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2018 ~ Officers

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President's Message:

Hello,

The time is changing soon and fall has arrived. With the change of seasons, new lessons have started. We have 15-20 new students this year. Thanks to Dick for continuing to teach lessons with Jeff's assistance. The Gnat Boxers continue to remain a strong club. Every member contributes to our success by attending lessons as well as club dances, serving as officers, providing refreshments, helping with raids and retrievals, setting up and tearing down, and, most importantly, acting as ambassadors for the club. These all matter and all help is appreciated. Please contact Karen Howard if you would like to participate in raids and retrievals. Many times Dick needs riders when he is calling at other clubs, give him a call and tag along!

Happy Halloween!



Terry and Greg Moore

Our dance time will be changing! Beginning in January 2019 our dances will start at 7:30 p.m. and end at 10:00 p.m. We hope this change will help you enjoy our dances even more.



Find us on the web at www.gnatboxers.com



Gnat Boxer Dances



Our plus level dances are held from 8:00 - 10:30 p.m. (unless otherwise noted) on the first and third Saturday of the month at Ida Sue School located at 266 Oldman Road in Wooster.

Admission Prices:
\$5/member*; \$6/guest
\$7/person at special dances

*Member families with children pay full price for the first two dancers and ½ price for each additional child dancer (under 18) at our regular dances.



Please bring an unopened new toy

with you to the dance on December 1st. All collected toys will be donated to the "Toys for Tots" program.

All-Star Christmas

Cookie Bake Off! Our 5th annual cookie bake off will be held during the December 15th dance. Anyone can enter a cookie recipe. Cookies must be homemade to be considered for the contest. Please bring copies of your recipe with you.



Upcoming Club Dances

Nov. 3 ~ *I am Thankful for ... Dance* ~ featuring Dave Stuthard as the caller joined by Sue Powell's cueing.



FEED THE HUNGRY

Please bring non-perishable food items for a local food pantry. Please check the dates of donated items to insure they're safe for consumption.

Nov. 17 ~ *Special Dance* ~ 8-11 p.m. ~ featuring Howard and Donna Williamson, a calling and cueing husband and wife team. Admission \$7/person.

Dec. 1 ~ *50's Dance* ~ featuring Dick Mackey calling the squares while Phyllis Burdette cues the rounds.



Dec. 15 ~ *Special Dance* ~ 8-11 p.m. ~ featuring National Caller, Jack Pladdys with Amy Riehl providing the round dance cueing. Admission \$7/person.



Gnat Boxer Dances



Refreshments & Door Prizes

Date	Theme	Refreshments	Door Prize
11/3	"Thankful for"	Evan Fischer Don Gerber Karen Howard Patty Reinarts	Gerry Kick
11/17	Special Dance	Club Members*	Tim Urang
12/1	50's Dance Toys for Tots	Nancy Mackey Sue Amstutz	Armond & Judy Black
12/15	Special Dance 8-11 p.m.	Club Members* Cookie Exchange	Glenn & Sharon Shaffer

*Denotes: All club members attending this dance should bring a dish to share on the refreshment table.

Special thanks to Mary Stark, Loretta Stark, and Tim Urang. Not only did they provide the club with a wonderful spread of cider and donuts at our Donkey Dance, they also donated their refreshment reimbursement money back to the club. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



Student Dances



We will be hosting **three** student dances in 2019. The first student dance will be held on January 20th and will be an Akron Federation sponsored dance. The other two dances will be held on February 16th and April 6th. More details to follow.



Gnat Boxer Dances



Monthly Club Dance Highlights:



At the beginning of October, our banner was out to Dixie Squares, Circulators, Norton Grand Squares, and Brecksville Squares. We were also in possession of Apple Creek's banner from a previous raid this past spring.

On Friday, Oct. 5th, with the help of Phantom Raider, Dan Hendricks, we raided Medina and stole their banner. We were hard at work the following weekend stealing Red Lantern's banner on Friday (10/12) and Swing-A-Lings banner on Saturday (10/13).

Seeking retaliation, both Apple Creek and Swing-A-Lings retrieved their banners during our Hobo Stew Dance on Saturday, October 20th.

A plot is being hatched to retrieve our banner from Norton Grand Squares on October 27th. Check out the next installment of "The Banner Saga" to learn if we succeeded.



October 6 ~ Donkey Dance: Forty-one dancers (27 Gnat Boxers and 14 guests) circulated and boxed gnats to Ed Pabst calls. Ed's wife, Carol, even did a little cueing herself! Chuck Berry joined by his wife, Shirley, provided the round dancers with cueing. Dick Mackey along with his bride of 62 years, Nancy, were also in attendance as well as Jeff Metcalf. Apple Creek, Brecksville Squares, Norton Grand Squares, and Red Lantern all had dancers in attendance. A cider and donuts spread was provided by Mary & Loretta Stark and Tim Urang. The door prize was won by Mike Brugger. Glen Shaffer won \$40 with the 50/50 Raffle and Chuck Orgin won a special Donkey Door Prize. The rest of the evening remains secret.



October 20 ~ Hobo Stew Dance: Forty-eight dancers (24 Gnat Boxers and 24 guests) did Dixie Grands to Hobo Tom Strickland's calls. Kristy Lake, joined by her husband, Paul, provided the round dancers with cueing. Jeff Metcalf was also in attendance. We were honored to have Henry and Karen Cochran, the 2018 Honor Couple, dancing with us! Apple Creek, Brecksville Squares, Circulators, Red Lantern, and Swing-A-Lings all had dancers in attendance. An assortment of desserts along with yummy stew were the refreshments for the evening. Melissa Davis won the 50/50 Raffle and Paul Price won a quilt made by Helen Hawkins as our first door prize. Our second door prize was initially won by Ray Cater. Since Ray and Dottie donated the door prize, which was a gift certificate to Bob Evans, Ray re-gifted it. Another ticket was drawn and Evan Fischer ended up winning!





Keep Dancing



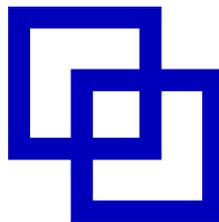
Traveling with Dick:

- November 2 - Medina Squares, Medina
- November 9 - Red Lantern Flames, Brewster*
- November 23 - Solo Squares, Berea
- December 1 - Norton Grand Squares, Norton

*Dance includes an all you can eat spaghetti dinner (including: spaghetti, salad, rolls, punch, and pie. Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m. and is an additional \$6.00. A 'Meatball Bowl' (knocking down bowling pins with a meatball) is also planned during the dance.



Linked Squares: Keep up with the Federation by subscribing to Linked Squares newsletter. Call Don Reed 330.273.4043 for details.



We will gather from 1:00-4:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 9th at the Greentown Community Park, 9845 Cashner Road, Greentown, OH 44685.

The Federation will provide the meat as well as drinks. Please bring a covered dish and a dessert to share with everyone.

Etiquette ~ Please be polite to the callers, cuers, and announcers at dances and lessons. Please do not talk during announcements. Also, after the dance, make a point of personally thanking the caller and cuer for an evening filled with fun and laughter.

In addition to live entertainment, there will also be an optional \$10.00 gift exchange for those who wish to participate.





Student's Scoop



Upcoming Student Lessons



Gnat Boxer student lessons are held on Mondays at Ida Sue School located at 266 Oldman Road in Wooster.

Lessons run from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

October 29 ~ Lesson #4

November 5 ~ Lesson #5

November 12 ~ Lesson #6

November 19 ~ Lesson #7



November 26 ~ Lesson #8

December 3 ~ Lesson #9

December 10 ~ Lesson #10

December 24 ~ Holiday



Keep Dancing!

Student Dances are special dances designed to give students an opportunity to practice the moves learned during lessons. Student dances begin in December. We strongly encourage you to attend as many student dances as possible. The club also provides transportation

options to student dances (carpooling). Mark your calendars now for December 2nd (4:30 - 7:30 p.m.) at Nuhall and December 21st (8:00 - 10:30 p.m.) in Brecksville. More details will follow in the December issue of Student's Scoop.

www.gnatboxers.com ~ Our website has a link to online videos where experienced dancers demonstrate square dance moves. Click on 'links' on the left side. Then, click on 'video square dance lessons.' Scroll down to the "Mainstream Lessons". Here's a list of some of the moves you've learned so far:

1a - Heads/Sides/Positions

1a - Circle Left/Right

1a - Do-sa-do

1a - Forward and Back

1a - Swing

1a - Promenade (full & half)

1b - Allemande Left

1b - Right and Left Grand

1b - Weave the Ring

1b - Star Right/Left

1c - Pass Thru

1c - California Twirl

1c - Partner Trade

2 - Grand Square

2 - Half Sashay

2 - Ladies in, men sashay

3 - Right & Left Thru

3 - Courtesy Turn

3 - Ladies Chain

4 - Bend the Line

4 - See-Saw

5 - Square Thru

5 - Star Thru

5 - Slide Thru

6 - Veer left/right

7 - Ocean Wave

7 - Trades

7 - Swing Thru

8 - Circulate

8 - Ferris Wheel



Student's Scoop



Upcoming Student Lessons

December 31 ~ Holiday

January 7 ~ Lesson #12

January 14 ~ Lesson #13

January 21 ~ Lesson #14

January 28 ~ Lesson #15

February 4 ~ Lesson #16

February 11 ~ Lesson #17

February 18 ~ Lesson #18

February 25 ~ Lesson #19

March 4 ~ Lesson #20

March 11 ~ Lesson #21

March 18 ~ Lesson #22

March 25 ~ Lesson #23

April 1 ~ Lesson #24

April 8 ~ Lesson #25
(Graduation Ceremony)*

*Graduation Ceremony provided no lessons were missed due to inclement weather.

Definitions

Call: 1) A set of moves dancers do when the caller calls its name. Most calls are made up of simpler calls, i.e. two or more calls combined.

2) A series of calls which traditionally starts and ends with "bow to your partner, bow to your corner."

Tip: The time you spend dancing in one square without a break. Typically, this consists of a patter call and a singing call.

Hash Call: A call which is spoken or chanted rather than sung, but is usually done to background music. A hash call is also called a patter call. You end up with your original partner each time you promenade home.

Singing Call: A call which consists of a song with some of the lyrics replaced by square dance calls.

Inclement weather: Any cancellation of a lesson due to inclement weather will be announced on WQKT radio station ~ 104.5 as well as our website ~ www.gnatboxers.com. Any lessons cancelled due to inclement weather will be made up at the end of the lesson schedule to insure all 25 lessons are covered.





Gnat Boxer Neighborhood News



THANK YOU for staying after the Dance on October 20th for our Annual Meeting.

THANK YOU to past officers. Your dedication to the club has been invaluable. We appreciate your service!

THANK YOU to 2019 officers. Thank you for stepping up and being willing to serve!



*Chuck & Helen Grassbaugh
11/7/70 ~ 48 years!*

*Dick & Nancy Mackey
11/21/56 ~ 62 Years!*

WELCOME!

2019 Officers:

President: Greg & Terry Moore

Vice-President: Tom & Elaine Weygandt

Treasurer: Mike Brugger

Asst. Treasurer: Pam Brazee

Secretary: Patty Reinarts

Banner Chairperson: Karen Howard

Refreshments: Erma Miller



*11/4 ~ Helen Grassbaugh
11/7 ~ Mary Hawthorne
11/24 ~ Larry Webb*

A Note from the Secretary: Please submit any news, prayer concerns, or suggestions for the newsletter to Patty Reinarts via e-mail at MaTozboys@gmail.com or via phone/text at 330.641.2395. Please submit information for the next newsletter by the second dance of the month. Also, please let Patty know of any changes to your home address, e-mail address and/or phone numbers.