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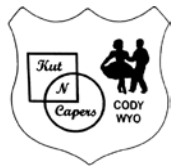
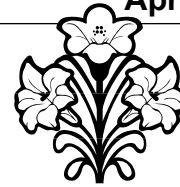
Volume 102

Yellowstone Square Dance Council

April/May 2019



Happy Easter!



Kut N Capers

Steve Lassiter, Caller
Fridays, 7:00 p.m.
Episcopal Church
Cody, WY

We had a blast with Hunter at our March 22 dance. There were two tight squares with no spares—a miracle, nevertheless.

Thanks to Peggy and Brian, and Bob and Betty for traveling all the way down from Montana.

Now looking forward to our Spring Dance on April 26 and 27. Can't wait to "Swing Into Spring" with Lynn, Larry, and all of you!

Sheila Leach



The Cody dancers, plus two couples from Billings, kicked up their heels with Hunter in Cody on March 22.



Checkerboard Squares

Bob Hogemark, Caller
Thursday evenings
6:30-8:30 Mainstream
Cedar Hall, Metra Park

We have had a great season of dancing at Checkerboard Squares on Thursday nights!

Many thanks go out to our new dancers and the commitment they have made to joining us! We will be celebrating our new dancers at a Hoedown on Thursday, April 25, 2019 at 6:30 pm at Cedar Hall in Billings. All dancers are welcome to meet our new dancers and square up with us for a fun evening of dancing, fellowship and cake & ice cream.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Spring Dance in March. Thank you to everyone who helped change out the decorations from Valentine's to St. Patrick's Day. Cedar Hall always looks festive. We learned two movements that were new to most of us: Twist the Line and Rewind your Neighbor. Thank you to Lynn and Judy Strobel and Larry Sperry for calling and cuing. Checkerboard Squares has been the sponsor of this dance since 2015. The 2019 dance was the last one for our club to sponsor, but we're happy to announce that it's not going away. Lynn

Strobel and Larry Sperry will take it over in 2020. It's scheduled for March 21, 2020.

All members of the Checkerboard Squares dance club are invited to join Hunter Keller for square dancing this summer at Casa Village Recreation Center (located off 24th St. W and Monad Rd in Billings). It will be a mainstream dance from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm (including rounds) followed by plus level from 8:30 pm – 9:00 pm. There are flyers on the table at Cedar Hall with the dates and other details.

Eileen, Paul, Brian & Peggy



We're proud to show off our new dancers! Come meet and dance with this fun and friendly bunch on April 25.

WORK PARTY: Cedar Hall End of Season Tear Down Monday, May 13, 6:30 p.m.

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April/May 2019

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Council Notes

First, a friendly reminder that the next meeting of the Yellowstone Square Dance Council will be Sunday, April 28 at 4 p.m. in Cedar Hall. In order to have your voices heard on important issues, each club/group needs to have a designated voting representative at the YSDC meetings. Even if one of your members is a Council officer, you still need to have a voting representative.

Council meetings are open to everyone, however. The Council cannot lead effectively without hearing your concerns and opinions.

New Officers

One item on the April 28 meeting agenda will be officer nominations. Kathleen has indicated that she cannot continue as Vice President. This is not a particularly demanding office, so if you're thinking even just a little bit about serving on the Council, this would be a good way to get your feet wet. The duties of Vice President, as laid out in our newly revised By-Laws, are as follows: "Vice President shall perform the duties of the President in the event of the President's absence."

Ann has been Secretary since 2006. While she will continue if necessary, she thinks it would be nice to give someone else a shot. Duties as described in the By-Laws: "Secretary shall keep a record of all proceedings of YSDC, shall act as YSDC correspondent in matters pertaining to the business of YSDC, and shall keep a correct enrollment of all member clubs." *Note:* Don't worry...duties **do not** include putting together this *Grapevine* newsletter!

If you can't get to the meeting but would like to be "on the ballot," please see Kathleen or any of the officers.

Got PR In Your Blood?

We're also looking for folks with a knack for promotion. Right now square dancing is a well kept secret in Billings and we'd like to change that. If you'd like to help brainstorm ways of promoting our activity, or just getting square dancing into the public eye, please come to the YSDC meeting and volunteer or see any of the officers. The officers, by the way, are listed on the inside front cover of the *Grapevine*. You'll see at least one of them at every dance, go talk to them and they'll be happy to answer your questions.

Demolition Time!

Well, maybe not exactly demolition, but it is time to "tear down" Cedar Hall for the summer. This will involve taking down decorations, removing banners from the walls, putting away tablecloths, tables and chairs and moving the stage. It sounds like a lot, but with enough determined workers it doesn't take long. Come join us Monday evening, May 13 at 6:30 p.m. and help us get 'er done!

Hoedown Goodies

Volunteer signup sheets for the Magic City Hoedown cookies and potluck contributions will be in Cedar Hall soon. Sign up early to get your first choice!



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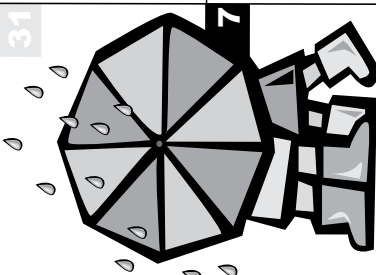








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April

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>31</p> 	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Checkerboard Squares 6:30-8:30 pm Cedar Hall (Bob)</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Contradance 7:30 p.m. Cedar Hall (Derek Gallagher)</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Plus Dance 7:00-9:30 pm (Lynn) Cedar Hall</p>
<p>7</p> <p>Advanced Workshop 7-9 pm Cedar Hall (Bob)</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> 	<p>11</p> <p>Checkerboard Squares 6:30-8:30 pm Cedar Hall (Bob)</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Plus Dance 7:00-9:30 pm (Lynn) Cedar Hall</p>
<p>14</p> <p>Silhouettes 1-5 pm Cedar Hall (Larry & Susan)</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> 	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Checkerboard Squares 6:30-8:30 pm Cedar Hall (Bob)</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>NO DANCE <i>Happy Easter!</i></p>
<p>21</p> 	<p>22</p> <p>Advanced Workshop 7-9 pm Cedar Hall (Bob)</p>	<p>23</p> 	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Checkerboard Squares BEGINNER HOEDOWN 6:30-8:30 p.m. Cedar Hall</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Contradance 7:30 p.m. Cedar Hall (M. Matthews) Let's Go To Cody! Rut n Capers Spring Dance Christ Episcopal Church, Cody, WY Friday 7:30 p.m. • Saturday All Day</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28</p> 	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p> 	<p>3</p> <p>Magic City Hoedown Bill Henke • Larry & Susan Sperry Cedar Hall <i>For Details, See the flyer in Cedar Hall or at www.sqaredancemontana.com</i></p>	<p>4</p>
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WORK PARTY: Cedar Hall End of Season Tear Down
Monday, May 13, 6:30 p.m.

Billings Plus Group

Lynn Strobel, Bob Hogemark, callers
7:00-9:30 p.m., Cedar Hall at MetraPark
Saturdays, see website or
newsletter calendar for dates

The Plus group will only officially dance twice in April, but that doesn't mean Saturday nights will get boring. On the 20th we break for Easter, then on the 27th we're going to Cody. Please join us there for rounds, mainstream and plus dancing, along with the fine company and excellent food the Cody crowd is known for.

The following Saturday, May 4, is the second evening of the Magic City Hoedown. Bill Henke is back again and Larry will be cueing rounds. Then the Saturday after that is the first day of Hunter's Blast Class for those who'd like to learn Plus or who would like a refresher. If you know anyone in those categories, let them know.

Have a safe and happy summer, everyone. Check the schedule on the back page, There are many dance events happening this summer. Hope to see you at lots of them!



Silhouettes

Larry & Susan Sperry, Cuers
Sundays: see website for times
<http://www.larrysperry.com>

Our club had four dances in March. Larry was home to do the first and third Sundays and Hunter cued the second and fourth Sundays.

Winter finally let go of its firm grip by mid March. It was wonderful to have Terry and Kathy Drange visit Mesa for two weeks. Susan and I and George and Gail had a fun time dancing and going places with them.

Two step class continued in March. Our last dance in Sun City West with Dan Nordbye is Sunday afternoon April 7. We will leave for home on April 8. We hope to arrive home in Billings about April 11.

Silhouettes will dance April 14. We are off for Easter Sunday, April 21 and off for April 28 following the Cody Spring dance. We hope you can all come to Cody to support the dance weekend April 26-27 with Lynn and Judy.

Larry and Susan Sperry

Billings A Level Workshop

Bob Hogemark, Instructor
Second and fourth Mondays 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Cedar Hall at MetraPark

All too soon another season is ending. Thank you Bob for putting up with us twice a month and showing us how much fun confusion can be. Thanks also to all the members of our small group whose faithful attendance kept us going. See you all in the fall if not before!



Contradance Billings

Amy Letson, caller, with live musicians
7:30 p.m., Cedar Hall at MetraPark
See calendar for dates

Oh, my! Only 3 contradances left this season! Time flies when you're dancing.

April will bring...well, Spring showers, but also Derek Gallagher, from Helena to call the April 5th dance. He's always got fun, interesting dances up his sleeve. Providing the music for that dance will be the Homegrown String Band (Bill and Amy Letson) with friends from the Sunday night old-time jam that's been happening this year. We'll have a full stage of musicians! After that, we wish everyone a Happy Easter!

Then, on April 26, Copper Kelly will be back to play the tunes, and Mark Matthews returns from the sunny south to call the dances.

For May 10th, plans are in the works to bring Isaac and Louise Callender back from Big Sandy. They graced our stage for our last dance last year, and we are eager to have them back. Mark Matthews will call the dance, as Amy will be off finishing a tour of playing Harry Potter Live.

Summer Dances

Who said the season's over? Hunter will be calling dances throughout the summer at the Casa Village Rec Center, 24th Street W. and Monad Road. Plans are to have Mainstream dancing with Rounds from 7 to 8:30 p.m. and Plus dancing from 8:30 to 9 p.m.

Our newest dancers are especially encouraged to come to these dances as often as you can. You'll see the experienced dancers there, too. They already know now easy it is to get "rusty" when they don't dance on a regular basis. Besides, they miss dancing! It will also be a great opportunity for those who participated in Hunter's Plus Blast Class (see this month's back cover) to polish their new dance skills.

Yes, it's a busy time for everyone as we try to make the most of our short summer. But there's always time for dancing! Right now, the dances are scheduled for just twice a month: May 9 and 23, June 6 and 20, July 18 and 25, August 15 and 19, and September 12 and 19. Hunter says this schedule is subject to change and to keep an eye on your email and Hunter's website, www.HunterKeller.com. There are also flyers at Cedar Hall with more information.

Thank you, Hunter, for keeping us dancing!

Traveling this Summer?

Please send photos of the out-of-town and out of state dances that you attend. Send your photos to achindley@gmail.com and they'll be featured in the October issue of the Grapevine.

YSDC CLUBS WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Day	Time	Club	Location
Sunday	varies	Silhouettes Round Dancing (check website for times)	Cedar Hall at MetraPark
Monday	7:00 p.m.	A-Level Workshop (2nd and 4th Mondays)	Cedar Hall at MetraPark
Thursday	6:30 p.m.	Checkerboard Squares beginners/mainstream	Cedar Hall at MetraPark
Friday	6:30 p.m.	Kut N Kapers (Call first, see calendar page)	Episcopal Church, Cody, WY
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	Plus Dancing (as scheduled, see calendar)	Cedar Hall at MetraPark

Visitors dancing at the appropriate level are always welcome at any club dance. No dress code. Please check the monthly calendar elsewhere in this newsletter and also our website for schedule updates and cancellations.

OPEN DANCE SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Event	Featured Caller/Cuer/Band	Location
April 5	7:30-11 p.m.	Contradance	Derek Gallagher	Cedar Hall, Billings
April 25	7-9:30	Beginner Hoedown	Bob Hogemark	Cedar Hall, Billings
April 26	7:30-11 p.m.	Contradance	Mark Matthews	Cedar Hall, Billings
May 10	7:30-11 p.m.	Contradance	Mark Matthews	Cedar Hall, Billings

STATE, REGIONAL & NATIONAL DANCES

Date	Event	Featured Caller/Cuer	Location
April 26-27	Kut n Kapers Spring Dance	Lynn & Judy Strobel, Larry & Susan Sperry	Christ Episcopal, Cody, WY
May 3-4	Magic City Hoedown	Bill Henke, Larry & Susan Sperry	Billings, MT
May 17-18	Cowtown Hoedown	Larry & Susan Sperry	Sheridan WY
May 24-27	2019 Montana State Festival	Caller: Scott Byars, Cuer: B&B Bartlette	Missoula, MT
July 12-13	Plus on the Boulder	Lynn & Judy Strobel, Larry & Susan Sperry	Big Timber, MT
August 15-17	USA West Convention	All Callers/Cuers	Boise, ID
Aug. 31-Sept. 2	Knothead Jamboree	Caller: Charlie Robinson, Cuer: Mary & Bob Townsend-Manning	West Yellowstone, MT

Flyers for many of these dances can be viewed at www.squaredancemontana.com and/or caller websites

DON'T MISS THESE!

Swing Into Spring
with the
Kut 'n Capers

Friday & Saturday • April 26 & 27, 2019

Christ Episcopal Church • Cody, WY
ROUNDS, MAINSTREAM and PLUS
Lynn & Judy Strobel • Larry & Susan Sperry

Friday, April 26

Pre-Rounds 7:30-8 p.m.
Mainstream & Plus 8-10 p.m.

Saturday, April 27

Mainstream Dance 10-11:30 a.m.
Plus Dance 1:30-3 p.m.
Dinner 6 p.m.
Pre-Rounds 7:15-7:45 pm
Mainstream, Plus, Rounds 8-10 pm

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PLUS
BLAST CLASS
WEEKEND



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*** REGISTRATION IS DUE BY FRIDAY, MAY 3RD, 2019 ***

For Registration call (406) 690-2640 or email Hunter@HunterKeller.com

Saturday Morning ~ 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. * Saturday Afternoon ~ 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. *
Saturday Evening ~ 7 p.m. – 10 p.m. * Sunday Afternoon ~ 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.