



Be in our Squares

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NEWSLETTER

September 2018

What a fantastic summer we have had. We have now had our final “summer special” and they were all successful. Thanks for all your help with these. They were definitely a team effort.

I think the best part of the summer is for the most part we have all stayed healthy. It has been so nice to see everyone out and about. Keep it up, gang.

Our August picnic was very well attended. We finalized the plans for our trip to Hutch and the food was the bomb, as always. Special thanks go to Carol Hershey, once again, for her hospitality. She is definitely the hostess with the mostess. We also planned our Christmas party at that time. Please put Saturday, December 8th, on your schedule. We will plan to gather around noon and eat at 1pm as we have in the past. We also agreed to purchase \$10 gift cards to locations near the church that sell fast food and to donate them to the church for their ministry with the nearby high school. Casey’s is a good choice as it’s practically next door and offers a pretty good selection of sandwiches, subs and pizza. Just think, if we all bought just one card a month for the next 3 months, we could donate almost \$600 in cards this Christmas. Wouldn’t that be fantastic?!?

Our last two specials were great. Jeff Holley really kept us moving and the hall was full of smiles. Jerry Junck is the king of smooth and we had a great dance. I’m excited to report that both of these guys have already scheduled for next year.

Thanks to June Tygart, we were able to start another set of lessons in July. We have 2 couples and a single lady. One of the gentlemen is using square dancing as a way to get his knee back in shape after replacement surgery. He struggles a little bit, but I think it will get better. If you haven’t been to lessons, stop by and meet everyone.

Don’t forget at our next dance we will have a special guest caller, Deborah Carroll-Jones. I hope this will mean that we will also have a larger than normal crowd. Please bear this in mind when you plan our refreshments. I am so looking forward to calling with Deborah. It should be a hoot.

VISITATIONS

Past Dances

Aug 23 Dan’s Dancers 9

Future Dances

Sep 7 Live Wires

Sep 14 Our Dance

Sep 22 Club Trip to Hutch

Sep 30 Trick Trackers (6:30-9pm)

Steal a Banner (Be a little early, Please)

% Retrieve Our Banner

* Repay a Visit

You’ve heard me say many times, “If you want visitors, you must visit.” You guys are the best. You are out and about visiting even when there is no official visitation scheduled. In fact, even tho’ I didn’t schedule official club visitations this summer, we actually were able to get the card signed several times. When someone wants to go dancing, you talk it up and pretty soon there’s a whole group going. I love that about our club.

Over the past several years, many discussions have been held lamenting all the things that are wrong with our activity. While I don’t think it’s anything we are or aren’t doing, and I believe it is more about societal changes, there is one thing I miss from days gone by. When I started dancing, it was standard practice for clubs to all go out after a dance. Maybe for dessert, maybe just a beverage or even to someone’s home for an “after party”. As we have all gotten older those social outings have declined. If anyone besides me would like to see this pattern return, I’m always up to stop somewhere on the way home. Let me know.

Our next dance will be our Tailgate Party. Since this is in honor of the beginning of football season, we encourage everyone to wear their favorite team jersey or t-shirt. I believe we talked at our picnic about having hot dogs, nachos and the like for refreshments. I’m sure you will work out all the details at lessons when we have time to chat.

As always, I thank you from the bottom of my heart for all you do for me and for the club. Your assistance before and after a dance makes my job so much easier and I treasure your friendships.



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TO:

NEXT CLUB DANCE

September 14th

Tailgate Party

Two Caller Special

Lynn and Deborah Carroll-Jones

*September
 Birthday
 5 - Cheryl Gray
 Anniversary
 10— Keith and Heather Van Bebber*

*Happy Birthday and
 Happy Anniversary
 From Your Friends at
 BNR Squares*

Special Dances

Dances in blue sponsored by the club:

Oct	19-21	MO State Convention
Mar	22-23	HOA Federation Festival
May 31–	Jun 1	KSDA Convention
Jun	15	Lanny Weaklend
Jul	19 - 20	Summer Weekend Getaway
Jul	26 - 28	HASSDA
Aug	3	KAMO Callers' Festival
Aug	9	Jeff Holley
Aug	17	Jerry Junck

Future Themes

Sept	14	Tailgate Party with Lynn and Deborah Carroll-Jones
Oct	12	25th Anniversary with Lynn and Ray Trowbridge
Nov	9	Thanksgiving
Dec	25	Christmas Night Dance
Jan	11	Beach Party—Ray Trowbridge
Feb	8	Sweetheart Dance- Tom Hollinberger
Mar	8	Mardi Gras
April	12	Poor Boys
May	10	Hawaiian Dance
Sept	14	Vacation T-shirts

CLUB TRIP

We finalized plans for our trip to Hutchinson when I call on September 22nd. We will stop at Carriage Crossings again for lunch and then go to the Cosmosphere. Then we'll take a break and then on to the dance. On the way home Sunday, we'll once again stop at Abilene and see the things we didn't have time for last year. We agreed to stay at the same place as last year, however it has changed hands and is now Motel 6. The phone number remains 620/663-4444. I hope you will all be able to join us. We always have such a great time when we're together.