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PRESIDENT'S TWO CENTS

BOO! Happy October everyone and please remember that we are less than a month away from Fiesta de la Cuadrilla. On Friday the 31st, Fiesta will kick off with a Black Light Dance. For those that are not familiar with black light, it kinda works in reverse of normal lights. White is picked up dramatically while black isn't picked up at all. If you want to blind people wear all white, if you want to stand out wear neon colors.

Turning to things closer to club. We had a vote on September 30th to figure out which community the club would like to dance in, if we move. The final count was Tierrasanta - 15, Lemon Grove – 8, Stay where we currently dance - 2. Now that the community has been "finalized" I will look at possible venues in Tierrasanta. I already have two locations in mind and have begun to find out their availability. I do want to let everyone know that my primary goal is to make sure that whatever happens, it is for the betterment of the club. Yes, if we move, we could lose some beloved

members. It is my hope that we will not lose anyone and that we actually grow. Once we settle on a location and move in, I think it would be a very good move that we start a class within six weeks of moving. So as we always say when we get ready to start a class, think of some folks that you would like to invite.

As far as storage is concerned, we have moved everything out of church storage and into a storage unit in Mission Valley. I'd like to thank everyone that either helped the previous Saturday to organize everything and those that helped in the actual move.

October also starts the run to the end of the year. That also means that we are going to be having a lot of party nights. Tonight (the first Tuesday of the month) we are celebrating John Marus' and all of the October birthdays. Then on the 18th Spinners has decorations duty at 3rd Saturday Round-Up. Round-Up this month will have Michael Kellogg calling with Eileen Silvia cuing. The theme is Pop, Pop, Pop (as in popcorn!). We will have our annual Halloween party. Of course costumes are encour

aged and we will be having a costume contest, so get those costumes ready and try and beat our reigning champions Mary & Julie Otto.

Looking ahead to November, besides Fiesta the first two days of the month, we will be having our Veteran's Day party on the 11th. Free admission will be provided to all of our vets.

We do have some new faces on our board and I'd like to introduce them. Kathy Polk is our new refreshment chairwomen plus she will join the SDSDA reps as a junior rep, and Margaret Momparler is our new junior representative to the SDSDA. So thanks to those lovely ladies for helping out at club and helping guide the club on the board.

I think that is it for this month...

So, until next time ...

As always, if you have any questions, comments, concerns things you wouldn't dare tell your psychiatrist but

would gladly share with me... I'm at 99% of the dances! Chris Davis

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CLUB TRAVELS AND VISITATIONS

THIRD SATURDAY ROUNDUP Official travel:

Upcoming Official Travels: Round-Up Oct. 20 Calling: Michael Kellogg Cueing: Eileen Silvia Afternoon: Rounds, 3:15 – 5:15 pm Pre Rounds: 7 – 7:30pm Squares & Rounds 7:30– 9:45 PM

Travels for New Year's Eve Dance

Our New Year's Eve dance is coming up soon! We want every square dancer in San Diego to come dance with us! The more the merrier, right? So we need to tell everybody that our dance is the place to dance in the New Year! Here is a list of the dances we are going to travel to next month to promote our dance. Please come to as many as you can!

November 9th, Sunday – Ruffles and Beaus – War Memorial Building, Balboa Park

November 17th, Monday – Lighthouse Squares – WMB

November 23rd, Sunday – Sundown Squares – La Mesa Rec. – Harvest Moon dance party

November 28th, Friday – Circulators – Recital Hall– Happy Turkeys' Pie Night party

December 3rd, Wednesday – Finest City – WMB – Toys for Tots party with Charlie Robertson.

These are the main travels we have planned. If you should

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visit any other club dances, please feel free to make an announcement about our dance, or tell everyone you know personally. We are going to have John and Andy calling and Bill Hale cueing. We will have our yummy Subway sandwiches and other treats to eat. We will have a dance after midnight and Martenelli's sparkling cider to celebrate. It's going to be great, and the more people we have, the more fun it will be!

Freya Peterson Travel Chair

Websites

INFORMATIONAL WEBSITES:

Most of the websites have links to dancing in other locations, 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.NSDCNEC.org www.wheresthedance.com/ www.facebook.com/singlespinners

NEW WEB SITES /EMAIL INFO

San Diego County Square Dance Callers Assoc. Chart of monthly San Diego dances. <u>dickneu-</u> <u>mann@gmail.com</u>. If you would like to receive this list directly from Dick, just send him an e-mail and he will add you to his list.

Future National Conventions

64nsdc.com Springfield, Massachusetts ~ June 24 – 27, 2015

65nsdc.com Des Moines, IA ~ June 22 – 25, 2016

VICE-PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Dana

CALLER'S CORNER

Greetings everyone!

I apologize for not writing much this year. Things, as usual, have been busy for us. I hope you have been enjoying the dancing activities occurring in the past several weeks. I do want to encourage you to dance with and support the new dancers that are in classes. Hopefully we will have a good dance to start the Fiesta this year on October 31.

Many have read and commented on the marketing report submitted by the MBA student team from SDSU. While many of us can find things to criticize about it, namely how it treated our club, and its caller, in the report, it is, in some manner, how at least part of the "outside world" sees us. It would probably be beneficial for us to do a little reflection on how we may be perceived by the non-dancers who encounter our activity. It is my true hope that we carefully examine the report and take out pieces of it that we feel are productive changes and ideas for making our activity more relevant and accessible to the public. Many guestion whether the report was worth what we paid for it. I say that, if we do NOTHING productive as a result of this report, then it will DEFINITELY be a waste of

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money. I look forward to participating in the continuing discussion.

Take care everyone and have a great month. I hope to see everyone at our Fun Dance on October 25. Until next time...

John

DO YOU WANT TO LEARN HOW TO ROUND DANCE?

San Diego Round Dance Instructors – brand new website: <u>rounddance.org</u>

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: <u>lynndavis542@cox.net</u>

Oct. 4th at the War Memorial Building the **Callers Association** will be having a special Mainstream and plus dance.

In October we will celebrate our October Birthdays on the 7th with our Teddy Bear Party, bring you Teddy Bear to join the fun (but don't forget to take them back home with you)

The callers Fun Dance is the 25th with John and Ken Shelby (dinner at Lido's is a very strong possibility) And we will celebrate a Spinner Halloween on Oct. 28th. Dress in costume and you might win a prize!!

Looking Forward. . .

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November 11th is our Salute to Veterans and rumor has it that our friends from Valley Twirlers will join us that night. And, rounding out the month is our "Give Thanks for Birthdays" on the 25th of November. Oh, and last but not least, the Caller's Anniversary November 22.

I hope to see you in a square at all of these dances and more. Just be sure to wear your Spinner Smile!!

So... Mark these dates on your calendars as you mark all the Round Ups and party nights for the other clubs. And enjoy the dancing in the Autumn air.

See You in a square Jane Marus

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Last month you received your membership card for 2014/2015,

Please fill it out and return it as soon as possible, because the Association Insurance deadline has been moved up, so to be able to get our club info in on a timely manner, we have to collect the info, earlier than usual. Thanks.

Now, for Joke Time,

The Hokey Pokey as it would have been written by William Shakespeare...

O proud left foot, that ventures quick within. Then soon upon a backward journey lithe. Anon, once more the gesture, then begin; Command sinistral pedestal to writhe. Commence tho then the fervid Hokey-Poke. A mad gyration, hips in wanton swirl. To spin! A wilde release from heaven's yoke. Blessed dervish! Surely canst go, girl. The Hoke, the poke – banish now thy doubt. Verily, I say, 'tis what it is all about.

The Washington Post has a contest every week called "The Style Invitation". The object is to get a funny/ humorous answer to their question.

On October 31st of last year the theme was "answer a question with a title (or a line from) of a song" here are some of the responses they received.

Q. What is the typical student report from a field trip to the Smithsonian Natural History Museum? (Kevin Dopart, Washington)

A. There were plants and birds and rocks and things. (A Horse With No Name)

Q. What's unwise of you to do when the weatherman says that tomorrow there'll be sun? (Danielle Nowlin) A. Bet your bottom dollar that tomorrow there'll be sun. (From Annie)

Q. Why are you wearing two ammo belts? (Edward Gordon, Austin)

A. "I'm takin' a Greyhound on the Hudson River Line." From Billy Joel's New York State of Mind.

Q. What did Han wear to protect himself against low blows from Darth Vader? (*Larry Gordon*) A. "Red Solo Cup"

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