

# OUR NEWS

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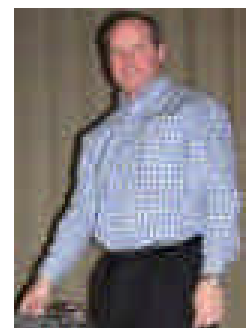
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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENTS

I had the pleasure of being both a worker (in a small way) and a consumer of the Beef á la King show. The production was produced and directed by Rose Marie and Ken with a cast of many. The group who attended were treated to a fine meal of beef with salads etc. Rose Marie made three cakes to feed the multitude. I guess I should mention that we had a great dance also. Sometimes I missed a call due to the laughter and general high spirits throughout the dance. If the intent was to have a night of serious dancing in a sedate manner we failed. The comments herein are intended to emphasize the quality of the members of our club and the willingness to work and play hard that is our hallmark. When the history of our club is examined we find our continued success is the result of the contributions of the same type of members who were responsible for the success of the Beef á la King. Yellow Rock to all



## BEEF Á LA KING ANOTHER SUCCESS



See our web site for more pictures

Photographs by Gerry Fuchs

**BEEF Á LA KING 2009 GOES GREEN**

Our convenors for the Beef á la King have started a wonderful thing.

At this year's dance all of the food scraps, paper plates and napkins were deposited in special paper composting bags. These bags will then be put to the curb for compost pick up rather than in to the garbage bag and then to the dump.

Before the meal started, Ken Robinson got up and said a few words that included the explanation on using these compost bags. It was a well received idea that we shall continue to use as a club.



**A REMINDER**

This is to remind you that the church is open to many people; Do not keep valuables in the hallway. We have had a report that items have been removed from coat pockets.

**WORDS FROM T&D DIRECTOR—ROSE MARIE ROBINSON**

I think I have recuperated from the T&D Dance at St. Bartholomew's United Church in Brampton on Saturday! We were trying out a different format - we danced from 1:00 to 5:30 p.m., with a short break for goodies and the annual general meeting at 2:30. It probably goes down as the shortest meeting in recorded history - and one of the longest dances! We

had a great time, and we were delighted to see so many attend from our Waterdown club!

A major item on the agenda for each annual general meeting is elections. Ken and I were "ambushed" by the nominations committee and came home as vice president—elect! John Wrigglesworth, past-president of T & D and current chair of the

nominating committee, is seeking persons who are members of T & D Square and Round Dance Association or are willing to become members who are interested in filling the now-vacant positions of directors. If you are interested or can suggest someone who may be a good candidate, please speak to us.

The next T & D dance is

a Joint Dance with Swing and Whirl Square Dance Club, to be held on April 4, 2009 at First Grantham United Church, 415 Linwell Rd., St. Catharines. Round dance party with Bob & Betty Beck starts at 7:00 p.m; Squares and rounds, from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. The Callers will be Wayne Hall and John Wrigglesworth. Hope to see you there!

*Rose Marie Robinson*

**ROSE MARIE'S COLE SLAW**

Shred 1 head of cabbage into a large bowl, and sprinkle with 1 chopped onion, 1/4 C white sugar, and 1 tsp salt. Add a couple of shredded carrots and some red cabbage (optional)

**DRESSING:**  
 1 tsp dry mustard  
 1 cup white vinegar  
 1/4 cup white sugar  
 1 tsp salt

Boil ingredients together; add 3/4 cup salad oil and return to boil


Pour hot dressing over cabbage. Cover and refrigerate for 1 day before using. This salad will store in the refrigerator for a good week.



**POEM FROM THE ARCHIVES CIRCA 1981**

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| <p>We came in October to<br/>St. James Place</p> <p>Uncertain whether we<br/>would like the pace,</p> <p>But seeming it was free,<br/>oh, what the heck,</p> <p>Why not try a bit of this<br/>Bill Everett?</p> <hr/> <p>Bill started us off with a<br/>whirlwind tour</p> <p>Of the basic steps<br/>required for the “dance</p> | <p>du jour”</p> <p>He coddled us all with a<br/>pat on the back</p> <p>Knowing full well we<br/>hadn't the knack</p> <p>To know right from left<br/>or a “U Turn Back”</p> <hr/> <p>Barb &amp; Ness were quick<br/>to catch on</p> <p>How to break up a caller<br/>who insisted upon</p> | <p>Calling “Allemand Left”<br/>when they hadn't<br/>completed</p> <p>A previous call that<br/>most had deleted</p> <hr/> <p>Two Jims and their<br/>wives were quick to<br/>deplore</p> <p>Head-on accidents<br/>caused by some guy<br/>hollering “Four”</p> <p>And Jo and her helpers<br/>did a great caller caper</p> | <p>That tied our Bill up in<br/>white toilet paper</p> <hr/> <p>Bill taught us to swing,<br/>to sway and to swap</p> <p>He taught us to Balance<br/>and Spin the Top</p> <p>But most of all he<br/>taught us the fun</p> <p>Of being together and<br/>laughing like one.</p> <p><i>Author Unknown</i></p> |
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**ABOUT TAMINATIONS**

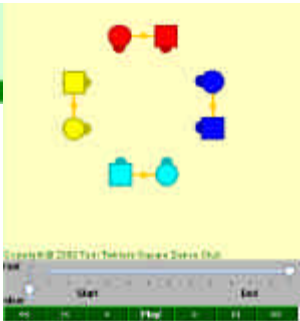


<http://www.tamtwirlers.org/tamination/info/index.html>

This web site that has been rec-

ommended to us by some experienced dancers. It is very good. You can sit quietly at you computer and

study any of the square dance moves you may have missed at last night’s class or you just need to refresh your memory.



**YOUR EXECUTIVE FOR 2008–2009**

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| <p><b>Presidents:</b></p> <p>Gerry O’Halloran 905.469.3134</p> <p>Pat Coutts 905.822.8045</p> <p><b>Past Presidents:</b></p> <p>Doug Irwin 905.574.7555</p> <p>Faye Evenden</p> <p><b>Secretary &amp; Publicity:</b></p> <p>Tom Petersen &amp; 905.824.4647</p> <p>Marion Petersen</p> | <p><b>Vice Presidents:</b></p> <p>Al Berry 905.517.7558</p> <p>Dawn Ragg 905.592.0003</p> <p><b>Treasurer:</b></p> <p>Bev Barrowcliffe 905.628.9061</p> <p><b>Ticket Sales:</b></p> <p>Jim &amp; Lucy Fratoni 905.544.9620</p> <p><b>Membership:</b></p> <p>Bill Turnbull &amp; 905.878.9573</p> <p>Corinne Turnbull</p> | <p><b>Conveners:</b></p> <p>Plus–[Monday]:</p> <p>Pat &amp; Ralph Coutts</p> <p>Lucy &amp; Jim Fratoni</p> <p>A1- [Tuesday]:</p> <p>Volunteers required</p> <p>Class/Mainstream-[Thursday]:</p> <p>Kieth Evans</p> |
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**IMPORTANT**

Looking for members to join the Executive.

Get your name on the slate for the 2009-2010 year.

*Speak to current Executive member for further details.*

We are on the web!

[www.waterdownvillagesquares.ca](http://www.waterdownvillagesquares.ca)

## WATERDOWN VILLAGE SQUARES

Dances held at:

St James United Church

306 Parkside Drive,

Waterdown, ON

Phone: 905-824-4647

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E-mail: [info@waterdownvillagesquares.ca](mailto:info@waterdownvillagesquares.ca)

Canada Post: Box 910, Waterdown, ON LOR 2H0



*Forget your cares, dance with the  
Waterdown Village Squares*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### SPECIAL DANCES

REUNION & 40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY DANCE

Sat March 28, 2009

5:30 to 11:30 pm

MS—A1 plus social dance

47<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SPRING SPREE WITH LIFTLOCK SQUARES

Sat. 18 April 2009

Squares with Don Moger, Charlie McClure and Norm Wilcox

Rounds with Jerry and Bonnie Callen

Call Wayne Hare for info at 705-743-3077

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & HOEDOWN

Thurs April 23, 2009

Dinner, meeting, MS—A1 dance

Very Important

50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY DANCE FOR BEAUX & BELLES

Sun. 3 May, 2009

1:30 to 4:30pm

Mainstream, Plus & Rounds

1:00 to 1:30 pm

Round Dance Party

Egbert Jacobs, Jeff Priest

## RIDING THE CLUTCH

Many moons ago, when I was 16, I was learning to drive my mum's 1967 Triumph Herald 2 door convertible. It was great car that I really liked to drive. It was a 4 on the floor manual transmission. As a beginner I was worried that I wouldn't be able to react fast enough on the clutch when I needed to so I used to "ride the clutch". One day when Dad was out with me he noticed what I was doing and explained the damage I was doing to the clutch.

I was reminded of this the other night when a lady in my square winced as someone grabbed her hands and held on tight. The pressure on her fingers was obviously quite painful. I could sympathize with her. There are women out there who manage to find the joint on my index finger that has developed arthritis and hold on for dear life. When we promenaded instead of gently resting their palms in my palms they grab on and "ride the clutch". Fortunately, the promenades don't last too long and sometimes with a little fidgeting on my behalf I manage to relieve the pressure.

Dancers, please be kind to those of us who have tender hands and remember that when promenading, death grips on your partner's hands are not necessary. The beaux should have their palms up and the belles should gently rest their palms on top facing down and resist the urge to lock your thumbs under your partner's hands "riding the clutch" of his or her fingers.

Submitted by Tom Petersen



and Andrea Priest

Call the Fletchers for info at 519-208-0435

48<sup>TH</sup> T&D CONVENTION

May 7,8 & 9, 2009

Mainstream to C-1

Phase II-V & Contras

T & D JOINT DANCE WITH WATERDOWN VILLAGE SQUARES

Saturday Nov 7,2009

Rounds, Plus & A1 Tips called by Jim Lee

Afternoon and Evening

GUEST CALLER TEACH NIGHTS

Plus Teach—Mondays

February 23—Wayne Hall

March 2— John Wrigglesworth

March 9— Wayne Hall

A1 Teach—Tuesdays

February 24— Norm Wilcox

March 3— Norm Wilcox

March 10— Norm Wilcox

March 31—Tim Crawford