

Monthly Newsletter

County Line Squares

March 2018

Caller's Corner:

Abe and Carol Maier

Spring is almost here. We can't wait to see our first Robin and Bluebird! Maybe by the next newsletter, we can then say yes, we saw them, and the snow is gone. In the meantime, please remember these important happenings:

1. Think about our St. Patrick's dance **March** 9th at Pinewood School and dig out your **GREEN** hats, shirts, and skirts.
2. Come to graduation, **March** 12th. Be there at 6:30 PM, bring something for Potluck, and have fun while congratulating new dancers as they become members of our group.
3. Come to our semi-annual meeting, **March** 19th and volunteer for _____ something. We need your smiles and ideas as we continue to be a caring, fun-loving, and friendliest Square Dance Club in Minnesota.

March Birthdays:

- 11 Clara Slaight
- 17 Adrienne Madson
- 24 Mary Elfmann
- 25 Willard Leinonen

March Anniversaries:

- 29 Gael & Doug Zachman

New Dancers **March** Birthdays:

- 14 Judy Parker
- 27 Sylvia Reiter

Thoughts from your president:

Joan Halderson

March is a busy month for square dancers with many club activities. I am proud of all our new dancers who will graduate. The "youngsters" seem to learn fast!

We are still looking for someone to fill the 2nd vice-president spot. Keep in mind some themes to suggest for next year's dances (2018-2019).

Be sure to remember to wear square dance clothes for our style show **March** 5th at Monday night lessons to give our new dancers a chance to see square dance attire.

Member Spotlight:

Paul and Rita Sigafus

Paul, the middle child of five, was born in Glenwood, MN, and grew up in the Mankato area. Rita, who was born in Mankato, MN, had a twin that died at birth.

They were high school "sweeties" and both graduated from Mankato High School. They are parents to one son and one daughter and grandparents to one grandson and one granddaughter.

They married when Paul was in his 3rd year of college. Rita finished college with her daughter in later years.

Paul works at Beckett Design as an engineer. His is a small office in MN with the parent company located in Cleveland, Ohio.

Rita has worked lots of places. She was an administrative assistant for General Mills and a marketing coordinator at Grand Casino. She enters and wins contests; the biggest prize so far is a diamond ring.

Hobbies are winter vacations to warmer places with no snow. When asked about retirement: no to Texas, yes to Tennessee and looking for that perfect retirement home.

Dancing with Abe in **March**:

- 1 Hopkins (12:30 to 2:30 PM)
- 8 Hopkins (12:30 to 2:30 PM)
- 9 Monticello County Line Club Dance
- 15 Hopkins (12:30 to 2:30 PM)

- 16 Brainerd
- 18 Harbor Squares (Solway Hall)
- 22 Hopkins (12:30 to 2:30 PM)
- 25 Balsam Lake
- 29 Hopkins (12:30 to 2:30 PM)

Classes every Monday at Monticello
Classes every Wednesday at Maple Grove

Club Dance:

Date: Friday, **March** 9, 2018
Time: 7:30 PM Plus Workshop
8-10 PM New Dancer Dance
Place: Pinewood Elementary
Theme: Shamrock Shuffle (Wear **Green**)
Caller: Abe Maier
Cuer: Sarah Klaphake
Hosts & Hostesses: Abe & Carol Maier, Sandee
Blanchet, Rod Christoffer, Gael & Doug
Zachman

REMEMBER: Graduation is Monday, **March**
12th, so dress up a bit in square dance clothes or
your finery!

Reminder: Our spring club meeting is,
Monday, **March** 19th, about halfway through
lessons.

Banner Raids for **March:**

- 3 Circle 8 Plus (Jim Lizakowski)
- 7 Beaux & Belles (Tom Allen)
- 11 Min-Owa Plus (Larry Fruetel)
- 14 Spares & Pairs (Larry Fruetel)
- 16 Rays Promendaders (Abe Maier)
- 18 Harbor Squares (Abe Maier)
- 21 Beaux & Belles (Tom Allen)
- 24 Saturday Fun Nite (Charley Huhtala)
- 28 ETTA Square & Rounds (Tom Allen)