August 2015

Dear Country Dancers in Kalamazoo,

Summer is nearly over, and September brings the start of our 2015–16 season. We hope you enjoyed dancing at the grange last year and plan to join or rejoin Country Dancing in Kalamazoo as a member for the new season. Membership dues help maintain our community’s financial stability and enable us to attract excellent bands and callers for our dances. **Membership rates** are the same as last year: $14 for individuals, $20 for two or more living at the same address. **Admission rates** will be slightly increased over last year for our Saturday contra and square dances ($8 members, $10 nonmembers, $5 students), Sunday Just for Fun dances ($5 students, $6 others), and Wednesday English dances ($5 students, $6 others). As before, if more than two children in a family (age 13 and up) attend a dance, only the first two are charged. Young dancers under 13 are admitted free. **Please note**, admission rates may be increased for certain special dances; up-to-date information is at our web site: [http://people.albion.edu/ram/ck/](http://people.albion.edu/ram/ck/)

**All dances this season will be at the Oshtemo Grange**, at the corner of H Avenue and 3rd Street.

*Regular contra and square dances will be on the second Saturday of each month, starting September 12. The dances on December 12, March 12, and May 14 will be preceded by **potluck suppers**.

*We’ll also have quite a few **fourth Saturday** dances. These include some open-mic dances. (See flyer.)

*English country dances will again be on **third Wednesdays**, starting September 16.

*“Just for Fun” dances, led by a variety of local callers, will again be on **first Sundays**, beginning October 4. These are a combination of workshop and party, focused on couple dances such as waltz and various kinds of set dances, such as contra, squares, and English. (See flyer.)

*Saturday evening dances go from 7:30 to 10:30, usually with a skill workshop and orientation at 7:00. Most Wednesday dances go from 7:30 to 9:30. Sunday dances go from 2:00 to 5:00.

*We’ll have local bands for some contra & square dances, as well as a variety of outside bands. Most of the English dances will have live music, and a couple will use recorded music.

*We’ll have both local and outside callers during the season.

Membership entitles you to the admission discounts noted above, to receive notice about special dances, to participate in the Annual Meeting in May for electing members of the Board of Directors, and, if you are interested, to attend Board meetings. Please **complete the enclosed membership form** and send it with your check (payable to Country Dancing in Kalamazoo) to Mike Clark, CDK Treasurer, at 3618 Woodcliff Drive, Kalamazoo, 49008. We’ll also accept membership renewals and new memberships at the fall dances, but **renewal by mail is preferred**, to relieve congestion at the admissions desk.

Country Dancing in Kalamazoo Inc. is a 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation. Please also consider a **tax-deductible donation** in addition to your membership fee. (The membership fee is also deductible.)

Sincerely,

The Board of Country Dancing in Kalamazoo

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