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**Message from Ronnie and Shirley Jackson, 2008 CSDA Presidents:**

Shirley and I love attending the Anniversary Dances for the district clubs. This is our favorite thing to do as your presidents. We want to encourage all clubs in Central District to visit their sister clubs on anniversaries and special dances. These visits build camaraderie among the clubs and the dancers in our district. Central District used to have a lot of interaction between clubs and we need to work to bring this back. We believe that a district that dances and socializes together is a stronger district.

The Jamboree Dance, also called the Visit 9 Dance, is scheduled on June 14 at the India Shrine Center in Oklahoma City. This is one of the highlight dances of the year and will be attended by dancers from all the district clubs. We hope everyone will mark this date on their dance calendar and will make a special effort to attend. We promise a shorter halftime ceremony and more dancing tips at this year's Jamboree Dance.

Newsletter costs are rising and the combined cost of printing and postage has become a problem. It costs over \$1 each to print and mail the newsletter even though we are using a bulk mailing permit. Please notify Sonya Savell-Jones - [Sonya@RockinM.com](mailto:Sonya@RockinM.com) - if you agree to read the newsletter online or want it sent to you by email.

The Fall 2007 Conclave allocated \$1000 for Education and Publicity. We can use these funds to advertise in local newspapers for square dance and round dance lessons held by district clubs. Some clubs have expressed an interest in advertising while others have told me they are not interested. Please respond in writing, preferably by email, to Shirley - [shirley5143@sbcglobal.net](mailto:shirley5143@sbcglobal.net) - if your club wishes to utilize the Central District funds to run ads in local newspapers.

The Star Program Dues committee will meet at Bowlware Hall in June. The committee is chaired by Lawrence Wise, President, Spirit of 76. I will attend as a committee member.

Shirley and I have an open door policy and encourage people to make suggestions for improvements. Several club officers and members have expressed concern about bylaw changes. The Central District bylaws were written many years ago and revisions are needed. Many questions have arisen since the number of clubs in the district is shrinking and membership is on the decline. These questions are about the future of Bowlware Hall, about the Certificates of Deposit, the nomination and election of district officers, etc. If you have suggestions, ideas for change, recommendations, etc., please forward these ideas in writing to Shirley at: [shirley5143@sbcglobal.net](mailto:shirley5143@sbcglobal.net).

And last but not least, Shirley has tickets she saved from the Oklahoma Centennial Spectacular last fall. She has a limited number of both Rehearsal tickets and Spectacular tickets. Anyone who participated in the Centennial Spectacular who would like some tickets as keepsakes should call or email Shirley.  
Most Sincerely, Ronnie and Shirley Jackson

## STAR DUES COMMITTEE:

At the Spring Conclave, Ronnie Jackson, President, CSDSA, appointed a special committee to study the Star program and make recommendations for possible changes. The committee is made up of the following people: Lawrence Wise, Spirit of 76, Chairman; Angel Baker, Territorial Squares; Jim Couey, Round Dance Cuer; Vickie Geis, Circle 8; Ronnie Jackson, CSDSA President; Carol Palmer, Shawnee Square 8s; and Sonya Savell-Jones, Round Dance Coordinator.

Lawrence Wise has submitted the following report: As chairman of the Star Dues Committee, I have attended many club and special dances. On these occasions, I spoke to the members and guests in attendance about my views of the Star Program. Each time I spoke, I encouraged those present to present to me or other members of the committee with their suggestions on how the program can be changed to better serve the membership of Central District dancers. To date, I have had a grand total of not one, but two responses. The responses I have received were pointed, and possibly can be implemented in the future. The thing that really surprises me is that when I was just a fly on the wall, I heard a lot of criticism of Central District and what was wrong with the district. Here is your chance to voice your opinions in a hopefully meaningful way. **DON'T JUST SIT ON YOUR HANDS.** Talk to the committee members. Remember, if there is no input, there will be no changes. If there are no changes then you, unfortunately, have missed this boat. You can email me at: [lawwise@cox.net](mailto:lawwise@cox.net).

Lawrence Wise, Chairman of the Star Dues Committee

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## State Federation Fall Festival Tickets:

Bill and Elaine Stout, the Central District Ticket Chairmen, report that tickets for the State Federation Fall Festival were handed out on April 10 at Bowlware Hall. There have been 15,300 tickets handed out so far with a few clubs still to pick up their tickets. Be sure to call Bill at 405-872-8489 if you need tickets.

The door prizes this year are some of the best ever!

The Grand Prize is a beautiful 1980 T-top Corvette. The Corvette has a red exterior and red interior, 350 cubic inch V-8 engine with 4 barrel carburetor, 3 speed automatic transmission, duel exhaust, original chrome wheels and center caps, 110,000 miles on the odometer, power steering, power brakes, power windows, power door locks, rear window defroster, and AM/FM Cassette Stereo System. WOW!



***The first prize*** is a 3 Ton (13 Ser Goodman) "Outside Air Conditioning Condenser" (\$2,000 value) donated by Ron Jackson Heating & Air Conditioning Moore, OK & Bradford Supply in OKC, Shawnee, Lawton & Enid.

**2nd Prize:** Brother 99-stitch Computerized Sewing & Embroidery Machine (\$600 value)

**3rd Prize:** 72" Multi Pink Pearl necklace (\$300 value)

**4th Prize:** Hand Crafted jewelry Box made of Exotic Woods (\$300 value)

**5th Prize:** Gas Coupons (\$200 value)

**6th Prize:** 4 Day, 2 people RV Full Hookup at River Ranch, Red River, NM (\$125 value)

**7th Prize:** One night stay at Bed & Breakfast at Standifer House, Elk City, OK (\$125 value)

**8th Prize:** 3 Day, RV Full Hookup, Wanderlust RV Park, Eureka Springs, AR (\$100 value)

The State Federation Fall Festival ticket sale is a major fund raiser for the State Federation and for Central District clubs. The money from the sale of tickets is distributed as follows: Clubs-50% after taxes, District-10% after taxes and Oklahoma Square Dance Federation-40% after taxes. All Central District members are encouraged to sell as many tickets as possible.

There will be 100 ticket seller drawing prizes. The prizes range from square dance outfits to \$50 gift certificates.

**In addition, there are Ticket Seller Prizes as follows:**

105 - 250 tickets sold: Square Dance license tag

251 - 500 tickets sold: Square Dance Tote Bag or Badge Holder

501 - 750 tickets sold: Petticoat bag with OSDF Logo

751 - 1000 tickets sold: Corvette Belt Buckle

1001 - 1500 tickets sold: 2 Route 66 mugs

2000 and over: Jacket with OK Square Dancer logo, and their names and District on the front

There will be Top Ticket Seller prizes to the Top 3 ticket sellers.

**1st Place Seller:** Dinner for two at the Pre-Party, 10/31/08, one night stay for two at the host hotel and a special gift.

**2nd Place Seller:** Dinner for two at the Pre-Party, 10/31/08, one night stay for two at the host hotel

**3rd Place Seller:** Dinner for two at the Pre-Party, 10/31/08

The Corvette will be in Shawnee at the Wal Mart store on May 24. All Central District members are encouraged to be there with tickets in hand ready to sell. Each district is allowed to display the car twice, and possibly more if time is available. Bill is searching for another suitable site to display the car in Central District. He says that car shows are a great place to display the car and sell tickets. If anyone knows of an upcoming car show in the Oklahoma City area, please contact Bill Stout at 405-872-8489.

Bill and Elaine Stout plan to be at the 20th Annual "Burger Day" Festival in El Reno on May 3 to sell tickets. The Corvette has already been reserved by another district for that day so members will have to use photos of the car to sell tickets. There will be a car show in conjunction with the Burger Day and this is a good opportunity to sell tickets. Bill asks you to download a photo of the Corvette and make posters to help with ticket sales. The photo can be found at: <http://www.squaredancing.com/osdf/>

A Victory Dance will be awarded to the District with the greatest number of tickets sold.. The dance will be held on 10/26/08 at the location of our choice. Central District needs to work hard win this contest. Let's all

support Square Dancing in general, your club and your district!

Information provided by Bill and Elaine Stout, Central District Ticket Chairman and also by the SASHAY, April, 2008.

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### **Publicity Chairman Report:**

We had an exposition set up at the Mayfair Living Center in OKC. Sonya Savell-Jones again did a terrific job. We had some of the residents and nurses up dancing and they seem to have a great time. We appreciate the square-plus of dancers who helped us out. The next exhibitions will be on May 3rd El Reno Burger Day and May 13th Clare Bridge Nursing Center. Look at the calendar for these locations and please contact us about participating. We are trying to keep these to a minimum. We know at this time of year lots of the clubs have activities in which they participate. Do not forget to schedule your "Day at the Fair" soon. The calendar is filling up. The weekends are about taken. Again, this is a great way to expose your club to a large number of people. Of course the Fair is the "Oklahoma State Fair" held here in OKC in September.

Vernon & Lois Willis, Delegate and Publicity Chairmen

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### **Warning about Magnetic Square Dance Badges:**

Many clubs have square dance badges with magnetic clips to hold them on your shirt or dress. These magnetic clips are neat and keep you from sticking yourself with a pin when attaching your badge. However, I discovered the magnets have an undesirable side effect. After a dance one night in Shawnee, Carol and I stopped for gas on the way home. We pulled into the Wal-Mart in Shawnee and gassed up using our Wal-Mart cash card. I swiped the card and placed it in my shirt pocket while I pumped the gas. Unfortunately, my square dance badge with the magnets was in the same pocket. Guess what? I erased the magnetic strip on our cash card. I didn't discover this until the next time I gassed up and found the card no longer worked. There was approximately \$75 remaining on the card so I went into the Wal-Mart store to Customer Service. They were able to query the Wal-Mart data base based on the serial number on our card. They determined how much money was left on our card and issued a new card. The lesson learned was not to place our credit cards in close proximity to my magnetic badge.

Richard and Carol Schwake, Newsletter Directors

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### **Caller / Cuer of the Month: Lawrence and Sharron Biggs:**



Central District is most fortunate to have excellent callers and cuers. This month our featured callers are Lawrence and Sharron Biggs from Guthrie. Everyone who has visited the Territorial Squares will agree on what a great guy Lawrence is and how much fun he has while calling a square dance. He not only calls a great dance but in between tips he cracks jokes and keeps everyone laughing.

Lawrence and Sharron started square dancing in 1984. Enjoying their new hobby so

much, Lawrence began calling. He became an associate caller for Pleasant Hill Swingers in 1987. In 1989, they were instrumental in the formation of Territorial Squares, and has served as their caller for the past 19 years. He called for the Oak Dale schools 7th grade physical education class for a year. This group of students were invited to participate in one of the University of Oklahoma's Homecoming parade. Lawrence enjoys calling at schools and nursing homes. He has called at numerous Central District Jamborees and Oklahoma Square Dance Federation festivals. He continues to teach Mainstream and Plus classes and all of his records are his "favorite".

Lawrence and Sharron have been married for 54 wonderful years and have 3 children, a daughter, Evelyn Towle, and two sons, Ronnie and Eddie Biggs. They have 6 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. They currently reside in Guthrie, OK where they attend Community Church.

Lawrence retired from Homeland in 1992, to pursue another career in carpentry. Starting his own handyman business, he has won the Best Handyman Award for Guthrie the past two years.

When he is not working or calling, you can find him fishing or hunting (his favorite sports).

Lawrence's club, Territorial Squares, is a very friendly club. When you visit, you visit, you can be sure that Lawrence and Sharron will greet you with a big smile and a yellow rock.

Andy Turner, President, Territorial Squares

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### **Message from Richard and Carol Schwake, Newsletter Directors and Computer Coordinators:**

Carol and I are on a cruise ship as you read this month's Grand Square. We appreciate the people in the clubs who sent us news early for the May newsletter. We also appreciate the outstanding assistance provided by Sonya Savell-Jones who serves as the webmaster and as our assistant. Sonya completed, published and mailed out the newsletter while we were on vacation.

When we took this office, we were given the Newsletter Guidelines for the Grand Square. One of the guidelines state: The News Editor has the right to edit any article submitted for publication. We work very hard as Newsletter Directors and spend many hours writing the newsletters. If we make a mistake or an omission, please notify us immediately and we will correct it. The beauty of the website is that we can make corrections and additions to the newsletter as needed.

If anyone has news or a special article you would like published in a future newsletter, please contact us by email at: [schwake@att.net](mailto:schwake@att.net) or by calling us at: 356-2856.

Have fun dancing!! Sincerely, Richard and Carol Schwake

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## May 2008 Club News:

**ARISTOCRATS PLUS:** We will be Dark in the month of June due to the Jamboree and Nationals. We will Dance on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July and that will be our Anniversary Dance. Then on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August will be a cookout (hamburgers and hot dogs)!!! The dance will be casual. We will go back to our regular dance schedule in September.

Please keep our President, Cathy Adams in your prayers for a speedy recovery from Gall Bladder Surgery on April 30<sup>th</sup>. She is at Mercy Memorial Hospital in Ardmore, Room 313. The address to the hospital if you want to send a card or flowers is: 1011 14<sup>th</sup> Ave. NW, Ardmore, OK 73401 Phone: 580-223-5400.

Reported by: Steve Ackerman, Vice President [zooemt@cox.net](mailto:zooemt@cox.net)

**CIRCLE 8:** Circle 8 is continuing support for lessons at Chapel Hill Methodist Church. We have one couple and four singles participating in our lessons.

Jim and Linda Fuller, Circle 8's State ticket chairman, have kicked off a super campaign. We are looking for great sales to happen.

We also are looking forward to a successful Ad year in Ad Sales.

Just a reminder, we dance the second and fourth Thursday of each month. Caller Henry and Barbara Israel and Circle 8 invite you to come and fun with us. See you across a square!!!

For Circle 8 business please contact Dick & Dorothy Manley, Vice President or anyone on the Circle 8 board.

**DANCING SHADOWS ROUND DANCE:** We had our 21st Anniversary dance on April 14th and had a great one. There were about 50 couples there and we had 5 squares of square dancers on the square dance tips. Everyone seemed to have a good time and we appreciate all those that took the time to come and help us celebrate. Singles Round Dance Club canceled their dance to visit us and we canceled our dance on the 21st to visit them for their 21st Anniversary dance. We feel that more folks need to visit other clubs. Doing this shows that square and round dancing really is "Friendship set to music." We also were very happy to have some of our former members and especially proud to have members of the CD Board attend. Sonya Jones, CD Round Dance Coordinator and President of the CD Callers and Cuers Association called a couple of tips for us and she and J.C. Johnson also helped Jim by cueing. All in all, it was a superb evening. We dance each Monday night from 7-9 pm. We are planning to have some great dances in May so come see us.

On May 5, we will be changing our location to the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Family Life Center, at 700 N. Air Depot in Midwest City. Please put this change on your calendars and come visit us. So until next month, CUNA circle or square.

Carol & Ernie Palmer, President     Jim & Georgianne Couey, Cuer

**DOUBLE NICKLE SQUARES:** DOUBLE NICKLE Square Dance Club has a lot of fun! Bring a "Joke-to-tell" so we can give it a number.. Bring a friend if you can. Come single, dressed any style or none

(not the last one).. But please remember to come on up North on N. Portland and turn at 31st to the Right where the street to the Tennis Court says "Under Construction" (it is NOT closed, it is open to Will Rogers Senior Center) every Thursday at One O'clock. The only DAYTIME square dance in town. Also Free Lessons.

Presidents are Allen and Dorothy Watson, 405-348-5309 or email: [alndotw@juno.com](mailto:alndotw@juno.com)

**FUN TIMERS:** Fun Timers dance at the beautiful Midwest City Senior Citizen's Center which is located just north of the Midwest City Fire Station. The great Henry Israel is our caller and his taw, Barbara, leads line dances.

Fun Timers Square Dance Club will dance at our regular scheduled time on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays in May and June. Be sure to mark your calendars for July 8, 2008 when we will celebrate our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!

Presidents are Ron and Sandy Johnson.

**HAPPY TRACKS SQUARE DANCE CLUB:** On April 19th Happy Tracks participated in the Choctaw Land Run Festival and Parade. This year we WON 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE!!!! Our theme was "A salute to the Armed Forces". We enjoyed the challenge and fun of getting our float together. The parade is an annual event for us and always well supported by our club and the community.



Happy Tracks selected their caller on April 24<sup>th</sup>. ***We are happy to announce Terry & Sonya Savell-Jones is our Caller/Cuer/Line Dance Instructor.***

We truly appreciate all of the callers who tried out and feel lucky that so many wanted to call for our club. How many districts have so many great callers? We are so blessed. Thank you for your patience, and support as we went through this process.

We are going to try something different for our May 8th dance entertainment. **Instead of a theme dance we are going to play a Jeopardy/History of Square Dancing Game. It will be educational and fun!!!!** Throughout the dance we will be asking various questions and whoever gets to the microphone first and answers appropriately will be rewarded. So, if you think you know your Square Dance History, you should definitely come and help welcome Sonya & Terry as our Caller!!! **See Flyer** on "Special Events" page of the Central District Square Dance Associations website. <http://www.cdsda.com>

Please know you are always invited to come dance with us the 2nd and 4th Thursdays at the Nicoma Park Community Center. It's a beautiful hall with Hard Wood Floors!!! Our workshop (FunShop) starts at 7:00 pm and Grand March at 8:00 pm. We always have a great time and you are invited.

Don & Helen Tremain, Presidents      Vernon & Lois Willis, Reporters

**HEARTLAND DANCERS ROUND DANCE CLUB:** We are continuing to have some great dances. We'd love to have you come visit. Jim & Georgianne work hard to make sure that the dances we do are varied enough to have something for everyone. We dance easy dances and some not so easy but we have a lot of fun learning and doing. Our dance location has changed from the basement at Linwood Methodist Church, 17th &

Drexel, in OKC to the other end which is the Family Center on the west end of the building. We dance each Thursday except the 5th. Come dance, eat, fellowship, and have fun with us. Jim usually has a workshop from 7-7:30 to teach us a new dance or part of one or work on figures, so come and participate. We'd love to have you visit and join in our fun. See you soon.

Jim & Georgianne Couey

**KALICO KAPERS:** The Kalico Kapers dance on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays of each month at the Westside Lions Club, 4135 NW 10th Street. 7 PM C-1 Workshop and 7:30 Plus Dance.

Dance dates May 1 & 15. DBD Plus lesson continue starting at 7:00 pm on regular dance nights - for dancers that have already accomplished the plus level. The dance will be called at the level covered in lessons.

Be sure to come to our **59th ANNIVERSARY DANCE** on **Thursday, May 1st.**

Kalico caller is Jerry and Gayle Stover. Presidents are Ralph Jenner and Laverne Wynn

**METRO SINGLES:** We dance the 2nd & 4th Friday, Rounds 7:00 ~ W/S 7:30 ~ GM 8:00 PM.

Our theme dances are as follows; May 9th Cinco de Mayo, June 13th Hawaiian Dance, July 11th Stars & Stripes Forever Dance. Our 25th Anniversary will be July 25th. We hope you will put these dates on your calendar and come join us for fun dancing & fellowship.

We dance an 'A' tip after the main dance is over. Just a note, we will be dancing casual this summer from June 13th through September 12th except for our Anniversary Dance & it will be square dance attire. For more information call 692-2586.

Caller: Danny & Sharon Payne Cuer: J. C. & Elberta Johnson - West Side Lions Hall, 4135 N. W. 10th Street

**NATIONAL COWBOY HALL OF FAME:** National Cowboy is continuing to practice our new routine for the 57th Nationals in Wichita, KS. We'll perform the routine at the Trail Thru dance hosted by Silver Spur on June 23<sup>rd</sup>, and then at Nationals. We will also be dancing at Central District functions.

Feel free to come visit us! We dance on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 pm at Linwood United Methodist Church, 3034 NW 17th.

President is Art Myers.

**NORMAN BUCKAROOS:** We cordially invite all of you to come to Norman to dance with us. We're a small, friendly club and we love visitors!! Hey, we'd like another club to come visit and bring a square! We dance at 7:30 pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays of each month at Whittier Recreation Center, 2000 W. Brooks St. Norman, OK.

President is Mavis Grayson

**NORMAN SILVER SPUR, INC:** We just graduated a great class of new students. Welcome to our brand new "dancers", we look forward to having you dance with us. Mark your calendars now for the up coming "Trail Thru Dance" Monday, June 23, 2008. Pre-dance 7:30, Grand March 8:00p.m. St.

Joseph Catholic Church, Norman. We are in the midst of planning our big "DIAMOND" Anniversary dance which will be in Sept. More information to follow soon. If you are in the Norman area, please come dance with us, we love visitors. 1st and 3rd Saturday nights. Irving Recreation Center. Workshop 6:30. Dance at 7:00.

Presidents are Morris and Janice Walker & Bob Thomas is our caller.

**SHAWNEE SQUARE EIGHTS:** First, we want to thank everyone who came to our 43rd Anniversary dance on April 26<sup>th</sup>. We had a grand time and enjoyed having all the guests there to help us celebrate!

Be sure to mark May 24<sup>th</sup> on your calendar and plan to come to Shawnee to sell State Federation Fall Festival tickets at the Shawnee Mall. We will have the red Corvette there for everyone to see. The car will be in front of the Wal Mart store at the Shawnee Mall, which is north of I-40. Take the Kickapoo exit if you're coming from OKC and turn left, then right at the next stoplight. We will be selling tickets from 10 am to 2 pm. Everyone is invited to come over and help sell tickets. We also invite everyone to stick around until that evening and come dance with us at 7:30. We have Workshop at 7:30 pm., and Grand March at 8 pm. We need YOU to make our evening complete!

Presidents are Bernie and Lila Bergman.

**SILVER SPUR OKC:** Silver Spur, OKC: Gerald McWhirter is now giving Plus Lessons at our regularly scheduled Club dances from 7:00PM to 8:00PM; all square dancers are welcome to join us for the sessions. In addition, we will be offering mainstream square dance lessons this Fall commencing Monday September 8; further details will follow at a later date. We extend an invitation to all square and round dancers to come dance with us; Grand March is at 8:00PM. We offer round dancing between square dancing tips. Please do come join us; you are always welcome at Silver Spur, OKC!

John and Teresa Thompson, President; Gerald McWhirter, Caller

**SINGLE ROUNDS:** Come join us on Friday, May 30, for our fund raiser dance at the Bohemian Hall, 3800 S. Portland. We will have both square and round dances. Jeff Holley will call and J.C. Johnson will cue. Workshop will be from 7 - 8 pm, and the dance begins at 8. Admission will be \$5/person at the door. There will be door prizes, refreshments, and Lots of Fun!!

We dance every Monday evening except when there's a fifth Monday. Although our club is named Single Rounds, everyone is welcome!!

President is Marie Hunter.

**SINGLE SQUARES, INC:** The Singles attended the NE Festival in Tulsa on April 5th ....Great Fun. May HASSDA - Singles will be attending on May 1,2,3 and return home on the 4th..this is at Grove, OK at Grand Lake it is a great area...Great Callers, Monty Hackler, Marshall Flippo, Tony Oxendine. Our 2nd dance on May 16th will be our Mothers Day celebration. The men are bringing us ladies a rose!!!! June will start Our Fun Summer dance. We always enjoy visitors! Open invitation for all dances - come join us for fun dancing!

We dance at the Bohemian Hall at 3800 S. Portland on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays. We have Rounds at 7 pm, Workshop at 7:30 and Grand March at 8. Remember, it's all about having FUN!!!!

News submitted by Delores Chambers. President is Chuck Short

**SPIRIT OF 76:** The Spirit board voted at their last meeting to raise the fees for guests from the current \$3.00 to \$4.00. Unfortunately, along with the price of gasoline, other expenses have risen and the increase was needed.

Spirit of '76 will have a special dance on May 11, Mother's Day, where we will honor our mothers. We invite you to come and dance with us.

We want to thank all the clubs, dancers, callers and cuers who have visited with us in the past year. It is the fun and fellowship which makes square/round dance as entertaining as it is. Thanks!

We dance at the OKC Swing club, which has one of the best dance floors in the state, located in the Springdale Shopping center at 50th & Meridian. Rounds at 7:30 & workshop at 7:45. Grand March 8:00.

President is Lawrence Wise.

**SWINGING REBELS:** The Swinging Rebels want to thank all who helped us celebrate our anniversary on April 25, 2008. We had a "Rip-Roarin'" good time.

Mark your calendar for May 9, 2008 when we will have a dance at the community center. The Workshop is at 7:30 pm and Grand March at 8:00 pm..

The Rebels are planning an all club "Garage Sale" for May 16 and 17 at 49th and State St. in Warr Acres. If the weather is bad we will postpone it till May 30 and 31. Come by and visit and check out the bargains. We always have some really good items for sale, make plans to come see us on the 16 or 17.

On Monday, May 19, 2008, we will graduate our "new dancers". This will be an all mainstream dance starting at 7:00 pm at the Warr Acres Community Center. Come join us in welcoming these people into the world of square dancing.

On May 23, 2008 we will have our regular dance with the Workshop starting at 7:30 pm and the Grand March to follow at 8:00 pm.

Hope to see you in a square real soon because we would love to have you as our corner. We always have lots of yellow rocks and good food. You all come join us!!!!

Presidents are Roy and Sharon Taylor.

**TEACUP CHAINS:** Greetings from Teacup Chains! Our spring lessons were a huge success as we had 26 students complete the lessons. Our Graduation Dance on Saturday, April 19th had 18 of our students dancing as well as enjoying their recognition and activities. We want to thank the clubs who visited.

Once again, we also want to thank all the members who gave their time and most of all, our caller, Bobby Willis. Lesson time was filled with lots of fellowship as well as learning.

We dance on the 1st and 3rd Saturday evenings and you are always welcome to come and dance with us. Our presidents, Myron and Shirley Brown, may be contacted at 348-6053.

**TERRITORIAL SQUARES:** Territorial Squares will be celebrating May flowers with a Flower Dance on May 10th. How many flower designs can be found in square dance attire? Come visit us and see for yourself. We have been invited to participate in Mulhall's 119th Birthday Celebration on May 24th. We will have our regular dance that evening. We have also been invited to exhibit our hobby in two nursing homes, in the Guthrie area, during May. For those who have not visited us before, we have a new sign by the road that will show you the way. We have workshop from 7 until 8, and the Grand March at 8. Everyone is welcome.

Presidents are Andy and Lanita Turner.

### **YOUTH STORMIN':.**

The youth are selling candy bars to raise money to help to go to Nationals. If you would like one please contact Jim and DeDe Howard, Vicki Eslick, Benita Wallace or e-mail the youth at [youthstormin@yahoo.com](mailto:youthstormin@yahoo.com).

At conclave there was interest in the youth group coming to the clubs. The problem is most of the youth all live in Canadian Shores in Norman, while most of the sponsors but one lives away from there. So in order for the youth to come to dances transportation is a problem, as the sponsor who does reside close has a full van with their own youth. There have been many donations of clothes to the youth. The problem is most of the youth are small and the clothes require alterations. There is also a need for small pettipants and petticoats as we do not have enough to go around. So if you would like to help in any of these areas you can e-mail us at [youthstormin@yahoo.com](mailto:youthstormin@yahoo.com). Or you can contact Vicki Eslick at 879-9789.

In April we had a fun dance with Dale Trent as our caller. Greg Mills has volunteered to call the dance on May 5th and it will be a Cinco de Mayo Dance. We will not have a June Dance until the graduation of the youth from summer camp. Do not forget summer Camp is June 9-13th. Our caller Jerry Linduff is doing better, but still not completely well.

The youth club would like to send an invitation out to all the square dancers to come join them. We welcome square dancers of all ages to come and dance and have fun with us on the first Monday of each month from 7:00 to 9:00pm. Admission for non members is \$3.00.

President is Sydney Wallace      News submitted by Vicki Eslick