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NEWSLETTER

Our November dance was quite a success. The Crosstrailers and Bee Squares retrieved their banners and the Mustangs stole ours. We had 61 dancers in the hall. The t-shirts sported everything from professional and college football to professional hockey. I was vey pleased to have friends from the Wichita area give up part of their holiday weekend to spend time with us. It was a very diverse crowd. Thanks to everyone for doing such a great job of making sure our visitors have a good time.

Congratulation to Adrienne and Danielle Miller. They are now officially the proud parents of Jazzmin and Brianna. We know they are excited to finally have all the legalities behind them. Of course, Grandma and Grandpa Miller are to be congratulated as well. Before you know it Devon will be 2 and he can be an official "Miller", too.

I spoke with Sue Kriley and she is doing some better, although she's struggling with Fibromyalgia and Osteoarthritis - a double whammy. If you've ever known anyone who suffers from either of these afflictions, you know it's quite painful. We'd love to have Sue and Charlie back in a square soon, but at this point she has to wait until some of the pain subsides from her joints. Keep her in your prayers.

With so many new members, maybe it's time to take a look at our club costume. What is your pleasure? Do you want to continue with what we have or would you like to try something new. We've been wearing the navy and either cream or wine for several years now. If we change, I would like to see us do something simple and only one outfit. We could steal with the new outfit and retrieve with the old one, for instance. Give this some thought and we can discuss it at our Christmas party.

Carol has volunteered her home for the annual Christmas party on Sunday December 9th. We will start at 2pm with a pot luck dinner. The club will furnish the meat and table service. We ask that you each bring a dish to share. This is a great time to get to know each other better and to socialize without the responsibilities of a dance. Please bring a new unwrapped toy and we will see that they are donated to Toys for Tots or the Crosslines Christmas store. This will replace our annual gift exchange.

DECEMBER '07

VISITATIONS

Past Visitations

Nov02 Top Railers11Nov10 Bee Squares8

Future Visitations

Sat Dec 01 Santa Fe Trailers - Christmas attire
Sat Dec 08 Shooting Stars - Christmas attire
% Fri Dec 14 Mustangs - Christmas attire
Fri Dec 25 Our Dance
Fri Dec 28 Longview Twisters

- # Steal a Banner Navy & Wine
- % Retrieve Our Banner Navy & Natural/Cream
- * Repay a visit Any Attire

Thanks to those who helped us retrieve our banner from the Top Railers. I'm not scheduling anything for the weekend before Christmas as I know everyone will be busy as beavers wrapping up last minute holiday details. The visit to the Longview Twisters is just that, a visit. Since they dance on our regular club night, they won't be able to repay the visit, but we'll get to dance with some folks that normally we wouldn't see. Provided we are able to retrievce our banner from the Mustangs, the only visit we will still owe is the Lotawana Sailors.

Our December dance is our annual after Christmas dance. You are all encouraged to come casual and just have a good time. Your usual finger foods would be wonderful or bring leftover Christmas cookies. We usually have around 4 squares of dancers and it's my last chance to do those Christmas singing calls for another year. By the time our dance rolls around, most of us have Christmas out of the way and we're sitting around wondering what all the hoopla was about. Of course, if you have out of town guests, it's understood that you aren't available. At any rate, I wish each and every one of you a very

Merry Christmas, Happy Kwanzaa and Best Wishes for a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New YearLynn



NEXT CLUB DANCE

Wednesiday, December 25th After Christmas To:

DECEMBER

Birthdays

- 1 Ella Thompson
- 16 TJ Nelson
- 18 Rosemary Brundage
- 18 Glenda Tucker
- 19 Ron Thompson
- 21 Charles Mullins
- 31 Janice Mullins

Happy Birthday from the B-N-R Squares





Special Dances

Dances in blue sponsored by the club:

Feb	02	NE KS Callers' Festival - Topeka, KS
June	25-28	Nat'l Square Dance Conv - Wichita, KS
July	12	Mike Hogan - Location TBA
July	25	Tom Roper - Location TBA
Aug	15	Lanny Weaklend - Location TBA

Future Club Dances

Dec 25	After Christmas Dance
Jan 25	Snow "Ball"
Feb 22	Patriot's Dance
Mar 28	Winds of March
Apr 25	Empty Pockets
May 23	Hawaiian Dance

New Year's Eve

I will be calling a dance in Topeka on New Year's Eve. Dana Schirmer will be the Co-Caller for the evening. It will be a benefit to raise funds for the "Presidents' Council" of the Topeka area clubs. They use these funds to promote the square dance activity in and around Topeka by participating in exhibitions and parades. If any of you would be interested in attending the dance, please let me know. It will be held at Croco Hall on the east side of town. It's a wonderful place to dance. There's a hardwood floor and it was built by square dancers for square dancing.