

BE IN OUR SQUARES

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NEWSLETTER

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What a fabulous dance we had in October. 73 dancers in the hall, 5 clubs visiting and the members going way over the top with the theme. Thank you all so much for your involvement. Everyone followed the color scheme for the Italian flag and it was enjoyed by everyone in the room. A dance like this puts us behind the 8 ball when it comes to repays so we have our work cut out for us. Luckily, part of them were already on the list.

Our sympathies go to Dan Robinson in the loss of his father. Dan isn't "officially" a member, but we count him as one of us. Also, to Pat Coster, in the loss of Mike Kelly, long time Kansas City Caller.

Our lessons are moving right along. Unfortunately, we have lost 2 of our students, but Tammy is picking things up so quickly since she danced as a child that I think it won't be long and we'll get her graduated.

Thanks to everyone who attended and supported the benefit dance for the 67th National with Tony Oxendine. I know you were all entertained and it made for a fun and successful evening. There were 155 dancers in the hall plus several of our local callers. That will go a long way toward funding our convention. Most people don't realize the expense involved in an undertaking of this magnitude. Just renting the dance space and floor coverings is an enormous investment. Add to that the cost of sound, and all the little extras that the convention center charges us an exorbitant fee for and you have a mind boggling expense account. Every dollar we bring in is a big deal and we can't say thank you enough.

MO State Convention is in Lebanon this next weekend. Justin Russell is the featured caller. He's young and energetic and I'm sure you will enjoy him. I'll be staying at the Days Inn. It's near the convention center and convenient to everything. The best part of the weekend, in my opinion, is the Doin's Dance on Sunday morning when the callers get free reign over their time slots. We all get to just have fun with other callers that we only see once or twice a year. Be sure to plan to stay for the fun.

During our trip to Hutch we decided that there just wasn't enough time to do everything we wanted to do so we are planning to go back when I call there again next September. We also decided to try to go to Omaha on a Friday night to dance to Mike Hogan and then do the zoo on Saturday. We'll pick a date at the Christmas party.

VISITATIONS

Past Dances

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| Oct 7 | - Do Si Doers | 11 |
| Oct 8 | - Tony Oxendine Benefit Dance | 11 |

Future Dances

Oct 20-22 - MO State Convention - Lebanon
% Oct 27 - Crosstrailers
* Nov 3 - Live Wires
Nov 10 - Our Dance
* Nov 11 - Happy Time Squares
* Dec 2 - Jacks 'n Queens
Steal a Banner (Be a little early, please)
% Retrieve Our Banner
* Repay a visit

We have a pretty aggressive visitation schedule ahead of us and unfortunately, due to my calling duties, I won't be able to join you for any of it. I know that I can count on you to carry it out. We are small but we are very active and those among our membership exemplify what square dancing is all about - fun and fellowship.

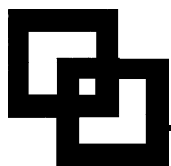
We have completed our registration process with both the NW MO District and the Heart of America. Our official membership numbers only 19. That's not very many of us to do everything we have to do but you always manage to carry it off. Thank you.

We do have one more special dance scheduled and that is Sunday, December 10th, with Noah Siegmann. Noah will be bringing his brothers with him and each is more talented than the last. They are all callers in their own right, and in fact, are the 3rd generation of callers in the Siegmann family. Please put this date on your calendar.

Our next club dance will be our Veteran's Day Dance. We can decorate with red, white and blue and I will use patriotic music. This is a chance to recognize not only our military veterans but also the first responders, as well as their families. Again, thanks for all you do to keep the club running and make our dances successful.

Have a very blessed and Happy Thanksgiving.

Lynn



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NEXT CLUB DANCE

November 10
Veteran's Day

To:

Birthdays

November

18 - David Prather

Anniversaries

4 - David & Cheryl Gray

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



Special Dances

Dances in blue sponsored by the club:

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| Oct | 20-22 | Missouri State (Lebanon) |
| Dec | 10 | Noah Siegmann |
| Jun | 9 | Lanny Weakland |
| Jul | 13 | Mike Hogan |
| Aug | 4 | KAMO Festival |
| Aug | 10 | Jeff Holley |
| Aug | 18 | Jerry Junck |

Future Themes

Nov 10 - Veterans Day
Dec 25 - Christmas Night
Jan 12 - Snowflake Dance w/Dan Robinson
Feb 9 - Sweetheart Dance w/Jim Wright
Mar 9 - Wearin' Of the Green
Apr 13 - Take Me Out to the Ball Game
May 11 - Hawaiian Dance (Lynn's 20 yrs)
Sep 14 - Tailgate Party
Oct 12 - Club 25th Anniversary

Christmas Party

At the picnic, we decided to have our Christmas party on Saturday, December 9th. Again we will gather at noon and plan to eat at 1pm. We decided that in lieu of a gift exchange we would have some kind of collection to be donated to the church. I have contacted the church to see what they need the most and will pass that information along once I receive it, however I have not received a reply at this time. Please put this date on your calendar so that we can all be together.