

BE IN OUR SQUARES

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NEWSLETTER

• May '14

Our April dance found 33 visitors and 17 members in the hall. Our banner was stolen by the Crosstrailers so we'll need 8 to retrieve it. We were honored to have 3 guest callers at that dance, one of whom I announced as a "retired caller". I found out after the dance that Bob Clarkson had, in fact, come out of retirement on April 1st. My apologies to Bob for that error.

I am sad to report that we have lost one of our most loyal members. Tom Moore passed away on Friday, April 25th, at Elsberry Healthcare Center. His quiet sense of humor and big smile will surely be missed by all of us. I am happy to say that I was able to visit with Tom on April 12th. I had traveled to Moberly to call at the NE MO District dance and took a little side trip to show Tom the plaque and badge bar I had been awarded at the Heart of America festival. I'm told he worked hard for that for 3 years and I wanted him to see the fruits of his labors and to know how much I appreciated his efforts. I'm so glad I was able to go when I did.

We still have a few members struggling with health issues, but hopefully they will all be back to 100% soon. Melanie is doing better and while Liz is still fighting her own battles, she assures me that she's not giving up and will be with us at least to visit whenever she can.

Sadly, 3 of our mainstream students have decided that this just isn't the activity for them. That leaves just 4 so we actually need fewer angels than we have in the past. We do, however, welcome everyone to come and dance. We can always start a second square and the practice is good for all of us. Besides, it's great to get to know the new dancers so that they feel welcome and a part of our group when they come to our dances. They are progressing nicely.

Dan Robinson has been wonderful to come and help with our lessons. We are always a little shy on men so that's been a fantastic help. Dan has been having a dance on the 4th Friday to try to improve his skills as a new caller. I'm proud to say that there were 12 B-N-R Squares at the final dance for this season to support Dan. Thanks for your effort.

Thanks to Carol Hershey for making the trek to Ottawa when I called for the Promenaders. Surprisingly, there were 5 squares at that dance the night before Easter. I appreciate the support and loyalty.

VISITATIONS

Past Dances

Apr	12	Shooting Stars	6
Apr	19	Ottawa Promenaders	2
Apr	25	Dan's Dance (Platte Woods UMC)	12
May	3	Jacks 'n Queens	6

Future Dances

May 9 Our Dance
%May 17 Crosstrailers

Steal a Banner (Be a little early, please)

% Retrieve Our Banner

* Repay a visit

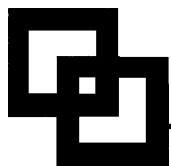
Since the Crosstrailers stole our banner at the April dance, we will try to retrieve it in May. I know this is a busy time but we need 8 people to attend this visitation so if it is at all possible for you to go, please make plans to do so.

There is so much going on this summer and we have our special summer dances each month, so I'm not planning to schedule visitations over the summer months. I hope many of you will plan to attend the KS State Convention, the National in Little Rock, AR, and all of the many special dances in our area. Fit and Fun have a special Trail Thru dance on June 20th. Ken Ritucci was on the cruise that Charlie and I took and we enjoyed his calling very much. We hope that you will plan to support this dance, as well as all of our own summer specials. These dances are all casual.

I want to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your contribution to the success of the club. A club is only as good as the sum of its members. Our ability to work together harmoniously, to make our visitors feel welcome and to always have a good time in each other's company is what makes our group special. Nobody owns the club, not even me. It is a group effort. Without your support of our dances and especially our visitation program, the club could not survive. It's also time to ask for your help in filling those positions of delegate for the various organizations. Please consider this and let me know at the summer picnic.

I hope that you will all have a safe and enjoyable summer and that we will see you in a square often.

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NEXT CLUB DANCE

Summer Specials

Birthdays June

1 - Ken Alderton
17 - Doris Deml
18 - Lynn Nelson

July

28 - Eathel McNabb

August

23 - Kristy Upton

Anniversaries

June

6 - Tom & Pat Miller
8 - Ernie & Melanie Kary
17 - Frank Walsh & Doris Deml

August

13 - Claude & Carol Burch

Happy Birthday &
Happy Anniversary
from the
Be iN ouR Squares

To:

Let's Go Dancing



Special Dances

Dances in blue sponsored by the club:

May	31	Lanny Weaklend - 1st Bapt Church KC
Jun	6-7	KS State Festival - Salina, KS
Jun	20	Ken Ritucci (Fit and Fun Trail Thru)
Jun	25-28	National Convention - Little Rock, AR
Jul	9	Dean Dederman - 1st Bapt Church of KC
Jul	25	Mike Hogan - 1st Bapt Church of KC
Aug	2	KAMO Festival - Graceway Fellowship
Aug	14	Jerry Junck - 1st Bapt Church of KC
Sep	17	Mike Sikorsky - 1st Bapt Church of KC

Club Picnic

What would we do without Carol Hershey and her beautiful home? Carol has very graciously agreed to host our club picnic in her home. The date we chose at the Christmas party was **June 22nd**. Planning to eat at 2pm so that those who attend church services will have plenty of time to get there. As we have in the past, the club will provide the meat and we ask that you all bring a dish to share.

If there is something you would like to do as a group, this is a perfect opportunity to discuss it while we are all together. I hope you will all be able to be there.