



# Be iN ouR Squares

Gashland United Methodist Church

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NEWSLETTER

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Our April dance saw 4 squares on the floor all evening. All of the music was from movies of the past and everyone seemed to enjoy it. I'm always proud to see how our members make visitors feel welcome.

Healthwise, the club is doing pretty well. Leann was able to attend our dance, even tho' she's not on the dance floor yet, and it was good to see her in attendance. Dennis dropped by our first night of lessons for a visit. He's still having some shortness of breath as he recovers from his procedure but he's doing better. Cheryl had a "minor" procedure on the 16th and all went well. We look forward to seeing her back among us and on the dance floor.

For those of you who knew June Tygart, I'm sorry to report she passed away. There will be a visitation and funeral on April 27th at Highland Community of Christ Church. June was a very loyal member as long as her health would allow it. We even gave lessons in her home for several years before COVID. June was a special lady who will be missed by all who knew her.

We still don't have hosts for our May dance. If you would be able to help us there, please let Leann know. She has been coordinating dance hosts. What that involves is volunteering to provide the door prizes for our dance (Dan Robinson has a collection of items he's willing to donate for that purpose if you would like to contact him) and to act as greeters and do the optional decorations. It will be our annual Hawaiian dance. Let's go out with a bang. So far it's been a great year.

Thanks to Cindy Nichol, we are able to use her office again for lessons. Our first night was a huge success. We had a total of 10 students there, between MS and Plus. There were at least 5 more people who couldn't be there last night but plan to be there next week. We will accept new students for the first 3 weeks, so put out your feelers for anyone who would like to get some fun exercise for body and mind that doesn't feel like a work out. Location is the ReMax office, 2 Victory Lane, Liberty, MO. Cost is \$75 per person for the entire Mainstream class and \$60 each for Plus. Plus lessons start at 6:30pm and we switch to Mainstream at 7:30pm.

The HOA saw a great representation from our club. We had 10 present on Friday and 11 on Saturday. You always make me proud.

The Kansas State Festival will be in Wichita this year with fan favorite, Tim Tyl as the featured caller. This will be the first time in decades that it hasn't been held in Salina. Make plans now to attend and secure your housing.

The Missouri State Festival will be in Cape Girardeau this year. I know it's a long way, but there are a lot of things to do in the area if you wanted to take a couple extra days. If you think you will be going, you will want to reserve your room now as rooms are limited. If something happens, you can always cancel. That's better than sleeping in your car if you don't get a room.

Our own Denise Shelley is once again participating in a play in April. The dates are April 24-27 with the 27th being a matinee. Denise assures us she won't have to take her clothes off, but she also doesn't get to be funny. If you would like to attend, let Denise know and maybe if there's a group, she could reserve seats like she did last year. I regret that we will be unable to attend.

I talked to Carol Hershey about our June pot luck. We decided since Memorial Day falls on May 26th, we'll try June 1st. Please put it on your calendars. More details as it gets closer. I hope we can have a good attendance as this is when we make plans for next season. We will need ideas for future dance themes. Some we can recycle but it would be nice to come up with something new, as well. Maybe something related to a holiday theme or something completely off the wall, just fun. You know I always tell you, Square dancing is fun. If you're not having fun, you're not doing it right.

Just food for thought. When I started dancing, after each dance many in the club would go out afterwards. Maybe for a drink or dessert, but mostly for the fellowship and socialization. I miss those times. I think it helped club members form a bond and strengthened the club.

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*Next Dance:*  
**December 25th**  
**Merry Christmas**

*Happy Birthday and*  
*Happy Anniversary*  
*From your friends at*  
*BNR Squares*

TO:

I haven't scheduled a visit for Easter weekend, although there are some options available to you. If you choose to go dancing on your own, that's wonderful but I felt that I should allow everyone time to enjoy the holiday as they chose. With the end of the official season upon us, there will be fewer and fewer organized visitations but that doesn't mean you have to stop dancing. Check the SquareDance-Missouri.com website for dances all over the state and surrounding areas. Dan Wheeler does a stellar job of keeping everything updated, even as he and Jean travel the globe. Take advantage of it, but don't forget to get your NW Missouri visitation cards signed. The visitation year will end at the end of May and we'll need for you to get those cards turned in. Last year we blew away every other club in the district and it seems to me we are on track to do it again. I thank you for all the efforts you put in to our visitation program.

#### Past Visitations

03/02 Newbie Dance 12  
03/07 St Joe Sq 7  
03/08 Shooting Stars 5  
03/21 St Joe Sq 5  
03/22 Harmony Dancers 1  
03/28-29 HOA Festival 10/11  
04/05 Maysville, Wranglers 4

04/25 Stewartville Kutups  
05/03 Pistols 'n Petticoats (MS)  
05/09  
05/17 Crosstrailers 75th Anniversary

#### Future Themes

05/09 Hawaiian Dance

Please bring your ideas for next year to  
our June pot luck at Carol Hershey's.

#### Special Dances

06/6-7 KS State Festival Wichita  
07/13 MINK Ladies  
07/26 NW District  
08/08-09 HASSDA Emporia, KS

Our next dance will be our annual Hawaiian Dance. Wear something cool, colorful and comfy because in May, we never know what Mother Nature will have up her sleeve. Refreshments should be something cool and refreshing, i.e. fruit, cheeses, etc. You know the drill.

I want to thank you all for all you do for the club and for me, especially Leann who coordinates a lot of the business of the club. Also, Dan Robinson who does a great job as Co-Caller of the club, and the unsung heroes who are our delegates to HOA and NW District, Claude and Kelly. There's so much that you all do that you don't get thanked for in the moment but please know, every little thing you do is much appreciated.

**Have a blessed Easter.**

*Lynn*