

March/April 2014

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PRESIDENT'S TWO CENTS

Hello everyone and welcome to our new class.

We recently opened our new class and while we advertised like crazy, we have five people. Word is that other classes in the area might be sending some folks our way to get them more floor time. Please come out early to help welcome these fine folks to our activity.

State convention is April 11-13 in Turlock, in the Northern portion of the San Joaquin Valley. The callers are headlined by Joe Saltel & Tony Oxendine. The pre-registration deadline is the end of THIS month. The price for preregistration is \$45 for the entire three day weekend.

The same weekend, for those that don't want to drive ¾ of the length of the State... 3rd Saturday Round-Up will be on April 12. David Mee from Anaheim will be calling, with San Diego's own Richard Cartwright. For those that have an extra pair of bunny ears laying around and thought it would be fun to wear them while dancing... WEAR THEM!

The theme is bunny hop, so wear those bunny ears!

Our neighbors to the East, Back Country Association, will have their annual festival "Spring Fling" on May 2nd and 3rd at the VFW Hall in El Cajon (136 Chambers St, El Cajon, CA 92020) which is right across the street from the Hometown Buffet on Main Street. Local callers (Dick Neumann, John & Jimmy Akin) on Friday night, and National touring caller Ken Bower on Saturday.

Our other neighboring association, Palomar Square Dance Association, is going to be having a bus trip up to the Cow Counties Hoedown dance on May 31. The price of the trip is \$31 per person. That price includes transportation, snacks, drinks and entrance to the dance. If you would like to get more information contact Donna Hawkins at promotions@palomarsda.org

With it being April, it also signifies time to start traveling to advertise our anniversary in June. While it may seem like the dance may be a long time in the future, in reality it is only ten weeks away. So it is

starting to come down to visit time. I'm going to ask that everyone talk about our anniversary when you go to other dances, in San Diego or out!

If anyone has a prize they would like to donate for the anniversary, please let myself or Lynn D. know. So far we have prizes from Sycuan, Hornblower Cruises, the Hall of Champions, the Model Railroad museum to name just a couple. I am trying to diversify the prizes that we get this year from years past, so if you have any ideas, there is still some time but not much, to let me know.

The signup to dance at the Fair has been sent in, but if you didn't signup don't fret! You can still come to the fair on June 8 (the day after our anniversary) and show up and dance. There are two times, the first is in the morning at one of the main stages. The second is in the afternoon out in the infield.

Don't forget, if you are interested in helping the club board please let me know. We are having our April board meeting (which is open to ALL members) is going to be on

the 24th at Jane Marus' home. I'd like to take this opportunity to invite everyone that would like to attend to do so.

We are getting closer to April and that means we are closer to State Convention. If you like to dance to some great callers and see some of the Golden State, pick up a registration sheet on the flier table... or if you are reading the electronic version of the newsletter, here is the link (http://www.squaredance.org /2014/images/2014-Reg-Form.pdf). Pre-registration expires on March 31. For those that like to go to the State Convention and don't like to travel, next year is your year. It will be on the shore of Mission Bay in 2015.

Don't forget if you are on Facebook, you can always be a fan and "like" the page.

So, until next time...

As always, if you have any questions, comments, concerns things you wouldn't dare tell your psychiatrist but would gladly share with me... I'm at 99% of the dances! Chris Davis

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CLUB TRAVELS AND VISITATIONS

Travel Plans for the Month of April include: Heritage Anniversary April 5, at the Park Club, Round Up April 19. Also, mark your calendars for Spring Fling on May 2 & 3, and Circulators Anniversary May 10.

THIRD SATURDAY ROUNDUP

Upcoming Official Travels:

Round-Up April 19th Calling: David Mee

Cueing: Richard Cartwright Afternoon: Rounds, 3:15 -

5:15 pm

Pre Rounds: 7 – 7:30pm Squares & Rounds 7:30– 9:45

Jonnie Ly

Dennis Lynn & Freya Peterson Travel Chair

Websites

INFORMATIONAL WEBSITES:

Most of the websites have links to dancing in other locations, including overseas, and is available via our website's "links" feature.

singlespinners.sdsda.org/ www.sdsda.org www.PalomarSDA.org www.backcountrysda.com www.squaredance.org

www.NSDCNEC.org www.wheresthedance.com/ www.facebook.com/singlespinners

NEW WEB SITES /EMAIL INFO

San Diego County Square Dance Callers Assoc. Chart of monthly San Diego dances. <u>dickneu-mann@gmail.com</u>. If you would like to receive this list directly from Dick, just send him an e-mail and he will add you to his list. +

Future National Conventions

63nsdc.com Little Rock, Arkansas ~ June 25 – 28, 2014
64nsdc.com Springfield, Massachusetts ~ June 24 – 27, 2015
65nsdc.com Des Moines, IA ~ June 22 – 25, 2016

VICE-PRESIDENT'S

COMMENTS

We have a new class, but need more members for the class. We have more men than girls in this class. Back to what it used to be ?? Back when Spinner started, it was not uncommon to have more men than ladies in our class.

Keep in mind, our 40th Anniversary is coming up on June 7. Would love to see some of our 'newsletter only' members show up and socialize for a while on that Saturday.

UNHAPPY News

For the Spinners that only receive the newsletter, a former active member (was treasurer for a few years). LARRY BRIDGEWATER passed away on March 8. The local service was on March 15th in El Cajon, and was buried in Sellersburg, Indiana. We found out about it with the obituary in the Union Tribune the morning before the service.

CALLER'S CORNER

John was busy this week, but talk to him at club if you need some questions answered

Take care. Until next time...
John

DO YOU WANT TO LEARN HOW TO ROUND DANCE?

San Diego Round Dance Instructors – brand new website: rounddance.org

AROUND SPIDEY'S WEB

If you have anything you want in this fine publication, just give it to Lynn Davis at a dance (deadline is the last dance of each month, and IF SPACE PERMITS, it will be included in the next issue) or you can e-mail it to: lynndavis542@cox.net

Party Central

Here at Single Spinners on March 11th we started a new class and greeted them with a St. Patrick's Day Party.

April 8th we will have our "Don't Stress over Taxes" Party. Eat Chocolate Instead!! Our April birthday night will be on the 29th.

May 13th we will have our "Leprechauns & Frogs" Party. See if you can leap a little bit for joy! May birthdays will be celebrated on the 27th.

June 7th is our 40th Anniversary Party in the Balboa Park Club. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the chili!! Remember to bring quarters for the jail. I have heard rumors of a train coming down the track. June 10th is our "Under the Sea" Party. I am looking forward to that Crab Salad!! June Birthdays will be celebrated June 24th.

I hope to see you in a square at all of these dances and more. Just be sure to wear your Spinner Smile!!

So... Mark these dates on your calendars as you mark all the Round Ups and party nights for the other clubs. And enjoy the dancing.

See You in a square

Jane Marus

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN

Those of you have been coming on Tuesdays are aware the church is making changes (unfavorable) for everyone who is using the facility. NO ONE has permission to use the kitchen, including

the Preschool. They have put padlocks so we cannot get in from the Fellowship Hall side. We still make coffee and have water available, but will be setting up our refreshments on a table in the back of the room.

In addition they are asking an increase in our donations from all who use the facilities, in some cases it was doubled. This change is for all of the groups using the facility.

Parking on Tuesdays has been difficult – there are three things going on, an AA meeting (they meet six nights a week), and a Bible Study besides us dancers. If we double park in the parking lot it is not a problem, or if you do have a handicapped sticker, you can park in the alley against the garages. The space directly behind the chain link cage between our buildings is not marked handicapped.

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Some fun tidbits from Lorretta

Did you hear about the cemetery that raised its burial cost and blamed it on the "cost of living"?

A motorist was caught in an automated speed trap using

radar and photographed his car. He received in the mail a ticket for \$40 and a photo of his car. Instead of payment,

he sent the police department a photograph of \$40. Several days later, he received a letter from the police that contained a picture of handcuffs. He immediately mailed in his \$40.

Two factory workers were talking. "I think I'll take some time off from work" said the man. "How do you think you'll do that?" said the factory worker. He proceeded to show him....by climbing up to the rafters, and hanging upside down.

The Boss walked in, saw the worker hanging from the ceiling, and asked him what on earth he was doing? "I'm a light bulb" answered the guy.

"I think you need some time off," said the boss.
So, the man jumped down and walked out of the factory.

The factory worker began walking out too.
The boss asked him where he

the boss asked him where he thought he was going. The worker answered, "Home, I can't work in the dark."

<u>Truths Children Have</u> Learned:

- 1. No matter how hard you try, you can't baptize cats.
- 2. When your Mom is mad at your Dad, don't let her brush your hair.
- 3. If your sister hits you, don't hit her back, they <u>always</u> catch the second person.
- 4. Never hold a Dust-Buster and a cat at the same time.

5. You can't hide a piece of broccoli in a glass of milk.6. The best place to be when you're sad is in Grandpa's or Grandma's lap