



Dudes & Dolls Square Dance Club Newsletter

August 17, 2021

By Lorinda Snoozy

Campout at Howard Miller State Park



Pauline Heesacker at the silent auction

We had a silent auction only, no live auction, and it made \$1,526.00! This is about \$200.00 more than last year. Thank you all who donated items and everyone who participated. We have some very crafty & creative folks as well as wonderful cooks in the Dudes & Dolls!

It was so fabulous to see all the D & D members out at HMSF for the day of festivities! We even got to spend some time with former members, Mike & Peggy Corning. She was up to her normal shenanigans making people laugh!

Special thanks to the team (Vicki, Carol, & Kay) who helped me with the auction. Without this team the auction would have been tabled until next year.

By Joyce Sworen



Besides the games and silent auction, there were several opportunities to eat and socialize!

The temperature was pleasant and there was a nice breeze, as 42 members and their families converged at Howard Miller State Park. There was plenty of food & some games. The first place winners of the Bocce Ball Tournament were Penny Curtis and Gundy Gunderson. The second place winners were Vicki Lieske and Arthur Wright.



The Dudes & Dolls President's Award went to Jack and Charlotte Wixson.



It was Charlotte's birthday too!



Additional campout update:

The Wine, Women, and Song event (the blind wine tasting and karaoke) did not go off as planned.



We never had the karaoke due to technical difficulties, which are fixed for next year. The wine tasting, due to unanimous vote was not blind. All 15 of us had a great time tasting wine, comparing reds & whites and reading labels. By Vicki Lieske

Community Dance

Our Community Dance is coming right up! It will be held on Friday, September 10th from 7:30pm - 9:30pm. There will NOT be any food allowed at the Grange for this dance. However, there will be beverages. We are hoping all of our Angels and Goodwill ambassadors will be there!

The Caller and Cuer will be Scott Coon and Debbie Taylor. This will be a *No Experience Necessary* dance with Rounds. We will not begin with Pre-Rounds at this dance.

Start talking to your neighbors, friends, co-workers, maybe even your relatives! These are the people that are most likely to attend, and then go on to take lessons.

Annual Picnic



Mark the Date:
Sept. 11th on your calendar, because this year the Annual Picnic will happen **the day after** our *No Experience Community Dance!*

Our Annual Picnic will be held in the parking lot of the Cedar Valley Grange on **Saturday, September 11th from noon - 3:00pm.** The club will provide fried chicken. **RSVP so Penny knows how much chicken to purchase!** Call or text Penny at: 206-235-3419 Or send her an email at: hennypennyknits@gmail.com

NOTE: Please bring your own silverware/plates/and beverages! We will have food servers at this event, (like we did at the campout).

Bring food to share - side dishes that go with fried chicken, and desserts that go with everything!

We will be meeting outside, so bring lawn chairs. We have one canopy, but need one more. Contact Penny if you can bring another canopy for this event.

We will be having some competitive games, with prizes. Please contact Penny if you have games that can be used.

Penny is having a, "Getting to Know You" contest. Please bring a picture of yourself (when you were younger), to see who can guess the most people's pictures correctly. Please bring your picture in an envelope, so others will not see it prior to the start of the contest! Penny will have page protectors too, but if you want to be safe, bring a photo copy instead of an original photo.

Please contact Penny if you are willing to volunteer for this event!

The following volunteers are needed:

People to set-up from 11:00 -12:00

Someone to direct parking

Several food servers

Game monitor to keep track of the winners

People for clean-up at the end

Picnic Agenda:

Times:	Activities:
11:00 - 12:00	Set-up
12:00 - 12:30	Arrive and visit
12:30 - 1:30	Lunch and visit
1:30 - 2:30	Games and visit
2:30 - 3:00	Prizes and clean-up

Dudes and Dolls Square Dance Club

Cedar Valley Grange, 20526 52nd Ave W, Lynnwood 425-337-2906



Sept. 10, 2021

Community Dance

No experience needed!

7:30 – 9:30 pm



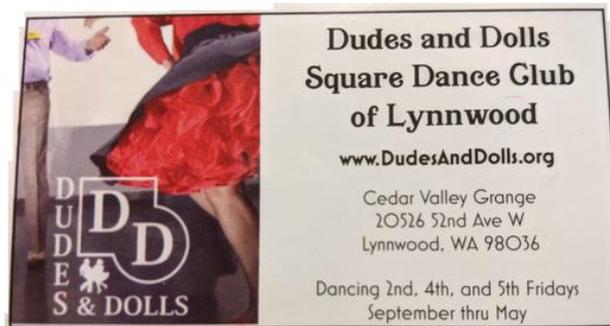
Come and learn how to square dance and round dance. New dancers free! Bring a friend! Open to 12 and older.

Caller – Scott Coon

Cuer – Debbie Taylor

Club Business Cards

Steve has made up generic business cards about our club. If you'd like to give them out when you are talking to people about our Community Dance or our lessons, ask him for some! You can write the date of the Community Dance, as well as the date of the first lessons, on the back of the cards when you hand them out.



Workshops

The last *Back to Square Dance Workshop* will be August 24th.

Lessons

Our lessons will begin on September 14th, which is the Tuesday after our Community Dance. Lessons will be from 7:00pm - 9:00pm. BASIC lessons will be September 14th - December 14th.



Dudes & Dolls
Square Dance Club Of Lynnwood
www.DudesAndDolls.org

Cedar Valley Grange
20526 52nd Ave W
Lynnwood, WA 98036

Learn To Square Dance This Fall!
Lessons start Sept 14, Tues from 7-9 PM

Have Fun, Get Exercise, and meet new people! Dance to Rock, Pop, Country and more! Not your Grandpa's Square Dancing!

Welcoming couples, solos, and family members over 10

For more info text Steve at 425-308-3950

Dudes & Dolls Mainstream Dances



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Pre-Rounds: Phase 3-4 7:00 PM, Phase 2-3 7:30 PM
Mainstream Dance 8:00-10:30 PM with Plus Tip
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September 24, 2021

Friday Night Football



Wear your favorite jersey!



Caller – Scott Coon Cuer – Debbie Taylor

The next night will be a special Saturday dance.



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September 25, 2021

Welcome Back!



Special Saturday
Mainstream Dance
with Scott Coon calling!
8-10:30 pm

Every 3rd TIP is a Plus TIP

No round dancing.

Five-minute breaks between TIPS
Coffee, tea, or water downstairs

Next Month's Calendar at a Glance

What's happening in September?

Please note: Due to Covid, these events might be changed or cancelled.

Date	Club	Type	Venue	Caller Cuer	Notes:
Fri 3 rd 7:30pm	Whirlybirds	Level Dance	The Hayloft Lynnwood	Dave Harry	First Friday Fun Fest 7:30-10:30pm
Fri 10 th 8:00pm	Dudes & Dolls	No Exp. Necessary	Cedar Valley Grange	Scott Coon & Debbie Taylor	Community Dance No Food
Sat 11 th 12:00pm	Dudes & Dolls	Picnic at the Grange	Cedar Valley Grange	12:00 – 3:00pm	Members and families Annual Picnic
Sun 12 th 6:00pm	Happy Hoppers	MS with Plus and Rounds	Stilly Valley Center Arlington	Steve Noseck & Debbie Taylor	Western Hoedown 6:00-6:30 Plus 6:30-9:00pm MS
Tue 14 th 7:00pm	Dudes & Dolls	Lessons Begin Tonight	Cedar Valley Grange	Scott Coon	First lessons begin Calling all Angels! 7:00-9:00pm
Tue 21 st 7:00pm	Dudes & Dolls	Lessons	Cedar Valley Grange	Scott Coon	Lessons continue Calling all Angels! 7:00-9:00pm
Fri 24 th 8:00pm	Dudes & Dolls	MS w/Rounds & a Plus Tip Pre-Rounds 7:00-8:00pm	Cedar Valley Grange	Scott Coon & Debbie Taylor	MS 8:00-10:30pm NO FOOD Beverages will be provided
Sat 25 th 8:00pm	Dudes & Dolls	MS w/every 3 rd Tip a Plus 5 min. breaks between Tips	Cedar Valley Grange	Scott Coon	Special Sat. Dance 8:00pm-10:30 No Rounds
Tue 28 th 7:00pm	Dudes & Dolls	Lessons	Cedar Valley Grange	Scott Coon	Lessons continue Calling all Angels! 7:00-9:00pm

President's Platform

Dawn Of A New Dance!

Well, it has been nearly 1 ½ years since we have had dances or lessons. About half of our club can't wait to get back, and the other half is still being cautious. Covid has hit our square dance community very hard, with several deaths, and many that survived. Those that had it will tell you that it is to be taken seriously. So please get vaccinated, wear your masks, and sanitize your hands! Our season starts up on Sept. 10th with a Community dance that is free to all new dancers, so please invite your friends, neighbors, coworkers, and family to try square dancing!

Our Picnic will be the next day, and then Lessons start on Sept. 14th, Tuesday nights from 7-9.

Please consider being an Angel, or if you don't feel comfortable to dance, come and socialize. I keep hearing that Dudes & Dolls is one of the friendliest clubs in the state. Most people come for the dancing, but stay for the friendships. Keep smiling, even with a mask on!

By Steve Sworen

Some Favorite Recipes

Chicken Spectacular

-Submitted by Charlotte Wixon

3 cups cooked chicken, cubed
1 package (4 to 6oz box) seasoned long-grained & wild rice, prepared
14 ½ oz can French-style green beans, drained
8 oz can sliced water chestnuts, drained
1 can (10 ¾ oz) condensed cream of mushroom soup
¾ cup mayonnaise
¾ cup of onion, diced
1 cup Cheddar, or Cheddar-Jack cheese, shredded

Preheat oven to 350 degrees and grease a 9x13 pan. In a large bowl, combine all ingredients *except cheese*. Place ingredients into the casserole pan, and then top with the cheese. Bake, uncovered, for 35 minutes.

One Pot Supper

-Submitted by Pauline Heesacker

4 pork chops
1 can tomato soup
½ can of water
1 tsp Worcestershire sauce
½ tsp salt
½ tsp oregano
6-7 small (or 3 medium) potatoes, grated
4 small carrots, cut into 2 inch pieces

In skillet, brown chops and pour off fat. Add the rest of the ingredients. Cover and simmer 45 minutes until tender.

Peanut Brittle

-Submitted by Pauline Heesacker

2 cups sugar
1 cup light corn syrup
1 ¼ cup of water
1 pound raw Spanish peanuts
4 T. butter
1 tsp baking soda

Boil the sugar, corn syrup and water in a pan until "long hair" (238 degrees on a candy thermometer). Pour Spanish peanuts into mixture and boil until "hard crack" (290+ degrees on a candy thermometer). Remove from heat, stir in butter and baking soda. Pour onto a cookie sheet, and cool. Break into pieces and store in an airtight container.

Moon Badges

A long, long time ago, beloved member Pat Salo showed up at the campout with Moon Badges and held sessions for anyone to try to figure out how to correctly perform the "Moon, Moon, Beautiful Moon" chant. If done correctly, a Moon Badge was earned. These badges would subsequently show up at various Dudes and Dolls events for more sessions. Some attempts earned a badge pretty quick, while others took several sessions before they learned how to correctly perform the chant.

Alas, Pat is no longer with us, and it is in her honor that I attempted to revive the sessions at this year's campout. Enough time has passed that only a few of the members know how to correctly perform the chant. We had two or three badges earned at this campout, with many more members attempting it. I don't remember who tried and who earned. I hope there will be opportunities in the near future for all Dudes and Dolls to earn their very own Moon Badge.

By Annie Wright

A Visiting Out-of-Town Couple

While some of the members were trying to earn their Moon Badges, I was interviewing a former Dudes and Dolls member named Dan Aicher. Dan was a member of our club from 1993 until about 4 or 5 years ago. Dan and his wife LeAnn, were in town visiting his children, grandchildren, and their babies. One baby was just born, and another is due soon.

Dan and LeAnn met at a Harvest Festival Square Dance at the church they both attend. They live in Mesa, Arizona. In their community called Leisure World, he is the President of the Lawn Bowling Club.

They also planned ahead, and danced at one of our summer workshops on the Tuesday prior to the campout.



Looking for Volunteers

Would you like to be more active in our club?
 You don't have to be the committee chair all by yourself.
 Grab a friend and co-chair together! We need your help.

Committee:	Volunteer:
Audit	Robert Reichle & JoAnn Becker Joyce Sworen & Vicki Lieske
Campout	Jeff Held
Caravan Outfits	Vira Laurence
Caravan Schedule	Joyce Sworen
Council Delegate	Steve Sworen & Gene Funk
Decorations	Steve Sworen
Directory	Steve & Joyce Sworen
Facebook	Steve Sworen & David Fairbanks
Footnotes Reporter	Vicki Lieske & Robert Reichle
Lesson email Communication	Peggy McCright
Members at Large	David Fairbanks JoAnn Becker & Tom Berg
Mystery Caravan	Carol Hammer
Newsletter	Lorinda Snoozy
Nominating Committee	Open
Parliamentarian	Larry Heesacker
Picnic	Penny & Harland Curtis
Publicity, Internal	Open
Publicity, External	Open
Purchasing	Steve Probstfeld
Scrapbook	Open
Solo Coordinator	Cathy Carter
Student Liaison	Open
Student Graduation	Open
Sunshine	Pauline Heesacker
Telephone	Larry Heesacker
Website	JoAnn Becker & Robert Reichle

For more information or to volunteer, contact one of our officers listed below:

Steve Sworen (President) @ 425-308-3950

Vicki Lieske (Vice President) @ 360-488-6167

Robert Reichle (Treasurer) @ 425-337-2906

Lorinda Snoozy (Secretary) @ 425-644-5931

Although we don't say it often enough, many thanks to those of you who keep our club running. Your efforts do not go unnoticed and we really appreciate all that you do. By JoAnn Becker

Dance in such a way
 that others want to dance with you.
 Listen in such a way
 that the Caller wants to call to you.

Thanks to All the Campout Volunteers

Jeff Held wanted to extend a sincere expression of gratitude for all the members that volunteered to make the annual campout the success that it was.

To begin with, a huge thank you goes out to all the people that brought food to share at the pot luck. Our wonderful and generous members brought spaghetti, cheese, salads, bread, fruit, vegetables, chips, homemade sausage, and desserts. There were also donations of wine for the Wine, Women, and Song event. Dudes & Dolls Members - You are the best!

Another big thank you goes to our food servers: Barbara Buckler, Harland Curtis, Jeff Held, Gene Funk, Charlotte Wixon, Penny Curtis, Mark Laurence, and Vicki Lieske.

The silent auction would not have happened without the dedicated crew headed by Joyce Sworen. The volunteers that helped her were Vicki Lieske, Kay Corbett and Carol Hammer. Also, it could not have been carried out without all the donated items that our members brought to be auctioned off. Thanks to all the people that loaned us card tables for this event too.

Then there was our hotdog grill master, Steve Probstfeld, who had to quickly switch to Plan B when he found out that a burn ban had been issued which included the park we were at. This meant there was no charcoal cooking allowed!

Additionally, there was the modified, "Wine, Women, and Song" event. This was spearheaded by Robert Reichle, and was held outside on lawn chairs, at the campsite of Steve and Joyce Sworen. It was reported that the weather was delightful.

Over all, this annual event could not have happened without the behind-the-scenes work of Jeff and Lori Held, Steve and Joyce Sworen, Charlotte and Jack Wixon, Steve Probstfeld, Jerry Bougie, and Judy Robbins.

Please accept our deepest apologies, and we ask for your forgiveness, if any names were overlooked. Your time and effort *was appreciated*, however this article was not written right away, so we may have forgotten a few names.

While we are thanking club members for all they do, I wanted to extend a special thank you to David Fairbanks for his donation of a digital tape recorder (and the carrying case) for the secretary's use to record the Board and General Meetings. This recorder will be put to good use when writing up the meeting minutes.

This item is not cheap, so David's generosity is greatly appreciated!
 By Lorinda Snoozy, Secretary



Newsletter

Do you have ideas or articles that you would like to see included in future newsletters?

Would you like to assist with our newsletter? If so, contact:

Lorinda Snoozy @ lorindas@comcast.net or 425-644-5931

Website

Would you like to assist with our website? If so, contact:

JoAnn Becker @ 425-344-3498

Robert Reichle @ 425-337-2906

A Favorite Recipe

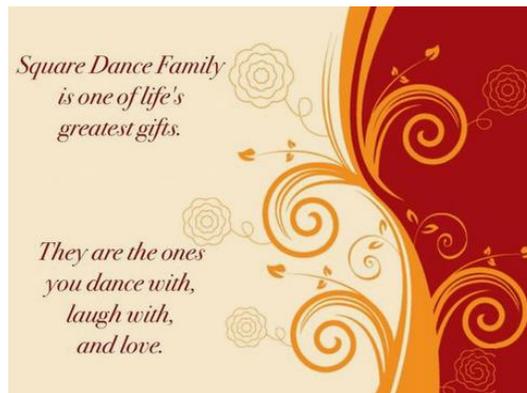
If you have a favorite recipe that you'd like to have included in an upcoming newsletter, please email it to:

Lorinda Snoozy @ lorindas@comcast.net

Thanks for your help on the newsletter!

A sincere thank you goes out to the people that helped make this newsletter possible:

- ❖ Kay Corbett
- ❖ Vicki Lieske
- ❖ Jeff Held
- ❖ Joyce Sworen
- ❖ Steve Sworen
- ❖ Robert Reichle
- ❖ JoAnn Becker
- ❖ Penny Curtis
- ❖ Pauline Heesacker
- ❖ Charlotte Wixon
- ❖ Annie Wright



Our Hearing Enhancement is Fixed

As some of you might know, we have been having trouble with our Hearing Enhancement equipment. Steve Sworen looked into getting it fixed or replaced. He contacted Gary Coon, Scott Coon's dad.

At the end of July, Steve sent an email which reported: I just got the Hearing Enhancement back from Gary Coon. The power supply had to be repaired, for a cost of \$53.00!

He said the cheapest new one was \$650.00, but most are \$900.00.

He said we should be good for another 20 years or more!

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