



BE IN OUR SQUARES

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Newsletter

Our October dance was no door buster but we did have 31 visitors and 18 members in attendance. That made for a nice crowd. The Do Si Doers stole our banner and our attempt to retrieve it fell short so we'll be going back.

From all reports Lionel is doing much better and we hope to see them visiting us sometime soon. Gary Brown, on the other hand, took a header down some stairs and spent some time in the hospital with head and neck injuries. It certainly could have been worse as he will be OK, but he could use your prayers for a quick recovery. Our little Miss Liz still struggles and we just keep hoping that she will feel well enough to join us for an evening but COPD makes it hard for her to breathe and when you can't breathe, you just can't do anything. It's good to see Julie able to be out and about some. Melanie and Ernie's grand daughter, dubbed Fighting Finley, is still meeting challenges head on and could use continued prayers.

Lessons have been well underway and at the request of the students, we went to 2 days a week. That has worked so well that we are moving graduation to Monday, November 30th. I hope you will all be able to be there to welcome these new dancers into our activity. Unfortunately we will only have 2 as Carleen had to give up. Between an inhuman work schedule and bronchitis that just wouldn't give up, something had to go and unfortunately it was us. Hopefully she will be back in the spring when we start again. Put April 6th on your calendar. That's when the next lessons start.

Our trip to Cline's Opry was quite a success. 14 of us enjoyed the show and 12 went to the Tin Kitchen for dinner. We enjoyed visiting with Ted Cline and he has invited us to dance at the Opry next spring. The date agreed upon by all present was May 15th. Seems that's the first time we didn't have conflicts with our busy square dance schedule. Hope you will plan to be a part of this.

I have the tickets for our trip to Warm Springs Ranch on April 16th. If you haven't gotten yours, please do. They are \$12 each.

November 2015

Visitation

Past Dances

Oct 17	Harmony Dancers	7
Oct 24	Docey Dandies	9
Oct 30	Fit & Fun	9
Nov 7	Do Si Doers	7

Future Dances

#Nov 21	Crosstrailers	
Nov 27	Single Promenaders (final dance)	
%Dec 5	Do Si Doers	
# Dec 12	Shooting Stars (new location)	
# Dec 19	Silver Dollars (F&F visit)	
Dec 25	<i>Our Dance</i>	
# -	Steal a banner	
% -	Retrieve a banner	
* -	Repay a visit	

Our visitation schedule has for the most part, been successful, however we came up short at the Do Si Doers and need to go back. We need 8 people to retrieve our banner and your help would be appreciated. Without making visits, we won't get visitors so our visitations are important. Please be sure to respond either yes or no when asked so we can make our plans.

The MO State Festival was a huge success and those of us who attended had a great time. Next year, it will in Independence, which is much closer to home. The featured caller is Deborah Carroll Jones from TX. She has been calling for many years and has a beautiful singing voice. Since our district is sponsoring next year's convention, they will be asking for help on a lot of committees. I hope you will say yes if you are asked.

Our next dance will be Christmas night. This one is always casual and all the singing calls are Christmas songs. Refreshments are whatever holiday treats you have left over. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Lynn

Next Club Dance
December 25th
After Christmas Dance

Birthdays

Nov 18 – David Prather
Dec 5 - Gary Brown

Anniversaries

Nov 4 – Cheryl and David Gray

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

Future Themes

Dec 25 – Christmas Night
Jan 8 - Canary Dance – Jim Wright
Feb 12 – Sweetheart Dance – Dan Robinson
Mar 11 – Wearin’ of the Green
Apr 8 – Crazy Hat Dance
May 6 - Hawaiian Dance (different date)

Thoughts from Lynn

When I reflect at this time of year, I can't help but realize just how blessed I am to call for this club. We have a wonderful group of caring people who not only get along and play well together, but also work well together. I can't express my appreciation to all of you for everything you do for the club and for me. You are a very special group of people and I love you. I wish for you a very Merry Christmas & Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

Special Dances

Mar 18-19	Heart of America Fed Dance
Apr 16	Club Trip
May 13-14	HASSDA
May 15	Dance at Cline's Opry
June 3-4	KS State Convention
June 18	Jerry Junck – Lynn's birthday
June 23-25	National Convention – Des Moines
July 6	Dean Dederman
July 9	Lanny Weaklend
July 29	Jeff Holley
Aug 6	KAMO Festival
Aug 12	Mike Hogan
Sept 21	Mike Sikorsky
Oct 20	Nick Hartley
Oct 21-23	MO State Convention

Christmas Party

Our Christmas party will be held at the home of Carol Hershey on **December 6th**. We will start to gather after 1pm and plan to **eat at 2pm**. As usual, the club will provide the meat and we ask you all to bring a salad, veggie or dessert. Carol is always great to provide table service and beverage. We can't thank her enough for all her hospitality. There will be no gift exchange, however we will **collect non-perishable food, personal care items and paper supplies for Northmoor UMC** where we do lessons. We will plan to have a game night, so bring your favorite, if you have one. If not, join in on someone else's. Please let Carol know if you can attend or not so she will know how many to plan for. It's only a matter of courtesy.