

MY Square Dance CORNER Southwest District

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Morton's Memories

End of year meetings coming up, delegate voting needed, and new officer elections being held.

Well guys, another very successful Southwest District Festival is in the books. If you didn't make it to Sayre for this one, you really missed out. We had Jerry Junck calling and he really called a great dance. I heard more dancers complaining of tired feet than I have in a long time. We had all but three of the District Officers present and this was also a State Officer visitation and several of them were there. From all of us that were there, you missed a great one, but we sure had fun without you anyway. The only thing that would have made it better would have been having you there.

We had festival ticket turn in and the Southwest District sold a total of 7916. Good work guys. Our clubs can sure use the money. Total for the state this year is 69,891 and the Victory Dance goes to the Central District with a total of 18,419 tickets sold. They beat us a little bit, but they have a more populated market to sell in. An attaboey goes out to the Central District. We will pass the word on the Victory Dance location as soon as we know where it is. (2 pm, Westside Lions Hall, 4135 NW 10th, OKC.)

The Southwest District Nominating Committee met at the festival and they came up with the following list of candidates for the 2018 SWD Elected Board: President – Gerald and Ann Sherrill; 1st Vice President – Belinda Alberry; 2nd Vice President – Ken & Neola Stephens; Treasurer – Vernon & Lois Schimmels; Secretary – Sandy & Monte Schimmer. Our By-Laws require that each

position be filled by a couple (“man and a woman”). If we don't find a suitable man willing to serve with Belinda as the 1st Vice, I will be presenting a motion at the November meeting that this requirement of the By-laws be set aside for 2018.

The State Festival is taking place November 4th at the Tower Hotel 3233 NW Expressway in Oklahoma City, and there will be an OSDF Business meeting on Sunday November 5th. This is a wonderful dance called by the Oklahoma callers. Look forward to seeing you all there

SWD Annual November business meeting will take place November 12, 2017, 2:00 pm, at the Western Swing Hut in Elk City. We need all of our voting members present, so put it on your calendar.

See ya in a square Gene & Barbara Morton



Gene and Barbara Morton, Southwest District President 2017

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***** EDITOR'S NOTES *****

ALL CLUBS

Reminding you that the due date for the news
for December 2017 will be

November 20, 2017.

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NOTICE

- Southwest District annual meeting scheduled for Sunday, November 19 at 2 PM at the Hut in Elk City.
- Current elected officers and appointed board needed to attend.
- Club Presidents and their Delegates needed to be present to vote.
- New Business on the agenda is District officer elections and proposed Bylaw changes

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2015—Ken & Neola Stephens, Hub City Squares
2014—Mike & Myrna Perkins, Hub City Squares
2013—Vernon & Lois Schimmels, Hub City Squares
2012—Gerald & Ann Sherrill, Western Swing
2011—Mike & Myrna Perkins, Hub City Squares
2010—Gerald Sherrill, Kula York, Western Swing
2009—Ray & Patricia Mills, Hub City Squares
2008—John & Debbie Tunning, Altus Twirlers
2007—Vernon & Lois Schimmels, Hub City Squares

2006—Ron & Barbara Smith, Altus Twirlers
2004—Keith & Debbie Wilson, Western Swing
2003—John & Debbie Tunning, Altus Twirlers
2002—Mike & Myrna Perkins, Hub City Squares
2000—Gerald Sherrill, Greer County Squares
1999—Gerald Sherrill, Greer County Squares
1998—Ray Mills, Hub City Squares
1996—Gene & Barbara Morton, Vernon Travelers
1991—Vernon & Lois Schimmels, Clinton Hub City Squares
1990—Kelvin Casebeer, Clinton Hub City Squares

CALLER'S CORNER ...by Cecil and Barbara Burton, Jr.

This month let's discuss ways to let the outside world really know about our hobby, **Square Dancing**. There are so many really great things that happen to all of us by participating in **Square Dancing**. A lot of what we will be talking about is not new to anyone that participates but maybe it will give out some ideas to spread to those that aren't involved.

First the **motto** of **Square Dancing**, "**Friendship Set to Music**" is fantastic. For example how many **Square Dancing** friends do you know? Do you have enough paper to list all of these names? We know that you would probably never complete a list of all your **Square Dancing** friends because they are not limited to your Club, District, or even State, especially if you have attended a National Event of **Square Dancing**.

Let's start with a little bit of Educational History of **Square Dancing**. Did you know why we dance **tips** at

our **Square Dances**? The term **tip** came about back in the Traditional **Square Dances** when the music was provided by a live band. The band would continue to play for a while then they would stop and place a hat in front of the stage for tipping the musicians when the hat was full they would start playing

Square Dancing is called in English throughout the world and the Callers in the other countries learn to Call & Teach in English.

again, thus the dancing of **Tips** in modern day.

Another Educational thing about **Square Dancing**, being a **World Wide Hobby**, you can **Square Dance** any where in the world without a language barrier. Because **Square Dancing** is called in **English** throughout the world and the

Callers in the other countries learn to Call & Teach in English.

To us the really neat thing about **Square Dancing** is when you square up in a set, there are no boundaries set on whether you should be in that square. No one wants to know your religion, salary, employment, and hopefully how well you can dance. The **Square Dancers** just want to have a good time during each **tip** and we do.

We cannot over emphasize the Motto: "**Friendship Set To Music**".

We have so many **Square Dance friends** that we have met through this hobby, it is unbelievable. We are truly blessed with our **Square Dancing** Hobby.

Just this alone is an idea that those on the outside of **Square Dancing** need to know.

Sincerely,

Cecil & Barbara Burton, Jr.



President
Bill and Alfreda Wells

HUB CITY SQUARES

were Ken & Neola Stephens, Beverly Mitchell and all the angels that helped.

Hub City members attending:
Bill & Alfreda Wells,
Ken & Neola Stephens, Mike & Myrna Perkins, Jerry Brehm, Kim Johnson, Monte & Sandy Schimmer, Betty & Don Kisinger, Vernon & Lois Schimmels, Eleanor Morrison, Deborah Bryan, Art Fanshier, Wanda Rizzi, Beverly Mitchell, Canyon Mitchell, Heather Mitchell, Jessie Valasquez, Butch & Margaret Landrum, & Kelvin Casebeer.

Our next dance will be Nov. 11

2nd Saturday, 8PM
Clinton Middle School
1001 Orient, Clinton

with Jimmy Gouge
Calling.

Just a reminder club dues are due at this time. Hope we get to see everyone at the state festival.

Kim J.
Eleanor M.

Rod & Lois Ford called the October dance with 4 squares On the floor.

Guest clubs attending: Hi-Steppers, Kalico Kapers, Rt. 66, and Western Swing. Birthdays went to Vernon Schimmels. Door prizes went to Betty & Don Kisinger and Kula York. Host for the dance

WESTERN SWING

1st Saturday, 8PM

Hut on North Van Buren

1/4 mile N of Bus I-40 route on VanBuren st. at Airport
Elk City, OK

Caller, Nicky Boone

President: Gerald & Ann Sherrill

Contact phone : : 580-928-7109

Western Swing held its October dance with guest caller, Don Main, and as usual he did a great job. Most of the evening there were four squares on the floor.

Gerald and Ann Sherrill hosted the event. Glen and Rosie McCulley won the door prize and Kelvin Casebeer had the winning Split the Pot ticket, which he graciously donated back to the Club.

Western Swing member celebrating an October birthday was Keith Wilson. Happy Birthday, Keith, we missed you!

Guest clubs attending were Vernon Travelers, Hub City Squares, Weatherford Hi Steppers, Kalico Kapers and Route 66.

Western Swing members attending were Clarice Lowrance, Don Gay, Bill Western, Gelene Schreck, Gerald and Ann Sherrill, Kay Martin, Dale and Carolyn Staton, Wanda Rizzi, Debbie Wilson, Ivan and Doris Minor, Beverly Petross and guests, Bonnie Main and Marlie Mong.

Western Swing will be having its Annual Meeting and Election of

2018 officers on Monday, Nov. 6, 2017 at 6:30 p. m. at the Square Dance Hut on North Van Buren, Elk City. The Club will furnish Pizza, and **all members are urged to attend.**

Western Swing will not be having a dance in November due to the State Festival in Oklahoma City. Our next dance will be December 2nd. with Nicky Boone calling. Wow, Christmas is just around the corner, where has this year gone!!!

Our condolences go to Clarice Lowrance and her Family in the loss of her Dad. He was a very pleasant and fun loving person, and will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Bo Ray and Kay Martin



3rd Saturday, 7:30-10PM
Life Fellowship Church Gym
1709 Lyle Road, Weatherford, Oklahoma
Contact: 580-214-0964
Danny Payne, Caller

Hi-Steppers

President
Phil and Melva Snider

Ahh, fall weather, fall colors, sweaters, and fallen leaves to crunch underfoot... This is a wonderful time of year. I so look forward to the cooler temperatures.

Since we are having the SW District Festival, we at Hi-Steppers did not have a dance in October. When you have a caller as great as Jerry Junck, we certainly don't mind!

Our next dance will be Novem-

ber 18th with Danny Payne calling. Plan now to come dance off that Halloween candy!

Happy November Birthdays for our square dance family include Pauline Lovelace, Cheryl Foster, Sandy Schimmer, and Roy Pope. We wish Terry & Cindy Whitaker and Mark & Lisa Huber a happy November wedding anniversary.

We continue having mainstream

lessons and are having fun with the new folks and the ones who are returning to help. Our Tuesday evenings smile and laugh a lot.

Hope to see you on the dance floor soon!

Phillip & Melva Snider

Vernon Travelers

2nd Friday & 4th Saturday, 8:00 PM
Wilbarger County Auditorium, 2100 Yamparika Street, Vernon, TX
Tim Tanner, caller
President -Gene & Barbara Morton
940-553-4415

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7:30 workshop and 8:00 dance.

Happy Thanksgiving!

We had a fun dance October, Friday the 13th, to Tim Tanner calling. We had 11 visitors from Wichita Falls representing all four clubs and 9 Vernon Travelers.

By the time you read this newsletter, our Saturday (October 28) dance will be happy memories. I am sure we will have some interesting pictures posted on the internet of all the costumes and characters who came to "haunt the night".

Lessons continue on Tuesday nights. The location for our lessons is Vernon College SUB (student center- building with large windows), 4400 College Drive, at 7:30pm to 9:00pm, Tim is the instructor.

A big welcome to Jimmy and Charlotte Smith, who are joining our club. Jimmy and Charlotte live in Iowa Park and also dance with the Red River Valley Association clubs in Wichita Falls.

A big welcome to Kaitlyn Rudolph, our new dancer. She will graduate soon and will also be joining our club. She is doing a great job.

Our next dance will be November 10, Friday, (cookies and treats). Tim says he will be gone hunting and Jimmy Gouge will be calling.

We WILL dance on November 25 (Saturday, pot-luck). Scott Bennett will be our guest caller. Come out and dance off

the Thanksgiving pumpkin pie.

Happy Birthday to Nathan Coffey (Oct. 12), Buster Ford (Oct. 11), Helen McKay (Oct. 9), Jeanette Ramey (Oct. 21), Peyton Ramey (Oct. 26), and Margueritte Gray (Nov. 29).

Happy Anniversary to Guy and Shirley Reed on November 24.

Let's remember all those who need our thoughts and prayers. Jimmy Smith will be having surgery on Nov. 9th.

Happy dancing,
Belinda



*The Route 66 Jamboree is held the
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Ron and Barb Smith

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CLUB dances at this time are
held twice a year at a date and
place to be announced.

The Route 66 CLUB will have its
officer elections November 19.

New members and Nominations
for officers are being accepted. If
you want to be part of an exciting
club trying new innovations, we
would certainly be proud to have
you. (Meeting after the Jamboree
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SOUTHWEST DISTRICT DANCE CALENDAR

November 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3 OSDF Pre-party honoring Mike & Myrna Perkins & 2017 board. SW district is invited and to the reception afterward.!	4 Oklahoma State Festival-Tower Hotel-OKC <div>Elk City Cancelled</div>
5 OSDF Business Meeting	6 Lessons at Veterans Center 7 pm Clinton	7 Lessons in Weatherford 7 to 9 SWOSU Lessons at Vernon College SUB 7:30 pm to 9 pm.	8	9	10 <div>Vernon Jimmy Gouge</div>	11 <div>Clinton dance with Jimmy Gouge</div>
12	13 Lessons at Veterans Center 7 pm Clinton	14 Lessons in Weatherford 7 to 9 SWOSU Lessons at Vernon College SUB 7:30 pm to 9 pm.	15	16	17 <div>News Articles Due 20th</div>	18 <div>Hi-Stepper Danny Payne</div>
19 Southwest District annual Business meeting 2 ;	20 Lessons at Veterans Center 7 pm Clinton	21 Lessons in Weatherford 7 to 9 SWOSU Lessons at Vernon College SUB 7:30 pm to 9 pm.	22	23 Thanksgiving	24	25 <div>Vernon Scott Bennett</div>
26	27 Lessons at Veterans Center 7 pm Clinton	28 Lessons in Weatherford 7 to 9 SWOSU Lessons at Vernon College SUB 7:30 pm to 9 pm.	29	30		



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Sunday –
6/24/2018
: Dinner Theatre - '
Sister Act
, Kansas City, KS
11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

\$80/pp

Monday –
6/25/2018
: BBQ & Jazz, Kansas City, MO
6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

\$70/pp

Tuesday –
6/26/2018
: Customs House to White House, Independence,
MO 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

\$46/pp

Tuesday –
6/26/2018
: Kansas City on Display aka
'The City Tour'
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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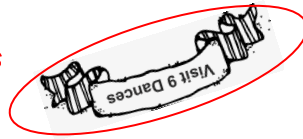
June
27-30, 2018



Special Events

Southwest District Travel Dance
Elk City, OK

Sat., December, 30, 2017
Jimmy Gouge, Caller



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