-10:00 pm

@ Skagit Valley Grange, Sedro-Woolley – John Corrigan-1st Fri and Guest Callers-3rd Fri, Bob Berka, (360) 387-8727

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

**HAPPY HOPPERS** MS, 1st & 3rd Sat 7:30 –10:30 pm @ Stillaguamish Senior Center, Arlington – Guest Callers/Guest Cuers, (425) 367-7645 HAPPY ROUNDERS Rounds, Ph 3-4, Tues 7:30-9:30 pm @

The Hayloft, Lynnwood – Randy Preskitt (425) 348-6030, (206) 364-4173

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

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RAINBOW SQUARES MS, 2nd & 4th Sat 7:30-10 pm @ Ten Mile Grange,

Lynden – Brent & Therese Mawdsley, (360) 733-4487

SAMENA SQUARES MS, 2nd & 4th Fri 7:30-10:30pm @Juanita

Community Club, Kirkland – Guest Callers/Cuers - (425) 820-4188

SHIRTS-N-SKIRTS MS, Teens, Wed 6:30-9 pm @ Canyon Park

Jr Hi, Bothell – Randy & Marie Preskitt - (425) 348-6030

SKAGIT SQUARES MS, 3rd Sat 7:30-10 pm @ Mount Vernon

Senior Center, Mount Vernon – John Corrigan/Bob Berka - (360) 424-4608

**SKY VALLEY WHIRLWINDS** MS, 3rd Fri 7:30-10:30 pm @ Triway

Grange, Mill Creek – Guest Callers/John Neverdowski - (425) 337-3658

**STANWOOD SASHAYERS** MS, 4th Sat 7:30-10:00 pm @ Stillaguamish Grange

Hall, Stanwood – Ray Gallagher/Bob Berka - (360) 387-5055

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/Karen Neverdowski (360) 805-1891

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Jackie & Del Chase **Area Reporter** 

WHEATLAND WHIRLERS officers for the 2015-2016 season are: President - Judy & Harold Schock, Vice President - Jim & June Eaton, Secretary Sherryll & Jim Compton, Treasurer is Sandra Zeigler.

Judy Schock had hip surgery and is now out of rehab and home. She is doing very well.

We are doing INTRO to SQUARE DANCING September 17th at the Ephrata Senior Center and then will start lessons on the 22nd and 24th as free nights at the school and will continue twice a week until completed.

Our first dance is September 12th at the Ephrata Senior Center. We are having a baked potato bar at 6:00 before the dance. Jim Compton and Noelle Miller will be caller & cuer. The September 26th dance has been cancelled.

Happy dancing

Noelle Miller, noellemcues@charter.net

The 4X8's elected new club officers. President is Jack Roberts; Vice President is Emmanuel Schieble; Secretary, Judy Carlson, and Treasurer, MaryEllen Teterud. Thank you for your service.

Well it has been a great summer for the 4X8's in Moses Lake. We started our summer season with a picnic at Blue Heron Park. The weather was nice and we had lots of people and good food. Our caller, Dave Boggs celebrated his 50th birthday with a pool party at his home. Dave was surprised by his family with a new puppy, complete with all the supplies. Sharon was a gracious hostess.

Dave and Sharon put on a dance demonstration at the Royal City Summer

Fest. One of the kids in the audience got up and danced Amos Moses with Dave and our dancers on metal spring stilts.

We were all saddened by the passing of Cody DeTrolio. It is always hard to lose a friend and even harder when they are taken so young. We offer our continued prayers to the DeTrolio family.

We will dance at the Grant County Fair in August, and host a booth promoting our upcoming classes.



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BUDS & BLOSSOMS enjoyed a great summer filled with fun activities, family and friends. Our annual summer picnic was in August. Thank you to Cascade Twirlers for a night of fun and Bingo in July.

We will begin our dance season on Friday September 11th, with Mainstream at 7:30 pm, at the East Wenatchee Grange. We will also dance on Friday the 18th. We will not be dancing on the 25th, as our caller and his wife will be in Winthrop for the Barn Dance weekend.

Nora Jackson, noracooper@yahoo.com

**CASCADE TWIRLERS** new officers for 2015-2016 are President-Randy and Shelia Ogle; Vice President-Donna Salsburg; Secretary-Sandy & Ernie Briggs, and Treasurer-Ernie & Sandy Briggs. They held these offices last season and did a good job, so know they will do another one.

Some of our dancers attended dances around the state. We also attended the North Central Council BBO at Circle 8 Ranch and danced to the new callers who attended the Cascade Callers School there. We had a fun time dancing to them.

Cascade Twirlers and Buds and Blossoms met for a Bingo party with prizes and snacks. We had a great time and hope to plan another get together for more fun soon.

Our first dance of the season will be September 19th at the East Wenatchee Grange.

Please keep in mind that we will be hosting the North Central Council dance on October 30th with a Halloween theme. Our caller will be Steven Cole.

See you in a square soon.

Noelle Miller, noellemcues@charter.net

The **APPLELAND PROMENADERS** are relieved to step from under shady trees and AC units and begin the fall dance season. On September 12th, guest caller Doug Davis (Priscilla) will get us started. Jim Spence (Vonnie) will cue this one. They received the McNutt award for cuers at the festival in June. September 26th the East Wenatchee Grange will go dark so members can attend the Barn Dance in Winthrop.

There will be information later on the October 10th Anniversary dance with Ray Brendzy.

It will be great to get out on the floor again---see you in a square.

Kay White, kwhite@nwi.net

#### SQUARE STEPPERS

2nd Sat each Month PLUS 7:30 - 10:00 PM KSDC, GORST, WA **GUEST CALLERS** 

Caravans/Mystery Trips/Camping For Info Call: (360) 377-9494

# PRAIRIE SHUFFLERS

**Shufflers Shanty** 717 N. Irving, Kennewick FRIDAY OR SATURDAY DANCING: PLUS 7:00 - 8:00 PM MAINSTREAM 8 - 10:30 PM

September 18th-LARRY CLARK/BILL HOLM October 3rd-DAN PREEDY/BILL HOLM

October 16th-ROB KRUM/BILL HOLM November 7th-VERN BOGGS/KATHY BOGGS November 21st-BOB AMSBURY/CLAUDIA AMSBURY

December 4th-TBA/BILL HOLM 509-628-0354 or 509-783-1521



# **Trish Gaine Area Reporter** 360-683-2409

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It's hard to believe that another year of Square Dancing is about to erupt on the Olympic Peninsula!!!!! The RHODY O'S have had a blast with well-attended, weekly workshops and some of our members practically lived over at Circle 8 Ranch this summer.

Now is the time for all of us to reach out to neighbors, friends and strangers and entice them into the square dance fold. We all need to actively search out for eager (and not so eager) participants to share our love of dancing. WE know how much fun it is and it's time to share it. The RHODY O'S square dance lessons begin on Tuesday, September 8th at 7:30 pm. Spike Reid is our caller/cuer and we dance at the Gardiner Community Center which is at the intersection of Old Gardiner Rd and Old Schoolhouse Rd in Gardiner, WA. So all you dancers out there in the state of Washington, if you have any friends that live out this way, give them a call and encourage them to visit the Rhody O's. We will have a free Ice Cream Social on the 8th and can promise a whole lot of laughter, fun and friendship throughout the year.

The Rhody O's dance on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month... so join us whenever you are in town.

Trish Gaine, fasolard@olypen.com

The **STRAIT WHEELER** Square Dance Club will be hosting a very special "Bob Erny Dance Night" on Saturday, September 26th -- 7:00 to 9:30 pm at the Sons of Norway Hall -- 131 W. 5th St. in Port Angeles -- to honor Bob for his years of service to the Square Dance community.

Bob was the caller/instructor for the Strait Wheelers for many years and amassed a large number of friends in the process. He so loved music and what better way to put that love to use than in the form of creative Square Dance calls to fit his most favorite tunes. He not only loved music he also played and sang and was a long time member of the Washington Old Time Fiddlers Association and a regular attendee at "Jam Sessions" in the area.

Our club caller, Janolyn Keller, has Bob's entire collection of vintage records and will be using those tunes exclusively for the evenings Round and Square dance routines.

Please come out and join us in a very special evening dedicated to Bob Erny -- and his everlasting contribution to the Square Dance Community. For more info call 457-3912

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# **PENINSULA COUNCIL**

Kitty & Paul Ogg

**Area Reporter** 360-692-6032 kjoggpr@aol.com



**ROUND SQUARES** had another great Memorial Day Campout again this year. Due to a medical problem, Don Cochrane was not able to call for us. Many thanks to Doug Davis from Spokane who called for the weekend and to Joyce Sebree for cueing.

Many thanks go to guest callers for June - Ed Evans; and Gunter Monroe for July and August.

September is the month for back to wearing square dance attire. What a summer we had this year with 90 degree weather. "Just about did this reporter in!"

We received word that our caller Willie Sewell is progressing with his re-hab. Things are looking a little brighter day by day.

One of our senior inactive club members, Joe Finden, fell and broke his hip and is recovering at Northwoods Lodge. We all wish him a speedy recovery.

The annual KSDA Rummage Sale was August 6th, 7th and 8th at KSDA. This is a big yearly fundraiser for our wonderful square dance hall to help with maintenance expenses.

Betty Force, Club Reporter

**SQUARE STEPPERS'** first dance of the fall will be September 12th. It will be our Birthday dance celebrating 60 years. We will be having alternating Mainstream and Plus tips. The caller will be Stephen Cole and Larry and Carolyn Small will be cueing. All are welcome and invited to come help us celebrate.

We had a full summer with a dance June and July - casual dress. There was lots of sunshine and great weather. On August 2nd we had our club picnic at Barb and Del Pennington's house. Then there was the Annual Rummage Sale August 6th, 7th and 8th, which we all either helped by bringing items, setting up, cleaning up, and of course buying things everyone else brought.

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

Barbara Pennington, bardeldry@gmail.com

**PAWS AND TAWS** had a long hot summer. We are looking forward to the start of fall and back to classes and dances. June 8th Paws and Taws graduated 18 new dancers. 12 joined our club. Jerry VanFossen and Caller Roger Spiese have had a dance once a month to help the dancers keep up with what they have learned.

Many of Peninsula Council dancers attended the State Festival. Three couples, the VanFossen's, Brazils, and Jurgens, from our club attended the National Square Dance Convention. Several other couples also attended, making a good show for Washington. They all had a wonderful time.

Next was our Fireworks booth in July with lots of help from members. Then on July 18th was the "T-Shirt Dance" and we had a large visitation from the Roamin' Tacomans. 6-8 squares were dancing. It was very hot in the hall but that did not slow them down.

Next we got ready for the KSDA garage sale. Lorna Finch (Paws and Taws) is the new Chairman. It takes a lot of help to set up and sell. Thank you to all the generous members.

August 15th, we had a Barbeque and Potluck before our "Country Picnic Dance". There is always a lot of fun and good food.

At the end of August there was demo dancing at the Kitsap County Fair. Then came the KSDA Labor Day Weekend with lots of fun dancing, after parties and games.

Leota Lewis, leotal@msn.com

GIG HARBOR TWIRLERS danced September 5th with Roger Spiese calling and Larry and Carolyn Small cueing. Great dancing enjoyed by everyone and a good time to catch up with friends and what they did during the summer

Next dance will be October 3rd. Come out and join us for a fun evening of dancing - see you there.

Mary McGannon, mekm3591@msn.com

The **DUDES AND DOLLS** took the summer off but are back to dancing in September. We sure love to eat as well as dance and the snack table is always full for the dancers to enjoy along with enjoying Don Smith's (with his dance partner Donna Harbert) calling.

We appreciate all the singles that come out and keep three squares on the floor most Mondays.

We hope that Willie is getting better and hope by now he is at home to finish

# GIG HARBOR TWIRLERS

1st Saturday of each month, except 1st & 3rd Saturdays n Jan & 3rd Sat n Sep Lessons, Student Level Dance, MS, Rounds and Plus Dancing 6 to 10:15 pm Come and Dance with us n Gorst, WA, Camping is also available

Caller: Charlie Wofford & Cuers: Carolyn & Larry Small For More Info Call: 360.692.3723 or 360-373-1822

his recuperation.

Please come by and visit us on any Monday from 1:00 to 3:00 pm.

Joan McLean, mcleancnj@harbornet.

com

# **ROUND SQUARES**

4th Sat 7:30 - 10:00 MS 3rd Sat Dec only KSDC, GORST, WA GUEST CALLERS

JOYCE SEBREE, Cuer Caravans, Mystery Trips - Camping \$15 per night

7:30 -10:00pm Mainstream, Rounds, Plus Tip 1st & 3rd Fri Sep - Jun except Mar 1st Fri & 3rd Sat 3rd Saturday only in July & August CALLER: Roger Spiese • CUER: Shawn Cavness Kitsap Square Dance Center, Gorst Caravans-Mystery trips-All Dancers Welcome

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# **RAINIER COUNCIL**

Lane Johnston Area Reporter 253-200-4566

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On behalf of **RAINIER COUNCIL**, welcome back for another dance season to all our returning clubs and dancers following one long and hot summer!

After browsing through a large number of articles and club reports in FOOTNOTES, it's clear there are some topics that appear over and over again (I'll bet you're reading this, and thinking... "Yep, I can think of several right off the bat!").

My wife and I were privileged to attend the "Leadership" weekend at Circle 8 in July. As the weekend's event name implies, coming home with some useful leadership "take-aways" was a high priority objective. It took a while, but the Keynote Address by Jerry Junck hit the "home run" I was looking for. The message was pretty simple...I'm paraphrasing here (since I don't have a transcript from Jerry's presentation), but what struck me as a very astute observation went something like this:

"We've all heard continuing complaints from within our square dance community about:

- what's 'wrong' with square dancing these days
- slowly, but surely, dwindling membership rosters
- pet peeves we might have with certain aspects of square dancing (e.g. dress codes)
- intolerance (a glare or sour expression) directed by some members of our activity toward others (especially new dancers)

Of course, we all know that bad news travels fast. What are our non-dancing friends and family likely to think about our activity even if only a small part of what they hear about it comes directly from the list above? Is that the message we want to convey? Clearly not.

Instead, the square dancing community AND our non-dancing friends, family (and potential new dancers) would be better served if we (active square dancers) focused more often on:

- what makes square dancing such a FUN, FRIENDLY, HEALTHY, and REWARDING activity
- what we're doing, as clubs and individuals, to introduce our activity to a wider audience
- how INCLUSIVE square dancing really is

 how excited we are about looking forward to our next opportunity to dance.

That 'news' doesn't travel as Fast, perhaps...but surely, it travels Better." Thanks, Jerry Junck, for the message behind the message!

Lane Johnston, lanej@chessmenkastle.com

YOUNG BUNCH has changed a few things for this next dance season. Many of our dances will not have a themed potluck but rather it will be a finger food potluck making it easier for dancers to bring what they want. We went dark in July and August so that we can spend time with our families and can support square dancing a bit more during the summer. You can find our new dance schedule on our section of the council website.

Please consider these guidelines when dancing with youth dancers:

- 1) Never ever pick them up off their feet unless you are a close personal friend or family member.
- 2) Please do not use styling with them...many of them are getting ready for competition.
- 3) Do not push or pull on youth dancers in a square.
- 4) Please don't get angry with them if a square they're in breaks down. Remember, we are there to have fun.
- 5) If you are having issues with a youth dancer please talk to the adult club leadership.

Our September dance on Friday, 9/11/15 is "Bring a Friend" Dance and will be geared for our new dancers. Caller Mark Sebree and Cuer Sue Weber headline the event starting at 6:30 pm with pre-rounds. So bring your new dancers to this dance and let's have some fun.

Rachel Ulmer - Youth Reporter Leslie Young - Adult Adviser, Pollyanna1962@gmail.com

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

We are announcing some big changes for the upcoming dance season. We are pleased and privileged to announce that beginning in late September, DON WOOD will become our club Caller, along with MARIE WOOD as our club Cuer!

We will be dark on Saturday nights this September, but..."Thursday Nite Lites" Mainstream dances will continue from 7-9 pm (with Don Wood on 9/3, Brett Kappenman on 9/10, and Don Wood again on 9/17).

On Thursday, September 24th, we will host a FREE "No Experience Necessary" Community Square Dance from 7-9 pm with Don Wood calling/instructing.

Beginning Thursday October 1st, one week following the community dance,

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SwingNuts will start a 10-week Beginning Square Dance Class. We are adopting the new CallerLab-approved "50-Call" program. (See our full page ad on Page 48 in this issue of FOOTNOTES for details about the class, and some other Big Changes that will take effect in October)!

Come Dance and have FUN with the SwingNuts!

Gail Johnston, gailj@chessmenkastle.com

Is it time for **ROAMIN' TACOMANS** to start plus lessons already? Almost...we will be starting Plus lessons on Sundays from 5 to 7pm on October 4th. If you like dancing Mainstream, you will love Plus... it's easier than you think to learn. Tom is a great teacher, and will even cue rounds between tips. Lessons are \$5 per person.

Our Plus dance this month is on September 12th and the theme is Fair Days. So if you aren't dancing at the fair, come and dance with us. On Sunday, September 13th Tom will be starting Plus workshops from 5 to 7pm. They will continue every Sunday until Plus lessons start on October 4th. Our Mainstream dance, Autumn Leaves, is on September 26th. If September turns out to be a warm one, we have the windows and fans to keep the hall comfortable. Tom Tomlinson is our wonderful Caller/Cuer. Our hall is at 1705 Willow St. in Sumner. Pre-rounds are at 7:30 pm and dances start at 8 pm. We are looking forward to our autumn dances and hope you will join us.

Sharon Herman, tonysharherm@yahoo.com

Welcome back to **SWINGING SQUARES** for the 2015 & 2016 season. We dance Plus on the 2nd & 4th Friday nights at the Sumner Dance Hall (1705 Willow Street).

Rounds workshop run from 7:30 - 8:00 pm and Squares begin at 8:00. Andy Garboden is a super Caller and Lorraine Rouse is a great round dance teacher & Cuer.

Our 1st dance after our summer 'vacation', will feature a Black & White theme, and will be held on Friday, September 11th. We will have a Hawaiian theme for the dance on September 25th.

Please put a note on your calendar for Saturday, November 14th. Our SUMNER HOLIDAY BAZAAR will be from 10 am-4 pm that day. Watch for more information next month.

I would personally like to thank Mary Kun for the superb job she did as our club's FOOTNOTES reporter.

We hope to see lots of you at our dances—we all need to support other clubs. Here's to Happy Dancing!

Lorraine Kramer, mlorrainek@live.com

The **RAINIER CALLERS AND CUERS ASSOCIATION** is gearing up for the new dance season. Of course we're hoping our halls are full of new dancers wanting to learn how much fun we have square dancing.

Thanks to all who attended our July 1st dance featuring Daryl Clendenin and Jerry Junck.

Our board members are the same this year as last... President - Jess Thomas; Vice President - Steve Mazel; Secretary - Marie Wood, and Treasurer - Joyce Sebree. We thank them for agreeing to continue leading our organization for another year.

Our monthly meetings are on the 3rd Sundays at the San Souci Mobile Estates clubhouse in Puyallup. We always encourage dancers to attend our meetings and participate in our square and round dance workshops. And, of course, we always have goodies. The meetings start at 1:00 pm. For more information, or directions, feel free to contact Tom Tomlinson at 253-770-7447.

Sue Weber, dasadogreg@comcast.net

Despite widespread accolades coming from dancers all over Washington and beyond, as of this writing, the **BLAZING STARS** of Federal Way has no scheduled dances. Blazing Stars may hold dances at some date in the future, but there's nothing on the calendar at the moment.

The club danced at Steele Lake Grange located at 2920 S. 298th in Federal Way, WA twice monthly since June of 1998. Blazing Stars was chartered in 1976, and we are sorry we didn't reach our 40th anniversary. It was a good run while it lasted. You will continue to see our members in your squares...most of the members are still dancing somewhere in the area.

Kudos and a hearty "Thank You!" go out to Caller Kevin Thomaier and Cuer Lynn Peltola...you are the best! Such a dynamic combination is difficult to walk away from. We feel fortunate to be able to dance with you on occasion at other venues.

Lucy Prindle, dlprindle@comcast.net

The **BONNEY LADS 'N' LASSIES** hope that everyone had a great summer. I don't know about everyone else, but I know for my family, it's nice to have the time to recharge one's batteries. The club is looking forward to another great year of dancing, and with Greg and Sue Weber Calling and Lorraine and John Rouse Cueing. It's going to be a blast.

We would like to invite all of you to our dance on September 12th (our Welcome Back Picnic Dance). The dance will be casual dress with picnic-type finger foods. We hope to see you all there.

One special note: we have new dance hours! Pre-rounds will be from 7:00-7:30 and our dances will be from 7:30-10:00.

We want you all to know that we truly appreciate all of our friends, guests, and members for their support at all of our dances. All of you are a very big part of our family and we look forward to dancing with you in a square. Well that's it for now, so until next time, keep dancing, but most of all keep smiling.

Ron & Linda Sferrazzo, sferrazzo5@msn.com



Our new Club Caller is **PON WOOP** Our new Club Cuer is Marie WOOD

MAJOR CHANGES (Beginning in OCTOBER)

- 2nd & 4th THURSDAYS Mainstream Dance (8:30-10 pm)
- 3rd SATURDAYS: "All-Squares" Mainstream Dance (6-8 pm), followed immediately by a **PLUS** Dance with **Rounds** (8-10pm)
- NEW BEGINNERS CLASS FORMAT!

- ⇒ 10-WEEK PROGRAM (Modified "Basic" List)
- ⇒ 1st & 3rd THURSDAYS (7-9pm) Class only!
- 2nd & 4th THURSDAYS (7-8:30) before the MS Dance
- Graduates "angel" next 10 week class (starts in Jan.)
- ⇒ Remaining MS calls are taught as part of an ongoing "Extended Applications" program.

SOUARE DANCE - Don Wood Caller/Instructor

THUR\$DAY, \$EPTEMBER 24TH (7-9pm)

Valley Dance Hall, 1705 Willow Street, Sumner WA Call (253) 200-4566 for information

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"WheresTheDance.com" calendar at www.tinyurl.com/WTD-SwingNuts

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MONDAY

**ROUSE-A-ROUNDS** Everv Collins Grange

Lorraine & John Rouse 6:30 Beg, 8-9:30 Phaze 2/EZ3

Dance 4th Mon. 7-10 253-846-8203

WEDNESDAY

**EVERGREEN ROUNDS** Every. Riverside Grange

Tom Tomlinson, Charles 6:30-7:30 teach; 7:30-10 Ph2/3/EZ4 except 253-927-2887, 253-229-9443 Morehead, Shawn Cavness

**THURSDAY** 

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> **SWINGNUTS** 

Sumner Valley Square Dance Hall Don Wood 8:00-10:00 MS (squares only)

(July-Sept) 253-200-4566

**FRIDAY** 

2<sup>nd</sup>

3<sup>rd</sup>

**SPINNERS** Buckley Hall

Greg Weber/Sue Weber 7:30 PreRds, 8-10:30 MS/Rds

(Sept-June) 360-829-0251 YOUNG BUNCH Collins Grange

6:30 PreRds, 7-9 MS/Rds Mark Sebree/Sue Weber

253-472-9092

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> **SWINGING SQUARES** 

> Andy Garboden/Lorraine Rouse (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday, Sept-June)

7:30 PreRds, 8-10:30 Plus/Rds 253-841-9656; break @ 9:15

Sumner Valley Square Dance Hall

SOUTH SOUND SINGLES Collins Grange

253-851-5773 for information guest callers/guest cuers

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Cedar Grange 253-445-4691; mtg; dances TBA

American Legion Post 138

1st & 3rd SOUTH SOUND SINGLES

Collins Grange Jess Thomas/guest cuers 7:30 PreRds, 8-10:30 MS/Rds/+Tip

253-851-5773

**SWINGNUTS** Sumner Valley Square Dance Hall

6-8 MS (squares only), 8-10 Plus/Rds Don Wood/Marie Wood

253-200-4566

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> **BONNEY LADS 'N' LASSIES** Collins Grange

> Greg Weber/Lorraine Rouse 7:00 PreRds. 7:30-10 MS/Rds/+Tip

(July & August, 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday) 253-875-5380

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> **BLAZING STARS** Steele Lake Grange

> 6:30 A-2, 7:30 Rds, 8-10 Plus Kevin Thomaier/Lynn Peltola

(no dances June- August) 206-244-5196

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> **ROAMIN' TACOMANS** Sumner Valley Square Dance Hall

> Tom Tomlinson - caller/cuer 7:30 PreRds, 8-10:30 MS/Plus/Rds

(July: 4<sup>th</sup> Sat-MS; Aug: 4<sup>th</sup> Sat-Plus) 253-848-7073 (2<sup>nd</sup> Sat Plus, 4<sup>th</sup> Sat MS)

SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>

3<sup>rd</sup>

**LEGION SQUARES** 

Jeff Graeff/cuer TBA 6-9 MS/Rds: W lessons 253-720-2788 (Please call about dances.)

**RAINIER CALLERS & CUERS** San Souci Mobile Estates

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# Don & Judy Wilson Area Reporters 350 Joppish Road Centralia, WA 98531 donjudywilson22@gmail.com

**SOU'WESTER COUNCIL** clubs are excited about the beginning of the new dance year. Clubs have many plans for enjoyable dance experiences. It is time to plan travels and special occasions for the 2015-16 dance year. The biggest event of 2016 is the State Festival sponsored by Sou'Wester Council in Longview. Be sure to put that special occasion at the top of your list. Also look for registration forms and logo items with the "Tall Timber Calling" theme.

HARBOR HAYLOFTERS are off and dancing for another wonderful year. Our officers for this coming dance season are: President - Margaret and Kris Kiser; Vice President - Terry and Bruce Kuhnau; Secretary - Sandra and Bob Schlesser; Treasurer - Bill and Linda High; Correspondence - Ann and Les Kilwien, and Caravan – Chuck and Gwen Tjernberg.

In June we had our Appreciation Banquet honoring our caller, Randy and Kris Carlson. Also it was our annual Strawberry Dance and the last dance of the season. We had visitors from Prairie Steppers, Square Ones, Prairie Shufflers, and Independent Dancers.

During the summer our members have visited R Square D for their Wednesday night dances and down to the Cougar Squares for their Ice Cream Social.

September brings us back to the routine of dancing on Tuesday evenings, now at the American Legion Hall, 112 W. 1st Street in Aberdeen. We workshop Mainstream and a little Plus. September 19th is our Blackberry Dance. We are now dancing the 3rd Saturday, September through May, at the American Legion, and the 2nd Saturday in June.

We are looking forward to fun times this year and hope to reconnect with old friends, as well as new. Come join us when you can and we'll come visit you when the opportunity presents itself.

Ann Kilwien, sqcamper@comcast.net

The **SALTY SASHAYERS** had a busy summer traveling and dancing. We started in April with the Salty's annual "Old Salts Anniversary Dance". Over ten squares enjoyed the delicious clam chowder dinner (thank you Tanya Currier), lively dancing (thank you Don & Marie Wood), and fun and camaraderie (thanks to all the clubs that attended).

Saltys were seen at the State Square Dance Festival in Mt. Vernon (thank you Mt. Baker Council for a great dance). Almost the entire club showed up for the

education seminar at Circle 8 Ranch in Cle Elam (thank you Sou'Wester Council for Saturday lunch). In July we traveled to the Cougar Squares dance in Toledo (thank you for the ice cream). Saltys were also in attendance at USA West in August (thank you Helena, Montana for hosting the event).

Salty hopes you had a great summer, and we hope to Do-Si-Do into your club in the near future.

Bonnie Blewett, blew@hctc.com

The **SQUARE ONE** Plus Club has added a few more members, bringing our new member count up to 17 – or a growth rate of about 46% since the first of the year. We have been very fortunate and are committed to lessons and being a welcoming club with minimal politics.

Speaking of lessons, we graduated eight more Plus dancers in June, and will be having Plus workshops on the 2nd Sunday of each month in the fall, with lessons beginning again in January 2016.

The Square Ones had a club meeting and BBQ at the Moller's home on Long Lake in the Lacey area. We had a great time and, after the food was consumed and meeting held, some of the club was game to be pulled on a rubber raft behind a ski boat. Fun was had by all.

At the meeting the club voted to have all of our dances be casual – meaning we want folks to dance with us and, if they want to come casually dressed, we are happy to have them. Of course, we also enjoy the folks who dress in square dance attire and love to share our Plus dances with all who come out.

The Square One's had a good showing at the State Festival in Mount Vernon and we all had a lot of fun!! The featured Callers were superb and great fun to dance to. We also enjoyed the stylings of all the local Callers and Cuers that we danced to. Good job with the Festival, Mt. Baker Council!!

Ken & Cathy Moller, ckmoller@outlook.com

RUFF and RUFFLES started May out with a beach campout at Ocean Park RV Resort. Some came in their RV's while others stayed at the on-site motel. Friday night we met at The Lost Roo Restaurant for dinner in Seaview. Saturday was a leisure day roaming around the area or whatever until time to be back to prepare for a potluck. The club furnished chicken and we filled in with side dishes. Never a lack for food!! A club meeting followed and then it was time for games and snacks. Some of us even managed to put three jigsaw puzzles together. Sunday morn the guys prepared breakfast with President Bruce Andrews in charge. After cleanup it was time to head back home. A fun filled and nice weather weekend!

The May 16th dance was "Neapolitan". Dancers were dressed in casual, colorful mix/match attire. Caller Jim Raupp and Cuer Susan Healea did their best to use music to follow the theme. And of course "Neapolitan" ice cream was served at break time by Neil and Eileen Rosevear and Betty Cliffton. We

did have our "4th Friday Social" with Lloyd and Joan Dally of Kalama hosting. Several members were able to visit the Silver Stars in Vancouver. We also attended Sou'Wester Council dance held here in Longview on the 30th.

June was a visitation to Cougar Squares for their Anniversary dance. Our club dance was cancelled so we could attend the State Festival. Bruce Andrews hosted the "4th Friday Social". After potluck, most of us played the game "Toss Up". It is really becoming popular for us. We don't have to think much while playing it.

On a sad note we lost two former members this month, Jeanne Bradley (98) and Venetta (Enyeart) Grunert (90). Vanetta and Ken were recipients of the Parker Award in 1970. Ken was elected to State Federation President in 1971, installed, but never fulfilled that position due to his illness. Ken died in October 1971. Ken and Venetta were members of Sou'Wester Council as well as Venetta and Clancy (her 2nd husband).



Vanetta Grunert

July was our free "Amateur Night" dance. Jim and Susan were MC's. Many tried their skills at calling and cueing and did really well. It was a set of squares or set of rounds with a 5-minute break between and "go drink some water". It was a rather HOT night (97) with fans blowing everywhere. Guests included Silver Stars, Cougar Squares and R Square D. Dave and Marge Martin served dessert at break.

Our regular club dance on September 19th has been cancelled. We will be attending the State Meeting and Dance in Olympia to support our own Gene Currier who will be installed as State President.

We hope all survived the seemingly unusual hot summer. For some of us, thank goodness for air conditioning. See you on the dance floor.

Betty Cliffton, sqkats@q.com

A square of **PRAIRIE STEPPERS** attended the 63rd Washington State Square Dance Festival at the Skagit County Fairgrounds. Young members Jeremiah Palumbo and Ann Manes had a blast in the Youth Hall. Bob and Shirley Spain were very convincing as Charlie and Sally Brown in the 2016 Festival After Party skit. All were encouraged to attend the 2016 Washington State Festival at the Cowlitz Regional Conference Center on June 17th and 18th to be hosted by the Sou'Wester Council.

Dick and Diane Russell enjoyed dancing to our own Don and Marie Wood at the Springfield National. Ninety-one dancers from Washington State attended.

Prairie Steppers attended Leadership at Circle 8 Ranch and the Cougar Squares Ice Cream Social in July. We also have plans to attend the Gateswinger's Sunshine and Shades dance July 25th, the Harbor Haylofters Cranberries by the Sea Campout July 31st through August 2nd, the Cougar Squares Hamburger Feed on August 6th, USA West in Helena, Montana August 13th through 15th and the Sou'Wester Council Dance on August 29th at the Oakview Grange.

Thanks to Tim and Terri Palumbo who served terrific barbecued ribs for our June meeting in their beautiful back yard. Terri's been working very hard on it. And thanks to Bob and Shirley Spain who served a fantastic shrimp boil at their home for our July meeting.

The Prairie Steppers received thanks for our \$530 donation to Camp Leo and for our \$213 donation to Saint Jude's Children's Hospital collected by silent auction at our April dance.

We plan to hold a demo dance at the SW Washington Fair on August 22nd to advertise our Square dance lessons starting September 16th through December 9th. There will be Plus lessons following the B51 lessons in this Fall session.

Before lessons begin, our first dance of the season will be a Back to School Dance, September 12th, to be hosted by Tim and Terri Palumbo. Please join us for Plus from 7 to 8 pm and Mainstream from 8 to 10:30 with a dinner break at 9:15.

Marion Freels, M librarion@yahoo.com

**DO SI DO'S** summer has been hot and quiet! We've enjoyed the guest callers at our dances; Craig Abercrombie, Spike Reid and Gunter Monroe. Jim Hattrrick continues to convalesce and we hope to see him back calling soon. Until then, we have guest callers for everyone to experience throughout fall/winter.

September is our "Back to School" dance with Brett Kappenman calling and Joyce Sebree cuing. We use this dance to celebrate education by donating school supplies to the North Thurston School District. We hope everyone comes to enjoy dancing and if you wish to donate school supplies, we thank you!

The Do Si Do's are especially looking forward to "Traveling Down Route 66" as we celebrate our 66th Anniversary as a club during our October 10th, 2015 dance. The team of Craig Abercrombie and Adam Christman will be our guest callers and Joyce Sebree will cue. This is our first Black Light dance of the fall/winter season and promises to be great fun!

We dance every second Saturday of the month at Lac A Do Hall (1721 46th Avenue NE in Olympia) and begin with Pre-rounds at 7:30 pm and Mainstream/ Plus Tips follow at 8 pm until about 10:30 pm. We encourage students who have finished the B51 level and up from our OASDI classes to join us and practice their 'moves'. As always, we offer delicious treats during break and door prizes for those who traveled to the dance. Join us in our monthly celebration of the Do Si Do club and Square dancing!

Katherine Deuel, kcd1952@gmail.com

STARDUST DANCERS hope everyone had a fun and safe summer. We danced the summer away even during the hottest evenings. Our cuer, Susan Healea, went to Circle 8 Ranch on August 6th to have fun and cue so we were dark. October 1st is our 19th Anniversary and we will have a home cooked dinner before the dance. Watch for the flyers. It is the day before R Square D's Oktoberfest so stop by for a wonderful evening of dinner and dancing. Come

join us any 1st or 3rd Thursday at Catlin Grange Hall in Kelso starting at 7:30.

Linda Sycks, iglonnie@comcast.net

**COUGAR SQUARES** had a busy summer. We danced in the Toledo parade and had our annual Ice Cream Social in July. In August we had our annual Hamburger Feed and danced at the Southwest Washington Fair on Friday, August 21st. Three squares of Cougars attended the State Festival in Mt. Vernon and different members attended Leadership, went to Circle 8, Council dances and several other festivals.

Cougars now have a web site. The address is cougarsquares.com and will include Cougar activities and schedules.

Cougar's first dance of the new dance season will be Saturday, September 5th. It will begin at 7:30 pm with Plus dancing and 8:00 with Mainstream and Rounds. Refreshments are served following the dance at 10:00 pm. Jim Raupp is our caller/cuer.

Cougar's square dance lessons will be from October to March at both Salkum and Napavine. Jim Raupp is our caller/teacher. Cougar's will sponsor round dance floor time dance practice two Sundays a month, the second and fourth Sundays at Baw Faw Grange with Susan Healea. Look for more information next month.

We hope you will come and join us the first Saturday of each month at St. Francis Parish Hall with Jim Raupp and/or the second and fourth Sundays at Baw Faw Grange for round dancing with Susan Healea.

Don and Judy Wilson, donjudywilson22@gmail.com

R SQUARE D dancers celebrated the greatness of America with a Freedom Dance on July 8th. We followed it up with our "let's all wear jeans" denim dance on the 22nd. We had club guests from Happy Hoppers, Harbor Haylofters, Flutter Wheels and Cougar Squares kicking it up in a rousing evening of dancing. Our thanks go to Dale and Arlene Evanson for hosting the monthly meeting.

September and the ending to a long beautiful summer finds us gearing up for new lessons, new friends and fun times together. We kick off the month with

a dance, Box Car Boogie and Chili Feed on September 11th. On the 26th we have our Autumn Leaves Dance.

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

The caller for R Square D is Craig Abercrombie and our cuer is Lonnie Sycks.

Marie Geisler, wmg82@hotmail.com

# **HARBOR HAYLOFTERS**

# 3rd Saturday monthly except 2nd Saturday in June Caller: Randy & Chris Carlson Pre Rounds 7:00 Ms Dance 8 -10:00 NEW LOCATION American Legion Hall 112 W 1st St. - Aberdeen, WA

# Come Dance with Sou'Wester Clubs

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

Tuesday

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

Thursday

1st & Stardust Dancers Catlin Grange 7:30-9:30 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, Jovce Sebree, cuer PLUS 2nd Rhythm Rounders Fun Dance Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-10:00 Randy Wulf, cuer **ROUNDS** phases 2-5

2nd R Square D Kelso Senior Center 7:30-10:00 Craig Abercombie, caller, Lonnie Sycks, cuer SQUARES AND ROUNDS

Round-A-Bouts Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-9:30 Ron Woolcock, cuer ROUNDS phases 2-3 Capitol Squares Lac-A-Do Hall 7:30-10:30

Don Wood, caller, Randy Wulf, cuer SQUARES AND ROUNDS

Saturday

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

Randy & Chris Carlson SOUARES AND ROUONDS Lac-A-Do Hall 7:00-10:00 Flutterwheels

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

Jim Raupp, caller, Susan Healea, cuer SQUARES AND ROUNDS

3rd Flutterwheels Lac-A-Do Hall, Olympia, 7:00-9:30

Glenn Raiha, caller, Ron Woolcock, cuer, BASIC 51

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

Craig Abercrombie, caller, Lonnie Sycks, cuer, SQAURES AND ROUNDS

Rhythm Rounders Lac-A-Do Hall, Olympia 6:00-9:00

Guest cuers ROUNDS phases 3-6

Sunday

Every Double A's Lac-A-Do Hall, Olympia 4:30-6:30

Jack Hardin, caller, Ron Woolcock, cuer ADVANCED

Square One Plus Club Lac-A-Do Hall Olympia, 6:30-9:00

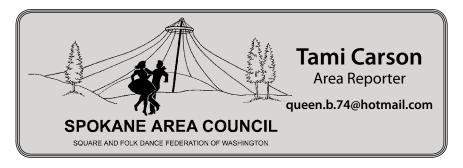
Gunter Monroe, caller, Spike Reid, cuer PLUS

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

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

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Greetings from the **COEURLY Q'S!** We had a wildly successful 55th Anniversary Dance in May at the Western Dance Center and look forward to another 55 years! We served refreshments to weary drivers in June at the Huetter Rest Stop during one of those many hot spells of early summer. And we had a wonderful time dancing at Calder Days in August! To cap it all off, we danced at the Kootenai County Fair at the end of August with Adam Christman calling and attracted new students for upcoming lessons in September.

For our first dance of the year we will be "Dancing in the Fifties" at the Harding Center in Coeur d'Alene on Saturday, October 3rd. Rick and Kathy Utter will be calling and cueing. We will have Plus from 7 to 8 and Mainstream and Rounds from 8 to 10. Finger food is appreciated. See you on the dance floor.

Marcia Siring

The **DANCING SHADOWS** enjoyed a fun and busy summer. In June we had our club picnic at the home of Jim and Sharon Cline. In July we got together at the home of Burt and Margaret Erickson for a night of food and games. Our annual campout was held in August in Deer Park. Also, some of our club members travelled all the way back to Springfield, Massachusetts for the National Convention.

We are joining forces this year for beginning Square Dance lessons with the Valley Crosstrailers and the Spurs and Skirts. Hopefully this will allow us all to be able to get some new people involved in this exciting activity. Doug Davis and Adam Christman will be sharing the teaching duties. Angels are always welcome! Our regular dances will be on the third Friday of each month. Carol Shopbell will be cueing and we will be having wonderful guest callers this year. Please come and join us.

Tami Carson, queen.b.74@hotmail.com

**DIAMOND SQUARES** had a wonderful summer picnic and pool party on July 25th. We thank the hospitality of Evie McCarthy. Our summer Funshops on Monday night were great this year with up to 5 squares most weeks. Basic Round Dance lessons start on September 14th from 7:15-9:30 pm. It's a good chance to brush up or bring friend who would like to learn. Our teachers are Bob and Claudia Amsbury.

Several of our club members traveled to the State Festival in Mt. Vernon.

We congratulate our local couple, Bruce and Judy Ottoson of the Wild Rose Ramblers, for receiving the MacGregor award this year. Tami and Jeannie Carson, Jon Love, and Dave and Karen Reichardt all travelled across the country to attend Nationals.

Please join us for our club dance on September 12th. Our dance theme is "Homecoming" with Bob and Claudia Amsbury calling and cueing at the Western Dance Center. Have fun everyone and enjoy the season of dancing.

Nelly Christoffersen

As usual the **HI-FLYERS** held no dances in June, July, or August, but we held our "Annual Potluck and Auction" to raise money on August 2nd and helped with the Salmon BBQ on August 23rd.

After celebrating the wedding of Adam Christman, our caller, and Samantha Peake, Hi-Flyers are making significant changes for next year. Our next dance will be September 18th, followed by dances on third Fridays (except December) as we did the past year.

A big change will be the format of our dances. Because of the increasing number of Plus dancers in the Spokane region, we will start with Plus from 7:00-8:00 alternating with Rounds cued to the level of those present. We will then have Mainstream with Rounds from 8:00-10:00.

Another change will be a \$6.00 charge for non-members at our dances, an increase of \$1.00. We can't remember the last time we increased the fee, expenses have increased, and we hope this increase keeps us comparable to other clubs and to other forms of entertainment.

Lastly, we are also changing the days and times of our lessons. We are switching from Sunday afternoons to Monday evenings for both Square and Round dance lessons.

We have a new series of themes for our dances to pump up the fun a bit more. These will be announced in ads in the monthly newsletters. We hope you'll watch for them and join us as often as you can.

Grant and Lelia Smith

The **HOODOO VALLEY HOEDOWNERS** are hoping to build on the past dance season this coming year. We added some new twists to our dance themes and these turned out to be quite fun both for the perpetrators and the perpetratees. Watch for our fliers to see what we'll come up with next.

Our mainstream dance lessons begin the first Sunday in October. We will host our Buddy Night potluck and first lesson. Everyone is welcome. Come share a good meal and learn what square dance is about. We are aiming for a good turnout of new people.

Our first dance will be our Haunted Barn Dance on October 17th. Come in costume and expect to have fun. Our second dance is November 21st and will be a new caller/cuer dance. Come and support these new talents.

Penny Goodman

The JACKS & JENNYS have had a busy but fun summer. Some went to the State Festival in Mt. Vernon and our president couple went to the National Convention in Springfield, Massachusetts. After that it was the Leadership Seminar in Cle Elum. July found us up on the Pend Oreille River at the homes of Ralph and Eileen Kirby and Carol Lewis. Some people also stayed at the home of Karl and Kay Yates at Davis Lake but came up to the river to join in the fun. Our annual campout wouldn't be fun if we didn't have the "Wash Shoe Tournament." This year first place went to Karl Yates and his partner Sandy Axtell. Second place went to Gary Serdahl and his partner Diane Russell. Third place went to Chuck Courville and his partner Lolita Sutton. Homemade ice cream was enjoyed by everyone following the tournament.

August finds us starting the dance season and September we hope to have lessons with our new club callers, Bob and Claudia Amsbury. Hope to see you on the dance floor.

Helen Knapp

The **Model T's** have had a fun summer. The club had our annual camp weekend at Deer Lake. We enjoyed lots of good food and fun games. It is time for all of us to get back together on the dance floor.

Our first dance of the season is our Kick Off dance at the NSDA hall on the 2nd Saturday of September. Our caller and cuer, Vern and Kathy Boggs, begin the evening with Plus and Advanced rounds at 7:00 pm and Mainstream at 8:00.

Charlene Weist

The **SPOKANE AREA COUNCIL** is busy gearing up for their 2nd Annual Information Booth at the Spokane County Interstate Fair. This is a ten day event from September 11th through the 20th. We will set up a tent with a wooden floor adequate for one square to dance easily. This booth will have to be manned 12 hours a day for the entire ten days. We will be doing SQUARE DANCE DEMOS, ROUND DANCE DEMOS, handing out Square Dance information and especially drawing attention to the up-coming lessons. This takes a lot of volunteers and we are proud of our council for stepping up to the plate to make this activity a success and offer a great big thank you for all of the help.

Richard and Barbara Snyder, richlsnyder@comcast.net

Well, it's the end of another fantastic summer of Wednesday casual dancing with the **STAR SHOOTERS**. Thanks to our wonderful club callers and cuers, Dan Preedy, Adam Christman, Nina Leisi, Carol Shopbell, Marge Austin, and Kassie Young for the many hours of fun dancing with Mainstream, Plus, Rounds, and Line Dancing. And thanks to the community of dancers here in Spokane for your support. NOW... On to the regular dance season.

We begin our regular 4th Saturday dances on September 26th with Adam Christman calling and Carol Shopbell cueing. Rounds from 7:30-8:30 pm and Mainstream, every third tip Plus, from 8:30-10:30 pm. Lots of special things,

great classes and fun times are scheduled for this year. COME JOIN US!!

Diane Hartley

Hi everyone. Summer is slowly coming to a close and it is time to gear up for another season of dancing. The **VALLEY CROSSTRAILERS** September dance theme is Back to School. Doug Davis will be calling and Justine Brown will be cueing. We will be collecting school supplies to be distributed to needy children. Please remember these kids as you shop for your kids or grandkids. If you dare, come dressed as if you were starting school or as you were dressed for school "back in the old days." Anyone for poodle skirts? Or bell bottoms? Use your imagination.

As always, we dance the third Saturdays at 7:00 for Plus and Intermediate Rounds and 8:00 for Mainstream and Easy Rounds.

This year the Valley Crosstrailers, Dancing Shadows, and the Spurs and Skirts will be joining forces on Thursday nights starting September 17th for New Dancer lessons. Doug Davis and Adam Christman will be the teachers. If you have someone who wants to take lessons, we would be glad to have them. Angels are especially welcome and dance for free. Flyers are up on the Western Dance Center bulletin board for more information or call me, Chris, at 509-891-0453.

Chris Smith

The goal of the **WESTERN DANCE ASSOCIATION** was to hold at least one dance each of the summer months and that was accomplished. In June we held our 53rd Anniversary Dance. In July we held a special Mike Sikorsky Plus Dance and our 2nd Annual "Summer Fun and Grill Dance". In August, of course, we had our famous Salmon Barbeque.

Now that the new dance season is starting we will be looking for ways to support square dancing and assist our local clubs in any way we can, especially in gaining students.

Richard and Barbara Snyder, richlsnyder@comcast.net

The **WILD ROSE RAMBLERS** enjoyed a fun and H-O-T summer, with State Festival in Mt. Vernon, serving coffee and snacks at the Sprague Rest Area, attending Leadership Seminar at Circle 8 Ranch, and dancing at the Interstate Fair. Several members were also able to dance at the National Square Dance Convention in Springfield, Massachusetts and at other festivals around the Pacific Northwest.

In order to allow our cuer, Theresa Ray, time to gain her good health, we have guest cuers scheduled through December. This year the WRR hosted a first Saturday dance in August with Adam Christman calling and Justine Brown cueing. Another special dance was held August 8th, with Daryl and Yvonne Clendenin calling and cueing at the North Spokane Dance Center. Our "kick-off dance" on October 3rd will feature Tim Marriner calling with Rob Krum, and Nina Leisi cueing. Hope you can join the dance, and keep smilin'!

Judy Ottoson, jdottoson1@msn.com

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

Open letter to the State Federation and all It's members:

At the 2015 State Festival we were awarded the Parker Award, which since 1949 has been annually passed on to a caller in recognition of

his/her contribution to the promotion of square dancing in Washington state. We are deeply honored. Although the name, Jack Hardin, will not be familiar to most of you, Jack has been calling in the Seattle area for the last 42 years. He is an Advanced (the level after Plus) and Challenge caller and has worked to keep the higher level square dancing alive in the area. His partner, Thal Critchfield, is a past president of Solo Squares, a mainstream club in Burien, was part of the CPSC council for a number of years, and was Recording Secretary of the Council from 2010-2014.

Looking at the trophy and all the names through the years, this is the first time there are two different names on the same line. Everyone else is "Mr. & Mrs", though we are no less committed to the square dance effort. We are breaking tradition and perhaps opening new doors for other callers in our state. We are grateful that the State Federation recognizes that what a caller does is actually the result of a team effort by a caller and his spouse or partner. Another ground-breaker is that this is the first time that we know of that a primarily Advanced and Challenge caller was so honored by the State Federation. As Jack said when he finally realized that the presenters were describing him, "This is insane!"

Thank you to all the callers and dancers in the Federation. Thank you to Kathy Rooney of The Double A's in Olympia for nominating us, to all the dancers who sent in their confirmations for us, and to Don and Marie Wood for selecting us.

Sincerely, Jack Hardin Thal Critchfield 2015 Parker Award Recipients

# **Prairie Steppers**

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

Chicken Dance TBA watch for ad in Footnotes



# Happy Hoppers

2015 - 2016 Dance Schedule

(first and third Saturdays)

September 19
Apple Pie Dance (and more)
Mike De Sisto/Caron Grasso

October 3
Dance Your Cares Away
National Caller
Tom Roper/Karen Neverdowski
Plus 3-5pm

Mainstream 7:30-10:30pm

October 17
Dancing in the Pumpkin Patch
Tom Clymer/Stephanie Speelman

November 7
Donut Dance (and more)
(canned food drive)
Jim Hattrick

November 21 Share Your Blessings Student Level Dance Kevin Thomaier/Lynn Peltola

December 5 Toys for Tots Dance Gary Monday/Bob Berka

December 19
Christmas Ball
Steve Noseck/Stephanie Speelman

January 2 DARK / HAPPY NEW YEAR!

January 16
Snowflake Dance
Student Level Dance
Greg Weber/Sue Weber



February 6 Sweetheart Ball Doug Davis/Bob Berka



February 20 Crazy Hat Dance Gary Monday/Stephanie Speelman

March 5
Lucky Shamrock Dance
National Caller
Johnny Preston/Karen Neverdowski
Plus 4-6pm
Mainstream 7:30-10:30pm

March 19 Rain, Rain, Go Away Kevin Thomaier/Lynn Peltola

April 2 Spring Fling Steve Edlund/Roxanne Boelter

April 16 59th Anniversary Dance Gaylen Sauve/Stephanie Speelman

May 7
Maypole Dance
Gary Monday/Karen Neverdowski

May 21
Around the World w/Mawdsley
Brent Mawdsley

June 4 Strawberry Shortcake Dance Dan Preedy/Karen Neverdowski Plus 3 - 5 pm Mainstream 7:30-10:30pm

# www.happyhoppers.org

Stillaguamish Senior Center 18308 Smokey Pt. Blvd. (I-5 Exit 206) Arlington, WA 98223 Prerounds 7:30
Mainstream 8-10:30pm
with a plus tip (unless noted)
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# YOUTH COORDINATOR

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away only reinforces the fact that "children are to be seen and not heard" and that no one cares if square dancing continues or fades away. No one cares if our generation's children and grandchildren only know about square dancing from stories and history books. And how do you let your state dance die?

Youth Coordinator Tiffany Richard Teencoordinator2015@gmail.com

# **MOUNT BAKER**

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Drive, Mountlake Terrace WA 98043. There is a large wood floor and plenty of parking.

FREEWHEELERS will have a New Dancer Class this year that will start Wednesday, September 9th, 2015 from 7:00-9:00 pm at the Mountlake Terrace Community Senior Center. Dennis "Spyder" Webb will be teaching. We are looking forward to a great dancing season!

Ruth Jester, ruthjester@frontier.com

YO BABY

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II choreography can certainly be interesting, enlightening and perhaps challenging. Round Dance teachers and cuers of all Phases, please include teaching the Rounds of the

Month in your program. It's a gift you can give your dancers that I know they will appreciate!

The Round of the Month for September 2015 is a two-step, "Wagon Wheel", choreographed by Jim and Priscilla Adcock. The dance is a Phase II+1, with the one being a Whaletail. The music is by Jeremy McComb, and can be found as a download from iTunes and Amazon, to name two sources, and the download time is 3:36 minutes. You can dance the dance at the downloaded speed or adjust speed for comfort. The runner-up dances were "Dear Future Husband" and "Wild Wild West".

Bill and I wish to thank all of the dancers and the FOOTNOTES readers who have supported us in the past couple of years. We certainly appreciate all of you. Joyce Sebree will be your Round Dance Coordinator for the coming year. We know that you will all give her as much help as she needs to get her job completed. That's just how Washington Dancers are. Thanks again.

Enjoy! Let's Dance! Dance! Dance!

Love and Yellowrocks!

Neva & Bill, too!

"Life may not be the party we hoped for, but while we're here we should dance!"

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# Seaside Sashay Square Dance Festival

# October 16 & 17, 2015

# Seaside Civic & Convention Center, 415 1st Ave

Presented by the Hayshaker & Sunset Promenaders Square Dance Club

# Callers: Daryl Clendenin & Chuck Garner **Cuer: Debbie Taylor**



# Friday Night

7:00 pm - 7:30 pm Intermediate Rounds 7:30 pm - 8:00 pm Pre-Rounds 8:00 pm - 10:30 pm Mainstream with Plus

## Saturday

### Square dance attire is admired, but not required during the day

Mainstream - at the Turnaround - Caller: Daryl Clendenin 11:00 am - 12:00 noon Plus Dance - at the Turnaround - Caller: Daryl Clendenin (Weather permitting and/or Convention Center) 10:00 am - 12:00 noon Intro to Dance - Convention Center - Caller: Chuck Garner 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm Mainstream - Caller: Chuck Garner w/Rounds Mainstream - at the Factory Outlet - Caller: Daryl Clendenin 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm Intermediate Rounds - Cuer: Debbie Taylor 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm Plus Dance - Caller: Daryl Clendenin w/Rounds 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

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7:30 pm - 8:00 pm

8:00 pm - 10:30 pm Mainstream with Plus (Split the Pot at 10:00pm)

(Passport Promenade & Door Prize Winners Posted at 9:30pm)

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For more information: Gary/Joyce, 503-647-5742 or clarknet@aracnet.com

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Sep 11, 12, & 13, 2015 Wallowa Lake, Oregon

Bill & Neva Reid The Dalles OR Caller & Cuer

Roger & Linda Putzler, Caller

Friday: Pre-Rounds 7:30 pm, Squares 8-10:00 pm, Callers & Cuers from floor w/Bill & Neva MC; Sock Hop following the dance with Ice Cream Sundaes! Bring Your Favorite Toppings!

Saturday: Social Ballroom Workshop 1:00 - 2:30 pm;

A Little Bit of Plus Workshop 2:30 - 4:00 pm;

Blue Mountains Council Meeting TBA;

Potluck 6 pm sharp;

Pre-Rounds 7:30 pm, Squares 8 - 10:00 pm;

After Party Social 10:00 pm.

Sunday: Casual Trails-out Dance 9 - 11 am with Valis' Hot Twists.

Cost of Weekend: \$45 per Couple, \$23 per Single



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