



Be in our Squares

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NEWSLETTER

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Greetings from sunny south Texas. I hope this finds you all safe and warm. I understand you have been enjoying a relatively mild winter since I left - until the snow you got this past week. Our temps here have been mild. Not as warm as some years, but still pleasant. Our biggest challenge has been wind. The other day our winds were in the 40s and the news said it would be windy "tomorrow". Made me wonder what they would consider a gentle breeze.

All reports are that you had a great Rubber Ducky dance. A good crowd and lots of smiles. We're even going to owe a couple visits from this one. Also heard that Dan did a great job so that sounds like a huge success all around. Also heard that the Umbrella dance provided lots of creative fun for members and guests, alike. Cheryl Gray was the lucky winner of an umbrella hand painted by Jordan. Kudos to Nancy, Jordan and their helpers.

The reports I'm receiving regarding the health of the club have all been good. Even Denise is out dancing and tolerating it well. By the time I get back, I won't be able to keep up with her. I'm so glad to hear it. So far, John and I have managed to avoid any and all illnesses. We just hope our good fortune will continue.

Our original plans for our time in the valley took a serious detour when I lost access to our hall. Lessons and dances were cancelled and I'm sending my students to another caller a ways east of us. We'll just use that time to find more fun things to do. There's certainly plenty to choose from.

I would be remiss if I omitted a very important upcoming event. On **March 11th, Alex McCaskill is getting married.** We want to congratulate him and his bride to be and wish them all future happiness.

From what I'm seeing, you've kept the "Telegram" wires hot and have been out visiting often and with good numbers. I'm so happy about that. The more you dance, the easier it gets and the more you get out of it. I couldn't be more proud of our members for the way they support our activity. Again, if you haven't signed up for Telegram, please do.

Joe Luttrell had volunteered to be our NW District delegate, but due to his injuries and extended recovery, he's been unable to attend the meetings. Kathy Bean has generously agreed to replace him as our delegate. Thank you, Kathy, for stepping up. Thank you, Joe, for your good intentions. And thank you, Claude, for all the years you have been our HOA delegate. I know it's a thankless job but an important one.

It's not too soon to plan to attend the Heart of America Federation dance. It will be April 21-22. Friday night will be local callers and Saturday will be a young guy from Wisconsin that you won't want to miss. Noah Siegmann is top notch and a joy to dance to.

Don't forget to share your love of the activity with everyone you run into. We'll be starting a new class when I return. Even if you asked before, ask again. Situations change. We may be changing our lesson night but we don't have anything nailed down yet so I'll let you know when it gets closer.

In April we have scheduled a black light dance. I will be happy to purchase the bulbs, but we will need some fixtures. I'm also told that there is more than one kind of fixture so I'll need to know exactly what to buy. If you have a shop light we could use, please let me know and we'll make sure we have all the right stuff when the time comes. Thanks in advance.

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TO:

Next Dance:

March 10th

Rodeo Dance

Happy Birthday and

Happy Anniversary

From your friends at

BNR Squares

Thanks to everyone who has contributed to keeping the club running in my absence, especially Leann, who is my left arm (that's more important than the right one since I'm left handed) and Dan Robinson who has taken on the calling responsibilities. I really struggle in cold weather and the older I get, the worse it is. South Texas is a Godsend for me but I couldn't come if you guys didn't step up to the plate for me and I greatly appreciate it.

Thanks to everyone who supports the visitation schedule. As I've said many times, if you want visitors, you must visit and you guys are doing a great job with the visitation program. **Thank you for responding to Leann and making her job a little easier when it comes to visitation.** We have even had some visits that weren't on the schedule. On January 6th, 4 were at St Joe squares. Way to go! Don't forget to get your visitation cards signed.

Past Visitations

11/25	Stewartsville Cut-Ups	11
12/02	Live Wires	14
12/10	Shooting Stars	11
12/16	Ramblers	6
1/03	Heartland Squares	6
1/07	Santa Fe Trailers	8
1/27	Harmony Dancers	7
1/28	Savannah Sashayers	10
2/03	St Joe Squares	8

Future Themes

3/10 Rodeo Dance
4/14 Black Light Dance
5/12 Hawaiian Dance

Future Visitations

2/18 Crosstrailers
2/25 Docey Dandies
3/3 Live Wires
3/10 **Our Dance**
3/17 Ramblers—Romney Tannehill

Special Dances

(those in blue sponsored by us)

4/21-22 HOA Federation Festival
6/2-3 State Convention Salina, KS
6/9 **Jerry Junck**
7/7 **Mike Hogan**
7/14-15 Summer Weekend Get-A-Way
7/21 **Lanny Weaklend**
7/28-29 HASSDA Springdale,AR

Our next dance is our "Rodeo Dance" on March 10th. I'll be back just in time for this one and I'm looking forward to seeing everyone. I'm sure there will be some fun stuff planned and I can't wait to be there. Your normal finger foods will be great, I'm sure. Check with Nancy and see if she needs special help with set up.

Happy Valentine's Day! Give your sweetheart a yellow rock from me.

Lynn