



The 5th Wednesday Letter

From Sandi & Dan Finch

Wednesday, October 30, 2002

Dear Wednesday Dancers:

Believe it or not, we are coming up on our First Half Year anniversary as the cuers and instructors for your Carousel Club (No. 261). We can hardly believe it. It sounds so trite, but it's true; time flies when you're having fun.

We credit all of you with making our transition to teachers so memorable and rewarding. We look forward to many, many more anniversaries with you.

For those of you who have not been around lately, we are still trying some new things. The floor was getting so crowded, especially on foxtrots, that we have begun splitting the floor when it seems like the thing to do.

We have also been playing three uncued rounds before the start of the regular Wednesday Night cued program. Come early and enjoy the music, even if you don't want to try your favorites without cues. Let us know if you think this is a worthwhile

experiment.

With the holidays upon us, we thought you might want to be able to plan for the remaining Wednesday nights of the year. We WILL dance on November 27, the day before Thanksgiving, and it will be a party dance. Those of you who like to potluck, this will be another chance to bake as well as shake. Bring along a copy of your recipe if you want to share.

Mark your calendar. December 18 will be our Christmas party night and our last Wednesday Night dance for 2002. We will be DARK from then until January 8, 2003. Not our choice; the City is closing the Senior Center on Wednesday, Christmas Day, and Wednesday, New Year's Day.

We will hit the ground running in 2003, though. Look for details about a special one-day dance event we're cooking up for early January, in addition to the regular Wednesday Nights with Dan & Sandi.



Days of Our Lives

Birthdays:

Lou Perdew	11/1
Becky Sorenson	11/3
Richard Wu	11/10
Penny Sherwin	11/12
Jean de la Torre	11/12
Ed Gaines	11/15
Mas Nabata	11/29
Camie Bolduc	12/7
Bud Hanson	12/27
Dianne Gaines	12/28
Brian Scanlon	1/9
Malcolm Pecor	1/18
Lorraine Mahrt	1/21
Aiko Nabata	1/21
Collette Weiss	1/27

Anniversaries:

Brian & Alice	11/6
Ken & Marion	11/12
Pat & Ann	12/11
Paul & Betty	12/23
Russ & Stella	12/26

To Reach Us At The Hall

If you need to be reached at the Senior Center on Wednesday night in an emergency, or if you want to reach us there, call the following number:

714-206-1214

UPCOMING THEME NIGHTS

11/6 We Can't Forget Our Veterans



12/18 Holiday Party



11/13 Half-Year Anniversary

12/25 MERRY CHRISTMAS
(NO CLASS)



11/27 Thanksgiving Party



1/1/03 HAPPY NEW YEAR
(NO CLASS)

Ramblings:

Clara Marshall is proof that following the doctor's orders can be good for you. She has been religiously doing her foot exercises—even when she is out for the evening at a friend's house—and the result is showing. She danced August 28 for the first time since her retirement in May, and hasn't stopped since.



We've always heard about that proverbial slow boat to China, but Joe and Dee Myers can tell you about it in detail now. They spent 21 days in China this summer, including an eight-day cruise on a slow boat on the Yangtze River.



Lots of people were traveling over the late summer and fall. Sheba Faust spent some time in Alaska. Ed and Dianne Gaines and Lynn Brewer made the trip back to Purdue University for the annual Indiana Institute. Ed and Barbara Johnson, Brian and Alice Scanlon and Collette Weiss had an unexpected tour of East LA after the timing belt broke on their car en route to Wednesday Night to dance. This was the reason we now have a cell phone at the hall as an emergency number for your use. (See story on front.)



Anita Froehlich has left us for a job transfer to Washington, D.C., with the Defense Department. She said goodbye earlier this month, but some of us bid her adieu at the Fiesta In Arizona, before her flight out to her new home.



Harold Peyton and Marie Marlow competed brilliantly (and separately) in September at the Embassy Ball, one of the most prestigious ballroom competitions in America. Harold and his professional partner Irina consistently take first place in solo events. Tim Todd and Patricia Michaud competed at the Orange County Senior Olympics—the first competition for both—and they came home with a fistful of medals. Max Martel and Sheba Faust also competed and, like always, they too came home with many medals around their necks.



Bob Mahrt is almost recovered from his shoulder surgery this summer. He couldn't play golf for four months but that didn't stop him from dancing a week after the surgery.



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