



# **Dudes & Dolls** SQUARE DANCE CLUB

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Second, Fourth, and Fifth Friday Dance at Cedar Valley Grange / 20526 – 52nd Ave. W / Lynnwood WA

## **Club Events bring Dudes & Dolls together for Summer fun and frolic**

### **Mount Baker Council Ace Reporter scoops the Times ...**

Council Dance coming May 23.....pre-sale tickets at \$6.00 per person are available from me. At the door, they will be \$7.00. Our club will be hosting the fall council dance so this will be a good time to see what happens to make a successful dance.

Another chance to dance with a really good caller and cuer is May 29 at the Juanita Community Club. Dan Preedy and Genie Parrill will be doing the honors from 8-10:30. Admission is \$10.00 each and dress is casual attire. **All** proceeds go to the Central Puget Sound Council & Mt. Baker Council to help their clubs with the costs of publicity and promotion for fall classes.

Just three weeks after the council dance, is the WA State Festival in Ellensburg (June 18-20). Have you sent in your registration??

Then Leadership/Education Seminar at Circle 8 comes along the weekend of July 10-11. This is a fun weekend and a chance to learn and share with square dancers from all over the state.

Any questions??? call me or e-mail me.

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### **Buy me some peanuts and CrackerJack ...**



**A special "Thank You" to the Kitchen Patrol for their creativity in putting together the table decorations for our D&D Club Dances. Linda, Jon, and Flo put these together for the "Spring Training" Dance. Cheryl (known to some as Cheri) put together some great St. Patrick's Day center pieces. The extra effort does make for a special atmosphere, and makes the 'break' area cheerful and pleasing. Give anyone doing a good job, or something special for the members an extra, personal "Thank You" when you see them. It puts a smile on our faces.**

**Remember, if you aren't smiling, you aren't square dancing.**

### **Mystery Caravan Ready to Roll ...**

"I know nothing." Only a chosen few know the final destination of the 2010 Dudes & Dolls Mystery Caravan. I think we have a busload, ready to roll to the unknown. How sweet it is.

Last year, we travelled to the Tulip Fields of Mount Vernon, down to Smokey Point for a square dance outside the washroom. Hence, some of us are proud to be wearing a dangle with an outhouse. Then to Everett Costco for a hot dog (Watch for Hot Dog dangles). From there we headed towards Snoqualmie Falls, but ended up at the Super Mall in Auburn, for an un-authorized Scavenger Hunt. Roger almost took on the Mall Security, but one of the ladies hit him with her cane, and chased him out of the Mall on her wheel chair.

We wound up eating at Mad Mike's Super Barbecue (or something like that) on I-5, and dancing somewhere in the toolies, halfway betwixt Tacoma and God knows where. It was a great time, and all participants had fun, fun, fun.

This year's caravan is an overnigher, so we will be somewhere at a motel, somewhere in the great State of Washington, I think. And that is a definite maybe. Sharman and Tom are the planners, and they are sworn to secrecy. Bamboo shoots under fingernails will not get the information. I hear Tom is prone to lemon meringue pie, however. This is our fourth time we went on the Mystery Caravan, and each has surpassed the last in having a great time.

The Bus leaves on Saturday, May 23 from the Grange Hall in Cedar Valley, really early, and gets back Sunday, in time for the next Event.

**The Next Event:** Stay on the bus, and you will be driven to the Council Dance.

And after the dance, there will be a ride home for all the people that signed up. If we leave anyone behind, the bus will make a second trip. (Yeh, right!).

### **Picnic Planned for Circle Eight ranch ...**

It's not too early to be marking your calendar for this year's upcoming events. This year's annual picnic will be August 28<sup>th</sup> at Circle 8 Ranch. Make your plans to come up to the ranch and enjoy the piney woods, good friends and maybe even a dance. Circle 8 is just off of I-90 at exit 74 and this particular weekend is Brent Mawdsley and Galen Sauve's weekend, so after the picnic if you want to stick around there will be a casual dance, aloha shirts, an after party and fun for all.

To make camping arrangements, contact [www.Circle8ranch.net](http://www.Circle8ranch.net). Otherwise, there are plenty of hotel rooms in Cle Elum 13 miles east. For more information, contact Fred Annette, Cathy Caldwell or your chairpersons, Don & Carol Sass. There will be fliers available at the dances and at the campout.

See ya there, or be square.

--Carol and Don Sass

### ***Good things are going 'round at Circle 8 Ranch ...***

We (Flo and I) have never been there, but from all the talk about the Circle 8 Ranch in the 4 years we have been square dancing, sounds like a piece of heaven for square dancers. We plan to be there this year, and are looking forward to having first-hand experiences to write about in this World Famous Newsletter. Would you believe Semi-world-famous? Quasi-world-famous? Would you believe infamous?

This year, as you may have already read, our Dudes & Dolls Picnic will be at the Ranch August 28th. Let's make it a 100% attendance for our club. Let's make some Circle 8 Memories.

### ***Our Caravan Chairperson is doing a great job ...***

Leanna is called on at the dances to give her announcement about the upcoming Caravans, planned for the month ahead.

The Dudes & Dolls seem to be listening, but the attendance leaves much to be desired.

We have a reputation of welcoming other clubs to our dances; and a great time is had by both them and us. We should attempt, as a club, and individuals, to get caravanning once a month, or more, if your heart so desires. It can only be good for our club.

### ***Plan to have Fun and Games at the D&D Campout ...***

I overheard Gundi asking if anyone was ready to entertain at the camp out. The silence was deafening. If you know how to sing, dance, or deliver a stand-up comic routine, he needs you. Look for Gundi's smiling face and let him know you will be there to entertain the troops. The park site, in Rockport, is rented for us for July 29 to Aug. 1, and usually everyone is ready to leave on Sunday. The place won't be back to normal until the mountaineers get back from their "little" walk up the hill. Sign up now and bring a "treasure" or two, or three, or ten, to be auctioned off at the 2010 Dudes & Dolls Auction. Flo and Warren are in charge of games, and the one planned uses pennies instead of poker chips. Gather up your pennies, and play our game of skill and chance. All proceeds help pay for the extras for the Mystery Caravan, and the Camp-out.

The sing-a-long will have books with words of songs to sing around a campfire. Be sure you send me your favorites, with the words typed into an email file. Small flashlights will be provided to those who did not go to night school, and therefore cannot read in the dark.

### ***Newsletter to be published May through August ...***

Send in your Summer Stories and pictures. Let me know where you are going, where you have been and any other newsy tidbits happening in your life. We are interested in what happens to our "corners".

Our camaraderie as a club extends beyond the squares we are in with each other. We worry when Larry and Pauline have so many challenges in their lives, and some of us (political correctness be damned) even say a prayer for them. When Enikoe and Csaba had their baby, how many felt as though we had a part in it? Our Victoria is a Dude & Doll baby. And there is nothing cuter than a D&D baby. When Donna and Bill went through some tough times, did we not all feel the pain. Let's get to know each other just a little better. We are all in this together, and united we stand; divided, we square 'em up. "YeeeHawwww," as Fred would say.

### ***What in the world is going on at the Grange Hall?***



***In our most formal attire, we graduated the New Mainstream Dancer's Class of 2010. The formal affair was attended by the Dudes & Dolls Square Dance Club in their black & white outfits, their shoes shined and bowties crisply displayed. Steve is shown doing what he does best on the dance floor.***

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