

BE IN OUR SQUARES

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NEWSLETTER

December '11

What a dance we had in December. 75 visitors and 13 members. The floor was full all evening. What a way to start the holiday season. The DoSiDoers and Ramblers retrieved their banners and the Jacks n Queens repaid. The Unicorns, Swingin' Singles and Santa Fe Trailers were also in attendance..

Something I have wanted to do since we began dancing back in '89 is to go to Texas and dance in the "valley" with all the traveling callers who have regular programs there. This year, that's gonna happen. I'm leaving the day after Christmas and will be back just in time for our January dance. I'm going to have to count on all of you to keep the visitation program going. I promise to tell you all about it when I get back More than likely, more than you will want to hear. I'm very excited and so blessed to have the opportunity. I can hardly wait to leave!

After a stint in the hospital, Tom Moore is back among us and it was good to have him back. Idamae had her back surgery and is now recovering nicely. Frank had a surgery to prepare him for treatment of a throat condition. Also, Rita's mom, Darlene, had surgery and will be undergoing treatment, as well, so all of them need our prayers.

Thanks to Carol Burch and Rita Deml for providing door prizes. It's a really nice touch to our dances. If you have something you would like to donate, please contact one of them. I know they would appreciate the help.

February 4th will be the NE Kansas Callers' festival in Topeka, KS at Croco Hall. It will start at 1:30 and there will be continuous dancing of some sort until 10:00pm. We would love for you to join us. It's always the first Saturday in February. Some of the callers you will know, others not so much but all of us will do our best to show you a good time. It's not as far as you think and it's certainly worth the drive. It's a beautiful hall built especially for square dancing. River Bend Promenaders will have concessions available so you won't even have to leave to eat. Our theme this year is a "Snow Ball" so it will be an opportunity to wear your dressiest attire if you wish. Square dance attire is required.

VISITATIONS

Past Visitations			
Nov	19	Swangers	7
Nov	25	Single Promenaders	9
Dec	3	Jacks 'n Queens	6
Future Dances			
*Dec	10	Shooting Stars	
*Dec	21	Unicorns	
*Jan	3	Swinging Singles	
Jan	13	Our Dance	

Steal a Banner (Be a little early, please)

% Retrieve Our Banner

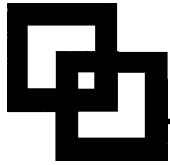
* Repay a visit

Even with all the illness in the club, we were able to repay all our visits but one. We will repay the Shooting Stars on the 10th.. Then we'll start on the repays from our December dance. The Santa Fe Trailers have changed the date for their January dance so that will have to wait. Since the other clubs dance on week nights, you will have your weekends free to do as you please. Thanks to everyone who helped to keep us caught up. We couldn't do it without you.

On Christmas night, any of you who are available, please join us to dance off all those extra calories and the after Christmas blues. Just bring your usual wonderful finger foods. Maybe something with a holiday theme. I know you will do a great job as you always do. Our January dance will be our "South of the Border" dance. We thought that maybe thinking "south" would bring "warm" thoughts to our hall in January. If you have something from Mexico or the islands, wear it. Also, if you are creative and can think of something for the refreshment table that would reflect our theme, that would be great.

I want to wish each and everyone of you a very Merry Christmas, no matter how you celebrate it. Also a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year. May 2012 be even better than the past.

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NEXT CLUB DANCE

December 25
 Christmas Night
 January 13
 South of the Border

Birthdays January

27 - Frank Walsh

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

Club Party

Don't forget our club Christmas party at the home of Carol Hershey on Sunday, December 18th at 4pm. As usual, we will have a pot luck dinner. The club will provide the meat and we ask you to bring a salad, vegetable or dessert. General consensus after our dance was to have an ornament exchange with a gift limit of \$5.00.

Future Club Themes

Dec 25 - Christmas Night Special
 Jan 13 - South of the Border
 Feb 10 - Sweetheart Dance
 Mar 9 - Shamrock Dance
 Apr 13 - Empty Pockets
 May 11 - Hawaiian Dance

To:

Let's Go Dancing



Special Dances

Dances in blue sponsored by the club:

Feb	4	NE KS Callers' Festival - Croco Hall
Mar	29	2 Caller Spec'l - Lynn & Lottie Ainsworth
Mar	30-31	Federation Festival
May	6	Nick Hartley - Location TBA
Jun	1-2	KS State Convention - Salina, KS
Jun	8	Jerry Junck - Location TBA
Jul	14	Tom Manning - Location TBA
Jul	20	Tom Roper - Location TBA
Aug	4	Lanny Weakland - Location TBA
Aug	12	Mike Hogan - Location TBA
Aug	25	KAMO Callers' Festival

Club Trip

Those of us who went to Eureka Springs/Pea Ridge, AR this summer had a great time. If you think you would like to do it again, put on your thinking caps and bring your ideas to the Christmas party. We'll try to pick a date and location that works for the majority. It can be a day trip or an overnight and can involve dancing or not. Your choice.