

# **Sundown Dancers Square Dance Club**

**Co-Founded by, Ted & Helen Hecke and Fred & Linda Soetaert.**

**First Presidents were Dave & Linda Carey.**

**The first lesson was held on September 23, 1981 with caller Bob Osborn, but later was taken over by graduated by Jim Booton.**

**The first dance was held on Wednesday, March 3rd, 1982 and Jim Booton called the first official dance at the Spring Hill Middle School. The Sundown Dancers became a member of the Heart of America Federation after a visit from HOA Officers Bob & Terry Morgan.**

**Some members who danced with the club were Fred & Linda Soetaert, Ted & Helen Hecke, Dave & Linda Carey, Rick & Joan Beckwith, Charlie & Donna Valizan, Mel & Mary Cleary, Fred & Carolyn Goucher, Brent & Janice Crust, Mike & Mary Ingle, Godon Riley, Martin Rosey, Merrle & Mary Morton, Jim Newell, Frank & Janeen Harra, Raymond & Linda Vail, Bill & Cricket Lutz, Bob & Lorette LovellAI & Norma Beatty, Dick Duer, Virginia Kern, Clarence & Glennis Paulsen, Steve & Lynn Duer, Jaci Miller, Kevin & Kim Mustin and Lawrence & Katrina Guenther.**

**Jim Booton continued to call for the club for a few more years. When he retired, the Club hired Dick Naudet to be the caller. Their dances were held of Friday nights.**

**Bill roles took over the club for the last two years of the club in 1991. As presidents of The club for the last two years, Rick & Joan Beckwith along with other club members made the decision to close the club. Thanks to Linda Soetaert who made most of this information possible.**

**On Friday, May 7th 1993, the Sundowners held their last dance.**

**Submitted by Charlie and Donna Valizan.**