



ROUND NOTES

Denver, Colorado

<http://www.crda.net>

Feb/Mar 09

President's Letter – Patrick and Eileen Krause

We are off to a fantastic year! Thank-you to the out-going board members Herman & Jean Allmaras, Dave & Joan Parker, and especially Rob & Terri Sherwood for being presidents for 3 years. Welcome the new board members Harold & Cindy Van Hooser and Ron Blewitt.

CRDA is very lucky to have Ron & Sue Flesch chairing the Spring Dance on Sunday, April 19th, and Harold & Cindy Van Hooser chairing the Harvest Moon Dance on Sunday, September 27th. Both dances have new locations with nice dance floors.

The Spring Dance will be held at the Highlands Masonic Temple on Sunday, April 19, 2009 from 2:00 – 4:30 pm. See flyer inside. This dance is to welcome new round dance graduates. Since some of the round dance classes taught two-step and waltz, those rhythms will be on the program, and since other round dance classes taught other rhythms, those rhythms will be on the program as well.

Rose del Sol has volunteered to be the Mini-Dance coordinator. The January mini-dance was held at The Outpost with George Smith and Justin del Sol cueing. A great time was had by the record turn out of 23 couples. The mini-dance in February will be on Valentine's Day. What a great way to spend Valentine's Day dancing with your partner! It will be held at the Rose Hill Grange with John Herr and Patrick Krause cueing. See flyer inside. Many other mini-dances are in the works, watch emails and the website for details.

Please consider receiving your Round Notes by email. Round Notes are limited by the cost of mailing. There can be more information and articles in Round Notes if sent out electronically. If you would like to receive Round Notes by email just send Jean Montgomery (jeanmont@iglide.net) and Rose del Sol (hvnborn@msn.com) your email address.

CRDA's financials are looking good right now. CRDA always has to keep a little bit of money saved in case of emergency. If there were a big snow storm during the Gala, CRDA would still need to pay for the halls and the guest cuers.

CRDA is YOUR organization, founded to encourage, foster, and promote Round Dancing. While CRDA is managed by the Board of Directors, we can't be expected to have all the answers or come up with all the new ideas. We encourage all members to become involved by attending a Board of Directors meeting to see how the organization is run, by sharing your ideas with other members and presenting them to the Board, or by having fun working with others as a volunteer on various committees and projects. As more people become involved and more voices are heard within CRDA, we will all become energized and enthusiastic about encouraging, promoting, and expanding Round Dancing. The next Board of Directors meeting is Saturday April 4, 2009 at the Rose Hill Grange, snacks are at 9:30 am and the meeting starts at 10:00 am. You can always email us with ideas, questions, concerns or comments at krause.p@comcast.net.

We are looking forward to dancing with you at the Mini-Dances, Spring Dance, Harvest Moon Dance and the Gala!

MEMBERSHIP REMINDERS

Membership dues are payable in January, dues are prorated for new members joining in other months. THANKS!

Dues are \$ 18.00 per address.
Badges are \$12.00 or \$ 24.00 for two (sent to same address).

For membership info, address changes, badge order please contact the Membership Chairman:
Jean Montgomery, 1495 Braewood Avenue, Highlands Ranch, CO 80129
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* term ends 12/31/09

** term ends 12/31/10

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Colorado Round Dance Association
Hall of Fame
Nomination Form

Do you know someone who is or was a member a CRDA? Did they take that extra step and become involved in Galas, committees, the Board of Directors or cue? Did they make a difference in the sport of Round Dance, especially in Colorado? Did CRDA or round dancing grow or change because of them? If you can answer yes to any of these questions, the CRDA Hall of Fame Committee is looking for them. Please take the time to fill out the nomination form so we can get them the recognition they deserve. Don't wait for someone else to nominate them. Do it today!

I/We nominate

_____ to the CRDA Hall of Fame.

I/We believe they should be in the CRDA Hall of Fame because
(include a short statement on a separate sheet of paper)

CRDA Member _____

Please send this nomination form by June 30, 2009 to

Walt & Marilyn Carbaugh
3158 East Maplewood Ave.
Centennial, CO 80121

CRDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

January 10, 2009

Board Members Present:

Patrick & Eileen Krause – President
Ron & Susan Flesch – Vice President
Justin & Katie Stute – Secretary
Chuck & Melanie Thompson – Treasurer
Mitchell Thompson
Harold & Cindy VanHooser
Rick Mallinger & Linda Miller

Don & Peggy Hutchinson

Other Members Present:

Terri Sherwood
Jim & Margie Garcia
Terri Cantrell – Proxy for Justin & Rose del Sol
Jean Montgomery – Proxy for Ron Blewitt
Ed Glenn

The meeting was called to order by Patrick Krause at 10:00 am at the Rose Hill Grange. The minutes from the last meeting were read and corrected to reflect that the Rose del Sol became the fun dance coordinator for 2009. Cards were sent to Ann Rotruck and Kathy VanDeVenter.

Treasurer's Report

Our balance is about equal to this time last year. Our bottom line is down due to depreciation of the hearing equipment.

We need to determine who gets the bill for our insurance for our dances. Last year it was paid to Roundalab in February and expires April 1st. This leaves a quick turnaround for our Spring Dance on April 19th.

President's Report

CRDA Board Members voted on new people for the position of secretary. New secretaries are Justin & Katie Stute.

It would be nice to set up an email list so anyone can send an email to all CRDA members. This could improve communication between all members.

Rocky Tops is starting a new fee structure. In the new structure, people can simply pay for and attend the round dances during the evening.

Vice President's Report

The CRDA Spring Dance is on Sunday, April 19th at the Highlands Masonic Temple from 2:00-4:30pm. Typically this dance is for new dancers and consists of mainly phase 2-3 waltz and two-step dances. This year, a wider variety and higher level of dances will be offered. Board members will bring cookies to share. Please promote the dance to everyone, dancers and non-dancers alike.

Round Notes

If you have anything that you would like to be in this month's Round Notes, please get that information to Rose del Sol by January 15th.

Cuer Selection

Ron & Terri Sherwood's term on the Cuer Selection committee ended leaving an opening for another couple. That spot was filled by Harold & Meredith Sears. This means the couples that are currently on the cuer selection committee are Harold & Meredith Sears, Earl Smith & Judy Ashby, and Patrick & Eileen Krause.

Harvest Moon Dance

Harold & Cindy VanHooser became the new chaircouple of the Harvest Moon dance. They have been trying to secure the El Jebel Shrine for this dance. The date of the dance has been moved to Sunday, September 27th (one week later than originally planned). The afternoon teach and evening dance will run from 1:00-4:30pm and 6:00-8:30pm, respectively. Terri Sherwood will make the flyer for the dance.

Gala

Earl Smith & Judy Ashby are the chaircouple of the Gala this year. We discussed the possibility of canceling the luncheon and raising the cost of the gala to offset the costs of future guests. This will be discussed further at a future board meeting. There are many "wish list" items that would be nice to have at future galas, including replacement speakers, monitor, computer, and power strips. In a future board meeting, these items will be discussed and voted on.

Fun Dances

The fun dances planned for this year so far are January 10th at the Outpost (George & Peggy Smith and Justin & Rose del Sol), February 14th at the Rose Hill Grange (John & Karen Herr and Patrick & Eileen Krause), and March 14th or 15th (tentatively) at the Franktown Grange. Fun dances started to give dancers who don't square dance a place to dance on weekends. They are typically on the 2nd or 4th weekend of the month.

Membership

Jean Montgomery will send out annual renewal after the next Round Notes are sent out. CRDA currently has 115 members. 35 have renewed for this year so far. A new

Colorado State Square Dance Association & Denver Area Square Dance Association

The Council's Hall of Fame dance is on April 19th from 6:00-9:00pm at the Arvada Methodist Church.

Promotion/Publicity

We have \$200 left of the 53rd National Fund. Where do we spend it?

Round of the Month

January has been slow compared to other months, but this could be due to the holidays.

Strolling Rounders

The Strolling Rounders visit beginner's classes to invite new dancers to the fun dances and Spring dance. The following classes will be visited in the coming months: Bill & Karen Holm, Ed & Elvira Glenn, John & Karen Herr, Milo & Grace Ferry, and George & Peggy Smith. Volunteers are always needed for this committee. Contact Don & Peggy Hutchinson for more information.

Web Page

Numerous updates have been made to the information page links. Please look through the committees and club schedules online to make sure they are correct. This allows new dancers to easily find a place to dance!

Historian

Ty Rotruck would like to know the Round of the Month (and where to get the music) every month to keep track of the history. He will now be added to the Round of the Month listserve.

Redbook Revision Update

Rob Sherwood turned in comments to Chris Cantrell who hopes to get them in by the gala.

John & Karen Herr's Dinner Dance

John & Karen decided to host the dinner dance themselves rather than involving CRDA. It was so popular they had to add a second night which has a few slots left.

New Business

The Cantrells are hosting a Masquerade Party Dance at the Rose Hill Grange on January 24th at 7:00pm. Everyone is welcome.

The next Board Meeting will be on Saturday, April 4, 2009 at the Rose Hill Grange. Snacks at 9:30am; Meeting at 10:00am. The other board meetings this year will be held on August 8th and October 10th.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10am. Justin & Katie Stute

Comfortable Dancing

Keep Dancing

by Harold & Meredith Sears

Do you ever find yourself in the middle of a dance with no idea of what figure you're doing and no idea of what figure is coming up, either? Surely, the cuer has told you, but the words just flew on by. Then, he cues, "Lunge and Roll"? I heard that, but do we both lunge, or does one lunge and the other roll? Where? How far? She's rolling down line. What should I do?

You should keep dancing. If this is a foxtrot, dance slow, quick, quick — keep moving to the rhythm. You are really marking time, waiting for a cue that will sink in, but, until it comes, you are dancing and enjoying your partner and moving to the music. Do a little box in place, maybe a vine. If your partner appears to know what's going on, aim your steps in that direction. Go with the flow.

If you are able to do this, by the time that meaningful cue comes along, you will be able to blend smoothly from your primitive choreography into the intended choreography, like merging into traffic on the interstate. If one of the missed cues was a transition or a chasse, then you have the wrong foot free — just do a subtle close/point — now you can blend and merge, and off you go.

The ability to "fudge" is sometimes not given the respect it deserves. No one doubts the value of our ability to keep time to the music, to execute the hundreds of different figures in our round dance repertoire, and to lead and follow and so dance *with* our partners. But sometimes we will lose it, and the ability to fake it can go a long way toward making our round dancing smooth, comfortable, and fun.

"Man chasse, woman roll left to shadow." There are lots of opportunities for problems in that little cue. First, the man might hear the first part but not the second, so he leads a thru chasse for both. He does this with a little extra tone, a little extra lift in his frame, causing her to add the "skip," the syncopation, to her steps. But now you're in semi-closed, rather than shadow, with trail feet free. Or, you might both hear the cue, but the woman (if only subliminally) registers the "chasse" too. So he raises lead hands, and she rolls, but she syncopates her roll. Now you're in shadow, but again, trail feet are free, rather than right feet for both. Or the man realizes he must raise lead hands, but he swoops his hand clockwise to roll her right — maybe just because he's used to underarm turns, or because he doesn't know her right from her left. This is so awkward for the lady that she gets her feet tangled and doesn't know which one is free or what dance position she's in.

Round dancing is not simple. We are trying to move to the beat, listen to the cuer, feel where our partner is (and keep half an eye on other dancers), and think about rise and fall, arm movements, and upper body rotation. And we might even be trying to chew gum, too.

We will lose our way occasionally. It's inevitable. But you don't need to stand there, letting traffic pile up behind you, and causing your partner to wonder if you just don't want to dance with her anymore. Instead, develop the ability to shift into a simple freestyle sequence and to do a quick "change/point" adjustment when the proper foot just isn't free. And work on an anti-panic strategy. When you are lost in a dance, it is not the same as being lost and alone in a dark and snowy forest. Don't panic. Just keep dancing — something. Soon, you'll hear the cue "Maneuver." Get that trail foot free, and you're found — back in the dance again.



Presents

A Gala for All Levels of Round Dancing

Swing and Sway



Curt & Tammy Worlock

Featuring

Paul & Linda Robinson

November 6 & 7, 2009

University Center

University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, Colorado

For more information: Earl Smith & Judy Ashby at (303)449-9010, email EarlSmith1@gmail.com or <http://www.crda.net>

**Colorado Round Dance Association
49th Anniversary Gala Registration Form**

His Last Name	His First	Her Last Name	Her First		
Street Address	City	State	Zip	Phone Number	E-mail Address
FULL PACKAGE (pre-registration until 4/1/09)	\$60 Members	\$79 Non-Members (includes 2009 CRDA membership)		(singles pay half)	_____
FULL PACKAGE (after 4/1/09)	\$70 Members	\$79 Non-Members (NO membership included)		(singles pay half)	_____
OPTIONAL CATERED LUNCHEON on Saturday (price not included in registration fee)		\$26/couple		\$13/single	_____
Saturday, teaches only (9am – 4pm)		\$40/couple		\$20/single	_____
Saturday, all day & evening		\$60/couple		\$30/single	_____
Friday AND/OR Saturday Evenings(s) only		\$20/couple, \$10/single for ONE evening		\$40/couple, \$20/single for BOTH evenings	_____
TOTAL:					_____

Make checks payable to CRDA. Mail to: Patrick & Eileen Krause, 5433 South Walden Street, Centennial, CO 80015

\$5 cancellation fee prior to 10/1/2009. NO refunds after 10/1/2009 (rollovers allowed)

GALA BEAT

We are considering canceling the luncheon at the 2010 gala, i.e. not the next gala, in Nov 2009, but the one after that, in Nov 2010. We would like to get feedback from our dancers to see if this is a good idea.

The reason for the proposed cancellation is the cost. We currently pay \$400 just to use the lunchroom; the cost of the food is additional. The money that you have been paying for the luncheon (about \$13) covers only the cost of the food, not the \$400 charge for the room. Since the lunch is already a bit expensive, if we were to add the \$400 room charge to the cost of the luncheon, it would increase the luncheon to \$18 or \$19, which might be bordering on exorbitant.

If we give up the luncheon we will have to have our annual meeting in one of the ballrooms. This means moving chairs around before and after the meeting, but this is not a big problem; we used to do it that way several years ago.

We would also lose the convenience of the short walk upstairs to the lunchroom, with its pleasant views and relaxed demeanor. As nice as that is, most of our dancers still prefer to make a quick run to one of the nearby fast food places which can be reached in a 5 minute drive. Next year there will be a Subway sandwich outlet on the floor below the dance halls, and there is also a student cafeteria below the dance halls. This means that it is not necessary to leave the building for a fast food type lunch.

We are always looking for ways to keep the cost of our gala from rising too rapidly and the \$400 savings would help quite a lot. However, before making such a major change, we would like to get feedback from our dancers to make sure that we are not missing something.

Please feel free to send comments and ideas to the gala chair couple, Earl Smith and Judy Ashby, at EarlSmith1@gmail.com or 303-449-9010. You may also contact our presidents Patrick and Eileen Krause at krause.p@comcast.net

CRDA BOARD MEETING

April 4, 2009
Rose Hill Grange
9:30 a.m. Crunchies and Munchies
10:00 – Noon Board Meeting

All CRDA Members are encouraged to attend! We like to see you and as a member of the organization your input is important. JOIN US!!



Valentine's Day Mini-dance

Sponsored by Colorado Round Dance Association

February 14, 2009

7:00pm-10:00pm

Rose Hill Grange

4001 E. 68th Ave

Commerce City CO

Cuers

John & Karen Herr

Patrick & Eileen Krause

Information www.crda.net

or call Patrick & Eileen Krause

303-690-0916



**Levels II-soft V
depending on the
dancers present**



Weather cancellation policy:

If we are going to cancel we will send out an email by 5 pm on the day of the dance. If you have questions please feel free to call us.



March Mini-dance

Sponsored by Colorado Round Dance Association

March 8, 2009

2pm-4:30pm

The Barn in Berthoud

6191/2 4th Street

Berthoud, CO

Cuers

Bill & Karen Holm

Ed & Elvira Glenn

Becky & Dave Evans

Levels

**depend on the
dancers present**

Information www.crda.net

or call Patrick & Eileen Krause

303-690-0916

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CRDA Spring Dance

Join us in a dance to welcome new graduates!

Site Directions

From I-25
Take Exit 211 for 23rd Ave
Turn Left at W 23rd Ave/Water
St
Continue to follow W 23rd Ave
Turn Right at Federal Blvd/US
287
Destination will be on the
right

SUNDAY APRIL 19, 2009

2:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

HIGHLANDS MASONIC TEMPLE

3550 N FEDERAL BLVD

DENVER, CO 80211

Dance Levels: Phase II (square dance/EZ level), Phase III and a few Phase IV

Rhythms: 2-stp, Waltz, Cha, Jive, Mambo, Bolero, Rumba, Tango, Foxtrot

Purchase Tickets at the door:

NEW DANCERS

\$6/couple (\$3/person)

CRDA MEMBERS

\$8/couple (\$4/person)

NON-MEMBERS

\$10/couple (\$5/person)

Cued by Local Cuers

Information: Ron & Susan Flesh (719) 487-9242

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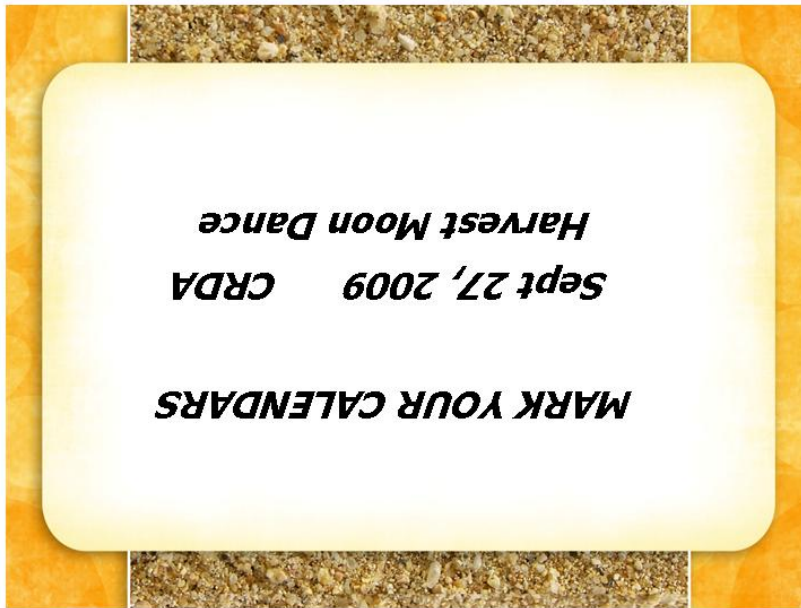
Patrick and Eileen Krause, Presidents



SPECIAL ROUND DANCE EVENTS

- Feb 8**
Keenesburg, CO **Dance Party with Jim & Bonnie Bahr 2pm-4:40pm**
Mixed dance levels Info: Jim & Bonnie 303-732-4771 or 303-905-0491
- Feb 14**
Commerce City, CO **Colorado Round Dance Association Mini-dance 7pm-10pm**
Valentines mini dance with Patrick & Eileen Krause and John & Karen Herr
Level II-soft V depending on dancers present. Rose Hill Grange,
4001 E 68th Ave, Commerce City, CO. Info Patrick/Eileen 303-690-0916
- Feb 20-22 ****
Wagoner, OK **Oklahoma Round Dance Assn 42nd Annual Round Dance Festival**
featuring Ron & Mary Noble, Phase 3-6 in two dance halls
[Western Hills Lodge](#) (1-800-368-1486 / 1-800-654-8240),
[Sequoyah Bay State Park, 17131 Park 10, Hulbert, OK 74441](#)
on Fort Gibson Reservoir, Wagoner, OK.
- March 8**
Berthoud, CO **CRDA March Mini-dance at the Barn 2pm-4:30pm**
featuring Ed & Elvira Glenn, Bill & Karen Holm, and Becky & Dave Evans
Level II-soft V depending on dancers present. The Barn in Berthoud
619 ½ 4th Street, Berthoud, CO . Info Patrick/Eileen 303-690-0916
- March 27-29 ****
Junction City, KS **Kansas Round Dance Association 52nd Annual Spring Festival**
featuring George & Pamela Hurd cueing phase 3-6 and teaching
Phases 4-6, 12th Street Community Center, [1002 West 12th](#),
Junction City, KS 66441 Info: LeRoy & Dee Scheuermann 620-665-5119 /
deelees1@cox.net
- April 19**
Denver, CO **CRDA Spring Dance 2pm-4:40pm**
local cuers. To welcome new dancers from classes from all over the state.
Highlands Masonic Temple, 3550 N. Federal Blvd. Denver, CO
Info: Ron & Susan Flesch (719) 487-9242
- April 24-26**
Lubbock, TX **2009 Texas Cotillion**
featuring Bill & Carol Goss. Phase 4-6. Lubbock Area Square & Round Dance Federation Building (806-745-8290)
2305 120th St (and South University), Lubbock, TX 79423
Info: Bill & Shirley Arwine 806-794-7276 / barmwine@cox.net or
Jerry & Louise Engelking 806-925-6434 / danznduo@fivearea.com.
- May 30-31**
Muskogee, OK **Heartland Classic**
featuring Curt & Tammy Worlock, Phase IV-VI
Muskogee Dance Hall, Muskogee, OK
Info: Paul & Linda Robinsonpldance@yahoo.com
- June 12-13**
Greeley, CO **Safari Swing Colorado State Square and Round Dance Festival**
featuring Adrienne and Larry Nelson teaching Phase II through Phase V dances. The Nelsons will be joined by
local cuers to complete the program Info: Ralph & Linda Goble 970 498-8997
- July 22-25**
Joplin, MO **ICBDA Annual Convention**
www.ICBDA.com
- August ??**
CRDA mini-dance in Grand Junction and in Denver area TBA
- Sept 4-6**
Colorado Springs, CO **6th Annual Colorado Springs Spectacular Labor Day Weekend**
featuring George & Pam Hurd. Phase 4-6 Info: Milo & Grace Ferry
(719) 475-1553 milograce@aol.com
- Sept 11-13**
Albuquerque, NM **New Mexico Round Dance Festival**
featuring Brent & Judy Moore Phase 3-6
Info: Dick & Pat Jamagin, 505-856-9308 email: pjamagin1@comcast.net
- Sept 27**
Denver, CO **CRDA Harvest Moon Dance**
details coming soon. New location.

**** Good festivals for dancers who are solid phase IV and who are looking for lots of dancing and some challenging teaches.**
Submission for Special Events can be made by any CRDA member.



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