

March 19, 2015

SDM Members:

On March 13, 2015, Square Dance Minnesota, Inc. (SDM) held a Board meeting at the Ridgedale Library in Minnetonka.

The Board approved Operating Procedures (OP) 15-06 – Nonprofit Tax Exemption and 15-07 – Anniversary Program. OP 15-06 provides information for clubs that want to join SDM as well as two required annual reports for all clubs (one that is due now). These reports are required for (1) SDM to submit your Form 990 and (2) your club to continue to be included in the annual group exemption letter.

The Education Director discussed mentoring of new dancers and is gathering information to be included in a mentorship program.

We continue to average about 1250 to 1300 hits a month on our website.

Dangles for the “Live Lively” and “Traveler” awards were discussed and a final design was selected and will be sent for manufacturing. Get your nominations in now for these awards if you want them presented on March 29.

LeRoy Elfmann was selected as the delegate and Ken & Dee Scott as the alternate for the USDA meeting at the national convention.

SDM will sponsor demos at the State Fair which runs from Aug 27 to Sep 7 during the 1:00 pm and 3:30 pm time slots. We will need dancers present to assist. You will receive free admission (\$13) tickets to the fair. Everyone is welcome.

SDM encourages members to attend the Minnesota State Square and Round Dance Convention, June 12-14, Rochester Mayo Civic Center.

The next quarterly Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 5, 2015, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Ridgedale Library, 12601 Ridgedale Dr, Minnetonka, MN 55305-1908. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Hope to see you at the SDM dance/awards event at the Whitney Center in St Cloud on March 29. The dance is from 2:00-4:30 pm with information meeting/awards at 4:30 pm and a dancer-provided potluck following.

  
LeRoy Elfmann  
Chair, SDM