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Message from Ronnie and Shirley Jackson, 2008 CDSDA Presidents:

Can you believe that it's already October? My how the time flies when you're having fun! October looks to be another busy month for Central District dancers. There are several special dances on the Calendar. The CDSDA Barn Dance will be held at West Side Lions Club on Sunday, October 19, from 2 - 5 pm. Phyllis Thomason is in charge of this dance and she has some neat things planned. Many clubs will have Halloween dances toward the end of the month. These dances are always fun, especially when dancers dress up in costumes. Metro Singles will have a "Spook Dance," on Oct. 24. That same night, Swinging Rebels will hold a "Hobo Dance." Spirit of '76 will have a Halloween dance on Oct. 26, with prizes for best costume, weird happenings, and scary food! Be sure to check the website for information on all the special dances.

The participation at the State Fair this year was outstanding! Shirley and I want to thank every club and each dancer who went to the Fair and danced in the Wild West show. It was not only fun but was an excellent way to showcase square dancing to lots of people. Special thanks to Vernon and Lois Willis, the Publicity Chairmen, who coordinated our dancing at the State Fair.

The Central District Fall Conclave will be held at West Side Lions Club on Saturday, Oct. 25. I will call the meeting to order at 9 am. and it will last until noon. This is an important meeting for Central District. Shirley and I encourage all district clubs to send representatives to this meeting. The bylaws committee that was formed after the Spring Conclave will present some proposed bylaws changes for discussion and approval. The nominating committee will present a new slate of Executive Committee officers to be voted upon. The Fall Conclave promises to be an exciting meeting where the future direction of Central District will be decided.

The Oklahoma State Festival Dance will be held on November 1, 2008, at the Sheraton Hotel in downtown Oklahoma City. This will be one of the biggest dances of the year! The Central District board is planning some special things for the dance that will be a lot of fun. We're lucky to have this dance in Oklahoma City where it's convenient for all of us to attend. Shirley and I would like to see Central District well represented at this year's State Festival.

Shirley and I will host a Centennial Dangle Dance on November 29, at the West Side Lions Hall. We will give out dangles to all the dancers who participated in one of the Centennial events. This will be an open dance, free to everyone! Shirley is compiling the list of people who participated in the three events: Centennial Parade, State Fair, and the Centennial Spectacular at the Ford Center. If you participated, please contact Shirley at shirley5143@sbcglobal.net and let her know. Sonya Savell-Jones and her brother, Ray Savell, will be the callers at the Dangle Dance, and Jim Couey will cue round dancing. The dance flyer is displayed on the home page of the CDSDA website.

Most Sincerely, Ronnie and Shirley Jackson

Oklahoma State Festival, "Back to the Future"

The Oklahoma Square Dance Federation invite all square and round dancers in Oklahoma to attend the Oklahoma State Festival on November 1, 2008. The Festival will be held at the Sheraton Hotel Downtown, One North Broadway, OKC. There's a full day of activities scheduled beginning at 9 am., and continuing throughout the day. The MS/Plus evening dance will be held in the Grand Pavilion ballroom at 7-10:30 pm. Round dancing will be in the 18th and 19th Century ballroom at 8:15-10:30 pm. The schedule for the events is available on the Central District website. All the activities will be at one location with large dance halls for your dancing pleasure.

Jim and Ruth Ford who are from Central District, serve as the 3rd Vice Presidents for the Federation. They will host the fashion show, "A Celebration Of Fashions!", from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. in the Grand Pavilion ballroom. Everyone is invited to attend.

Admission to the dance is \$1/person in advance or \$1.50/person at the door. Rooms at the Sheraton are available at a discount rate for Oct. 31-Nov 1. When you call in your reservation, please give our group name, OK Square Dance Federation, to get the group rate. A reservation form is available on the Central District website for room reservations, if you wish to mail in your room reservation.

The theme for the 2008 State Festival is: "Let's Dance & Fellowship Our Way Back to the Future!" This promises to be a fun dance and Central District dancers will have some surprises for those who attend. Please mark November 1 on your calendar and plan to attend.

CDSDA Barn Dance:

The CDSDA Barn Dance will be held at the West Side Lions Hall on Sunday afternoon, October 19, from 2-5 pm. Dress will be either square dance attire or your favorite hill-billy clothes. Mike and Phyllis Thomason will be the host and hostess, and they have some fun things planned. There will be a cake and pie auction so bring along some extra folding money to purchase a lip-smacking dessert. There will be fabulous door prizes that you don't want to miss out on. Admission is \$5 in advance or \$6 at the door. So come on out, wear your best overalls or your Sunday-go-to-meeting clothes, and dance 'till the cows come home! See ya'll there!

State Federation Fall Festival Tickets:

Ticket turn in is near. State Festival tickets will be turned in on October 11th and 12th at Bowlware Hall, 2665 S. 44th Street, Oklahoma City. On October 11, the turn in time will be 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. On October 12th, the time will be 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. . Club Ticket Chairs are urged to select the most convenient time. If a person or club finds these times too troublesome, contact Bill Stout (872-8489) to arrange a time to turn in tickets. Ticket stubs should be handed in by sets of ten just as tickets were given out in books of ten. Unsold tickets (we hope there are none) should be handed in by books of ten. Each club's tickets should be counted, and one check from the club for the number of tickets sold should accompany the stubs. Checks should be made payable to Central District Square Dance Association. Every dancer in Central District needs to sell as many tickets as possible. After sales tax is deducted, the dancer's club gets half of the amount your club sold. That refund puts money in the club's treasury where it is needed.

If we get no tickets returned unsold, we should be certain of getting the victory dance.

Information provided by Bill and Elaine Stout, Central District Ticket Chairmen

Publicity Chairman Report, October 2008:

The 2008 Oklahoma State Fair is over. Thanks to the Clubs in Oklahoma that made the square dancing exhibitions and booth such a success. These clubs and individuals can be proud of what was accomplished for Square Dancing. We may not see immediate results in the individual clubs, but we can be sure that Square Dancing in Oklahoma and even some neighboring states has been seen. I know it was hot - remember I square danced about every day. Lois was in the booth almost every day. All attempts were made to make the dancers comfortable and cool. I have given a report to the Fair that a covering would be great for the stage area. I am very proud of the Callers that also took their time to help out. We do need to remember that we are all a part of Square Dancing. It takes each group to make it successful. We heard a lot of excellent comments about our dancing and the square dance attire that we wore. I want to tell you about one compliment from a man from Wichita Falls, Texas, who took his time to come up to us at a restaurant and thank us for doing such a great job at the fair that day. That is what Square Dancing in Oklahoma is all about. Enough from the Soap Box, Lois and I do want to say thank you to all that participated and especially to the individuals that were available to dance on short notice. I know you each know who you are.

We got home from the Fair, then traveled to the Roundup in Lawton. The Board did approve money to purchase a new computerized sign for Publicity. I hope this sign also will be useful in the future for publicity of lessons, etc. I hope you have noticed our ad in the Daily Oklahoman Entertainment section. Lois has received some calls about square dancing lessons from the ad. I have heard some complaints about what Central District does for the Clubs. Well this year, I can say a lot. Just look at the Web Page that is not free, the advertisements, our participation at the exhibitions and Fair, and the materials purchased to advertise Square Dancing.

Most are not aware of Central District Board duties and the number of voluntary hours and miles that are devoted by the officers; however, before you complain, it might be useful to walk in these officer's footsteps. Here I go back on my Soap Box, but it's getting near the end of the year.

We danced on Sept 30th at an exhibition at the Mayfair Life Living Center in OKC. Thanks to Sonya Savell-Jones who called and to the dancers who came. We will be at Rose State College Global Oklahoma Festival of Cultures on Oct. 4, with dancing and a booth. The Global Oklahoma Festival is a yearly event held at Rose State. It features displays from all cultures and is free to the public. Happy Tracks has participated in it each year. We sometimes have a booth but always square dance on one of the stages. We will be glad to have any dancers who are willing to dance outside. The stages are usually shaded, but no guarantees. We intend to sell tickets on the car and I do not think there would be any problem with others selling. We tried to get the Corvette for this event but it was unsuccessful. Be glad to have all of you guys attend. Think you would enjoy it. There's lots of art and good food from many countries. For more information on the festival, go to: <http://www.rose.edu/commfriend/globok/index.asp>

Vernon & Lois Willis, Publicity Directors

Caller / Cuer of the Month: Jim and DeDe Howard



This month Jim and DeDe Howard are our featured callers. Jim and DeDe were kind enough to take the time to write about their experiences in the thirty four years he has been calling. Central District is very lucky to have excellent callers and cuers like Jim and DeDe Howard. We thank Jim and DeDe for their many contributions to square dancing and to the Central District Square Dance Association.

What a privilege to be selected as the feature caller for Central District.

My Square Dance life started before I was even born. As some of you know, my father was a caller here in Oklahoma City and throughout the region for over 50 years. Some of my earliest memories are at square dances in Elk City, Oklahoma, sitting on the stage with my dad calling dances. We moved to Oklahoma City in 1964, and Dad started calling for Funtimers, Kelly Kapers and Lucky Squares. In the fall of 1970, I took my first square dance lesson. If I remember correctly I took 8 lessons and graduated.

It was in 1974, when I remember calling for the first time. It was a Lucky Squares and it was amateur caller night. I was terrible but all the dancers said that I was great. In 1976, I joined the U.S. Navy and started my twenty year career in service to our country. During those years I traveled throughout the world. In 1978, I was stationed in Guam there were two square dance clubs on the island, one at the Air Force base and one at the Naval base. The caller for the Navy club got transferred and they approached me to become the caller for the club. I accepted the job. However, it was short lived due to my transfer to Washington State. Over the next several years, I did some calling. In 1986, I accepted orders to Iceland and it was there that my true calling career started. For the next two years I called every Saturday night and taught lessons on every Thursday night for the club, the Midnight Sundowners.

In 1989, I accepted orders to the Military Entrance Processing Station in Oklahoma City. This was a humanitarian transfer due to illness in the family. Soon after I arrived I was given the opportunity to join CDCCA as a full member, and started calling for Rawhide. DeDe was the President of Frontier Pride in Edmond and visited Dad's clubs. Thanks to my father, it was at one of those dances when I was blessed to meet my future wife and life partner. DeDe and I were married in November of 1991, and have been together since. In February of 1992, we were transferred to San Diego, California where I again started calling for a club. I deployed for 6 months in the spring of 1992. During my deployment I was invited to call in several countries. Probably my favorite was in Perth, Australia. I was met by a wonderful family, taken to their home and treated like a king. It is one of my greatest memories. While I was gone, DeDe kept the home fires burning and continued to keep in close contact with the Square Dance Association. Upon return to the U.S., I was hired by the Cornhuskers Square dance club of Los Angeles as the club caller. (One of only 2 club callers in the L.A. basin) Virtually all of the clubs in Southern California have guest callers for each dance. This club and several other dancers from Southern California came to my retirement party on board the USS Tarawa. I called a couple of impromptu tips as they danced in the hanger bay on the ship for the Captain, my fellow sailors and invited guests. The dancers then answered questions about square dancing and enjoyed the party which continued at the Naval club. They truly helped make my retirement a very special memory.

I have called on 4 continents and 25 states that I can remember. I was a recording artist and staff member of Marlet records for 7 years. I am currently calling for Aristocrats and National Cowboy Hall of Fame exhibition clubs. I have called for Cowboy for the last 6 years and have had a wonderful time with lots of hard work

thrown in. We have traveled to three National Square Dance Conventions and continue to have a wonderful time. Aristocrats are my newest adventure and we are continuing to grow. I am the current Secretary for CDCCA and Membership Chairmen for Oklahoma State Callers and Teachers Association. DeDe and I are also founding members of Sooner State Caller's Association, where we are doing caller training.

Square dancing is not just a hobby for DeDe and me. It weaves its way into all aspects of our lives. I am extremely proud of my square dance heritage. I made a choice a long time ago to follow in the footsteps of one of the greatest callers that I have ever know. He taught me a lot of lessons but the one I will always remember is, "The dancers have to win." His favorite closing line, "Don't let the good Lord do all the work, go do some yourself."

Thanks for the opportunity to be the featured caller. God bless you all and see you in a square soon. Remember to support your clubs, they need you.

Footnote: Jim, Happy 50th Birthday (October 5)! Best wishes from your wife, DeDe, and from all your square dance friends.



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

Carol and I will attend the Fall Conclave and will present the Newsletter Director & Computer Coordinator report. We look forward to seeing everyone and hope all clubs will be well represented.

When we accepted the jobs of Newsletter Director and Computer Coordinator, our goal was to improve communication throughout Central District. We thought a new website was needed so the Grand Square could be distributed to all dancers throughout the district. After all, it's imperative that every dancer in Central District know what's happening. Sonya Savell-Jones volunteered to design and maintain the website and to assist with the newsletters, printing, and mailing to those who did not have a computer. Thank you Sonya, and thanks to all of you who have supported our endeavor by sending us news, writing special articles, and helping identify those who needed to receive the newsletter by mail. You are the ones who are responsible for making the newsletter interesting and informative.

A special thank you to the callers and cuers who have taken time to write their autobiographies for publication in the newsletter. We have received many positive comments about the articles and pictures. We appreciate you sharing about yourselves, your family, and your history of calling and cueing.

Have fun dancing!! Sincerely, Richard and Carol Schwake

October 2008 Club News:

ARISTOCRATS PLUS: We are back to our regular schedule dances. We dance 2nd and 4th Saturdays. We are having a chili cook-off on October 25th, so please come taste and judge which chili you think should win.

We are a mainstream-plus club with more plus dancing than mainstream. We dance at the Bohemian Hall, 3800 S. Portland, on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays. Please come dance with us!

Steve and Vanessa Ackerman, Presidents

CIRCLE 8: Circle 8 is having a Tailgate Party on the 9th of October. Wear your teams favorite color and join us for a great time.

Of course Halloween will be here before we know it and we will be looking for all the ghosts and goblins on the 23rd when we hold our second dance of October. Come join us for a great time.

Marvin and Donna K. Pierce, President

DANCING SHADOWS ROUND DANCE: We are having some great dances. Our attendance is good and we have a lot of fun. We would love to have you come and visit our club at any time you are free on Monday nights. Remember we dance at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Family Life Center, 700 N. Air Depot, Midwest City. Our dance times are 7-9 pm.

We started beginner lessons on September 3 and have 23 students. They are very enthusiastic and learning at a quick pace. If you are already a round dancer, we would invite you to come and help us angel our new dancers.

We will be having a Christmas dance in the future so look on the web site for future information. Come dance with us. CUNA circle soon.

Carol Palmer, President Jim & Georgianne Couey, Cuer

DOUBLE NICKEL SQUARES: DOUBLE NICKLE Square Dance Club is alive and well. Every Thursday at 1:00 pm at Will Rogers Senior Center. Casual dress. Singles welcome. Should be age 55 or older*. So far no one over 101 years. If you are, just wheel on out to North Portland. Turn right at NW 31st entrance to the Tennis Courts. The Sign says: Closed to THRU Traffic but OPEN to Will Rogers Center..However they are nearly completed with a new bridge over the old Duck Pond, so come on and " look-see".. Yellow Rocks.. P.S. The City Park Department said it's because all people in the building must be 55 or older..Ha!

Allen and Dorothy, Presidents, 405-348-5309 or email: alndotw@juno.com

FUN TIMERS: Fun Timers collected a lot of school supplies that were donated to Mrs. Marcussen's sixth grade class at Bethel School.

Our regular dance on October 14th will be "Football" night, so wear your school colors with jeans etc. and come join us for a fun evening.

Our annual Bean/Chili/Hot Dog Supper will be held October 28th. This is our yearly fund raiser \$4 a person will allow you all you can eat. A flyer is posted on the CDSDA website. Door prizes include a \$50 gift certificate from Lowell's Place.

We dance each 2nd and 4th Tuesday nights at the Midwest City Senior Citizens Center which is located just north of the Midwest City Fire Station and east of the Library.

Presidents are Ron and Sandy Johnson.

HAPPY TRACKS SQUARE DANCE CLUB: Happy Tracks had a very busy but fun September. We were involved in 5 different exhibitions. Our club members are very creative, and because of that we won first place in the Harrah Centennial Float Parade. We will be participating in Global Oklahoma at Rose State College on Saturday the 4th of October with an exhibition at 1:30pm. There are many entertainers and events scheduled if some of you want to check out this event.

We want to thank all or our club members and volunteers who have helped us have such a productive spring and summer. The Tremains and Modisettes are hosting a fish fry and dance at the Tremains on October 6th. This seems a fun way to welcome fall and thank everyone for being a part of our club.

We will be dancing on our usual 2nd and 4th Thursdays, with the 23rd being a Halloween dance and costume contest. We would love for you to come and dance with us at Nicoma Park Community Center just off 23rd between Westminister and Hiwassee.

Don & Helen Tremain, Presidents 391-2247
Vernon & Lois Willis, Reporters 390-8426
Sonya Savell-Jones, Caller 630-8199

HEARTLAND DANCERS ROUND DANCE CLUB OF OKC: Our 6th anniversary dance was a great success. We had several of the Central District Board in attendance. We also had two square dance tips for those attending who did not round dance. We had a lot of fun and want to Thank everyone who attended. Sonya Savell-Jones was Jones were there to do the calling and her husband Terry. All who attended had lots to eat, got some great door prizes, and enjoyed lots of fun square and round dancing. Now that we are 6 years old, maybe we can find a school to go to.(Ha, Ha). All you round dancers out there come dance with us at Linwood UMC, Family Center, on Thursday nights from 7-9 pm. We promise you a good time. CUNA circle soon.

Jim & Georgianne Couey

KALICO KAPERS: Dance: 1st & 3rd Thursdays at West Side Lions Club, 4135 NW 10th Street, OKC, OK.
7:00 pm - C1-Workshop / 7:30 pm - Plus Dance / 9:30 pm - A2 Star Tip - Caller: Jerry & Gayle Stover

DBD Plus lessons have ended and we are now back to our regular schedule listed above. We invite YOU to come join us at the 'friendly club' for several hours of exciting DBD Plus dancing.

METRO SINGLES:

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

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

Upcoming Theme dances:

October 24th ~ Spook Dance (prizes for best spooks)

November 28th ~ Happy Turkey Dance.

Please 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 reminder, we have returned to square dance attire except for theme dances.

Metro Singles is holding square dance lessons on Monday nights at: St. Mark's United Methodist Church, Family Life Center, 8140 NW 36th St, Bethany, OK 73008.

Jessie Jackson, President.

NATIONAL COWBOY HALL OF FAME: National Cowboy has moved location for our dance nights. We are now dancing at The Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 700 N. Air Depot in Midwest City. We will still dance on the 1st & 3rd Mondays from 7:30pm to 9:30pm.

Cowboy will be dark on the 1st Monday in October (Oct 6th) due to our caller's 50th Birthday. He is going to Vegas to celebrate.

Cowboy would like to welcome our newest members and hope they will have as much fun as we have had in the past few years. We are still looking forward to more new dancers coming to join in on our fun.

National Cowboy has voted to attend Nationals in Long Beach so we will be working on a new routine as well as continuing to practice our previous one.

Thank you to all of our Cowboy members that attended the State Fair. Once again Cowboy looked great and performed wonderfully despite a few hick-ups with the sound. Jim and I both say WOW!!! What a great group of dancers we have been blessed to work with and call for. Keep up the great work and have fun.

Thank you again,
DeDe and Jim Howard

President is Art Myers.

NORMAN BUCKAROOS: Norman Buckaroos dance on the 2nd and 4th Fridays at 7 - 9 pm. in the Whittier Recreation Center, 200 W. Brooks, in Norman. We are proud of our caller and his wife, Jim & Twyla Woolsey. They are the best! Our door is always open. Please come visit us sometime!

President is Mavis Grayson

NORMAN SILVER SPUR, INC: WOW, what else can we say but WOW, what a wonderful "Diamond" Anniversary dance we had. A very BIG thank you to all that attended our 60th Anniversary dance. Almost every club was represented. Even a couple from Wichita Falls, TX came and danced with us. We are a lucky district to have so many wonderful callers to dance to. We were honored to have 11 callers and cuers to help us celebrate our anniversary. Thank you callers and cuers for making the dance so much fun. Of course we couldn't do all of this without all of the great people in our club. A big thank you goes out to Janice Walker and her sister Joyce Rice who made all of our beautiful anniversary skirts and dresses and the men's handsome vests. We also want to thank Pam Johnson for creating the diamond spur design that was on the men's vests. Everyone in the club worked very hard and put in a lot of time and effort, so many thanks to all of you. Our dance was a tremendous success. Our lucky winner of the "Diamond Necklace" was Teacup Chains member Shirley Brown. Congradulations Shirley.

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

SHAWNEE SQUARE EIGHTS: Greetings from Shawnee! It seems a lot of people were home watching the football games this last weekend, but we had two squares anyway. We had some visitors from Spirit of 76, nice to see you make the long trip down to see us.. We are here 2nd & 4th Saturdays from 7:30 to 10:pm. so come join us. Congrats to OU for being #1. A get well wish to Linda Spaugy, she's feeling under the weather.

Presidents are Bernie and Lila Bergman

SILVER SPUR OKC: Silver Spur, OKC, started a new set of Mainstream square dance lessons in September; the students are bright and enthusiastic and are looking forward to graduation in a few months and becoming a part of the wonderful world of square dancing! We are looking forward to the upcoming CD Barn Dance in October, 2008; this will be another great time for all dancers to get together for fellowship and dancing. We would love to have you come dance with us at our Club dances; you are always welcome at Silver Spur, OKC!

Don and Jan Gamble, President

Gerald McWhirter, Caller

SINGLE ROUNDS: Lessons have started on Monday evenings from 6:30 - 8 pm. These will be beginners lessons and the cost will be \$4 per lesson at the door. The first three weeks will be open enrollment. After the third week of lessons, enrollment closes.

Following lessons, we have our regular dances will from 8 to 10 pm every Monday (except 5th Mondays) at the Bohemian Hall, 3800 S. Portland. All dancers, both Singles and Couples, are invited to come to dance with us. Admission is \$4/person at the door. Our expert cuer is J.C. Johnson. We invite all of our round dance friends to come visit us this month!

President is Marie Hunter.

SINGLE SQUARES, INC: Our Single Squares Dance Club dances 1st and 3rd Friday Night at 3800 So. Portland, OKC, at the Bohemian Hall.....Our 1st dance in October will be regular square and round dance we will be going back to regular square dance clothes except for theme dances...the 3rd Friday dance will be our Halloween Dance so come in costume or regular square dance clothes. Come and be young at heart and enjoy yourself. We welcome everyone married or single. Our caller is Jeff Holley and our cuer is Mr. J. C. Johnson, pre-rounds start at 7:00 and then we have workshop at 7:30 for anything you are having trouble with. Square Dancing and Grand March begins at 8:00 p.m. The purpose of Singles Squares--- the more people at our dances ---the more fun we get to have...see you in a square!!!

President is Chuck Short 2nd VP Delores Chambers

SPIRIT OF '76: Spirit of '76 started mainstream lessons in September and has 26 new students as of our third lesson! Jeff Holley is both a great caller and an excellent teacher. Our only special dance is October will be Sunday, the 26th, our annual Halloween Dance. Prizes for best costume, weird happenings, and scary food! Everybody is invited to come join in the fun.

We dance at the OKC Swing Club, NW 50 & Meridian (in the north east corner of the strip mall). 8:00 pm Grand March. Great calling, great cueing, great food, and GREAT FUN!!!
Rounds at 7:30 & workshop at 7:45. Grand March 8:00.

Margaret & Ed Kelsay, '76 Presidents

SWINGING REBELS: If you missed our “SWEETY PIE/HONEY BUNCH” dance you missed out on a good time. We honored our newly weds and celebrated everyone’s wedding day with sweetheart music, wedding reception, garter toss, and of course a bouquet toss. It was interesting to see the many wedding pictures and fun to offer some “time honored” advise to our newly weds.

Fall has arrived and everyone is enjoying the fall colors and the mild temperatures. Now is a good time to plan your October and November visitations. The Rebels will have a “HOBO DANCE” on October the 24th. Get out your hobo “best bib and tucker” and come join us for an evening of fun and fellowship. Of course, if you would rather dress in square dance attire that’s okay also.

Mark your calendar for November 28, 2008 and come to our after Thanksgiving dance. We will be having an all gospel dance on that date to give thanks for the many blessings that the good Lord has given us.

Remember we will have the lights on, the coffee going and lots of yellow rocks, so come on by and dance a tip or two with us at Warr Acers Community Center, 42 and Ann Arbor. Workshop at 7:30p.m. and our Grand March is at 8:00p.m. We’ll be looking for you.

See you in a square real soon.

Roy and Sharon Taylor, Swinging Rebels Presidents

TEACUP CHAINS: Greetings from Teacup Chains! We are enjoying our new dance location and invite everyone to come and check it out. We are now dancing the first and third Saturdays at: Peace Lutheran Church - 2600 Danforth - Edmond, Oklahoma

Our September activities included dancing at the State Fair on September 13th, and doing an exhibition at the Wellington on September 25th. October will also have extra activities as we will be dancing at the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum on Monday, October 13th. We will also be actively participating in the Barn Dance at the West Side Lion's Club on Sunday, October 19th. See the Special Events in the Newsletter for more details.

Our presidents are Myron and Shirley Brown at 348-6053.

TERRITORIAL SQUARES: What a fantastic time we had at the State Fair of Oklahoma. The dancing was fun and we really enjoyed talking to people about our hobby. Our thanks goes out to everyone that made this event great. Our lessons are continuing and what a nice group of new dancers. They are learning very quickly and enjoying it greatly. Territorial Squares will **NOT** hold their regular dance on October 11th. This is when our Fall Outing is being held at Grand Lake in Grove. We hope to see everyone on the 25th of October at our Halloween Dance. Costumes are encouraged but not mandatory. Come join us for a fun night of dancing, fellowship, and where prizes will be awarded for best costumes.

Andy Turner, President/Reporter

YOUTH STORMIN': We have moved our dance nights we are now dancing on 1st and 3rd Friday nights starting this month. The time has change as well - it is now 8 to 10 pm. Until January, we will be dancing at 3901 South Sunnyslane in Del City so our caller can teach lessons. Look for us to selling Blue and Gold Sausage, cookie dough, and more things in the next couple of months. Our new board is as follows:

Megan Huey and Bonnie Tarrant, Presidents
Debra Fancher, Vice President
Ashley Johnson, Secretary
Zac Mays, Treasurer
Rebeka Ackerman and Ana Ackerman, Historians

Our dance time is 8 to 10 pm and admission is \$3 dollars, so come dance with us. If you need any more information about Youth Stormin', please feel free to call Steve Ackerman at 405-761-1086 or 405-761-1085, or e-mail him at zooemt@yahoo.com

Steven Ackerman, Youth Stormin' Caller