



Single Spinners

HOMESPUN NEWS

September 2011

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PRESIDENT'S TWO CENTS

Summer's end is quickly creeping up on us and plans are being made for the fall and winter months. Soon we will be celebrating party themes of the cool weather nature.

We are still looking for former square dancers or former square dance students who might be interested in joining square dancing again. We are into the plus program and now is a perfect time to jump in.

The annual Spinners picnic will held on September 24, 2011 starting about 1:00 p.m. (until ???) at the McCrary's ~ 3861 Bass St. La Mesa CA ~ (619) 465-9205, (619) 889-8941; or (619) 985-8941. The last several years have not been good picnic events with temperature approaching 100 degrees. We often bought too much picnic supplies than we needed spending unnecessarily. It takes a lot of effort to set up a motor home (to haul stuff and provide clean bathroom) set up and disassemble shade awning, buy food and drink items, bring grills for cooking, etc.

Lynn and I are located just north of hwy 94 utilizing the Massachusetts off ramp. [Under the freeway, through 2 lights, turn right at the next corner on Carmenita, next corner turn left, and we are the 3rd house on the right, with the motor home in the driveway.]

Spinners picnics are partly club furnished food items. Club furnishes dogs, sodas, hamburgers. Club and class member and friends bring other picnic items.

Happy Dancing
Dana

NEW YEARS PARTY 2011

We have been asked for several months by lots of dancers, if we were going to have a dance this year? Initially we said yes then found out that we didn't have a hall. Our Saviors' Lutheran Church will be using the hall we normally use for a church function and the church comes first.

We started looking for another site within our budget range and large enough for our needs. Thanks to Jane Marus offering the church she

attends (which I might add, is John and Linda Marus home church also).

Our New Years dance this year will be held at College Center Covenant Church located a few blocks south of El Cajon Blvd. (There will be another New Years dance in north county by is sold out already). With this in mind, we should have a very good dance.

PLEASE PROMOTE THIS DANCE.

Our caller will be our very own John Marus and Bill Hale will cue the rounds.

FIESTA DE LA CUADRILLA ~ FIESTA COMMITTEE VISITATION

The Fiesta committee will be visiting spinners to sell Fiesta ribbons at good discount. Plan on getting your early bird ribbon at Spinners or at one of the other visitation dates:

The below listed dates and club visited by the Fiesta committee will allow dancers to purchase Fiesta ribbons at discount price of \$29.00.

Sun., Sept 11 - Ruffles 'n
Beaus
Fri., Sept 16 - Calico Twirlers
Saturday, Sept 24 Magic
Squares
Thurs., Sept 29 - Flying 'A's
Sun., Oct. 2 RDI Sunday Af-
ternoon Party Dance (WMB)
Sat., Oct. 8 Finest City
Squares
Tue., Oct. 11 SPINNERS
Sat., Oct. 15 3rd Saturday
Round-Up.

CLUB TRAVELS AND VISITATIONS

3rd Saturday Night Round- Up

Caller: Dennis Young

**Cuer: Radka Sandeman
September 17th**

**No Afternoon program
Theme Constitution Day
Pre-rounds 7:00 PM**

**Squares/Rounds 7:30 PM
War Memorial Building**

Websites

INFORMATIONAL WEBSITES:

Most of the websites have links to dancing in other local tins, including overseas, and is available via our website's "links" feature.

singlespinners.sdsda.org/

www.sdsda.org

www.PalomarSDA.org

www.squaredance.org

www.61nsdc.org/

www.NSDCNEC.org

www.wheresthedance.com/

www.facebook.com/singlespinners

VICE-PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Welcome to September!! Here at Spinners, that means it is

CLUB "PICNIC TIME" As you saw in Dana's article, we will be changing things up just a little this year, and having this fun party at Dana & Lynn's house. That will be nice, if it is too warm, we can go inside and enjoy their air conditioning, if it is "nice" and we all know that is a whole different ball of wax, depending on your definition of "nice" We can enjoy the backyard, or the family room or kitchen, where I am almost certain the annual Hand and Foot game will be going on. Please plan on attending at least part of the day, as it will be fun, and you never know who will be there!! Many old club members come out for this fun day, and it will be nice for the newer members and class members to meet the Spinners that don't make it out to the weekly dances.

Please start thinking about the craft faire we will be having at our dance October 11th. It is a chance to pick up some homemade craft items that will make very nice holiday gifts, and you won't have to fight the crowds at the mall. You will be helping fellow Square dancers by buying their homemade treasures.

Speaking of planning ahead... If you haven't already planned something for New Years Eve, come join the fun at Spinners New Years Eve dance. Read all about it right below Dana's President's remarks.

See you on the dance floor
Lynn Davis

CALLER'S CORNER

Greetings to you all! As the fall season begins, we transition back into full dancing activities. I hope you will take advantage of them, and spread news about what is happening in our club, and extending invitations to join us at our dances and events.

Our class is small, but enthusiastic! We will most likely be moving into the Plus Program sometime during this month. So, if you, or someone else you know, is interested in learning or reviewing the Plus moves, now is the time to start joining us in our 6:30 time slot. Anyone who is a strong Mainstream dancer is invited – including, of course, our current new dancers!

It is not too early to start thinking about our next class. I believe it will be starting in January 2012. Be thinking of ways to promote our activity and make contacts with people to invite them to come. We need to think of new, creative ways to promote our activity, and our club in particular. Texas caller, Nasser Shukayr, has been trying internet advertising with decent success. I think that would be a great avenue to investigate. There are other ideas out there. It's just up to us to get organized about it and invest our time, energy, and, yes, some money into it. Some advertising is free, but more visible advertising is not. We may need to spend a little money to get our message out there in our

town. It's time to brainstorm, plan, and execute. Doing the same things we have done before will achieve the same results. Let's all think about it.

I don't think I am doing any guest calling this month. I try to keep this time period free as Linda gets busy at work with the Jewish High Holidays coming up. Please think about the callers association's Fun Dance coming up on the fourth Saturday. Stay tuned to the announcements at our club dances for further information.

That's about all for this month. Hope everyone has a great month, and I look forward to seeing each and every one of you at our club dances.

Take care everyone. Have a great month! Until next time...

John

DO YOU WANT TO LEARN HOW TO ROUND DANCE?

San Diego Round Dance Instructors – brand new website: rounddance.org

AROUND SPIDEY'S WEB

If you have anything you want in this fine publication, just give it to Lynn Davis at a dance (deadline is the last dance of each month, and IF SPACE PERMITS, it will be included in the next issue) or you can e-mail it to:

lynnDavis542@cox.net

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Party Central

☆ September 13th will be the "Fortune Cookies" dance with Chinese Food and September 27th will be the Birthday Celebration Dance.

☆ October 4th we celebrate John's Birthday (and everyone else's) this month. Don't forget to bring your **Teddy Bears** to the party too!!! October 11th will be our 2nd Annual Craft Dale and this year we will be visited that night by the Fiesta Committee – so bring LOTS of money so you can buy lots of early holiday presents, and save money on your Fiesta ribbons. What a deal!!! Than we will have our "Skeleton's Crew" Dance. Be sure to wear a costume, because there will be prizes!! What a good time we will be having the next few months.

See You in a square
Jane Marus

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 2012

Membership renewal / newsletter renewal cards are included with this newsletter. If you plan on paying your square dance insurance for 2012 with another club, please indicate on the card which club. The insurance we are collecting is for 2012, not this current year. We guess on what the USDA will be charging for insurance, this year again, we are not increasing our rate. We really do not obtain the figure from

The State insurance chairman until September, with it to be

turned in by October 1. (Membership = \$5.00, Insurance = \$5.00, and Newsletter \$7.00

FYI...

This was an e-mail I received, and it seems like good advice to me. . . .

If you don't have a gun, here's a way to wreck someone's evil plans for you. Did you know this? I didn't. I never really thought of it before. I guess I can get rid of the baseball bat.

Wasp Spray---A friend who is a receptionist in a church in a high risk area was concerned about someone coming into the office on Monday to rob them when they were counting the collection. She asked the local police department about using pepper spray and they recommended to her that she get a can of wasp spray instead.

The wasp spray, they told her, can shoot up to twenty feet away and is a lot more accurate, while with the pepper spray, they have to get too close to you and could overpower you.

The wasp spray temporarily blinds an attacker until they get to the hospital for an antidote. She keeps a can on her desk in the office and it doesn't attract attention from people like a can of pepper spray would. She also keeps one nearby at home for home protection. Thought this was interesting and might be of use.

On the heels of a break in and beating that left an elderly woman in Toledo dead, self

defense experts have a tip that could save your life.

Val Glinka teaches self-defense to students at Sylvia Southview High School.

For decades, he's suggested putting a can of wasp and hornet spray near your door or bed. Glinka says, "This is better than anything I can teach them."

Glinka considers it inexpensive, easy to find, and more effective than mace or pepper spray. The cans typically shoot 20 to 30 feet; so if someone tries to break into your home, Glinka says "spray the culprit in the eyes".

It's a tip he's given to students for decades. It's also one he wants everyone to hear.

If you're looking for protection, Glinka says look to the spray. "That's going to give you a chance to call the police; maybe get out." Maybe even save a life.

Please share this with all the people who are precious to your life. Did you also know that wasp spray will kill a snake? And a mouse? It will!

Good to know, huh? It will also kill a wasp!!It actually kills many varmints including centipedes.

JOKE TIME...

For the Jokes this month, we will publish some stupid criminal stories...

From the Miami Herald... Police in Florida said dirty tracks from a pair of motorized bicycles led them from the scene of a burglary to the

apartment where they arrested three suspects.

Eustis police said an estimated \$3,800 worth of merchandise, including a television, a laptop computer and the motorized bikes, were stolen from the Windhorse Wellness Center about 5:12 a.m. Thursday and police followed the tire tracks about 600 yards to the apartment of former center worker Michael Tyler Assad, 19, the Orlando (Fla.) Sentinel reported Friday.

Assad was charged with burglary, grand theft, criminal mischief and possession of burglary tools.

Two men living in an adjacent apartment, Parker Kenneth Lloyd and Robert Foisy, both 18, were arrested on charges of burglary and grand theft after stolen items were found in their apartment.

Police said Foisy's car was seized when they determined it was used to transport the stolen goods.