



NEWSLETTER – January 2024

Hi Everyone –



And Happy Bloody Mary Day! In case you haven't been able to tell – I'm a Boop fan 😊

Welcome to January –The season of fresh starts whether it is a diet, a relationship or any other promise you have made to yourself now is the chance! I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season surrounded by the people you love the most. Remember this is YOUR newsletter so let me know what else you'd like to see.

If you're still feeling festive – here's a list of the other food holidays in January-
(all National holidays)

4 – National Spaghetti Day – (sign me up)

13 – National Gluten-Free Day – (I'll think about it)

15 – National Bagel Day – (heck yeah)

20 – National Cheese Lover’s Day – (every day)

23 – National Pie Day – (strawberry rhubarb please)

27 – National Chocolate Cake Day – (one slice or two)

28 – National Blueberry Pancake Day – (nope –my brother threw them up in the car when we were kids – ruined me forever)

30 – National Croissant Day – (yes please)

31 – National Hot Chocolate Day – (of course and not only in winter)

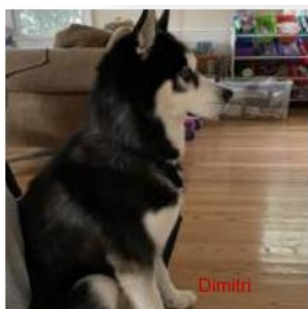
Don’t know about you but I’m still feeling festive BUT then there goes my fresh start on the new year!



SOMETHING TO CROW ABOUT -

Hey everyone – remember this guy?

Dimitri belongs to Mike Altschuler and in the October Newsletter it was mentioned Dimitri started obedience classes on September 10th. Well guess who graduated on October 29th – that’s right good boy Dimitri! Well done Mike and Dimitri – continue being the good boys you are!



Barry and Jacqueline Gray just returned from a 14 day cruise down the Nile River in Egypt celebrating their 40th anniversary – Congrats you two . Quite an accomplishment in today’s world! See a couple pics on the next page.



Friends – We are 90+ strong! Please send me your good news – this runs the risk of being eliminated every month.

Are you travelling? Let's see some pics and tell us how you felt about the trip. New baby in the family? Who doesn't love seeing those sweet little faces....send it to me!

PICK A CHAIR –



Our featured chair for January is our Vice-President Co-Chair Marla Schneider – Marla's favorite Co-Chair (You know who he is 😊) will be featured in a later issue. Look at her – can you see the joy beaming out of her face?

This happily retired VP of HR has been living the good life since March 2021 when she went to the office for the last time! Well then, it's no wonder she was drafted at a dance by the nominating committee to continue on with her job as VP on our Board of Directors!

During her college days – where she graduated from Univ. Illinois with a degree in Speech Communications, Marla went to a square dance at a dude ranch and enjoyed it so much that years later in September 2021 she started square dancing with SSD and is now taking on PLUS. This sweet sensitive soul has a girlfriend from her elementary school days who was the maid of honor at her wedding and now Marla has 2 sons, 1 stepdaughter and 2 grandchildren – Mallory 3yo and Miles 9mo. Safe to say her kids are her star shine from the heart. Along with her 2

legged children/grandchildren she enjoys her 4 legged kids -2 horses, 2 dogs and barn cat “Bling”.

When she’s not relishing in her children or animals Marla can be seen watching Grey’s Anatomy, playing contract rummy or reading a good book like Palomino by Danielle Steele; all while indulging in Haagen Dazs coffee ice cream or a nice snickers bar.

Along with indulging her grandchildren Marla includes horseback riding and line dancing as some of her favorite past times as well as you know.....square dancing!

This fluently speaking Spanish gal has a trip to the Holy Land and another trip to Alaska planned for this year....keep watching this newsletter – I will nab her for pictures. (wonder who’s going with her – again – keep your eyes on this space to learn more 😊) Another trip, to Italy, is a bucket list item for her right now. Bien hecho Marla! (I had to ask Siri how to say well done)



CALLER’S CORNER —

Our featured caller is Sweetie Pie excuse me I mean Candice Hansen. Well let’s just say she’s a revelation 😊. Being a newbie to square dancing and this club I love learning about people. After the loss of her husband in 2016 her friends and relatives rallied around her but after a year of being treated with “kid gloves” and always feeling like a 3rd wheel, (been there) Candice started looking for something new to try or do. To the internet she went where a series of random clicks led her to a square dance intro party led by THE Bruce Holmes in Kenilworth. Candice signed up for lessons in 2017 and hit the ground running learning SSD and PLUS. How did she become a caller you ask? She claims to have repeated this story many times but guess what it’s new to me so please indulge both her and I.

Candice was at a new dancer dance in the winter of 2017 and the caller was having a rough night. He’d gotten lost on the way to the dance and was late. His equipment wasn’t working, he had a cold so his voice was off. Things weren’t going so well for him and in her “new dancer naivete” Candice leaned over to Joy and said “Man, even *I* could do better than this.” The next morning the phone rang and it was Bruce! “Sooo... I hear you want to be a caller!”

After tutoring by Bruce, and attending several Chicago Caller Schools and workshops, Candice taught her first lessons for North Shore Squares in 2019. During the pandemic she participated in video workshops and some sessions with Tom Miller. Coming out of the pandemic is when she started teaching classes for Glenview. Although Candice still considers herself a very new caller, (fooled me) with much more to learn she really enjoys connecting with the crowd as we

gather just to have some fun and maybe create some square dance magic. (Also, she loves the singing calls!)

Candice is retired from her job as elementary school music teacher and in 2019 to be closer to her two adult daughters Sarah 37 and Elizabeth 32 she bought some property in Spring Mills, PA – population 407 – built a house and tries to get out there every 6 weeks or so. That’s where she gets grandma time with granddaughter Maggie, a precious 18month old born to Elizabeth and Todd. Oh yeah, I feel ya there Candice – welcome to the grandparents club! Free time? She’s got a little and when she can she loves to read a good mystery, quilting, cross-stitching and/or travel. A girl after my own heart – she lists butter pecan and heath bar as her favorites in ice cream and candy. (the toffee from Cora Lee Candies...omgosh....)

Candice also hopes to some day bucket list travel to a safari in Africa. And kudos to you Candice for owning up to your guilty pleasure of reading trashy romance novels! Everyone needs a little guilty pleasure once in a while. Although I do find it hard to believe Candice ever gets peeved – her trigger? Drivers that don’t use their turn signals – as she says “yeah it’s petty but isn’t that why it’s called “pet” peeve? I’ll bet she sees a lot of that on the road to Spring Mills, PA. One final thing you should know about Candice. Candice was a Girl Scout Leader and Outdoor Trainer for 25+ years and was the adult Girl Scout Knot Tying and Lashing Champion 3 years running at The Annual DuPage Council Jamboree! Who knew? I sure didn’t. Is there anything you can’t do Candice?



If you don’t see your name here for January it’s because you didn’t let me know!

Ok **February** kids – let me know your day and I’ll mention it next month!! Anybody out there born on Valentine’s Day?

HOOK ME UP –



Always check the website for the latest and greatest of what’s happening in our club including the current calendar - conventions, events, samplers, classes and more. In case you want to re-read an issue - Webmaster Ed Friedman is filing all issues of this newsletter under the “Members” tab “Club Newsletters”. Thanks Ed !

Website - [Glenview Squares](http://GlenviewSquares.org) .

Here is a brief list of dance opportunities for January –

1/5 - Friday @ 7:30pm-10pm - Club dance - First Presb. Deerfield

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SAMPLERS-

1/6 - Saturday @ 2p-4p St David's Episcopal 2410 Glenview Rd, Glenview

1/11-Thursday @ 6:45p-8:30p Patty Turner Center 375 Elm St, Deerfield

1/14 -Sunday @ 2p-4p Glenview Public Library 1930 Glenview Rd, Glenview

Lessons start Thursday, Jan. 18 in Deerfield and Tuesday, Jan. 23 in Glenview.

Dance Like You Mean It in 2024

SQUARE DANCE SAMPLERS

Give Square Dance a Try

- No partner needed
- No experience needed
- Simple lessons to learn beginning steps

Mark your calendar!
FUN
Ages 10-99



FOUR Square Dance Samplers | **FUN** | No Experience Needed

Dec 31 | SUNDAY | 12p-2p | The Grove, 1421 Milwaukee Av, Glenview*
** Ticketed Event | FEE \$5 advance/\$7 at door | Get tickets at glenviewparks.org*

Jan 6 | SATURDAY | 2p-4p | St. David's Episcopal, 2410 Glenview Rd, Glenview
** Free - no registration needed*

Jan 11 | THURSDAY | 6:45p-8:30p | Patty Turner Center, 375 Elm St, Deerfield
** Free - no registration needed*

Jan 14 | SUNDAY | 2p-4p | Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Rd, Glenview*
** Free - Pre-registration requested | Visit Glenviewpl.org*

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LEARN to SQUARE DANCE

• No experience needed

• No partner needed

• Welcoming community

• Active movement that engages body & mind



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Ages 10-16 - requires enrolled adult
Questions? Call 847-834-9126
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TUESDAY Lessons
~ Glenview ~

THURSDAY Lessons
~ Deerfield ~

Start: Tuesday, Jan. 23
Time: 7 pm - 9 pm
Place: St. David's Church, 2410 Glenview Rd, Glenview

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TICKLE YOUR FUNNYBONE -


What's a Lego's favorite kind of dancing?

Square dancing

How many square dancers does it take to screw in a light bulb?

Eight. Square dancers do everything in groups of eight! (But we knew that!!!!)

Congrats to Jo Byers (noting that Steve sings the theme song to Car 54), Joy Nachtbar, Carolyn Lopez and Ed Friedmann for their correct response of Fred Gwynne (1926-1993)

A gold star awarded to Deb Oberst  as the **first** correct response- naming Fred Gwynne, Car 54 Where Are You and Officer Muldoon! Click on this link if you'd like to know more about Herman Munster oh pardon me I mean Fred Gwynne [Fred Gwynne - Biography - IMDb](#)

Sending this out at 12:01am – let's see who sleeps in and who still gets up early in the new year!
Ok try this one – can't wait to see your guesses!!



Wishing you all a 2024 filled with great joy, good health (and square dancing)

You are the best !

Let me hear from ya – good/bad- but be nice 😊

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