



Mountaineers Square Dance Club
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MOUNTAINEERS MAY 2009 TRAILBLAZER



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Our club web page is <http://www.mountaineerssdc.org>

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- (1) *E-Mail Note – this way you get it in full color and save the club the cost of printing and mailing (about \$1.50 per month). You can also print it out in either color or black and white – depending on your preference.*
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Presidents Letter



President's Corner - May 2009

We're all very excited about May Madness Dance that we co-host with Rocky Mountain Squares. The event is scheduled for Saturday, May 16th at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds. Mike Sikorsky and Tom Roper are featured callers with Bob Lyon and Mitchell Thompson on rounds. There is still time to purchase your advance tickets at \$8.00 per ticket for a savings of \$2.00 each. Tickets are available at the door for \$10.00 each. We ask that each couple attending the dance bring one dozen cookies to the dance for refreshments.

The Plus lessons are in full swing on Thursday nights with Bob Riggs as the instructor. Once again, thank you to all of the angels who are participating and the club members who are taking the class. We appreciate everyone's time and effort.

We regret that the Past President's Dance had to be rescheduled due to weather forecasts. We are looking forward to a great attendance at the dance rescheduled for Saturday, May 2nd, with Mike Hogan calling. We would like to thank all of the Past Presidents for their time and dedication that has contributed to the Mountaineers continued success.

Safari Swing, the 2009 State Convention to be held in June in Greeley this year, is quickly approaching. We would like to encourage everyone to attend. Get your registrations in by May 15th to receive a discount. Upcoming events to plan for are: Mountaineers Picnic, Highlands Ranch Parade, and Littleton Western Welcome Week Parade and Barbeque at Murdochs. Please let us know if you can help/participate any or all of the events. This is a great time for the new dancers/members to get involved.

As you may be aware, our Junior Treasurers, Lois and Dwayne Sterling regrettably tendered their resignation effective June 1, 2009. If you are interested and qualified to fill the position, please contact either Jeff or Lynette.

Thanks to all the banner retrievers and stealers...it was a GREAT month!

Thanks to all our members who continue to support the Mountaineers and make it the BEST club in the Denver area. (At least WE think so!)

On a personal note, Mike and I would like to thank everyone for their participation, attendance, and support of our wedding, (as well as all the wonderful, generous gifts). You helped make our special day memorable. See you in a square!

Respectful submitted by Lynette McElveen
and Jeff Cox



KALLER'S KORNER

Wow what happened to Winter? Actually I think it started on March 20, 2009 – the first day of Spring!

We have some really great new club members from the last class. Please extend a hand in friendship and show these folks how much fun it is to be a member of the Mountaineers.

May Madness is fast approaching which will be a great dance, one you don't want to miss. Also, mark on your calendars our Hospice Dance on May 30, 2009. We plan to have a great dance like we did last year with local callers and cuers and raise a lot of money for a great cause - Hospice. Also, don't forget the Colorado State Festival in Greeley the second weekend in June. There are a lot of great events coming up to take advantage of.

Have a great May, I hope you enjoy the warming temps, the flowers, and the leaves. I have a bit of square dance trivia for you below.

Roy Rogers Square Danced in the Movies

In 1946 Roy Rogers and Dale Evans made one of their most successful movies. Their acting careers were just getting started, television was starting to become in wider use, and square dancing was beginning to enjoy its post war success. The 1946 film "My Pal Trigger" also featured "Gabby" Hayes. In that film there was square dancing, but on horses. The Sons of the Pioneers provided the music and calling. Roy and Dale, along with a couple of dozen other people, square danced on horses. They did calls such as "circle to the left (or right)" and "join up with your partner". They also did a "figure eight" formation. In 1946 few people knew what square dancing was. Even though the dancing was done on horses, it was good publicity for the soon to be popular dance.

Roy Rogers died on July 7, 1998 at his retirement home in Apple Valley, California.

Don Furnish



NOTICES



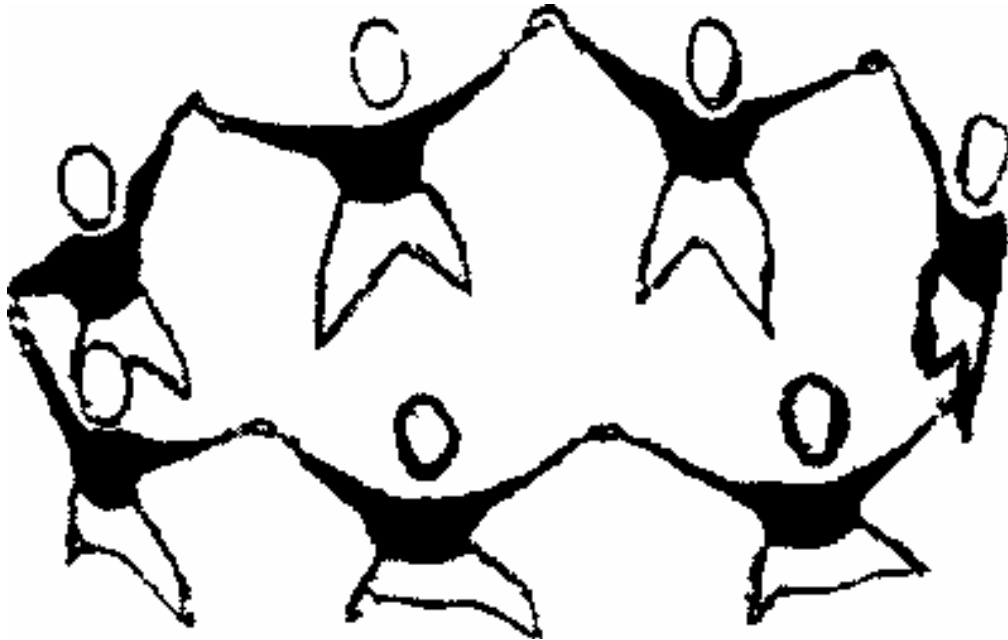
Junior Treasurer Needed for Latter Part of 2009

Qualifications:

- Good personal finance keeping skills (checkbook, bank statement reconciliation etc.)
- Basic experience with computer, Microsoft Word and Excel
- Hardware and software needs: PC, printer, internet with email account, MS-Word and MS-Excel, access to a scanner.
- Quicken program for book keeping will be supplied by the club
- On-job training in 2009
- Commitment needed for Senior Treasurer Office in 2010

Contact Jeff Cox, Lynette Ivy, Mike or Merry Lou Stafford, or Larry or Ann Amsler for information.

Do you know what this diagram represents?



**It is the
Emergency Call for Medical Aid
E C M A**

1. When a dancer goes down, a second dancer attends to him/her.
2. Remaining couples join hands and take a step backward. This will allow the injured person and the attendant air and room.
3. Raise joined hands as high as possible in the form of an arched circle (as seen above).
4. On seeing this signal, the caller or hall monitor will immediately place an Emergency Call for Medical Aid.



BANNER STEALING



Mountaineers Banner Stealing Policy

According to Mountaineer policy we are permitted to borrow one couple (2 people) to complete a square when stealing or retrieving.

In order to give credit, after the dance, please make a list and notify me who attended and your success at getting the banner.

Judy Winter

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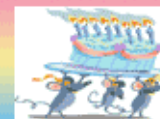
MOUNTAINEERS BOARD MEETING April 13, 2009

Attendance: Dale & Sue Stephens, Mike & Merry Lou Stafford, Lyle & Kathy Gillett, Jim & Judy Taylor, Mike & Lynne Robbins, Larry & Ann Amsler, Richard & Lila Keilwitz, Walt Perry & Pat Bailey, Jeff Cox, Del and Mary Stansbery

Current calendar of events, new Insurance and proposed By-Law change information sheets were available as pass-outs.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



April 2009		May 2009	
4	Ken Salinas	1	Tamara Harper
4	Bruce Birza	1	Margaret Quick
7	Dale Stephens	2	Chuck Wheeler
13	Pat Bailey	2	Neill McDaniel
14	Eddie Perdue	5	Larry Bultena
15	Ian Horsky	6	Bev Krebs
15	Laura Stafford	6	Cathe Markell
19	Jean Mayne	7	John Lowrimore
21	Thelma Blemler	12	Sue Stephens
		13	Laurie Bendell
		14	Norma Hatcher
		19	Dale Yowell
		19	Judy Taylor
		23	Del Stansbery
		25	Carol Bushu
		26	Larry Amsler
		27	Gerald Owens

If we missed anyone's birthday please let us know so we can include you the next time.



NEWS around the Square



Sue and I need your help. We would like to hear from anyone who has news about themselves or their friends in the club. We would like to keep our membership informed regarding the activities of our peers. Do you know who made a trip, who had a new grandchild, who moved, who received some honor or award, etc.

Ian Horsky will participate in the Avon Cancer walk June 27 and 28. They will walk 39 miles in 2 days. If you want to sponsor, please contact Ian.

Dottie Wickom left April 21 to visit daughters in California and Minnesota. She will be gone for 2 months.

John and Elwanda Gille were in Pennsylvania to watch their granddaughter compete in the national Irish clogging contest. The granddaughter came in 22 out of 130. Elwanda's foot surgeries are completed. The first

surgery is healed now and the second foot surgery is doing better than the first one did. It takes about 5 months to heal completely.

Larry and Gail Bultena are leaving on April 24 for Portland for 9 days to help Gail's daughter with new twin girls born in January.

Lynette Ivy and Mike McElveen exchanged wedding vows April 11th. Congratulations Lynette and Mike!!

Jim and Judy Taylor attended the Shrine Circus this month, and were asked to photograph circus-goers with live circus bears---set-up with the Computer Club's professional equipment. There was a 500 pound bear and a 4-month old cub!

Ron and Karen Newton spent this week with their grandkids at Disneyland. Hopefully Ron and Karen didn't tire the kids out too much.



Mike Robbins' Mother passed away on April 29, 2009. Please keep Mike and Lynne in your thoughts and prayers.



Dick Markell	Get well soon – had surgery.
Mike Robbins	Sympathy – Mike's Mother passed away



Dance Schedules

Callers & Cuers Host & Hostesses



Thanks again for all the dependable and hard workers who help the Mountaineers have great dances. Carol Neises

Please contact Carol at 303-798-4472 if you need to switch with someone due to unforeseen situations.

May 30, 2009

Hospice Dance

Caller: **Don Furnish**

Cuer: **Cuer and Callers will be volunteers**

Host & Hostesses:

****Eddie & Carol Perdue 303-798-6242**

Ron & Phyllis Kamstra 303-617-4751

Bernie & Vi Karpinski 303-758-3081

June 6, 2009

Caller: **Freddie McKee**

Cuer: **Bob Lyons**

Host & Hostesses:

****Ron & Karen Newton 303-771-0641**

Ann Walsh 303-282-6624

Marcia LeVasseur 619-405-8997

June 20, 2009

Caller: **Don Furnish**

Cuer: **Jeff Cox**

Host & Hostesses:

****Dwayne & Lois Sterling 303-798-1599**

Mel Gifford 720-536-8221

Nancy Bowman 303-794-2376

Rita Beasley 303-933-9167

Chick Chiclacos 303-988-5617

July 4, 2009

Red, White, and Blue Dance

Caller: **Jim Kline**

Cuer: **Roy Knight**

Host & Hostesses:

****Bob Hunt 303-791-7200**

Shirley McBroom 303-783-1739

John and Tamara Harper 303-232-0652

July 18, 2009

Caller: **Roger Schappell**

Cuer: **Ed Glenn**

Host & Hostesses:

****Ed & Karma Dornfeld 303-978-1654**

John & Bev Lowrimore 303-794-1992

Carley Fabian 303-933-1078

August 1, 2009

Caller: **Debra & Jon Carol-Jones**

Cuer: **Bill Carter**

Host & Hostesses:

****Jim & Judy Taylor 303-795-3278**

Steve & Judi Braunstein 303-537-4172

August 15, 2009

Caller: **Don Furnish**

Cuer: **Jeff Cox**

Host & Hostesses:

****John Rivera 303-829-9750**

Gayle Peters 303-797-1675

August 29, 2009

Caller: **Steve Bailey**

Cuer: **Justin Judd del Sol**

Host & Hostesses:

****Bill & Jean Mayne 303-973-8445**

Rick & Vicky Wagner 303-908-2807

September 5, 2009

Caller: **Charlie Robertson**

Cuer: **John Herr**

Host & Hostesses:

****Tim & Marilyn Cassidy 303-290-8673**

Mary Lou Brown 303-694-2874

2009 Officers and Committee Heads:

2009 Officers

<i>President</i>	Jeff Cox and Lynette Ivy
<i>Vice President</i>	Mike and Merry Lou Stafford
<i>Recording Secretary</i>	Mike and Lynne Robbins
<i>Corresponding Secretary</i>	Dale & Sue Stephens
<i>Sr. Treasurers</i>	Larry and Ann Amsler
<i>Jr. Treasurers</i>	Dwayne and Lois Sterling

Past Presidents: Ron and Karen Newton

Committee Heads

<i>Banner Stealing</i>	Dan McPeck & Judy Winter
<i>Sr. Hospitality</i>	Dick and Kathy Niebels
<i>Jr. Hospitality</i>	Carol Neises
<i>Bulletin Newsletter</i>	Dale & Sue Stephens
<i>Sr. Council Reps</i>	Lyle and Kathy Gillett
<i>Jr. Council Reps</i>	Del and Mary Stansbery
<i>Sr. Decorating Chairman</i>	Walt Perry & Pat Bailey
<i>Historian:</i>	Laurie Bendell
<i>Photography</i>	Judy Taylor
<i>Webmasters</i>	Richard & Lila Keilwitz
<i>Calling Committee Chair</i>	Norma Hatcher
<i>May Madness</i>	Dale and Sue Stephens

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