



# SEPTEMBER 2005 COWTOWN SINGLES SQUARE DANCE CLUB FOR SINGLES & COUPLES



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## President's Message: . . . *Rollin Blossey*

The year is moving right along; we've been through the hot summer months. They have been very good as far as our club dances. We are averaging eight plus squares per dance.

The next five dances look really great, with callers such as Simpson, Hayes, Lively, Shukayr and Preston. If you are not coming out, you are missing out on a great time.

I have started a new program of getting a little help from some of our members. The month of August, Bruce & Lois Roberts helped open and close the hall for club dances; September Bonnie & Richard Cameron (newlyweds) will do the honor. I will need some assistance during the following months and will be asking for help. See me if you would like to help.

One of the things I would like to change is the number of members attending our Club Meetings. Should we change the day of the week, time of meeting, location or what? I am exploring the possibility of a potluck and meeting on a Saturday, 4 or 5 p.m. Would that be interesting to any of the club members?

I know our class is still on-going, but it's not too early to start planning for next year. We will be looking for a class coordinator (unless we can talk Shirley into continuing on). Should we even have a class? Or change the start time, or format of the class? Please give me your ideas. Also, how should we promote the class? We need the club's input into this area. See me if you have any ideas or want to get involved.

Remember, this is your club, not mine! I'm trying to put in some ideas that you have expressed in order to make the dances more fun. So far, we tried the "He-He, She-She" squares; any interest? How about a "No-Hands" tip or "Hot Hash?" Any ideas or comments?

At this time we are averaging 24 to 25 members at our club dances; where are the other 50 plus members? If you are unable to dance because of health, just come on out and socialize. We miss you. See ya in a square. *Rollin*



Admission to Cowtown Singles Dances, as of September 1<sup>st</sup> will be \$6 per person.



Swearing in of new officers, July 15



## Class News

. . . Shirley Parker

The hot weather is about half over and I know everyone will be glad when it gets cooler. The class is about 3/4 the way thru, so just hang in there, for it will not be much longer and our class will be club dancers. Our class graduation will be the end of October so we will be looking forward to all our graduates joining us at our club dances. Just remember that the motto for square dancing is to go and have fun and get to know people.

At class on August 17th we had another pizza night. Everyone had a good time, and we had one extra pizza, so I sold chances for it. One of our new dancers from Single Swingers won the pizza. I want to thank the class people for showing up each week and also our faithful angels. See you in a square, soon.

Shirley



## FOURTH SUNDAY DANCE (Class Level Dance)

When: Sunday, Sept. 25, 2005  
Where: Cowtown Square Dance Center  
Time: 2 - 5 p.m.  
Caller: Cliff Simpson



Invite friends from other classes and clubs.  
Let's make this a big event!



## CLUB MEETING

ALL MEMBERS are invited. We need your suggestions, input, ideas, thoughts, impressions, opinions, recommendations and viewpoints. Simply put, we NEED your help!

DATE: Monday, September 12

TIME: 6:30 p.m. Dinner

7:30 p.m. Meeting

LOCATION: Carrow's Restaurant

La Sierra & Magnolia  
in Riverside

## CONGRATULATIONS!!!



There's been a wedding! Bonnie (Adams) and Richard (Cameron) were married on August 7.

Congratulations to the newlyweds!

## Sunshine & Shadows:

. . . Sherry Stanke



We were sorry to hear that Henry Schley passed away on August 13.

Henry was an honorary member of our club, whose wife, Helen, passed away in May of this year.

Susan Roberts had gallbladder surgery and is doing fine. She is one of our class members and we love her sweet smile and enjoy her participation in our club. We hope she is able to enjoy class and social activities soon, as we miss her.

David McCune is doing ever so well since his bypass operation. He is dancing a lot and is a great help to our club. We're glad you are doing so much better, David, and we thank you for being there to help with whatever is needed.

Owen & Glenna Rogers, good supporters of our club, have come back from their Alaskan Cruise. Owen has an ear problem and both of them are feeling "under the weather." We wish them the best and hope to see them at Cowtown soon. The class is always grateful for Owen's help and we enjoy Glenna's company.

Estelle Nash, a class member, has not been feeling well. She joins Barbara Bousman and myself with hip problems. Guess we are not really "too hip" and can't dance like we would like to. Hope you all get better soon.

If you know anyone who needs a call or a card, please call me.



## RENEW MEMBERSHIP

Membership dues need to be paid by October 1<sup>st</sup>. Your \$15.00 can be given to Pauline Shawver at a dance or class, or mailed to Dottie Bowers, 2953 Floral Avenue, Riverside, CA 92507. Make your checks out to *Cowtown Singles*.



Gathering at the Luau Dance on July 15th



**Visitation:** . . . *Rollin Blossey*

**OUR VISITATION FOR SEPTEMBER**

**CLUB:** Single Swingers  
**WHERE:** Goeske Center  
**CALLER:** Mike Seastrom  
**CUER:** Neil Booth  
**DATE:** Friday, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>

**"Estella's Party Line"** 😊

. . . *Estella Payne*

Thanks to all the "call girls:" Margie Hart, Fern Yonnes, Barbara Bousman and Pauline Shawver by telephone. Sue Seman by email.

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

Thanks for keeping me informed. Without your items, there would be no newsletter! Any changes or updates on addresses, email addresses and phone numbers, please call or email me. My deadline is usually the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.



You can reach me at (951) 738-1989 or email me at [suzseman@prodigy.net](mailto:suzseman@prodigy.net)

**Letters to the Editor** . . *Sue Seman*



I've been getting mail/articles from club members with suggestions and thoughts about various subjects and decided to add some of these to our monthly newsletter.

If you have any ideas, comments or rebuttals, this column is for you!

**Visits & Banners:** *Suggestion made that we take a look at all the banners we have from other clubs and send each of these clubs a written invitation to come to Cowtown Singles dance on a certain night to pick up their banners!*

**Our Club Dances:** *We should find out who are recent graduates from local clubs and invite each of them (by phone or mail) to one of our dances i.e. Redlands B&B's, Single Swingers, Western Stars, Hemet Roadrunners. They can also do this with our graduates. Let these new dancers know when our club dances are and that we'd love to have them visit. This may help our attendance at the Friday night dances.*

*At the Fourth Sunday Class Dance, be sure to announce when our club dances are and spark up an interest! Then, the new dancers will have the information and the soon-to-be graduates will be looking forward to attending!*

**Board Meetings:** *Would changing the name to Membership Meetings or Club Meetings or even something cute, like Cow Chatter Gathering bring more people to the meeting? Maybe if you had some important decision and everyone had input or a vote, they would come to the meeting for that? Maybe even throw in a meeting on a different day of the week? Have a specific "attraction" to an upcoming meeting. Just a thought.*

**Social Activities:** . . . *Betty Cowley*

As we go to print we are going to enjoy a ball game at the Lake Elsinore Storm's on Saturday night (August 20). We have a nice group going.

*The Storm lost to the Ports (Stockton). It was a really long game 4 Hrs. There were a lot of hits but no satisfaction. The final score was 16 to 11. The hot dogs and peanuts were the best part.*

The plan is to try and have a picnic soon so watch for the flyer at Cowtown.

On Dec. 11 at 5 PM we are going to go to the Christmas Play and dinner at the Candlelight Pavilion in Claremont. We need to have you sign up as soon as possible so we know how many seats to reserve. The seats are going fast. If you have any questions, call me. Thanks to all of you for your help.

*Betty*



Having fun at the Luau Dance, July 15

Also please don't forget that October 7 will be our Chili Cook off and a POTLUCK. So, even if you don't make chili, please bring something to go with it. Thanks again to all of you for the wonderful help.

**Refreshments for September:**

Sept. 2 - CLIFF SIMPSON

"School Days"

Lois Roberts

Bruce Roberts

Fran Stoddard

Sept. 16 - JIM HAYES

"Texas Rambling Rose"

Don Hendrickson

Mary Negrete

Dottie Bowers

Sept. 30 - BRENT LIVELY

"Lively Leaping Lizards"

Sue Seman

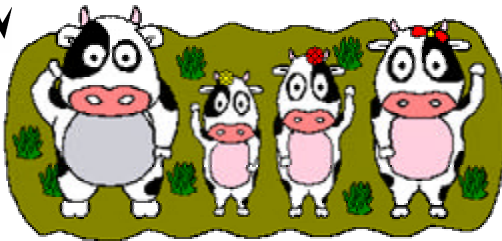
David McCune

Kathy Espalin

Ron Espalin



"HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU"



**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

*Kris Millard - Sept. 4*

*David McCune - Sept. 5*

*Jeff Krause - Sept. 12*

*Lorelei Madsen - Sept. 12*

*Betty Cowley - Sept. 26*

*Sheila Wilson - Sept. 30*

**Enhanced Sound**

**Club Dances:  
COWTOWN SINGLES**



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

Sept. 2 - CLIFF SIMPSON

"School Days"

Sept. 16 - JIM HAYES

"Texas Rambling Rose"

Sept. 30 - BRENT LIVELY

"Lively Leaping Lizards"

Squares: 8:00 - 10:30 p.m.

Pre Rounds: 7:30 p.m.

Rounds: Carol Allen



**Refreshments . . .**

*Michele Campbell*

Big "Thank You" to Chuck & Lois Bell, Stan Tomsic and Lois Bryant for July 29; Carol Christensen and Emmy Bell for August 5; Richard Cameron, Bonnie Adams and Jerry Johnson for August 19.

We appreciate the help of all of our members. It means so much to the club to have you all working to make our club better.

Don't forget that Linda Wicker will be the contact for the refreshment committee chairperson in the months of September and October. So please call Linda Wicker if you cannot make your assigned schedule.



## OUR COWTOWN CALLERS FOR SEPTEMBER:



**CLIFF SIMPSON** - Friday, Sept. 2 & Sunday, Sept. 25: Cliff began Square Dancing as a teenager in 1960. After dancing for almost ten years, he began his calling career in 1969 while serving in the U. S. Marine Corps. He continued calling and dancing

through his retirement from the Marine Corps in 1984 when he settled in Southern California. Cliff has called in 43 different States, Canada, Mexico, and Japan.

He is a member of the International Association of Square Dance Callers (Callerlab) and is a past Chairman of the Advanced Committee. He continues to serve on the Advanced Committee as well as the Plus, Mainstream and Definitions Committees. He is also a past member of the Program Policy Committee.

Cliff is currently a Full Time Caller and travels throughout the Southwest. One of his pet projects is the annual Breast Cancer Dance and encourages all Dancers to buy a pink ribbon.

He thinks Square Dancing is the greatest activity going. You always meet the nicest people. Square Dancing is how he met his wife Peggy. What more can be said.



**JIM HAYES** - Friday, Sept. 16: (No photo available) Jim has been calling for 40 years, and has been a full time caller since 1974. He has been active in Caller Lab and served on their board for two years. He has spent many years teaching new callers with his own school. He has called at

many conventions and led caller seminars at the conventions.

When Cowtown Singles was first formed, he was the first caller that we had and he has called for us on many occasions. He is currently living in New Braunfels, a little town near San Antonio, Texas. Since 1992, he has been the caller for the Shirts & Skirts Square Dance Club in Georgetown, Texas. He calls a very smooth and fun dance. You will not want to miss him!!



**BRENT LIVELY** - Friday, Sept. 30: Brent has lived in the Colton area since he was three weeks old. When his wife, Terri and him started dating in 1974, she got Brent to go Square Dancing. Brent called his first tip at the Single Swingers 1/2 way dance in 1998.

Brent was given the nickname of Gumby from Cliff Simpson in 1999, while calling without teeth because of radiation treatments for cancer. Square Dancing is just one of the many activities he enjoys, but it is the one that kept him going during his cancer treatments.

Brent loves to dance, and he tells others that if he didn't dance at least a couple of times during the month, he gets cranky ( and if you ask Terri, she will tell you this is true). Brent states " Cowtown Singles has always been good to us and you were the first club to actually contract me for a dance. Thank You for your support. We Love You All." Gumby and Terri Lively

### Cowtown Newsletter and Calendar on Webpage

If any members are having a problem, or not able to view or download the newsletter and calendar from our webpage, let me know. I can make a printed copy for you to pick up at the dance or have mailed to your home.



### Want to Learn Advanced Dancing?

**Weaver Believer's will start Introduction to Advanced classes, October 6 & 13, Thursday nights at Cowtown.**

**Dance time will be 6:00-7:40 with Buddy Weaver calling and teaching.**

Advanced is for dancers very comfortable with Plus dancing; Buddy emphasizes extended call use (DBD), mastering smooth dance skills, and the sociability of dancing.

For more information call 760.744.5233 or visit our web page at: [www.buddyweaver.com](http://www.buddyweaver.com)



**COW COUNTIES HOEDOWN ASSOCIATION**

**30<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL**

**September 23, 24, 25, 2005**

**San Bernardino County Fairgrounds**

**Victorville, CA**

**General Chairman: Don Orsbern**

**(626) 961-7051**

**CoChairmen: Wilbur & Karin Sanchez**

**(951) 672-6941**

**Squares, Rounds and Contra**

**Callers: Bill (Red) Gibson, Bill (Tex) Gipson,  
Frank Lesclinier, Lloyd Lewis, Larry McBee,  
George Monaghan, Roy Stevenson**

**Cuers: Bob Frieson, Pam Post, Ron Black, July  
Keller, Ron Nelson**

**At the door: 3 day Package (Adult) - \$32.00**

**3 day Package (Youth) - \$11.00**

**RV per night - \$19.00**

**Friday or Sat. night - \$11.00**

**Sat. day and night - \$22.00**

**SIXTH ANNUAL BREAST CANCER  
SQUARE DANCE**

**Presented by the Pink Ribbon**

**Square Dancers**

**Sponsored by City of Beaumont**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Sun Lakes Birdies & Bogies, Redlands B'nB's,  
Riverside Single Swingers & The Thunderbirds**



**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2005**

**2 - 5 p.m.**

**Beaumont Civic Center**

**550 East 6<sup>th</sup> Street**

**Beaumont, CA**

**Callers: Cliff Simpson, Carrie Masters and Gina  
Darcy**

**Cuers: Mel Branham and Peter Gomez**

**DONATION: \$6.00**

**(\$8.00 at the door)**

**All monies from this dance go to the American  
Cancer Society**

**"MURPHY'S LAWS"**

- As soon as the stewardess serves the coffee, the airline encounters turbulence.
- If it says "one size fits all," it doesn't fit anyone.
- Love letters, business contracts and money due you always arrive 3 weeks late, whereas junk mail arrives the day it was sent.
- The bag that breaks is the one with the eggs.
- The book you spent \$20 for today will come out in paperback tomorrow.
- The colder the X-ray table, the more of your body is required on it.
- When there are sufficient funds in the checking account, checks take two weeks to clear. When there are insufficient funds, checks clear overnight.
- When you drop change at a vending machine, the pennies will fall nearby, while all the other coins will roll out of sight.