



Mountain Dew-ers News May 2024

April showers did bring May flowers....
but it's still cold in Kamiah.

On April 27th, we celebrated the 43rd Anniversary of the Mountain Dew-ers and Phil Rowan's 92nd birthday. Phil and his wife Ellen started the Mountain Dew-ers in 1981. Not everybody can dance a square or two the night before their 92nd birthday, but Phil was up to the challenge. The baked potato bar and other yummy food made this an extra special evening. The dance was free to Mountain Dew-ers club members. Dance expenses were paid with funds received from the Palouse Promenaders in 2021. Thank you, Promenaders, for your generosity.

This same evening, Choreographed Ballroom Certificates were awarded to Lorna, Don, Dave, Lynn, Janessa, Elizabeth, and Rees for 2-step and waltz. Olivia, Garrett, and Nathan received a certificate for 2-step and Gabe received a certificate for waltz. Congratulations to all of you!!

Square Dance Clothes Giveaway/Exchange – At lessons, Thursday, May 9th. Now's your chance to unstuff your closet and/or get a "new to you" outfit.

Mountain Dew-ers Badges....Mountain Dew-ers badges and Idaho State Festival dangles will be ordered on May 17th. The cost of a badge is \$10. You need to be registered for the Idaho State Festival to order a dangle. Dangles are \$2.

Graduation....A graduation ceremony for our fast-track mainstream square dancers and choreographed rumba and cha cha dancers is Thursday, May 23.

State Festival Update:

91 dancers are pre-registered for the 2024 Idaho State Festival. (70 ID, 7 WA, 14 MT).

Have you turned in your registration form?

Ten cardboard silhouettes cut out and painted. (April 23rd) 5 volunteers did 2 hours of tracing and cutting and 1 hour of painting. Thank you to Wayne at Kooskia Feed for donating the cardboard.

Work on Mountain Dew-ers arm/leg/wrist bands begins. (April 30th) Contact Lynn or Janelle to help with this project.

June 13th – Setup for State Festival begins @ approx 5 pm followed by a Trails-in Dance @ 7:30. This is a Mountain Dew-ers sponsored event. Finger foods are always welcome.

June 14th-15th – 9 am to 10 pm – **Idaho State Square and Round Dance Festival**

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