

BE IN OUR SQUARES

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NEWSLETTER

April '12

Our April dance was our best in recent months. 58 visitors filled the room. Swangers and Ramblers were repaying while the Docey Dandies were retrieving their banner. Crosstrailers thought they were retrieving, as well, although we didn't have their banner. If any of you have it tucked away, please let me know so we can return it. Swinging Singles were also there and since a little birdie told me they were coming, they were already on our visitation schedule.

What a wonderful surprise to see Frank back behind the treasurer's table. And Liz has been helping with lessons sans oxygen and keeping up with the youngsters we have as students. I'm back up and at 'em, although sometimes I feel more than my age when I climb the stairs too many times. Claude and Carol are back in circulation so I think our only sad spot is Darlene, Rita's mom. Her struggles are getting more difficult and she and the entire family could use your prayers.

Thanks to everyone who made the trek to Lawrence when I called with Lottie Ainsworth. We had a great time calling together and I hope you all enjoyed the dance as much as we enjoyed calling it. Also, thanks to those who attended the Heart of America Fed dance.

Fit and Fun SDA is trying something new this year. Their annual dance will be September 30th and they will be paying one local caller to call the dance. The twist is, you will choose that caller by your votes. Each vote will cost you \$1.00 to help defray the cost of the festival. Yours truly is in the running and Kelly should be receiving ballots soon so you can see who else you have to choose from. This dance will be held on a Sunday so as not to conflict with club dances.

Don't forget the club picnic at Carol's on Sunday, June 10th. Bring your calendars and ideas. We'll finalize the plans for the club trip and choose the themes for next year's dances. Let's see if we can come up with something different.

Special dances start soon. Nick will be here May 6th and I have a new one on the schedule. I will be calling a 2 caller special with Stan Brooke on June 23rd. Stan and I always have a good time together and he's a great caller. All of our specials will be at 1st Baptist Church of KC and all are casual if you wish. If you can be there a few minutes early to help set up, your help would be greatly appreciated.

VISITATIONS

Past Visitations

Mar	17	Silver Dollar Squares	6
Mar	23	KC Whirlaways	11
Mar	30-31	Fed Dance	7
Apr	6	Frontier Twirlers	2
		Future Dances	
*Apr	17	Swingin' Singles	
Apr	20	Hoot 'n Hollers	
Apr	27	Single Promenaders	
#May	05	Jacks 'n Queens	
May	11	Our Dance	
May	19	Swangers	

Steal a Banner (Be a little early, please)

% Retrieve Our Banner

* Repay a visit

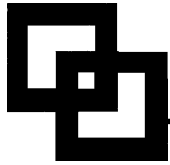
You are doing a great job with the visitation program. We're staying all caught up and our last dance is a testament to our visitations and the fact that you make other dancers feel welcome and see that they have a good time at our dances. Thank you for all your help with this. Special thanks to Idamae and Leann for keeping track of all our visits. I know they appreciate your timely response to their e-mails and phone calls, even if your answer is "no". It makes their job so much easier.

There is a special dance on the 18th of May, not sponsored by our club but definitely worth looking at attending. Ken Bower will be at the Point. He's a wonderful caller so you might want to put it on your schedule.

Our next dance is our annual Hawaiian dance. Wear something cool, comfy, colorful and casual. Finger foods will be the order of the day but if you could think of something cool like fruits, cheeses and other "tropical" treats that would be great.

Toward the end of the month will be Memorial day. We won't be dancing on the holiday weekend this year so I expect many of you will enjoy the extra family time but please, also take a moment out to say thank you to all our veterans, past and present, for their contributions and sacrifices. Freedom isn't free and ours has been paid for by our military all through history.

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NEXT CLUB DANCE

May 11th
 Hawaiian Dance

To:

May Birthdays

5 - Kelly Bockover
 31- Melody Hinshaw

Anniversaries

18 - Ed and Rita Deml

Happy Birthday and
 Happy Anniversary
 from your friends at
 B-N-R Squares

Lessons

Lessons started on April 2nd right on schedule. We have 3 students. 2 were brought to lessons by members of the Swinging Singles and the 3rd came through the hospital. Thanks to those who are helping as angels. You are so important to the success of the lessons.

I'm sure 2 of the students will end up at the Swinging Singles due to the circumstances, but we should get the 3rd and hopefully, the next set will bring more new students and this will just be a dominoe effect.

The next set of lessons will start in August so if you have anyone who is interested, you could start talking now. It's never too early to start breeding interest. Invite your friends to our summer dances to watch and see what a lot of fun we have or our summer functions to get to know our wonderful members. That way they will be more comfortable that first night at lessons and won't feel like they're walking into a room full of strangers. Give it some thought.

Let's Go Dancing



Special Dances

Dances in blue sponsored by the club:

May	6	Nick Hartley - 1st Bapt Church of KC
Jun	1-2	KS State Convention - Salina, KS
Jun	8	Jerry Junck - 1st Bapt Church of KC
Jul	14	Tom Manning - 1st Bapt Church of KC
Jul	20	Tom Roper - 1st Bapt Church of KC
Aug	4	Lanny Weaklend - 1st Bapt Church
Aug	12	Mike Hogan - 1st Bapt Church of KC
Aug	25	KAMO Callers' Festival
Sept	30	Fit and Fun SDA Festival
Feb	2	NE KS Callers' Festival - Croco Hall
Mar	15-16	HOA Fed Dance-Robert Hurst/England

Club Trip

September 22nd is getting closer so we need to firm up the details for our club trip. Bring your ideas to the club picnic in June so we can work out all the details. There are several options for us so we need to just decide what works best for the majority.