

BE IN OUR SQUARES

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NEWSLETTER

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Our November dance was a little small but it was a quality group of fun loving dancers. There were 19 dancers from 6 different club and 2 with no club affiliation. That means that we don't owe any repays or retrieves from this dance. That's a good thing since we had to cancel one of our repays this month.

It was sure good to see David and Mary back among us and dancing at our November dance. Welcome back.

November 8th we held our graduation for our class of one. If you have not had the pleasure of meeting our newest member yet (you must have been living under a rock), please make it a point to do so. Tammy Craig has jumped into active membership with the club and has even been traveling with us. She's doing a great job and I know she will be an asset to the club.

Thanks to everyone who attended the MO State Convention in Lebanon last month. There were 5 of us sharing the fun. Too bad we didn't get just 1 more and we could have had our visitation card signed. If you missed this year you will want to put it on your schedule for next year when Joe Saltel will be the featured caller.

Don't forget that during our trip to Hutch we decided that there just wasn't enough time to do everything we wanted to do so we are hoping to go back when I call there again next September 22nd. We also decided to try to go to Omaha on a Friday night to dance to Mike Hogan, then do the zoo on Saturday. Those plans will be finalized at our Christmas party on December 9th.

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.

Last month I was contacted by Deborah Carroll-Jones, a very fine caller and caller coach from Texas. She wanted me to set up a dance for her but I don't do that when it conflicts with the regular dances during the season. Then I realized that it would be our regular dance night. I sent out an e-mail and those who responded were unanimous with a "go for it". SOO, in September I will be sharing the mic with Deborah. I'm excited!

VISITATIONS

Past Dances

Oct 27	- Crosstrailers	7
Oct 28	- Docey Dandiers	7
Nov 3	- Live Wires - cancelled	
Nov 11	- Happy Time Squares	6

Future Dances

- # Nov 17 - Ramblers
- * Dec 2 - Jacks 'n Queens
- Dec 8 - Lotawana Sailors
- # Dec 16 - Santa Fe Trailer
- Dec 25 - Our Dance
- * Jan 5 - Live Wires

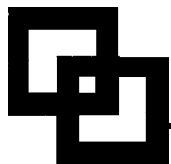
- # Steal a Banner (Be a little early, please)
- % Retrieve Our Banner
- * Repay a visit

We had a pretty aggressive visitation schedule this past month and luckily we only had to cancel one visit. On the other hand, some of you went to a dance that was not scheduled and collected a signature on our visitation card so we came out even. There are still visits that we need to repay so if at all possible, please put them on your schedule. You have been great about responding to Leann and Idamae even if the answer was "no". The one dance we had to cancel was cancelled by Wednesday so that those who planned to attend could make other plans. By that time, the "nos" outnumbered those who had not yet replied so we knew there weren't enough "yeses" left. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Our next club dance will be our Christmas Night Dance. Some of you will be with family or out of town. Others will find this a nice way to spend the evening after all the excitement settles down and the dust clears. Refreshments that night will be Christmas treats so even left over Christmas Cookies will work.

Merry Christmas one and all and I wish for you all a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

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NEXT CLUB DANCE

November 10
Veteran's Day

To:

Birthdays December

10 - Marla Doxey

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

Let me take this opportunity to wish you all the best of holidays. I know they are busy but I hope you will support our visitation schedule in between all the many other church and family activities that are so prevalent at this time of year.

I also want to once again remind you how important you are to me and to this club. I am so blessed to have each of you as a member. Without you, the club couldn't exist. I can't say often enough how much I appreciate each of you and what you do for me and for the club. Stay safe!

Future Themes

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 w/Deborah Carroll-Jones
Oct 12 - Club 25th Anniversary



Special Dances

Dances in blue sponsored by the club:

Dec	10	Noah Siegmann
Jun	9	Lanny Weakland
Jul	13	Mike Hogan
Aug	4	KAMO Festival
Aug	10	Jeff Holley
Aug	18	Jerry Junck

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 finally heard back from the church and they would like donations of \$5 gift cards to fast food places near the church. These will be distributed to Oak Park High School students who may not otherwise be able to eat. Please bring these to our Christmas party and we will see that they are taken to the church.