## News From The GNAT BOXERS WOOSTER, OH (February 27, 2003)

The Gnat boxers of Wooster, Ohio have 22 members in their new dancer group for the 2002 -03 dance year. They have 4 singles, 2 men and 2 women, and 9 couples that range in age from their late 30's to early 40's. The destination level is plus with all the calls taught in one continuous season starting in September to mid April.

This past year they had a story in the local paper with a picture of two couples with contact names listed. The club also has a float they use in area parades which gets good audience reaction. The club also does demo's for local activities and passes out flyers, with word of mouth still the best advertisement.

Angel participation is good at their new dancer sessions with several who attend the new dancer group regularly, where they are most comfortable, but very seldom attend club dances. All dancers pay \$3.00 per session for their new dancer group with credits given to angels who attend the regular club dances.

A former club officer stated one of the club's weaknesses is the support and encouragement of the new dancers to attend other new dancer dances sponsored by nearby clubs and the area Federation.