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PRESIDENT'S TWO CENTS

I hope my last newsletter comments were a little thought provoking because one of the major issues being debated at this years Caller Lab Convention (at Nashville, Tenn.) is square dancer class new graduate and regular dancer retention. I'm sure that John Marus is in up to his elbows participating with the debate of how to improve dancer participation.

Even Buddy Weaver (Ruffles'n Beaus caller) decided to go at the last minute. Ken Bower filled in for Buddy at the last minute. (Great choice!)

Is square dancing too complicated? Are there too many movements? Does it take too long to reach a comfortable ability level? Is there too much emphasis with advance calls that pull lower level dancers away from the easier dance level? Some areas such as Europe enforce dancers to become proficient at a lower level before moving on to higher levels. This concept of limiting dancers from tackling higher levels gives dance as a more solid, stronger understanding of the fundamentals' calls.

ANNIVERSARY DANCES

There are three Anniversary dances coming up this spring. Please try to attend each dance to encourage these clubs to attend our anniversary in June. (All dances are at the Balboa Park Club)

Apr 7 Heritage Squares Apr 14 Finest City Squares May 12 Circulators

May 5 & 6

Back Country's annual Spring Fling is Friday and Saturday evenings at Toyota of Santee, same place the Sock Hop was last December. Let us all support them.

SINGLE SPINNERS ANNIVERSARY

Our anniversary dance will be attended by a mystery bus trip. The additional dancers should make for a great evening of fun. Those that have signed up for the fair – names have been sent in. Square Dance Day will be the June 17th. Our infield duties will be on the Sunday prior (June 10). Palomar will be handling the infield on Saturday (June 9).

WEBSITES

We have added a few new web sites to our newsletter for your benefit. Many of these sites are linked so if you are traveling, you might find a dance to attend in another state or country.

STATE CONVENTION

The California State Convention will be held in Visalia the weekend of April 20th through 22nd. This is located midway in the state, just South of Fresno and North of Bakersfield in Tulare County. If you would like to go, start saving your pennies now. If you have any questions, see Dana, Lynn or anyone that has been to one to see how fun they are.

Dana

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CLUB TRAVELS AND VISITATIONS

Heritage Dancers Annicersary Park Club 4/7/12 Pat Carnathan & Vuic Kaaria Calling, Bill & Linda Maish cueing. Afternoon Rounds Pre rounds 6:30 Squares and rounds 7:30 – 9:45 pm

Finest City Anniversary Park Club 4/14 Rpmmney Tannehill Calling

Round-Up April 21 Park Club Michael Kellogg calling Radka Sandaman cueing.

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.backcountrysda.com www.squaredance.org www.61nsdc.com - Spokane www.NSDCNEC.org www.wheresthedance.com/ www.facebook.com/singlespinners

VICE-PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

April in San Diego. That usually means rain, but what it also means is the Padres are back and the new class gets into the meat of the basic list.

With the class being in the middle of the basic list they need the club member help.

Take time out of your schedule please to help out the new class so that they can learn what can be some tricky stuff for the new folks. We have a bunch of really nice people in the class, and I'm sure they would love to meet and talk to the club members.

Don't forget to keep our club members in your positive thoughts as some are going through a tough battle, but we know that they will come through with no problem.

I'll keep it short and talk to everyone at three of the four dances this month. I'll be gone on the 17th, but don't worry my mom will keep everyone in line.

Questions, comments, concerns, things you wouldn't dare tell your psychiatrist but would gladly share with us? Chris

CALLER'S CORNER

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

Party Central

April 10th is our "April Showers Brings May Flowers" dance. Put on your pretty flowers and think about the Blossom Trail to the State Convention in Visalia April 20, 21, 22.

So... mark them on your calanders and enjoy the dancing

See You in a square Jane Marus

Several folks have expressed interest in one of Chris' jobs (San Diego State hockey announcer) and have asked when the next game is. Well, the final game of the year is this Saturday (April 7). This is usually one of the funnest games of the year as it is the annual alumni game. The current Aztecs will be taking on a bunch of Alumni at 6pm at the Kroc Center. If you can make it great. If you would rather go to Heritage's anniversary, that would be fine as well. Admission for the game is \$5/person)

Funny Church Bullitins

Don't let worry kill you - let the church help.

Thursday night - Potluck supper. Prayer and medication to follow.

This afternoon there will be a meeting in the South and North ends of the church. Chil dren will be baptized at both ends.

Tuesday at 4:00 pm there will be an ice cream social. All ladies giving milk will please come early.

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Wednesday the ladies liturgy will meet. Mrs. Johnson will sing "Put me in my little bed accompanied by the pastor."

Thursday at 5:00 pm there will be a meeting of the Little Mothers Club. All ladies wishing to be "Little Mothers" will meet with the Pastor in his study.

The service will close with "Little Drops of Water." One of the ladies will start quietly and the rest of the congregation will join in.

Next Sunday a special collection will be taken to defray the cost of the new carpet. All those wishing to do something on the new carpet will come forward and do so.

The ladies of the church have cast off clothing of every kind. They can be seen in the church basement Saturday.

A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.

At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be "What is Hell?" Come early and listen to our choir practice.

The Scouts are saving aluminum cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children.

Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10. All ladies are invited to lunch in

the Fellowship Hall after the B.S. is done.

The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake

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breakfast next Sunday morning.

Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 p.m. Please use the back door.

The pastor will preach his farewell message, after which the choir will sing, "Break Forth Into Joy."

A songfest was hell at the Methodist church Wednesday.

The eighth graders will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the Church basement Friday at 7p.m. The Congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.

Weight Watchers will meet at 7 pm at the First Presbyterian Church. Please use large double door at the side entrance.

Mrs. Johnson will be entering the hospital this week for testes.

Please join us as we show our support for Amy and Alan who are preparing for the girth of their first child.

The Lutheran Men's group will meet at 6 PM. Steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, bread and dessert will be served for a nominal feel.

Our next song is "Angels We Have Heard Get High."

Eight new choir robes are currently needed, due to the addition of several new mem

bers and to the deterioration of some older ones.

The senior choir invites any member of the congregation who enjoys sinning to join the choir. The outreach committee has enlisted 25 visitors to make calls on people who are not afflicted with any church.

Evening massage - 6 p.m.

The audience is asked to remain seated until the end of the recession.

Ushers will eat latecomers.

The third verse of Blessed Assurance will be sung without musical accomplishment.

The Rev. Merriwether spoke briefly, much to the delight of the audience.

During the absence of our pastor, we enjoyed the rare privilege of hearing a good sermon when J.F. Stubbs supplied our pulpit.

Next Sunday Mrs. Vinson will be soloist for the morning service. The pastor will then speak on "It's a Terrible Experience."

Due to the Rector's illness, Wednesday's healing services will be discontinued until further notice.

Stewardship Offertory: "Jesus Paid It All"

The music for today's service was all composed by George Friedrich Handel in celebration of the 300th anniversary of his birth.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs. The rosebud on the alter this morning is to announce the birth of David Alan Belzer, the sin of Rev. and Mrs. Julius Belzer.

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