

May 15, 2015

SDM Members:

The SDM Spring Fling was held at the Whitney Center in St Cloud on March 29, 2015 with 113 dancers from 18 clubs. Saturday Fun Nite was recognized for its 35th anniversary and Wadena Whirlaways for its 45th anniversary. Twenty-eight “Live Lively” awards and nine “Traveler” awards were presented. Thanks to Beaux & Belles and ETTA Dancers for hosting the dance and Tom Allen for calling and emceeing as well as the other seven callers and cuers who contributed their services. SDM donated the proceeds (\$485) to the Whitney Senior Center.

On May 5, 2015, Square Dance Minnesota, Inc. (SDM) held a Board meeting at the Ridgedale Library in Minnetonka.

The Board approved Operating Procedures (OP) 15-08 – Scholarships/Grants Program (copy on the website). Form 990-N was submitted for SDM electronically and it was accepted by the IRS.

Most-Active Dancer awards were discussed and it was decided that a bar would be presented instead of a dangle. Funds were allocated for this purpose.

State Fair runs from Aug 27 to Sep 7 and square dancing demos will be at 1:00 and 3:30 pm. We need dancers to assist and you will receive free admission tickets (\$13) 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.


SDM Summer Celebration – Square and Round Dance, General Membership Meeting, Awards Presentation, and Potluck Meal. Beaux & Belles and ETTA Square and Rounds have agreed to host us at the Whitney Senior Center on July 19, 2015. Tom Allen will call and emcee with guest callers and cuers. The dance is from 1:30-4:00 pm, general membership meeting at 4:00 pm, with awards presentation and dancer-provided potluck following. Please see the attached flier.

If you know of someone that meets the nomination criteria for a “Live Lively” award, please submit a nomination. “Live Lively,” “Traveler,” and “Most-Active Dancer” documentation should be submitted to squaredancemn@aol.com or to Box 317, Mound, MN 55364 by July 10, 2015. Reminder that this “Most-Active Dancer” award is for the period February 3 through June 30, 2015.

SDM celebrates its first anniversary in July and it is time for the membership to elect officers. A Nominating Committee has volunteered to lead the search for officers. Anyone interested in volunteering to be a board member should send an e-mail to squaredancemn@aol.com by June 15, 2015 and your information will be sent to the Nominating Committee. Terms to be filled this year are one individual for one year, two individuals for two years, and two individuals for three years. Individuals are elected to serve on the board for the terms indicated but not for specific positions.

The Board waived the quarterly meeting requirement for June. The next quarterly Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 4, 2015, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Ridgedale Library, 12601 Ridgedale Dr, Minnetonka, MN 55305-1908. The newly elected board will select individuals to fill the positions of chair, vice chair, treasurer, secretary, and education director. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Please send your dance information for the "Calendar" and "News" to squaredancemn@aol.com. If you know of a member who does not have e-mail, please give them a copy of this update. Thanks.


LeRoy Eifmann
Chair, SDM