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President Betty Lawyer

This is going to be short and sweet. I am lost for words right now. Maybe I should just keep my thoughts to myself until next month and things will be better. Right now, I can't think of anything to write to get excited about.

Our Sunday dance had 26 dancers that had a good time dancing to Mike Haworth and lines with Sheri. Sheri did lines and the dancers there enjoyed lines between the tips. We're hoping that the lines will help attract more dancers so we can continue having our 4th Sunday dances. We need our members and friends support these dances if we want them to continue.

The attendance at our club meeting that I have usually looked forward to being there was not that encouraging in January. It used to be fun to get together to eat, talk about Club issues and catch up. The last meeting became a tense back and forth on several issues. I was at a loss for words. We want our members to discuss issues, but we need to keep our conversations as positive as possible. Everyone at the meeting is there because they want the best for the Club and differences or misunderstandings should be discussed with respect for everyone there.

We are so lucky to have the great class we have and all the Angels that come to help. Kathi offered to help get the class members in squares and I thank her for this. When we are having class, it is to turn class members into new dancers. This should be a fun night of dancing and for most it is but not for Kathy. it was not. Members do not like to be asked to sit out so a class member can dance and learn the calls, but this is a CLASS and if you come as an Angel, that's part of attending a class. This needs to be shared by all of the Angels so a few Angels are not always the ones sitting out or split from their partner. It's also very hard for Steve when he is trying to teach, and everyone is talking. Please be as courteous as possible to help make the class run smooth and fun for everyone there.

I told you I maybe should hold my thoughts. It's just hard sometime when we try so hard to have a fun place for you all to come together and dance. We just can't please everyone all the time. (We really do try)

Have a Happy Valentine's Day

Dan and Betty



We've added an additional member renew, bringing us to 66!

There have been some corrections and updates to the member list. You should receive a February edition shortly. Please discard your January list.

Also, don't forget, you can join our club anytime. So, bring your dancing friends out and sign them up!

Gene



Hi Everyone,

It was so good to come back in January after the holidays, to see our students and angels dancing again. We have had 4 squares dancing the first few weeks and then last week we struggled to get 3 squares on the floor. Our students still seem to be enjoying themselves and having fun. Angels, please come and join us as this helps our students as well as ourselves, by keeping up with our own skills. We still have problems with some of our students sitting out tips. Angels **PLEASE** be aware of this, and if you see some one sitting out, offer your spot or partner so that they get floor time.

I also wanted to remind everyone that there is etiquette in Square Dancing. One of those is if you get into a square, you do not back out of that square and go elsewhere, unless you are asked to do so. An example would be in a class situation. Second, if there is an individual standing in a square waiting for the rest of the square to form, you do push them out. Especially in class, our students have been told to get up and get into a square even if they do not have a partner, and we will find them one.

Just wanted to add a little tidbit. Did you know you are dancing with past royalty? Who might that be???



Hello club,

One of our classmates, Julie, had the sad event of her husband passing over Christmas time. She shared with me that coming to class and enjoying our company is good relief for her. We are so glad for that. Please keep her, and all class dancers in your thoughts and prayers. You never know what a little kindness might do for someone. We never know who needs what exactly. So, when in doubt, be kind and keep them dancing.

As always, please let me know of anyone who needs an uplifting note. Be well. Hugs,

Janet





My thanks again for your support.

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(A Singles and Couples Square Dance Club)







Rounds Heather Haworth Adv. Rounds 6:30-7:00,

Rounds 7:00-10:00 Squares 7:30 -10:00

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