

BE IN OUR SQUARES

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NEWSLETTER

September '14

First let me apologize for getting this out a little late. There's no excuse. Time just got away from me.

Here we are in a brand new season of fun, food and friendship. Square dancing is not just "dancing", it's a social activity which includes some of the most wonderful people in the world. Like anything else, you get back what you put in. I hope that all of you will choose to put a lot into our club this coming year. Our first dance found 48 dancers in the hall. The Live Wires stole our banner and we also owe the Jacks 'n Queens.

While there have been some wonderful memories created this summer, it has also been a time of stress and sadness. I guess the biggest news was the tragic death of our own Melody Hinshaw. For those of you who may have been living under a rock, Melody was killed late on the evening of August 3rd as she headed home from a full day of dancing. She was riding her motorcycle when she was struck from behind by a drunk driver. A Celebration of Life was held in her honor on September 6th at Immanuel Lutheran Church and was well attended. Tom Miller also lost his mother and Ernie Kary lost his daughter. Our sincere condolences to all these families. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Several of our members are still struggling with health issues. Liz is still fighting her own battles and among other things is dealing with some compression fractures and may also have a procedure in her future. Pat Miller seems to be in a holding pattern and Keith VanBebber has been battling issues with pain in his feet. Kristy Upton has a laundry list of issues and is looking toward surgery in the near future. I know all of them would appreciate your prayers and support.

Lessons are in full swing. We have 6 Plus students and 4 for MS. Plus starts at 6:30 followed by mainstream from 7:30-9:00pm. Don't forget, WE NEED ANGELS! Angeling is not an easy task but oh so important. Angels walk a fine line between not helping enough and doing their thinking for them. It's a commitment of time and we appreciate it very much. It's also a great way to get to know the new people and make their transition into the club more comfortable. And we are having SO MUCH FUN. Please join us.

VISITATIONS

Past Dances

May 17	Crosstrailers	14
Sept 5	Live Wires	5

Future Dances

#Sept 20	Crosstrailers
#Sept 27	Docey Dandies
%Oct 3	Live Wires
Oct 10	Our Dance
Oct 17-19	MO State Dance - Lebanon, MO

Steal a Banner (Be a little early, please)

% Retrieve Our Banner

* Repay a visit

With the end of summer comes the reinstatement of weekly visits. I've been asked by 3 other clubs my opinion of why they just can't seem to get visitors. My answer is always the same. If you want visitors, you must visit. We've always done a great job of this and with your help, we will continue to do so. I can do a lot of things, but for this I need the help of all of our members. Please support our visitation program. Since we only had 5 at Live Wires, that one didn't count and now they stole our banner so we will need 8 to get it back.

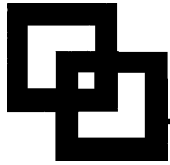
There are still some special dances left. We have 1 more and there are others in the area not sponsored by us. Fit and Fun has a couple of good specials coming up with Noah Siegman on Oct 2nd and Jeff Holley, Oct 31st. AND for the plus dancers, Joe Saltel will be at KC Plus on Oct 12th.

Keith and Heather are not able to continue as our lesson coordinator due to excessive personal obligations so I am looking for someone to take over that task. If we want to have lessons in the spring when I get back, somebody has to take the reigns while I am gone. If you would be interested, please let me know.

Special thanks to all the loyal members who have agreed to be a delegate or alternate delegate to the 3 organizations we belong to. I couldn't do it without you.

Our next dance is our Now and Later dance. Your usual finger foods will be wonderful. As always, thanks to everyone for all you do for me and for the club.

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NEXT CLUB DANCE
October 10th
Now and Later Dance

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Birthdays

September

- 10 - Liz Pinzon
- 11 - Les Beigel
- 28 - Julie Lemke
- 30 - Ethel Zimmerman

October

- 4 - Leann Chapman
- 10 - Virgel Adams
- 10 - Cindy Iott
- 11 - Pat Miller
- 16 - Ernie Kary
- 19 - Keith VanBebber
- 20 - Tom Miller

September Anniversaries

- 10 - Keith & Heather VanBebber

**Happy Birthday &
 Happy Anniversary
 from the
 Be iN ouR Squares**

Thank You

The following notes were received from our members and I wanted to pass them along:

Thank you for the flowers. Our family really appreciated your thoughtfulness and the comfort they gave us.

Sincerely, the family of Emily Miller

Dear Friends,

Melanie and I want to let you know how much we appreciated both the sympathy and expressions of support following the passing of Ernie's daughter, Katrina, that you've shown. These thoughts show that we are all one under our faith and belief in the true Lord and Saviour. God Bless You, Ernie and Melanie.

Let's Go Dancing



Christmas

Special Dances

Dances in blue sponsored by the club:

- Sep 17 Mike Sikorsky - 1st Bapt Chrch of KC
- Sep 28 NEKSDA Fall Friendship Dnc - Croco
- Oct 17-19 MO State Festival - Lebanon, MO
- Mar 27-28 HOA Federation Dance - Ft Osage
- May 30 Lanny Weaklend - Loc TBA
- Jun 13 Jerry Junck - Loc TBA
- Jul 8 Dean Dederman - TBA
- Jul 24 Mike Hogan - TBA
- Sep 17 Nick Hartley - TBA

Christmas Party

Please hold the date - December 7th. We decided not to have a gift exchange this year. We will make it a game day instead. Carol has lots of games or you can bring your favorite. Last year, I learned a new one. It was lots of fun. We will have our usual pot luck dinner followed by lots of good fellowship. We hope you will all be able to be there.

Changes at the Church

There have been major changes at the church due to some internal problems they have been having. The impact on us is that we can now only have 1 key so the hall will not be set up in advance. I'll be there about 6:30 to set up and any help would be appreciated. Thanks.