

September 25, 2010

Meeting was called to order by President Colleen Monk @ 2:10 pm at the Harding Family Center in Coeur d'Alene Idaho. There were 35 dancers in attendance.

Colleen thanked Area 1 for hosting the meeting.

**Roll Call** was taken and all were present except Darin Keith and Brenda Orgill.

**Minutes** were read and approved as corrected. It should have been John Sato not Jim and the website for squaredancing.com should have had a space after it before the next word.

**Treasures report.** Fran states "we spent all the money." The report was approved.

**Corresponding Secretary Report** Rex and I apologize for missing the meeting and dance. There were too many conflicts for us this time.

Directory: The updated directory is on the website, but as usual there are already new updates. Please continue sending updates as they are available and I will change them as I get them. The directory is finalized each spring and will be updated on the website. The completed directory is sent to Patti and she puts it on the website, so it is updated on the website once a year. This was decided a few meeting ago.

ROM is from Area 1 for September, Area 3 for November, and Area 4 for December. As soon as I receive the ROM I send it to all Federation Officers and federated clubs. Please send schedules and information from your areas, information on the next State Festival, USA West, and other important events. If there is someone in your area you would like me to spotlight, please send information about the person and a picture if possible.

**Membership:** No report

**Publicity:**

No report

Insurance: It is once again that time of the year when the Area Reps will be handing out the club rosters for each club in their area. Please remember that the last sheet in each packet must be signed by a club officer and returned with your membership lists. The fee for this year has remained the same as last year \$4.45 per dancer, with a minimum of \$45.00 for a club that has less than 11 dancers. I was asked this year if the class had to pay there insurance as of graduation. The answer is yes. Some of the clubs do not, but remember that you are then dancing without insurance and your club would be liable if one of your dancers was injured. And by not reporting you could get the insurance canceled for the whole state. We have 927 dancers insured at the time.

A lot of questions were asked about when a certificate is needed for a special dance. Any time your are not dancing at your usual dance site you need a new certificate for that dance, Please remember that there is a six (6) week lead time in order to get one sent to you. So please let me know in plenty of time so that you will be insured.

**State Festival 2010:** Many thanks go to all those people who helped make the 2010 Festival a success. It was a pleasure to work with each and everyone who was involved.

There were 214 people participating in the Grand March Saturday night during the final event of the 2010 State Square and Round Dance Festival. Over 300 people signed in over the two days the Festival took place.

I have had the opportunity to talk with the Minico Cafeteria Cooks, Plyllis & Ed, since the festival and they were pleased with the income they received from meals, snacks, and coffee. The custodial staff at Minico High School was extremely great to work with providing items needed during the festival when asked. Also, many square dancers, Idaho callers and cuers have expressed how much fun Rick Hampton and TJ & Bruce were to dance to. All in all the **Idaho Federation 2010 Square and Round Dance Festival was a huge success.**

**State Festival 2011:** Jon & Cinder Wood brought the flyers for all the area's that needed them, and will be taking pre-registrations. We need people to start pre-registering ASAP

So that we can print more flyers and get our ribbons purchased to send back as your

Confirmations. Flyers will be mailed soon to the Woolcocks and Tim Mariner in October. We plan to mail flyers to all surrounding states. Flyers have been distributed at Oregon State Festival and USA West in Greeley CO. The price has been dropped by \$10.00 per person, to \$30.00 each. Please come and encourage your dancers in the area to come. I know we have \$1200. to \$1500. just for Kuna School, not to mention the caller and cuers.

My sincere apologies for not being able to make it to the meeting. My Advanced dancers host Joe Saltel Plus weekend every last weekend in September. Darin & Kirsten Keith Festival chairmen.

**State Festival 2012:** The festival will be held in the Post Falls High School on June 21-23 2012. The theme is Westward Ho to Idaho. John Sjolin from Canada will be the caller and Mary Saline will be the cuer.

## **Area Reports**

### **Area I**

**Hoodoo Valley Hoedowners:** Our lessons began September 19. We are holding Phase 3 Jive class right now and will be moving into Phase 3 Waltz. Our phase 2 class is Waltz this year. Mainstream is holding at 3-4 squares each week with 10 new students. Our first dance is coming up on October 16, it is our Halloween dance and will award prizes for the best costumes.

We had members who attended the Idaho State Festival in Rupert, the Montana State Festival in Billings and the Washington State Festival in Ellensburg.

Our summer Jamboree was a fun one. We had 21 camping spaces occupied. This year we had a poker walk again and our participants stated that they had a good time with it. Jonathan Wood was our featured caller. He offered a Plus and Mainstream workshop on Saturday, they were very helpful and fun. One participant stated that he didn't know how many circulate moves there were until he took the workshop. Theresa Nichols was our featured cuer. Within her workshops on Saturday we learned /touched up on Phase 3 cha, rumba, waltz, and two step moves. We all had a great time. Our Friday all callers and cuers dance was Phase 3, Plus and Mainstream levels. We had seven squares on the floor. The yummy BBQ dinner was well attended. With many people coming year after year stating they look forward to it each summer. Several new attendees said they would return next year. Saturdays dance with Jonathan Wood and Theresa Nichols gathered 10 squares to the floor. Our Sunday pancake breakfast was handled so smoothly by club member Jan Hewitt and her

daughters/crew that we all were able to have a nice leisurely and filling breakfast before the final dance to end our 2010 Jewell Lake Jamboree.

**Coeurly Q's:** We have had a busy summer dancing in the parks! We had some visitors at the different parks as people would come to see what we were doing. Ed Schiffner would teach some basic square dance moves so they could try dancing. As a result of our website, square dancers visiting from out of state decided to come check us out, most visitors were from Arizona. It was really great to share ideas for recruiting square dancers with our out of state visitors. A few of us went to the Idaho State Festival in Rupert. We really enjoyed the callers and cuers.

In June we taught 300 junior and high school students how to do some basic square dancing. They were at Lutherhaven on Coeur d'Alene Lake for Idaho Day Free Youth conference. Ed Schiffner called for us and we had a very busy day. At the end of the week they had the kids vote on their activities. Square dancing was voted the most fun day for the whole week. We are hoping to see some of these kids come for lessons in Oct.

We worked with several grade schools in the area teaching 4th graders how to square dance for Idaho History Day. We had a group of dancers dancing at "Art on the Green" in Coeur d'Alene the last weekend of Aughts. Then the middle of August we danced at Calder Days in Calder Idaho.

On September 25th we hosted the Idaho Federation meeting and dance. Adam Christman was our caller and Justine Brown was our cuer. We had eight squares on the floor for mainstream and four squares for plus. An area one youth fund raising served a roast beef and turkey dinner with home grown vegetables, salad and condiments prepared by Randee Pound of the Hoodoo Valley Hoedowners was held after the meeting.

**Circle n Swing:** We graduated 3 students- 2 recycles in April 2010. We have two new members, Jason Patterson and Nisha Hosking. We held two free Coffee fund raisers this summer, and were satisfied with the results. They earned extra money to pay for lessons and add a bit to our treasury. We did a demo dance at Rathdrum Days in Rathdrum Idaho on July 16th.

Our annual festival campout and dance at the Misty Mountains campground was held the 1st weekend in September, Labor Day weekend. Marvin Speck and Don McPeak called the Saturday night dance and Theresa Nichols cued. We had a dance in the campground by the campfire Friday night, held the horse races for the kids, relaxed and visited with each other in the campground and took in the sights and fireworks at the Paul Bunyan Days Festivities. We had 39 dancers attending.

Mainstream lessons began September 21. We have 6 new students. Lessons are held on Tuesday evenings 7-9pm at the Seltice Elementary School from Sept to April.

Our dances are held on the 3rd Friday of each month at the Calvary Lutheran Church on 10th and Compton in Post Falls, Idaho.

**Kootenai Kloggers:** Our lessons will begin in early October. We are offering mainstream, phase 2 waltz and hopefully enough students for plus.

Our dances will be held on Saturday evenings with some extras held on Sunday afternoons. Our first one will be held October 17, Sunday afternoon 1:30-5pm with a potluck to follow. Barry Bartlette from Lolo Montana will be calling and Sharon McNair from Bonners Ferry, Idaho will be cueing. It will be at the Legion Hall in Bonners Ferry.

**Libby Spinning Squares:** In June we hosted our annual Logger's Festival. In August we hosted the Area I meeting at the Libby Dam with dancing, swimming and a hamburger/hot dog potluck lunch. Fun was had by all.

Our dance season begins October 9th with our 50's dance. Ed Schiffner will call and cue. We dance at the Kootenai Valley Christian School Gym in Libby Montana. Plus at 7 to 8 pm, mainstream 8 to 10 pm all times are Mountain Standard Time. Lessons begin in early October.

## **Area II**

Butch Suttty is teaching refresher lessons for the Twin City Twirlers on Thursday nights. He will start mainstream lessons on January 6th 2011. John & Joy Rich are teaching Round dance lessons on Sunday nights at the Twin City Square Dance Center. The Twin City Twirlers & Square Devils danced in down town Clarkston & Lewiston at the Alive after Five events. Dancing in the streets with a lot of people and a fun time. We also dance at the NezPerce County Fair, September 24th and had a very nice turnout. Pamphlets were passed out to on lookers to take lessons. Hall cleanup will be Oct 2nd, and all clubs have been invited to take part. The Twirlers are making plans to celebrate our clubs 50th anniversary on July 16th 2011. We are also looking forward to BLOOSOM DAYS May 6-8 2010 when Adam Christman and Justine Browne will be calling and cueing.

Bill and Lorraine Kennedy have been calling & cueing for the Barn Owls at Orofino. The Square Devils will start dancing Oct. 9th, Ed Holyoke calling. Rick & Kathy Utter will be calling Saturday Oct. 2nd @ 7:pm

You all come dance with us. The Twin City Square & Round Dance Center  
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Dick Spooner Area II

The Frolickers had a great Bridge dance at the end of June and the Promenaders had their Pine Creek campout and a dance at the Latah Fair. We are getting ready for lessons and dances in October. In a year we will be looking for a caller for the Frolickers and Promenaders.

Mike Long Area II

## **Area III: Intermountain Square and Round Dance Association**

In July we held the annual Funstitute in McCall with a Wild West theme. Some dressed in early western garb to add to the fun. We had dance hall girls, mountain men, sheriff and his wife, gamblers, etc. The decorations, done by Dolores Lloyd were fantastic! Friday night we had an ice cream social after the dance and Saturday night we had entertainment with skits including can can girls. Saturday we had a street dance by the lake, an afternoon round dance and plus dance. Outdoor breakfasts at Ponderosa Park with poker game Sunday. Playing cards were given at each event in sealed envelopes, then after breakfast Sunday, each table opened up their cards and the best had won a prize. Then the winners had a play-off for the grand prize.

We had several **out of area callers** this summer including Joe Saltel, Randy Dibble, Jerry Junck, Doug Davis and Mike Sikorsky.

**The Pit Q** was held on September 11th with a patriotic theme "God Bless America Again". Red, white and blue decorations filled the hall with flags, stars and stripes, etc. There were 211 attendees, including prospective new dancers. A beginner tip was held after the wonderful meal of Pit cooked roast beef, corn on the cob, coleslaw, baked beans, sliced tomatoes, rolls and desserts. Uncle Sam (Gary Davis) emceed the rousing patriotic dance with Miss Liberty (Mary Oneida) leading the rounds. This is the major fund-raiser for the hall and it was very successful.

**Classes** have started or will start soon all over the valley. A CPR class is being planned for the near future.

Our **ISRDA website** is now linked properly to the Federation website. Any additions or changes should be made through Darin Keith.

The **Sagebrush Shufflers** hall has been condemned until repairs can be made. They will hold their Bum Dance at the Boise Hall this coming year.

**Spin & Twist Round Dance Club** has gone inactive as Amos and Nancy Mouser will be in Arizona cueing for the winter.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

**Round Dance Festival** - October 15-17 at the Boise Hall. George and Pam Hurd are the featured cuers. Workshops on Tango, with emphasis on styling and posture, Sat. & Sun. mornings. Phase 2-4 teaches on Sat. afternoon.

**Fall Jubilee** - November 12-13 at the Boise Hall. Caller is Charlie Robertson, with cuer Mary Oneida. Pre-register by Oct. 1 and receive a free lunch.

#### **Area IV**

**Magic Valley Singles:** Many club members attended the State Festival in Rupert, Idaho. On June 16 Chris Riker hosted a potluck/dance at her home. On July 21 a workshop was held at our caller Steve & Pat Hadley's home and Pete Schmidt hosted a dance at his home. All were fun and well attended. The club continues to dance at Woodstone Retirement Center the last Friday of the month. Workshops start in September, lessons for new dancers in November. American Legion Hall, Jerome, Idaho Caller Steve Hadley.

**River Reelers:** The club held regular dances on Saturday once a month and had the Trail Thru dance June 9th prior to the State Festival with Craig Abercrombie calling. On August 28 Boyd Murdock called for their hamburger feed dance with had two squares and was a lot of fun. In July the International Dance Festival was held in Burley with many members from each area clubs participating in the annual fun and interesting event. The club dances year round on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays. Lessons on Thursday at Round A Square Center in Rupert, Idaho. Caller Steve Hadley

**Left Footers:** Beginner lessons Mondays 7:30-10pm . Tuesdays Intermediate, and Wednesday Advanced dancers at Round A Square Center in Rupert, Idaho. President and cuer Clare Gill.

**Buttons 'n Bows:** The State Festival that Area IV hosted in June proved to be a very successful event with around 300 dancers in Attendance. All the callers and cuers did a wonderful job as did Chairpersons Les & Dawn Hutchinson and their committees. A tour of the historic opera house was a special highlight. The Running Bear and Mystery dances were cancelled. We had a cleanup weekend at the Intermountain Christian Church Camp in May. After a hard days work getting the camp ready for the young people we even had a little energy left for dancing to records. In August about 40 people attended a dance at the Church camp with two couples coming from Boise. Wilford recently had surgery so wasn't able to call, but he and Carol came and stayed for about an hour. Ardean Lang filled in and did a good job. Good dancing, food and fun by all. There have been several dancers in our clubs that have passed away this summer. Andrea and Larry Cory hosted a round dance workshop at their home in Hagerman with about 20 attending. Dances start in September and October on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays and workshops begin the 1st Monday in November at the American Legion Hall in Jerome, Idaho. Caller is Wilford Allison.

## **Area V**

**Area V's** next meeting/dance will be a Halloween dance on October 30th. Caller will be Darin Keith and Cuer Larry Stewart. Meeting will start at 6pm, pre rounds at 7:30pm. and squares at 8pm. It will be held at the Schilling 6th grade school in Blackfoot. The Choo Choo Squares will be hosting this dance. We will be trying to hold the January and April dances in the afternoon to make it easier for the Salmon dancers to attend and to give Steve Sullivan the opportunity to host an Area V meeting/dance.

**Choo Choo Squares:** we are getting geared up for the coming season. We didn't dance during the summer except we hosted Jerry Junck in July. Clare Gill did the rounds.

Several of our members traveled to Lolo and Knothead this year. Two couples attended the nationals in Kentucky.

Many club members worked in the Eastern Idaho Fair souvenir booth to raise money to pay our rent for the year. This was the 5th year with plans to do it again next year.

The Choo Choos began in 1972 and began having annual reunions in 1978. On September 17-18 we had our 22nd club reunion. We had a good group attending and it was a fun reunion with games and a potluck BBQ on Friday night and a potluck dinner on Saturday afternoon with a program following. We had several members participate in the program and everyone did a great job.

On Friday September 24th we are having a new dancer open house. We are inviting all the members of the club to come and mingle with new dancers that come and get to know them and encourage them.

We have a good schedule for the coming year with lots of fun dances planned.

Our regular dances will start on October 22. That will be our railroad dance. Our club was started by railroaders and the railroad dance have become on our traditional dances

**Steve Sullivan's clubs** have been dancing all summer and have a full schedule for fall and winter. Call Steve for exact nights & times.

**Levis n Lace:** Judy Carlson is the new president for this year. They dance on Friday nights. It is best to call ahead to make sure they are dancing. They hope to have enough each week to dance. Eddie will also be the club caller for Boots & Calico dancing in Hamilton Montana.

**Upper Valley Squares;** We will finally be starting up this year on November 6th in Rexburg.

### **Old Business:**

**Website and directory updates** seem to be a problem with in the Federation. The question was asked if we needed a publicity person to act as go between clubs and the website. It was determined that we have that position filled. Jonathan will work to iron out any problems and see if we can get the directory back to the March deadline. Please get your club information that needs to be on either the website or the directory to your **area rep.** as soon as possible so they can get the info to Brenda.

A question was asked if an additional page in the directory could be used for listing non Federation callers and cuers. Quite a lengthy discussion was held and a motion was made to have any caller or cuer with a \$5.00 fee be put on this additional page. That motion was removed from consideration and a new motion was made. This motion was tabled until the breakfast meeting so it could be written correctly. Have you ever tried to write when at least 10 people are all trying to add something to the motion all at the same time.

Motions really should be put in writing and handed in.

**Nationals in Kentucky:** There were 5600 dancers at the Nationals. The dance went well. They are trying to get a new museum for Fold Dancing started but do not have the funds as of yet. Colleen thanked the Wood's for representing Idaho.

**USA West 2013 in Boise.** The theme is connect the dots and will be held at The Center On The Grove. It will be held in August.

### **New Business:**

**New officers** were introduced to take over the new business portion of the meeting... A round of applause for Colleen doing a wonderful job as the out going President.

**The USDA membership form** was passed to Fran to fill out and get it sent in. It has to be filed before we can send in our insurance for the 2011 year.

**Arts:** Dawn has been the representative to Arts. It is a national organization that puts our information to all dancers. Dawn will get with the Area Rep's to get this information out. We will need a new representative. Colleen Monk will take on this responsibility.

Jonathan read a letter from the 60th National convention in Michigan and they are looking for money for the youth. Randy Lundvell asked each club to donate \$5.00 to the youth. This letter will be on the website soon.

**IRS 990N form.** Area I asked if we need to file the form. A discussion was held with many questions raised. The only fact anyone was sure of is that State Tax on revenue from dances does need to be paid. They now collect these taxes in the month of Jan of the year following the activities.

**Winter meeting** will be held in Boise at the Square Dance Center on January 8-9 2011. Dinner and breakfast meeting will be announced at a later date.

Dinner tonight will be at the Harding Family Center at 5:30 being served by the Area I youth.  
Breakfast meeting will be at the Couer d'Alene Inn on Appleway at 8:am

Meeting was tabled at 4:55 pm

**September 26, 2010**

Breakfast meeting

The meeting was reopened at 8:15 am

Roll Call every one present except Darin Keith and Brenda Orgill.

Treasurer's report.

Need pre registration for the State Festival 2011. This is very important.

Thanked Area I for hosting the fall meeting.

Area reports: None

**Old Business.** The motion that was tabled from the Saturday afternoon meeting was read  
" A recommendation to provide a page on the Federation website or directory for callers and cuers from the region who are not associated with a Federated club, who would like to be considered as callers and cuers, and they will provide a \$5.00 annual publication fee, The page would include a remarks spot for their experiences".

A small discussion was held and the question was called for. The motion was defeated.

New Business: Federated dances are usually called and cued by Federated callers and cuers from around the State. Area I made the decision to hire a caller and cuer for their Federation meeting as they were not sure there would be any Federated callers and cuers in attendance. Could the host Area send our an RSVP to callers and cuers for their Federation meeting. The reason we use Federated callers and cuers is to cut down on expenses.

Next meeting will be in Area III on the 8-9 of January at the Boise Valley Sq & Rd Dance Center.

Respectfully submitted

Donna Stradinger  
Recording Secretary