

Newsletter December 2011



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Square Dance Club for Singles and Couples

President: Betty Lawyer

Hope everyone had a wonderful & blessed Thanksgiving. The cruise was great but it is always good to be home. So many funny tales to think about. I didn't know we had such a crazy bunch, but fun. Everywhere we went on the ship we were running into people we knew.

I heard the class got along fine without all of us thanks to all you members who turned out to help. A special thanks to all of you who kept the class dancing. Thanks to Charlie and Elaine for getting the class together and getting them to quarter way dances.

We had a meeting Monday night November 21st. and I was surprised at how many members remembered. Sandy & Ray Blakley & Jerry Ferguson came to explain the rules for the clubs on having the enhancement drawing. We will be making some changes soon.

Don't forget that the price on New Years tickets are now \$35.00 and no tickets will be sold at the door. Howard has to have a count so he can order the food as it will be catered. It should be a fun night. I don't know how we are going to get everyone well for the New Year, it seems like we just get one well and another one gets sick.

Our Christmas party should be fun. A lot of the class are signing up to go. If you don't come to Cowtown be sure and call Lois and Bruce if you would like to come. Their number is 951-780-8389. It is pot luck with a \$10.00 gift exchange for the game. The club will furnish turkey and ham.

We are trying to get a group together to go to the Riverside Community Players with Single Swingers on January 26, 2012. If you wish to go the number to call for tickets at the box office is 951-686-4030. You may call Gene Stauffer, our new social person, also at 909-241-0183. It is a fun night and I think tickets are about \$16.00. We usually sit in section A & B. The name of the play is Doubt, A Parable.

Our next meeting is on January 9th at Carrows. I hope you have a blessed Christmas season and remember to love one another because that is what square dancers do best. This will be the last paper until after Christmas so Merry Christmas to you all.



Betty



VP Corner

Phil Wicker

There is nothing new for me to report this month.

I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



CLASS CO-ORDINATORS

JANET & PHIL



Hello club,

It is hard to believe we are already 1/4 way through with the new class. I marvel at how good they are and how much they know. Steve is doing a great job teaching them and they are happy and confident. Many will be coming to our Cowtown Single's Christmas party, Dec. 11th, 1:30, so come and meet them there if you haven't been to class yet. You will find them a fun bunch I think.

So many of you were off on the cruise Nov. 16th (I am very jealous!!!) that I was worried about how the class would go that night. We are so dependent on June and Betty and Dan (THANK YOU, can't say that enough) that it left a big hole when they decided to have some fun for a change and enjoy a well earned vacation. But it went very smoothly because Susan and Gene helped at the door, and Len and Kim helped with cleanup. We had enough angels to keep the floor running well. Thank you to all who came that night and helped in all the ways angels do. I love you guys. We can always use more angels, especially as the season's activities interfere and keep some of the usual people away perhaps. If you want to come out and have fun, Wednesday nights at Cowtown is the place to be!

Phil and I want to send especially warm greetings to you all this Christmas. We wish you health and happiness in 2012 and many more wonderful times in squares together.

Hugs from your coordinators,

Phil and Janet Vinokur



Social

Sherry Stanke

Since I will be spending a lot of my time in Arizona with my Mother I needed to resign as Social. At the club meeting Monday night Betty asked Gene Stauffer if he would be our new Social person and he accepted. I believe he will do a good job and I wish him the best. I will still be around some but not enough to continue as your social person. I wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Will see you in a square sometime.

Sherry



Above left to right: Howard Delcambre, Cliff Simpson and Brent Lively. Taken on our cruise in November.



December Callers



Johnny Preston

on the 2nd

Johnny is internationally known for his enthusiastic style and wonderful singing voice.

Born in California, Johnny began calling in 1976 while attending Wayne State University in Michigan. He is a full-time caller who travels across the United States and is often featured at festivals and resorts throughout the world. Johnny was also featured as a square dance caller in a national television ad for Ameritrade.

Calling Basic to C-1 Johnny is sure to be a crowd pleaser.



Nasser Shukayr

On the 16th

Nasser graduated from college at age eighteen, and at age twenty started Computer Professionals, Inc. He learned to square dance in 1987, and called his first tip while still in new dancers' class. In 1988 he attended Jack Lasry's [caller](#) school, then taught his first class of new dancers. In 1989 he learned to call Progressive Squares.

Jeanna Phare Shukayr was born and raised in Plymouth, England. She danced all kinds of dancing, including square dancing, from an early age. She and Nasser first met in March 2004 at a square dance in Exeter, England. They were married in June 2006. Jeanna loves to be with square dancers. She helps with all classes and dances, sings beautifully, and is an extremely important part of the calling team. .

Nasser and Jeanna are enthusiastic about [square dancing](#) because of the high quality of people in the activity. In square dancing, you'll meet wonderful people who can easily become your lifelong friends



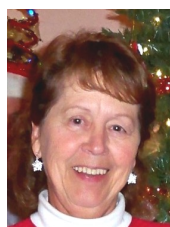
Pauline Shawver

You need to renew your membership if you have not already done so. By getting your money into to me before December 31st you will be on the new membership list. I want to thank everyone for your support of our wonderful club.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

to everyone. *Aunt Pauline*

Sunshine



Lois Roberts

Hi everyone, Well we had quite a list this past month. Kathy Andres had breast surgery and is doing very well.

Sandy Flath had a long bout with the flu. Sita Bartold was in an auto accident but is ok, she also lost her step-Dad. June Jacobson fell down some stairs and hurt her back & hip. Nancy Saxson had cataract surgery on her eyes. Helen Crum fell & has a black eye. God bless each of you and grant you healing. Also, to those we may have missed. Keep dancing & stay healthy!

Lois





Visitation

Charlie Ladd

Just Visiting!!

Hey! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year .We should be thankful for a great club of good people and tremendous leadership. A special thanks to Betty and Dan, our great leaders, and all the rest of our members that keep the club going.

Also, we should be thankful for a great, enthusiastic class. Already this past November they have gone to a 1/4 way dance at Redlands B'n'B's.

We had at least a dozen class members attend. Also the next week we had about 8 or 10 visit Riverside Single Swingers 1/4 way dance. By the time you read this they will have gone to the Chips for Kids benefit dance in Covina. They are an active bunch so please come out and support them and encourage them as much as possible. They have scheduled December 29th at Redlands B'n'B's class level dance and are talking about dances clear into Jan—March of next year.

Since December is so busy, let's just schedule the benefit dance for Dennis Gates on December 4th from 2-4pm and our own Christmas party. See sign up sheet for time and directions. As many of us need to go to the Dennis Gates benefit dance as possible to help Pam out in her time of need.



Phone Person

Elaine Ladd

Elaine's Blabber

We've had a wonderful year with our club and class. Thank you Angels for helping our new class members learn how to dance..

We were sorry to hear of Dennis Gates passing. He was so outgoing and so helpful with our previous classes. Don't forget the benefit dance on December 4th to help out Pam in case you haven't heard.

I'm looking forward to retiring hopefully in January next year. I'll be able to come to more dances and I'll have time to make more phone calls and bug you about upcoming events.

Speaking of events! Congratulations to Jim Selby and Linda Donoso, also Gene Stauffer and Susan Cain on their engagements.

Merry Christmas to Everyone!!!

Your call girl, *Elaine*



Shirley Parker

Editors Corner

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Articles due by the 20th of ea. mo.

If you want your article or pictures to appear in the newsletter please get them to me by the 20th of the month. If they are not received by the 25th they will not be in the newsletter. It takes time to put the newsletter together so please have them to me on time.

Shirley

Picture at the left is some of the over 100 square dancers that went on the cruise In November to the western Caribbean.



Boat tour in Haiti. Julie Horner, Sandy Flath, June Jacobson and Shirley Parker.



The young lady in pink turned one hundred years young on the cruise and still square dances.

Pictures above taken at Kennedy Space Center