

The Solitaires News

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JUNE — JULY 2010



OFFICERS

Patrick Walsh
Nettie Phillips
Kathy Ellis
Diane Wright



Banners-In

T-Square-Gadabouts

Lone Star Solos

Tri-City Promenaders

Decatur Bers

Stone Steppers

Banners-Out

Rockwall Squares

Texas Reelers

Tri City Promenaders

Kissin' Kuzzins

Circle 1

Yellow Rockers

Swinging Stars

**Third
Quarter Dues
Are
Due**



The month of June was a busy one for the club. Our annual club meeting was held at the Spring Barbeque Restaurant, and a new member was elected to office for 2010 – 2011. There were no major changes as most of the officers including myself got re-elected. On behalf of our elected officers, I'd like to thank club members for their confidence in us, and use this opportunity to congratulate Kathy Ellis who succeeds Patsy Nester as club secretary.

Patsy is the newly elected president of TASSD (Texas Association of Single Square Dancers). Hearty congratulations to you, Patsy. With your energy and drive, there's no iota of doubt in my mind you'll do a swell job for the association you've always been so passionate about. Be sure to visit www.TASSD.org to get its latest news. Kudos to Patsy for volunteering to create a Solitaires monthly calendar and to also write the Solitaires articles for the Promenade. The calendars will be added to our website. In another development, Grace Dubuque Recio was appointed parliamentarian of Nortex while Diane Wright was reinstalled as an appointed officer (webmaster) for the 2010-2011 term.

Earlier this week, I was reminded by a wise member of the club that it takes a village to raise a child. I couldn't agree more and would like acknowledge each and every member of the club for their individual contributions in making our club *the Comeback Kid*.

Your smiles, handshakes, hugs, greetings and kindness have always been our asset and strength. I know this for a fact, as this was one of the many good reasons I chose to join the Solitaires. Such enviable values are to be treasured, and it is my hope we continue to preserve this good Solitaires tradition.

The last two dances were a blast, and our fun evening with the Joneses remains a pleasant memory each time I take a look in the rearview mirror. It's not so easy to keep up with the Jones's, we all know, but with the style & pace Deborah and Jon

called, it made it a lot of fun to try. Our area's newly graduated dancers had such a good time and told me they enjoyed every minute of the evening.

However, all of this proved to be just the tip of the iceberg when we had our Flag Day dance three weeks ago. It was a party in grand style, the turnout of which reminded of an anniversary dance. We had visitors coming all the way from Atlanta, Georgia, and one only needed a minute to reflect on the fact that there was another dance just a few blocks away to really value the attendance. The pictures were great and can be accessed at the Solitaires' recently refurbished website (see address above).

Profound appreciations go to all our loyal friends. We couldn't have come this far without your unremitting patronage. We acknowledge Nortex officers, Wilma Cothren, Connie Banks, Pauline Honeycutt, Ed Ferguson and Marsha Parr for coming out to lend us their support. Special thanks to Nortex officers Elizabeth and Dennis Ziebell for coming along with their camera to showcase the Flag Day event. Rick Smith and JL Pelton were at their best and kept us entertained all evening long. A special thanks to Boots and Gene for helping out with our visitations and coming for frequent visits. Our thoughts and prayers are with Gene as he enters into yet another battle with the Big C.

Steve is back on the bandwagon and together with members of the Lessons committee, will be overseeing our lessons scheduled to be co-hosted with the Dixie Chainers beginning September 21st. We will need the volunteers from our club to help out as angels.

Belated Happy Father's day to all our dads and those who've played and play that role. Happy Fourth of July to everyone! Happy Birthday America! God bless the U.S.A!

Patrick

