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<u>NEWSLETTER</u>

Our final dance of the season was not a big one and the only club we would need to repay, dances on the same night we do. I guess we'll need to repay them in December when we change our dance night. It was a fun evening and a nice way to close out another successful season. Thanks to all.

It seems that however unusual it might be, our club is pretty much completely healthy. Ernie is not back dancing yet but he's on the road to recovery and gaining strength. Liz is still in a holding pattern but at least no worse and the rest of the club seems to be doing well. I think this is the first time since I took over the club in 1998 that I've been able to say that. Hallelujah!

We will be starting another set of lessons on **July 13th**. If you know of anyone who would be interested, get that date on their calendar - and yours - now. Without new dancers a club is destined to fail and we have too much going for us to let that happen. Happily, we have had quite a bit of interest for this set and if even half of them show up, we'll have a nice class. Of course, that means that we will need angels. I've also been thinking, (if there are no plus students) if you would like to do a short workshop before the lessons, we could do that, as well. We could either work on calls that you need to review or learn to dance them from other positions. We can play it by ear. I think it would help us all. You could become better dancers and I would improve as a caller.

Our trip to Cline's Opry was a huge success. We were very well received and even had some interest in lessons. There was even a couple there who used to dance and thought about coming back to us. We hope they decide to do it. Charlie and I visited with Ted Cline and his family before we left the restaurant and he indicated he would be open to doing it again sometime. Maybe we could make this an annual event. Time will tell.

Unless something has changed in the past couple of weeks, the Fit and Fun Organization will be folding at the end of the month. They tried new things with not much result. They have been unable to obtain new leadership and have decided to throw in the towel. I thank our members who have served both as our delegate and also as officers of that organization for your dedication.

Summer '16

VISITATIONS

Past Dances

Anr	30 Pistols 'n Petticoats	10
-	13-14 HASSDA	10
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	22 - Savannah Sashayers	12
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Jun		_
Jun	3-4 KS State Convention	6

Future Dances

Due to the busy summer schedule, with the National in Des Moines that several of us plan to attend and our own summer specials, as well as lessons starting, I am not scheduling official club visitations. I encourage you all to dance as often as possible and look forward to seeing you in a square.

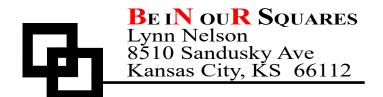
Thanks for the great job you have all done with our visitation program. I have always said if you want visitors, you must visit and because you all do such a great job at that, our dances are well attended. On April 30th, we went to the Pistols 'n Petticoats and to my surprise there were 10 of us at that unscheduled visit. We got the card signed so that was a bonus. I don't schedule plus clubs for official visitations as there are several members of the club who don't dance plus.

This summer, we have several special dances scheduled. These dances are all casual if you wish, 'tho square dance attire is always appropriate. We don't do refreshements at our specials, altho' I am planning to have birthday cake at my June 18th special. As a reminder, our specials have been moved to our regular location. We will still need help to set up the hall and to make coffee. If you can help, it would be appreciated.

Our next regular club dance will be favorite sports tshirt dance in September. I tried to get it on the schedule early so that we wouldn't be left out of the Fed Facts. Wear something to support your favorite team and remember, Square Dancing is a sport, too. Your regular refreshments will be great.

As always, I thank you for all you do for the club and for me. Have a safe and happy summer.

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NEXT CLUB DANCE

To:

Summer Specials

Birthdays

June

18 - Lynn Nelson 27-June Tygart

July

25 - David Gray28 - Eathel McNabb

August 5 - Mary Prather

Anniversaries June

8 - Melanie & Ernie Kary

August

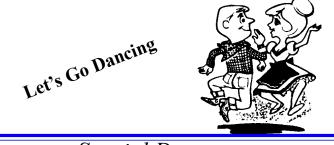
31 - MaryJo and Gary Eberth

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

Future Themes

Sept 9 - Favorite Sports T-Shirt

To Be Announced



Special Dances

Dances in blue sponsored by the club:

June	18	Jerry Junck (Lynn's birthday)		
Please Help Me also Celebrate 20 years of Calling				
Jul	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 Conv - Independence, MO		

Gashland UMC

Pastor Laura Murphy, whom we have been very successfully working with for the past few years, has been reassigned and will be leaving us at the end of this month. While we wish her well in her new church, we will miss her. We look forward to working with her replacement, who, ironically enough, is a friend of Carol Hershey. I'm hoping that will be a good omen as far as our future with the church is concerned.