



Be in our Squares

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NEWSLETTER

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Our October dance was smaller than we had hoped but that was not surprising considering we were on a special night. Regardless of the small number in attendance, everyone seemed to have a good time and that is what it's all about.

It's been an interesting month, healthwise. Dorothy got the good news that what she feared may have been a reoccurrence of her cancer was actually a pinched nerve. Daniel Iott was able to join us at lessons so that's an improvement. Lynn had a surprise case of COVID. Dan Robinson is making strides toward getting healthy and was able to attend our dance and the state festival. Cheryl Gray's fractured ankle is progressing nicely and she will be able to transition from the knee scooter to the walker.

The Missouri State Festival is in the books. Our own Carol Hershey and crew did an exceptional job in pulling off a successful festival. There were 249 registered dancers in Sedalia and from the looks of the faces on the dance floor, they all had a great time. The state callers did a great job of entertaining the dancers and keeping the program on schedule and the featured caller, Tim Tyl, and cuer, Tony and Carolyn Ahart, showed everyone a good time. Tim Tyl, in particular, was over the top with crazy fun, as is his habit. Steve Bean's power point projection of the schedule on the wall was very helpful for the dancers. Jordan's backdrop for photo ops was a popular stop. The smoked chicken dinner Saturday afternoon was delicious. They were expecting to sell 40-50 tickets and in fact, sold over 130. All in all, congratulations are due to everyone involved in any way in providing this year's festival for the fun of all our state dancers and guests. Our club was also well represented with 14 on Friday, 15 on Saturday and 6 on Sunday morning.

Our lessons are progressing nicely. We have 4 relatively young couples and 1 single lady and they are picking things up very well. There is no doubt in my mind that we'll be able to have them dance a tip or 2 at our November dance. They're a fun group and you should all make it a point to get to know them. This set of lessons has included as much giggling and laughter as it has learning.

Now that the festival is behind us, Carol and I have chosen a date for the Christmas gathering. Saturday, December 2nd is the magic date. We hope you will all put it on your calendar and plan to join us. It's always a great opportunity to spend time together, enjoying each other's company and getting to know each other better. Not to mention that it's always a fantastic meal. This club has some wonderful cooks among the members and they always bring their "A" game. The club will provide the meat and I will let you know by message what that will be when the time gets closer. We will plan a visit following the party so the fun can continue.

Our Webmaster will be taking an extended vacation in a few weeks. He has asked that I submit our newsletter early and include anything through the middle of December. For that reason, I will include a visitation schedule that will go thru mid-December. Once he gets back, we'll put up the rest of our schedule.

I would like to personally thank each of you for all the prayers you sent up for my daughter. They worked and we found out that she is in remission. There is a pill they will put her on that has been very successful in preventing reoccurrences. God is good.

I am not scheduling a visitation over Thanksgiving weekend to allow you to spend time with family. Of course, you are free to visit on your own if you choose.

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Next Dance:
November 10th
Honor Veterans

TO:

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

You have been doing a great job with our visitation program and with getting the visitation cards signed. As clarification, in order to get the card signed for Heart of America, we have to have a minimum of 6 members in attendance. Kathy Bean and Leann Chapman have these cards and if they aren't able to visit, they make it a point to get it to someone who will be there. The "Friendship Visitation" program for the NW District allows us each to carry a card and get it signed, even if we are the only one in attendance. If there are several of you, only one person need get the card signed and then put the total number of members in attendance in the appropriate spot on the card. You're doing a great job with visitations. Keep up the good work and maybe we can keep 1st place in the NW District.

Past Visitations

9/11 KC Plus 7
9/16 Friendship Squares Topeka 7
Crosstrailers 3
9/17 Savannah Sashayers 6
9/23 Docey Dancies 8
9/25 KC Plus 7
9/29 2 Caller Special- canceled
9/30 Pistols 'n Petticoats 7
10/1 Jay's Special 5
10/3 Heartland Squares 7
10/9 KC Plus 7
10/13-15 MO State 14/15/6

Future Visitations

10/20 Wheatheart Squares-Topeka
10/21 Crosstrailers
10/28 Harmony Dancers
11/4 Maysville Wranglers
11/10 **Our Dance—Honor Veterans**
11/17 St Joe Squares
12/2 Maysville Wranglers
12/9 Shooting Stars
12/15 Ramblers

Future Themes

12/25 Christmas Night
1/12 Hat Dance—Dan Robinson
2/09 Elvis Dance—Dan Robinson
3/08 A Night At the Movies
4/12 Black Light Dance
5/10 Hawaiian Dance

Special Dances

(those in blue sponsored by us)

12/31 St Joe Squares 3-6pm (Meal to Follow)
4/19-20 HOA Fed Dance with Ken Burke
10/18-20 MO State Festival Sedalia

Our next dance we will honor our Veterans. I encourage you all to wear red, white and blue. Your usual finger foods will be great.

Don't forget, in December we change our dance night to Christmas night.

As always, I want to take this opportunity to thank you for all you do for me, for the club and to promote our activity.. I remain convinced we've got the best members around.

Happy Thanksgiving!!

Lynn