



Do Paso Gazette



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President's Message:

Greetings Gnat Boxers:

"The square dance is on" are familiar words heard at the beginning of a fun night of dancing. A big thank you goes out to the 2019 graduating student class for completing lessons as well as everyone who helped make this possible. Let us work together to make next year's class even better.

Our club will celebrate 60 years of existence in October. Much has changed in those 60 years, but one thing remains constant ... square dancers are genuine people. The clothes and songs may have come and gone, but the dancers still enjoy moving to the calls.



Our club could use help preparing for the celebration. We have many activities planned for the evening. Way to assist include:

1. *Set up for dance and decorations*
2. *Donations for building baskets for raffle (4 themed baskets or create your own)*
3. *Selling 50-50 tickets and basket raffle tickets*
4. *Help Erma clean up kitchen*
5. *Put chairs and tables away, clean up dance floor*

Remember we collect Box tops for education for Ida Sue.

*A little square dance history, in 1956 a 5th National Convention was held in San Diego, CA where 20,790 dancers attended. Sports Illustrated did an article on square dancing March 28, 1955 with the thought provoking caption "Is this a sport?" Interesting facts. **Keep Dancing!***

Greg & Terry



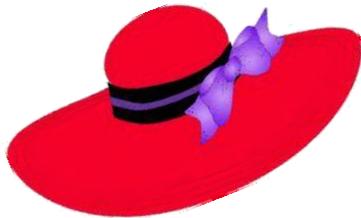
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Gnat Boxer Dances



May 18th Off to the Races



Don your Derby hat and join us for an evening of unbridled fun!!

Bet on the horse of your choice in our Derby Race. Don't forget to square off in our dance for the roses!!



Derby style snacks will adorn the refreshment table. Derby Dangles will also be available.

Upcoming Club Dances

May 4 ~ NO DANCE! Have fun at the convention!

May 18 ~ Off to the Races! Featuring Dick Mackey along with Kristy Lake. Refreshments provided by the Officers!

June 1 ~ Featuring Ron Anderson along with Amy Riehl.

June 15 ~ Special Dance! Featuring National Caller Jerry Junck along with Phyllis Burdette. Gnat Boxer club members are welcome to sell clothing at this dance. Each seller must handle their own sales. Questions can be directed to Terry Moore, Co-President.

July 6 ~ NO DANCE! Enjoy time with your family!

July 20 ~ Homemade Ice Cream! Featuring Tom Strickland along with Linda Warren.



Saddle up for a fun evening of dancing with

National Caller ~ Jerry Junck
Cueing by Phyllis Burdette

June 15th ~ 7:30 - 10:30 p.m.
Special 3-hour dance
\$7/person

Clothing Sale!



Gnat Boxer Dances



Refreshments & Door Prizes

Date	Caller/Cuer Or Theme	Refreshments	Door Prize
5/4	No Dance ~ State Convention	N/A	N/A
5/18	Off to the Races	Club Officers	Scott & Rhonda Boothby
6/1	Ron Anderson Amy Riehl	Dan & Patty Reinarts Diane Sargeant	Erma Miller
6/15	National Caller Jerry Junck	All club members - bring a covered dish	Diane Sargeant
7/6	No Dance 4 th of July	N/A	N/A
7/20	Tom Strickland Linda Warren Homemade Ice Cream	<i>Volunteers needed to make Homemade Ice Cream* Others bring toppings</i>	Chuck & Helen Grassbaugh
8/3	Danny Beck Kristy Lake	Armond & Judy Black Dana & Rhonda Bower	Ray & Dottie Carter
8/17	Dick Mackey Amy Riehl Tailgate Party	All club members - bring a covered dish	Glenn & Sharon Shaffer
9/7	No Dance Labor Day	N/A	N/A



Please remember to sign up for refreshments and/or donating door prizes. The refreshment sign-up book is on the welcome table. We need all club members to take a turn; that way, no one should have to do it more than once during the year. Questions, see Erma Miller, Refreshment Chairperson.

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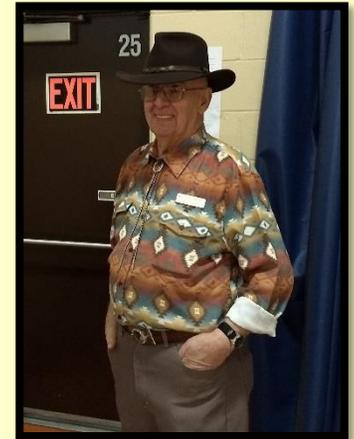
Gnat Boxer Dances



Monthly Club Dance Highlights:



April 6th ~ Student Dance Featuring Dick Mackey along with Linda Warren ~ Our last student dance of the season was attended by twenty-seven Gnat Boxers, including a few students. Everyone admired Dick's cowboy hat. He'll do anything for attention! Apple Creek brought the most guests with just enough to raid. Additional guests were from Red Lantern and Johnny Appleseed in Mansfield. Thanks to Bob & Jane Moore as well as Veronica Nagy for the wonderful refreshments. They truly hit the spot! Terry Moore won the door prize which was donated by Jane Moore. Dan Hendricks



won \$32 with the 50/50 Raffle. Pat and Larry even showed off their skills during the round dances.



Thank you to the Federation for the delicious cake and ice cream during the Gnat Boxer Student Graduation Ceremony on April 15th! Indeed, a scrumptious reward for graduating more students than any other club in the Federation.

The evening was also filled with fun square dance initiation games where students displayed their skills while dancing with a dum-dum sucker in each hand. The role reversal dance was a hoot especially during the right and left grand. Everyone enjoyed the written tests ... especially the square dance bingo game. Has anyone really eaten ostrich meat?

In addition to the students receiving their diplomas, two students earned their Student Friendship Dangles, and several Gnats earned Angel certificates for helping with lessons this year. The evening was filled with good fellowship, good food, and good fun! Thanks to all who attended, your presence made the evening even more special!



Keep Dancing



Traveling with Dick:

May 18 - Gnat Boxers in Wooster
 July 13 - Swing-A-Lings with Bill Meese in Canton
 July 27 - Norton Grand Squares in Norton
 July 31 - Fun Shop in Greentown
 August 17 - Gnat Boxers in Wooster
 August 23 - Solo Squares in Berea
 September 14 - Hubs in Solon



Dick and Nancy enjoyed a delectable fish dinner at St. Joseph's Byzantine church in Brecksville on Friday, March 29th. The party really got started after dinner, however, with Dick calling a wonderful dance while Nancy visited with folks. A group of Gnats flew in, swooped down, and snatched our banner back!



Gnat Boxer
60th Anniversary
Diamond Jubilee
 Saturday, October 19, 2019

Callers: Dick Mackey and Dave Stuthard
 Cues: Phyllis Burdette

We are Seeking Donations for the
Themed Basket Raffle

Pet Basket
 Wine/Cheese Basket
 Tailgate Basket
 Harvest Basket
 Create your Own Basket

Questions? See any officer



Gnat Boxer Neighborhood News



May 2 - Bernie Rieman
May 9 - Patty Reinarts
May 10 - Louise McAfee
May 18 - Greg Moore
May 18 - Travis Bower
May 24 - Carol Swisher



May 21 ~ Bob & Jane Moore
53 Years!



Your thoughtful gifts, the flowers for me and the gift card to Applebee's for Dick, brought smiles to our faces. What would we do without square dancers in our lives? Thank you many times over.

Nancy & Dick Mackey

We're searching for 3-4 volunteers who can churn some old-fashioned homemade ice cream for our Ice Cream Dance on July 20th. If you can help with this, please contact Erma Miller, our Refreshment Chairperson.



Friendship Dangles

Akron Federation Student Friendship Dangle - can be earned while a dancer is a student. The student attends at least 8 student level dances within the Federation to earn the dangle.

Akron Federation Friendship Dangle - this dangle can be earned by dancers within the Federation any time after graduating from lessons. Dancers must attend 10 regular club dances within the Akron Federation to earn the dangle. Contact Federation President, Chickie Weber to obtain a copy of the signature form.



Ohio Friendship Dangle - this dangle can be earned by dancers who attend one dance in each of the six Ohio Dance Federations. More information can be found at www.squaredanceohio.com and clicking on "Friendship Badge."

USA Traveler Dangle - this dangle can be earned by dancers who attend anywhere from 12 to 50 dances each in a different state. More information can be found here: <http://www.usda.org/traveler.htm>



Gnat Boxer Neighborhood News



Officer Highlights



Tom and Elaine Weygandt met at a Christian singles group in January 1984. Not wasting

any time, they tied the knot shortly afterwards in June! Two years later, they decided to try square dancing and enrolled in Dick's 1986-1987 class which had 67 students. No class since has had as many students. Both Tom and Elaine earned their Angel Dangle in 1988 and have been helping with the club ever since.

Tom and Elaine have served as Refreshment Chairmen for one year, Treasurer for two years, Secretary for two years, President for five years, and are currently serving their sixth year as our Vice-Presidents. That's 16 years of leadership service! Additionally, they started the Gnat Raiders in 1999 and kept track of the raids and retrievals for three years. They've planned five different mystery bus trips, were the chairpersons for our floats in two different parades, were the chairpersons for the Club's 40th Anniversary Celebration as well as Dick's 50 Years of Calling Celebration. Tom and Elaine also began correspondence with "Happy Hoppers" of Ontario Canada in 1999 and established Twin Clubs "Twining". Tom and Elaine still get together with some of the Canadians at least once a year.

Tom and Elaine are not shy about taking their dancing on the road either ... they've danced in PA, NY, IL, KY, TN, MN, MI, WV, VA, IN, MO, CO, as well as all over Ohio and multiple places in Canada. They have also attended four National Conventions and two State Conventions in addition to dancing on an adult competition team at the Ohio State Fair and won First Place every year. For seven years, Elaine taught and coached a junior, and later senior, youth competition team of youth from five different schools.

Tom and Elaine attend Emanuel Old Stone Church where Tom serves as an Elder and is also the Treasurer. Elaine serves as the Recording and Financial Secretary and enjoys leading crafts for VBS. They have a son and daughter-in-law, a daughter and son-in-law, three grandsons as well as two grand-daughters with another due in September. Elaine and Tom also have four 4-legged daughters - Jaxa, a 2 year old Cavapoo, two Brown Swiss cows - Cinnamon and Scarlet, and one calf - Nutmeg.

Tom graduated from Northwestern High School as well as The Ohio State University with a degree in Dairy Science. He grew up milking Brown Swiss cows. He also worked as a herdsman and then with his father. He has also worked for 30 years at the Buckeye Career Center as a Farm Business Consultant and is currently self-employed at Tweyg Consulting. Tom also graduated from Akron Law School and works part-time as an attorney. Elaine graduated from Ashland High School and Mansfield General Nursing School. She has worked as an RN at various hospitals and facilities. Elaine also currently does bookkeeping and payroll for a local farm. She is a grandma as well! Tom and Elaine live on 28 acres of woods and are Hosta gardeners with over 225 varieties. They also have a travel trailer and enjoy camping and seeing God's wonderful creation.

A Note from the Secretary: Please submit any news or suggestions for the newsletter to Patty Reinarts via e-mail at MaTo2boys@gmail.com or via phone/text at 330.641.2395. Also, please let Patty know of any prayer requests as well as changes to your home address, e-mail address, and/or phone numbers.