



Be in our Squares

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NEWSLETTER

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Our November dance to Honor Our Veterans could certainly be called a success. 50 dancers in the hall and we danced 4 or 5 squares all evening. When we took our break, we invited the vets in attendance, as well as widows of vets, to join us at the front of the hall and Leann presented each a flag pin as a token of our appreciation for their service. Music included all songs that represented our country and our patriotism. The Nichols and Heeses did a great job with decorations and the table covers were super nice. I'd never seen them before. We moved the selfie station into the hall and I think it worked out better for dancers trying to take advantage of it between tips. And we had so many refreshments, we thought we were going to have to add a table. Thanks to everyone who contributed to our success. If you couldn't make it. You were definitely missed.

Our visitors represented 8 clubs and included 4 visiting callers, each of whom called for us. We will need to repay the Ramblers and Heartland Squares.

Thank you goes to everyone who made their way to Sedalia for the State Festival. We had 9 on Friday evening and 10 on Saturday. That's a great showing. Next year the annual festival will be in Cape Girardeau so quite a bit farther away. The featured caller is someone I'm not familiar with, but I have heard many good things. I hope you will plan to go and if so, reserve your room early. You can always cancel it if things don't work out.

Cheryl Gray will begin her treatment next week and I know she will appreciate your prayers. John was able to dance 1 tip at our dance and while he was in the back of the hall where I couldn't watch him, Kathy Bean tells me he did just fine. Kathy Bean had a cyst removed from the back of her knee. While everything came out fine, it will keep her off the dance floor for several weeks. I'm not aware of any other members who are under the weather. If I missed anyone, I apologize. If you know of anyone, please let me know. Sometimes it seems like I'm the last to hear.

Carol and I chose the day for our next pot luck. It will be Saturday, December 7th, so get it on your schedule now. Our December pot luck always kind of kicks off the Christmas season and is usually fairly festive. I will let you know on Telegram what the meat choice will be. Something I have done over the years, is bring my Christmas cards and passed them out. Saves postage and these days, that's quite a saving. It's not required, but just something I have done so if you think it's something you would like to do, feel free.

At the latest Fed meeting, Karla Jones stepped up to be the Fed Facts Editor so that they wouldn't have to fold the magazine. She is giving up Historian. The subscription rate will be \$20.00 so some of you will get a small refund. Claude has mailed me the new Fed cards so I will put them all together and you can get both the card and your refund at the same time. Since postage is so outrageous, I will not be mailing the Fed cards. We will have them at our dances and either Leann or I will try to have them at our visitations so we can get them to you.

Since Karla has vacated the position of Historian, if that's something you might be interested in, you might contact her and see what all is involved. Her number would be inside the cover of Fed Facts.

Leann tells me that we still don't have hosts for 3 dances. There really isn't a lot involved. Choose the color scheme and colors for the table cloths. You can pick them up or Leann will. Decorate if you so choose, but feel free to ask for help from the membership. If you want to have a selfie station, it's up to you but again your choice. Provide 2 door prizes, maximum cost, \$5 each. The months we still have available are January, April and May. If you would make an extra effort to be sure to thank our visitors for coming sometime during the dance, that would be great, but I think that's something that we should all be doing. Please let Leann know if you would like to be host for one of these dances. Feel free to work with another couple.

The Live Wires are planning a new dancer dance for March 7th. It will be geared toward anyone who has graduated since June. I'm sure this will be a fun dance and it's always great to support our new dancers. We were all new at one time. I hope you will plan to support it.

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Next Dance:
December 25th
Merry Christmas

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

TO:

Since we don't get club visits at our December dance on Christmas night, I have scheduled dances through our January dance. I did leave the holidays open. That doesn't mean that you can't go dancing, just that there is no "official" club visitation. Feel free to use Telegram to russle up a group on your own. Just get the visitation card(s) signed.

I want to wish you all a very blessed Thanksgiving. I hope you will spend time with those who mean the most to you and when you count your blessings, I hope our beloved activity is among them. I also want to wish you all the merriest of Christmases and a happy. Healthy and prosperous new year.

Past Visitations

10/18-20	MO State	9/10
10/25	Stewarville Cut Ups	13
10/26	KC Plus	5
11/01	St Joe Squares	10
11/02	Pistols & Petticoats	3
11/11	KC Plus	8

Future Themes

12/25	Christmas Night
01/10	Support Your Favorite Football Team
02/14	Valentine's Dance
03/14	Π Dance (Pie Dance)
04/11	Night At The Movies
05/09	Hawaiian Dance

11/15	Ramblers
11/19	Heartland Squares
11/23	Docey Dandies
12/06	St Joe Squares
12/14	Shooting Stars
01/03	Live Wires
01/18	Crosstrailers

Special Dances

03/28-29	HOA Fed Dance
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 Christmas night dance. I know some of you will be busy with family obligations, but if you find yourself at loose ends, please come dance with us. We usually get a pretty good crowd—between 4 and 5 squares—so it would be nice to have some members to welcome them.

This will be my last dance before I head south to hopefully warmer winter weather. Leann will very ably step in to be the go to person in my absence and I feel sure that you will all give her the same support you give me. Dan Robinson will be assuming full caller responsibilities in January and February, as usual.

As always, I want to thank one and all for everything you do for me and the club. I feel so blessed to have this group of dancers in our membership. The love and support you show me is appreciated more than I can say.

Lynn