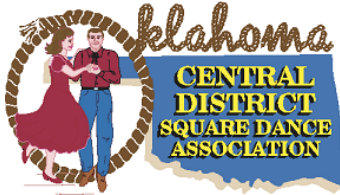


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Message from Bill and Angel Baker

Hello all, Happy Spring!!

What a wonderful time we had at the Spring Round Up! The Western Hills lodge has been completely remodeled and is more beautiful than ever. We had great weather and a really good time with good friends, all there to enjoy our hobby. I think the meeting went well and I'm anxious to see how

the IRS rules on the 501 (C) 3 application. Hopefully, the Federation will roll the tax savings back into promoting our hobby. At the Presidents meeting, Vernon said they're working with Cameron University to develop some Public Service Announcements for both radio and TV that they will share with the districts for our use. He also had some very nice tri-fold flyers he said they will print for us to use for publicity. I'm encouraged that we may be finally moving in the right direction.

There were no anniversary dances in March, but April has two back to back. Friday, April 24th will find us at Swinging Rebels 55th Anniversary followed on Saturday, April 25 at Shawnee Square 8's 50th Anniversary. I'm sure there are flyers attached and a map with directions on the website. I can't tell you how much it would mean to these clubs for anyone dancing those same nights to cancel and attend. Monday, April 13 will be Dancing Shadows 27th Anniversary. National Cowboy has cancelled their practice that night to attend. Even though this is a Round Dance Club, they are so appreciative of the support of the square dancers who come out to help them celebrate that they always call several tips for us. Please join us at these events! In addition, several clubs will be graduating their students. If you'll let us know when we'll try to be there to welcome them as well.

We're still working hard to promote our hobby. Through the outstanding work of our webmaster, Sonya Savell-Jones, our website looks amazing. We now have people contacting us to come and perform for them. We've been asked to attend a Health and Wellness Fair on April 4th at the State Fairgrounds.

President's Message (continued)

We have been told we'll be at the OKC Arts Festival, but as yet have not received our date. Stay tuned to the website and check your email for info from Mary and Dan or Sonya. **MAKE SURE THEY KNOW HOW TO CONTACT YOU!!**

Don't forget we're having our clothing giveaway on Saturday, April 4th as well down at Bowlware Hall. If you have something to donate let us know or come by between 8-noon to drop it off. Have your new dancers stop by anytime between noon and 4 PM to pick out items they would like to have. There is no charge for anything but donations are accepted. Thank you to Kay Stewart and Terri Denton for heading this up!

We held our Spring Conclave yesterday. Some of the many items of business were reports on the Ad and Ticket Sales programs for the State Festival. I think all clubs received their info for the Ad program with the exception of Happy Tracks. (Steve & Stacey Palmer were unable to attend as they had to fly out for a family emergency. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.) Tickets and info on the Ticket Sales Program will be handed out on Thursday, April 30th from 5-7:30 PM at Bowlware Hall. The car this year is a 1966 Mustang. It's in showroom condition and is really beautiful. It should be an easy sell.

The Blood Drive will be held May 11-18th. You can go into any OK Blood Institute location at any time and donate, just remember to tell them it's for the "Central District Square Dance Association". Don't forget if you or a loved one needs blood it's there for our use. All you have to do is tell them.

The annual Jamboree is set for the 5th Saturday in May at the OKC Swing Club. Mark your calendars now to attend. I'm sure that flyer is attached and on the website as well.

If you need education material or graduation packets, Renee & Luis Gruntmeir are again our Education Chairman & they have ordered additional material with our allotment from the state. They'll be happy to get you whatever you need.

In addition, we selected the Nominating Committee. Clubs accepting are: Dancing Shadows, Single Squares, Fun Timers, Territorial Squares, and Aristocrats Plus, with Circle 8 and Tea Cup Chains as alternates. The nomination forms will be available soon. Start now giving some thought to if you'd like to serve your hobby by taking a position on the board. It's a lot of work, but comes with tremendous reward as well.

There were several By-law amendments proposed. The first was really just a "house-keeping" item to bring our bylaws into line with a change made at the state level regarding when our district dues are due to the state. Amendments 2 & 2A were related to adding "Singles Coordinator" along with defining the responsibility of such a position to the list of appointed positions on the Executive Board. Amendment 3 was proposed by our Parliamentarian to better define the "Rules of Order/Parliamentary Authority" according to Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised. All were accepted. A 4th proposed amendment failed on the floor for lack of a motion & second. It may be brought up again at a later time.

Sonya had the Club Directories ready & distributed them to the club representatives. **THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU**, Sonya for all the work on those!! We completed all our business in 2 hours and 3 minutes! I'm not positive, but I think that's probably a record. Thank you so much to everyone who attended and your cooperation in helping us to run an efficient and productive meeting.

Last, but certainly not least, I wish to again extend our most sincere sympathies to the family of Jeff & Niecy Holley on the loss of their son Jeffery. We are just heart-broken for them. Please keep this family in your prayers. Since there was no life insurance a Memorial Fund has been

established at the F & M Bank in Crescent. Knowing the love our Square Dance community has for them, I'm certain we'll be generous in our donations to help them through this crisis.

Until we see you in a square, remember, **"Life is Just a Dance!"**

Bill & Angel Baker

2015 Oklahoma Square Dance Federation Ticket Sales Program:

The Grand Prize for the 2015 OSDF Ticket Sales program is a beautiful light blue 1966



Mustang in "showroom new" condition. The Mustang comes equipped with a 200 CID 6 cylinder engine, automatic transmission, Pony interior, and white vinyl bucket seats trimmed in light blue. It has blue carpet and a wood grain dash with matching steering wheel. This Mustang has undergone a total restoration with less than 100 miles on the engine since restoration.

The 2015 Tickets Sales program chairmen are Ken and Suzanne Morris. Tickets and information on the Ticket Sales Program will be handed out on Thursday, April 30th at Bowlware Hall from 5-7:30 PM. You can contact Ken and Suzanne Morris for questions about the Ticket Sales Program at: TicketChairman@cdsda.com, sumostudio@cox.net or at 405-340-6364

Club Presidents and ticket chairman should be thinking about last year's sales and how many tickets they want for this year!!

Publicity Director Report:

"Like" our Facebook page – "Central District Square Dance Association"



Two Community Service Exhibitions have been completed. We want to thank the dancers and Andy Turner for calling at one of the events. We appreciate you!

On March 28th we completed a Community Service Exhibition for the Stillwater Library for the Handicapped. The Highway Home Band also performed. We had a great time.

On April 4th we have been invited to perform at the Oklahoma Health and Wellness Expo in the Cox Pavilion at the Fair Grounds by Fox 25 from 2:00 pm to 2:30 pm.

Upcoming Events:

April 4th – Oklahoma Health and Wellness Expo – (We were invited by FOX 25)

2:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Cox Pavilion – State Fair Grounds

Jim Howard – Caller

Tuesday, April 7th and 14th — 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm – Covenant Life Church - American Heritage Girls and Trial Life Boys clubs

6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

3106 N Utah Ave.

Jim Howard – Caller

May 5th – Charles Haskell Elementary – See Mary Wagoner for details.

We have been invited back to perform at the Fair and our application has been submitted.

We received an e-mail from the OKC Arts Festival that we had been accepted to perform, but have not received a date or time yet.

We also contacted:

Channels 4, 5 and 9, FOX 25, and OETA asking that they do a story on square dancing or allow us to complete a public service message.

OU Athletics Department asking to be allowed to perform at half-time of an OU basketball game. We have not received a response.

We are always looking for ways to promote square dance lessons. We obtained information on sending out a Groupon for square dance lessons and are planning to work with some clubs in the Fall to do this. We need 2 months advanced notice to do this.

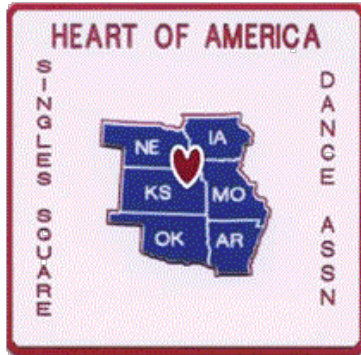
Living Social, a Groupon-type site, contacted us asking to publicize our lessons on their site also. They want to send something out for Mother's day so if your club is giving lessons before September, please let me know and we will get it sent out through this special site.

Both these sites send information out to thousands of people in OKC and surrounding areas. This is a great way for us to let people know about lessons.

Keep watching for e-mails from Sonya regarding upcoming events and volunteer to perform. Let's keep the momentum going we started last year.

Publicity Directors
474-5780 or 474-5210
Publicity@cdsda.com

36th Annual HASSDA Festival:



I would like to invite you to the 36th HASSDA Festival to be held on May 8-9, 2015 in Kansas City, Missouri. HASSDA is a six state singles origination that celebrates annually in one of the 6 states we represent. Although we are a Singles organization we openly welcome all square dancers to come and share a fun-filled weekend with us. We always have a great lineup of national callers and cuers. This year we have Oklahoma's very own National Caller, Jeff Holley, in our lineup. What an honor for Oklahoma!!!!!!

This dance is held on Mother's Day weekend, so children, or husbands, or regular dance partners, how about giving that special woman in your life, a great Mothers Day gift with a get-away weekend of Square Dancing and site seeing in Kansas City, Missouri. The cut-off date for early registration is April 15, 2015 @ \$35.00 per person or after that date @ \$45.00 per person. The registration form is attached to this Grand Square and available on the CDSDA Website.

The dance is held in the beautiful Holiday Inn KCI Airport and Expo Center. Cut off date for reservations at the reduced rate of King or Double Queen is \$99.00 is April 6, 2015. You need to mention that you are with the HASSDA Festival to receive the reduced rate.

I look forward to dancing with you in a Square.
Dee Proctor--Treasurer--HASSDA

2015 Blood Drive:

The annual Central District blood drive will be held the week of May 11-18 at the Oklahoma Blood Institute, 901 N. Lincoln Blvd. Blood can be donated at any time at any of the OBI blood donation centers located in Oklahoma City, Edmond and Norman. OBI requests for you to call ahead to make an appointment but they will accept your donation if you don't made an appointment. When you donate, be sure to tell them that your donation is for the Central District Square Dance Association.



The blood drive is held each year as a community service. Blood from the donations is available to any Central District dancer or their families.

The chairmen of the 2015 blood drive are Verlin and Karla Bell. They can be reached at: BloodDrive@cdsda.com or 405-990-6984. They ask that you please notify them if you have donated so that they can keep a record of the donations.

Message from Sonya Savell-Jones, Webmaster:



April looks to be a very active month!!! Busy Busy Busy!!! Please keep checking back for updates on your website. I'm constantly being asked to post a flyer, or included additional information for "Special Events" already uploaded. . . . This is wonderful which means you are using this valuable tool to stay informed with what's going on in your area!!!

I handed out the Central District Directories this past Saturday at conclave. If you feel you should have received one and did not, please get with your club treasurer to check your dues and Star Membership status before contacting me. I will make sure you receive it along with the Star Dangle that is stapled on the inside back cover.

This was a bittersweet Conclave with Richard & Carol Schwake stepping down soon as your Newsletter Editors. We started the Newsletter together and I am so proud to post their last one. I taught them both to Square Dance when it was formed out of Wellston/Chandler area and think the world of them! Please be sure to give them a "special" thank you for the 7 ½ years of service to the Square Dance community keeping us all informed and Carol for the recipes she shared. I look forward to working with Verlin & Karla Bell, also dear friends as the incoming Newsletter Directors. Please give them assistance when called upon. I know they will do an outstanding job as well!

Loads of Love, Yellow Rocks & Kisses,

Sonya Savell-Jones: webmaster@cdsda.com (405) 630-8199

Message from Richard and Carol Schwake, Newsletter Directors:

Easter will be on April 5th this year, when we celebrate the glorious resurrection of our Lord and Savior. We want to wish all of you a Happy and blessed Easter Sunday.

Carol and I are retiring as your Newsletter Directors. We've held this appointed office for



7+ years and have decided it's time to step aside. Your new Newsletter Director will be Verlin and Karla Bell. They have written newsletters in the past and are eager to write the Grand Square. Please give them the support and assistance you have given Carol and me. We are confident they will do an excellent job!

Carol and I have enjoyed writing the Grand Square and serving on the Executive Board. We've made many friends in this job and will miss communicating with them each month. We encourage everyone in Central District to volunteer to serve on the

Executive Board in some capacity. You will find that serving as an officer is rewarding and that you will make many new friends and acquaintances.

Thanks again to everyone who has helped us over the past 7 years!!

Richard and Carol Schwake, Newsletter Director

Laughter is the Best Medicine!



A teenager had gotten his driver's license and asked his dad to borrow the family car. His dad told him he could drive the car from time to time if he did three things. First he had to make good grades in school, he had to read the Bible every day and he had to get a haircut.

After a few weeks the teenager asked his dad again to drive the car. His dad told him that he had indeed raised his grades in school, he'd been reading the Bible each day but he still hadn't gotten a haircut.

The teenager replied that he'd been thinking about the haircut. In the Bible, Moses had long hair, Sampson had long hair and even Jesus had long hair.

The dad said, "Yes, and all three walked everywhere they went."

Recipe of the Month: Reese's Easter Egg Snack Mix



The April recipe is for a quick and easy snack mix for Easter. This recipe can be made in your microwave oven in 5-10 minutes and will be popular when served at dances.

Ingredients:

- 5 Cups Rice Chex cereal
- 10 oz Chocolate chips
- 1/4 Cup Butter
- 1/2 Cup Peanut butter
- 1 1/2 Cup Powdered sugar
- 1 Bag Reese's easter eggs (or Pastel M&Ms candy)

Directions:

1. Place Rice Chex cereal into a large bowl.
 2. Microwave chocolate chips, butter and peanut butter in a microwave safe bowl for about 1 minute. Stir.
 3. Heat 30 seconds to a minute longer until mixture is fully melted and smooth.
 4. Add mixture to cereal and stir to coat evenly.
 5. Add powdered sugar and stir until evenly coated. Have patience and stir carefully to not break up the Chex cereal too much. Allow to cool.
 6. Add Reese's Easter eggs or M&M candy. I used the whole bag (just under 2 cups) but you could start with 1 cup and add more from there.
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April Club News:

ARISTOCRATS PLUS: Kick start your week off on the 1st and 3rd Monday night of the month. No other square dance club meets on that night so we are cordially inviting dancers to come on out and kick up your heels. Jim Howard will challenge your plus skills and you will have a lot of fun.



April 6th will be our 60's/70's dance so dig out those headbands, bell bottoms or platform shoes and dance to some retro music that our very own "Wolfman Jack" will treat you to.

May 4th we will celebrate Cinco De Mayo. Come and enjoy the festivities.

Aristocrats dances 1st and 3rd Mondays at West Side Lions Hall, 4135 NW 19th Street in Oklahoma City. Workshop at 7:00 pm and Grand March at 7:30 pm.

Submitted by Mary Reznicek
Dan and Mary Reznicek, President

Jim & DeDe Howard, Caller 691-7698

CIRCLE 8: Circle 8 will celebrate our 78th anniversary on April 23rd at 7:30 pm at the Lions Hall on 10th street . Tell us how your doing after Tax day.



Costumes are encouraged - will you ware a tux and top hat or maybe wholly pants and a straw hat? Looking forward to the fun!

Submitted by Vicki Geis

Tom and Vicki Geis, President Circle 8

DANCING SHADOWS ROUND DANCE CLUB: Quick note!! We have changed our times to 6:30pm-8:30 pm. Our club location is still Linwood UMC Family Center, 17th & Drexel, OKC and we dance on Monday nights. We always have fun and would love to have you visit us when you can. Lots of fun, fellowship, refreshments, and of course, good dancing.



Our Anniversary dance will be on April 13 with the old time schedule 7 - 9 pm with Sonya Savell-Jones calling a couple of square dance tips for those folks who don't round dance.

See you there

President: Ed & Margaret Kelsay
Delegate: Carol Palmer

Cuers/Instructors: Jim & Georgianne Couey
Delegate: Fred Muehlhausler

DOUBLE NICKLE SQUARES:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Double-Nickle-Square-Dance-Club/177963418925448>

Double Nickle dancers dance every Thursday afternoon from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the Will Rogers Senior Citizens Center, 3501 Pat Murphy Drive, In the Will Rogers Park Complex her in Oklahoma City.



April the 1st

*The first of April, some do say, April The 1st
Is set apart for All Fools' Day.
But why the people call it so,
Nor I, nor they themselves do know.
But on this day are people sent
On purpose for pure merriment.*

-- Poor Robin's Almanac (1790)

*The fool doth think he is wise, but the wise man knows
himself to be a fool.*

Shakespeare - As You Like It (Act V, Scene I)

Come join us every Thursday – April 2, Peanut & Jelly Day, Holy Thursday; April 9, Name Yourself Day; April 16, Eggs Benedict Day; April 23, look out it is “Lovers Day”; April 30, Honesty Day (Goldberg created this day, because he felt that the month of April, which begins with a big day of lying (April Fools Day), should end on a higher moral note.) Be honest—you really want to Square Dance!

Of course there are those all-important days: Holy Thursday, Good Friday Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday; April 2-5TH.



“The nice thing about being senile is, you can hide your own Easter eggs.”

One last note: On Thursday May 7, 2015 Double Nickle, in cooperation with Central District will be dancing at the Daily Living Center, 3000 N. Rockwell Ave. This is a “community service event” that Central District, Double Nickle Square Dance Club and Will Rogers Senior Citizens Center and the dancers all get credit for. We need your help dancers. We would like to have at least two squares dancing. Andy Turner will be calling for this event.

LESSONS + YOU + LINE DANCING + GOOD FRIENDS + FUN = DOUBLE NICKLE SQUARE DANCE

Robert Fink, President, Lura Fink, Secretary

Andy Turner and John and Teresa Thompson, Callers

LET'S DANCE

FUN TIMERS: What a merry month of March the club has had. Our monthly business meeting was at an Italian restaurant but everyone is a little bit Irish on the 17th and we celebrated it with a 'green' lesson night. We wished winter good by with an Ugly Sweater dance hosted by the Wooldridges and Hodges, and then enjoyed a very special Easter dance hosted by AJ and Barbara. The Easter bonnet parade had some pretty unique hats and bonnets. Gwen has just outdone herself with special cakes for the occasions. State Presidents Vernon and Joyce, plus other members attending Roundup, came back exhausted maybe but with fond memories.

April is lined up with special events as well as we really start to enjoy the budding of spring.



April 14th will be our annual **SOUP NIGHT**. Members have signed up for crock pots of different soups and sides, as we give a sigh of relief that taxes are done. Yummy. All dancers are asked to bring cans of food that will be donated to a local food pantry for our

quarterly civic project. Three 'bees' from our newest dancers will be buzzing round as hosts, Bill, Beverly, and Barbara.

April 28th will be Fun Timers special annual covered dish DINNER reunion dance beginning at 6:30. This has been a tradition for many years. Visitors are welcome to bring their favorite pot luck dish but it is not required. Just come, eat, dance, and enjoy. Long time Fun Timers members, Jim and Ruth, will host with the theme of Bunny Hop. We bring out our scrapbooks that have been kept since the club was formed and enjoy the familiar faces, apparel, and 'hair dos' of yesteryear. If you are not in our photo books already, we will try to add you this year.

Fun Timers dance 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 7 PM at the MWC Senior Citizen Center. (Lessons are every Tuesday at 7 PM.

Ron and Sandy Johnson, President

Bob and Melissa Thomas, Caller & Taw

HAPPY TRACKS SQUARE DANCE CLUB: Springtime is around the corner – YEAH!!!! Time to get out the Rake and Lawn Mowers soon!!!! If you have nothing to do on the 2nd or 4th Thursday evening, come on out to Happy Tracks for some great fellowship and dancing! We dance at the Nicoma Park Community Center from 7:00 to 9:00pm. Love Love Love visitors and admission is a smile and a yellow rock! CUNA Square!

Sonya Savell-Jones, Caller/Cuer (Terry Too!)

Steve & Stacey Palmer, President

HEARTLAND DANCERS: Our times have changed to 6:30pm-8:30pm but we still dance at the same location, Linwood UMC Family Center on 1st thru 4th Thursday nights. Come dance with us and we guarantee you'll have a good time! Round dancing is a great way to exercise and have fun at the same time. See you there.

Cuers/Instructors: Jim & Georgianne Couey

President: Jim Couey

Delegate: Georgianne Couey Delegate: Linda Montgomery

KALICO KAPERS: We would love for you to dance with us! We dance the first and third Thursdays at the Westside Lions Club, 4135 NW 10th Street, OKC. Our caller is Jerry and Gayle Stover. We are a DBD/Plus club but offer a variety of dance levels.

From 7-7:30, C-1 / 7:30-9:30, DBD/Plus with rounds between tips /
and at 9:30 A-2 Star Tip.

ANNIVERSARY DANCE 21 MAY 2015 – PUT IT ON YOUR CALENDAR TO COME!!!

For more information contact Secretary Joe Roberson, (405) 702-4441.
President: Ralph Jenner/Laverne Winn, 366-8403, Lavernewinn@aol.com

METRO SINGLES: We dance the 2nd & 4th Friday, Rounds 7:00 ~ W/S 7:30 ~ GM 8:00 PM. Plus we have an 'A' tip after the main dance is over.

THEME DANCES:

APRIL 10TH Rich Man – Poor Man Dance

MAY 8TH Cinco de Mayo Dance

JUNE 12TH Flag Day Dance

JULY 24TH HAPPY 32ND ANNIVERSARY

At the April 10th dance we will be having **HOBO STEW** that is for all of us poor folks that had to pay Uncle Sam more money. If you haven't ever had **Hobo Stew** you are in for a real treat, we put everything in it, but the kitchen sink. Everyone is welcome to come and join us, **feel free to wear your rags if you had to pay or dress up if you got money back.**

We love visitors married or single don't matter, please come dance with us. If we are having a **THEME DANCE** please feel free to wear a costume and come join in on the fun. Metro is making all of our dances more exciting, come and do the flag salute and a prayer with us before the dance. **Give thanks for everything that GOD does for us and help him when you can, don't let him do all the work.**

Caller: Danny & Sharon Payne
West Side Lions Hall, 4135 N. W. 10th Street
Robert Orman, President, 387-3126

Cuer: Sonya Savell-Jones & Terry
Vicki Eslick, First Vice, 454-0152

NATIONAL COWBOY HALL OF FAME: Under the direction of Jim Howard we continue to learn our new routine. As we fine tune our movements and timing, it is amazing to see everything fitting together and we are excited that we will be performing before you this year.

IF you would like to be part of this fun and energetic group come out and take a peek. We practice at 7:30pm on the 2nd and 4th Monday at the Good Shephard Lutheran Church, 700 N. Air Depot Blvd, Midwest City.

Submitted by Dan Reznicek
Carl & Bobbie Wilson, President

Jim and DeDe Howard, Caller

NORMAN SILVER SPUR, INC: Our Plus and Mainstream lessons continue with our students having fun and learning our great hobby. Plus lessons are 3-4 and Mainstream 4-6 PM. We could always use more angels.

We dance First and Third Saturdays at the Irving Recreation Center in Norman. Our dance starts at 7 PM. We would love guests also. We always have lots of fun and would love to share that with you!

Bill and Joyce Stout, President

Bob and Melissa Thomas, Caller

SHAWNEE SQUARE EIGHTS: The Shawnee Square Eights had a great March! We graduated 16 new students who all joined our club. We danced seven squares at our graduation/St. Patrick's Dance and had a great time. Some of our new dancers are now having withdrawal symptoms without Tuesday and Thursday lessons. We send out a **BIG** thank you to Jim Howard and Jonathan Marshall for instructing our lessons. At the last lesson we passed the hat for the First Christian Church since they donated the use of their facility for lessons. We were able to make a donation to



the church of over \$300.00. Our new dancers are now ready to go out and dance with other clubs as well as with their home club.

Preparations are continuing for our **50th Anniversary Celebration on April 25th**. Put on your poodle skirt and your saddle oxfords and join us for the stroll. We will have great door prizes and lots of food as well as an “all singing call” dance (with rounds and line dances) to celebrate. Look on the CSDA website or elsewhere in the Grand Square for our Anniversary Dance flyer.

As always, we welcome any visitors at the Senior Center, 401 N Bell, Shawnee on the 2nd and 4th Saturday nights.

President: Steve and Terri Denton

Caller: Jim & Twyla Woolsey

Cuer: Jim & Georgianne Couey

SINGLE SQUARES DANCE CLUB, INC: We dance on the First and Third Friday nights at West Side Lions Hall, 4135 N. W. 10th Street, Oklahoma City, OK. April 3rd is our Easter Dance so come in your pastel colors.

Our second dance April 17th will be a Rich Man / Poor Man Dance. Did you have to pay Uncle Sam or Does Uncle Sam Owe you; come dressed appropriately.

We are stepping up our level of dancing on the floor so be prepared for heavy mainstream and plus calls. We dance 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7 tips mainstream and 3 & 6 are. Guests are always welcome and we always have a good time. We have a 1/2-pot drawing at half time. We have great air and the hall and parking lot are very well lighted. Our Caller is Jeff Holley and our Cuer is Jim and Georgianne Couey. Pre-rounds are at 7:00 p.m.; Square Dance Workshop is at 7:30 and Grand March is at 8:00 p.m. For any questions contact Lynn Moore at 354-3332.

Caller: Jeff & Niecy Holley Cuer: Jim & Georgianne Couey

SPIRIT OF '76: Spirit of '76 dances on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at the Oklahoma City Swing Club, 4361 NW 50th Street (NW 50th and Meridian ~ due north of the Oklahoma Station Barbeque Restaurant). The Round Dance WS is at 6:30 PM, the Square Dance WS is at 7:00 PM, and Grand March is at 7:30 PM. We have rounds after the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 5th tips. Come join us for great dancing and fellowship.

Our first dance in March was **Saint Patrick's Day** and it was a great dance. We had our cook's night out, and the cooks must have learned from the isles of the old country as good as the Corned Beef 'n Cabbage turned out. They must have been great cooks as there wasn't a morsel left, just a crummy old bowl of stew some hobo left behind.

And on our second dance we had an unannounced dance that we advertised with the help of our CD Webmaster (Sonya Savell-Jones), **March Madness**, March 22nd. Part of the treats that evening were the Hotdogs and Buns with /Schwab's downhome Chili. With all the trimmings and all the great dancing, it was really a good dance. You should have been there!

But as many of you have heard, our dearest friends and family, Jeff & Niecy have lost their youngest son, Jeffrey Allen Holley. His memorial was March 20th in Crescent where he lived with his family, friends and high school classmates. A memorial fund has been set up with F & M Bank in Crescent by Linda & Gary Houk to help the family

during this tragic circumstance and assist with the expenses. In response to our square dancers assistance, Jeff wrote:

To our Spirit of 76 family,

We are so lucky to have so many loving friends. We have always known we were loved, but in a time of tragedy you really find out how much love you have.

Thank you all for the beautiful flowers and plants. Thanks for all your prayers – love – food – and for being by our side.

Thank you for all the donations to Jeffrey’s memorial fund. That will help us so much.

We Love you all
Jeff & Niecy & Family



In April, mark your calendar as we have some more ‘Cooks Night Out’. Come join us to have fun and good eats on both dances:



April 12th: Easter Bonnet Dance

This is a special time of the year for all of us, so wear your best bonnet, ladies. There will also be an Easter Egg prize hunt for those who attend! And also, this dance is our next Cooks’ Night Out. We will be featuring a nice Easter Ham, so we will need to bring all the trimmings.

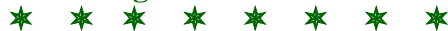
Come join us for our Easter celebration.

Happy Easter!



April 26th: Rich Man/ Poor Man:

This was decided at the board meeting as we promised. The decision is in and it will also be an **OKC Thunder** night because we enjoyed the Hot Dogs and Chili and want them again. But don’t give up... you can still wear that RM/PM outfits get a ‘free’ overnight stay under the old I-40 bridges downtown! Waaaa-Hooooo!



Research tells that fourteen out of ten individuals likes chocolate.

~ Sandra Boynton ~



We have LOTS of fun, Good Dancing, and enjoy our friends and our hobby. We appreciate all of you who want to share our evening with us, and promise to do our best to make it so enjoyable that you will want to come back often. We hope to see you at our next dance!

Catch the Spirit’

President: Bob & Beverly Ebey, Baabeebee@aol.com
Caller: Jeff & Niecy Holley Cuer/Instructor: Jim & Georgianne Couey
Submitted by the Spirit of '76 Reporter for the members of Spirit

SWINGING REBELS: Happy Anniversary!

We are celebrating our 55th anniversary on the 24th. We are having a cake walk which will be fun. There will be a lot of great door prizes and our grand prize is a 38 inch big screen TV. Tickets for the television will be sold separately. We always have a good time and good food. It will be a great dance please come celebrate with us. See flyer for details.



Our clothes closet was lots of fun. Thank you to everyone who came out and made it a success.

April 10 -- "Regular Dance", work shop 7pm-8pm Grand March 8:00 pm

April 24 -- "Lucky 55" Grand March 8:00. Come celebrate our 55th anniversary.

We look forward to seeing you in a square soon! We dance the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month at the Warr Acres Community Center, 4301 n Ann Arbor, Warr Acres, OK. Check out our website at: www.SwingingRebelsOKC.org. It has lots of great information including our calendar of events, contacts, old newsletters, FAQ's, pictures of dances, etc. Also join our Facebook page: Swinging Rebels and Friends!

Submitted by Dorothy Alleman **Caller: Cecil and Barbara Burton**
President: Wes and Connie Berry 720-1124

TEACUP CHAINS SQUARE DANCE CLUB: Our lessons are almost over; the last lesson will be on Monday, April 6th. The students have done great and we attribute that to our great caller and teacher Jeff Holley and all the Angels that have been coming faithfully to help the students learn. We appreciate all the Angels help so much. We couldn't have done it without you!



We will NOT be having a dance on our regular dance night, Saturday, April 4th. It is Easter weekend and we do not have the use of the church.

Since we aren't able to have a dance on our regular dance night, (April 4th), we will have a dance the following Saturday, April 11th. It will be our Graduation Dance. Please come and help our students celebrate. Shhh! We have a few surprises in store.

SPECIAL DANCE: On Saturday, April 18th we will be having a combined dance with Territorial Squares to celebrate the anniversary of the Land Run. The Special 89ers Day Square Dance will be at the American Legion Building, 123 N. 1st Street, Guthrie. Pre-Rounds at 7:00 P.M., Grand March is at 7:30 P.M. Advance tickets are \$5.00 per dancer and \$7.00 per dancer

at the door. It should be a really fun time and we hope you will all come to Guthrie for this very special dance.

Put on your sombrero and festive colors and join us on May 2nd for our Cinco de Mayo Dance. It will be a lot of fun amigos!

We normally dance on the first and third Saturday of each month at Peace Lutheran Church at 2600 East Danforth Road, (west of Coltrane), in Edmond. Workshop begins at 7:00 P.M. and Grand March is at 7:30 P.M. We'd love to have you join us.

See you in a square soon! Submitted by: Rich and Gail Hammervold
President: Gary and Barbara Sparks **Callers: Jeff and Niecy Holley**

TERRITORIAL SQUARES: April is the month in which Oklahoma celebrates the Land Run of 1889. With this in mind, Teacup Chains and Territorial Squares Square Dance Clubs



are sponsoring a Special 89ers Day Square Dance on April 18th. Our scheduled dance of April 11th will be cancelled. The 89ers Day Square Dance will be held at the American Legion Hall at 123 North 1st Street, Guthrie, OK (see flyer

attached).

On April 25th, Territorial will be back in their cabin with a regular dance. This is a special invitation for every square dancer to come help us celebrate this special occasion. Territorial Squares will have a float in the 89ers Day Parade. The parade will start at 12:00 noon and last approximately 2 hours. If you have not visited Guthrie at this time of year, you have missed a treat. Please come and enjoy

Submitted by Andy Turner
Phyllis Johnston, President

Jeff & Niecy Holley, Caller

(10) Attachments:

1. 04-03-15: Single Squares Easter Dance Special
2. 04-11-15: Teacup Chains Graduation Dance
3. 04-13-15: Dancing Shadows 27th Anniversary Dance
4. 04-17-15: Single Squares Rich Man/Poor Man Dance
5. 04-18-15: 89ers Day Square Dance Flyer
6. 04-24-15: Swinging Rebels 55th Anniversary Flyer
7. 04-28-15: Fun Timers Dinner/Dance Flyer
8. 05-08 & 05-09: HASSDA Registration form (2 pages)
9. 05-29-15: Singles Squares Fund Raiser 05-29-15