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We have made a pretty drastic change in the format of The Grapevine this month. We hope it will make it easier to read all the club news and other articles. Please let us hear from you whether you like it better this way or the old way. Rumors to the contrary notwithstanding, we do aim to please.

We welcome all the new dancers to square dancing.

Like everyone else we are excited about the program for promoting square dancing this fall. Let's all work hard to make it a success.

Brad & Jeanne

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CLAY WHEEL AROUNDS

Valentine dances were the biggest events during the last two months, and Wheel Arounds attended several, including the Seaside Stompers party when we went to retrieve our banner, and they had a swell party for lovers. Our own Lee and Ruby Nell Lohman were chosen King and Queen. Congratulations to them!

The Wheel Arounds had a SPECIAL Valentine party with Ray and Liz Valentine present. They received the corsage for the couple married the longest (52 years). Keenan and Lori MacDonald were our newlyweds (3 months and 1 week). Charlie Downing and Judy Murphy reigned as our king and queen. Congratulations to all of these nice people. We had wall-to-wall people, door prizes galore and the hall full of beautiful red tulips that were given as door prizes. It was truly a picture for lovers.

Congrats to Norm and Jo Tappe on the birth of their 8th grandchild, a boy.

We would all like to extend sincere sympathy to Jim and Jeanne Layton on the death of Jim's mother, and also to Gary and Sandy Flannery on the death of Sandy's father. Our prayers and hopes are with Joyce and Bill Eatman that her father will be much better by the time this goes to press.

Thanks to the Chain Gang for the invitation to be their guest at their April 6th dance. We appreciate it.

Our Banner Chairperson, Snookie, has kept us busy as usual, stealing and retrieving banners, and also busy as our "Special Events" Chairperson. Job well done! Coming SPECIAL EVENTS:

MARCH 21 - 2ND ANNUAL RECYCLE DANCE (bring any square dance clothes - you keep the selling price);

April 4th - Easter Parade Hat Dance;

April 11th - class graduation; and

April 25th - Visitor Appreciation (All visitors free to show OUR appreciation).

Hope you didn't miss Jimmy and Gails square dance wedding. It was super. We all wish them a long and happy marriage.

To all Wheel Arounds - we know we all appreciate everything our Caller and his Taw Eleanor have done for us. If you get the chance, let them know.

If you are looking for action on Thursday nights, just "Wheel Around" to the Lion's Club in Orange Park; we'd love to see you.

The Square Dansons
264-9322

NEPSDA BY-LAWS REVIEW

Notice is hereby given to all member clubs that each odd numbered year the by-laws of the Northeast Florida Square Dancer's Association, Inc., are required to be reviewed by member clubs for possible changes which are deemed to be needed. Each club should obtain a copy of the by-laws and review them thoroughly. Any recommended changes are to be passed to the By-Laws Committee of the NEPSDA.

This action is required by By-Laws Article VIII of the current by-laws as revised September 11, 1983.

CRAZY 8s

A group of us went to Lake City in February to camp and dance at the Blue-Grey Dance. A good time was had by all. If you didn't go you missed a good time. Also, some of us went to Edgewater, Florida, to the Ship Mates Square Dance Club. John Barrett, caller. We stole their banner, they had a Mexican Fiesta, which was very pretty, and lots of Mexican food. We really had a wonderful time.

The Crazy 8s and other square dancers mourn the death of PaPa Hamlin. He passed away in February. He organized the Crazy 8's Square Dance Club and was a great promoter of square dancing for many years. He will be missed by all. Our condolences to his family.

We dance the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. We dance mainstream with announced plus. Our location is Jax Heights Elementary School. Everyone is invited to our dance.

Jim and Laverna Hodges
Secretary

GRADUATION BALL

APRIL 20, 1985

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FUN TIME

REFRESHMENTS

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HONOR THE NEW DANCER BY ATTENDING

DANCIN' DOLPHINS

Good news! After several months of dancing around and visiting lots of fun clubs on January 4th we began dancing at our new location - Asbury United Methodist Church in Clay County (you can't miss us, we are on the corner of Blanding Boulevard and C-224).

It has been lots of fun hosting so many of our square dancin' friends at our new home. We can hardly wait to have a chance to return the hospitality we've been shown. We have a new caller - George Wolfert. George has an interesting calling style and plans a good dance program. We dance the first and third Fridays of each month at the church, which allows our second and fourth Fridays free to visit with all of you in your club.

Come on out and join in the fun - we will be proud to show you our new home and welcome you to our dances.

We are sorry to announce we are no longer able to sponsor the Petticoat Promenade, but we are working on some new exciting dances for the future. So keep your eyes peeled for announcements and flyers of these special events.

Activities for March along with our regular dances included Western Night on March 15th at the church, plus an exhibition at the Orange Park Care Center on the 31st of March.

Good fun! Good dancing!

Patti and Tom Canavan
264-2213

DICK BARKER'S OCEANWAVES

Other than cancelling for Easter Sunday, it is full steam ahead for Oceanwave Sundays. Thanks to Bobby Keefe for calling for our March 3 dance when Dick was ill.

Come dance with us and then join us at Joseph's Italian Restaurant. Best Italian sandwich you have ever tasted. They make their own bread and the fillings are superb.

On April 19-20 Dick and Doug Jernigan will be putting on the 2nd annual Shindig and President's Ball. The Dellenbargers and Tyres will be on rounds. This is a good excuse to visit Savannah. The Square Dancers Closet from South Carolina will be there with a great selection.

May 10-11 Dick will be at the 9th Annual Spring Festival in Fernandina Beach with Art Wilson and Paul Walker. How about that Donkey Serenade?

It's not too early to make plans for the 15th Annual Jekyll Fun Fest July 26-27. We have a stellar line-up - Dick Barker, Bobby Keefe, Rhett Glover and The Blackfords.

Paul & Marie Reed
246-4050

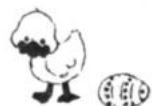
STRAIGHT TALK

The most important person in your square dance club is the newcomer. It isn't your caller, even though he may be there teaching and calling - but that is just a job for him and one for which he is reimbursed for his work. It isn't the president of the club, because he may or may not be able to hold the club together, and he changes periodically. It's not the editor of your club paper. Also club members are important to the club, but they drop out, move, or change from club to club at intervals. That only leaves the NEWCOMER. He is the most important. The Challenge dancers have to recruit dancers for this level from somewhere. The round dance recruits dancers, also, from the NEWCOMER. So often regular dancers square up in their own little group of dancers, ignoring the NEWCOMERS. How often does the regular dancer ask the NEWCOMER to attend a dance somewhere with him? New dancers soon say, "Honey, let's just stay home this weekend. They don't like to dance with beginners like us and we can't do what the caller calls." We're beginning to lose a potential avid dancer. It's time to admit that NEWCOMERS don't need us, we need them! Outlaw lessons for five years and see what happens to clubs. We won't need a caller, or a newsletter. Don't forget "actions speak louder than words", and how you act is "how you could lose that important person. . . the NEWCOMER." (Reprinted from Square Dance Tips (December, 1982)

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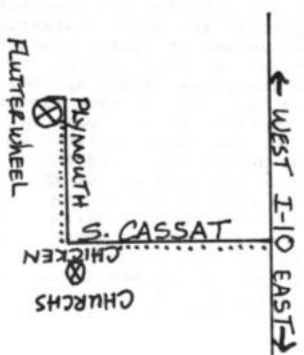


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Jo-Sophine
781-8936

FUN AND FROLICS

We continue to have a fun time dancing theA level at Woodstock Community Center on Monday nights.

Several of us headed south late in January and were pleasantly surprised to see that we could keep up with the level of dance. Our thanks to Art for his continued efforts to upgrade our level of dance.

We are happy to see a number of special A dances being scheduled in the area. Up until now, it seems we have had to go out of town to enjoy something like this. Hopefully, we will be able to attend quite a few of them.

The social event of the year will be the coming marriage of Art and Lucille's daughter, Rene. The Fun and Frolics wish to congratulate Rene and wish her a long and happy married life.

An invitation is extended to the A dancers in the area to dance with us on Mondays at the Woodstock Community Center. . . . 7:30 p.m.

Red and Kim Keffer

CALLERLAB

The Plus Quarterly Selection for the three month period, beginning February 1, 1985, is PING TO A DIAMOND.

Starting formation is 1/4 tag -- ending formation is Center to Center Diamonds.

GATOR PROMENADORS

The Okefenokee Dance was well attended by the Gators. Everyone enjoyed the dance and after parties. Partying till wee hours of the morning finally got to us, but we sure had fun.

Thanks to Bobby Jones for calling for the Gator Club Dance while Art and Lucille were in Waycross.

For those who attended the Sophomore Dance, I'm sure you'll agree our beginners are doing fantastic. It's great to see they have all the enthusiasm of square dancers. The square angels were really supportive of this dance, too. The Gateway Callers Association and their Taws did a splendid job of hosting the dance.

We continue to enjoy our many visitors on Friday nights. Hope you all will continue to be a part of our dance and share in our fun, dancing to our "International Caller." The Gators will be visiting around during March and April to collect all our banners. We look forward to visiting all of the clubs.

We have had some Gators who have been under the weather, but are back dancing now. We sure missed you.

Our 5th Friday/15th Anniversary Dance was a wonderful dance. (More on that in the next issue.)

Congratulations to the newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Davis. Hope you have many years of happiness and square dancing.

Keep the Square Dancing spirit alive in your clubs. See you in a square.

George & Shirley Regan

RED FEZ SEZ

"HELP US CELEBRATE!"

NEW LOCATION: PEACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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NEW NIGHT: 1ST & 3RD FRIDAYS

NEW CALLER: PAUL & NITA WALKER

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BEGINNING IS: April 5, 1985 (8-10PM)

- MAINSTREAM WITH THE 3RD & 5TH TIPS CALLED PLUS -

KOUNTRY KORNERS

The past month has seen a lot of banners coming and going. Hallelujah Squares came from Callahan to steal ours on February 25. (How about it gang, when are we going out there to bring it back home?) At our last dance the Dixie Chain Gang come to retrieve their banner; after almost a year I'm going to miss seeing that blue banner.

This month we have five Fridays, and on March 29, John Robbins will share the mike with our regular caller, George Wolfert. On May 31, another fifth Friday, George has also arranged for the appearance of Doris Johnson, a new caller to Jacksonville.

George Wolfert, Sr.
284-2219

MANDARIN MARAUDERS

Tuesday, April 9th, 8-10 PM, will be graduation dance for a super enthusiastic square dance class - and the formation of a new club - THE MANDARIN MARAUDERS!! Lawton Smith is our caller and we are meeting in the First Christian Church on State Road 13 (1/2 mile south of Loretto Road) in Mandarin. Banner stealing is an activity we look forward to - so watch for us!

Officers elected are:

Don and Bonnye Bell	President
Jack and Pat Miller	Vice-

Bill and Jinny Carson	President
George and Bev Treiber	Secretary
	Treasurer

Our square dance angels are deserving of a big round of applause for their continued support. We appreciate Eleanor Smith for her assistance in getting the club organized.

We look forward to having many visitors on Tuesday nights -
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THE CARSONS
262-2872

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WALKER (641-8967)



MERRY MAVERICKS

The Beginner Class graduated 26 February. All students passed the difficult written test and the tricky blind-fold dance test. Needless to say, this is a smart group of Grads and speaking for all Mavericks, I sincerely welcome each and every one of you into our exciting club.

Hank Pelz gave all the grads a copy of PATER CALL, a handbook for new dancers published by the Northeast Florida Square Dancers Association, Inc. Thanks Hank!

Outgoing caller, James Maxey, was thoroughly "roasted" on 27 Feb. The hall was packed with his square dancing friends (most had been former students of his) and it was a swinging affair, or would have been if those square dancing near the stage had learned how to Do Sa Do and Grand Right and Left!

Our new caller, Jim Duncan, certainly made a hit on his first night of calling. However, most of us wanted to quit dancing and just listen to his beautiful voice. Folks! he is something to hear. You best visit the Mavericks and hear for yourself of what I speak.

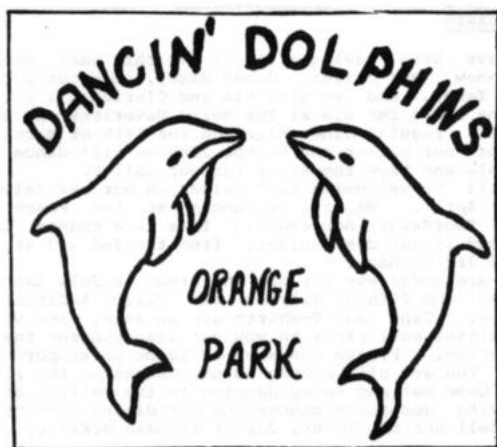
It is pleasing to have Bobbie Lam and Al Suttle off the sick list and participating in club functions once again.

The 10th Annual Presidents Ball will be held 18 May 1985 at Forrester High School. This dance is for all level dancers, including Beginners. Everyone please attend.

Doris Kasnias
773-3272

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CALLER: GEORGE WOLFERT

DOOR PRIZES

REFRESHMENTS

P.O.P.AROUNDS

Our caller, Matt Wimpee, had knee surgery recently, and as he is back with us, we wish him a full and speedy recovery.

Beginners will be graduating Tuesday, March 26, 1985. We look forward to this event.

Welcome to 13 new members. We look forward to many good times.

Plans are for 5th Thursday dance May 30 from 8 til 10:00p.m. Our regular dances are held on the 2nd and 4th Thursday nights at Peace Presbyterian Church, 3300 Southside Boulevard, 8 til 10 p.m. Come dance with us!

Ellie and Cal Vees

RED FEZ SQUARES

We have been having a lot of fun this past month. As you probably know, our caller, James Maxey, has cut out for English Mountain, Tenn., and we wish him and Clarice all the luck in the world. The roast for him at the Merry Mavericks was very good and classy. Our regular dance night on the 14th of March we had Jerry Barrett for our caller and on the 28th we will dance at the new Shrine Temple and have Top Roper for our caller.

We will be welcoming Paul Walker as our new caller the first Friday in April. We will be dancing at the Peace Presbyterian Church on Southside Boulevard. This is a change in our dance location and in our dance night, from the 2nd and 4th Thursday to the 1st and 3rd Friday.

Plans are under way for our Christmas in July dance. It is to be held on the 20th of July at the Civic Auditorium, downtown Jacksonville. Caps and T-shirts are on sale, and we hope to have someone visiting your clubs so you can also sponsor the dance for a small donation. Please remember we dance to support our Crippled Children. You are all welcome to our dances on the first and third Fridays. Come out and enjoy dancing to the calling of Paul Walker. Anyone having questions concerning our dances contact any Red Fez member or call our president, Jay or Frankie McKinley at 786-2996.

Bill Culpepper

THEM THARS (By The Sea)

The club has been quite busy. In January we elected new officers:

David & Marge Miller	President
Jackie Trapp	V.Pres.
Florence Mullis and Grady Favor	V.Pres.
Don Kelly	Treasurer
Jim & Karen Baldwin	Secretary
Joyce & Doug Williams	Past Pres.

Many thanks to the outgoing officers for all their hard work last year in getting the club off to a good start. We have a great new board and are looking forward to an even better year.

In January we changed our format. We dance alternate tips on 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 8 to 10:30 p.m. Between tips we dance rounds to records. We have a plus workshop 7:30 to 8:00. We still serve food and drinks. We no longer dance mainsteam on Monday nights.

We had a great dance celebrating Bobby's first anniversary with the club on March 2. Lone Star Swingers joined us to retrieve their banner. On April 6 we will have a non-banner raid at Dixie Chain Gang. Our class will soon graduate, and we thank Frank Clements for filling in for Bobby who has been working nights and long hours.

Them Thar Josephine Taylor caught the bridal bouquet at Gayle and Jimmy Davis' wedding.

On Friday, May 17, we will be community hosts for the Beaches Fine Arts Series: WILL ROGERS' USA starring Gene McFall in the original one-man show on Will Rogers. It is free to the public and will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church at 8 p.m.

We dance on Saturday, April 20 and May 4. We will cancel May 18 for the Mavericks President's ball.

Canned goods and non-perishable items for those less fortunate will be accepted at the door at each of our dances.

Come square up with us
Doug & Joyce Williams

P.S. We are pleased about Lori and Bobby expecting a baby in November. Congratulations!

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SWEET ART SQUARES

We have been very busy visiting numerous other clubs, retrieving and also stealing banners. We always enjoy visiting other clubs.

Some of our club attended the square dance wedding at Sandalwood for Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Davis. Everyone reported having a wonderful time. Congratulations to the newlyweds.

We are getting ready for two special events for our club. Our first will be graduation for our class on April 23. We have worked very hard with our class this year and are proud of them. They have been dancing with us and also visiting the Sea Land Stars on Thursday and dancing with their class. We will have a joint graduation with the Sea Land Stars Class. Anyone is welcome to join us.

Our next big event will be our Spring Festival to be held May 10 and 11 at Fernandina Beach Recreation Center. We are anticipating a wonderful weekend. We will have three callers this year, our own Art Wilson, Dick Barker and Paul Walker. We will have our famous Donkey Serenade on Friday night in the patio room, so if you haven't earned your donkey badge, this is the perfect time to do so.

Come visit our club at Yulee Junior High School every Tuesday P.M.

For information, call Pat & Ben Taylor - 261-5650.

Linda Blake, V.P.

SEASIDE STOMPERS

Remember we promised that our BANNER BANDITS would be out in force. Our goal is to steal all area banners prior to BEACH BASH. Banners stolen to date are: GOLDEN ISLE SWINGERS, THEM THARS, LONE STAR SWINGERS, SWINGIN' SAINTS, LAMPLIGHTERS, RED FEZ, P.O.P.AROUNDS, CLAY WHEEL AROUNDS, and SEABREEZE SINGLES. Team Captains for BANNER RAIDS have already made arrangements to steal Club banners from SWEET ART SQUARES, CRAZY EIGHTS, YELLOW ROCKERS, DAMES & DUDES, BASS CAPITAL SQUARES, WINDSONGS, DIXIE CHAIN GANG AND DIXIE DANCERS. It goes without saying that all banners should be retrieved at the BEACH BASH.

Plans are moving along rapidly to make this years BEACH BASH the biggest, best ever. The highlight of the evening will be a "Demo" by the REFLECTIONS featuring Barbara and Wayne Blackford. Be sure and purchase your tickets for the BEACH BASH to be held Saturday, April 13, 1985 from our BANNER BANDIT teams when they visit your club. DON'T MISS our CREATURE FEATURE this year at BEACH BASH! Come join us for a fun evening.

Walt Andrew and Clara King

THE LAMPLIGHTERS

We dance at Pacettis Marina, State Road 13, from 8:30 to 10:30. Class is from 7:00 to 8:30. Jerry Barrett is our caller.

Our class is in its 9th week and is progressing at a rapid pace. We are going to have some mighty fine dancers from this class.

Jerry Anderson is improving after her knee surgery and hopefully will be fully recovered soon. We have two new couples who joined the Lamplighters last month. Rose and Jack Allen and Doris and Jack Shuler. Welcome to the club.

In the past two months we have had two clubs come for our banner. The Palm Coast Squares and the Seaside Stompers.

Joe Pacetti bought 45 much needed new chairs for the hall. At this time we want to thank Joe and Juanita for their efforts in making our square dance hall so pleasant to meet in.

This fall a two day festival, to be known as the First Lamplighter Festival, will be held at Pacettis with two guest callers - Lawton Smith and Paul Walker. The dates are September 6th and 7th and will be hosted by Caller Jerry Barrett and the Lamplighter Club. All campers will be given a special rate for this occasion. Cabins are also available. Corky Bell's restaurant will accommodate any large parties. Watch The Grapevine for further notices of this gala event.

Gert Russell
294-0897



BEACH BASH

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TEDDY BEAR SQUARES

Plus lessons have come to a close and there are a few more plus dancers enjoying a new skill.

Our "Earn A Dangle" dance was well attended and who ever heard of blowing bubbles while dancing? We are having theme dances throughout the year - look for our ad in the Grapevine.

Mark January 11, 1936, on your calendar. We will be bringing in Art Tanen from Iowa to call our special Plus dance.

Franklin and Marion Snyder from Tiffin, Ohio, have been visiting their daughter here in Jacksonville for the past three months. We will miss them when they return home in April - but they said they would be back.

We also celebrated everyone's birthday with a big party and gifts.

Come see us - we know how to have fun!

Dave & Merri Stalls
246-6719

VALLEY REBELS

After struggling through many months of feeling like dummies, we finally made it. Graduation on March 2 was wonderful, in spite of all the tricks that were played on us. We had a ball. How good we feel!

Our thanks go to so many for sticking with us and encouraging us to keep going. Thanks Gang! Especially our great caller, Ken Perez and his sweet wife, Joyce, also The Dolphins and Angels from St. Augustine. We certainly would never have made it without you.

Our first official dance is going to be April 3, Wednesday night - 8 to 10 p.m. We are dancing this time at Browning Hall at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church on A1A at Ponte Vedra. Our regular dance nite, Wednesday, will be held at the Community Center in Palm Valley - 54 Canal Blvd.

Please join us for fun and fellowship.

Billy & Carolyn Ryals
771-4356 285-6426

YELLOW ROCKERS

Our guest caller for the 5th Friday night dance was Paul Walker, from the SEASIDE STOMPERS. As always he did a fantastic job and we look forward to having him again soon.

The Yellow Rockers will graduate their class on April 12. We can't wait to welcome our new members. I know they will enjoy this wonderful world of SQUARE DANCING.

Anyone wishing to learn PLUS DANCING can join us at Trinity Lutheran on April 15th, from 7:30 til 9:30 Monday night. Lawton Smith is our caller, we dance mainstream on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Friday, at Trinity Lutheran Church, corner Park and McDuff Avenue. Come out and have a GREAT TIME WITH THE YELLOW ROCKERS.

Maxine Thomas

ROUND DANCE NEWS

The International Association of Round Dance Teachers has announced that the the ROUNDALAB Phase Rating System will be emphasized at the National Convention this year. There are six Phase Booklets covering the alphabetical compilation of figures and movements in the various phases and how they all relate to the round dance activity.

The purpose of a Round Dance Rating System is to provide for rating round dances according to complexity. The system should be one that can be readily used and understood by all those involved in Round Dancing.

The Association restructured the Standardization Committee so that all activities in each of the Phases would be under one Chairman. Wayne and Barbara Blackford are Chairing the Phase V (High Intermediate) Phase.

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PROMOTION

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Lessons are down! Club attendance is down!
What is wrong? What is happening? Where are
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Well, the Northeast Florida Dancers
Association (NEFSDA) and the Gateway Callers
Association (GCA) are jointly working toward
providing some answers. Under the leader-
ship of the NEFSDA President (Don & Corky
Jordan) and the GCA President (Lawton Smith)
a special committee is being formed to
promote lessons for the fall.

The purpose of the NEFSDA is to "promote
Round Dancing, Clogging, and Square Dancing."
The number of dancers enjoying this
recreation is down all over our nation.
But we must also realize that, in our
area, there are thousands of potential
dancers who are unaware of our hobby.

The GCA and NEFSDA have voted
to spend \$500 each in the promotion
of lessons. Also, at the most recent
State federation meeting they voted to
donate \$500 to our promotional efforts as
well. In addition to this \$1500, clubs are
beginning to send in donations of \$15 toward
the promotion of lessons. If you are unaware
of what is going on -----ask your caller or
leader.

A promotion committee is being organized now.
This committee will develop plans on promoting lessons
throughout our area. To be eligible to participate in this
promotion your club MUST be a member of the NEFSDA.

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OF LESSONS

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NEFSDA

NOW is DECISION TIME! If your club is planning on conducting lessons this fall - we must know: WHERE, WHEN, A CONTACT PHONE NUMBER, AND WHAT DAY OF THE WEEK.

Everyone will benefit, remember no dancer becomes part of the Plus, Advance, or Challenge programs without going through the Mainstream program first. So we need all clubs to be a part of these promotional efforts.

Hopefully, by the next issue of the Grapevine we will have a plan developed and approved for implementation - we sure hope you choose to be part of this plan for growth in our area.

If you have any ideas - WRITE them down on paper and mail them to us for consideration. Also, make sure that your club has a representative and that we have their name and phone number.

Well, this is the beginning of a lot of ideas, a lot of planning, and a lot of dancer, caller, leader participation.....

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34th National Square Dance Convention

Countdown to the Convention is moving along rapidly. The total count as of the end of January was 12,117, with Alabama having 1,325 and Florida 1,096. Seven foreign countries will be represented.

Looks like there will be lots and lots of demonstrations by various groups at the Convention, so when you get ready to rest your weary feet for a little while, there will still be plenty of action to watch. Our own Reflections will be there, of course.

The National Convention reports they are HAVING A NUMBER OF ADVANCE REGISTRATIONS RETURNED marked "Moved, no Forwarding Address" or because the address is incorrect. If YOU are one of those who sent your registration in, haven't received your confirmation and reservations, let the reservations committee know IMMEDIATELY.

Along with all the other things Alabama is going to offer, they have a group of national callers representing four record clubs who will present a "Caller's Concert Variety Show" nightly from 10:00 to 11:00 in the delightful concert hall. Seating will be limited to 3,000 so be there on time.

BLOOD BANK REPORT

Lots of square dancers collect dangles to add to their collection, and any number of them can be obtained. Now, there are eleven square dancers out there who have bona fide collectors' items - a dangle from the 1985 Blood Bank Dance. The dance, as usual, was enjoyed by those who were there.

Thanks for help goes out to the Merry Mavericks for the coffee, the VFW for the use of their hall which is otherwise rented, the badge maker, Ray Valentine for the "85" BBD dangles and continuing support, and to those square dancers who came out and enjoyed.

A special thanks goes to Ken Perez for bringing his equipment, calling, and M.C.ing the affair, and callers Bobby Jones, Ernie Rollen and James Maxey. The Dancing Dolphins won the new traveling banner for the year, which you can see at their dances on the 1st and 3rd Fridays at the Twin Hills Civic Center.

Readouts from the Jacksonville Blood Bank are coming out quarterly now, so we won't report numbers in the Grapevine as often as in the past. Our present balance as of this writing is an all-time-high of 158 units, which may never be reached again, as we have 43 units which must be expended due to old age in the month of March. The Jacksonville Blood Bank has a list of deserving organizations which the blood will be given to unless some one lets me know of a person or organization in need of them.

Thanks to donors Waldo Cross, Doris Mims, George Dube, Larry Bowen, Harold Rooks, Paul Walker, and John Smith, for their recent donation since the last Grapevine report. Your blood and time is appreciated by the Association and anyone who may use blood that comes from our account.

In my last Grapevine report I mentioned getting a cash donation from the Crazy 8's. It had been a while since I got it, and realized after the BBD that it was from the Red Fez Squares. Sorry for the mistake and thanks to the Red Fez who were unable to join us on their club night, but showed their support with a donation of \$22.00 which was given to the Blood Bank this year with the rest of the proceeds from the dance.

Rather lengthy report. I hope you got through it. If you or a square dancing friend is in need of blood, all you have to do is give me a call at 264-3761. To give blood to the Association account, stop by any of the J J B Branches, and they will do the rest.

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DANCE TO OTHER CALLERS!
During your lessons you have tuned in to the caller who taught you and you will have a special place for him or her, too. Every caller has a different style and that's also part of the fun. Decide for yourself which callers you enjoy but try them all. You might miss a good one!

DON'T DANCE IN THE BACK OF THE HALL!
The tendency is for the newer dancer, who is a little unsure of himself, to want to hide in back where he thinks the caller can't see their square break down. If all the newer dancers dance in the back, you are only dancing with each other and your square is more apt to break down. And if there is going to be a sound problem, it will be in the back where the sound has to travel through all the people dancing in front. The crowd noises also make it harder to hear. Obviously everyone can't dance in front but don't be afraid to take your turn.

DON'T DANCE JUST WITH OTHER NEW DANCERS!
This goes hand in hand with dancing in the back of the hall. If all four couples in your square are new dancers and a little slow to react to the calls, your square will break down. Sometimes an out-reached hand from a more experienced dancer is all that your square needs to keep going. Everyone dancing today was a new dancer at one time and can remember how it felt. They will be happy to dance with you.

TOUCH HANDS AFTER EVERY MOVE!
Another main reason squares break down is because the dancers have failed to establish their position by touching the hand of the dancer or dancers next to them at the end of each move. Do as the telephone company suggests --- Reach Out and Touch Someone. If you are lost, at least you will know you have company!

Welcome

New Grads



THIS
PAGE
IS
JUST
FOR
YOU!

KEEP DANCING THIS SUMMER!

This is possibly the most important hint. You have all this new information jammed in your head and the only way to make it come second nature is practice, practice, practice. While it's true that many clubs shut down for the summer and your club may be one of those, there are many summer dances, festivals, Conventions, etc. And some clubs do dance all summer. It would be a shame to have invested all the time and effort you made to then lay-off for the summer and then feel too rusty to pick it up again in the Fall.

BE AWARE OF YOUR DANCING LEVEL!

Most of the new dancers graduate as Mainstream dancers and should have received a list of all the calls included in this level. There are eight Quarterly Selection moves that, in many cases, are taught at the end of lessons. Look for dances that are advertised as MS or QS and do not be afraid to ask the caller to explain at a dance if you are having trouble. Callers started out as new dancers, too!

DON'T BE IN A HURRY TO DANCE OTHER LEVELS!

There are many levels of Square Dancing. The level you dance has nothing to do with how good a dancer you are. It has to do with how much time you have to devote to the hobby. You may choose to move to another level and that's fine. Don't make the choice at all until you have danced Mainstream for at least one full year after graduation. Don't let anyone else rush you!

DON'T TAKE SQUARE DANCING TOO SERIOUSLY!

Square Dancing is for fun. With eight people in your square, the odds are pretty good that someone is going to make a mistake (once in a while the caller even makes one). Don't worry about whose fault it was. It doesn't matter. Keep smiling and re-group and start again. Remember, if you make enough mistakes, you can always buy some equipment and become a caller!

FINALLY!

Jump right up when the music starts, get in the first open square, introduce yourself, smile and have fun. Thank everyone in your square when the clip is over. While taking a break, make sure the Round Dancers can hear their leader.

TO WELCOME NEW DANCERS

(If you are planning to introduce friends to Square Dancing soon or this coming fall, please give them this article to read. It may help them understand what square dancing is all about.)

It's too trite to say "Welcome to Square Dancing, congratulations on joining us", sounds boastful. But there is really no shorter way or better way to say it than "Welcome and Congratulations. . . ."

The months ahead of you will pass quickly. They won't be filled exclusively with sweetness and light. You will wonder at times how you ever got yourself into this pickle. On more than one evening, your partner will have to drag you bodily away from the sofa and the TV for your weekly battle of wits with the caller. If you don't experience minor confusion and frustration, you will be an exception. But completely overriding the extra effort and the little annoyances, you are going to find fun of a type impossible to express in words, new friends, genuine laughter, and a real sense of accomplishment, and deep personal satisfaction.

Square dancing is many things to many people. It has one common effect. It brings out strengths and weaknesses. Those who object to close association with people; who live by a philosophy of "if at first you don't succeed, skip it"; or who insist on excelling always and at all cost, will not stay around to become square dancers. Because to learn to square dance and, by learning to become a square dancer, one must like to be with people, to "have another go at it", and to cooperate even if it means placing the old light under the bushel from time to time.

Mistakes and square dancing are inseparable. Mistakes are part of the fun. Some have more fun than others. Which is just another way of saying that some people, and you may well be among them, will find it harder to respond quickly and correctly to calls than do others. The important thing to remember is that it always comes out even in the end. Time and patience will take care of it. The man with two left feet will find another foot. And when he does, watch out. He will dance as well, perhaps better, than the lucky ones who had it easy during classes. If you must laugh at another's mistakes, follow one simple rule. Let him laugh first.

Square dancing requires rhythm, balance, listening and responding to recognizable instructions. During your classes you will be instructed in the many figures and calls which go with them. You will be told how to achieve rhythm and balance if you don't already have them. And you will be constantly enjoined to listen to the music and the caller. If you don't hear the music or what the man said, you're bound to spend most of the evening in left field with seven other people in the square looking out for you. A cardinal rule of square dancing for veteran or beginner is contained in the simple word "Listen".

The square dancer who has stopped learning has stopped dancing. New wrinkles pop up in today's square dancing faster than in the electronics industry. So once you finish your formal classes, you can look forward to being surprised occasionally by some enterprising caller. Again, that's part of the fun of dancing. Accept it in good grace.

Consideration for others is all important in square dancing and requires a conscious effort. Avoid any word, act or condition which might offend your fellow dancers and you will be happier and more popular for it.

The rewards of staying with it, of listening, of being tolerant are greater than you realize now. By this time next year you will have made dozens of new and wonderful friends. You will have been to festivals and jamborees, to after-parties, to square dance demonstrations. You will be an active member of several square dance clubs. You will have a completely new outlook on life, as well as a colorful new wardrobe. Physically, mentally, socially, just about any way you can think of, you will have profited.

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15	Plus Lessons Start	Yellow Rockers
19-20	2nd Annual Shindig & President's Ball	Savannah
20	GRADUATION BALL	GATEWAY CALLERS' ASSOCIATION
23	Graduation Dance	Sweet Art Squares
25	Appreciation Dance (Free)	Wheel Arouds
30	Cross Country	Seaside Stompers

MAY

3	Plus Lessons Start	Gator Promenadors
10-11	Spring Festival - Fernandina	Sweet Art Squares
17	Beaches Fine Arts Festival	Them Thars (Hosts)
18	President's Ball	Merry Mavericks
25	Mother's Day Dance	Teddy Bear Squares
31	Fifth Friday	Gators
31	Fifth Friday	Yellow Rockers

JUNE

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Happy dancing to all of you and Come See us.

Clarice and James

★ From the desk of the President

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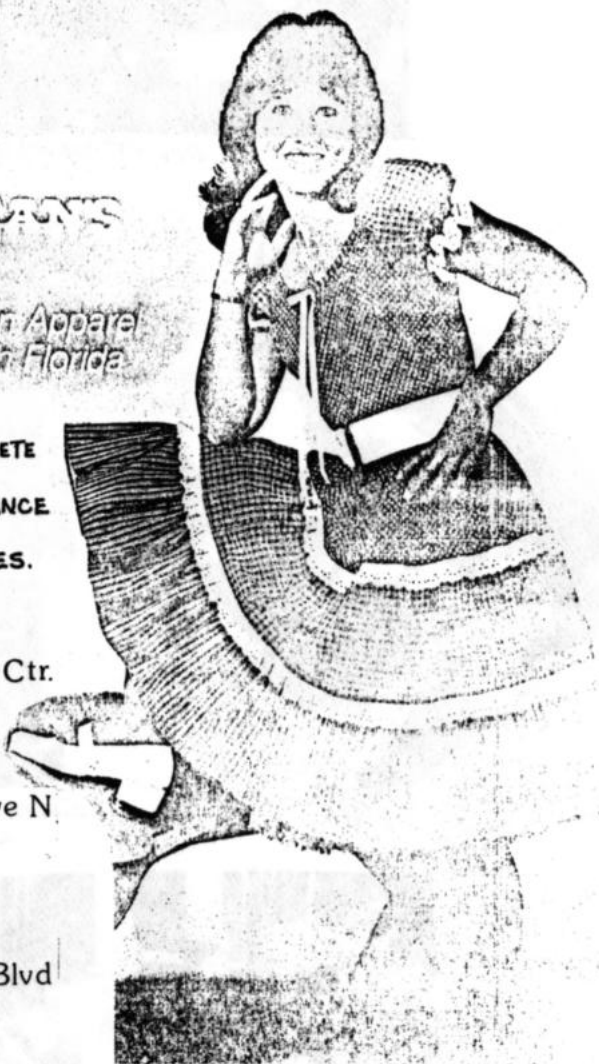
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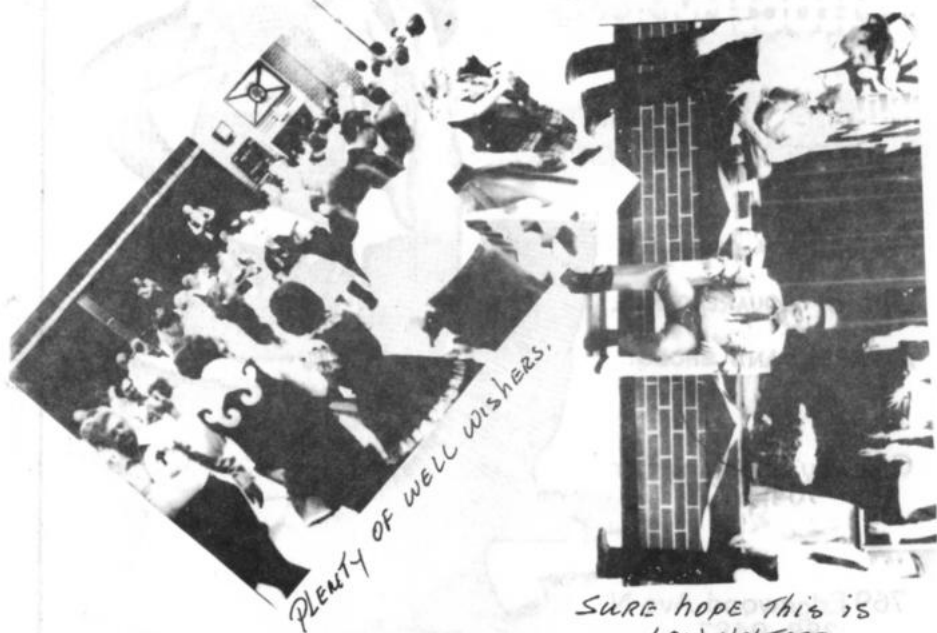
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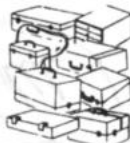
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- 4) Square up promptly when the music starts. Never let an unfilled square go begging, and never leave a square.
- 5) Move around the floor and dance with other couples. Don't be branded as a "pat square".
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