

SKY VALLEY WHIRLWINDS NEWS AND VIEWS



OCTOBER – NOVEMBER, 2010



Prez Sez:

October is a very busy month for the Sky Valley Whirlwinds. Let me count the ways. 1) Oct. 2nd is a caravan to the Happy Hoppers in Arlington at the Stillaguamish Senior Center with National Caller Lottie Ainsworth. She will call mainstream from 8 to 10:30 PM Saturday night. Shirley Cook will be cueing the rounds. For those that know plus skills she will call Saturday afternoon from 3 to 5 PM. Take exit 206 off the I-5 just a little north of Marysville.

2) Oct. 8th, a Friday, we have a caravan to the Samena Squares in Kirkland at the Juanita Community Club with Tom Clymer calling and John Neverdowski cueing. This is a mainstream dance from 8 to 10:30 PM. 3) Oct. 10th a Sky Valley Whirlwinds Club meeting at the Johnsons' home (4426 108th St SE, Everett) at 1:30 PM on Sunday afternoon. 4) Oct. 15th is our club dance, "Color Fe'st" mainstream dance at the Tri Way Grange with Kevin Thomaier calling and John Neverdowski cueing on Friday night from 7:30 to 10:30 PM. 5) Oct. 29th, Friday, is the first of two plus dances that the Sky Valley Whirlwinds sponsor each year. Roger & Jill Spiese calling & cueing 7:30 to 10:30 PM. Mainstream contains about 70 skills whereas plus has about 30 more square dancing skills. 6) Oct. 30th will be the Mt. Baker Council Fall Dance at Heatherwood Middle School in Mill Creek on Saturday from 7 to 10:00 PM with Steve Noseck calling, Debbie Taylor doing the cueing. This is a mainstream dance.

Is it even possible to do all of this in one month? At our club meeting on Oct. 10th let's decide on something special to be awarded to anyone who can attend at least five of these events! It is a lot to accomplish for our club. Good luck and happy dancing. Roy & Geri Johnson

BIRTHDAYS

John Neverdowski
Ken Little
Mary Jane Doleatti
Vira Laurence
Pete Foster
Gary Price

October 31
November 3
November 9
November 18
November 20
November 26



ANNIVERSARIES

Mark and Vira Laurence October 4

CARAVAN KICKOFF

The first caravan of the season traveled to Lynden to the Rainbow Squares with Brent Mawdsley calling. Attending the caravan were Lee Clark, Dottie Dillery, Vic Maison, Patti Ridley, Gary and Carol Coon, Jack Heppes and Linda Neubauer. After meeting up in Arlington, we continued on to Burlington for a Mexican feast at El Cazador. After a lively dance, we proceeded to Billy McHale's in Bellingham for refreshment and a spirited discussion about the square dance attire of the evening (you had to be there to know why!).



CRUISING WITH SKY VALLEY



We are again planning a cruise for Sky Valley members, family and friends. We have not yet determined the destination for said cruise, but we are looking at all possibilities.

Where would you like to go? Caribbean? Mexico? New England? Panama Canal? We did Alaska this year, so that's probably one destination that will not be considered at this time. Please let me know your choice! We need help deciding!! Also, when is the best time of year for you: Spring, Summer, Fall?

Sandi Moore
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GRAND COULEE DAM **ADVENTURE**

Chris and Tammy Comeau with Pete and Linda Foster took a motorcycle ride this August to the Grand Coulee Dam.

Here is their account of the trip -----

We all looked forward to this trip for sometime and when the date came, the weather took a turn. So, Sunday night we decided to cancel our room reservations and hoped to reschedule for the following spring. However, Monday morning the sun was shining here and the weather forecast looked as though we might be able to make this overnight trip after all without too much chance of rain (well, we were hoping).

So, we got ourselves in gear (both physically and mentally) and took off on our Harley bikes together. We had a beautiful ride over Hwy 2 – stopping for gas a couple of times, lunch too and then rode on through amazing scenery into Electric City and Grand Coulee.

Tammy had reserved rooms for us right across the street from the Dam and information center. We checked in and then spent some time at the center reading about the history of this amazing and critically important structure. It was dinnertime; we took a 20 min walk along the river through the old residential area and across the bridge to a restaurant.

At dark, we went across the street to sit at a picnic table to watch the “Laser Light Show” displayed across the face of the dam (at this point they let the water gush across the dam). It was very entertaining and exciting to see.

In the morning we rode to breakfast and then to the parking lot to take our enthralling tour of the dam – which was inside one of the power plants. At the end of the tour, we were driven across the top of the dam – getting out for a photo op and a bird's eye view over the edge!

The sun was still shining at this time – but by noon, we could see the weather taking a shift. We got geared up and rode off through some small rain showers mixed with sun breaks. We made it to Leavenworth where we stopped for lunch and then faced the journey over the pass to home.

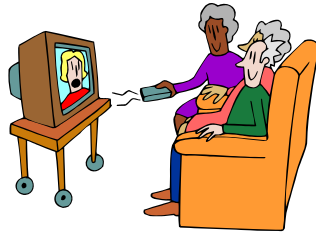
It wasn't long before the rain drops came – and got bigger and thicker – along with the fog. With Chris in the lead, the two men did an awesome job maneuvering us safely through horrendous conditions to the bottom of the pass where we took cover and realized that we should have stopped to put on our rain gear – but the force of just getting home out ruled any sense to that.

Once home, we found we were pretty much soaked through our leathers to our skin – we made a phone call to each other to assure we were safely in our houses – and then hopped into a hot shower praising our safety and hoping for a sunnier ride somewhere together next spring!



Tammy and Chris Comeau, Linda and Pete Foster

SKY VALLEY TELEVISION HALL OF FAME



Nancy Franklin:

- Bonanza – our favorite western that we watched as a family
- Dallas – first series I got hooked on and watched for 7 years
- Leave it to Beaver – he was always getting into predicaments
- World of Disney – good clean family viewing
- The Love Boat – always made me wish I could go on a cruise

Tony Doleatti:

- Wheel of Fortune
- CSI
- That 70's Show

Gloria Price:

- The Golden Girls
- Frazier
- Cheers
- Gunsmoke
- Monk
- Jeopardy

Ken Little:

- Keeping Up Appearances
- Benny Hill
- Perry Mason
- Dick Van Dyke
- The Love Boat
- Fantasy Island
- The Dean Martin Variety Hour
- Johnny Carson

Mary Jane Doleatti:

- Criminal Minds – I like that cute guy with the long hair
- General Hospital – bought a new TV to watch Luke and Laura get married
- Everwood – bonded with my daughter while watching it, but it might be because it was just so bad.

Don Wiggins:

- What's My Line
- Dragnet
- CSI – all of them
- Law and Order
- 60 Minutes

Sandi Moore:

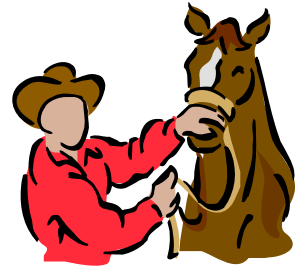
- 7th Heaven – a program that featured a family that actually loved each other, actually fought with each other, and had actual values!
- Monk – one of the best detective shows ever! Quirky but great! Fun! No swearing, no sex, and very little violence.
- ER – just loved this program! I cried when it ended. It was like a friend had left town!
- Jeopardy! – this is still on, but it is great! Everyone knows not to call me at 7:30 P.M.!!
- The Carol Burnett Show – this was the best variety show on TV in the 70's/ who doesn't love Carol Burnett, Harvey Korman, Tim Conway and Vicki Lawrence? And the green drapery gown! Who could forget?

Eugene McDonald:

- Dragnet
- Zorro
- Gunsmoke
- Mission Impossible
- The Lone Ranger

Roy Johnson:

This boyhood TV program should be in the Hall of Fame. "The Roy Rogers Show!" It is pretty self evident why I think this. And in my own mind I've lived the life that Roy Rogers talked about, although I've fallen short many times. Here are Roy Rogers' Rider's Rules:



1. Be neat and clean.
2. Be courteous and polite.
3. Always obey your parents.
4. Protect the weak and help them.
5. Be brave but never take chances.
6. Study hard and learn all you can.
7. Be kind to animals and take care of them.
8. Eat all your food and never waste any.
9. Love God and go to Sunday school regularly
10. Always respect our flag and our country.

Dottie Dillery:

- Dancing With The Stars
- Dancing Your Ass Off
- American Movie Classics
- Dean Martin
- Jack Benny
- American Bandstand

Jack Heppes:

- M*A*S*H – I am still watching the reruns from time to time. Probably the best TV show ever. I didn't give it much of a chance since I had seen the movie 10 times before the show came out (even sneaking into theaters underage because of its R rating).
- Rowan & Martin's Laugh-In – think of all the cast that went on to other big things!
- Barney Miller – all of those guys were characters. The best episode was the one where Wojciehowicz brought in the brownies that were laced with hashish.
- Love American Style – I remember all the mini skirts in each episode, especially Karen Valentine's.
- Mannix – this cop show was always fascinating
- Boston Legal – Bill Shatner and Jim Spader on the balcony – unforgettable!

Marian Little

- I love Lucy
- The Golden Girls
- Jeopardy
- Wheel of Fortune
- Cash Cab

Pat Wiggins:

- Days of our Lives
- Jack Benny
- Lawrence Welk
- The Dick Van Dyke Show
- The Today Show
- Dr. Phil

Lee Clark:

- Dragnet
- Hee Haw
- The
Honeymooners
- I Love Lucy
- Star Trek

**Trish Webb:**

- The Rookies
- Dark Blue
- Covert Affairs
- House
- Merlin
- The Closer

Chuck Fredericks:

- Dr Quinn
- The Waltons
- Brady Bunch
- Lawrence Welk
- Diagnosis Murder
- The Dick Van Dyke Show

**Kay Cowden:**

Where do I begin, there were so many good ones. I loved the Mary Tyler Moore Show and of course it's spin off, Rhoda. And, I Love Lucy which was one of my favorites. Then there was Happy Days that I loved to watch...and again, its spin off Laverne and Shirley. I enjoyed watching the Andy Griffith Show, All in the Family, Cheers and of course, The Golden Girls, another one of my favorites. Now today, some of my favorites are CSI Las Vegas, Dancing with the Stars, Medium and what can I say, Desperate Housewives – you gotta love it!! Good TV, good movies, good times had by all!!

Pete Foster:

- Saturday Night Live – for the comedy
- M*A*S*H – and Gilligan's Island – good, clean comedy
- Brady Bunch – for the family values
- Sesame Street – one of the few shows I understood!

Carol Coon:

- The Dick Van Dyke Show
- I Love Lucy
- Hawaii 5-0
- Monk
- American Bandstand

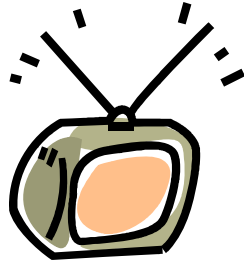
Tammy Comeau:

- Two and a Half Men – it pushes the envelope, and my funny bone!
- Daktari – one of the few shows my parents let us watch growing up.
- Wonderful World of Disney – again, one of the few I remember watching growing up.

Nora Lashbrook:

- Lassie
- Little House on the Prairie
- Sanford and Son
- Andy Griffith
- Ozzie and Harriet



**Joe Bahr:**

- Bewitched
- The Jetsons
- The Flintstones
- I Dream of Jeannie
- Mr. Ed – All the shows were entertaining and fun and for the most part, able to let you be free of everyday challenges.

Doug Franklin:

- Daniel Boone
- Davy Crockett
- M*A*S*H
- All in the Family
- Nova
- History Channel

Linda Foster:

- I Love Lucy & Green Acres – the humor in both of these is hilarious
- Lassie Come Home – I cried at the end of every episode
- Bonanza – who wouldn't love the four hunks on this show!

Vic and Patti Maisson:

- The Mentalist
- Castle
- The Good Wife
- Mystery Women
- Diagnosis Murder
- Ghost Whisperer
- And favorite movies seen on TV – Alice in Wonderland, Home Alone, Grumpy Old Men, Grumpier Old Men, Shrek and Dirty Harry.

Chris Comeau:

- Coach
- Varney
- Charlie's Angels
- Hee Haw
- Laugh In
- M*A*S*H
- All in the Family
- Dukes of Hazard
- Happy Days

Lora Wait Hoy:

- Then Came Bronson
- I Spy
- That 70's Show
- What Not to Wear
- Monk

Gary Coon:

- Star Trek – all of them
- Hawaii 5-0
- Magnum PI

Gary Price:

- Nova
- National Geographic
- Dinosaurs
- The Muppets
- The Red Green Show
- Mail Call

**Linda Neubauer**

- The Cosby Show – Dr. Huxtable was not only funny, but he made a lot of sense.
- 7th Heaven – got hooked when my daughter started watching it and watched it til the final episode when all the older kids had grown up.
- Avonlea – loved the Prince Edward Island locale and the clever family plots set in the early 1900s.
- Boston Legal – the chemistry between Shatner and Spader was magic. Watched every episode from every season straight through on Netflix. Had to get a life after that.
- All in the Family – Archie Bunker ignored all the old taboos of television and set the stage for a whole new era of outrageous comedy shows. You had to feel sorry for the Meathead!
- Gunsmoke – probably wouldn't like it as much now, but it was a family ritual growing up. Matt Dillon never did kiss Miss Kitty – not once!
- The Dick Van Dyke Show

Dennis Webb:

- Lost
- Happy Days
- The A Team
- Emergency
- Maverick
- The Big Valley

Judy Robertson:

- Bill Cosby
- Leave It to Beaver
- Magnum PI
- Hawaii 5-0
- Matlock
- Murder She Wrote

Nancy Bass:

- Dexter
- The Tudors
- As The World Turns
- How It's Made
- The Golden Girls
- Lifetime Channel Movies

Dennis Bass:

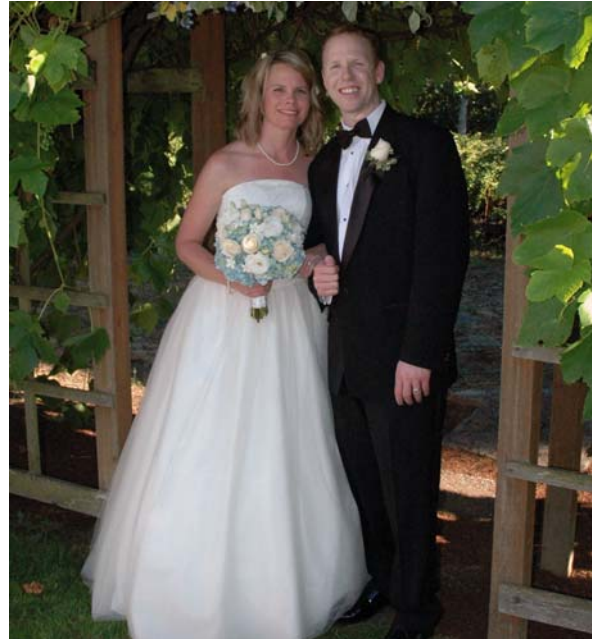
- Channel 4 News
- National Geographic
- History Channel
- Science Channel
- Evening Magazine
- Dexter

CELEBRATIONS

June 25, 2010, Miss Ellie Rilynn Price was born to Gloria and Gary Price's son Wes and his wife Janae. She weighed 8 lbs. 10 oz. and is busily making our world a cuter, sweeter place.



Welcome to the world, Ellie!



ANDREW & LAURA

Laura Johnson and Andrew Murphy were united in marriage in a garden wedding in the backyard of Roy & Geri Johnson's home in Everett, WA on August 14, 2010. The young couple recently returned from Cairo, Egypt where they were studying and working for a year. They met while working in San Francisco, CA. in 2008. They are residing in Boston, MA where Andrew is working for an investment equity firm. Andrew graduated from Harvard Univ. in Massachusetts. Laura graduated from the University of Washington and Georgetown Univ. in Washington D.C. David Murphy, brother of the groom was the best man and Janet Wickersheim, sister, was maid of honor.

Andrew and Laura wrote their own vows and Brian Magolin, friend of the couple, from San Francisco performed the ceremony. The House of Tarab, a middle eastern Arabic music ensemble opened the festivities with a serene like quality of being near the Pyramids of Egypt. Later the Dogtones, a classic rock/pop band, played the music that had just about everyone on the dance floor until late in the evening. First, Andrew & Laura waltzed, then Dad & Laura, then Mom & Andrew took their turns around the floor. A great deal of emotion was evident as pictures were being taken.

Twelve Baskets of Kirkland did a wonderful job of catering. The buffet included assorted appetizers, salads, and salmon and chicken, and topped off with ice cream sundaes. The wedding cake was delicious cupcakes delivered by Simply Sweet Cupcakes of Snohomish, and decorated with sky blue and yellow lemon frosting the color theme of their wedding.

The happy couple honeymooned in Hawaii as well as attending receptions with friends and relatives in Seattle, San Francisco, New York City and Boston for the next two weeks.



Mercedes dancing with Tony

MERCEDES AND KEVIN

Mercedes Clouser and Kevin Jackson were married in Arlington at Magnolia Hall (a very nice place and great catering) on June 26, 2010 at 4:30 PM. There was quite a bit of dancing and whooping about, and those people who tried to bring their own jello shots were not from my family. The party broke up about 10:30 and everyone arrived safely home. There was a brief honeymoon in Mukilteo paid for by their close friends, who then went to their house and swapped all the cupboards around. Apparently this was a tradition started by Kevin himself, and more than a few people showed up to help. The pre-wedding activities included SWAT team entertainment starring the ATF and the neighbors. This was followed by 17 manicure-pedicures (and a virgin eyebrow wax or two) enjoyed by all members of the bride's entourage and her female relatives under the age of 79. A BBQ was held the evening before the ceremony and the bride's family and friends scarfed down EIGHT DOZEN OYSTERS(!) on top of salmon burgers, hamburgers, Boca burgers and a whole bunch of salads. Following the meal, the females created all the wearable flowers and sacked up 170 little bags of purple and green M&Ms. After the wedding, Tony and I went to Montana and Idaho for vacation.

VIC AND PATTI

On a dreary, rainy weekend, the clouds parted and the sky was blue for the wedding of Vic Maison and Patti Ridley held at high noon on September 18th in the Darrington Blue Grass Park. A reception followed at the Darrington Community Club, decorated in the blue and gold wedding colors, where guests were treated to a delicious buffet. After the toast and the cake cutting, caller, Nels Rasmussen, accompanied by his wife, Martha, treated the square dancers in the crowd to several tips of square dancing enjoyed by the bride and groom and their fellow square dance family. After the wedding, the couple honeymooned in the San Juan Islands.



Don't worry about the world coming to an end today. It's already tomorrow in Australia.

Charles Schulz



THE RECIPE BOX

GLORIA PRICE'S BREAD N' BUTTER PICKLES

Layer into large bowl:

6 cups thinly sliced cucumbers
2 cups sliced onions



Bring to a boil and simmer 5 minutes:

1 ½ cups white sugar
1 ½ cups cider vinegar
½ tsp. salt
½ tsp. celery seed
½ tsp. mustard seed
½ tsp. turmeric

Pour hot brine over cukes and onion slices. Cool, then cover and refrigerate. Can eat next day.
Note: It won't look like there's enough brine to cover all the cukes and onion slices, but the vegetables soon diminish in bulk from the hot brine. Just keep gently pressing them down into the brine occasionally until they "shrink to fit."

JOE BAHR'S DUMPLINGS

1 1/3 cup flour
1 egg
1 T salt
1/3 cup milk
1 cup dry bread crumbs



Put half the flour in a bowl. Add egg, salt and milk. Mix until bubbles form and let stand for ½ hour.

Mix in the dry bread crumbs and add remaining flour until mixture is dry. Shape like an egg. Place in boiling water and cook ½ hour.

CHEDDAR BROCCOLI CORNBREAD FROM THE FOOD NETWORK – MODIFIED AND SUBMITTED BY LINDA NEUBAUER

Ingredients:

2 (8.5 ounce) boxes corn muffin mix
½ cup whole milk
2 cloves minced garlic
1 (8 ounce) container cottage cheese
4 large eggs
1 tsp. salt
1 cup plus 2 tablespoons grated cheddar
1 stick butter or margarine
1 medium onion, chopped
1 (10 ounce) package frozen broccoli, thawed



Directions:

Preheat oven to 375 degrees
Mix together all ingredients except 2 tablespoons cheddar to create a batter in a bowl.
In a 10 inch cast iron skillet melt butter. Sauté onions and broccoli until soft and mix into the batter. Pour batter into the skillet and sprinkle top evenly with remaining cheese. Bake until golden, 30 minutes.

YOUR CORNER'S HOBBY

Dennis Bass is talented in woodworking and has created many projects for himself and his family. He has hand crafted canoes, row boat dinghies,



collapsible baskets, scroll work on a clock, picture frames, gliders, end tables and bedroom sets.



AROUND THE SQUARE

*******Eugene McDonald** and **Nora Lashbrook** went to Glacier

National Park in Montana this summer. Nora says it was beautiful, but a lot of driving.

*******Joe Bahr** is now working the Metro Route 550 which starts at 3:21 P.M. and finishes at 6:48 P.M. Grayline is keeping him busy going to Canada on Saturdays and other work on Sundays. Joe says he never thought he would take naps during the day. Grayline should start to slack a bit soon as the cruise ships start to reposition.

*******David and Sandi Moore** have been vacationing in Antigua. It is a work/pleasure trip for Sandi.

*******The Franklins** are still doing their walk across America. Nancy has now walked 1000 plus miles and is in Wyoming. Her daughter and granddaughter are in eastern Montana. Doug is in Idaho.

*******Jack Heppes** and **Gary Coon** have been road rallying together and have picked up several trophies in the SOP (seat of the pants) division. Gary is doing the driving while Jack navigates.

*******Gloria Price** and **Linda Foster** have both been having to sit on the sidelines while they heal from various foot ailments. We're hoping to see them back on the dance floor soon.

*****Thanks to **Roy Johnson** for hanging in there and being president of both the Mount Baker Council and our club. We all appreciate his efforts and all the special things he does for our club.



The Evening News is where they begin with "Good Evening," and then they proceed to tell you why it isn't!

OCTOBER – NOVEMBER SCHEDULE

Oct. 2 – Caravan to Happy Hoppers

Oct 8 – Caravan to Samena Squares

Oct 10 – Club meeting at the Johnson's home @ 1:30

Oct 15 – Our Dance – Color Fe'st

Caller – Kevin Thomaier

Kitchen: Dave and Sandi Moore

Hosts: Roy and Geri Johnson

Oct 29 – Our Plus Dance

Caller – Roger & Jill Spiese

Oct 30 – Mount Baker Council Fall Dance

Heatherwood Middle School

Mill Creek

Caller – Steve Noseck

Nov 14 – Club Meeting – 1:30 at Roy and Geri Johnson's home

Nov. 19 – Our Dance – Turkey Trot and Food Drive

Caller – Wayne Easton

Kitchen: Roy and Geri Johnson

Hosts: Lee Clark and Dottie Dillery

Nov 20 – Caravan to Whirlybirds

You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.



NEXT POLL QUESTION

The poll question for the next newsletter is going to take a little thought so I am announcing it now: **THINGS YOU DON'T LIKE!** Please come up with at least 4 and feel free to explain why. It's really not that hard – it could be anything from green peas to having to press nine numbers before you are able to talk to a real person.

