



**COWTOWN SINGLES  
SQUARE DANCE CLUB  
FOR SINGLES & COUPLES**

**MARCH 2004**



**WEB SITE: <http://www.cowtown-singles-square-dance.org>**

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**President's Message:**

. . . *Carroll (CW) Folmer*

The Cowtown Singles had a February 10, 2004 Club meeting at Carrow's Restaurant at La Sierra and Magnolia. The new class is, of course, our hot topic right now. The new class has started off with enthusiasm; both the new dancers and the angels seem excited, and it can only get better.

It was reported that Johnny Preston will kick off our 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Class Level dance. He received a lot of compliments on last year's dance. The Redlands B & B's were glad to hear that all of the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday dances will be from 2 to 5 P.M.

Visitations are crucial to the success of our square dance club. If we visit other clubs, they will reciprocate. This is a recurring theme I preach. I am happy to say that Jerry Johnson and Myrna McIntire have agreed to be the visitation chairpersons. If you see Jerry or Myrna, ask them where we are going next and how can you sign up.

During my first year as President of the Cowtown Singles, I have learned that a lot of items must be planned well in advance. The following are some of those items:

1. In order to obtain a block of tickets to the Palm Springs Follies on December 4, 2004, I volunteered that we would accept 30 tickets (20 must be sold to get a reduced price of \$41 each). It is my understanding that these are good tickets to the outstanding Christmas Show. This falls under our Social Events Chairman, Fran Stoddard, who coincidentally is going to the Palm Springs Follies in April with another group. She will be able to write us an excellent review.

2. It appears that we will have our Christmas Party at the Goeske Center this year, on December 11, 2004. I am sure that Fran Stoddard will be issuing more details in the future. It appears that we can have the large hall and even square dance if we can intimidate someone into calling. We have Helen Crum (our CCHA representative) to thank for both items 1 and 2.

3. The Cowtown Singles have begun preliminary discussions with the Southern California Fair in Perris which runs from October 16-24 about renting a booth to promote our club and obtain new dancers for our 2005 January class. There are a lot of details to be worked out before we commit to any version of it.

It was a delight to observe Mrs. Lottie (LULU) Ainsworth calling at our 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday dance in February. She is a relatively new caller, since she only started dancing in 1995. It appears that she is on her way to success.

Our March Callers Mr. Ken Bower and Mr. Lee Schmidt are not newcomers, but are well established callers who know how to put on a good show.  
*C.W. Folmer*

**CLUB MEETING**



ALL MEMBERS are invited. Please come and meet other members and enjoy a delicious meal. This is your chance to share ideas and make suggestions.

**DATE: *Monday, March 8th***

**TIME: 6:30 p.m. Dinner  
7:30 p.m. Meeting**

**LOCATION: Carrow's Restaurant  
Magnolia & La Sierra**

## Information from CCHA

The attachment is a replica of letter to me from Helen Crum. It is my opinion that everyone should know of the CCHA problems with the Fall Festival at Victorville.

To: C.W. Folmer  
From: Helen Crum  
Subject: The CCHA General Meeting held in the Patton Employees Room.

A member of the Blue Jays Square made the motion to remove Mike and Lee Ann Litterast, Chairpersons for the 2004 Fall Festival, due to lack of attendance at the CCHA meetings and not following the guidelines for the Fall Festival. This motion was tabled for the March meeting.

The Fall Festival at Victorville is the only means for the CCHA to obtain funds for the General Fund. The 2003 Fall Festival had a great loss of \$4500.

The News Editors of the Yellow Book would like for all clubs to send full yearly schedules for dances. Send all correspondence to:

Bill and Mary Bergman

### Notes from C.W.:

C.W. Folmer hand delivered a copy of the Cowtown Singles 2004 schedule.

Everyone has ideas of how to fix the Fall Festival. The most common ones heard are:

1. Sign Southern California callers and eliminate excessive travel expense. We have some great callers in Southern California.
2. Have a separate charge for Saturday night.

As you can see this is a critical problem that demands a solution. The Cowtown Singles wishes the CCHA the best and we will support your solutions.



### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We are getting a Work Party together on Saturday, March 13th from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. This is to do general cleanup at Cowtown Square Dance Center. Please lend us a hand or two!

## **Class News . . . Rollin Blossey**

The class has now completed 7 weeks of class. What a great group of new students we have! Tim is moving along at his usual pace and making it fun for the new people. We are lucky this year, as we have almost as many men as we do women. I'm not sure how many we have because of sickness. We have a number of people out each week, but the average has been 22 per week.

Thank you very much to the angels that come out; you are very much appreciated and needed.

Last week we selected a Sheriff, Suzane Abril and a Deputy, Wayne Allen. The fine is 25 cents for a fun or joke reason. The money we collect will be used to have a party toward the end of the year.

On March 17<sup>th</sup> we have planned to have an experienced clothing sale. If you have square dance clothes that are just taking space in your closet, bring them out. New class people will have first chance at the sale.

Planning is under way to get a list of callers for our Fourth Sunday Dances, 2 - 5 p.m. Come on out and support our class people. Spread the word and make this a good experience for the class.

See ya in a square.

*Rollin*



## **Membership**

*. . . Pauline Shawver*

A big welcome to some new members of Cowtown Singles. Please add them to your membership list: Linda Larson, Honey Shew, Donley and Joyce Thue.



### **DON'T FORGET THE FOURTH SUNDAY DANCE (Class Level Dance)**



When: Sunday, March 28, 2004

Where: Cowtown Square Dance Center

Time: 2 - 5 p.m.

Caller: Johnny Preston

This dance is for class and club members.  
Invite friends from other classes and clubs.  
Let's make this a big event!

## "KATHY'S CHATTER"

. . . *Kathy Anders*

We want to give a big thanks to Margie Hart, Lena Lacy and Emmy Bell for keeping us all informed by telephone and Sue Seman by email. Welcome aboard to Kathy Espalin, who has joined our "call girl" team.

Remember, too, you can also check our website for Club information:

<http://www.cowtown-singles-square-dance.org>

*Kathy*

## Sunshine & Shadows:

. . . *Sherry Stanke*



This month has been busy. Cards went out to Lore Smalley who had successful cataract surgery. Also a card went to Shirley Parker, as she had cataract surgery too. Now both her eyes have been done.

Mary Daniel's cousin died at 98 years old. She was very close to her and this was a big loss. Grace looked like 65, not 98!

Our honorary, dear friend and member Helen Crum, reported that Walt Ogilvie had surgery on his nose (26 stitches) to get rid of skin cancer. He also had two black eyes from this surgery, but is in good spirits since he has Helen for a nurse!

Jeff Krause had three teeth pulled. Nonetheless, he has been attending all of our monthly Monday night meetings at Carrows. Good to see you there, Jeff. We wish one and all to come to Carrows to participate and to hear what's going on with Cowtown.

C.W. Folmer, our President, is having knee surgery March 5<sup>th</sup>. His knees really bother him, but no one would ever know, with all the dancing he does!

Mary Negrete was hospitalized at Kaiser Hospital for a potassium and sodium imbalance.

Two dear people, Jean & Tom Hubbard lost their daughter suddenly. They are not members, but are dearly thought of and support Cowtown faithfully.

We wish each and everyone healing and health. If anyone needs a card or some cheering up, call Sherry.

*Sherry*



## Visitations

Please welcome our new Visitation Chairpersons, Myrna McIntire and Jerry Johnson.

**At press time, No Visitation had been scheduled for March.**

## Social Activities: . . . *Fran Stoddard*



We had a "Blast" at our Bunco Party on Saturday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. We want to thank our host and hostess, Rollin & Sherry. They were so gracious to have us at Sherry's beautiful home. We want to thank them for all their hard work.

It was wild and fun throwing the Bunco money bag from table to table. Afton was the "Bunco Queen" for the evening. Those attending were Lois Bryant, Stan Tomsic, Shirley Parker, Jan Capley, Dottie Bowers, Rollin Blossey, Sherry Stanke, Wayne Allen, Barbara Bousman, Kathy Anders, C.W. Folmer, Jeff Krause, Pauline Shawver, Afton Higbee, Lois & Bruce Roberts, Lois & Chuck Bell, Dick & Beverly Dale, Bonnie Adams and myself.

Everybody brought great finger foods with Rollin's guacamole being the hit of the party. Thanks to everyone for such great food.

We want to especially thank Lois Bryant for her great job of organizing the Bunco Games; she was a very patient and great instructor.

### UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS:

Saturday, March 27: Dinner and Play. Meet at Riverside Brewery at 5:30 p.m. for dinner, followed by the play "Fools" at Riverside Community Players at 8:00 p.m. The cost of tickets to the play: \$15.00, dinner on your own. Deadline for sign-ups and tickets is March 10<sup>th</sup> with Fran.

Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup>: Palm Springs Follies. 8:00 p.m. show; cost is \$41.00 Details later.

Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup>: Annual Christmas Party. Details later.

## MARCH BIRTHDAYS



Michele Campbell - March 6  
Jody Andrae - March 12  
Margie Hart - March 14  
Cynthia Vinckel - March 15  
Lore Smalley - March 24  
Carolyn Krupp - March 25

Enhanced Sound

## Club Dances: COWTOWN SINGLES



1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Fridays

March 5 - KEN BOWER  
"March Madness"



March 19 - LEE SCHMIDT  
"Kiss a Rose"

Squares: 8:00 - 10:30 p.m.  
Pre Rounds: 7:30 p.m.  
Rounds: Carol Allen

### Refreshments for March:

March 5 - Gilda Colgan  
Don Colgan  
Steve Sandow  
Jan Capley



March 19 - Fran Stoddard  
Afton Higbee  
Myrna McIntire  
Jerry Johnson

Any questions, please contact Bonnie.

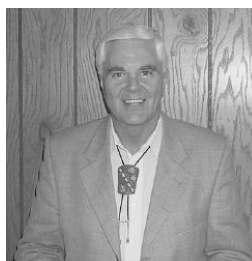


Refreshments . . .  
Bonnie Adams

Thanks to Sherry Stanke, Mary Daniels, Carol Christiansen for serving at the "Sweetheart Dance" on February 6.

Thanks to Lois Bell, Chuck Bell, Margie Hart and Fern Yonnes for serving at the "Cajun Lady" dance on February 20.

## OUR COWTOWN CALLERS FOR MARCH



**KEN BOWER:** Ken was first introduced into square dancing in 1961 and, within one year, he started calling. By 1965 he was traveling and calling full time. Since then he has called in every state in the United States as well as in Australia, China, England, Germany, Japan, New Zealand, Taiwan and Sweden. He has recorded for Chaparral Records since 1975.

He works at Golden Village Palms Travel Trailer Park in Hemet, California, from November through April, calling dances and teaching classes from beginner through advanced levels. During the summer months he travels throughout the United States calling one night stands and working square dance weekends and week institutes.

Ken and his wife, Dee, grew up and lived part of their married life in Iowa before moving to California in 1973. They have three children, six grandchildren and three great grandchildren. "One of the best things about square dancing is meeting the new people, and I am looking forward to seeing you around the square."



**LEE SCHMIDT:** "The Crawdad Man," makes his home in Anaheim, California with his wife, Marilyn.

Square dancing is the California state folk dance and is recognized as the national folk dance as well. Lee has been active in the preservation of this folk art. He has been calling 33 years, not only in California and the U.S. but all over the world. He has participated in festivals in Alaska, Texas, Arizona, Florida, Missouri, Canada, England, Mexico, Australia and New Zealand to name a few. Presently, Lee calls mostly in the western states and makes one or two trips out of the country each year. Lee teaches two or three beginning square dance classes and calls local dances every weekend year round. He has taught over 14,000 people to square dance. Lee also performs at several "live music" dances every year which has been consistent "sell-outs." In addition to this, he teaches a caller class for new and up and coming callers.

Lee's musical background is not limited to square dancing. He has been in the music business since age 14. He is an active member of the Academy of Country Music and the Western Swing Association. Lee has recorded four country albums, made two country videos and two square dance videos. He recorded on the Hi-Hat Square Dance label for 20 years, on the Swinging Star label and now is co-owner of Shakedown Square Dance Records, and owner of Marilee Records, a country label.

**Editor's Desk:** . . . *Sue Seman*



Please keep me informed with information for the newsletter. Please give me typed or legible handwritten information either by email, regular mail or in person. Any changes or updates on addresses and phone numbers, please call or email me. My deadline is usually the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.

**KEEP THIS DATE IN MIND!**

**COWTOWN FOUNDERS DANCE**

Sunday, April 4, 2004

2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Callers: Tim Pepper & David Mee

Cuer: Dawn Mee

\$8.00 per person

This dance is a fund raiser for Cowtown Square Dance Center.



**BAKERSFIELD FIESTA**  
March 19, 20, 21, 2004

Kern County Fairgrounds,  
Bakersfield, CA

Great Fun! Great Dancing!

Mainstream, Plus, Advanced, Challenge, Rounds

Callers: Ken Bower, Bob Baier, Michael Kellogg,  
Ron Libby, John Marshall, Mike Seastrom

Cuers: Bob & Kay Kurczewski, Debby & Tim Vogt



**An Irish Blessing**

May you always have work for your hands to do,  
May your pockets hold always a coin or two,  
May the sun shine bright on your windowpane,  
May the rainbow be certain to follow each rain.  
May the hand of a friend always be near you,  
And may God fill your heart with gladness  
To cheer you.

**Happy St. Patrick's Day!**





## COWTOWN SINGLES REFRESHMENT LIST MARCH - JULY 2004



If your scheduled date for refreshments is a problem, please try and trade with someone or contact me (Bonnie Adams, 780-4875) right away. If you trade, be sure to also let me know.

March 5 - KEN BOWER  
"March Madness"

Chair: Gilda Colgan  
Don Colgan  
Steve Sandow  
Jan Capley

May 21 - CLIFF SIMPSON  
"Red, White & Blue"

Chair: Lena Lacy  
Fern Yonnes  
Joyce Thue  
Don Thue

March 19 - LEE SCHMIDT  
"Kiss A Rose"

Chair: Fran Stoddard  
Afton Higbee  
Myrna McIntire  
Jerry Johnson

June 4 - DARREN GALLINA  
"Short Pants Dance"

Chair: Lois Roberts  
Bruce Roberts  
Mary Negrete  
Mary Daniels

April 2 - VIC KAARIA  
"April Showers"

Chair: Ron Espalin  
Kathy Espalin  
Candy Jaeckels  
Jerry Jaeckels

June 18 - CARRIE MASTERS  
"Welcome Grads"

Chair: Emmy Bell  
Marty Martin  
Peter Felicetta  
Shirley Parker

April 16 - JOE VALVO  
"Bunny Hop"

Chair: Margie Hart  
Chuck Bell  
Lois Bell  
Kris Millard

July 2 - BILL KRAMER  
"Fire Cracker Dance"

Chair: Carol Christiansen  
Jeff Krause  
Sandy MacLeane  
Carolyn Krupp

April 30 - JOHN WALTER  
"Crazy Tee Shirts"

Chair: Kathy Anders  
Lela Zwettler  
Gordon Wyne  
Sherry Stanke

July 16 - CHARLIE FAGAN  
"Luau" (POTLUCK)

Chair: Linda Wicker  
Phil Wicker  
Michele Campbell  
Cindy Vinckel

May 7 - DAVE DONALDSON  
"Spring Fling"

Chair: Lynn Janes  
Roy Janes  
Sue Seman  
David McCune

July 30 - ED FOOTE  
"Root Beer Floats"

Chair: Robin Hendrickson  
Don Hendrickson  
Honey Shew  
Linda Larson

