

May 14, 2011

Meeting was called to order by President Jonathon Wood at 2:05 pm. He welcomed new attendees, Steve & Judy Sullivan.

**Roll Call:** All present except Treasurer Fran Sprague, Area 1 Rep Penny Goodman, Area 3 Rep. Gary Davis & Past President Colleen Monk.

**Minutes** were read and approved with the correction of Area 2's State Festivals caller and cuer.

**Treasurer's report** was read and approved.

**Corresponding Secretary:**

Have not received ROM for May 2011 yet. It should be from Area 5. Newsletter deadline is May 20th, 2011.

**Membership report:** No report

**Publicity:** No report

**Insurance report:**

There are currently 842 dancers insured. The clubs need to report there newly graduated members so they can be insured for the rest of the dance year. It is \$4.45 per member.

**State Festival 2011**

There is still a need for callers and cuers to be turned in so they can be put on the schedule. Everything else is ready. Will check with school this next couple of weeks. Area reps let your clubs know there will be a wall for pictures for all veterans past and present. Will be taking pre-registrations until May 31st.

## **State Festival 2012**

Flyers are out. Caller is Barry Sjolin from Penticton, B.C. and cuer is Jim Hatrick from Vancouver, WA

**State Festival 2013. Dark for the USA West dance in Boise.**

**State Festival 2014. Area V will host**

**State Festival 2015. Area 2 will host**

## **Area Reports:**

### **Area 1:**

Penny sent area events for there area news.

Thursday evening's Rain or Shine! 6;30 to 8;30 Casual dress \$3.00 donation.

June 2, 9th, 16th & 23rd. Rathdrum City Park,

June 30 K2 Equestrian Center. 5723 Dodd Rd. Hayden Lake ID

July 7, Coeur d'Alene Bluegrass park. 5757 Dalton Ave

July 17 Coeur d'Alene City Park 420 Mullan Rd

July 21 Harding Family Center Root Beer Float night. 411 N 15th St

### **Area 2**

The Pullman Frolickers are wrapping up their last regular dance this weekend with Frank Allen and Nina Liesi calling and cueing. And then they will host the Bridge Dance on June 24, 25, 26 with Gary Potratz calling and Nina cueing. Gary is giving a square dance workshop on Saturday at 10 a.m. Nina is giving a round dance workshop on Saturday at 1 pm. The toy boat race is at 3 pm. The silent auction is on Saturday and ends at 5 when the dinner starts. RV parking is available for free - it's a dry camp, and we will have a porta-potty.

The Twin City Twirlers had a great time at their annual Blossom Days in May and after the Frolickers, the Palouse Promenaders will host their Pine Dance in late July and the Kooskia Barn Owls will have their annual Fish Creek Dance in

August.

Next door, Spokane is gearing up for Nationals 2012 with great support from the Spokane Visitor's Bureau and a pre-convention dance of 85 squares.

### **Area 3**

**Sagebrush Shufflers** held a successful Bum Dance in February at the Boise hall this year since their hall in Mtn. Home is not useable at this time.

The Stew Feed put on by the **Silverleaf's** was a lot of fun, but what a motley crew! Many people dressed as pirates and got into the spirit. The stew and homemade rolls were excellent as usual.

**Capital Squares** tried to encourage spring to come with the annual Spring Swing. Bright spring colored table clothes and daisies set the mood for a wonderful evening, ending with pie & ice cream. The patio swing was won by one of our brand new couples - they were thrilled.

The **Yearling round-up** was held at the Boise hall on April 16th welcoming in the new dancers.

**Capital squares** took a bus over to Baker City for their annual Spring Fling which Gary Davis was calling and TJ Chadd was cueing. We went early and made a day of it, visiting the Oregon Trail Center and other things. One of our members, Bill Ellis, Volunteered to drive the bus free of charge to make it more affordable.

TJ Chadd has been hosting a Round Dance Party quarterly and it has been very successful.

Four Rivers Stars hosted Doug Davis on May 9th in Ontario OR. They had a good turnout of dancers from the treasure valley.

### **Coming events**

June 3-4 Hell's Canyon Days with Trail in Dance Friday and all Singing call dance on Saturday with Bosco Bosler and Gary Davis doing duets and Mary Oneida doing the cueing.

June 10-11 Idaho State Festival in Kuna. Tim Mariner from S Carolina will be the caller and Ron & Georgene Woolcock will be cueing.

July 8-10 Funstitute in McCall "Round out your Squares" Friday and Saturday dances at McCall High School. Outdoor breakfasts at Ponderosa Park. BBQ lunch and swimming at Zims Hot Springs.

August 17th Jerry Junck will be calling in Boise sponsored by the Capital Squares.

September 10 Annual Pit Q fund raising dinner and dance.

#### **Area 4**

**Magic Valley Singles:** The club has 6-8 new dancers and a potluck once a month. Number of dancers has been down so a phone calling bank was discussed. On May 5 there was an Open House and members were asked to bring a potential square dancer.

It was a good turnout. Pat Miller, one of the founders of the club passed away. Some members in our club as well as the other clubs have serious health problems. Steve Hadley, caller, has health issues and will not be calling for a while. Pres. Mike Miller reports that Nathan Andreason will finish out the season.

**River Reelers:** Eight to ten new dancers have stuck with the lessons, some being quite young. The Spring Fling was May 7 with 8-9 squares. Steve Hadley called and Ardean Lang, Larry Stewart and Ralph Walquist each called a tip. Clare Gill and Gid Harr cued. It was a fun dance. Door prizes were given and Gid won Split-The-Pot. Get Acquainted dance May 21 with new and seasoned dancers together. Craig Abercrombie will call on June 6 in Rupert.

**Left Footers:** Clare Gill continues with round dance lessons most every day or evening of the week.

**Buttons 'n Bows:** Six to eight new dancers when they all come. Valentine and Halfway Dance in February. Shamrock Shuffle in March, April Flop and Potato Bar in April with beginner and advanced dancers combined. Graduation workshop Mon. May 16 with root beer floats, last workshop May 23. Wilford Allison seems to bounce back from his health problems, has 7-8 couples for Thursday Round dance lessons with he and Gid cueing.

Singles and Buttons n' Bows are going to run the pop booth at Relay for Life May 21 and reports show more than \$2500 has been taken in so far. State Festival June 10-11 in Kuna, a dance June 26 in Hazleton, no dances in July, Prairie Creek Camp Out August 13 & 14, Intermountain Christian Church Camp August 26-28.

The 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday dance was held April 29, Rupert was host. Eddie Fields called and Clare and Gid cued. Lots of fun.

## **Area 5**

Our **January dance** was held the afternoon of January 29th at Steve Sullivan's Dance Hall in Pocatello. There was 4-5 squares in attendance. Our **April dance** was held the afternoon of April 16th in Salmon with 2 squares in attendance. The **next area 5 dance** will be October 29th with Bob Colton calling. It will be our Halloween dance and the location will be announced.

**Levis N Lace** are struggling to even get a square of dances to attend. They have not danced since December. They are trying to decide to keep going or to fold the club.

**Upper Valley Squares** are done for the summer, but will start again in November.

**Choo Choo Squares** have just ended their year of dancing. We hosted Bob Colton from Utah at our 39th anniversary dance in April. We have had a theme for every dance this year. Some of the fun dances we have had are birthday, color, patriotic, cowboy and Sadie Hawkins

Last night we had our annual Hobo dance with all the trimmings for a great night. We honored Conn and Vera Jean Housley for the many years they have contributed to square and round dancing in the Pocatello and American Falls area. On June 21st one of our past callers, Cloyde Murdock turns 80 years old. He called for the club for many years. We are gathering a group of dancers and will go to where Cloyde and Beverly are living and dance for them. We will dance several dances, but at least one will be one of Cloyde's own "Hooked on Elvis" which we recorded years ago.

Our attendance is down this year because we are all getting older and most all have some sort of health problem, but we still have the friendship and concern for all of our members and are always happy to see them when they can come.

We will be supporting the Idaho State Festival and Knothead this year, but will not be having summer dances. We will have our annual reunion probably in August or September. We invite all to come and dance with us.

**Snake River Squares** will be dancing all summer. They have one square of new dancers.

**Spinning Spuds** will be dancing all summer, and also have one sq or new dancers.

**Mystic Squares** has six new dancer, and also will be dancing all summer.

## **Old Business:**

There is nothing new on Arts. Colleen was not able to attend today's meeting.

Need to have someone going to Nationals in Detroit to take the Showcase of Ideas with them.

New information on callers and other things are being updated on the Website. Thanks to every one who reports new information.

**USA West 2013** - Everything going good. There are 78 pre - registrations. The theme is Connect the Dots. Hope everyone can go to Longview WA in 2012 and wear their polka dots. The floor will be the same as 2002. Still need volunteers. The kick off dance will be April 14 2012, your pre registration includes that dance also.

## **New Business:**

Ida Roamer badges for John and Rita Seely from Area 4.

Meeting was tabled until breakfast at the Golden Coral at 8am.

May 15th 2011

Meeting was resumed at 8:15 am

Roll Call: Treasure Fran Sprague, Past President Colleen Monk, and Area 1 Penny Goodman and Area 3 Gary Davis were not in attendance.

Minutes were read and approved.

Treasurers report: Last nights dance was a break even dance.

Dancing in the Capitol in March 2011 There were 4 squares and 4 callers It was a good dance.

Area Reports: No report

Old Business: None

Area 4 wanted to know how Bryce & Geneva were able to accomplish getting a defibulator for the square dance hall in Boise. They were given the phone number to contact them.

New Business: There is new club in the Boise Area, The Rainbows but they are not ready for the Federation yet.

Next meeting will be held on September 17-18 in Clarkston WA.

Respectfully submitted  
Donna Stradinger  
Recording Secretary