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# WASCA's Venetian Carnival



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Recognize any of these folks  
(from WASCA)?

**TeaCups has some items that your club may be able to use:**

*2 coffee pots  
driftwood for centerpieces  
assorted plastic table cloths*

If your club is interested, let Barb know ASAP.

Thank you, Barb MacDonald

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## WPSRDF Standard Weekly Dance Schedule

|     | Sunday                  | Monday                             | Tuesday   | Wednesday                      | Thursday                 | Friday   | Saturday                |
|-----|-------------------------|------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| 1st | <b>Friendly Squares</b> | <b>Dance-A-Round (Round Dance)</b> | <b>North Hills Squares</b><br><b>Peanut Squares</b><br><b>Thunderbolts (Advanced 1&amp;2)</b> | <b>Iron City Squares (DBD)</b> | <b>Y-Knot Dance Club</b> | <b>Mountainview Squares</b><br><br><b>The Spinners (Advanced 1&amp;2)</b>                      |                         |
| 2nd |                         | <b>Dance-A-Round (Round Dance)</b> | <b>North Hills Squares</b><br><b>Peanut Squares</b><br><b>Thunderbolts (Advanced 1&amp;2)</b> | <b>Iron City Squares (DBD)</b> | <b>Y-Knot Dance Club</b> | <b>Happy-Go-Lucky</b><br><b>Mountainview Squares</b><br><b>The Spinners (Advanced 1&amp;2)</b> | <b>Franklin Squares</b> |
| 3rd | <b>Friendly Squares</b> | <b>Dance-A-Round (Round Dance)</b> | <b>North Hills Squares</b><br><b>Peanut Squares</b><br><b>Thunderbolts (Advanced 1&amp;2)</b> | <b>Iron City Squares (DBD)</b> | <b>Y-Knot Dance Club</b> | <b>Mountainview Squares</b><br><br><b>The Spinners (Advanced 1&amp;2)</b>                      |                         |
| 4th |                         | <b>Dance-A-Round (Round Dance)</b> | <b>North Hills Squares</b><br><b>Peanut Squares</b><br><b>Thunderbolts (Advanced 1&amp;2)</b> | <b>Iron City Squares (DBD)</b> | <b>Y-Knot Dance Club</b> | <b>Happy-Go-Lucky</b><br><b>Mountainview Squares</b><br><b>The Spinners (Advanced 1&amp;2)</b> | <b>Franklin Squares</b> |
| 5th |                         | <b>Dance-A-Round (Round Dance)</b> | <b>North Hills Squares</b><br><b>Peanut Squares</b><br><b>Thunderbolts (Advanced 1&amp;2)</b> | <b>Iron City Squares (DBD)</b> | <b>Y-Knot Dance Club</b> | <b>Happy-Go-Lucky</b><br><b>Mountainview Squares</b>   |                         |

## WPSRDF CLUB LISTING INFORMATION

### Dance-A-Round: Round Dance Club

Featuring Phases II, III, IV, and Workshops.

#### Dance Information:

Every Monday 7:30 to 9:50 PM.  
Located at: Wallace Memorial Presbyterian Church, 1146 Greentree Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15220, (At the terminus of Potomac Ave).

#### Cuer and Instructors:

Bob and Patsy Heath.  
Cell: 214-354-5084  
President: Jim Brown, 412 561-9153,  
Cell: 412-841-7535.  
Treasurer: Bev Bauman, 412-367-1029  
Vice President: Lee Stout, 412-279-9046  
Secretary: Bob Heath, 724-269-7313.

### Franklin Squares

#### Contact Information:

Brad & Lenore Deibert  
724-309-8270

#### Dance Information:

8:00-10:30 PM,  
2'nd & 4'th Saturdays  
7:30-8:00 early rounds  
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
4503 Old Wm. Penn Highway  
Monroeville, PA  
Corner of Rt. 48 North & Old Wm. Penn Hwy.

Caller: Fred Strang  
814-248-8544

Cuer: Brad & Lenore Deibert  
Level: Plus Squares & Rounds  
Attire: Casual, June, July & August

### Friendly Squares

#### Contact Information:

Bob & Jackie Buck  
724-941-6955

Louise Stewart  
H-(412)276-3751  
C-(412)302-1960

Email: louisestewart@verizon.net

#### Dance Information:

7:00-9:30, 1st & 3rd Sundays  
St Benedict the Abbot Church  
80 Friar Lane,  
McMurray, PA 15317

Callers: Various

Cuers: Brad Deibert,  
Jim Yoest and various others

Level: Plus

Comments: Check calendar for Summer schedule

Attire: Casual, June, July & August

### Happy-Go-Lucky Squares

#### Contact Information:

President: - Jean Napiecek  
724 872-1509

#### Dance Information:

8-10:30 PM, 2'nd, 4'th, & 5'th  
Fridays

Pine Run United Methodist Ch.  
901 North 6th Street

Clairton, PA 15025  
(Wilson section of Clairton)

Caller: guest

Cuer: Brad Deibert

Level: Mainstream & Plus

Attire: Casual: June, July & August

### Iron City Squares

#### Contact Information:

Helen Naimark & Joe Nardi  
412-372-1450  
ajnardi@msn.com

#### Dance Information:

7:15-9:30 PM, Wednesdays  
Calvary United Methodist Church  
Allegheny and Beech Avenues  
(Northside) Pittsburgh, PA 15212  
(Use Beech Avenue entrance)

Caller: Blaine Knupp

Level: Mainstream through Plus

Comments: All dancing is DBD/  
gay & lesbian club

Attire: Casual: Year Round

### Mountainview Squares

#### Contact Information:

Floyd and Jan Bottom  
724-459-7434.

#### Dance Information:

7:30-10:00 PM, Every Friday  
Blairsville High School

102 School Lane  
Blairsville, PA 15717

Caller: Norm Shaffor

724 388-1909

Level: Plus

Comments: Casual or Formal  
attire welcome

Attire: June through September,  
casual only

### North Hills Squares

President: Chester & Dottie  
Kletke helped by: Ron Harris.

V-President: Tina Stover helped  
by: Jim Sullivan.

Secretary: Sue Korinchak Joe  
continues with caller contracts.

Treasurer: Linda Womsley.

helped at club by: Irene Rudy &  
Sharon Kopp.

Delegate: Kletkes

Reporter: Sharon Kopp

Banner Raids: Sharon Kopp.

Contact Information:

Sharon Kopp 724-266-3232  
Patty & Ken Adams 412-487-2901  
Dottie & Chet Kletke  
412-486-8243

#### Dance Information:

8:00-10:30 PM, Every Tuesday  
(2nd & 4th Tuesdays during  
January, February & March)

St. Paul's Methodist Church  
1965 Ferguson Rd

Allison Park, PA 15101

Caller: Ed Foote & guest callers

Cuer: Guest cuers

Level: Plus

Comments: Air-Conditioned Hall

Attire: Casual- June, July & August;  
Square wear or casual the  
rest of the year

### Peanut Squares

#### Scott Township, PA

#### Contact Information:

Paul Rinald (President)  
(412) 735-2423

[pmarinald@aol.com](mailto:pmarinald@aol.com)

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Bob & Beth Hoppe (Treasurers)

(412) 835-4303

#### Dance Information-2016

Squares Plus, Rounds on request  
7:30-10:00 pm. Every Tuesday

Except for the summer months of  
June-August: 2nd & 4th Tuesdays  
\$4, includes refreshments

Covenant Community

Presbyterian Church

1630 Greentree Road

Pittsburgh, Pa. 15220

Caller: Steve Staub

Guest callers as scheduled (best  
callers in SW PA)

Cuer: occasional, call for information

Level: Mainstream & Plus

Attire: Casual dress

### The Spinners

#### Contact Information:

Contact Information  
Rich Williams 412 - 915 - 4333  
Ron Giuliana 724 - 861 - 5884  
Cell: 412-554-

1809

#### Dance Information:

8:00-10:30 PM, Every Friday  
Linway United Presbyterian Ch.  
600 Greensburg Ave. (Route 30)  
North Versailles (East McKeesport)  
PA 15137

Hall Phone: 412-824-3555

Caller: Ron Giuliana, Jim Yoest,  
Rich Williams & Brad Deibert

Caller Emeritus Phil Way

Level: Advanced 1 & 2

Comments: call first (Rich or  
Ron)

Attire: Casual year round

### Thunderbolts

#### Contact Information:

Emma Lou Shaffor  
724 349-3998

#### Dance Information:

7:00-9:30 PM every Tuesday  
Blairsville High School  
102 School Lane

Blairsville, PA 15717

Caller: Norm Shaffor

724 388-1909

Level: Advanced 1 & 2

Attire: Casual year round

### Y-Knot Square & Round Dance Club

President: Barbara MacDonald  
cell 412-629-7079 or  
home 724-776-2029

#### Contact Information:

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E-mail: [sha-](mailto:sha-ron.kopp@yahoo.com)

[ron.kopp@yahoo.com](mailto:ron.kopp@yahoo.com) Russ  
Stewart 412-780-0047

#### Dance Information:

7:30-10:00 PM, every Thursday  
1st & 3rd Thursdays January-

February & July-August

North Hills Baptist Church

7801 Thompson Run Road

North Hills PA 15237

Caller: Jim Yoest & Guests

Cuer: Guest cuers

Level: Plus & Rounds

Attire: Casual: June, July &  
August

## Dance Calendar

| Date             | Club                            | Dance                                     | Caller                                  | Cuer                    |
|------------------|---------------------------------|---|---|-------------------------|
| 4/10/2018        | North Hills Squares             | Regular Dance                             | Dave Buys                               |                         |
| 4/10/2018        | Peanut Squares                  | Cookie Day                                | Paul Lake                               |                         |
| 4/10/2018        | Thunderbolts                    | Advanced 1 & 2                            | Norm Shaffor                            |                         |
| 4/11/2018        | Iron City Squares               | DBD                                       | Blaine Knupp                            |                         |
| 4/12/2018        | Y-Knots                         | Regular Dance                             | Jim Yoest                               | Nathan Parrott          |
| 4/13/2018        | Happy-Go-Lucky                  | April Showers                             | Jim Yoest                               | Brad & Lenore Deibert   |
| 4/13/2018        | Mountainview Squares            | Guest Caller                              | Steve Staub                             | Steve Staub             |
| 4/13/2018        | The Spinners (Call First)       | Advanced 1 & 2                            | Ron Giuliana, Jim Yoest & Rich Williams |                         |
| 4/14/2018        | Franklin Squares                | Regular Dance                             | Brad Deibert                            | Brad & Lenore Deibert   |
| 4/15/2018        | Friendly Squares                | No Dance                                  |   |                         |
| <b>4/15/2018</b> | <b>WPSRDF hosted by Y-Knots</b> | <b>Sophomore Dance see special dances</b> | <b>Jim Yoest &amp; Brad Deibert</b>     |                         |
| 4/16/2018        | Dance-A-Round                   | Round Dance                               |   | Bob & Patsy Heath       |
| 4/17/2018        | North Hills Squares             | Hard Times Dance                          | Ed Foote                                |                         |
| 4/17/2018        | Peanut Squares                  | 50s Dance                                 | Ron Anderson                            |                         |
| 4/17/2018        | Thunderbolts                    | Advanced 1 & 2                            | Norm Shaffor                            |                         |
| 4/18/2018        | Iron City Squares               | DBD                                       | Blaine Knupp                            |                         |
| 4/19/2018        | Y-Knots                         | No Dance                                  |   |                         |
| 4/20/2018        | Mountainview Squares            | Regular Dance                             | Norm Shaffor                            | Records                 |
| 4/20/2018        | The Spinners (Call First)       | Advanced 1 & 2                            | Ron Giuliana, Jim Yoest & Rich Williams |                         |
| 4/22/2018        | Friendly Squares                | Regular Dance                             | Brad Deibert                            | Brad & Lenore Deibert   |
| <b>4/22/2018</b> | <b>Y-Knots</b>                  | <b>Special Dance</b>                      | <b>Howard Williamson</b>                | <b>Donna Williamson</b> |
| 4/23/2018        | Dance-A-Round                   | Round Dance                               |   | Bob & Patsy Heath       |
| 4/24/2018        | North Hills Squares             | Regular Dance                             | Shawn Brown                             |                         |
| 4/24/2018        | Peanut Squares                  | Pig in a Blanket Day                      | Scott Brown                             |                         |
| 4/24/2018        | Thunderbolts                    | Advanced 1 & 2                            | Norm Shaffor                            |                         |
| 4/25/2018        | Iron City Squares               | DBD                                       | Blaine Knupp                            |                         |
| 4/26/2018        | Y-Knots                         | Regular Dance                             | Jim Yoest                               | Carla Eilenfeld         |
| 4/27/2018        | Happy-Go-Lucky                  | Regular Dance                             | Brad Deibert                            | Brad & Lenore Deibert   |
| 4/27/2018        | Mountainview Squares            | Regular Dance                             | Norm Shaffor                            | Records                 |
| 4/27/2018        | The Spinners (Call First)       | Advanced 1 & 2                            | Rich Williams                           |                         |
| 4/28/2018        | Franklin Squares                | Regular Dance                             | Brad Deibert                            | Brad & Lenore Deibert   |
| 4/30/2018        | Dance-A-Round                   | Round Dance                               |   | Bob & Patsy Heath       |
| 5/1/2018         | North Hills Squares             | Graduation                                | Ed Foote                                |                         |
| 5/1/2018         | Peanut Squares                  | May Day                                   | Gene Hammond                            |                         |
| 5/1/2018         | Thunderbolts                    | Advanced 1 & 2                            | Norm Shaffor                            |                         |
| 5/2/2018         | Iron City Squares               | DBD                                       | Blaine Knupp                            |                         |
| 5/3/2018         | Y-Knots                         | No Dance                                  |   |                         |
| 5/4/2018         | Mountainview Squares            | 40th Anniversary Dinner Dance             | Norm Shaffor                            |                         |
| 5/4/2018         | The Spinners (Call First)       | Advanced 1 & 2                            | Ron Giuliana, Jim Yoest & Rich Williams |                         |
| 5/6/2018         | Friendly Squares                | Regular Dance                             | Jim Yoest                               |                         |
| 5/7/2018         | Dance-A-Round                   | Round Dance                               |   | Bob & Patsy Heath       |
| 5/8/2018         | North Hills Squares             | Regular Dance                             | Jim Yoest                               |                         |
| 5/8/2018         | Thunderbolts                    | Advanced 1 & 2                            | Norm Shaffor                            |                         |
| 5/9/2018         | Iron City Squares               | DBD                                       | Blaine Knupp                            |                         |
| 5/10/2018        | Y-Knots                         | Mothers Day                               | Steve Staub                             | Steve Staub             |
| 5/11/2018        | Happy-Go-Lucky                  | Mothers Day                               | Brad Deibert                            | Brad & Lenore Deibert   |
| 5/11/2018        | Mountainview Squares            | Regular Dance                             | Norm Shaffor                            | Records                 |
| 5/11/2018        | The Spinners (Call First)       | Advanced 1 & 2                            | Ron Giuliana, Jim Yoest & Rich Williams |                         |

## Dance Calendar

| Date      | Club                      | Dance                      | Caller                                  | Cuer                  |
|-----------|---------------------------|----------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| 5/12/2018 | Franklin Squares          | Regular Dance              | Brad Deibert                            | Brad & Lenore Deibert |
| 5/14/2018 | Dance-A-Round             | Round Dance                |   | Bob & Patsy Heath     |
| 5/15/2018 | North Hills Squares       | Girls Night                | Lisa Minton & Sharon Kopp               |                       |
| 5/15/2018 | Peanut Squares            | No Dance                   |   |                       |
| 5/15/2018 | Thunderbolts              | Advanced 1 & 2             | Norm Shaffor                            |                       |
| 5/16/2018 | Iron City Squares         | DBD                        | Blaine Knupp                            |                       |
| 5/17/2018 | Y-Knots                   | Anniversary Dinner Dance   | Jim Yoest                               | Nathan Parrott        |
| 5/18/2018 | Mountainview Squares      | Regular Dance              | Norm Shaffor                            | Records               |
| 5/18/2018 | The Spinners (Call First) | Advanced 1 & 2             | Ron Giuliana, Jim Yoest & Rich Williams |                       |
| 5/20/2018 | Friendly Squares          | Graduation                 | Brad Deibert                            | Brad & Lenore Deibert |
| 5/21/2018 | Dance-A-Round             | Round Dance                |   | Bob & Patsy Heath     |
| 5/22/2018 | North Hills Squares       | Anniversary Dinner Dance   | Ed Foote                                |                       |
| 5/22/2018 | Peanut Squares            | Plus Recognition Dance     | Shawn Brown                             |                       |
| 5/22/2018 | Thunderbolts              | No Dance                   |   |                       |
| 5/23/2018 | Iron City Squares         | DBD                        | Blaine Knupp                            |                       |
| 5/24/2018 | Y-Knots                   | Red White & Blue Dance     | Jim Yoest                               | Bob & Patsy Heath     |
| 5/25/2018 | Happy-Go-Lucky            | Memorial Day Dance         | Brad Deibert                            | Brad & Lenore Deibert |
| 5/25/2018 | Mountainview Squares      | No Dance                   |   |                       |
| 5/25/2018 | The Spinners (Call First) | Advanced 1 & 2             | Jim Yoest & Rich Williams               |                       |
| 5/26/2018 | Franklin Squares          | Regular Dance              | Brad Deibert                            | Brad & Lenore Deibert |
| 5/28/2018 | Dance-A-Round             | Round Dance                |   | Bob & Patsy Heath     |
| 5/29/2018 | North Hills Squares       | Regular Dance              | Ed Foote                                |                       |
| 5/29/2018 | Peanut Squares            | Picnic                     | Brad Deibert                            |                       |
| 5/29/2018 | Thunderbolts              | Advanced 1 & 2             | Norm Shaffor                            |                       |
| 5/30/2018 | Iron City Squares         | DBD                        | Blaine Knupp                            |                       |
| 5/31/2018 | Y-Knots                   | Regular Dance              | Denny Steiner                           | Nathan Parrott        |
| 6/1/2018  | Mountainview Squares      | Guest Caller               | Tom Miller                              | Records               |
| 6/1/2018  | The Spinners (Call First) | Advanced 1 & 2             | Ron Giuliana, Jim Yoest & Rich Williams |                       |
| 6/3/2018  | Friendly Squares          | Red White & Blue Dance     | Jim Yoest                               |                       |
| 6/4/2018  | Dance-A-Round             | Round Dance                |   | Bob & Patsy Heath     |
| 6/5/2018  | North Hills Squares       | Regular Dance              | Ed Foote                                |                       |
| 6/5/2018  | Peanut Squares            | No Dance                   |   |                       |
| 6/5/2018  | Thunderbolts              | Advanced 1 & 2             | Norm Shaffor                            |                       |
| 6/6/2018  | Iron City Squares         | DBD                        | Blaine Knupp                            |                       |
| 6/7/2018  | Y-Knots                   | Regular Dance              | Sharon Kopp & Barb MacDonald            | Carla Eilenfeld       |
| 6/8/2018  | Happy-Go-Lucky            | Fathers Day Dance          | Denny Steiner                           | Brad & Lenore Deibert |
| 6/8/2018  | Mountainview Squares      | Regular Dance              | Norm Shaffor                            | Records               |
| 6/8/2018  | The Spinners (Call First) | Advanced 1 & 2             | Ron Giuliana, Jim Yoest & Rich Williams |                       |
| 6/9/2018  | Franklin Squares          | Regular Dance              | Brad Deibert                            | Brad & Lenore Deibert |
| 6/11/2018 | Dance-A-Round             | Round Dance                |   | Bob & Patsy Heath     |
| 6/12/2018 | North Hills Squares       | Regular Dance              | Ed Foote                                |                       |
| 6/12/2018 | Peanut Squares            | Peanut Butter Cookie Dance | Tom Mohney                              |                       |
| 6/12/2018 | Thunderbolts              | Advanced 1 & 2             | Norm Shaffor                            |                       |
| 6/13/2018 | Iron City Squares         | DBD                        | Blaine Knupp                            |                       |
| 6/14/2018 | Y-Knots                   | Flag Day Dance             | Jim Yoest                               | Bob & Patsy Heath     |
| 6/15/2018 | Mountainview Squares      | Regular Dance              | Norm Shaffor                            | Records               |
| 6/15/2018 | The Spinners (Call First) | Advanced 1 & 2             | Jim Yoest & Ron Giuliana                |                       |

## Special Dance Schedule

| Date         | Club   | Dance  | Caller  | Cuer                  |
|--------------|--|--|---|-----------------------|
| 4/15/2018    | WPSRDF Hosted by Y-knot Squares                                | Sophomore Dance at Parkwood United Presbyterian Church Mt Royal Blvd Allison Park PA 2-5pm | Brad Deibert & Jim Yoest                      |                       |
| 4/22/2018    | Y-Knots  | Special Dance  | Howard Williamson                             | Donna Williamson      |
| 5/4/2018     | Mountainview Squares at Blairsville High School-Dinner 6:00 pm | 40th Club Anniversary Dinner/Dance   | Norm Shaffor                                  | Recorded Cues         |
| 7/19-21/2018 | Hunt Valley MD   | 55th Star Spangled Banner Festival   | Tom Miller, Bill Harrison, Sandie Bryant etc. |                       |
| 9/15/2018    | Mountainview Squares   | Autumn Fest at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Monroeville                                   | Norm Shaffor & Brad Deibert                   | Brad & Lenore Deibert |
| 10/13/2018   | WPSRDF Hosted by North Hills Squares                           | Fall Festival 2-6PM at St Pauls United Methodist Church                                    | Howard Williamson                             | Donna Williamson      |

*To schedule a special dance, please contact the editor.*

## Visitation Program

### Update

Winter has really taken its toll on the Visitation Program. Over the last two months the only clubs to have made a move were Franklin Squares and Mountainview Squares. They each scored one point visits while Friendly and Happy-Go-Lucky remained idle.

On February 18th Franklin sent four members to dance to Ron Anderson at Friendly's Snow Ball for a visitation. Then on March 23rd four Mountainview members visited Happy-Go-Lucky to dance squares and rounds to Brad Deibert.

Fortunately the skies are clearing up and the temperature is warming up and hopefully more visitations will be recorded.

*After all visitations both visiting club and host club  
PLEASE email the names and date as soon as possible to  
jcfrk1@verizon.net. Thank you*

| CLUB                   | ROUND COMPLETED | NEXT ROUND VISITS | TOTAL POINTS |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Franklin Squares       | 2 rounds        | 1 visitations     | 9 points     |
| Friendly Squares       | 3 rounds        | 0 visitations     | 16 points    |
| Happy-Go-Lucky Squares | 2 rounds        | 2 visitation      | 12 points    |
| Mountainview Squares   | 2 rounds        | 0 visitations     | 9 points     |

## Club Reports

### *Dance-A-Round*

Reporter:

No report submitted.

### *Franklin Squares*

Reporter: Brad Deibert

We had a great 68<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner and Dance on March 10, 2018. We had 32 attendees at our dinner and the food was great as usual. Square dancers are good cooks! The dance following was also well attended and we enjoyed seeing everyone. Fred Strang was truly missed at the Anniversary party. Fred was such a key part of the club for so many years that nobody in attendance could remember a time when he wasn't there. We miss you Fred!

I was pleased to be asked to call and cue with Pete Bray for a special dance for my friend Fred Strang in Somerset on Sunday, March 4. The event was planned as a fund raiser in Fred's memory for the Somerset 4H Square Dancers. There was \$500 raised at the event. It was great to see dancers from the Pittsburgh area at the dance.

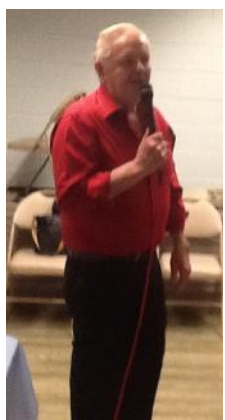
Mark your calendar for upcoming dances at Franklin Squares: April 14 and 28 and May 12 and 26. We start with early rounds at 7:30, followed by squares with rounds 8:00 to 10:30. Brad Deibert will call and cue for these dances.

If you are looking for some dancing on Monday night, you can always join Franklin Squares in Trafford for our class/workshop night. We are currently not teaching any new dancers, so we are just dancing and enjoying the activity. We will accept any new dancer at any time if you know of someone interested. The place is St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 324 Fairmont, Trafford, PA 15085. Round workshop is at 6:30 and squares are from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. Call Brad at 724-309-8270 for more details.

Hope to see you at Franklin Squares at an upcoming dance. Happy Dancing!

### *Friendly Squares*

Reporter: Joanne Petrillo



In February we had our Snow Ball dance. We had 5 squares plus. A wonderful time was had by all with Ron Anderson calling and Bob Heath cueing. Thank you all that provided food or helped in any way.

March 18th, we will have a belated St. Patrick's dance with Jim Yoest calling. Hope to see everyone in green.

We are so happy to have our secretary, Marsha Mccracken back on the floor dancing after a while of absence. Of course, you too Dick.

April 8th is our APRIL SHOWERS Dance with Jim Yoest calling. NO Cueing.

April 22nd, a regular dance with Brad Deibert calling and cueing.

May 6th a regular dance with Jim Yoest calling, NO Cueing.

May 20th is our GRADUATION Dance with Brad Deibert calling and cueing.

June 3rd our Red, White And Blue dance with Jim Yoest calling. NO cueing.

June 17th a regular dance with Brad Deibert calling. NO cueing

July 15th is our PICNIC Dance with Jim Yoest calling. NO Cueing.

August 5th is our HAWAIIAN LUAU with Brad Deibert calling.

August 19th a regular dance with Jim Yoest calling. NO Cueing.

September 16th Is our FUN DANCE with Brad calling and cueing..

October 7th a regular dance with Jim Yoest calling.

October 21st a regular dance with Brad Deibert calling and cueing.

ANY QUESTIONS: Please call: Louise Stewart - 412-302-1960 or Sue Hopf - 412-606-8819

### *Happy-Go-Lucky Squares*

Reporter: Mary Ann Markowitz

When you read this article, it will be spring. Hopefully by now, we are enjoying warm weather. Who ever heard of 70 degree weather in January & February? That was some winter



*Happy-Go-Lucky's Valentine Dance*

we had!

Jim Yoest will call our "April Shower's dance on Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup> and Brad Deibert will cue. Hopefully it won't rain on that date. Jim & Brad together make a good team. April 27<sup>th</sup> is a Regular dance with Brad calling and cueing. We always enjoy dancing to Brad. Mothers Day is Sunday May 13<sup>th</sup> so we'll be celebrating it on May 11<sup>th</sup>. Brad calls and cues this dance. Memorial Day is on May 28<sup>th</sup> so we'll have our dance on May 25<sup>th</sup>. This is a perfect time to wear Red, White & Blue. June 8<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate Father's Day. Denny Steiner will call and Brad Deibert will cue. Here is a chance to dance to Denny who is a great caller. This should be a fun night.

Our dances are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays of every month from 8:00 until 10:30 pm. Brad Deibert, is our club's caller and he will call & cue every dance except when we have a guest caller. We dress in Square wear from September 1<sup>st</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>. June 1<sup>st</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup>. is our casual time but Square Wear is welcomed at any of our dances throughout the year. We don't turn anyone away. Our dances are held at the Pine Run United Methodist Church, 901 North 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Clairton Pa 15025. The church is accessible from either Rt. 837South or Rt.885South. The church is in the Wilson area of



## Club Reports

Clairton. We dance in the churches Fellowship Hall. Parking is in the rear of the church where there is a well lighted lot. Enter by the rear door. For more information, call our President Fran Reynolds at 412 882-9924 or our Vice President Jean Napiecek at 724 872-1509.

Apr 13 Jim Yoest – April Showers

Apr 27 Brad Deibert – Regular Dance

May 11 Brad Deibert – Mothers Day Dance

May 25 Brad Deibert - Memorial Day Dance

June 08 Denny Steiner – Fathers Day Dance

*“Nobody cares if you can’t dance well.  
Just get up and dance”*

### **Iron City Squares**

Reporter: Joe Nardi

No report submitted.

### **Mountainview Squares**

Reporter: Jan Bottom

Hi from Blairsville.

There has not been too much going on out this way as I write this the middle of March. We are continuing with our lessons and I am happy to say our five students are doing quite well.

We look forward to doing more visitations when the weather settles down some and we can plan without having snowy or icy roads. We look forward to seeing the other clubs in the visitation program soon.

We have been fortunate to have a friend of Marna Conrad take videos of our Club dancing and he has put them on Facebook. If you would like to take a look, type in Mountainview Squares and they should come up.

Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for these coming events:

**April 13<sup>th</sup> – GUEST CALLER AND CUER – STEVE STAUB** – We’re planning on a fun evening of dancing to the calls and cues and who knows, maybe even a line dance.

**May 4<sup>th</sup> – 40<sup>th</sup> Club Anniversary Dinner/Dance** – Dinner at 6:00 pm – Dancing 7:30 – 10:00 pm – Norm Shaffor will be calling – Cake and Beverages will be provided by the Club – Bring a covered dish and plan to join us for a fun evening of eating, dancing, and socializing. Check out the flyer elsewhere in the WEST PEN NEWS.

**May 25<sup>th</sup> – Memorial Day – No Dance**

**June 1<sup>st</sup> – GUEST CALLER – TOM MILLER** – This date with Tom was scheduled last May and I am including it here with the hope and prayers he will be up to doing some calling by then. For updates, keep an eye out on the google list.

Our Club dances every Friday night, weather permitting, with Norm Shaffor calling except as noted above.

### **North Hills Squares**

Reporter: Sharon Kopp

North Hills new dancers continue in class weekly, even though NHS is only dancing every other week. February 15 we banner raid Y-Knots at their student dance. Jim Yoest did his excellent interesting job of calling at the student lev-

el. Bob Heath was cueing that evening. If you have an interest in round dancing, contact Bob.

The last week of January Sharon Kopp called. One tip was done with a record of nothing but Grand Square. Did it once at the 45rpm and the second time at 78rpm. The dancers did fabulous. At 78rpm I could not call it. Verbally it was too fast.

On February 27 Scott Brown called for our Beach Party dance. Fortunately the weather cooperated. Cold but no snow and dancers came dressed in summer/beach wear. Tina and Sharon came in their swimsuits. Enjoy the pictures in the



WPN. There was a beach scene.

NHS was recipients of PSRDF New Dancer Program. \$200 was received because there were 9 graduates on May 9, 2017. Randy Gibson, Mike Huerbin, Brendon Murphy, Cindy Paganico, Brian Schultz, Hanna Watterson, Joanne Watterson, Rich & Elizabeth Zimmerman. All are still dancing and being angels at the class.

Y-Knots is the host for the WPSRDF Sophomore dance on April 15. Gently used square wear will be for sale at that dance at the bargain price of \$5/bag. See flyer in WPN for details.

Donna and Howard Williamson will be the caller/cuer for the WPSRDF Fall Festival on October 13 hosted by NHS. This is the first release of this information so mark your calendar. Flyers will be out soon.

Starting in April North Hills Squares will be dancing each Tuesday night. Upcoming dances: 4/3 Ed Foote; 4/10 Dave Buys; 4/17 Ed Foote; 4/24 Shawn Brown; 5/1 Graduation Day, Ed calling; 5/8 Jim Yoest, 5/15 Girls night with Lisa Minton & Sharon Kopp; 5/22 Anniversary dinner/dance with Ed calling; 5/29 Ed calling. See you in a square soon. Remember Square Dancing is Friendship Set to Music.

### **Peanut Squares**

Reporter: Sara Frey

PEANUT SQUARES graduated seven new Peanuts members on February 20, 2018. Many of them are now enrolled in PEANUTS PLUS LESSONS on Thursday nights at Southminster Presbyterian Church. Members from all square dance clubs are welcome to attend the Plus Lessons whether to learn new calls or to brush up on old ones. The cost is \$4/lesson, taught by Shawn Brown.

PEANUT SQUARES dances every Tuesday evening from 7:30 to 10pm at Covenant Community Church on Greentree Road in Scott Township, for only \$4/person. We have had four



**The  
Sophomore Dance  
Hosted by  
Y-Knot  
Square & Round Dance Club  
with  
Jim Yoest - Caller  
And  
Brad Deibert – Caller/Cuer**

**\$8.00/Couple or \$4.00/Person  
\$2.00/New Dancers**



**Date: April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
Dance: 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm**

**There will be a  
Used Clothing Sale**

**Remember the Place to Be is  
PARKWOOD UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
4289 Mt. Royal Blvd.  
Allison Park, Pa. 15101**

## Club Reports

squares dancing almost every week – lots of fun, different theme nights, different callers. Below is a picture from our group on March 6, 2018 at Hat Night called by Susan Elaine Packer. We had close to



40 dancers! There are some other callers in this picture including Scott Brown, Lisa Minton, and Shawn Brown. More pictures and Peanut Squares schedules can be found at [www.peanutsquares.blogspot.com](http://www.peanutsquares.blogspot.com)

### The Spinners

Reporter: Ron Giuliana

If you build it, they will come. That is one of the key lines in the movie, Field of Dreams. Well The Spinners advertised, and they came. We currently have 12 wonderful Dancers attending our Advanced Lessons and 8 club Angels, who we can't thank enough, for coming early and filling in where needed. We held a extra Sunday workshop for those who could attend on March 11th. We are into our second set of lessons and it is going great. The students are really dedicating their time outside of the dancing to review the definitions and it shows at every dance. We thank them for their commitment.

It is great to see them ask questions, and for some sidebar practice between tips. They are settling in and getting comfortable with the advanced calls learned so far.

We continue to laugh and have a lot of fun dancing. We All have made mistakes at one point, so we just continue to work on the calls as we go along. As Jim and Ron keep on stating, "we are having fun, just relax and enjoy it". We will provide an update and more pictures in future articles.

### Thunderbolts

Reporter: Emma Lou Shaffor

The Thunderbolts have distributed a *Revised Schedule* for 2018 to all the clubs in our federation because the Blairsville High School has become unavailable to us for the following Tuesdays: May 22,

July 24, September 25, November 27 and December 4. These unavailable dates are in addition to the July 3, November 20 and December 25 dates which were already designated as black nights for us because of holidays.

The Thunderbolts dance every Tuesday evening (except as noted above) from 7:00 to 9:30 to the calling of Norman Shaffor at the Blairsville High School, 102 School Lane, Blairsville, PA 15717.

We love to dance and have so much fun together. Visitors are always welcome to join us.

For more information you may call Stormin' Norman at 724 388-1909 (cell) or 724 349-3998 (home) or email him at [stormin63@verizon.net](mailto:stormin63@verizon.net).

### Y-Knot Square and Round Dance Club

Reporter: Jeanne Maier

April we hope for the rain to bring the beautiful flowers. We look forward to seeing the new dancers at our own dances and at the sophomore dance. Remember that the nights that we don't dance at the church we will be at Kane teaching and we can always use your help as angels. Also, remember to mark your calendars about April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Howard and Donna Williamson will bring a lot of fun and laughs to the dance. Another one to mark is our 38<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner/Dance on May 17<sup>th</sup>. Check the list below for all the callers and cuers we will have in the next two months.

April 5<sup>th</sup> – "NEW DANCERS NIGHT"

Jim Yoest – Caller Bob Heath - Cuer

April 12<sup>th</sup> – Jim Yoest – Caller Nathan Parrott – Cuer

April 15<sup>th</sup> – "SOPHOMORE DANCE" @ PARKWOOD CHURCH  
Jim Yoest – Caller Brad Diebert - Caller/Cuer

April 19<sup>th</sup> – NO DANCE Be an Angel at KANE 7pm

April 22<sup>nd</sup> – Howard Williamson – Caller

Donna Williamson - Cuer

April 26<sup>th</sup> - Jim Yoest – Caller Carla Eilenfeld – Cuer

May 3<sup>rd</sup> – NO DANCE Be an Angel at KANE 7pm

May 10<sup>th</sup> – "MOTHERS DAY" –

Steve Staub – Caller/Cuer

May 17<sup>th</sup> – 38<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY DINNER/DANCE –

Jim Yoest – Caller Nathan Parrott - Cuer

May 24<sup>th</sup> – "RED, WHITE AND BLUE NIGHT"

Jim Yoest – Caller Bob Heath – Cuer

May 31<sup>st</sup> – Denny Steiner - Caller Nathan Parrott – Cuer

**To all club reporters:**

**Please submit your June reports by May 10.**



## Peanuts Grads





41st ANNUAL WPSRDF

# FESTIVAL

HOSTED BY **NORTH HILLS SQUARES**

SATURDAY, October 13, 2018

ST. PAUL'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
1965 FERGUSON RD, ALLISON PARK. 15101



CALLER: **HOWARD WILLIAMSON**

CUER: **DONNA WILLIAMSON**

2:00-6:00PM.

Squares and  
Rounds

DBD TIP at 3:30pm and ADVANCE tip 4:30pm.



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## Opinion Page

### AN OPEN COMMUNIQUE TO CALLERLAB

March 16, 2018

Dear CALLERLAB Executives:

I wish to call attention to a situation I have tolerated for decades, but which is becoming more and more intolerable as I develop arthritis in my hands. My concern is the way square dancers hold hands. I have danced at thousands of local dances in multiple states, danced at State conventions in a few states, and two National Conventions. I have observed that hand squeezing is wide spread and very common. I estimate that well over 95 percent of dancers do it. This group includes callers, instructors, and spouses of callers and instructors.

#### Following is my position.

Square dancing should be groups of dancers cooperatively working together to execute the calls correctly and have a good time. This means that the people next to a dancer should be able to lead/ guide that dancer if needed. On the other hand, the dancer being provided this lead/guidance must be free and able not to accept it. This can be done by simply dropping the hand hold. However, this can't be done if the dancer's hand is being squeezed. What do I mean by squeezed? The human hand has two sets of opposing sides. The palm and back of the hand is one set, the side with the thumb and the side with the little finger is the other. If opposing sides of a hand are being touched at the same time, that hand is being squeezed. This is independent of the force being applied. The force applied determines how hard the hand is being squeezed.

#### What is wrong with hand squeezing?

For people with arthritis it can be painful. This is something that is hard to appreciate until it happens to you. Worrying "How much is the person approaching me going to hurt me this time?" certainly detracts from the joy of square dancing. I wonder how many dancers have quit because of this.

The person whose hand is being squeezed is reduced to a slave. They are under the control of the person squeezing their hand and can't execute the next call until their hand is released or they "revolt" and forcibly remove their hand.

The person squeezing the hand can force the other person to do things they don't want to do. Having your hand or arm twisted is great motivation.

A single under the arm turn without releasing the hand will result in twisted wrists. A second turn would result in sprained if not broken wrists.

#### Are there possible solutions?

One is to touch hands palm to palm with the fingers slightly hooked (curved) to touch either the thumb or little finger side of the other's hand. The fingers should not be hooked so much that they wrap around the hand to touch the back or the hand and **most importantly, the thumb should be held out of the way so that it touches nothing**. This way, two adjacent sides of the hand are being touched at the same time and not two opposite sides and thus the hand is not being squeezed. As long as the hands are thus interlocked, a dancer can easily lead/guide an adjacent dancer if that dancer wants to accept it. The hand hold can easily be broken by either dancer at any time by simply straightening the fingers and/or moving the hand.

#### Anything else?

Now that the parts of the hand to be touched have been determined, the question of how to position the hands remains. In my experience, a common convention is for men to hold their hands palms up and ladies palms down. This convention doesn't work when same sexes are side by side. One solution is for every one to hold their right hand palm up and left hand palm down. Now no one will have to change their hand orientation regardless of the order of the sexes in the formation. There is another advantage of this hand orientation. Imagine standard facing lines. Let's focus on the man in the center of one of the lines. That man is a Beau with respect to his partner, but at the same time is a Bell if the centers are active. This convention would give dancers another way to determine if they are Bell or Beau with respect to other dancers. If their hand on the side of the other dancer is palm down, than they are a Bell with respect to that dancer. If their hand on the side of the other dancer is palm up, than they are a Beau with respect to that dancer.

I ask that CALLERLAB take these things into consideration and develop guidelines/rules for hand holding. These guidelines/rules should be the very first thing taught at the very first lesson of every beginner class.

Note: Most of these ideas are not originally mine, but are the result of my experience and discussions with other dancers.

Sincerely, Terry Lee Osif

### *Responses and other opinions are welcome*

#### **Cost vs. Benefits**

Recently, I heard someone indicate how expensive it was to square dance. I think in part they were concerned about the price of our special clothing. I decided to explore what it costs for some of my other activities for comparison.

I golf. You need golf clubs, balls, tees, special shoes, a hat and fees to the golf course. On average it costs between \$20 and \$40 for 4 ½ hours of golfing. You also need special shoes and shirts with collars as well as pants or shorts with pockets. It is good exercise, requires some concentration and skill, lessons help and the social aspect is minimal with interactions between 1 and 4 people.

I bowl. You need a bowling ball, special shoes and comfortable clothes. The cost is \$8.00 to \$20.00 depending on fees at the lanes and if you are in league for about 2 hours exercise per week. It is good exercises, requires some concentration and skill and lessons do help. The social aspect involves mainly people on your team and within your league.

I fish. You need a fishing rod, hooks, bait, a hat, special licenses and since I have a boat I also need a boat license, trailer license, and gas for the boat, The costs add up, but after the initial investment it is a matter of time and patience. Exercise is minimal, patience a must. And remember it is calling fishing not

catching. Do you socialize with the fish?

I read. Well you need good lighting, a comfortable chair, good glasses, and lots of reading material. This varies in price depending on where you get your books and if you have chosen to have a nook. Exercise is minimal, requires mental concentration and there is almost no social interaction.

So what about square dancing? Yes, we need some special clothes, as do most other activities, and comfortable shoes. The cost of this clothing depends upon your choice since often gently used clothing is available within our clubs or federation. The cost per evening ranges between \$4 and \$8 for 2 ½ to 3 hours of great exercises. It also requires mental concentration and has great social appeal since you need at least eight dancers. We can then vary squares we dance within as well as clubs and locations. The same lessons help us dance in all these locations.

So it seems that to get the most physical, mental and social benefits for the least cost, square dancing is the way to go. So find yourself some square dancing clothes and comfortable shoes and we will see you in a square somewhere.

Barbara MacDonald  
WPSRDF Past President



**Join Us For Another  
Afternoon Dance  
With  
Howard Williamson  
The Caller  
And  
Donna Williamson  
The Cuer**

**Date: Sunday April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018  
Dance: 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm**

**Y-Knot Square and Round Dance Club  
North Hills Community Baptist Church  
7801 Thompson Run Road  
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15237**



# Photos



# North Hills Beach Party




# Friendly's Snow Ball



# Photos



Happy  
Go  
Lucky

## Purple People Eaters Dance

*Sorry that we didn't have other clubs students join us for our Purple People Eater Dance. Steve did a good job calling to the music of this song and club members even given the words to sing along. There was a lot of purple food, members were very creative,*





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# Minutes for the February Federation Meeting

## WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE FEDERATION

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA SQUARE AND  
ROUND DANCE FEDERATION  
Minutes of the February 13, 2018 Meeting at Good  
Shepherd Lutheran Church in Monroeville

President Clyde Miles called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with a welcome, the Pledge of Allegiance, and a moment of silence.

LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE SQUARE  
DANCING EVEN BETTER

Barbara MacDonald, Secretary, called the roll. Dance A Round, Happy Go Lucky and Peanuts had no delegate present. The minutes of the previous meeting were sent electronically and mailed. Norm Shaffor made a motion to accept the minutes, Dottie Kletke seconded and they were approved.

Dick McCracken, (Treasurer), reported that the Income totaled \$2312.00 and Disbursements totaled \$1274.76 including \$1085.70 for USDA insurance. Balance on hand November 30, 2017 was \$6866.76. January 31, 2018 balance is \$7904.00. Emma Lou Shaffor moved and Jan Bottom seconded to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

### Committee Reports:

**West Pen News:** Send any flyers as a jpg or tif file. Michael Hopf encouraged correspondence to be in terms of text, snail mail or emails since he cannot take notes while working. However, he will be happy to answer questions over the phone. All is well. Stay alert to the deadlines. Sending Mick schedules in advance will help keep the calendar accurate.

**Special Dance Coordinator:** Michael Hopf reported all is well. Michael Hopf asks that the emails sent to [jcfrkl@verizon.net](mailto:jcfrkl@verizon.net) to confirm special dances be noted in the subject line: Please ***OPEN IMMEDIATELY***. Mick will acknowledge these emails as soon as possible. Other emails for WPN are filed for use in compiling the paper later. Please try not to conflict with other club schedules for special dances. **If you want a dance to be listed as special, let Mick know.**

**West Pen News Subscriptions:** - Dick McCracken reported 91 subscriptions for 2018.

**Traveling Banner:** The Traveling banner is available. Contact Barb MacDonald if desired.

**Insurance:** Follow-up for 2018-When insurance was submitted we had 231 individual dancers across our 11 clubs. With 57 belonging to more than one club.

For 2017, we had 248 individuals with 46 belonging to multiple clubs.

Certificates for 2018 were distributed. They are not limited to dates or times this year. I doubled checked and each club needs its own certificate per location. Please let me know of any special needs.

Mountainview added 5 students and Y-Knots one member.

**Friendship Club:** Virginia Eighmy was not present. **New Contact Information-**Send requests for bars to Virginia Eighmy at: 3832 Ebonhurst Dr. Apt #258, Allison Park, PA 15101 phone 412-213-0132. **We need to promote these danglers to encourage travel between clubs. If you need more cards, let Barb know.**

**We looked at the cards for accuracy of information. We did not have a student card. Barb will look for a copy of this to have more made.**

**Showcase of Ideas:** Let Barb know if you would like this for a special dance.

### State Federation:

The new PSRDF officers are: President: - Bob Lawn and Martha Thompson, Treasurer: - Truman and Diana Hershberger. The offices of 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President and Secretary are still open. Tony and Diana Rock are now past-presidents. They are still looking for officers.

Flooring will be rented to members of the federation for a \$250.00 rental fee. Non-members fee is \$500. This includes delivery, but no set-up.

**PSRDF revisited the New dancer reward system. If your club graduated more than 3 members in May of 2017, you are eligible. Forms are available at [psrdf.org](http://psrdf.org) and need to be submitted as soon as possible.** There is a limit of \$2,000.00 across the state. New dancers do need to show some participation past graduation. **Forms are now available.**

The next PSRDF meeting will be held in April.

**Sunshine Committee:** Helen will send out 2 get well cards our board members. Contact her if you need the information. Let Helen know if you have information to share. Her email is <[hnaimark@hotmail.com](mailto:hnaimark@hotmail.com)>. Although some past dancers have died recently, we do not go beyond 4 years with sympathy cards. Please continue to send her information.

**Google Group:** Tony Rock was not in attendance. To put your name on or take your name off the google list, send your request to Tony at [The-rocks@verizon.net](mailto:The-rocks@verizon.net). Mark your email as IMPORTANT to catch Tony's attention.

**WPSRDF Web Site Coordinator:** Roy Nagy can be contacted at, [roynagy@verizon.net](mailto:roynagy@verizon.net) Please send any updated information for the website to Roy Nagy. If your club elects new officers, be sure to contact Roy so he can have

them changed on the website. Roy has been working with Ken Adams (state webmaster) to keep WPSRDF information up to date.

**Pittsburgh Area Caller/Cuer Association:** The PACCA group held its Mainstream Dance with Matt Worley calling on February 11<sup>th</sup>. It had 62 dancers and about 7 PACCA members. It was a good dance. Unsure about the number of students in attendance.

**Special Events Coordinator:** This position is open.

**Public Relations Person:** This position is open

### Unfinished Business:

#### Visitation Program:

Mick Hopf has placed the tracking system progress in the West Pen News. Both clubs should email Mick Hopf when they have completed a visitation. We need to secure danglers for members who participate in more than 5 visitations. These will be distributed with other awards at the Fall Festival. If you would like a copy of the electronic file, let Mick know.

### New Business

**Sophomore Dance 2018** -Y-Knots will host this event. The date is Sunday April 15, 2018 at Parkwood United Presbyterian Church on Mt. Royal Blvd from 2:00-5:00 p.m. Jim Yoest and Brad Deibert will call with Brad also cueing. Cost will be \$4.00 and \$2.00 for new dancers. Put this day on your calendar. **Save the DATE.**

**Fall Festival 2018-** North Hills is planning to be our host. The club should consult with Clyde Miles (President) before final arrangements are made and flyers posted. WPSRDF will continue with Buy One Get One or reduced pricing to benefit all dancers.

**WPSRDF officers:** - Nomination in February and elections in April. Interested? Contact Joe Nardi ajnardi@msn.com or a current officer. Officers to take over after election. Please consider being more involved.

Dick McCracken introduced the idea of providing the West Pen News to all electronically. Print copies for a charge. He was going to survey folks, find out pricing options, etc. for more discussion in April.

A discussion was held on the terms of "New Dancer" vs. "Student Dancer" since some confusion about our upcoming dances whether they were for folks who had not been at lessons.

### **President's Message:**

Remember to invite your students and take them to dances. Make them feel welcome.

### **Upcoming Special Club Dance Announcements from the Floor:**

**Y-Knots:** - Student dance February 15<sup>th</sup> with lessons at 6:30 taught and called by Jim Yoest. Cuer will be Carla Eilenfeld

**Mountainview:** - 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary May 4 at 6 p.m. with covered dish dinner. Club to provide meat and cake. Good food and great dancing. Please bring something delicious in your covered dish.

**Friendly- First Snowball dance- Sunday February 18<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-10:00.** Ron Anderson calling and Bob Heath cueing. This is at Peace Lutheran (different from West Pen News)

**Thunderbolts:** - **Do to a scheduling conflict at the school, please distribute revised schedules and destroy others.**

Future Dates to Remember

**WASCA's 2018 Venetian Carnival-** Alexandria VA  
March 15-17, 2018

**58<sup>th</sup> Ohio Convention May 4-5, 2018** in Columbus Ohio.  
(Brad Deibert should be sending an electronic copy out)

**55<sup>th</sup> Star Spangled Banner Festival-** July 19-21,2018 at Delta Baltimore Hunt Valley, 245 Shawan Road, Hunt Valley MD 21031

#### **Upcoming National Square Dance Conventions:**

67<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention- Kansas City, Mo  
June 27-30, 2018

68<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention- Atlanta, GA  
June 26-29, 2019

69<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention- Spokane, WA  
June 2020

**Next WPSRDF meeting is Monday, April 9, 2018 at 7:30 PM.**

It was moved by Martin Ray and seconded Dottie Kletke to adjourn at 8:26 PM.

Thanks for help cleaning up. **Consider Volunteering for a more active role in square dancing.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara MacDonald, Secretary

# MOUNTAINVIEW SQUARES

Live Lively -



Square Dance!

## 40th ANNIVERSARY DINNER / DANCE

Friday, May 4, 2018

Blairsville Senior HS, 102 School Lane, Blairsville, PA 15717

6:00 PM --- Covered Dish Dinner

7:30 - 10:00 PM --- Square Dancing

Caller: **NORM SHAFFOR**

Former members invited

### ALL DANCERS WELCOME!



Bring a covered dish and your own place settings  
Cake and beverages provided by Mountainview Squares

Join us for a special evening of  
Dancing, Food and Fellowship

**COST to DANCE: \$7/Person**

Clubs participating in the WPSRDF Visitation Program  
are encouraged to attend