



# January 2024

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### **Christmas Party –**

What a night we had – the Christmas Party was spectacular! The food was fabulous and the dancing was great. Thanks to Glenn for all of the Christmas “singers” and thanks to Murray for playing the accordion for us. There were about 60 people present and everyone had a wonderful time. Look further into the Fanout for some great pictures taken by Paul. We accepted donations to the Calgary Food Bank at the Christmas Party. We collected 16 pounds of food and \$159. The money will enable the food bank to purchase \$400 to \$500 worth of groceries. Thanks for your contributions and thanks to Dave for delivering the groceries and money.

### **Square Dance Dresses for Sale –**

A retired square dancer, Hilda Fletcher, is selling her collection of vintage dresses. The dresses are size 10, and very reasonably priced. If you are interested in starting or expanding your square dance wardrobe, give Hilda a call at 403-948-4181. Her answering machine is always on. Three of us have already purchased dresses, but she still has more. Happy shopping! She lives on a farm on the outskirts (pun intended) of Airdrie, so you’ll get a nice drive in the country.

### **First Beginner Night –**

Our first night of lessons will be Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. See you there!

### **First Mainstream Dance –**

Our first Mainstream night is on Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup>. **PLEASE NOTE THAT SQUARE DANCING WILL BE FROM 7:30 TO 9:30 PM, AND THAT THERE WILL BE NO PRE-ROUNDS.** This is our new format for regular Mainstream dances for the rest of the year.

### **New Dancer Quarterly Fees –**

For the new dancers who are paying their fees quarterly (\$45 every two months) the next installment is due at the beginning of January. Payments can be made by cash, cheque or e-transfer to [treasurerqueensandjacks@gmail.com](mailto:treasurerqueensandjacks@gmail.com).

### **Loonies & Toonies Charity Dance –**

Our Loonies & Toonies Charity Dance will be held on Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>. All donations received will be given to the Canadian Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation. Several members of our club have suffered from this disease which is fatal.



Because this is a 'special event', which we advertise to the broader square dance community, we will begin at 7:30 pm with pre-rounds and square dancing beginning at 8:00 pm.

### Want to Review Dance Moves? –

Do you want to brush up on some mainstream moves? Learn a new one? Catch up on ones you missed? This is the #1 recommended website.

<https://videosquaredancelessons.com/lessons/#mainstream>

Check our website, [www.queensandjacks.com](http://www.queensandjacks.com), on the "Programs" page to see a full list of the mainstream moves.

### Sunshine –

If you are aware of anyone in the club who is experiencing a difficult time please let Pat know and she will organize a 'sunshine' card to be sent.



### Winter Weekend Special –

For Mainstream and Plus dancers Gary Winter will be coming to Calgary for our annual Winter dance at McDougall United Church – 8516 Athabasca Street SE. The Plus dance will be on Sunday Jan 28<sup>th</sup> from 1:30 to 4:00 pm and the Mainstream dance will be on Saturday Jan 27<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 to 10:00 pm. Brent and Nancy have advance tickets for sale - \$10 per person for one dance or \$15 per person for both dances. Tickets at the door will be \$14 per person.

### Cue Steps "A Chance to Dance" –

Ever wanted to see what round dancing (or choreographed ballroom dance) is about? Try out two-step on Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at Winston Heights Community Centre, 520 – 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm.

### National Square Dance Festival July 2024 here in Calgary –

Festival 2024 has now reached its participant capacity of 600 and new registrants are being put on a wait list. There are currently more than 25 Queens & Jacks members registered for the festival – including Glenn! If you still want to attend and you would be able to 'pivot' a few days before the festival in the event of last minute cancellations then don't hesitate to still register.

Nancy and Brent Daignault  
Past Presidents



ATTACHMENTS:

Christmas Party pictures

Loonies & Toonies Charity Dance poster



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**Queens & Jacks Square Dance Club**

*Loonies & Toonies*  
*Charity Dance*

**Willow Ridge Community Centre**  
**680 Acadia Drive SE**

*Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024*

**Caller – Glenn Watts**  
**Cuer – Frances Levitt Byler**

**Pre-Rounds – 7:30 pm**  
**Mainstream Dance – 8:00 pm**  
***\*\*All singing calls all night long! \*\****

**\$7.50 per person**

**All donations will be forwarded to the  
Canadian Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation**



**Please bring your own water bottle**

**Gary  
Winter**



**Sherwood  
Park, AB**

# WINTER WEEKEND SPECIAL

***McDougall United Church Hall***  
8516 Athabasca St. SE, CALGARY

**Mainstream Dance**

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2024  
7:30pm Rounds; 8-10pm Squares

**Plus Dance**

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024  
1:30pm Rounds; 2-4pm Squares

**ADVANCE SALES:**  
\$10 per Dance OR \$15 for BOTH Dances

**AT DOOR: \$14 per Dance**

*Tickets Available from Club C&D Reps or Al Moody 403-256-8738*



# A Chance to Dance

Come enjoy a **free** afternoon of  
Two-Step Dance Instruction at **CueSteps**



- experience cued social dancing
- improve your Two-Step skills for the National Convention
- casual, friendly atmosphere
- regular classes start January 21
- Waltz, Jive and Latin rhythms introduced in later semesters

**Have Fun! Keep Active! Make New Friends!**

**Where:** Winston Heights CC  
520 - 27<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE

**When:** Sunday, January 14

**Time:** 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Please call

Janice (403) 279-3771

or Ron (403) 851-1581

for further information





Information & Registration: [www.squaredance.ab.ca](http://www.squaredance.ab.ca)

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<https://bookings.travelclick.com/13627?groupID=4033721&hotelID=13627#/guestsandrooms>



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**23<sup>rd</sup> CANADIAN NATIONAL FESTIVAL**  
**JULY 17-20, 2024**  
**CALGARY, ALBERTA**

