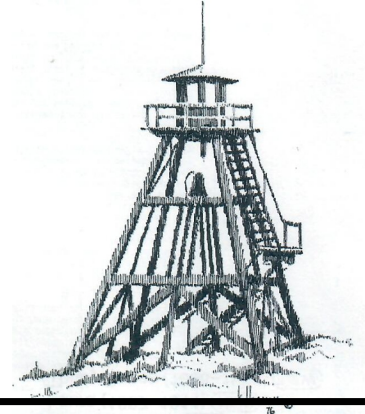


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Last Chance Squares, Helena, Montana - January 2024- Volume 17

## Club Saturday Night Dances

January - 27th - BHB - Fairgrounds - 6:30 pm

February - 10th - BHB - Fairgrounds - 6:30pm  
24th - BHB - Fairgrounds - 6:30pm

March 9th - BHB - Fairgrounds - 6:30  
16th - St. Patrick's Dance - SEE FLYER FOR DETAILS

April 13th - BHB - Fairgrounds - 6:30pm  
27th - BHB - Fairgrounds - 6:30 pm

Break  
time

Please bring your own beverage to drink. Finger foods are always welcome and appreciated.

## January Birthdays:



Joann Rider  
6th

Heidi Timmerman  
27th

Berk Conrad  
28th

...and  
many  
more



Live Lively -



Square Dance!

**MONTANA Temperature Conversion Chart**  
**Provided by yhe Wag**

- 60 Above - Floridians wear coats, gloves and wooly hats.  
Montana people sunbathe.**
- 50 above - New Yorkers try to turn on the heat.  
Montana people plant gardens.**
- 40 above - Italian cars won't start.  
Montana people drive with the windows down.**
- 32 above - Distilled water freezes.  
Montanans store their beer outdoors.**
- 20 Above - Californians shiver uncontrollably.  
Montana people have their last cook-out before it gets cold.**
- 15 above - New York landlords finally turn up the heat.  
Montana people throw on a sweatshirt.**
- 0 degrees- Californians fly away to Mexico.  
Montanans put a turtleneck under their sweatshirt.**
- 20 below- People in Miami cease to exist.  
Montana people get out their winter coats.**
- 40 below- Hollywood disintegrates.  
Montana Girl Scouts begin selling cookies door to door.**
- 60 below - Polar bears begin to evacuate Antarctica.  
Montana Boy Scouts postpone "Winter Survival" classes until  
it gets cold enough.**
- 80 below - Mt Saint Helen's in Washington state freezes.  
Montana people rent some videos.**
- 100 below - Santa Claus abandons the North Pole.  
Montanans get frustrated when they can't thaw the keg.**
- 297 below - Microbial life survives on dairy products.  
Montana cows complain of farmers with cold hands.**
- 460 below - All atomic motion stops.  
Montana people start saying "cold 'nuff for ya"**
- 500 below - Hell freezes over.  
The Bobcats beat the Griz.**

**Might as well see a little humor in the weather. Now its warming up  
and snowing.**

**Never give up on anybody. Miracles happen every day.**

## S'mores Sandwich Bar Cookies

½ cup (1 stick) butter softened  
¾ cup sugar  
1 egg  
1 tsp vanilla extract  
1 ⅓ cups all-purpose flour  
¾ cups Graham cracker crumbs  
1 tsp baking powder  
¼ tsp salt  
5 Hershey's Milk Chocolate Bars  
(1.55 ounces each), cut into sections  
along scored lines  
3 cups miniature marshmallows

Heat over to 350°. Grease 8- inch square baking pan. Beat butter and sugar in large bowl until well blended. Add egg and vanilla, beat well. Stir together flour, graham cracker crumbs, baking powder and salt, add to butter mixture, beating until blended. Press half of dough into prepared pan. Bake 15 minutes. Sprinkle chocolate bar sections, marshmallows and bits of remaining dough over baked layer. Bake 10 to 15 minutes or just until lightly toasted. Cool completely in pan on wire rack. Cut into bars. Makes 16 bars.

## Chocolate Volcano Cookies

Gluten Free

1 (16 oz) pkg confectioner's sugar  
¾ cup unsweetened cocoa  
½ tsp salt  
4 large egg whites  
1 tbsp pure vanilla extract  
1 ½ cups semi-sweet or bittersweet  
chocolate chips

Heat oven to 350°. Line two large baking sheets with parchment paper and lightly coat paper with non-stick cooking spray. In large bowl whisk together sugar, cocoa, and salt. Add egg whites and vanilla. Stir with wooden spoon until smooth. Fold in chips. Set aside dough for five minutes. Drop rounded tablespoon of batter on prepared sheets spacing two inches apart. Bake until crackly and set about 13-15 minutes. Let cool three minutes on sheets and then with metal spatula, carefully transfer cookies to wire racks. Cool completely. Makes about 24 cookies.

**How about a new "old call": Susy Q - or All Eight Suzy-Q  
From a Squared set**

**Pass corner right shoulders, Right turn thru with opposite;  
Pass corner left shoulders, Left turn thru with partner;  
Pass corner right shoulders, Right turn thru with opposite;  
Pass corner left shoulders, Left to partner for a Courtesy Turn.  
Ends in a Squared set.**

**From a normal squared set, when passing the corner, Men always  
pass on the outside, Ladies on the inside.  
The Courtsey turn may be replaced with another call such as Roll  
Promenade or Do Paso**



Can you spot the difference?

There are 7 changes  
have fun spotting them

Plant a Tree on your Birthday

**SQUARE DANCING IS HEALTHY!**



Make new friends but cherish the old ones.

Never refuse homemade brownies.

Write Thank You notes promptly

## Sugared Almonds

1 c sugar  
½ tsp cinnamon  
¼ tsp salt  
¼ tsp allspice  
1/8 tsp nutmeg  
¼ c orange juice  
2 c unblanched whole almonds

Line cookie sheet with foil; grease. In medium saucepan, combine all ingredients except almonds. Cook over medium heat until candy thermometer reaches soft-ball stage (234°F). Remove from heat. Add almonds; toss until well glazed. Spread in single layer on greased foil-lined cookie sheet; cool completely. Break apart, if necessary. Makes 3 cups

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