

BE IN OUR SQUARES

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NEWSLETTER

• August '16

We have had a great summer. Two well attended club picnics, very successful summer specials and a new set of lessons with a very small but enthusiastic and fun class. What more can we ask?

Our luck on health didn't hold long. Claude Burch stepped off a ladder wrong and broke his foot. Liz Pinzon has started a down hill slide and prayers are with her. Ernie is improving slowly and it was good to see them at our picnic in August. I lost my brother in law and Carol Hershey lost her aunt, both after lengthy illnesses. Eathel McNabb has had some heart issues but is back among us. It has been an eventful summer. Let's see if we can get back on the road to recovery, shall we?

We started another set of lessons on **July 13th**. We have a small class, 1 new student, a couple of our couples who requested review and a lady from Swingin' Singles who is struggling and making an effort to improve. There are some advantages to a small class. They can get more individual attention and we get to know them better. Special thanks to June Tygart, who offered her basement as a lesson location when the a/c at the community center in Avondale didn't keep up with the heat and humidity. It's been a whole new ballgame in a room that is comfortable.

Most of you know by now that the 2018 National Square Dance convention will be held, for the 2nd time, in downtown Kansas City. The last time was in 1975 and it was hosted by the Heart of America Federation. This time, it is hosted by the state of Missouri. If you have never been to a national convention, this will be a wonderful opportunity for you. There are many benefits to hosting a convention of any kind, but one of the drawbacks is you need LOTS of volunteers. Trust me, your feet will need a break so you may as well be doing something constructive. I am the Vice Chairman of Square Dance and I would be happy to point you to a committee. Leann is the Director of the Secure Hall where the callers will put their equipment when it's not in use. There are lots of other committees that will need help, as well. Please consider signing on. You do need to register to be a part of a committee, but the earlier you register, the less you pay. Please give it some thought.

VISITATIONS

Past Dances

No scheduled visits this summer.

Future Dances

- Aug 27 - Riverbend Promenaders (Lynn calling)
- # Sept 6 - Swingin' Singles
- Sept 9 - Our Dance
- # Sept 17 - Crosstrailers
- Sept 22 - Dan's Dancers
- # Oct 1 - Santa Fe Trailers
- # Oct 7 - Frontier Twirlers (Lynn Calling)
- # Steal a Banner (Be a little early, please)
- % Retrieve Our Banner
- * Repay a visit

I didn't schedule any "official" visits over the summer so as to give everyone a break. That being said, some of us stayed real busy. We attended the Kansas State Convention, the National Convention in Des Moines, and a couple of weekends, as well as dancing on a regular basis here in the city. In fact there were 8 of us in Johnson, NE. We had a ball and hope you will join us next year. But now, it's time to get back in the saddle and start our regular visitations. I have scheduled a couple of dances where I will be calling and I hope you will join me.

Thanks to everyone who has come to support our summer specials and especially those who have helped in any way. It is much appreciated. We still have a couple left and you won't want to miss them.

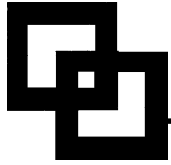
Lessons are in full swing. Our small class is doing very well. Drop by and meet them sometime. We are at June Tygart's on Wednesday evenings.

Our next regular club dance will be our favorite sports t-shirt dance in September. Wear something to support your favorite team and remember, Square Dancing is a sport, too. Your regular refreshments will be great.

Please send in your membership forms as soon as you can. I have to get us registered with HOA and NW MO by the end of September.

And thanks for EVERYTHING.

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NEXT CLUB DANCE

September 9th
Favorite Sports T-Shirt

To:

Birthdays

September

- 5 - Cheryl Gray
- 10 - Liz Pinzon
- 28 - Julie Lemke
- 30 - Ethel Zimmerman

Anniversaries

September

- 3 - Gary and Audry Brown
- 10 - Keith and Heather VanBebber

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

Future Themes

- Sept 9 - Favorite Sports T-Shirt
- Oct 14 - Fall Harvest
- Nov 11 - Veterans' Day
- Dec 25 - After Christmas
- Jan 13 - Snowflake Dance - Dan Robinson
- Feb 10 - Sweetheart Dance - Jim Wright
- Mar 10 - March Madness
- Apr 7 - Crazy Hats (special date)
- May 12 - Hawaiian Dance

Let's Go Dancing



Special Dances

Dances in blue sponsored by the club:

- Sept 21 Mike Sikorsky
- Oct 20 Nick Hartley
- Oct 21-23 MO State Conv - Independence, MO
- Mar 18 Pre-convention for the 2018 National
- June 2-3 Kansas State Convention
- June 10 Lanny Weakland
- July 13 Dean Dederman
- Aug 5 KAMO Festival
- Dec 10 Noah Siegmann

Gashland UMC

Since Pastor Laura left, we have had some new experiences at the church. When we arrive, we never know what we will find. I have communicated with the new pastor both by e-mail and by phone, however, I don't have a lot of confidence that things will change. There is no doubt that he will "look into things" but time will tell. With that in mind, I plan to arrive a bit earlier to set up for our dances and would appreciate your help.

Membership

Membership forms are now on the website and available where ever I am. Please complete and return by our September dance.