

Mt. Baker Council Notes NOVEMBER 2025

www.sqdance.org

Come join us at one of EIGHT Student dances this month!

Skagit Squares



**STUDENT
LEVEL DANCE**

**Saturday, NOV 1st
7-9 PM**

Dave Harry Calling
MT. VERNON SENIOR CENTER
1401 Cleveland Ave, Mt Vernon



Come Dance with Whirlybirds

First Friday Fun Fest

November 7th
No Experience Dance
No Partner Needed
Dancing Begins at 7:30

Dancing Dave will be teaching basic Square Dance Moves and Line Dances

Hayloft Dance Hall 15320 35th Ave W, Lynnwood
whirlybirdsclub@gmail.com

Caller: Rob Sax
Cuer: Bob & Linda Berka

Turkey Lurkey Level Dance!

Get a Dangle

South Lake Stevens Grange
2109 103rd Ave SE
Lake Stevens, WA
Adults: \$10.00
Youth: (12-18) \$5.00
Children: (11 & Under) Free w/ Adult

Saturday November 8, 2025
Potluck 6:00 to 7:00pm
Pre-Rounds 7:00 to 7:30pm
Plus 7:30 to 8:00 pm
Mainstream 8:00 to 10:00 pm



Dudes and Dolls Square Dance Club
www.dudesanddolls.org
Line Dancing: 7:00PM, Plus Dancing 7:30 PM
Mainstream Dance 8:00-10:00 PM

November 14
**Dudes & Dolls Salute
our Veterans!**

STUDENT DANCE
All students and Angels are welcome!

We will be collecting donations for Fisher House which aids local Military families!

CALLER: SCOTT COON Line Dancers: Lisa Weiser
Cedar Valley Grange, 20526 52nd Ave W, Lynnwood

Come Dance with Whirlybirds

Wild Wild West Dance

November 15th

Dave Harry Calling & Lisa Weiser w/ Line Dancing

*****Level Dance*****

Students from all clubs welcome

Hayloft Dance Hall 15320 35th Ave W, Lynnwood
whirlybirdsclub@gmail.com



Talkin' Turkey
Friday, November 21, 2025

Student Level
Dance

Entry Donation
\$10.00 per person
\$5.00 for students

Caller - Vance Morrison
Cuer - Karen Neverdowski

Square Crows Dance Club
Dance Location: Malby Community Club
8711 206th St. SE, Shilohmish WA 98296
www.squarecrows.org Info: 206-914-2253

Sky Valley Whirlwinds

LEVEL DANCE

THANKFUL FOR DANCING

NOVEMBER 22
6PM LINES 6:30PM PLUS
7-9 PM MAINSTREAM DANCE
CALLER: SPYDER WEBB
LINES: LISA WEISER

Tri-Way Grange 3509 Seattle Hill Rd Mill Creek



Happy Hoppers
Carl Gipson Center
3025 Lombard Avenue
Everett, WA 98203

**Sunday
November 23**

Share Our Blessings

Student Level Dance

**Leo Catt calling
Rochelle Catt cueing**

www.happyhoppers.org

We'll be collecting donations for the local food bank.

Hearing Enhancement

Plus 6:00-6:30 Mainstream 6:30-8:30

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MT. BAKER COUNCIL NOTES FOR 2025-2026

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MT. BAKER COUNCIL - SPECIAL EVENTS

NOV 5 Council Meeting	7:30 PM	Marysville School District Board Room, 4220 80th St NE Marysville, WA 98271
NOV 8 Fogcutter Fundraiser	1:30 PM	Skagit Valley Grange 21273 Cook Rd, Burlington

New Dancer Spotlight



Introducing: Daniel & Dana Wick

Dana grew up surrounded by square dancing. Her parents and all three of her siblings danced competitively, and although she herself only took a couple of lessons, she loved being part of the square dance world. Picnics, campouts, and dances were part of her childhood, and she says square dancing has always been in her blood.

Daniel, on the other hand, came into dancing a little differently, thanks to Dana's playful trickery. She invited him on what she called a "mystery date." He had no idea where they were going until they pulled up to the Samena dance hall. Seeing a Jazzercise banner outside, Daniel started feeling a little nervous. But once they stepped inside, Stephen Cole joked that they were going to lock the doors from the outside, and just like that, Daniel was swept into the world of square dancing. That night marked the beginning of their journey together on the dance floor.

Their advice to new dancers:



Learn to laugh at yourself and be patient with the process.

Keep showing up, practicing, and simply being present. Don't be too hard on yourself, smile, laugh, and most of all, have fun.

Square dancing has also brought something much deeper into their lives. After experiencing a long period of grief, Dana and Daniel found that dancing gave them a chance to reconnect.

Moving to the music, laughing together, and sharing this new adventure has put fresh energy into their marriage. "It was really somewhat of a Godsend for us," Daniel said. "We've found a hobby that we both enjoy, that keeps us active, and that helps us get out of ourselves and into the moves. Not to mention the amazing people we've met, so many openhearted, encouraging dancers. It's truly one of the best things I've ever been involved in."

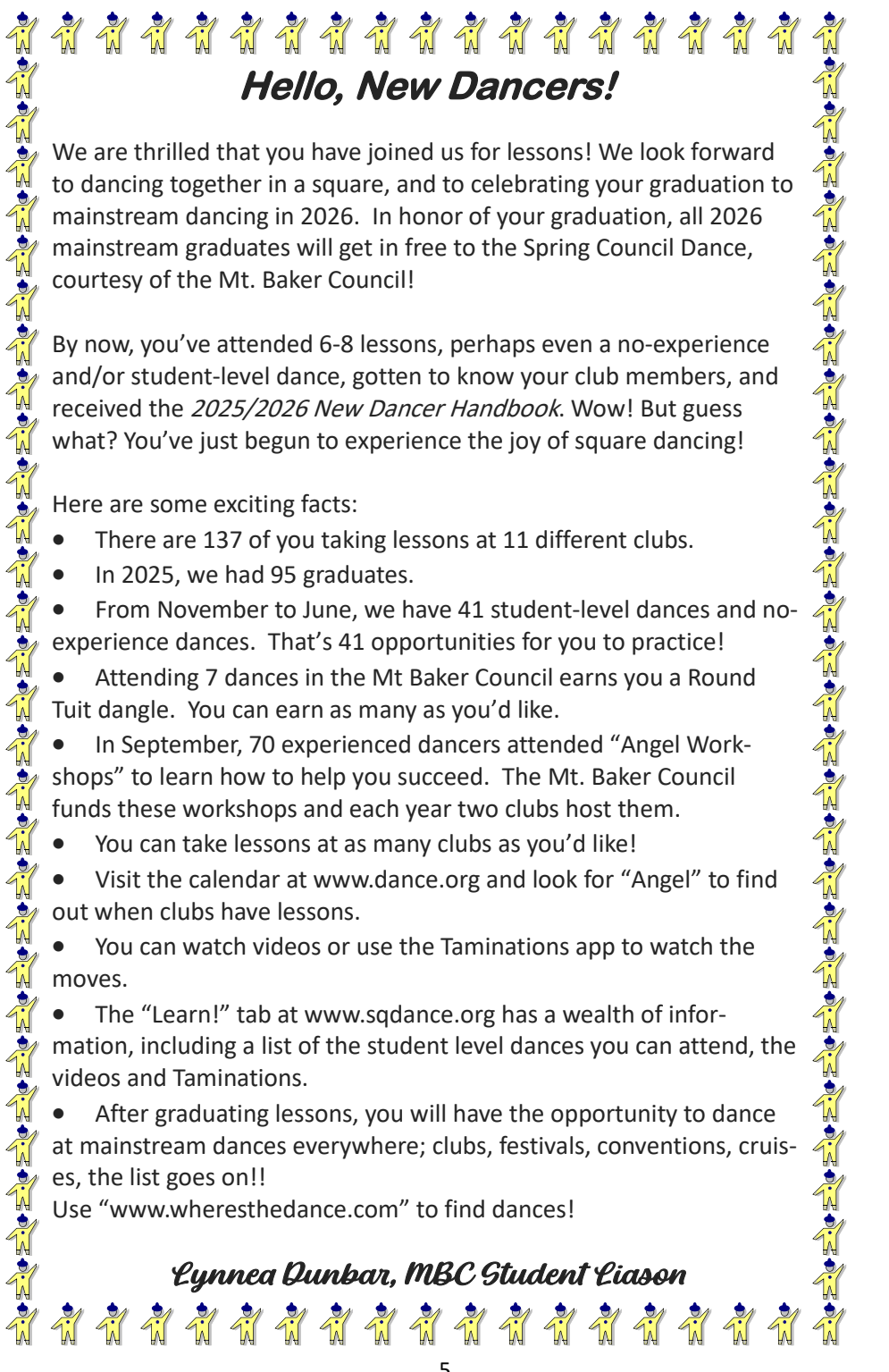
Their hobbies outside of dancing:

Dan is a motorsports enthusiast. He loves riding his Harley Davidson with his son, heading to the sand dunes with the whole family to ride ATVs, skiing, and exploring the trails of the Pacific Northwest. Hiking is a favorite too, though his 18-year-old son likes to push him by choosing mountains to climb "a constant reminder of how old I'm getting," Dan jokes.

Dana describes herself as a farm girl at heart. She keeps six urban chickens and enjoys experimenting in the kitchen with cooking, baking, and most recently, sourdough. When she's not busy with all of that, her favorite thing is simply spending time with her family.

Dana & Daniel are bursting with enthusiasm and always ready to help new dancers. If you see them at a dance, be sure to invite them into your square, fun is practically guaranteed when they're around!

Grace Maria



Hello, New Dancers!

We are thrilled that you have joined us for lessons! We look forward to dancing together in a square, and to celebrating your graduation to mainstream dancing in 2026. In honor of your graduation, all 2026 mainstream graduates will get in free to the Spring Council Dance, courtesy of the Mt. Baker Council!

By now, you've attended 6-8 lessons, perhaps even a no-experience and/or student-level dance, gotten to know your club members, and received the *2025/2026 New Dancer Handbook*. Wow! But guess what? You've just begun to experience the joy of square dancing!

Here are some exciting facts:

- There are 137 of you taking lessons at 11 different clubs.
- In 2025, we had 95 graduates.
- From November to June, we have 41 student-level dances and no-experience dances. That's 41 opportunities for you to practice!
- Attending 7 dances in the Mt Baker Council earns you a Round Tuit dangle. You can earn as many as you'd like.
- In September, 70 experienced dancers attended "Angel Workshops" to learn how to help you succeed. The Mt. Baker Council funds these workshops and each year two clubs host them.
- You can take lessons at as many clubs as you'd like!
- Visit the calendar at www.dance.org and look for "Angel" to find out when clubs have lessons.
- You can watch videos or use the Taminations app to watch the moves.
- The "Learn!" tab at www.sqdance.org has a wealth of information, including a list of the student level dances you can attend, the videos and Taminations.
- After graduating lessons, you will have the opportunity to dance at mainstream dances everywhere; clubs, festivals, conventions, cruises, the list goes on!!

Use "www.wheresthedance.com" to find dances!

Lynnea Dunbar, MBC Student Liason



PLUS LESSONS

FIDALGO
fogcutters

We tuned up our Mainstream skills and now the
Plus Lessons will BEGIN!! COME JOIN US
STEVE NOSECK - CALLER
starts Wed. October 29th from 7-9 pm
donation \$8.00 per person

Skagit Valley Grange
21273 Cook Rd. Burlington WA
Q's Rob Webster 360.682.5348
em: rwebster@hotmail.com




Cascade Crossfires

Plus Square Dancing

MONDAYS 7-9 PM

Cedar Valley Grange, Lynnwood

Caller: Stephen Cole

(For Nov it's the 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th)

Plus Lessons

Continue With

Plenty of 'Just Dancing'

(Members come for the Dancing!)

More Info: <http://cascadecrossfires.org>
Cedar Valley Grange: 20526 52nd Ave W

425-435-8253
Lynnwood, WA



Dancing Shadows

Nov. 1st

*All Round Dancing
Randy & Marie Preskitt*



Nov. 15th

*All Round Dancing
Randy & Marie Preskitt*

4,5,6 workshop 5:00-6:45 2,3,4 Rounds 7:00-9:30

*Juanita Community Club 13027 100th NE Kirkland
For information call Cliff 425 478 5128*



Skagit Squares



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7- 9 PM

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1401 Cleveland Ave, Mt Vernon



FREEWHEELERS

HARVEST DANCE

Sunday November 2, 2025

Caller: Andy Garboden

Cuer: Randy Preskitt



6:30 to 7:00 Advance Rounds

7:00 to 9:00 **MS** with Rounds

9:00 Plus tip



Cedar Valley Grange

20526 52nd Ave W, Lynnwood

Contact: Randy at 206-367-9219

Freewheelerssquaredance@gmail.com

Www.squaredanceseseattle.com

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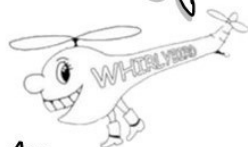


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Mainstream 8:00 to 10:00 pm

Happy Hoppers

Carl Gipson Center

3025 Lombard Avenue

Everett, WA 98201

**Sunday
November 9**

Salute Our Vets

**Spyder Webb calling
Katie Marteny cueing**

We'll be collecting donations
for the local food bank.



Hearing Enhancement

www.happyhoppers.org

Plus 6:00-6:30

Mainstream 6:30-8:30



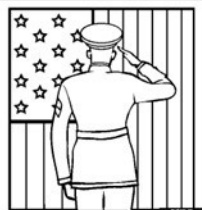
Dudes and Dolls Square Dance Club

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Cedar Valley Grange, 20526 52nd Ave W, Lynnwood



Juanita Community Club
13027 100th NE, Kirkland

**Friday
Nov. 14th**

WE VETERANS!

Caller:

Andy Garboden



Cuer:

Alison Hampton

Hearing enhancement
available
Credit card accepted

7:30 - 8 pm Plus
8 - 10 pm Mainstream
Rounds between tips

Dark on
November 27th

Samena Squares
wishes you
Happy
Thanksgiving



Harvest



Hoedown

With Pie AND Ice Cream!

Saturday, November 15

Rob Sax calling

Dance 1:30 to 4:30

Tri-Way Grange 3509 Seattle Hill Rd Mill Creek

Skagit Squares



Skagit Squares



GUNTER MONROE, Caller

Bob & Linda Berka, Cuer

NOV 15, 2025

PRE ROUNDS 7:30 - DANCE 8:00 TO 10:00

MT. VERNON SENIOR CENTER

light Refreshments Served

www.skagitsquares.org

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at 8pm

Wild Wild West Dance



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*******Level Dance*******

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FREEWHEELERS

PLUS

THANKSGIVING DANCE

Sunday November 16, 2025

Caller: Randy Preskitt

Cuer: Randy Preskitt



Cedar Valley Grange

20526 52nd Ave W, Lynnwood

Contact: Randy at 206-367-9219

Freewheelerssquaredance@gmail.com

www.squaredanceseattle.com

6:30 to 7:00 Advance Rounds

7:00 to 9:00 **Plus** with Rounds

Talkin' Turkey

Friday, November 21, 2025

7:30-8:00 Pre-Rounds

Mainstream

Square Dance

8:00-10:00 PM



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Cuer - Karen Neverdowski

Student Level

Dance

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Square Crows Dance Club

Dance Location: Maltby Community Club

8711 206th St. SE, Snohomish WA 98296

www.squarecrows.org

Info: 206-914-2253



Sky Valley Whirlwinds

LEVEL DANCE

THANKFUL FOR DANCING

NOVEMBER 22

6PM LINES 6:30PM PLUS

7-9 PM MAINSTREAM DANCE

CALLER: SPYDER WEBB

LINES: LISA WEISER

Tri-Way Grange 3509 Seattle Hill Rd Mill Creek

RAINBOW SQUARES

Mainstream on 2nd OR 4th Saturdays

Plus - 7PM, MS 7:30-9:30 PM

With one round between tips

NOV 22ND - "Sombrero Over the Rainbow"

And Rainbow's 44th Anniversary!

**Featuring Brent & Therese Mawdsley
Caller/Cuer Couple**

~ Please Bring food for the Local Food Bank ~

Ten Mile Grange – 6950 Hannegan Rd, Lynden, WA
\$10 Donation ~ Hearing Enhancement ~ Break After the Dance ~
Experienced Clothing sale
Contact: 360-961-7892

Happy Hoppers

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Enhancement**

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Dudes and Dolls Square Dance Club

www.dudesanddolls.org

Pre-Rounds: Phase 3-4 7:00PM, Plus Dancing 7:30 PM

Mainstream Dance 8:00-10:00 PM

November 28

Black Light Disco Night!



Please wear neon or white clothing so you will glow in the dark! We will be using Black lights!

CALLER: Scott Coon **CUER:** Shawn Cavness

Cedar Valley Grange, 20526 52nd Ave W, Lynnwood



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friends@petticoatjct.com

Get Your Dancin' Kicks



In 2026!

73rd Square and Round Dance Festival and Leadership

Ocean Shores Convention Center

July 16 to 18, 2026



President's Message

Jumpin' into Fall

MBC President Jo Ann Pyle – 206-914-2253

lopann@aol.com or mbcprez@gmail.com

I want to thank the Happy Hoppers and Dudes and Dolls for supplying snacks for this meeting. Next month the Sky Valley Whirlwinds and Shooting Stars will be bringing snacks. We still have a few blanks so I will pass the sheet around again.

I was able to attend one of the angel workshops recently at the Happy Hoppers. I'm glad our Council is sponsoring these and hope to continue the practice.

The Board received a request for a scholarship for caller school from Joshua McClintock. The Board had a meeting prior to this meeting and we are recommending approval. I attended a Whirlybirds dance recently where Joshua did some of the calling. I thought he did a great job. Glad we are getting more callers and cuers. We can use even more!

I want to start a discussion about our Council dances. We have been having some conflicting dates with Council dances and Club dances. We used to (and still do) try to hold Council Dances on the 5th weekend of a spring and fall month. But sometimes there isn't a 5th weekend that works so we would end up with an issue. Board wondered if we should consider trying to hold our dances on specific dates in the fall and spring. One thing to consider is that it is sometimes challenging to find a venue and caller for a specific weekend. I would like to get input from the Council.

I appointed an audit committee of Brooks Bennett and Joyce Sworen to go over last year's books. They will be giving a report later this meeting.

We will also be presenting a proposed budget for the upcoming year and that will be acted on also later tonight.

I'm inviting Dave and Sammi Fredenburg to come up front for a presentation. Dave and Sammi received the prestigious Ila Williams Award last year and our Standing Rules say recipients will receive a permanent keepsake when the new year's recipients are announced. We didn't know where they were at the time that the next recipients were chosen but we found them and I would like to award this permanent keepsake to Dave and Sammi Fredenburg. Well deserved!

Last but not least I wanted to announce that I will not be able to attend the November meeting as I will be in Florida for a meeting/training but I will leave you in the capable hands of Ken Frey.

NOVEMBER 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 A-Blast Dancing Shadows Skagit Squares (Student Level)
2 Freewheelers <i>Dancing Shadows Shooting Stars, Square Crows Lessons</i>	3 <i>Crossfires Plus Lessons</i>	4 Happy Rounders <i>ABlast, Dudes & Dolls Happy Hoppers, Rainbow Squares, Skagit Squares Lessons</i>	5 MBC Meeting 7:30 <i>Fern Bluff Lessons Fogcutters Plus Lessons</i>	6 <i>Samena Squares, Freewheelers/ Whirlwinds, Whirlybirds Lessons</i>	7 Whirlybirds (No experience)	8 Fogcutters Fundraiser Fern Bluff (Student Level)
9 Happy Hoppers <i>DS, SC, SS Lessons</i>	10 <i>Crossfires Plus Lessons</i>	11 Happy Rounders <i>AB,DD,,RB,SkS Lessons</i> 	12 <i>FB Lessons FF Plus Lessons</i>	13 <i>SA SQ WB FW/WW Lessons</i>	14 Dudes & Dolls (Student Level) Samena Squares	15 Shooting Stars Whirlybirds (Student Level) Skagit Squares Dancing Shadows
16 Freewheelers (Plus) <i>DS, SC, SS Lessons</i>	17 <i>Crossfires Plus Lessons</i>	18 Happy Rounders <i>AB,DD,HH,RB,SkS Lessons</i>	19 <i>FB Lessons FF Plus Lessons</i>	20 <i>SA SQ WB FW/WW Lessons</i>	21 Square Crows (Student Level)	22 Whirlwinds (Student Level) Rainbow Squares
23 Happy Hoppers (Student level) <i>DS, SC, SS Lessons</i>	24 <i>Crossfires Plus Lessons</i>	25 Happy Rounders <i>AB,DD,HH,RB,SkS Lessons</i>	26 <i>FB Lessons FF Plus Lessons</i>	27 	28 Dudes & Dolls	29
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Mount Baker Council Minutes

October 3, 2025

Marysville School District Board Room,
4220 80th St NE, Marysville

CALL TO ORDER: President Jo Ann Pyle called the meeting to order at 7:34 pm at the Marysville School Board Room. Roll call of officers found all present. Roll call of clubs found delegates for Dancing Shadows and MBCTTC not in attendance.

Guests in Attendance: Dave Fredenburg, Karen Neverdowski, Chico Mesa, Janice Lewis.

Recording Secretary: Sammi Fredenburg, 360 359-2304
mbcrecsec@gmail.com.

Correction to Happy Hoppers first dance is on October 12th.

- The **motion was made** to accept September minutes - Brooks moved, Dave seconded, **September minutes were accepted..**
- Caller Scholarship: The Board recommends a scholarship awarded to Josh McClintock for Caller School. **Ray moved, Melody seconded, motion passed.**
- Council Dances: A discussion ensued regarding the recommendation to attempt to hold council dances on the 5th Saturday when possible.
- Happy Hoppers had a successful Angel Worship in September at the Carl Gibson Center in September.

President's Report: Jo Ann Pyle, 206.914.2253, lopenn@aol.com

See President's Message in this issue.

Vice President: Ken Frey, kfrey1@yahoo.com.

Square Crows are holding the Council Dance this Saturday October 4th. There are four copies of the council dance instruction book. Two are held by the Board, Square Crows have one, and Samena Squares have one. We have to have the financial records from past dances, the last financial report was from 2022, So if you've sponsored a council dance since then, please make sure a report is submitted for record. And with the upcoming clubs getting out of sequence, the future schedule of hosts will be updated.

Treasurer: Tom Corning, 949.228.0719

tomcorning@comcast.net

Treasurer's report presented. Robert moved to accept the report, Randy seconded. Passed. Bills itemized, Robert moved, Oren seconded, passed.

• Budget proposed and discussed. ensued. **Motion to adopt Oren moved, Brooks seconded. Passed.**

Corresponding Secretary: Randy Lewis, 206.367.9219,

randy2126@gmail.com

No correspondence received. Notify him if you want to be added to his email list.

Area Delegate: Judy Corning, 206.794.5946,

judyseatrvi@comcast.net **No Report.**

Area Nominating: Geri Johnson 425-337-3658 gjandl628@gmail.com

No Report

Advisor: Stephen Sworen 425-308-3950 ssworen@gmail.com

The 2025-26 MBC Delegate packets are completed. Be sure to pick yours up and read through it. The packets have been updated with all new information. If you have your old packet, please turn it in so that it may be recycled.

Parliamentarian: Oren Gaskill 360-733-4487

olgaskill@comcast.net **No report.**

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Computer Coordinator: Penny Curtis 206-365-3186 publicitymbc@gmail.com

Council Dances: Fall Council Dance: Square Crows, Theme: Promenade in Pink. Dangles to all who attend. This Saturday at the North Shore Senior Center from 2-5 pm. A no-experience hall will be there. Raffle baskets, split the pot, and plenty of hand-made crafts.

Council Directory: Stephen Sworen 425-308-3950

ssworen@gmail.com

All have been passed out, a few are left over. Ray Gallagher's phone number is 425 772-3476.

Council Notes: Joyce Sworen 425-308-3950

mbcouncilnotes@gmail.com320

496 dollars to print. \$127 to mail Now 41 cents per issue to mail. Extra copies to be handed out for students in November.

Education/Leadership: Stephen (Joyce) Sworen 425-308-3950 ssworen@gmail.com

new mainstream list is out, and copies at this meeting

Footnotes: Sammi Fredenburg 360-359-2304 sammi.98270@gmail.com
need articles by the 8th of the month. Pics must be in jpeg format.
Deadline is hard and fast.

Heritage Center: Joyce Sworen 425-308-3950
mbcouncilnotes@gmail.com no report

Historian: Position Vacant. Contact Jo Ann Pyle if interested in this position. No report

Membership & Insurance: Tom Corning, 949.228.0719, tomcorning@comcast.net no report

Festival '27 meeting on Wednesday the 8th, at Dave and Bonnie's home.

Student Liaison: Lynnea Dunbar 425-314-8369 lynneadunbar@gmail.com Two angel workshops in September, Happy Hoppers and Free Wheelers hosted, funded by the Council. 70 attendees. 2025 guidelines are posted to MBC website. The 2025-26 New Dancer handbooks are printed and ready to distribute and are on the website. The five free council dance tickets have been distributed to the clubs. 41 level and no-experience dances from November to June this year. About 130 students taking lessons at this time. Now need to focus on retention.

Nominating: Geri Johnson 425-337-3658 gjandl628@gmail.com.

No report.

Properties: Geri Johnson 425-337-3658 gjandl628@gmail.com .

No report

Publicity & Promotion: Position Vacant. Contact Jo Ann Plye if interested in this position

Fair Coordinator: Bonnie Harry 425-773-9513 friends@petticoatjct.com
no report.

Round Dance: Bob (Linda) Berka 360-675-8691 bekarl@whidbey.net
Votes have not taken place this month. **No Report.**

Round Tuit: Lynnea Dunbar 425-314-8369

lynneadunbar@gmail.com T

he process for obtaining the all-around dancer dangle (Round Tuit) has been delegated to the Student Liaisons. The updated form is in the New Dancer Handbook and on the MBC website under "About MBC". Submissions can be handed or emailed to any of the Student Liaisons.

Congratulations to Barbara Ross, who earned a Round Tuit last Spring! This was her second Round Tuit. She started lessons fall 2024 and started attending student level dances right away. She will complete her third at this upcoming Council Dance!

Scrapbook: Claire Ball 425-206-8709 ball.gordy@gmail.com

No Report

Youth Report: Judy Corning: they have all their officers in place. They will be serving at the Council Dance October 4.

Festival 27: Penny Curtis, 206.235.3419, publicitymbc@gmail.com

OLD BUSINESS:

Caller Lab: Transitional phase program. Effective September 1, 2026: 50 calls, plus calls are 50 calls or greater. Video shown. Not the SSD program.

• **Motion that the Council provide free entry to the Spring Council Dance for 2025-26 Mainstream graduates.** Clubs are responsible for creating and distributing the tickets and requesting reimbursement from the

council. 25 attendees at the previous council dance would give us an idea of how much. For this year, the spring dance only. **Passed.**

- American Legion demo dance in Shoreline 10/7: Ray Gallagher calling, we need dancers. 5:30 – 6:30 Contact Robert Reichle if interested.
- Audit committee report: Thanks to Brooks and Joyce. The audit committee has reviewed the recent records of Mount Baker Council. While the records were challenging, we found adequate records to substantiate the Council's assets as stated in the report of May 31st, 2025.
- Thank you to Dudes and Dolls and Happy Hoppers for providing snacks this month. Next month the snacks will be provided by the Sky Valley Whirlwinds and the Shooting Stars.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

DELEGATE REPORTS

A Blast: Gary Faulds 206-618-8840 gary.v.faulds@gmail.com In November, ABlast will be attending the Royal Romp and will not be holding a dance at the TriWay Grange. The December dance will be on December 6th, with Ray Brendzy calling from 1 to 3:30 pm. Our dances are held at the TriWay Grange. Advanced lessons are continuing on Tuesdays at the TriWay Grange from 7:30 to 9:30 pm.

Cascade Crossfires: Judy (Tom) Corning 206-794-5946 judyse-atrvi@comcast.net. Monday October 13th: Cascade Crossfires - PLUS - with National Caller Darren Gallina 6:30 - 7:00 Complex Plus then "normal" plus 7:00 - 9:00 at the Cedar Valley Grange 20526 52nd Ave W, Lynnwood - - - Note - Plus Lessons start next Monday October 20 from 7:00 - 9:00 with Stephen Cole teaching.

Dancing Shadows: Fonda Ross 916-849-8554 tinkerntaz@aol.com No Report.

Dudes & Dolls: Vicki Byers 425-359-3234

bylynnne@hotmail.com

We had 22 new dancers at each of our "free" lessons. 11 students have signed up and are excited to learn square dancing. October 24th, we will be dark to go to the level dance at Samena Squares with our students.

November 14th will be our first level dance of the season. We will also be having our fall Experienced Clothing Sale at that dance. All current Mount Baker Council students will get one free item at the sale. Doors will open at 6 PM for early birds. We will be caravanning to Square Crows on the 21st. Finally, we will round of the month with our Black Friday/Black Light Disco Night dance on the 28th. Bring your neon or white apparel to dance under the black lights and glow in the dark.

Fern Bluff Squares: Kim Ludlow 206-383-4977

kludlow57@gmail.com

October 11th, Fern Bluff Squares "*Oktoberfest*" dance with Robert Sax and Bob Berka at the South Lake Stevens Grange 2109 103rd Ave SE, Lake Stevens. Potluck Dinner 6:00 – 7:00; Pre-rounds 7:00 – 7:30; PLUS 7:30 - 8:00; then mainstream with rounds 8:00 – 10:30.

Fidalgo Fogcutters: Leslie Keyes, 425-409-4559, l_a_keyes@msn.com

Fidalgo Fogcutter's Saturday, November 8th dance is a fundraiser and BBQ Pork Hoagie Dinner Dance. Advance tickets for the dinner/dance at \$25 per person are available from Fogcutters officers to guide our food planning. Brent Mawdsley will be calling Plus and Bob Berka will cue rounds. Dinner will be after the dance.

Freewheelers: Ryan Belsvik, 425.595.0770, ryanbelsvik@gmail.com

Freewheelers "Oktoberfest!" with pretzels & root beer at the break! Leo Catt calling & Randy Preskitt cueing at the Cedar Valley Grange, 20526 52nd Ave W, Lynnwood Advanced Rounds 6:30-7:00 the mainstream dance 7:00 - 9:00 and a 9 PM PLUS tip

Happy Hoppers: Karen Hammontree 425-870-1632

kmtree99@gmail.com

It has been great to have so many students staying with our program. The angels are showing up to help every week and we sure have needed them. Several of us went to Winthrop and had a blast. It was a great day to dance in the street! We didn't bring home any of the trophies but we will certainly try again next year. Our first level dance for our club will be on November 23. We will love having everyone "Share our Blessings" with a food drive that day. Our student appreciation clothing give away will be on November 22nd. Nov 9th the Skagit Squares will be caravanning into our "Salute to Vets" dance.

Happy Rounders: Larry Mercer 206-365-8095

larry_mercer02@outlook.com

We will be dancing on all Tuesdays in November at the Hayloft. We dance Phase 3 & 4 at the Hayloft, from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm. Randy Preskitt is the Cuer.

Mt. Baker Teachers, Callers & Cuers: Stephen Cole
206-769-4959 stephen@isquaredance.com No Report

Rainbow Squares: Lew (Oren) Gaskill 360-733-4487
olgaskill@comcast.net

Rainbow's November dance will be on Saturday, November 22nd and will feature "Sombrero Over the Rainbow" themed music with Brent & Therese Mawdsley as our Caller/Cuer Couple. We will also celebrate Rainbow's 44th Anniversary. Please bring a non-perishable food donation for our local food bank. We will be dancing Plus from 7 to 7:30 PM with Mainstream from 7:30 to 9:30 PM. The Experienced clothing sale will be open, and refreshments will be available after the dance.

Samena Squares: Debbie Rebman 206-354-9345
dancinladytoo@gmail.com

November is a special month for the Samenas. With the time change, we honor our veterans and Thanksgiving. We start the month with a caravan to the Freewheelers on November 2nd. On the 14th we have our We Love Veterans Dance with Andy Garboden calling and Alison Hampton leading line dancing. We will not have a dance on the 28th to celebrate Thanksgiving. We hope you have a meaningful Thanksgiving.

Skagit Squares: Jim Hunt, 425-681-4640,
jchunt3@gmail.com

The Skagit Squares dance at the Mt Vernon Senior Center. We will have a Student Level Dance on Saturday, November 1st at 7pm with Dave Harry. Join us on Saturday, Nov 15 at 6:30pm for a Thanksgiving Dinner with pre-rounds at 7:30pm and mainstream dance at 8:00pm with Bob/Linda Berka Cueing and Gunter Monroe Calling. Our 7pm Tuesday night lessons are going well and angels are always needed. Thanks to everyone who caravanned to our September dance.

Sky Valley Whirlwinds: Geri Johnson 425-337-3658

gjandl628@gmail.com

Our October dance will be on October 25th with Leo Catt calling and Lisa Weiser leading line dancing. In November, we will have a Level dance on November 22 with Spyder Webb calling and Lisa Weiser again leading line dancing. All our dances are at the TriWay Grange beginning with line dancing at 6 pm followed by Plus at 6:30 and Mainstream dancing from 7 to 9 pm. Be sure to let your students know of the Level dance on November 22. We are looking forward to caravanning to the Dudes and Dolls on October 10 and to the Freewheelers on November 2.

Square Crows: Jo Ann Pyle 206-914-2253,

lopenn@aol.com

The Square Crows had a very good October. As sponsor of the Mount Baker Fall Council Dance, we had a well-attended dance on the afternoon of October 4th. The theme of this dance was "Promenade in Pink" to support breast cancer awareness month. Our club's hard work and participation in this dance led to it being quite successful and fun. Our October monthly dance is on October 17th and the theme is "Masquerade". Square dance lessons are in full swing with somewhere between 12 and 18 attending. The number seems to vary from week to week. We are looking forward to a very busy November with our normal monthly dance which is a level dance.

Whirlybirds: Alyshia Main, 206.799.5424,

alysiam216@gmail.com

Our September dance was a blast. We had a number of superheroes , and of course, the Joker came as well. We are sad to say our Promenade with Pumpkins dance was canceled due to the cost of \$27 just to enter the patch. We will look for something like this for next year. At October's First Friday Fun Fest, Dancin' Dave will get any non-dancers ready to enter your lessons, so bring your friends to try it out. We will be having an Oktoberfest-themed dance this month. Please join us for a pretzel and root beer social before our dance at 7 pm.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Meeting adjourned at 9:04pm.

The next Council meeting is Wednesday **November 5, 2025** at 7:30 PM.

Location: Marysville School District Board Room,

4220 80th St NE, Marysville

- Jo Ann will be absent as she is in Florida.
- Snacks will be provided by SkyValley Whirlwinds & Shooting Stars.

Respectfully submitted,

Sammi Fredenburg
Recording Secretary

Mount Baker Square and Round Dance Council Treasurer Report 10/1/2025					
Balance as reported on 9/3/2025					
Plus deposits					
	Checking	Savings	Due	10/21/2025	12/21/2025
	2,289.28	10,892.10		CD 7mo	CD 12mo
				11,287.14	44,967.89
					69,436.41
Membership Dues					
	6.00				
	1,000.00	(1,000.00)			
Transfer					
Interest					
9/30/2025				36.45	168.31
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Subtotal Income:	1,006.00	(1,000.00)			210.76
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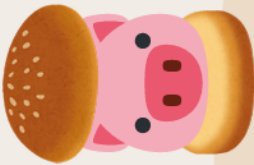
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Fundraiser Dance & BBQ Hoagies Dinner

GET YOUR ADVANCE TICKETS (\$25) FROM ANY FOGCUTTER TO GUIDE OUR FOOD PREP. DANCE WITH US (OR SIMPLY WATCH) BEFORE JOINING US FOR A PULLED PORK HOAGIE MEAL WITH SIDE DISHES. VEGETARIAN OPTION AVAILABLE. WE APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT FOR PLUS DANCING IN THE NORTH END OF MBC.

Caller: Brent Mawdsley

Cuer: Bob Berka



8 NOV 2025	1:30 - 2 ROUNDS 2-4 PLUS	SKAGIT V. GRANGE 21273 COOK RD. BURLINGTON
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Q?? DON CARLSON EM: DON@KARUSON.COM

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