

ROUND

NOTES

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President's Letter – Patrick and Eileen Krause

How do you cure spring fever? By dancing, of course!! We hope to see all of you at all of CRDA's up-coming dances!

After many years as Historian for CRDA, Ty and Ann Rotruck are stepping down. CRDA would like to thank them for their years of service!

We would like to encourage all CRDA members to invite all their dancing friends to become CRDA members. We all can work together to help our membership grow!

At the last CRDA Board of Directors meeting, the board voted to make a slight change concerning rollovers for our gala. Rollovers are allowed and will be given "if requested".

We would like to invite all members to get involved in CRDA by coming to the next CRDA Board of Directors meeting on Saturday, April 10, 2010. Snacks are at 9:30 am and the meeting starts at 10:00 am. It will be at the Rose Hill Grange, 4001 E. 68th St. in Commerce City.

CRDA's next Fun-Dance will be on Saturday, March 13th 7:00 – 9:30 pm at the Maple Grove Grange, 3130 Youngfield St. in Wheatridge. The cuers are Mitchell Thompson and John & Karen Herr. A fun night is in store! Come join us!

Spring is nature's way of saying.....Let's Dance!! CRDA will be having our annual Spring Dance on Sunday, April 11, 2010 from 2:00 – 4:30 pm. It will be held at the Highlands Masonic Hall at 3550 N. Federal Blvd in Denver. There will be opportunities for you to dance and enjoy new and familiar rhythms. There will be two-step, waltz, foxtrot, jive and cha on the program. Please encourage all new dancers to come to this dance. They can dance the rhythms they know and be exposed to other rhythms. Come on out and dance! If you would like more information, please call: Jim & Margie Garcia at 303-469-4096.

Colorado is very lucky to have two festivals this summer. The first is the 55th Colorado State Square and Round Dance Festival. It will be June 11 – 13, 2010 in Keystone. For more information: www.sundancespin.com The second is the USA West Festival held in Greeley on August 11 – 14, 2010. For more information: www.usawest2010.net You will have a great time at both of these festivals!!

Save Sunday, September 19, 2010 for CRDA's annual Harvest Moon Dance. John & Karen Herr will be the chair-couple, so a fun program is in store! There will be afternoon teaches and an evening dance phases II - IV.

Register now to receive the pre-registration discounted price for CRDA's 50th annual gala November 5th & 6th, 2010. The registration price goes up after April 1, 2010. The featured cuers will be Michael & Regina Schmidt from Germany and George & Pamela Hurd from Texas. The clinicians will be Karen & Dick Fisher from Texas and Peter & Chama Gomez from Colorado. Make plans now to attend!!

Also, if you would like to contribute a dance related article or joke for future Round Notes, just email it to Rose del Sol at: rndnoteeditor@aol.com. We would love to have articles from dancers and cuers!!

CRDA has a great website full of information and links. Keep checking it for current information. www.crda.net

Weather Cancellation Policy:

If a dance needs to be cancelled due to weather, an email will be sent by 5:00 pm on the day of the dance, posted on the website or you can call Patrick Krause at 303-690-0916.H

SPRING INTO DANCE!

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, bade order please contact the Membership Chairman: Jean Montgomery, 1495 Braewood Avenue, Highlands Ranch, CO 80129 303-791-1054

Friday Afternoon Waltz Club

The Denver Waltz Club meets on the 1st and 3rd Fridays from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. at Platte Park (1500 S. Logan). This club dances primarily waltz with an occasional rumba and tango. It is a Phase II through IV dance program and is cued by George Smith. This activity is perfect for the retired couple who want to do more "gentle" dancing.

If you would like more information, please give George Smith a call, 303-755-0377.

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 bec (include a short statement on a separate sheet of paper)	ause
CRDA Member	
Please send this nomination form by June 30, 2010 to	
Chuck and Melanie Thompson 14598 Foothill Road Golden, CO 80401	

CRDA BOARD MEETING

April 10, 2010
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!!

The Waltz Look

Waltzing typically has the dancer taking one step to each beat of the music. In this respect, waltzing is very much like walking and marching, and quite unlike just about every other ballroom or Latin dance I can think of. But unlike walking and marching, the waltz has us doing something very curious. We begin most waltz figures with our feet together, and after just three steps our feet are once again together (step, step, close; step, step, close). Indeed, from the narrow perspective of our feet, the waltz has us coming to a full stop at the end of each measure! Could this be the same graceful waltz that delights both dancers and spectators?

To answer this question, let's focus on a particular waltz figure, the progressive box (forward, side, close; forward, side, close). From a standing stop, the man takes a rather large step forward with his left foot and the woman takes a rather large step back with her right. To accomplish this gracefully, the man lowers his body some by flexing his right knee as he extends his left foot forward. Meanwhile, the woman is flexing her left knee as she extends her right foot backward, causing her head and torso to drop as well.

After this first step, the couple is now moving down the line of dance at walking speed. Now it's time to start slowing down for the stop, and this is accomplished in a very natural way. The dancers make their second step smaller, the couple leans back slightly on the second step in order to "put on the brakes," and there is no more flexing of knees after the first step. By the time the third beat of the music arrives, both knees are straight, all forward (and sideward) motion has ceased, and the third step is simply a closing step, with the heel of the foot settling lightly onto the floor. One visually pleasing consequence of these walk-and-stop cycles is that the dancers'

heads and torsos naturally tend to drop, then rise, then settle as they execute many (but not all) of their waltz figures. And because these vertical movements arise naturally from the mechanics of the waltz figures themselves, I recommend that dancers direct their attention to good figure execution, and trust that this "waltz look" will then take care of itself. It is the naturalness of the waltz look that is so delightful to behold, and it cannot be faked by arbitrarily superimposing vertical body movements across all your waltz figures.

RLB, 02/05/10

COLRADO ROUND DANCE ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING January 9, 2010

Board Members Present

Patrick & Eileen Krause - President
Jim & Margie Garcia — Vice President
Justin & Katie Stute - Secretary
Don & Peggy Hutchinson - Treasurer
Ron Blewitt
Chris Cantrell
Ron & Sue Flesch
Harold Sears
Harold & Cindy VanHooser

Other Members Present
Rose del Sol
Jean Montgomery
Chuck & Melanie Thompson
Mitchell Thompson

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Eileen Krause at the Rose Hill Grange. The minutes from the October Board Meeting and November General Meeting were read. The date for the Spring Dance was incorrect in the minutes. The correct date for the Spring Dance is April 11th, 2010. Correspondence was sent to Dave Parker, Rick Mallinger, Ray Brown and Ed & Elvira Glenn.

Treasurer's Report

Balance sheets were reviewed for 2009. Throughout the year, there was a \$306 fun dance gain and \$480 loss at the Gala. Overall, CRDA is \$1300 ahead of where it was last year.

President's Report

Thank you to the board member rolling off the board: Justin & Rose delSol, Linda Miller & Rick Mallinger, and Chuck, Melanie, and Mitchell Thompson. Our new board members are Jim & Margie Garcia, Harold & Meredith Sears, and Chris & Terri Cantrell. The date of the board meeting in August has been changed so as not to conflict with the USA West convention. The meeting will now be on Sunday, August 8th at 2:00pm and the Rose Hill Grange.

Round Notes

In the last issue of Round Notes, our fearless presidents put a call out for people interested in writing articles for future issues of Round Notes. Due to that, many "new" people have sent in articles. Since Round Notes has to be in page multiples of 4, it was decided that instead of cutting items from it, more fun and games could be added. The deadline for the next issue of Round Notes is February 15th.

Spring Dance

The Spring Dance will take place at the Highlands Masonic Hall on April 11th from 2:00-4:30pm. The hall is booked from 1:30-5:00 to allow for set-up and clean-up. To allow floor time for all "new" dancers, this dance will be advertised as a dance with "beginner opportunities to meet new rhythms". The program will include beginner two-step and waltz along with other new rhythms being taught in the area (Jive, Cha, Slow Two-Step, and West Coast Swing). Beginner teachers will be contacted about the exact dances they are teaching to make it more beginner-friendly. In addition to planning the Spring Dance, current and former Spring Dance chairs are needed to update the Redbook.

Harvest Moon Dance

The Harvest Moon Dance will take place on September 19th, 2010. A deposit has been placed on the hall, with the remaining \$300 due in August. John Herr has agreed to do the program. More details will be discussed at future meetings.

Gala

Several issues were discussed at the Gala wrap-up meeting in December, including rollovers, refunds, pre-registration, and sound systems.

Rollovers – Should we limit the length of a rollover to 1 year? People not specifically requesting a rollover should lose their registration fee. Instead their fee has been rolled over to the next year's Gala. In addition, CRDA states that there is a fee for rollovers and cancellations, but we haven't charged it in the past.

A motion was made to: Clarify the rollover/refund policy for non-attendees of the Gala.

- A. Due to extenuating circumstances, a person/couple will be granted a rollover if requested
 - a. Motion to amend this part: "if the fee increases for the next year, they pay the difference when they check-in for the current convention". Vote passed to drop this part.
- B. If they don't show, no refund is given.
- C. If they cancel after a certain date, we refund their money minus the administrative fee. In addition, all this information should be on the flyer as a "refund policy". The motion was passed unanimously by the board.

Pre-Registration Drawing – If a person registers at the Gala for next year's Gala, we could have a drawing to give out one free registration. The board discussed this and determined that at this time, it's not needed. Most people already register for the Gala early. This is a great idea to keep in mind for the future in case registrations drop off.

Sound Systems – Should we purchase a new Hilton system for the advanced hall to have consistency across the halls? CRDA has the option of purchasing new, used, or borrowing someone's equipment for use at the Gala. The board decided CRDA will not purchase sound equipment at this time.

Several committees/volunteers have already been set for the 2010 Gala, including

- Host couple for Hurds: Chuck, Melanie, & Mitchell Thompson
- Host couple for Schmidts: Jay & Fran Huttenhow
- Figure clinics: Peter Gomez & Karen Fisher
- Photographers: Jim & Judy Taylor, Diane Gum, George Hutchinson
- Gift Baskets/Arch Installation: Justin & Katie Stute
- Publicity/Syllabus/Registration: Sherwood, Krause
- Registration Table: Bill & Lee Carter

We are currently searching for a Gala chair couple for 2011. Please let us know if you are interested.

Hall of Fame

Nominations for the Hall of Fame this year are now being accepted. They are due on June 30, 2010.

Mini-Dances

The upcoming mini-dances are:

January 9th – Outpost – 7-9:30 – tonight!

February 13th (Sat) – The original date of February 13th has been difficult to schedule due to cuers/callers schedules. This date may change to a Sunday afternoon in February in order to staff appropriately.

March 13th – Herr, Thompson – Maple Grove Grange

Membership

CRDA currently has 119 members. 36 renewals have been received so far, however renewal mailings are going out soon and CRDA should receive several more.

Round of the Month

Roy Knight sent in an idea to reinstate the Round of the Month program. He suggested the meeting be run like a mini-dance on a Saturday at the Maple Grove Grange. Cuers would cue the dances up for Round of the Month, dancers would be charged an entrance fee and could dance, then cuers would vote at the end of the dance. This needs to be discussed more at a future meeting. In addition, the bylaws need to be amended to reflect the current policy for Round of the Month.

Strolling Rounders

Volunteers that enjoy visiting several clubs in the area are always needed. If you are interested, please contact Don and Peggy Hutchinson.

Web Page

Please check the webpage and make sure the schedules for the clubs you attend are correct.

Historian

Ty & Ann Rortruck would like to give up their position. Any interest in taking it over? Stute's will transfer information to an electronic version. Transition current format of records to electronic version.

Unfinished Business

Redbook Revisions – The Redbook was completely reformatted by Chris Cantrell 2 years ago. In that reformat, none of the content was changed. Each section needs to be sent to the committee in charge to be updated. This will be done in the near future.

Other Business

In order to revise a bylaw, certain steps must be taken.

Be published in 2 Round Notes

Posted on the website for 3 months

Voted on at the General Meeting in November

Those steps must be taken for both of the bylaw changes discussed at today's meeting (Round of the Month & Board Member Rules).

Can someone be an officer but not a board member? Will write-up some possible changes to the bylaws. They could be an officer, but not a board member. This will be discussed more at the next meeting.

The next board meeting will be on Saturday, April 10th at the Rose Hill Grange. Snacks at 9:30am, meeting at 10:00am. Other board meetings in 2010 are August 8th, and October 9th.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10am Justin & Katie Stute

10_{th USA} West Square Dance Convention



"Welcome Back"
August 11-14, 2010
Union Colony Civic Complex
Greeley, Colorado

COME ENJOY!

THREE DAYS AND NIGHTS OF



< SHOW CASE OF BOUNDS >

< WORKSHOPS & GLINICS >

JOIN DANCERS, CUERS & TEACHERS FROM ACROSS THE NATION IN A WONDERFUL ROUND DANCING EXPERIENCE

<u>ALL DANCING ON WOOD FLOORS !</u>

Website: www.usawest2010.net

Contact: Ron & Jeanne Miller - usawestco2010@aol.com

10th USAWest Square Dance Convention "Welcome Back" August 11-14, 2010 Union Colony Civic Complex Greeley, Colorado

"Welcome Back"...to Colorado where it all began in 1997.

General: Only <u>184 days</u> left until the 10th USAWest Square Dance Convention! Have you registered? Signed up to Call, Cue, Prompt, Lead Contra or Line Dance? To attend the BBQ? The Wednesday night Special 2-Act Stage Show? Have you entered the Talent Show? Or registered for your RV Parking? Gather your friends, visit our Website: <u>www.usawest2010.net</u>, print off a registration form and sign up for all the above items! Don't miss this unique special once in a lifetime Dance Convention!

Round Dancing: USAWest 2010 will offer a full slate of Round Dancing starting on Thursday morning with "Showcase of Rounds" followed by figure clinics, afternoon teaches of showcased dances, and evening programmed dancing at Phase levels 2-5. All Round Dancing will be in halls with wood floors. The "Showcase" will be in a beautiful theater setting offering excellent viewing and sound. Cuers & teachers from across the country will staff the programs, teaches and clinics. Come enjoy a wonderful Round Dancing experience in beautiful Colorado.

Attention all Round Dance cuers and teachers the date to register to cue at the 10th USA West Square Dance Convention has been extended to March 31, 2010!! Come help make USA West 2010 a world class Round Dancing experience. If you are not already registered, we invite you to join other cuers and teachers from around the county for three days and evenings of programmed Rounds, teaches and clinics. Your participation will be a valuable contribution to the Round Dance activities in beautiful Greeley, Colorado. Visit the USA website: www.usawest2010.net Print the on-line registration and cuer profile sheets, complete as directed, and mail to respective addresses shown. Registrations must be received before March 31, 2010 to secure a slot in the program.

Talent Show: We know our "Squares" have **talent! COME show us** on stage or in a special display what you can do-music, art, crafts, fashion, comedy, magic...anything you can share, we'd like to see. No fees to enter; however you MUST be registered for the 2010 USA West Convention. Every participant will receive a token of appreciation. Space is limited so get your entry in early. The deadline to enter is July 1, 2010. The Talent Show will be held on Saturday, August 14, 2010 in the Union Colony Civic Center, Monfort Concert Hall. We are not looking for professional's just dancers that like to have fun and are willing to share their unique talents. For more information, contact Kris Nance at (970) 506-9848.

Website: www.usawest2010.net

General Chairman: Ron & Jeanne Miller - usawestco2010@aol.com

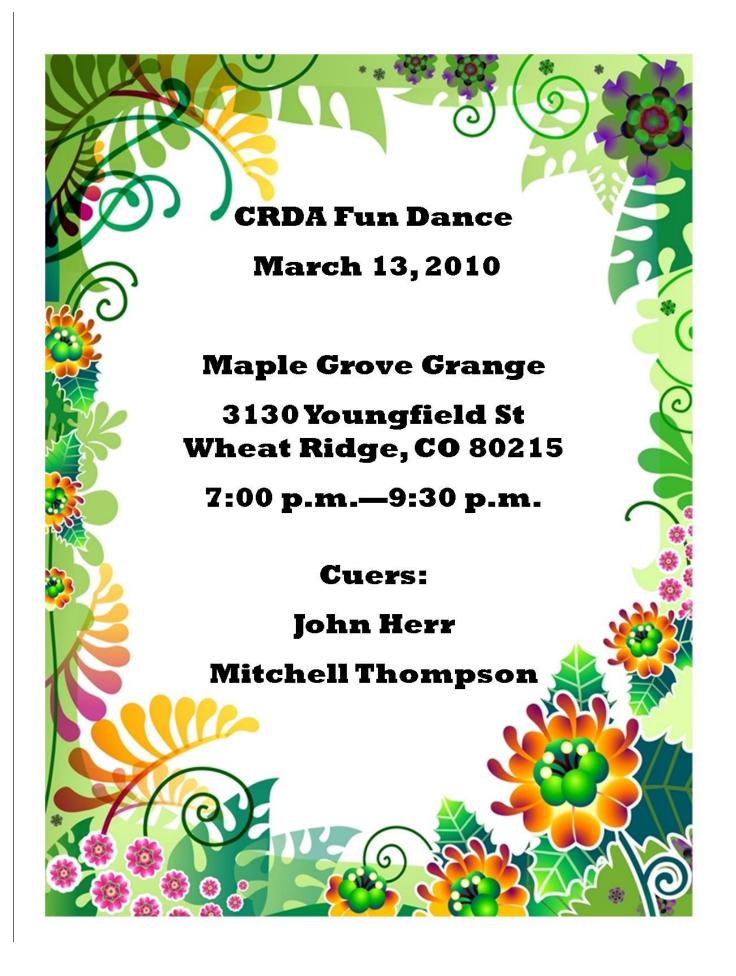
REGISTRATION FORM

10^{th USA}West Square Dance Convention August 11-14, 2010 Union Colony Civic Complex Greeley, Colorado

"Welcome Back ... to Colorado where it all began!"

City State Postal Code Country Telephone E-mail address Please check all that apply:CallerCuerSoloYouthExhibition Team MainstreamPlusAdvanceChallengeLineCloggingContra Rounds IIRounds III-IVRounds V-VI
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Pounds II Pounds III IV Pounds V VI
Prices effective through July 15, 2010
Cancellation fee \$5 per person No cancellations accepted after July 10, 2010
REGISTRATION – Adults @ \$50 per person = \$
Youth must be <u>17</u> or under Youth @ \$40 per person = \$
RV PARKING – Island Grove Regional Park, 501 N. 14 th Ave. (Electricity & Water) Hook-ups nights @ \$20 per night = \$ (Dry camping) NO Hook-ups nights @ \$15 per night = \$ RVers: Would you use public transportation to/from the dance facilities if provided?YesNo
WEDNESDAY SPECIAL EVENT – Dinner and/or Entertainment Barbeque Dinner: Adults @ \$10 per person = \$ (Child must be 10 or under for child prices) Child @ \$8 per person = \$ and Kenny Cordova & The Olde Rock Band
Entertainment: Comedian Dave Orion Two Act Stage Show: Adults @ \$15 per person = \$ (Child must be 10 or under for child prices) Child @ \$12 per person = \$ Total \$
Make checks payable to USA West Colorado 2010 Send registration form to: Kirby & Gloria Hanson 1326 E. 21 st St. Loveland, CO 80538 Cash Check #
would like to participate in the Talent Show on Saturday. His/her talent is:
Check our Website for current hotel information. Mention that you are a USA West Convention attendee for discour

USA West Square Dance Convention® Website: www.usawest2010.net



CRDASpring Dance

Sunday April 11, 2010 2:00PM - 4:30PM

Opportunities to dance and enjoy new and familiar rhythms! (Two-Step, Waltz, ChaCha,, Rumba, Foxtrot, Jive, Bolero, Mambo)

Dance Levels II, III, and some IV: Cued by Local Cuers
Highlands Masonic Hall
3550 North Federal Blvd.
Denver, CO 80211

Purchase Tickets At The Door:

New Dancers

CRDA Members

Non- Members

\$6/Couple (\$3/Person)

\$8/Couple (\$4/Person)

\$10/Couple (\$5/Person)

Sponsored By:

CRDA

Eileen & Patrick Krause, Presidents

Information: Jim & Margie Garcia

303-469-4096

gar905@comcast.net



A Mid-level Round Dance Clinic & Dance- Phase II-IV (Easy-Intermediate)

September 19, 2010

El Jebel Shrine Club 4625 W 50th

Denver, Colorado 80212

Afternoon Teaches

1:30p.m. to 4:00p.m.

(one each of phase II, III, & IV)

Evening Dance

6:30p.m. to 9:00p.m.

Clinics taught and dance cued by local CRDA cuers

CRDA members

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

or

\$12/couple (\$6/person) both sessions

Non-members

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

or

\$14/couple (\$7/person) both sessions



For information: Cindy & Harold Van Hooser (303-423-8970) or www.crda.net

Up Coming Dance Events

March 13 CRDA Fun Dance, Maple Grove Grange, 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

March 26-28 Kansas Round Dance 53rd Spring Festival with

Kurt and Tammy Worlock. (info, jmikedawson@yahoo.com)

April 9-11 Oklahoma Round Dance 43rd Festival with Mark & Pam Prow

(info, pldance@yahoo.com)

April 11 CRDA Spring Dance

May 2 CRDA Fun Dance, Colorado Springs

May 20-22 Red River, New Mexico Rendezvous with cuers Ed & Karen Gloodt

and Bob & Sally Nolen, http://www.redrivercommunityhouse.org

June 11-13 Sundance Spin 2010, Colorado State Square Dance Festival

July 10 CRDA Fun Dance, TBA, 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

September 19 CRDA Harvest Moon, Highlands Masonic Hall

Nov 5-6 CRDA 50th Anniversary GALA

Make Your Plans Early for the 50^{th} Anniversay CRDA Gala November 5^{th} and 6^{th} 2010

Join our featured cuers, Michael & Regina Schmidt from Germany and George & Pamela Hurd from Texas for a dynamic weekend of dancing and learning fun. Featured figure clinicians will be Karen & Dick Fisher from Texas and Peter & Chama Gomez from Colorado.

Colorado Round Dance Association 50 th Anniversary Gala Registration Form									
His Last Name	His First City		Her Last Name		Her First				
Street Address			State Zip		Phone Number	E-mail Address			
FULL PACKAGE 4/1/2010)	(pre-registration until	\$65 Members	\$85 Non-Members (includes 2009 CRDA membership)			(singles pay half)			
FULL PACKAGE	(after 4/1/2010)	\$75 Members	\$85 Non-Members (NO membership included)			(singles pay half)			
Saturday, teaches only (9am – 4pm)		\$45/couple			\$22/single				
Saturday, all day & evening		\$65/couple			\$32single				
Friday AND/OR Saturday Evenings(s) only			\$25/couple, \$15 single for ONE evening		\$45/couple, \$22/single for BOTH evenings				
	hecks payable to CRDA	M D (D ()	1 0 59	17	5403 S ALW I	TOTAL:			

\$5 cancellation fee prior to 10/1/2010. NO refunds after 10/1/2010 (rollovers allowed upon request)

CRDA Fun Dance March 13, 2010 Maple Grove Grange 7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Rose del Sol 36831 View Ridge Drive Elizabeth, CO 80107