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Message from Ron and Ruby Kuhlman



When I think of May, I first think of May flowers. Thank goodness May has brought rain and cool weather which will help the flowers to grow. I hope the fruit trees didn't get nipped by the frost. The farmers in central Oklahoma

have been blessed with the much needed moisture.

Swinging Rebels had their Anniversary dance on April 8th, and we had a great turn out of dancers and Central District board members. Thanks everyone for coming and supporting the Swinging Rebels.

April 9th we traveled to Shawnee to help the Shawnee Square Eights celebrate their 46th anniversary. We really enjoyed the dance. We want to thank the Shawnee Square 8s for their hospitality and our board for supporting this dance.

Our Barn Dance was a great success, thank you everyone for coming to support the Central District board. Be sure to read the article in this newsletter about the Barn Dance. There were lots of farmer costumes and the dancers had a great time. Thanks to Robert and Billie for putting the Barn Dance together and all the CD board for helping.

We helped celebrate another Anniversary on April 11th. Dancing Shadows Round Dance Club celebrated their 24th year of dancing. Jim Couey cued the Round Dancing and the Square dance tips were called by Sonya Savell-Jones. Both Jim and Sonya did an outstanding job. It was a great dance!

Our final Anniversary dance for April was National Cowboy Hall of Fame and they celebrated their 25th year. Thanks to our board for being well represented. Seems all had a great time. Ron and I really enjoyed being there.

We were disappointed to see Silver Spur OKC cancel their Fun Dance. We know that everyone would have had a great time. Maybe they'll re-schedule it.

On April 23rd, we attended the Car Show in Lexington. Several of the clubs were there to sell tickets on the 79 Corvette. About 500 tickets were sold at the car show.

Presidents Message (continued):

Congratulations to Bob and Melissa on their wedding! Their wedding was a beautiful ceremony, the reception was awesome, and the cakes were wonderful. The Bride's cake was five tiers, with white frosting, trimmed in Pink and Purple Roses. The Groom's cake was a deer head, made of chocolate and cake. We wish them a long and loving marriage.

Ron and I look forward to another busy month of dancing, visiting and hugging. We hope to see you in a square and to greet you with a big Teddy Bear Hug.
Ron and Ruby Kuhlman, 2011 Central District Presidents



Webmaster Wedding!



On April 30th a five year relationship that started with square dancing was capped by the wedding of Bob Thomas and Melissa Harrison.

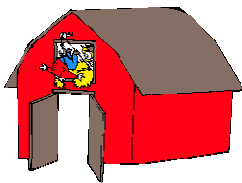
The wedding party consisted of Bob, Melissa, Bradley (Bob's son) as best man, Rebecca (Melissa's daughter) as Maid of Honor, Ryland (Bob's grandson) as Ring Bearer and Elizabeth (Bob's daughter) escorting Ryland down the aisle. The ushers and all the people helping with the reception were other family and square dance friends. By all accounts it was lovely ceremony and to the surprise of all, Bob behaved.

Following the ceremony there was a Square / Round / Fun dance reception. Jim and DeDe Howard provided the music and kept the floor going. All the guests were invited out on the floor to get an introduction to Square Dancing. One of the hits of the reception was the full sized 10 point buck mount groom's cake.

The couple just got back from a week in Las Vegas celebrating their honeymoon.

Bob and Melissa would like to thank all those who came and helped them celebrate their nuptials and a big thanks to their club Norman Silver Spur for their wedding shower and for so many of them attending the wedding.

Central District Barn Dance:



The Central District Barn Dance was a big success! We had seven squares on the floor for the Grand March and people were still arriving. We were honored to have the Presidents of the Oklahoma Square Dance Federation, Ray and Patricia Mills, in attendance.

The Barn Dance was a fund raiser for Central District as well as a Visit 9 dance. According to the host couple and CD Treasurers, Robert Orman and Billie Davis, \$580 was raised after expenses were paid. This is outstanding and could not have happened without the support of the square dancers in Central District.

Many people helped with the dance and contributed to its success. Robert Orman and Billie Davis once again did a great job in hosting the dance. The members of the Executive Board provided the door prizes, decorations and refreshments deserve a big "Thank You!" We also want to thank the CD Callers and Cuers who donated their time and talent to calling the dance. CDCCA Vice president Mike McCormick provided the sound equipment. The callers and cuers who called include: Gerald McWhirter, Sonya Savell-Jones, Jim Howard, Mike McCormick, Bobby Willis, and Jonathan Marshall. You CD Callers and Cuers are the best!

Many dancers wore their farm clothes and a contest for the best farmer outfits was held. Carol Palmer, CD Past President, was the judge. The best Male farmer was Gary Sparks, the best Female farmer was Sonya Savell-Jones, and the best farm couple was Craig and Celia Collins. Celia Collins

brought along farm animal hats that were passed out to many of the dancers and were cute. This dance was a lot of fun!

Outstanding Square Dance Couple for May: Tom and Vicki Geis



The Outstanding Square Dance Couple for the month of May is Tom and Vicki Geis from Circle 8. They are long-time members of Central District and have the distinction of serving as Central District Presidents in 2003. We are very proud to honor them as our Outstanding Couple.

Tom and Vicki are native Oklahomans and both grew up in Oklahoma City. They attended John Marshall High School and had 506 graduates in their class. They knew each other by name but not real well. This changed after graduation.

After graduating from high school in 1967, they each attended college - but at different schools. Tom went to OSU-Tech and studied Electronics and Vicki went to Hills College and took Office Management &

Accounting. As the old saying goes, absence makes the heart grow fonder and they began dating as college students. They were married in 1969. Tom also joined the Air Force that year since Vietnam was ongoing.

In 1979, Vicki thought it would be fun to learn to square dance. After much prodding, Tom agreed to take the first free lesson. He was not a big dancer and thought that after one lesson, Vicki might change her mind. Wrong. They took lessons from the Buttons and Bows club, and were hooked! They liked lessons so well that they signed up for a second set with Circle 8. It wasn't long before they belonged to two square dance clubs and were dancing every week.

In 1984, Tom and Vicki were asked to help with the Central District Newsletter. Over the next few years they held all of the appointed offices and worked on Jamboree committees, Barn Dance committees, Conclave committees and the Cancer/Heart Benefit Dance. In 2003, they were elected Central District Presidents. They took office after the resignation of the original President and Vice-President in mid-February. Although they had to work with a new board, many of whom they didn't know, they pulled things together and the district had a good year. In addition, they served as the Executive Secretary for the 2003 National Square Dance Convention in Oklahoma City. Vicki said they worked very hard for four years and had the best time ever. They learned a lot and have very fond memories.

Tom works in sales for an industrial supplier of sprockets, belts, hydraulics, pneumatics, and conveyor components. Vicki does volunteer work for the Salvation Army. She disappears for 7-8 weeks before Christmas each year because of the Salvation Army Christmas Kettles. She's in charge of incoming funds year round - it just gets busier during the Christmas season.

Motorcycle riding is a hobby that both Tom and Vicki enjoy. They have ridden both dirt bikes and road bikes and once owned two of each. Their longest road trip was to a rally in Tennessee. Tom still rides his Harley Low Rider but Vicki has had to stop riding because of her allergies.

Tom and Vicki have seen a lot of changes in square dancing and are always looking for new ideas to promote and improve square dancing. They have even dusted off old ideas and tried them again. As most know, the results have been mixed. Central District has good leaders and good callers and therefore we have fared better than other areas of the state. If we keep plugging away, according to Tom and Vicki, we will find the magic pill that will cure our ills. A big part of the pill will be hard work. Until then, Tom and Vicki recommend that we just have fun. Make new friends and keep the old friends close. Talk up square dancing every chance you get and ask God for guidance.

In closing, we thank Tom and Vicki Geis for their numerous contributions to Circle 8, to Central District and to square dancing. Just like they recommend, we're confident these two will continue to have lots of fun square dancing with their many friends!

2011 OSDF Ticket Sales Program:

We are excited to tell you that the ticket sales have started off with a bang!! We've had people see



pictures of the car and take out their wallets, pulling out \$20, \$50, \$100 at a time. Let's support Central District by selling lots of tickets. The Central District ticket chairmen for 2011 are Steve and AJ Venz. They point out that your club will get back approximately 50 percent of the total ticket money sold by your club members.

There are many prizes for ticket sellers:

Individuals selling their first 100 tickets - a Corvette dangle.

Individuals selling their first 250 tickets - a badge/cell phone holder.

Individuals selling their first 500 tickets - a "Cruise in Style" tote bag.

Individuals selling their first 750 tickets - a petticoat bag.

Individuals selling their first 1000 tickets - a personalized garment bag.

Individuals selling their first 1500 tickets - a personalized shirt.

Individuals selling their first 2000 tickets - a personalized light weight jacket with square dancers on back.

And we plan to have more surprises.

On May 28th, 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM, the 1979 Corvette will be in Bethany for the Bethany 66 Festival Classic Car Show, Route 66 (N.W. 39th Expressway) and Peniel.

We still have some "Cruise in Style" shirts left and just a few hats. Shirt sizes are limited and we do not plan to order any more. Contact Glen or Linda Bray at 373-1380, if you would like to purchase.

Belated Happy Birthday to Our Grand Lady of Square Dancing:



Our grand lady of square dancing, Ester Hughes, celebrated her 90th Birthday on March 27, 2011. She was born Easter Sunday, March 27, 1921 in Oklahoma City. The Gala Birthday Celebration in the Rotunda of the Oklahoma State Capitol was a huge success with family, friends and acquaintances. Daughter Jolene reported Ester had a wonderful day with well-wishers from the square dance world and friends with whom she works. Ester works for the Best Years Club, as a greeter at Will Rogers Airport and at the Moore/Norman Hospital where she volunteers.

In July 2010, we profiled Ester Hughes in the Grand Square. Ester and her late husband, Pete, were active Central District members and served in leadership positions in Silver Spur OKC and in Funtimers. Later they served as OSDF Presidents.

In the late 1980's they were asked to serve as the models for a square dance statue. On June 21, 1989, a life size bronze square dance statue was unveiled in Oklahoma Fair Park at the west end of General Pershing

Blvd. The statue was sponsored by the Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce and the Oklahoma State Square Dance Federation. It was dedicated to the square dancers of the world and is the only life size square dance statue in the world.

To read the article, go to: www.cdsda.com, click on Newsletters, then on July 2010.

2011 OSDF Festival Program Book Ad Campaign

The 2011 OSDF Festival Program Book Ad Campaign promotion is underway. There are no changes in the 2011 Ad Program. It is the same program as last year's.

Same size	Same cost
Full page, inside	\$150.00
Half page	80.00
Quarter page	55.00
Eighth page (business card size)	35.00

Jim and Ruth Ford are Ad Chairman again this year for Central District. Ad packets have been mailed to the President of each CD Club. Everything that is needed to sell ads for the 2011 OSDF Festival Program Book is included in that mailing.

Make copies of the ad layout sheet as needed with only one ad on each layout. All Ads must be camera ready with no writing, staples, folds, glue, color, etc. The advertiser(s) will pay for their ad through your club at time of sale. Please use the enclosed summary sheet for all ads sold by your club.

The outside, front and back; and inside front and back, of the 2011 Program Book have already been sold. Please do not sell another's ad from a previous program book. WOW! Your first ad could be an ad to promote your club. How cool is that!

AD TURN-IN DATE: Saturday, 10:00 a.m.–noon, August 6, 2011, Bowlware Hall, 2665 SW 44th Street, OKC. Please bring the ads, one per each layout, the summary sheet and a club check payable to Central District Square Dance Association for the total amount of your club's ad sales.

Commission from ad sales is excellent. Selling ads is an awesome program, promoted by OSDF, to put monies in your club. Go for it! If you have questions, or if we can help in any way, give us a call...942-3456.

Happy Selling!

Jim and Ruth Ford, 2011 Central District Ad Chairman
1901 N. Woodward Avenue, OKC, 73107



62nd National Square Dance Convention:

We just got back from Spokane Washington's Pre-Convention and they certainly have a nice facility. If you ever wanted to visit that part of the country during their Convention in June of 2012 would be an excellent time to go.

This is the first Convention for a lot of their people and the enthusiasm level is way up there. The hall was just about completely filled with dancers for the Saturday night kick-off dance. They also presented their invitational skit that night. It was well planned, kept you interested in what they were doing and presented the audience with a very good thumbnail sketch of what a visitor will find in the Spokane area.

The dancers of Oklahoma as a whole need to start gearing up for our 62nd National Square Dance Convention. We have our Pre-Convention in Oklahoma City, February 29 thru March 3, 2012, and we have a long way to go in getting ready for it.

Remember, registration is only \$40 each now, but it goes up to \$50 each at midnight March 3, 2012. Save money, register NOW.

Gene & Barbara Morton, General Chairmen

Laughter is the Best Medicine:



The year is 2016 and the United States has just elected the first woman, a University of Oklahoma graduate, Susan Q. Smith, as President of the United States. A few days after the election the President-elect calls her father and says, "So, Dad, I assume you will be coming to my inauguration?"

"I don't think so. It's a 30 hour drive, your mother isn't as young as she used to be, and my arthritis is acting up again."

"Don't worry about it Dad, a limo will pick you up at your door and take you to Tinker AFB. I'll send Air Force One to pick you up there and then you'll go home the same way."

"I don't know. Everybody will be so fancy. What would your mother wear?"

"Oh Dad," replies Susan, "I'll make sure she has a wonderful gown custom-made by the best designer in New York City. Dad, I really want you and Mom to come."

So her dad reluctantly agrees and on January 20, 2017, Susan Q. Smith is being sworn in as President of the United States. In the front row sits the new President's father and mother.

Her Dad notices the senator sitting next to him, leans over and whispers, "You see that woman over there with her hand on the Bible, becoming President of the United States."

The Senator whispers back, "Yes, I do."

Dad says proudly, "Her brother played football at OU."

Message from Richard and Carol Schwake, Newsletter Directors:



Carol and I apologize for the Grand Square being late this month. We've been on a cruise to Hawaii and this is the reason we're late publishing the Grand Square. We scheduled our vacation during January and did not think about it interfering with the newsletter.

The cruise to Hawaii was a dream vacation for us. This was a wonderful trip and we have lots of stories to tell and vacation pictures to show. This is a cruise that we recommend to all of our friends who are looking for a wonderful place to vacation.

Have Fun Dancing, Richard and Carol Schwake

May 2011 Club News:

ARISTOCRATS PLUS: Aristocrats Plus will dance the 2nd & 4th Saturday nights in May at the Bohemian Hall on S. Portland. We no longer have a Cues and instead, we have line dance/waltz/two step music in between squares. Of course, as always we love visitors and would love for anyone to join us!

Bill and Angel Baker, President

Jim and DeDe Howard, Caller

CIRCLE 8: Circle 8 Square Dance Club dances at the Lion's Hall on NW 10th on the second and fourth Thursday night each month. We invite you to bring your friends and come to visit us, "We do not charge our Guests". We plan to dress casual for our dances in July and August.

On a sad note: Long time member of Circle 8 club, Pat Harrell has passed away. Her funeral was held Wednesday, May 11th in Marietta, OK. Also, long time members of Circle club, Jean and JoAnn Calhoun's middle son (Alan) has passed away. His funeral will be held 10:30 AM on Monday, May 16th at the South Lindsey Baptist Church, 3300 S. Lindsey, OKC.

We want everyone to have a safe and happy summer.

Glen and Linda Bray, Presidents of Circle Eight

Henry and Barbara Israel, Caller

DANCING SHADOWS ROUND DANCE CLUB: We have been blessed with some rain lately, and luckily have missed the tornadoes. Let's all pray for those whose lives were changed by the terrible storms recently. There are a lot of great dances planned in May and during the summer, so put on your dancing duds and dance, dance, dance. We will be continuing our great Monday nights of round dancing at Linwood UMC Family Center so come on down and enjoy the evening with us. We always have fun, food, and fellowship and will try to make your evening a fun one. We love folks, as Jude & Jody would say, so give us a try. Dance from 7-9 pm. If anyone wants information on "Fun Valley" Colorado, please give us a call.

Lawrence Wise, President Karen Humphries, Delegate
Jim and Georgianne Couey, Cuer/Instructor

DOUBLE NICKLE SQUARES: As this month's Grand Square is going to be late as the editors are on vacation and the publishers, web masters are on their honeymoon; we at Double Nickle wish them both a great time and safe traveling. Congratulations to Bobby Thomas and now Melissa (Harrison) Thomas on their marriage!

Double Nickle danced on Wednesday, April 27th, as the Senior Center was closed for staff training on Thursday. Some of our dancers did not want to miss a dance is the reason for the Wednesday dance. This was a one-time experiment and although it worked and we had a square, it took some extra work to put this dance together; and we really appreciate those dancers attending.

Double Nickle has a new member and dancer and we welcome Julie as a new member. Kitty was a new dancer; however took a job that requires her to work during the day. We congratulate Kitty on her new job and at the same time we are sorry to lose her as a new dancer.

Double Nickle will be having an indoor picnic June 30th starting at noon. That is the fifth Thursday of the month and is also Red Hat Ladies Day; so all you Red Hatter's come on out. You don't have to be a square dancer to attend as we also line dance and there are a number of other activities at the Will Rogers Senior Center to check out. The next fifth Thursday, Red Hat Ladies day, isn't until September 29th.

We had some residents of the Sterling House, Brookdale Senior Living visiting us in April and as always we love those that attend and usually have a special event for them, such as the "Chicken Dance" so that those who are able can participate. We also invited them to our picnic on June 30th. We are also looking forward to having some foreign exchange students visit us in July.

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

Will Rogers Senior Center (405) 942-4339

Robert & Lura Fink (405.721.8640), President; Andy & Lanita Turner and Greg Mills, Callers

FUN TIMERS: Easter provided a pretty theme for the first April dance. Barbara Israel won first place in the Easter bonnet contest and JoAn Hey ran a close second. Gwen Madden baked a coconut cake shaped like a bunny. Henry Israel sang some favorite Easter songs.

The May 24th dance will be a Memorial Day Celebration. Bring pictures of parents and loved ones.

BIRTHDAYS: Betty Phillips ~ 13th Joe Henry ~16th Don Folks ~29th

GET WELL WISHES: Joe Henry is recuperating from his surgery slowly. He got a cold or respiratory infection and has been feeling pretty rough.

Oveta Folks will be Ad Chairmen again this year. See her for the forms and be thinking about who to approach for ads.

Sandy distributed a list of Ronald McDonald items that are needed. Please bring your donations to one of the next two dances and Sandy will see that they are delivered to them.

The Fun Timers 53rd Anniversary will be July 12th. We look forward to that!

Gardening shows that you believe in tomorrow. Friends are flowers in a life's garden.

Presidents are Ron and Sandy Johnson

Callers are Henry & Barbara Israel

HAPPY TRACKS SQUARE DANCE CLUB: April was a great month --- Our Easter Bonnet Parade was a lot of fun and we had some really artistic entries for our bonnets and hats. Linda Odland walked off with the ladies category and Don Foster carried the flag for the men in the club. Congrats to both and a big thank you to all who participated. The best part about April was the rain. Maybe it was dancing in those bonnets and hats that helped bring it on. Happy Tracks version of the rain dance!

Our first dance in May will be a celebration honoring Mom's and Homemade Pie. Yes – that's right – we're having our famous pie auction on May 12th. Fun for all so mark your calendar and join us. If you don't want to bake a pie for the auction, bring your wallet and take one home! Our second dance will be on the 26th with no theme – just dancing and good times.

We would like to also welcome our newest members: Joe & Nancy Whitten! Welcome aboard to our wonderful Square Dance Family and wishing you many years of Happy Dancing!

Come dance with us on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays! Workshop starts at 7:00 p.m. with the main dance starting at 7:30. Nicoma Park Community Center, 2301 Nichols Drive.
Hope to see you soon!

Ray & Janice Modisette, President Sonya Savell-Jones & Terry, Caller/Cuer

HEARTLAND DANCERS: We had a great April with round dancing and plan a busy and fun May. We are working on bolero rhythm in workshop at 7 pm and dancing from 7:30 - 9 pm at Linwood UMC Family Center. After we get through with bolero, we will begin working on another rhythm(probably slow two step). We try to make our dances fun with a little work on new stuff and lots of fun dancing. Along with this, there is always lots of food, fun, and fellowship. Jim tries to make the program enjoyable and fun for everyone attending, so come on over and dance with us. We dance the 1st thru 4th Thursday nights. We will be working on our dances for the OSDF festival in November soon with the dancers who do exhibitions with us. More information about the November festival will be forthcoming. Jim will be filling in for Karen Gloodt at OC Twirlers on May 25. The caller will be Marshall Flipppo. Thank you to all the square and round dancers who support us. We love you all so CUNA square or circle soon

Jim & Georgianne Couey, Cuers H. R. Aguirre, Delegate

KALICO KAPERS:

Caller: Jerry & Gayle Stover
President Joe & Judy Roberson
Dance: 1st & 3rd Thursdays
West Side Lions Hall,
4135 NW 10th Street, OKC, OK.
7:00 – 8:00 pm DBD (Dance by Definition) Plus lessons
8:00 - 9:30 pm DBD Plus dance
9:30 A2 Star Tip

Kalico Kapers 62nd Anniversary dance will be on May 5, 2011. Please join us for a fun dance.

Jerry Stover will be teaching DBD (Dance by Definition) Plus Lessons before Kalico Kapers beginning on April 7, 2011. The lessons will be from 7:00 – 8:00 pm. The cost will be \$3.00 per person or \$5.00 (total) if staying for the dance. The dance from 8:00 – 9:30 will be called at 'lesson level'. The dancers must have had Plus Lessons previously.

Also, Jerry Stover will be teaching Plus Lessons in Chickasha, OK at the Swinging Chicks Bldg. 200 N. 18th. The lessons will start on Monday April 4, 2011 at 7:30 pm and will continue on Mondays for approximately 10 weeks. The cost is \$4.00 per person.

These lessons are for dancers that have not previously had Plus lessons. Jerry would appreciate all 'angels' that would like to help with either set of lessons.

You are invited to join us anytime for a fun and exciting DBD Plus dance.

Please visit our website at <http://www.kalicokapers.org>
Secretary, Beverly Burrow, nburrow@cox.net, 405-789-9091

METRO SINGLES: METRO invites all dancers to join us for Square or Round dancing. A great big THANK YOU to all of our guests that helped us in having another great year of dancing. Please come back and visit us often. You are what make our hobby so enjoyable. We have a lot of different theme dances planned for this year.

THEME DANCES:

May 27th ~ Pajama Dance

July 22nd ~ 28th Anniversary Dance

July 29th ~ A 5th Friday Dance ~ "Christmas in July" ~ Will be hosted by Metro Singles & Single Squares as a Fund Raiser with Jeff & Niecy Holley, Danny & Sharon Payne, Sonya & Terry Savell Jones, Jim & Georgianne Couey

UPCOMING EVENT: JUNE 23, 24, 25 & 26 National Square Dance Convention in the great city of Detroit.

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.

We dance at the West Side Lions Hall, 4135 N.W. 10th Street, the 2nd & 4th Friday,

For more information call 387-3126

President: Robert Orman Caller: Danny & Sharon Payne Cuer: Sonya Savell-Jones & Terry

NATIONAL COWBOY HALL OF FAME: National Cowboy meets on the 2nd & 4th Mondays nights of each month. We've started on a new dance routine and will demonstrate it to all our guests.

Submitted by Angel Baker

Presidents: Jim & Louanne Marshall

Caller: Jim and DeDe Howard

NORMAN SILVER SPUR, INC: We celebrated the graduation of our mainstream students on May 7th. We welcome them to the world of square dancing. Bob and Melissa's plane from Las Vegas wasn't scheduled to land till 3:00 PM that day so we appreciate Jim Woolsey standing by in case there was a delay. Starting with our June 4th dance we will go casual for the summer and will be having snacks during the dance instead of our usual pot luck meal at 9:00 PM following the dance.

Sharon Dale, President

Bob and Melissa Thomas, Caller

SHAWNEE SQUARE EIGHTS: Hello from Shawnee! The Shawnee Square Eights would like to thank all the visitors who attended our 46th Anniversary Dance in April. A good time was had by all.

We continue our basic mainstream lessons on Monday nights. It appears we will retain 17 of the original 21 students as members of the Club after graduation.

The Shawnee Square 8s welcome all visitors on the 2nd and 4th Saturday nights of each month. We still dance at the Senior Center, 10th and Bell in Shawnee. Call us if you need directions.

President: Bill Denton Caller: Jim & Twyla Woolsey Cuer: Jim & Georgianne Couey

SILVER SPUR OKC: In Step With Silver Spur...Let's dance! The music is on and the welcome mat is always out. We invite you to, come on out, and join us for a good toe tapping square dance. We dance at the West Side Lions Hall on Northwest 10th Street, OKC, on the 1st and 3rd Saturday nights. Gerald McWhirter is the caller and you've just gotta' dance to his fine calling.

Our theme dances are always fun and you can count on laughter and a bit of buffoonery during the evening. Our April 2nd theme, "Springtime in Oklahoma," was a time to lighten up with pastel floral decorations and swiny, spring time attire. "Easter Parade," April 16th theme, was the perfect time for our Ladies to model their one-of-a-kind Easter Bonnets. It was entertaining as our lovely, lively,

vivacious and flirtatious models vied for winning points from the just and fair (?) judges. Was that one leg at a time; or, was it just a little more leg?

Trust everyone had a Happy Easter. Speaking of Easter, be sure to read the Editor's article in this issue of Grand Square about Ester Hughes Birthday Celebration on March 27 at the Oklahoma State Capitol. Ester, a dear friend and former member of Silver Spur – OKC, was born March 27, 1921 on Easter Sunday, thus her name, Ester.

Regretfully, our "Fun Dance" scheduled at the West Side Lions Hall, April 30 was cancelled. To move the dance to another location was not an option. Sorry.

Keep your boots on and we will see you on May 7, WSLH for "South of the Border" and, May 21 for "In the Merry, Merry Month of May." We promise you a good time!

Have a Happy Mother's Day, Happy Graduation, and Safe and Happy Memorial Day.
Jim & Ruth Ford, President, 405-942-3456 Gerald McWhirter, Caller 405-942-4435

SINGLE SQUARES, INC: Single Squares dances on the First and Third Friday nights at Bohemian Hall at 3800 South Portland, OKC. Our first dance of the month of May will be the 6th of May and it will be a Mother's Day Dance. We will be honoring all Mothers! Our second dance of the month will be a T-Shirt dance. Be sure to wear your favorite T-Shirt, be it either one you have or one you just bought for this dance. We will be going casual on May 1st per our President, seems it is starting to be hot! This means you don't have to wear Square Dance Attire but please wear correct clothes not short, short shorts or tube tops. We are a Singles Club but we enjoy having everyone come dance with us. Guests are always welcome and we always have a good time.

Our Caller is Jeff & Niecy Holley and our Cues are Jim and Georgianne Couey. Pre-rounds are at 7:00 p.m., Square Dance Workshop at 7:30 and Grand March is at 8:00 p.m. For any questions contact John Martindale 760-3986 or 732-3495

Submitted by Lynn Moore

SPIRIT OF 76: Spirit of 76 invites all dancers to join us for a fun-filled evening of dancing. Be it round Dancing or Square Dancing, we have the best Callers, Cues, and dance floor around. We dance at The Swing Club at 50th and Meridian (4361 NW 50th) OKC, Ok

We are still having lessons every Sunday afternoon from 4-6 pm, and welcome all angels who are free at that time to help us.

Our first dance in May will be on Mothers Day, so please join us as we honor all Mothers. Jeff and Jim will have some very special songs to dance to.

Our 2nd dance in May will be our New Dancers special night of Graduation. This is always a fun time for everyone involved as we welcome our New Dancers into our favorite hobby that they have worked so hard to accomplish. Please come and join us in this celebration.

May 27th & 28th is Spirit of 76 and Tea-Cup Chains 2nd. Annual Summer Celebration Dance. We will have a Trail-In Dance on Friday evening May 27th with registration at 7pm and the Dance at 8pm. Saturday May 28, 2011 registration begins at 9:00 AM with all day workshops, in Round and Square Dancing and ending with an evening dance at 8:00PM. Cost for Pre-Registration before May 16th, 2011 is \$20.00 or \$25.00 at the door. registration forms can be obtained from the [www.cdsda.com/Special Events.html](http://www.cdsda.com/SpecialEvents.html) or call Dee Proctor--405-321-3730 or wtoys@cox.net .

Rounds workshop 7:00PM--Square Dance Workshop 7:30 PM and Grand March 8:00 PM.

Callers---Jeff & Niecy Holley--Cues--Jim & Georgianne Couey

President--James Anai--834-2814--jahmtwn@aol.com

SWINGING REBELS: Thanks to those of you who attended our 51st Anniversary dance last month. We'll be rocking and rolling for another 50 more years out in Warr Acres, the good Lord willing. Come join us on May 13 for our "Lucky 13" dance, and we will have our regular dance again on the 4th Friday, May 27. Please remember our garage sale at 4920 State Street in Warr Acres on May

20 and 21 from 8 am to 5 pm. Just a heads-up. Be on the look-out for our June 10 dance, the "Rebels Round-up", and feel free to wear pioneer-style clothing if you want to dress in costume as many Rebels will. See y'all in a square,

Sharon Peters, delegate, reporting

Greg Mills, President 341-7133 Cecil and Barbara Burton, Callers

TEACUP CHAINS: We had a great graduation dance for our first dance in May. What a terrific group of new dancers. . .they even danced better than our PLUS graduates. (of course we made the PLUS graduates dance in the dark!)

Our next dance will be May 21st and we will be dancing to tunes that will keep us cool. Please join us at our Church dance place in Edmond.

We hope you have signed up for our Summer Celebration Special Square & Round Dance and Workshops. This is being sponsored by Teacup Chains and Spirit of 76. It will be held on May 27th & 28th. Deadline for Pre-Registration (to save some money) is May 16th.

Teacup Chains June 4th square dance has been cancelled due to unavailability of the Church. More later!

You may forget where and when you danced but you will never forget how Square Dancing made you feel. 🥳

Mike & Linda McCormick, President

Bobby Willis, Caller

TERRITORIAL SQUARES: By the time you read this, April will be behind us. Our participation in the 89ers Parade in Guthrie was fun and exciting. Hope you had time to watch it. Our first dance in May will be on the 14th and will be our May Flower Dance. Everyone is encouraged to wear attire with flowers on it. Our second dance will be on the 28th. We have a workshop that starts at 7:00 pm and the Grand March starts at 8:00 pm. Please come and enjoy the dances with us. Yellow-rocks to all.

Bill & Jolene Milner, President

Lawrence & Sharron Biggs, Caller

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Dancing Shadows	3	4	5 Double Nickle Heartland Rounders Kalico Kapers	6 Single Squares	7 Norman Silver Spur Silver Spur, OKC Teacup Chains
8 Mother's Day Spirit of 76	9 Dancing Shadows Nat'l Cowboy Hall of Fame	10 Fun Timers	11	12 Circle 8 Double Nickle Happy Tracks Heartland Rounders	13 Metro Singles Swinging Rebels	14 Aristocrats Shawnee Square Eights Territorial Squares
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