



Be in our Squares

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NEWSLETTER

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What a winter you have had. I'm so sorry that you have all been house bound for safety's sake. That being said, I'm really grateful that we are out of the snow zone. We have followed your weather closely and seen how many dances, including ours, have had to be cancelled. Mother Nature has not been kind to our activity this winter.

My trip to the valley was interesting. I got about halfway down thru TX and lost the motor in my car. Luckily it was under recall, so I got a new one at no cost to me (other than all the stress involved) and they gave me a loaner car. John and I had planned a side trip to the Big Easy for the week after we got here but cancelled because of everything going on with my car. Last week, we rescheduled and while we were gone, the valley enjoyed their only temps above the 70s since we got here. (There is a beautiful pool in our park but I'm not using it in 70 degree weather). Although it wasn't quite Mardi Gras, they were already gearing up and decorating so even tho' we didn't have to deal with all the craziness, we did see some great decorations and a lot of revelry in the streets. New Orleans is an interesting city and I thoroughly enjoyed my first visit there. (Can anyone say "beignet")? While there, I bought a big bag of beads for all our visitors at our next dance. John has asked to be the one to pass them out and I told him he could but he could NOT make the ladies "earn" them.

To the best of my knowledge, everyone has stayed healthy. That's great news. We're so happy that the winter has not taken a toll on anyone's health.

Don't forget lessons start March 13th. If you know of anyone who might be interested, be sure to give them the info. We would love to have a good class this year. That's the only way to sustain the club.

The Federation Festival will be here just 2 weeks after our next dance. If you haven't made plans to attend, please do so. I've spent some time with Nick Hartley here in the valley and he is really looking forward to being the featured caller. Always a lot of fun when Nick is in the house. You won't want to miss this one.

Tom Miller and Carol Hershey still have the NW MO District visitation cards and info so if you haven't gotten one yet, please do so. If you have questions, they will be happy to answer them.

Past Visitations

Feb	1	St Joe Squares	8
Feb	15	Ramblers cancelled	
Feb	23	Docey Dandies	11

Future Visitations

# Mar	2	Santa Fe Trailers	
Mar	8	Our Dance	
# Mar	16	Crosstrailers (Barbeque)	
Mar	22-23	Fed Dance w/ Nick Hartley	
Mar	29	Gospel Special (Roles/Brooke)	

Steal a Banner (Be a little early, Please)

% Retrieve Our Banner

* Repay a Visit

Even though so many dances had to be cancelled, you guys were still able to visit when weather permitted. Thank you for your diligence and dedication. Hopefully March will be a better month and we will be able to get out there and have a good time.

I'm sorry we had to cancel our January and February dances. I know Ray and Tom were both looking forward to calling for us. Maybe next year.

I will be calling for the SW MO District Dance May 18th, in Mt Vernon, MO if anyone is interested in traveling. Also, I will be calling the KS State Fall Jubilee in Wichita November 30th, if you would like to put that on your calendar.

Our next dance is our Mardis Gras dance. Anyone have any interest in making a "king" cake? Just a thought. Mardi Gras colors are green, purple and gold so get colorful. Got a mask? Wear it. Be creative with your refreshments. I know you guys will have it all under control before I get to KC.

As always, I want to thank you for all you do for me and for the club. We have such a wonderful group of people in our membership and I feel truly blessed to call you my members and my friends. I am so looking forward to seeing you all at our March dance.

Happy Mardi Gras &
Happy St Patrick's Day

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TO:

NEXT CLUB DANCE

March 8
 Mardi Gras

Birthdays

March

1-John Charles

*Happy Birthday
 From Your Friends at
 BNR Squares*

Special Dances

Dances in blue sponsored by the club:

- Mar 22-23 HOA Federation Festival
(Nick Hartley calling)
- May 31– Jun 1 KSDA Convention
(Mike Hogan calling)
- Jun 15 Lanny Weaklend
- Jul 12 Mike Hogan
- Jul 19 - 20 Summer Weekend Getaway
- Jul 26 - 28 HASSDA
- Aug 3 KAMO Callers' Festival
- Aug 9 Jeff Holley
- Aug 17 Jerry Junck

Club Trip

Has anyone come up with a new idea for a club trip this year? Several things were mentioned but nothing has been set in stone. We need to get something in the books so everyone who wants to participate will have a chance to put it on their schedule.

Anyone consider going to St Louis or Hermann, MO? Hermann has several German festivals each year?

Branson is still an option. If we do that, I would love to visit College of the Ozarks in Point Lookout, just across the bridge. Wonderful and interesting place that many people don't even know exists.

Future Themes

- Mar 8 Mardi Gras
- April 12 Poor Boys
- May 10 Hawaiian Dance
- Sept 14 Vacation T-shirts (Lynn/Deborah)

Start thinking of themes for next season!