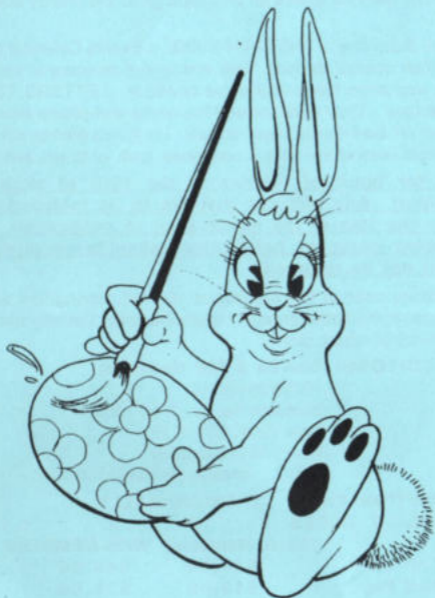




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| MONTH | DATE | ANNIV. # | CLUB                  |
|-------|------|----------|-----------------------|
| Jan   | 17   | 2nd      | River City Squares    |
| Jan   | 24   | 10th     | Jekyll Island Squares |
| Apr   | 02   | 7th      | Joy Seas              |
| Apr   | 07   | 10th     | Rollaways             |
| Apr   | 23   | 8th      | Moose Promenaders     |
| Apr   | 28   | 13th     | Mandarin Marauders    |
| Jun   | 05   | 13th     | Silver Fox            |
| Jun   | 13   | 14th     | Teddy Bears           |
| Sep   | ?    | 22nd     | Seabreeze Singles     |
| Sep   | 14   | 7th      | Yellow Rockers        |
| Sep   | 29   | 20th     | Dixie Dancers         |
| Dec   | ?    | ?        | Gypsy Squares         |

If your club isn't listed above, or has a (?) inserted, please let us know the DATE and NUMBER OF YEARS. We'll update this list and run it in each issue.



## President's Message

Graduation! The best part of square dancing happens when you can see the happiness displayed by a new dancer when he or she graduates and receives a diploma. Congratulations to all the new graduates. Thanks to all the callers who taught classes and to all of you square dancers that helped to angel someone (a most important part of square dancing!!) Thanks to Sam Atkinson and the Gateway Callers Association for two outstanding student dances. It looks like we are going to see a lot of new "Faces" at our dances!

Remember, start talking to everyone

you see and try to bring at least one new couple into square dancing this year.

The Blood Bank Dance was a success. We are grateful to Tom Thornton and Kim Keffer for helping our new chairmen, Howard & Jettie Crowe prepare for this dance. They did a super job! "Thank You" to everyone who supported the dance and to everyone who donated blood during 1997, and especially to those who donate under the hemapheresis program.

Don't forget the State Convention -- May 22-24. **SAVE \$\$** and send your advance registration in **NOW!**

(The following prayer was read by the President at the last Delegates Meeting.)

### MY DAILY PRAYER

DEAR LORD -

SO FAR TODAY, GOD, I'VE DONE ALL RIGHT. I HAVEN'T GOSSIPED, HAVEN'T LOST MY TEMPER, HAVEN'T BEEN GREEDY, GRUMPY, NASTY, SELFISH OR OVER-INDULGENT. I'M REALLY GLAD ABOUT THAT.

BUT, IN A FEW MINUTES, GOD, I'M GOING TO GET OUT OF BED, AND FROM THEN ON, I'M PROBABLY GOING TO NEED A LOT MORE OF YOUR HELP!

AMEN

### SUBSCRIPTION EXPIRATION NOTICE

Please note the mailing label on each issue. Immediately following your name is a three/four digit number **representing the last issue you are scheduled to receive**. The last two digits are the year and the first one or two digits represent the month of expiration. Your **last** issue will contain a reminder, as usual — a marked subscription renewal form. *Thanks*

## FROM THE EDITORS DESKS



It's Graduation time again! As our new students wind down their "instruction periods", we

as experienced dancers, have to be ready to accept these dancers an part of the "family". By that we mean we owe them the patience and understanding that we received so many years ago while they are getting their "experience" under their belts.

Sure there will be many times that a square will falter and maybe break down (I've been dancing longer than I like to remember and I still have **my** "bad hair days"), but it is a learning experience. Smile and **LEAD** the way to understanding that a breakdown is not the end of dancing as we know it. Remember, the object is to dance, **have fun** and maybe learn a little more each time we run into adversity.

Show these new dancers that all is not lost — simply form lines at the sides position and wait for the proper command from the caller. Just remember, the caller is "the all seeing/all knowing leader" that **knows what is happening on the floor** and will get the other squares to a point where you will be right in sync with the other dancers. If you don't get exactly home - so what? You are dancing aren't you?

The following method of returning to dancing once a square has broken down, is the uniform



method taught to all Square dancers for class programs through all approved CALLERLAB dance programs:

### DANCER RESPONSIBILITY

1. Return to home position as soon as possible.
2. The head ladies will take their corner's hand and head couples will back out to form lines at the sides of the square.
3. On the callers command, "EVERY-BODY go forward and back", they enter into the dance.

### CALLERS RESPONSIBILITY

1. Recognize that a number of sets have broken down and have formed into lines at the sides of the hall.
2. Place the dancing square into lines that they are in a normal boy/girl arrangement.
3. Give the command "EVERYBODY go forward and back" in a **bold** voice which is the command for the broken squares to enter in the dance pattern.

Try it next time instead of milling around the square!

*The Editors*

## WITH OUR RECENT SICK . . . . .

(Cards and prayers are welcome)

|                     |                 |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Marlene McCabe      | Elaine Kutchman |
| Dottie Gornowich    | Gene Tanner     |
| Dottie Wall         | Betty Smith     |
| Margie Powe         | Barbara Winter  |
| Joe Fitzmayer       | Reba Woodbridge |
| Dee Dee Stovall     | Kate McCaul     |
| Barbara Powell      | Jerry Bird      |
| Hannelore Register  | Dave Hays       |
| Bertha & James Bell | Bob Gillette    |
| Doris Wilson        | Luther Delp     |



## LETTERS..... WE GET LETTERS.....

(This column is for YOUR comments. Let us hear from you! Please remember letters should be in good taste and must be signed. Upon request, names will be withheld from the publication.)

Dear Editor:

Jacksonville-area Square Dancing may be missing the boat with the huge tourist trade because of the inflexible mindset that lessons must start in September and end in April. The majority of winter visitors arrive after the Christmas holidays and stay until early spring. They are fun-seekers and excellent prospects for Square Dancing but we fail to provide a lesson program that fits their time limitations. We shouldn't abandon our regular lesson programs, of course, but we might consider adding a Basic - Mainstream course beginning early in January and ending in late March.

This would require an accelerated program with lessons twice a week of a minimum two and one-half hours duration or a total of 30 to 40 hours of instruction, almost as much as in our normal seven month programs. One club could give both lessons or two clubs could each give one lesson, coordinating moves taught to form one continuous course. Thanks to an accelerated course like this, winter tourism booms in south Texas, where bleak prairie lands attracted only coyotes until Square Dancing arrived.

We could start it right here in Jacksonville and be the pace-setters in

something that would benefit all Florida Square Dance clubs and even boost Florida tourism. Next fall, we could begin vigorous newspaper and radio promotions aimed at winter visitors; distribute flyers about the new program in hotels and tourist welcome centers, possible even put up a highway billboard.

We could start now. Form planning and promotion committees, enlist clubs to give lessons in the program, recruit the Callers Associations to design the accelerated course contents, contact hotels/motels that might donate free use of their ballrooms for lessons and dances, and see what help the tourist bureau and the mayor's office might volunteer.

The rewards could be enormous. The project is not so difficult and Jacksonville Square Dancing is blessed with the leadership and volunteer talent that can make it happen.

While we are at it, why not consider the possibility of persuading local business leaders to form company Square Dance clubs to promote workplace harmony and swell the ranks of Square Dancers?

Signed: *Ed Johnson*

**E**verybody wants to eat at the government's table, but nobody wants to do the dishes.

Werner Finck

## IN MEMORY OF

### **JAMES C. MAXEY**

The Northeast Florida Square And Round Dancers Association was saddened by the passing of James Maxey, a well known caller in Northeast Florida, on February 19, 1998.

James is survived by his Wife, Clarice, three daughters, four sons, one stepson, three brothers, one sister, 14 grandchildren and one great grandson.

James was a native of Accoville, West Virginia. After serving 22 years in the US Navy, he went to work for Civil Service at Mayport and NAS Jacksonville before finally "retiring".

James learned to Square Dance in 1958 and after two years decided he wanted to learn to call. He taught his first class in Valijo, CA and started his first club, The Pioneers, in 1960.

After coming to Florida, he called for many State Conventions and served on the programming staff in 1974 and 1979. He also served three terms as President of the Gateway Callers Association and two terms as President of the Florida Callers Association.

James also served as an Ambassador for the Morocco Temple and coordinated the first three Christmas In July dances sponsored by the Red Fez Squares.

During his calling career, he called at many National Conventions; the first Georgia State Convention in Macon; recorded on Circle "O" records; was owner/producer of Brahma Records; staff caller for Camp O'Leno for six years; held the first President's Ball and coordinated all others until 1985; served as staff caller/coordinator for English Mountain Retreat; and was resident caller for over 12 local clubs. The List goes on...

James will be missed by the Square Dance community and all who knew him. Our sincere sympathy goes to his wife, Clarice, his family and friends.



### **BEYOND OUR CONTROL (?)**

Due to a "malfunction" with the Editor's camera, pictures taken (?) at the Student Hoedown and the Blood Bank Dance did not "develop".

If you have any pictures of either dance and would like to donate them for Historian/Grapevine use, please send them to Charlie & Val Newsome, 12368 Brady Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32223-2529.

Thanks!!

**The Editors**

# GRADUATION DANCE



SPONSORED AND CALLED BY  
GATEWAY CALLERS ASSOCIATION

SAT, APRIL 25TH 1998 7:30 TILL 10:00 PM  
SANDALWOOD HIGH SCHOOL  
\$3.50 PER PERSON AT THE DOOR

SQUARE DANCERS CITY WIDE ARE INVITED TO COME  
OUT AND SUPPORT OUR NEW DANCERS, AND  
WELCOME THEM INTO THE SQUARE DANCE COMMUNITY

## DANCERS !!

These students are our future Square Dancers and friends. Please attend the student dances and extend the hand of friendship to our students while supporting our Gateway Callers.

The Editors

# CUER'S CORNER

## ROUNDALAB ROUNDS OF THE QUARTER



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Phase V....Paso Corredo (PD).... Rother...Roper 248

Phase VI....L-O-V-E (QS)....Shibata..Sp. Pressing

## ROUNDALAB Press Release, February 20, 1998

ROUNDALAB has announced their Annual ROUNDALAB Convention will be held in Columbia, SC, June 21-23, 1998. An invitation has been extended to ALL TEACHERS OF DANCE who are or are not ROUNDALAB members. This is a wonderful opportunity for members and non members of ROUNDALAB to see first-hand what the ROUNDALAB organization is all about, i.e. its goals, Board of Directors, various committees,

standardization, education, voting, etc.

If you are a teacher of dance, and are interested in attending the ROUNDALAB Convention, we encourage you to call the ROUNDALAB office at 800-346-7522 or fax 714-572-0931, or e-mail [roundalab@southland.net](mailto:roundalab@southland.net) for further information. All registrations and reservations must be made through the ROUNDALAB office.

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### ROUND DANCE COUNCIL OF FLORIDA

NEW OFFICERS FOR 1998 ARE JIM RUNNELS, PRESIDENT; BEV LANDWEHR, VICE PRESIDENT; TOM PHILIPS, SECRETARY; AND JOYCE VIOLA, TREASURER.

## THANK YOU !!

The cards and phone calls received during my recent bout with Pneumonia were greatly appreciated. When you're suffering from "cabin fever", it's comforting to know you haven't been forgotten. I've said it before - - - Square Dance friends are the greatest!!

Thanks!!!

*Charlie Newsome*



THE INTERNATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION OF  
SQUARE DANCE  
CALLERS

Mainstream: None  
 Plus: Go Right/Left To A Wave  
 Advanced: Swing The Fractions;  
 Follow To A Diamond  
**EMPHASIS CALLS**  
 Basic: Touch 1/4  
 Mainstream: Spin The Top  
 Plus: Explode And Anything...



## CALLER'S CORNER

(CALLERLAB Quarterly Selection Program)

The CALLERLAB QS program grew out of the Square Dance situation that existed when CALLERLAB was formed in the early 70's. Then, there were no accepted programs of Square Dancing and there was a nearly endless flow of proposed "new" calls. At the earliest CALLERLAB meetings, there were requests from dancers organizations to "do something about the flood of new calls".

CALLERLAB's response to these requests was to establish the Mainstream and Plus programs that are so well known in Square Dancing. Over the years, the calls on these programs have been changed and updated to keep them up to date.

The QS process was established as another response to dancer's requests to restrict the flow of new calls. However, there are other important reasons for having a QS program. One is to give those dancers who enjoy learning the chance to experiment with new calls. Another is to assure that dancers everywhere learn the same experimental calls.

All Quarterly Selection calls are

chosen by a majority vote of a fairly large committee. After an eight month trial in the field, the entire CALLERLAB membership votes to keep or drop QS calls. When a QS call remains active for two years, it is automatically referred to the appropriate dance program committee for a decision whether to add the call to that program.

CALLERLAB does not TELL callers to use the Quarterly Selections. That decision is made by each caller. Quarterly Selections have always been offered FOR THOSE CALLERS AND/OR CLUBS THAT WISH TO INCLUDE A WORKSHOP in their programs.

There is serious discussion about whether the QS process has outlived its usefulness. Some callers and dancers are urging that we do away with the process entirely. The QS process has provided very strong standardization of workshop material throughout the world. It also provides a way of introducing new material into the Square Dance vocabulary. Without this orderly and accepted process, we might be pushed back into the confusion that existed prior to 1974.



## IN STEP WITH ....

### Country, Clogging and Line Dancing

By Donna Robbins

The 'other' country dance -- "2-stepping"! 2-Stepping is, of course, a partner dance,

specified rhythmically to country music. It is probably one of the easiest dances to learn, since it's basically only two-step-combinations. It can also be one of the more energetic and difficult dances to 'exercise' because it is a constant

repetition of the same step (to the beat of the music)!

This dance also has 'levels'. Once you get the step-step (slow), quick-step or 2-step (fast), you can then get into the variety of arm turns, twirls, and swings, which can be quite tricky and complicated!

Once learned, however, it can offer hours of dancing pleasure for you and your partner!



## ON THE ROAD -- AGAIN

(The Editors)

The Editors did not do too well keeping the schedule in the last issue due to Charlie coming down with pneumonia and Val's mother being in the hospital. For those we missed, we apologize -- we'll try to catch you another time!

|           |                          |               |
|-----------|--------------------------|---------------|
| April 2   | 7th Anniversary Dance    | Joy Seas      |
| April 4   | Feast & Fest Demo        | Riverfront    |
| April 7   | 10th Anniversary Dance   | Rollaways     |
| April 14  | Class Graduation         | Mandarin      |
| April 16  | Class Graduation         | Joy Seas      |
| April 23  | Class Grad/8th Ann Dance | Moose         |
| April 24  | Class Graduation         | Silver Fox    |
| April 25  | Graduation Ball          | GCA           |
| April 28  | 13th Anniversary Dance   | Mandarin      |
| May 2     | Pirates Ball             | Sweet Art Sqs |
| May 22-24 | FL State Convention      | Lakeland      |
| May 30    | 5th Saturday Dance       | NEFSARDA      |

Of course, we will still try to visit regular club dances when we can. So... "smile, you may be on Grapevine camera".

## PUBLICITY REPORT

By Phyllis Cody, Chairman

The TV Demo we had scheduled for January 5, 1998 at Media One developed a "problem that we could not overcome" since they were not set up to tape dancing. Therefore, they interviewed several people during the 30 minute spot and the program aired at 8 pm on January 15th on Cable Channel 24. It aired again a week later, and we understand it was seen a couple of more times. We received a number of phone calls as a direct result of the interviews. The host of the show, Joe Fortuna, interviewed **Art Wilson, Jack & Kathy McKinney, Walt & Betty Smith, and Charlie & Val Newsome.**

Several dancers came out to help us with the televised demo which "did not happen". We want to take this opportunity to thank those dancers for taking time out of their busy schedule to support our publicity efforts. We hope we will be able to get a demo on TV at a

later date.

In addition to the dancers interviewed, the following people came out to help: **Dee Dee & Bessie Stovall; Russ & Carolyn Ueber; Rex & Kate McCaul; Robert Stormes; Mikki Harrell; Bill & Monina Knerim; Joe Seelhoefer; Eileen Loncle; Jack Carrouthers; Maddy Chitko; Lee Morrell; and Edna Deakins.**

Our NEXT Square Dance Demo will be held in conjunction with the 14th Annual Feast & Fest ... A Taste of Jacksonville, to be held on the Northbank Riverfront in Downtown Jacksonville on Saturday, April 4th. We will dance on that date from 5 to 6 pm behind the old City Hall & Courthouse. If you can come and help us with this demo, please arrive not-later-than 4:45 PM. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN PROMOTING SQUARE DANCING! (See flyer on opposite page)



### YES - WE HAVE MORE CHURCH BLOOPERS !!

Due to the Rector's illness, Wednesday's healing service will be discontinued until further notice.

Smile at someone who is hard to love. Say "hell" to someone who doesn't care much about you.

Today's sermon: "How Much can A Man Drink?" - with hymns from a full choir.

Potluck supper. Prayer and medication to follow.



# SQUARE DANCE DEMO FOR

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL  
FEAST & FEST...A TASTE OF JACKSONVILLE

SQUARE DANCE, Saturday, April 4 - 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Behind the old City Hall & Courthouse

- Dates/Times** Saturday, April 4th 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Sunday, April 5th 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Location** Northbank Riverfront in Downtown Jacksonville
- Attendance** More than 35,000
- Admission** Free (\$1.00 donation to Big Brothers, Big Sisters, Inc. is suggested)
- Purpose** To raise money for Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Jacksonville, Inc.  
All participating restaurants contribute 10% of sales to the charity  
A minimum of 10% of beverage proceeds will also be contributed
- Activities** Opportunity to sample specialties from the First Coast's best restaurants  
Arts & Crafts show and sale  
Childrens' Activities Area  
Riverboat Cruises  
Multiple Stages of Entertainment  
Cooking Demonstrations  
Ice Carvings  
Annual Blessing of the Fleet involving hundreds of boaters on  
Sunday, April 5th

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For information, call  
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## 47th National Square Dance Convention

Charlotte, NC June 24-27, 1998

*"Nothing could be finer than to be in Carolina"*

### HOUSING INFORMATION

If you have registered for the 47th NSDC and requested hotel or motel housing, you should have already received a confirmation notice from the hotel or motel. In order to ensure that your room is ready at the facility when you arrive, be sure that you make contact directly with the hotel or motel and arrange for the required deposit that will guarantee the room for you. The 47th Registration and Housing Office does

not make any "reservations" for you. They will assign you to one of the hotels or motels that you listed on your registration form, but the actual reservation at the hotel/motel is up to you. The hotel/motel sends you the confirmation to indicate to you that they have been given your name and that you should follow up with your deposit directly to the hotel/motel

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### EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER

**(704) 339-6090**

If you need to have someone contact you in an emergency during the 47th NSDC, give them this phone number.

This number will be monitored by the Charlotte Convention Center Security forces during normal Convention hours. The CCC Security will be in contact with the 47th NSDC Security people and the message will be circulated in the Conven-

tion Center. The message will also be posted on the Central Message Board.

Remember, the Convention is a big event and the more information the caller can give the more likely it is that a message will be delivered. Be sure to leave other important numbers with those at home and a schedule of your trip so contact can be made if needed.

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### THE CALLERS ARE COMING !!

That's right, the callers (and maybe some British, too) are coming to the 47th National Square Dance Convention. We'll have several hundred to entertain and challenge you on the dance floors at all levels from Mainstream to Challenge. The nationally known callers will be in attendance as well as many well known local callers from all over. There will be international callers as well as callers from north, south, east and west! If you chose to dance, dance, dance at the

47th, you will have quite a selection of callers to choose from as you fill your days and evenings with dancing.

Get your registration form in to the convention office and be ready to start the week with some of your favorites on Wednesday, June 24th. With the line up of callers already registered, you'll be sure to understand why **"Nothing could be finer than to be in Carolina"**.



# YELLOW ROCKER PLUS

## New Plus Class

Every Monday 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Beginning April 6, 1998

Trinity Lutheran Church  
Corner Of Park & McDuff



Caller:  
For Info. Call:



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## NATIONAL SQUARES MAGAZINE

for and about the National Convention

The **NATIONAL SQUARES MAGAZINE** is published by the National Executive Committee of the National Square Dance Convention to provide information to square dancers about the convention.

If you do not subscribe to **NATIONAL SQUARES**, you are missing out on a great resource. **NATIONAL SQUARES** will give you enough information in the upcoming issue to plan your convention time before you leave home. The next issue will come out at the first of May and will contain facts about the dance programs (Square, Round, Clogging, Contra, Lines, etc.) so you can begin to allocate your floor time. This issue will cover Sew & Save, the Show Case of Ideas, the Clinics, Seminars, Panels, and special educational features of the 47th. You

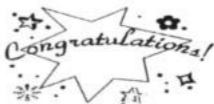
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## ROLLAWAYS 10th ANNIVERSARY DANCE

Come help us celebrate our  
**10th Anniversary**  
on Tuesday, April 7, 1998.



Bring a **covered dish** and join us for **dinner** from 7:00 to 8:00 PM.

After dinner we'll dance **Mainstream** with **announced Plus** from 8:00 to 10:00 PM.



**COME AND JOIN THE CELEBRATION**  
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**"THE SQUARE DANCERS FLORIST"**

# HIGHLIGHTS OF ANNUAL CIRCUS BENEFIT DANCE

By Val Newsome

The Annual Circus Dance hosted by the Silver Fox Squares, and held January 30th, raised \$2,880 for Dreams Come True. Callers Sam Atkinson and Eddie Millan kept the 200 + dancers in a dancing mood all evening. It was a great dance -- lots of fun and good eats. The decor was well done, complete with Big Top and many, many clowns.

Attendance banners were won by Dixie Dancers from Lake City and Seabreeze Singles, Rollaways, Moose Promenaders, and Plus Fox from Jacksonville.

Lots of good door prizes were claimed by the winners -- including a condo vacation won by Larry & Penny Waller.

Callers Art Wilson, Jim Cosman and Tom Hidding and their wives were in attendance. Also in attendance was a former Jacksonville (& Silver Fox) caller, Paul Walker and his wife, Nita. As a matter of fact they brought along 4 couples from the Cardinal Squares of

Salisbury, NC (Paul is their caller).

A very special guest for the evening was Sheriann Frantz. Sheriann, along with her deceased husband, Tom, had the initial idea for a Circus Dance. In talking with Sheriann we learned that the first Circus Dance was held in 1991 and was such fun they decided to turn it into an annual affair to benefit some fund or charity.

Money was donated from the 2nd dance to help the National Convention for 1997 get underway, and the 3rd dance profits went to the 1994 State Convention After Party. Beginning in 1994, the club voted to hold the Circus Benefit Dance each year with proceeds benefiting the Dreams Come True Foundation. While we do not know the exact total for the five years, we do know the money has helped 5 children see their DREAMCOME TRUE! **HATS OFF TO THE SILVER FOX SQUARES!**



## FALL FESTIVAL DOINGS

By Walt & Betty Smith, Chairmen

It's coming up on that time again. The Fall Festival will be here before you know it. This year's dates are Friday and Saturday, October 30 and 31. **NOTICE IT'S A NEW DATE!**

It will be held at Palms Presbyterian Church at 3410 S. 3rd Street, Jacksonville Beach, FL. That's about half a mile north of J. T. Butler Blvd. on the West side of 3rd Street. **NOTICE IT'S A NEW LOCATION!**

Our Committees are all in place. Our

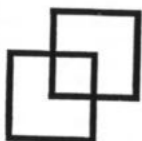
theme will be 'HOLLYWOOD NIGHTS,' so, start planning your float for the parade.

Our Caller will be Art Springer. Round Dance Cues will be announced a little later.

More information, flyers and buttons will be out soon!

We ask that everyone, and that's everyone, pitch in and let's make this a FALL FESTIVAL TO REMEMBER!

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# GUIDELINES FOR NEW DANCERS

Reprinted from USDA NEWS, July-Sept 1997; reprint from Tel-Star, October 1995.

1. **DANCE AT OTHER CLUBS:** Your home club needs your support and there should be a special place for the club where you learned to dance, but you are missing one of the great things about square dancing if you only dance with your home club. Visit with other clubs in the area from time to time and when on trips. But remember you are a visitor. It is suggested that you call or write before visiting as dancing schedules and locations are subject to change (this is important if you are traveling).

2. **BELONG TO A CLUB:** Clubs are needed to organize and establish a means of enjoying the fellowship of square dancing. To survive, they need an active membership where EVERYONE helps. Volunteer, don't wait to be asked.

3. **DANCE TO OTHER CALLERS:** During lessons you tuned in to the caller who taught you and you will always have a special place for him (her). Every caller has a different style — that is part of the fun.

4. **DANCE IN THE FRONT OF THE HALL:** The tendency for the new dancer is to hide in the back of the hall where he thinks the caller can't see his square break down. A good caller watches the whole floor, including the back squares. Don't be afraid to dance in the front square.

5. **DANCE WITH EXPERIENCED DANCERS:** Sometimes an outreached hand from a more experienced dancer is

all your square needs to keep going. Everyone dancing today was a new dancer at one time and can remember how it felt.

6. **TOUCH HANDS AFTER EVERY MOVE:** Establish your position by touching hands after every move. If you are lost, at least you will have company.

7. **KEEP DANCING:** To use all the information you have learned and to make it become second nature, it is important to practice, practice, practice.

8. **BE AWARE OF YOUR LEVEL:** Look for dances advertised at the level you know.

9. **STAY AT YOUR LEVEL FOR A WHILE:** The level you dance has nothing to do with how good a dancer you are. It has to do with how much time you are willing to devote to your hobby. You may never choose to move to another level and that is fine. Don't make a choice until you have danced **mainstream at least one full year!** Don't let anyone rush you!

10. **SQUARE DANCE FOR FUN:** The odds are pretty good that someone is going to make a mistake (even a caller makes one sometimes!). Don't worry about whose fault it was ... it doesn't matter. Regroup and **keep smiling!**

11. **FINALLY:** Jump right up when the music starts. Get in the first open square, **do not pass one up!** Introduce yourself, smile and have fun! Thank everyone when the tip is over.

## CONGRATULATIONS



## GRADUATES



## 5TH SATURDAY DANCE REPORT

By Manny & Sherry Gonzales, NEFSARDA Vice President

We started the New Year out right. Thanks to you dancers for supporting the dance. We hope this will be the trend for this year's 5th Saturday Dances. We had 142 in attendance with 16 of those being callers, cuers and their spouses.

We certainly appreciate the hard work, decorations, food and the help for setting up and cleaning up afterwards by all of you. A special THANKS to our host the Fun 'N Frolics and the Mavericks for doing an excellent job on the decorations. It carried a Western theme and looked like "an ole fashioned Barn Dance."

As always our many thanks to our



Winners of the NEFSARDA banners at the last Fifth Saturday Dance, January 31st. (L to R) Teddy Bears, Rollaways, 5th Saturday Dance Chairmen, Fun N Frolic and Yellow Rockers Plus

callers, Lon Ligon and Ralph Beekman, and Cuer Jim Winter for providing a very lively and challenging dance.

Banners for attendance went to:

**Attendance:** Rollaways and Yellow Rockers Plus

**% Attendance:** Fun 'N Frolics and Teddy Bears

Make plans now to attend the next 5th Saturday Dance on May 30th for a grand ole time with plenty of fun. Hosts will be Gypsy Squares and Vagabond Squares. Watch for flyers with more information!



Cuer, Jim Winter, and callers Ralph Beekman & Lon Ligon "perform their magic" at the January 31st Fifth Saturday Dance at Tynes Elementary School



### **LIFE BEGINS?**

*(From Chicken Soup For The Christian Soul)*

A Preacher, a Priest and a Rabbi were having their usual morning coffee at the local coffee shop. On this particular morning, they were discussing the point at which life begins. "Life begins at conception", the Priest said emphatically. "No", countered the Rabbi, "I believe life begins at birth". The Preacher sipped his coffee as he pondered the question and finally said, "You're both wrong. Life begins when the last child has left home and the dog dies."

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## BLOOD BANK DANCE REPORT

By Howard & Jettie Crowe, Blood Bank Chairman

NEFSARDA held the annual Blood Bank Dance on March 7, 1998 at Jacksonville Heights Elementary School. Although the attendance was down, 60 of our dear friends and dancers came to honor our donors! We are so grateful for our practically perfect dancers who have given "The Gift of Life" to others! We hope all the clubs will take back the Certificates to their loving and giving donors and thank them for their wonderful gift! We are aware that these most generous people do not give for praise, but we do truly wish to recognize them and honor them for their contribution (that can not be bought!).

The hall was beautiful and the food was excellent. Our callers and cuer were, as usual, the most fun and in rare

form! We really cannot say enough about these men that give and give to us the dancers of the Northeast. Thank you Sam Atkinson, Mike Akers, and Larry Dunn for your wonderful help and kind and caring attitude! We especially THANK Sam for a "QUICK" come to our rescue at the last minute.

As a result of your contributions, a check for \$200.00 will be presented to the Florida Georgia Blood Alliance. A total of 220 units of blood was donated during 1997, and so far in 1998 24 units have been donated.

The attendance banner was won by the Rollaways and accepted by their Banner Chairmen, Hank & Doris Spaulding.

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## Stitchin' Time

by Greta Stanton



I recently came across an article written by Sandra Kelly, Times Union Columnist, that had some interesting tips for dancers who sew their own outfits. I've found the information useful and hope you do, too!

### "Gaping neckline?"

A slightly gaping neckline can be corrected with the help of a stitch used in professional tailoring.

For want of a better name I call it "the shrinker." When applied around the neck (or armhole) the result is a slightly smaller neckedge. To alter a garment with this stitch, turn the neck facing to the right side of the bodice. The facing is now resting in the position it did when originally sewn into the neckedge. If understitched, remove this row of stitching, so that the seamline is visible. It is directly on top of this seamline that you will apply the shrinker stitch.

1) Thread your needle with a single strand of thread. If you have a disk of wax, run your thread over the wax to give it added strength.

2) This stitch is worked from right to left. Secure your thread on the seamline of your garment neck facing. For your first stitch, take a regular back stitch. This will put your needle and thread in position to begin the shrinker stitch.

3) Now take another back stitch, but this time insert your needle in the middle of your last stitch. Do not pull your needle completely through yet.

4) Take the thread which is coming out of the fabric, and wrap it around the needle first, going over the needle and then under it. With the thread looped over the needle tip in this manner, pull the needle through the fabric.

5) Finally, to draw the stitch tight and "shrink" in the seam, pull the thread first backward and then forward, stopping with the thread located midway in the stitch. As you do this, notice how the fabric is pulled in.

6) Repeat steps 3 through 5 around the neckedge.

7) Press over the new seam to flatten the stitching. Turn the facing back to the wrong side, understitch, and tack it down to the shoulder seams.

This is a valuable stitch to know and I suggest you take a scrap of fabric and make a sample. You will see the effectiveness at once."



## WHAT'S COOKING ?

By Val Newsome

It's April and that means Blueberry season is beginning. At the last 5th Saturday Dance there was a delicious blueberry treat which was prepared by Beckie Burkett. Beckie and her husband are members of the River City Squares and the Mavericks, as well as The Pirates in the Central Florida area. They also have a BLUEBERRY FARM! Beckie says blueberries are in season from late April till July and they will bring your order of blueberries to a dance. Call them at 904/964-6922.



Beckie has graciously consented to share a couple of recipes for our column this issue.

### BABY BLUEBERRY PIES

30 to 40 Mini Pie Shells (can be purchased in frozen food section of Winn Dixie)

1 - 8 oz pkg Cream Cheese    3 - Tablespoons Sugar

1 - Teaspoon Vanilla Flavoring

Mix Cream Cheese, Sugar, Vanilla together and fill pie shells half full. Chill.

#### Blueberry Filling:

2 cups grape juice (I make my own juice - recipe follows. Otherwise any grape juice)

2 cups blueberries    1/4 cup sugar

2 to 3 tablespoons cornstarch mixed in 1/4 cup cold water.

Mix juice, sugar and simmer five minutes. Add 1 cup berries, cook five more minutes. Add cornstarch mixture to berries and boil 3 to 4 minutes or until thick. Cool 10 to 20 minutes, then add remaining berries and chill. ( I usually make the berry mixture the night before.) Spoon berry mixture into shell and chill. These travel well. They can be put back into the pie shell trays and transported. Any left over blueberry mixture you are free to use as you so desire.\*

(\*Editors note: Bet it's good over vanilla ice cream!)

### GRAPE JUICE

1 case of grapes (red or green seedless, cheapest in August)

2 boxes of Mason quart jars

Wash and stem grapes. Put 1 cup of grapes per jar. Add 1/2 cup sugar and fill with boiling water. Seal and water bath for 20 minutes. Leave for about a month before serving. Makes about 20 quarts.

ENJOY!



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# TOUR THE STATE IN '98 44TH FLORIDA STATE CONVENTION

Merle & JoAnn Lewis, General Chairman

Our 44th Florida State Convention is almost here and we hope all of our Florida and out-of-state dancers will come to support it. You know, this is one of the very best ways to promote round and square dancing. As the dancers mosey around the stores and restaurants with their colorful costumes on the people come up and ask you where you are dancing and if it is as much fun as it looks to be? You are your best advertisement. Invite them to come watch for a small Spectator Fee and let them see the comradeship and the fun and good exercise it exerts.

Our Demo Team has been working very hard to get the word out to the dancers and some of them have logged over 3,800 miles and 25 Demos since August. We have covered all the big dances that we were told about in the State of Florida and also some in neighboring states. We have about four more big dances we are planning to attend yet.

Please pick up our registration flyers and take them back to your clubs and encourage them to attend. If you get a block of rooms for your club from some of the motels they will give you a hospitality room free for an After Party. So, book your rooms now.

We have included a Basic/ Main-

stream Hall for the new dancers and also a hall for the Youth and Handicapables and Country/Western and Line Dancing and a level for all the rest.

Our Sewing Clinic Chairman has planned three time slots for all kinds of hands on learning demos and are giving away great prizes.

Our Education Chairman is planning a great seminar on how to hold clubs together, fun things to do and ways to promote. This will be very beneficial to new officers and new clubs.

We have great prizes that have been donated for the convention and we plan to have a drawing every hour and the winning number (on the back of your ribbon) will be posted outside of the registration booth.

We will also be having a "GONG SHOW" at our After Party at the BEST WESTERN so anyone brave enough to get "GONGED", call Don Slocum (941) 533-4892.

IT WILL BE TWO AND A HALF DAYS OF FUN! Florida probably has more great callers and cuers that any state in the Union, so come dance to them!!! Meet all of your old friends and make some new friends. **SUPPORT YOUR STATE IN '98 ... SEE YOU MAY 22, 23 & 24 AT THE LAKELAND CENTER IN LAKELAND, FL.**

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Advance Registration through April 30, 1998.....\$18.00 per person  
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TOUR THE STATE IN '98

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A = ADVANCED B=BASIC C=CHALLENGE

M=MAINSTREAM P=PLUS R=ROUNDS L=LINES

All locations are Jacksonville unless shown otherwise.

**SUNDAY**

**TOUCH OF CLASS:** "R" Every Sunday: 5-6:30 Class Peace Presbyterian Church - 2300 Southside Blvd.: Cuer: Jim & Barbara Winter 904 268-1369 - Phase I & II 6:30-8:00PM; Phase III & IV 8:00-9:30PM.

**MONDAY**

**ANGEL SQUARES:** (Formerly Village Squares) "M/P" Every Monday Class 7:00-8:30 Dance 8:30-10:00 PM St. James Episcopal Church, 3500 McFarlane Ave - Lake City -- Caller: Ralph Beekman 904 752-2544 -- Contact: Kirby & Dottie Morgan 904 755-6171

**FUN & FROLICS:** "A" Every Monday: 7:30 - 9:30 PM 2839 W. Beaver St. Woodstock Park-Caller: Art Wilson 904 225-5674

**TOUCH OF CLASS:** "R" Every Monday 7:30 - 9:30 PM Peace Presbyterian Church - 2300 Southside Blvd.: Cuer: Jim & Barbara Winter 904 268-1369 - Ph. IV&V.

**THUMPER SQUARES:** "M/P" Every Monday 7:30 - 9:30 PM , at the Galleria, High Springs Caller: Ellis Lindsey, Contact Bill McNeese 786-1713.

**YELLOW ROCKERS PLUS:** "P" Every Monday Pluss Class 7:00 - 8:00 PM, Dance 8:00 - 10:00 PM - Trinity Lutheran Church - Park & McDuff St -- Caller: Lawton Smith 904 389-3349--Contact: Millie Hutto 904 388-4196.

**TUESDAY**

**DIXIE DANCERS:** "P/R" Every Tues. Class 7 - 8 PM Dance 8:00-10:00 PM - Teen Town - 312 N. 6th St., Lake City -- Caller: Bill Chesnut 904 374-8582: -- Contact: Daisy Tramel 904 752-1469

**GRAND SQUARES:** "P" Every Tuesday Workshop 7:30 - 8:00 - Dance 8:00 - 9:30 PM - 1910 N W 53rd Ave., Gainesville, Union Hall Caller - Lon Ligon Contact: (352) 377-1828

**MANDARIN MARAUDERS:** "M/P/L" Every Tuesday Class 7:00 - 8:30 PM Club 8:30-10:00PM Italian-American Club Westberry Rd. -- Caller: Lawton Smith 904 389-3349 -- Contact: Joe & Barbara Fitzmayer 904 268-8221.

**MAVERICKS:** "M/P" Every Tuesday Class 7 - 8:30 PM Club Dance 8:30-10:00 PM Middleburg Civic Center - Middleburg -- Contact: Caller Ernie Rollen 904 282-2335

**ROLLAWAYS:** " M/P/L" Every Tues. 8:30-10 PM (Class/W/shop 7-8:30 PM) (Fifth Tuesday's - Fun Dance) Sandalwood High School -- Caller: Ken Miller 904 268-4492 Plus Classes started January 12th.

**SEABREEZE SINGLES:** "M/P" Every Tuesday Beginners Class 7:00-8:30 PM Dance 8:30-10:30 PM- - Peace Presbyterian Church 2300 Southside Blvd. -- Caller: Jim Cosman 912 882-4006 Contact: Linda Paulley - 387-2239

**SWEET ART SQUARES:** "M/P" Every Tuesday Beginners Classes 7:00-8:30 PM Dance 8:30 - 10:00 PM Yulee Elementary School - Yulee -- Caller: Art Wilson 904 225-56741 Contact: Connie Schnippert - 904 277-3346.

**WEDNESDAY**

**PLUS FOX:** "P" Every Wednesday 7:30-9:30 PM Jax Heights Elem - 7750 S. Tempest St.-- Caller: Jim Cosman 912 882-4006 Contact: Lorvale Smith 779-7626

## THURSDAY

**FRIENDSHIP SQUARES:** "M/P" Every Thursday Class 7:00 - 8:30 PM Dance 8:30 - 10:00 PM Keystone Hts. HI School, 900 Orchard St., Caller: Bill Chesnut (352) 374-8582 Contact: Sandra Pennell (352) 473-4347

**HAPPY 2 BE's:** "A1/A2" Every Thursday - Dance 7:30 - 9:30 PM Peace Presbyterian Church 2300 Southside Blvd - Caller: Eddie Millan 765-0296

**JOY SEAS:** "M/P/L/R" every Thursday Class 7:00 - 8:00 PM Dance 8:00 - 10:00 PM St. Augustine South Civic Center, Gate 2, 709 Royal Rd. Caller: Mike Akers 904 829-1697 Contact Rose 904 471-0809.

**MOOSE PROMENADERS:** "P/L" Every Thursday Class 7:00 - 8:30PM Dance 8:30 - 10 PM 5051 Collins Rd. Moose Lodge Orange Park -- Caller: Art Wilson 904 225-5674 -- Contact: Terry & Carol Schoenekase 287-7660.

**VAGABOND SQUARES:** "M/P" Every Thursday 7:00-10:00 PM - St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Parish Hall, 1391 SW 11th St. - Live Oak - Caller: Ralph Beekman 904 752-2544 - Contact: Pauline & Victor Parker 904 935-2563.

## FRIDAY

**CLASSIC PLUS:** P/R" 1st & 3rd Friday Rounds 7:30-8:00 Dance 8:00-10:00 PM Peace Presbyterian Church - 2300 Southside Blvd Guest Callers Used -- Contact: Erv Oermann 777-1501 or Contact: Mary Lou Pelz 904 733-1869; For banner info., call Pat & Mike Rist 733-2298

**CAMPSY SQUARES:** "M/P/L" 1st Full Weekend Each Month - Various Campgrounds -- Caller: John Barrett 904 767-7775 Contact: Gene & Wanda Tanner 904 782-3229 or Luther & Debbie Delp 905 642-0392

**JEKYLL ISLAND SQUARES:** "M/P/R" 2nd, 4th Friday - Jane Macon Middle School - Brunswick, GA Caller: Don Heins 912 265-1504 Cuer: Donna Heins.

**POGO SQUARES:** "M/P" 2nd & 4th Friday 8-10:30 PM - Wacoma School, U.S. 1 N. Waycross, GA.-- Caller: David Drake-- Cuer Larry Dunn Contact: James Hayes 912 285-1718 or Larry Davis 912 283-2380

**SILVER FOX SQUARES:** "M/P Every Friday Pluss Class 7- 8:30 PM Club Dance 8:30 - 10 PM Jax Heights Elementary School -- Caller: Sam Atkinson (904) 268-3165 Contact: Cliff & Marge Elliott 781-2101

## SATURDAY

**RIVER CITY SQUARES:** "M/P/R" 1st, 3rd Saturday 8 - 10 PM Caller: Don Heins - Cuer: Donna Heins - Peace Presbyterian Church, 2300 Southside Blvd Call 744-8685 or 269-0629

**TEDDY BEAR SQUARES:** "P/R" 2nd & 4th Saturday 8-10 PM - Peace Presbyterian Church - 2300 Southside Blvd. -- Caller: Eddie Millan 904 765-0296 -- Cuer: Jim Winter Contact: Walt & Betty Smith 904 260-8266 **NO DANCE APRIL 25th OR MAY 23rd.**

**NEFSARDA 5th SATURDAY DANCE:** Every 5th Saturday at various locations - Please consult Special Events Calendar in the back of this publication.

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## CLASSES STARTING

**Beginners Class** - Seabreeze Singles - starting March 17th , 7:00 - 8:80 PM

**Plus Class** - Yellow Rockers Plus - starting April 6th, 7:00 - 8:00 PM

**Plus Class** - Silver Fox - Starting May 1st, 7:00 - 8:30 PM

## NEFSARDA CLUB VISITATION - - 1997

The following list is a comparison of the Club Visitation Program for the past year. There were 13 clubs that participated

As you know, the guidelines changed last year so more clubs would receive "rewards". Those clubs completing between 12 and 24 visits received the "Bronze"; between 24 and 36, the "Silver"; more than 36 visits, the "Gold".

| <u>CLUB</u>           | <u>NO. VISITS</u> | <u>CLUBS VISITED</u> | <u>NO. CLUBS VISITING</u> | <u>TIMES VISITED</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Classic Plus          | 20                | 8                    | 6                         | 14                   |
| Clay Wheel-Arounds    | 1                 | 1                    | 6                         | 10                   |
| Fun N Frolic          | 5                 | 4                    | 1                         | 5                    |
| Gypsy Squares         | 31                | 12                   | 6                         | 11                   |
| Joy Seas              | 4                 | 3                    | 2                         | 4                    |
| Moose Promenaders     | 26                | 12                   | 9                         | 25                   |
| Plus Fox              | 12                | 7                    | 8                         | 23                   |
| River City Squares    | 15                | 10                   | 7                         | 17                   |
| Rollaways             | 61                | 19                   | 9                         | 20                   |
| Seabreeze Singles     | 13                | 10                   | 9                         | 15                   |
| Silver Fox            | 19                | 8                    | 8                         | 22                   |
| Teddy Bears           | 28                | 13                   | 9                         | 20                   |
| Yellow Rockers        | 17                | 9                    | 7                         | 16                   |
| <br>                  |                   |                      |                           |                      |
| Dixie Dancers         |                   |                      | 1                         | 1                    |
| Happy 2 Be            |                   |                      | 3                         | 4                    |
| Jekyll Island Squares |                   |                      | 2                         | 3                    |
| Mandarin Marauders    |                   |                      | 6                         | 7                    |
| Mavericks             |                   |                      | 4                         | 6                    |
| Pogo Squares          |                   |                      | 1                         | 1                    |
| Sweet Art Squares     |                   |                      | 7                         | 13                   |
| Touch of Class        |                   |                      | 2                         | 10                   |
| Other                 |                   |                      | 3                         | 5                    |
| <br>                  |                   |                      |                           |                      |
| TOTALS                | -----<br>252      |                      |                           | -----<br>252         |



**DO YOU  
REMEMBER  
HOW IT FELT  
TO BE A  
BEGINNER??**

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## HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE SOPHOMORE HOEDOWN

By Val Newsome

The Gateway Callers Association again outdid themselves! There were 19 + squares at the February 28th Sophomore Hoedown held at the Trinity Lutheran Church. A lot of class members were there as well as many dancers who came to help make them welcome.

Aleta Dunn, a caller from Waycross, GA, brought nine children from her "WILD BUNCH" who are in beginner lessons now. They didn't really look wild to me -- just like they were really enjoying themselves. In addition to the children, a square of adult beginners from Unicorn Squares and a square from Pogo Squares were in attendance.

There were more children taking lessons in attendance since the Rollaways were out in force to support their young class members. It's so refreshing to see all the children getting involved in square dancing -- after all, they are the future of this family activity we all enjoy so much.

GCA had seven callers present and kept the music and dancing going all evening. Callers in attendance were Sam Atkinson, Art Wilson, Ken Miller, Lawton Smith, John Robbins, Don Heins, and Jim Morgan. THANKS FOR ANOTHER GREAT DANCE!!

As always the caller's wives had managed to put together food fit for a king! ANOTHER GREAT JOB. THANKS!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW (see ad elsewhere in this issue)! The GRADUATION DANCE sponsored by GATEWAY CALLERS ASSOCIATION will be held from 7:30 - 10:00 pm at Sandalwood High School on SATURDAY, APRIL 25th.

Support your local callers and at the same time welcome the new dancers into the Wonderful World of Square Dancing. Come out to the dance and show these graduates the fun and fellowship that awaits them in this family activity.



*welcome graduates!!*

to the wonderful world of square dancing!



### HEY CAMPERS!

I hope you are planning on the 47th National Square Dance Convention in Charlotte, NC.

If you are looking for a camp site, I have some sites at the Praise Hollow Camp Ground about 15 miles from the Convention Center that are shady and paved. If you need a site, let me know as soon as possible.

Time is getting close so don't be left without a place to stay. Call Linda Riggs at 904 225-8084 for more information.

Hope you'll be there - this is **our** year to have fun!

# NEFSARDA DELEGATES MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

March 8, 1998

Meeting was called to order by President Jack McKinney. He gave the invocation and everyone recited the pledge to the flag.

**Treasurers Report** indicated a balance in checkbook of \$5,066.46 with a balance in Smith Barney Account of \$7,017.20 for a grand total of \$12,083.66.

**Minutes** were approved as written.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**5TH SATURDAY DANCE:** See report elsewhere in issue.

**BLOOD BANK:** See report elsewhere in issue.

**GRAPEVINE:** Presented Annual Financial Report. Email address is cnewsome@bellsouth.net. As was done last year, The Grapevine will present a free sample copy to all graduates. Jack asked about the feasibility of printing extra copies for the graduates and having NEFSARDA pay for it. A suggestion was made that NEFSARDA order extra copies to be placed in libraries and other areas where the public could read about our dance.

**FALL FESTIVAL:** Committee Chairs in place; tentative logo approved.

**EDUCATION & CLASSES:** Notify Jack if any assistance needed from NEFSARDA.

**BYLAWS:** Chairman presented proposed change to Chapter IX, Sec.B, "After all expenses are met, proceeds of 5th Saturday dance will go 1/4 to each of 2 callers, 1/4 to cuer, 1/4 to NEFSARDA. If the above results in less than \$50, each caller and cuer will be guaranteed a \$50 fee". Motion made, seconded and passed.

**CLUB VISITATION:** This year visits made to any recognized square and round dance club will count in deciding awards--enables clubs to visit clubs outside our boundaries. See 1997 report elsewhere in issue.

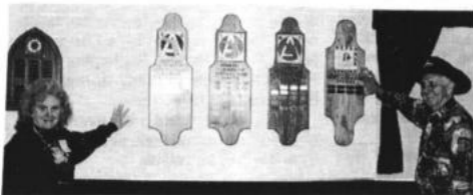
**PUBLICITY:** See report elsewhere in issue.

**INSURANCE:** Cards for insurance program are being distributed.

**FLORIDA FEDERATION:** Federation Working Weekend on February 21/22 was well attended by NEFSARDA. New State dress to be voted upon at next Federation meeting in May. Need 2 couples to participate in fashion show. Federation has contracted with Tom Perry to put a web page on the Internet for a fee of \$150. No charge to link individual sites. Committee of Dave Nihart and Eddie Millan to coordinate this project for our area.

**STATE CONVENTION:** All Committee Chairs have been filled. Volunteers still needed for committees. Booster buttons are in process of being made.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Looking into purchasing a button maker for NEFSARDA. The next meeting will be held May 3rd at 3 pm at Piccadilly.



(2/21/98) Jack & Kathy McKinney, NEFSARDA Presidents, check the plaque hanging in the Square Dance Hall Of Fame in Plant City. The plaque honors NEFSARDA's Dance Couples of The Year.

# Club News!

## DIXIE DANCERS

Linda Yocum 904/752-2970

The 19th Annual Blue-Grey Square Dance, sponsored by the Dixie Dancers, and held on February 14th, was a rousing success! We were blessed this year with a beautiful weekend. In addition, the Saturday afternoon street dance in downtown Lake City was loads of fun under the warm, sunny skies. This also gave us a great chance to check out all of the craft and food booths and pass out flyers for our upcoming lessons!

Guest caller, Tom Roper, did his usual outstanding job and managed to throw in a few "trick calls". Boy, that made us put on our thinking caps for a split second -- or four! Rounds were cued by Maggie Tripp and Ralph Beekman and were accomplished with perfection.

One highlight of the evening was the announcement of the winner of the beautiful gold, heart-shaped necklace. We were also honored again this year with the presence of Abraham Lincoln, a.k.a. Tad Allen, and General Ulysses S. Grant, a.k.a. Dr. Robert Blair, as well as R. M. "Mike" Null, Commanding General of the Blue-Grey Army. We hope that everyone had a good time, and we look forward to seeing all of you again next year!

The Vagabond Squares of Live Oak retrieved their banner on February 10th, and helped us celebrate our Presidents Theme Dance. The trivia contest pertaining to U.S. Presidents was won by Pinky Moore, Barbara McGlamery, Lani Knudsen and Thelma Wilson -- history buffs, no doubt!

Open House for new dancers was held on February 17th and 24th. The

Dixie Dancers were pleased to welcome **33** new students! All of our hard work with flyers, newspaper articles, radio and TV spots, wearing our "Ask Me About Square Dancing" badges and just plain word of mouth had reaped its rewards. The new dancers are all having a great time with their new activity and our members are concentrating on making our new friends feel welcome.

Teen Town was filled with cowboys and cowgirls wearing Stetsons and jeans and carrying shootin' irons and ropes for the Western Theme Dance in March. Members, students and guests had a foot stompin' good time.

Also included in March was an exhibition for the CARC clients who really enjoyed watching and clapping to the beat of the music. Our dancers were pleased with his humbling experience.

The next time you visit us at Teen Town you will notice that the Dixie Dancers have done some painting to spruce it up a bit. The painting party proved to be fun, and we managed to actually get more paint on the walls than ourselves.

Upcoming events included the election of Officers on April 7th; a club picnic at O'Leno State Park; a recycle night; graduation of our students; and, of course, the 20th anniversary celebration of the formation of the Dixie Dancers to be held on Tuesday, September 29th. (The club was actually formed on September 28, 1978.)

The Dixie Dancers wish everyone a blessed Easter, and hope that you'll stop by and see us sometime.

## DIXIE DANCERS (Cont'd)



Many dancers from all over North Florida enjoyed the street dance at the Olustee Festival in beautiful downtown Lake City. Callers were Bill Chesnut and Ralph Beekman

Lovely ladies with smiling faces - - - Barbara Beekman, Dot Gee, Hazel Barber and Daisy Tramel - - - were there to welcome dancers, guests, callers and dignitaries.



Blue-Grey Dance guest caller, Tom Roper, behind a miniature cannon made by Sam Uphaus of the Dixie Dancers.

President Lincoln (Tad Allen) and Ulysses S. Grant (Robert Blair) are greeted by Wilhemina Hearne and Bettie Ferguson at the 19th Annual Blue-Grey Dance.



## Fun N' Frolic

Dale and Gerry Fredrickson 269-9717

The Fun N' Frolic Square Dance Club continues to enjoy good fellowship and Advanced dancing on Monday evenings from 7:30 - 9:30 P.M. at Woodstock Center on Beaver Street between Edgewood and McDuff. Art Wilson puts us through the paces and keeps us on our toes. We welcome all Advanced dancers at any time to visit us. Plus dancers, start thinking about starting Advanced class next fall. We're a fun group to learn with.

I'd like to thank the members of Fun N' Frolic and Mavericks as we had fantastic support with our 5th Saturday dance in

January. We co-sponsored the event and feel we held a successful dance. We spent a couple of hours decorating the hall in the afternoon. Then we dined together, and enjoyed the dance in the evening. I always appreciate the help with clean up as you can't even tell we've had a dance when the students return on the following Monday. Thanks to all the dancers that traveled to Tynes Elementary for without you it would not have been a success.

We enjoy visiting with other clubs also, and we look forward to seeing you in a square real soon!

(EDITORS NOTE: The Email worked great, Dale)

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## GYPSY SQUARES

Luther & Debra Delp 641-0392

The Gypsy Squares enjoyed another relaxing weekend in March at Lake Oklawaha. Herb & Shirley Deitrich and Joe & Mary Greblunas hosted the weekend. The spaghetti dinner with lots of salads and desserts highlighted our social activities. We also enjoyed our usual Friday and Saturday night dances plus Lines led by J.E. & Kathy Mott. An hour of Advanced dancing during the afternoon was an additional treat. We thank Jim & Margaret Cosman for visiting us. They joined in the dancing and the calling plus gave us free tours of their new fifth wheel. We appreciate the visitors and new members that camped with us.

Our camping schedule has changed as we will no longer be camping at Celebrity Resorts. Next month we will be at Pacetti's Marina in St. Augustine as originally scheduled. Don't miss dancing with the Gypsies when we are this close to Jacksonville. Check with any Gypsy if you plan to attend and they will give you the details for the weekend when they are published in our newsletter.

In May we will be at Bulow, another neighboring location to Jacksonville and

Daytona. We always enjoy our visitors at this location. Dancers always enjoy a good time when John Barrett is behind the mike.

While you are at it, plan to attend the state Camp-O-Ree at Thousand Trails in Clermont. This event will be held October 23-25, 1998. All the state camping clubs and their callers get together for a super weekend. Anyone with an RV may attend even if you do not belong to one of the NSDCA clubs. But, the registration deadline is October 1st, 1998. Tickets for the weekend include camping fees, dancing fees and two meals. Of course, we have ribbons for this event as well as many other state and national events. Our members look forward to this event every year because we have enjoyed it so much in the past. This is a new location for the Camp-O-Ree, and we understand that the camping facilities are top notch. Don't miss out!

We welcome our visitors with lots of yellow rocks. Our visitors always add to the festivities. See you in a Gypsy Square!

## Happy 2 Be's

Aaron & Erma Fry 721-2167

Did you ever dance with a phantom? One night at Happy 2 Be's, Ann Millan danced with one she we could round out a square. Eddie asked her what her phantom was like and she replied "Tall, dark and handsome." Her phantom arrived for the second tip in the person of Ed Powe; he's handsome all right, but not so tall and a little gray on top. By the way, all of us in the square didn't make a mistake, --- the phantom did it!

Can you keep a secret? Dave Nihart did. With the help of Grover and Marcella Jacobsen, Charlie and Val Newsome, and of course a lot of friends, he had a surprise birthday party for Shirley. Friends from Teddy Bears, Happy 2 Be's, other dancing friends, and friends from where she used to work were there. There were lots of cards, gag gifts, and lot of reminiscing. remember the '94 State Convention when we danced "Shore to Shore in '94"? The decorations were all nautical. Rooms to place every convention activity was at a premium. The callers were placed in a store room with mops and buckets and there was a bathroom. In order to make the room

more attractive a few decorations were added. On the door of the bathroom there was a seagull complete with droppings (tooth-paste). One of the presents Shirley received was a beautifully wrapped box with, you guessed it, that seagull, complete with droppings. Eddie said he knew he would get even with her some time for that.

Walter and Betty Longino were on a cruise to Greece. We've missed dancing with them.

Check out Happy 2 Be's and Teddy Bears web page.



Shirley gets "surprised" again! She's really thinking "What am I supposed to do with this stupid seagull?"

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## JOY SEAS

Ruth Harper 285-5361

Go south on U.S. 1 in St. Augustine past the Ponce De Leon Mall, look for McDonald's, then Amoco, on the right and turn left at the next light. Drive two blocks to Royal Road, make a right and about a hundred yards down on the left is where caller Mike Akers has us dancin' to the beat.

The parking lot was full for our Valentine's Day dance and again on March 6th when 14 Rollaways came rollicking on a banner retrieval.

If you liked Mike's smooth calling at the Blood Bank Dance and are hankering for more, just follow the directions above on Thursday nights.

Dancing starts at 7 pm at current NEFSARDA students level and at 8 pm for regular dancers of Mainstream, with announced Plus tips.

Dennis Clark, our perennial Irish visitor, teaches line dances here, as he does in Ireland. (No square dancing in Ireland)

We welcome students now taking mainstream elsewhere who desire additional practice, as well as regular dancers. So, come on join the fun! If you get lost in spite of my neat directions, call the dance hall (904) 794-9915 - on dance nights only, please.

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262-8312



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287-0265

## JEKYLL ISLAND SQUARES

DON HEINS 912265-1504



Jekyll Island Squares celebrated their 10th Anniversary on January 24th. Callers (L to R) Ernie (& Frances) Rollen, Don (& Donna) Heins and Bill (& Mary) Chesnut were on hand to put the dancers thru their paces.



Pat & Billy Hernandez have attended all of the 10 Anniversary dances of the Jekyll Island Squares!



Ernie Rollen and his "4 Angels" doing one of the many Line dances between tips!

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## MANDARIN MARAUDERS

Bill & Jinny Carson 262-2872

YOU ARE INVITED to attend the graduation of our class of new Square Dancers Tuesday evening, April 14 at 7 o'clock. It will surely be a night to remember -- Lawton Smith's artistry and techniques in his teaching instructions will be visible to all and, of course, "special dances" will be a feature!

The Activities Committee has been in overdrive in '98 with all the special dances. Tom Roycroft and Martha Hardcastle were crowned King & Queen of Hearts at the Valentine Dance. The annual "Hobo Night" began with bowls of that famous Hobo Stew, 'slaw, and my deah-Trifle (Fancy, huh?) for dessert,

and most everyone wore their very best Hobo attire!! We had a celebration on St. Patrick's Day with a "Leprechaun Stomp". The 5th Tuesday in March was a real treat with "all singing calls". Our social outing for the month was a trip to the Wedge Cafe where we all used our Entertainment Book coupons! A group also did a demonstration for the residents of the Hebrew Garden Retirement Community. Busy! Busy!

This year we have been truly blessed with visitors -- the Yellow Rockers, Silver Fox, Dixie Dancers, Joy Seas, and the Moose Promenaders.

At the Presidents Ball last month

## MANDARIN MARAUDERS (Cont'd)

(sponsored by the Moose Promenaders, our Presidents Jerry & Karen Sullivan were selected as Presidents of the Year. Jerry & Karen have worked real hard this past year as Presidents of the Marauders and we do appreciate this recognition.

REMEMBER -- Graduation is Tuesday,

April 14th!

ALSO... the MARAUDERS 13th ANNIVERSARY dance will be on Tuesday, April 28th, at which time new officers for the 1998-99 year will be installed. Hope to see YOU on one of these Tuesday nights soon!

### THANK YOU!

Thank you square dancers -- you're the greatest!

Just wanted you all to know how deeply touched and appreciative I am by your cards, prayers, and visits during my very recent back surgery and recuperation. I'm so very proud to be associated with such a thoughtful and lovely group of people.

*Elaine Kutchman*



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2. Dancers with questions regarding their credit card account:

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# MOOSE PROMENADERS

Terry & Carol Schoenekase 287-7660

The Moose Promenaders hosted their annual President's Ball on Thursday, February 12th. Over 150 people attended and a great time was had by all. Jerry and Karen Sullivan, Presidents of the Mandarin Marauders, were the recipients of our traveling President's Plaque and will be recognized as "Presidents of the Year for 1998". The plaque was engraved with their names, club name and year and formally presented to them at their regular club dance, March 10. Free admission passes to future Moose Promenader dances were awarded throughout the evening. Dance passes, which are good for a couple, were won by: Kim Keffer, Al and Dot Lobato, Walt Smith, Muriel Anweiller, Judy Chaney and Dave Partiss from the Cloverleaf Squares of Rochester, NY. The 50/50 was split into two pots because of its amount. Betty Passwater of the Moose Promenaders and Joan Carlton of the Sunshine Kickers, Starke, FL were the winners.

March 12th we held a Mardi Gras

dance and dancers were invited to wear bright colors and did we have some winning combinations. On Saturday evening March 14th, the Promenaders cooked for the Moose Lodge Dinner Dance. As it was a St. Patrick's Dance, corned beef and cabbage was the main course. A fun time was had by all and many of our square dance friends from clubs throughout Jacksonville attended.

The Sweet Art Squares will join the Moose Promenaders for a second year to host a joint graduation for the many fine new main stream dancers from both clubs on Thursday, April 23. The Promenaders will celebrate their anniversary as well on that evening. The graduation will consist of some fun games for the new graduates as well as a formal service. Everyone is invited. Come early, 7:00pm and enjoy the entire evening.

Remember we dance every Thursday evening at the Moose Lodge on Collins Road. Moose membership is not required of our guests. So come and enjoy the fun. See you soon!



Larry Dunn  
(Waycross, GA)  
cues for the  
President's Ball!



Callers Art  
Wilson &  
Tony  
Oxendine



President Terry & carol  
Schoenekase and Caller Art Wilson,  
are shown with Jerry & Karen  
Sullivan, Presidents of Mandarin  
Marauders. Jerry & Karen were  
selected as President's Of The  
Year.

## MOOSE PROMENADERS (Cont'd)



Officers of the Moose Promenaders are all smiles - - - "Another successful President's Ball".



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## RIVER CITY SQUARES (SECOND ANNIVERSARY)



Members of the River City Squares at their 2nd Anniversary dance!



Plaques are presented to retiring Banner Chairmen and Presidents for their 2 years of service.



## ROLLAWAYS

Grover & Marcella Jacobsen 641-4791

We're looking at the list of January birthdays in our club and it is an impressive one! There are 15 birthdays and 4 couples have anniversaries. For a fun night out and to celebrate them all, we arranged a dinner and dance at Eddie's Palm Valley Restaurant. We had 50 people in attendance and a good time was had by all.

On January 27th the Special Events Committee brought the Smokey Mt. Jubilee to the Rollaways Club. These celebrations seem to bring out many hidden talents among our group.

We had two important dances back to back ... the Circus and the 5th Saturday Dances. The Rollaways were well represented at both dances. The theme of both dances brought out some special clown outfits as well as some beautiful country western dresses, shirts and boots. We brought home the NEFSARDA banner from the 5th Saturday Dance.

February brought the "Love Boat Sails to Fantasy Island" to the Rollaways. A group of our members have formed the "Swinging Singers" and their premiere Performance came with the Love Boat Show! They are very good and we hope to see more of them. The fire alarm went

off during the evening, so we may have to limit the number of candles we light!

The Sophomore Hoedown was a great success! John & Dottie Wall, our class coordinators, have done a very good job for the club. Their encouragement and perseverance has really kept our class members coming back. We will be graduating **31** dancers on March 31. Hats off to John & Dottie! You are all invited to come and be with us for our graduation.

Hank & Doris Spaulding reported that 21 people have been awarded the "Banner Bandit Dangle." The dangle is awarded to those who have been on three banner raids in the last six months. They were very proud to bring back the Blood Bank Banner from the dance on March 7th. Because of their efforts the Rollaways has a very impressive display of banners. Hank & Doris are a great asset to our club. Thank you.

Our activity chairmen, Marylou & Harvey Morton and Kathy & Jack McKinney, have also done a great job with their monthly presentations. They have put a lot of hard work, planning and enthusiasm into these programs and we give you all a big round of applause and thanks!

This is the end of the year for our board and all of our chairpersons. We want you all to know how much we appreciate your dedication to the club. We couldn't do it without your help. Thank you!

Election of officers is just around the corner. The new faces will be reported in the next issue of The Grapevine.



The "Love Boat" sailed for the Rollaways on February 10th with Executive Officer John Garrett and Queen & King of Hearts, Ruth Mickelsen & Raymond Smith!

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## PRESIDENT:

John & Mary Ann Lawrence  
246-3279

## BANNER CHAIRMAN:

Hank & Doris Spaulding  
741-4050

## SEABREEZE SINGLES

Linda Paulley 387-2239

Hello again! I love Spring time ... don't you? Well a new year has started and Seabreeze started out by having an election of new officers. They are: Diane Stewart, President; Ernie Perrin, Vice President; Maddy Chitko, Secretary; Phyllis Stewart, Treasurer. Some new Committee Chairpersons are Janet Fording, Newsletter; and Maddy Chitko, Sunshine. Marvin Simpson has again agreed to be our Banner Chairman. He has done an excellent job these past two years and last year Seabreeze won a bronze medal in visitation. Marvin says, "Now I know what I'm doing ... we're going for the GOLD!"

We have planned many, many new and fun dances. We had a Presidents Dance in February and our Sadie Hawkins dance was huge success. Decorations were great thanks to Helen & Bud and Linda & Lonnie. We really had some "Dogpatchers" there, including "Momma Yokums and the Peanut Farmer!"

We combined our St. Patrick's Day Dance with our graduation. We had 10 students graduate and hope they will stay with it and help our new class that started March 17th. We certainly thank the NEFSARDA Board and Charlie & Val from The Grapevine for attending and taking pictures and helping our students feel welcome.

We will be having an Easter Bonnet dance and contest, a chill cajun gumbo night and a Mother's Day dance coming up soon, so look for our flyers or just come visit us anyway and "TAKE A CHANCE."

As this is being written we are gearing up for our annual Charity Ball being held March 28th. Hopefully, all of you attended and had a great time. Thanks for your support!

That's all for now. Remember, "smile and keep on dancing."



↑ Peanut farmer, Lonnie Aldridget



↑ Helen, Bud, Lonnie and Linda "At The Still".




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### PRESIDENT:

Bud German 781-1532

### BANNER CHMN:

Cliff & Marge Elliott 781-2101

## SILVER FOX SQUARES

By Rikki Jameson 771-4492

Our Annual Circus Dance was a huge success! We raised \$2,880 for Dreams Come True. This is just over the \$2,806 that was raised last year. We had over 200 dancers in attendance, including several callers! Great fun and dancing. Dreams Come True attended our March 27th dance and accepted their check. Congratulations to Larry and Penny Waller who won the vacation that was raffled.

Our mainstream class will graduate

on April 24th. Plus classes will begin Friday, May 1st. Plan to be there if you wish to learn Plus dancing! Classes will be from 7:00 - 8:30 pm; regular club dancing will follow from 8:30-10:00 pm.

We have two exhibitions coming up in April. We will be at the Riverwalk on the 4th from 5:00-6:00 pm and at Holly Point Manor on the 18th at 3:00 pm. Won't you join us? The residents just love our visits!



Dancers and clowns mingle between tips at the Annual Circus Dance.



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## TEDDY BEAR SQUARES

Aaron & Erma Fry 721-2167

The Teddy Bears had a picnic, well, not exactly a picnic but we did have a covered dish supper at the home of Donna Smith. As usual, the food was superb and we all stuffed ourselves. The purpose of the meeting was to appoint new committee chairpersons; even though some things did not change. Russ and Polly Osborn will remain as our NEFSARDA delegates; Gloria Malin will chair our telephone committee, assisted by Rose Walker and Kate McCaul. Val Newsome will publish our newsletter. Grover & Marcella Jacobsen along with Walt & Betty Smith and Eddie & Ann Millan will plan special events and

decorations. Walt & Betty will continue to be Banner Chairmen; Kathy McKinney will be Sunshine Chairperson; Donna Smith will see that we have refreshments; and we will still write the Grapevine articles. Virginia Cook will continue the great job she does at the door. Of course, ALL TEDDY BEARS ARE HELPERS!

Squeeze My Cheeks and I will give you a Kiss -- a Hershey's Kiss that is. Shirley Nihart, Virginia Cook, Gloria Malin, Ann Millan and Erma Fry made those cute favors given to the dancers at the Valentine Dance. A King and Queen were chosen and, Guess Who? That's right, it was the two of us. It was the luck of the

## TEDDY BEAR SQUARES (Cont'd)

draw - or was it? Could it be there was only one number on all those tickets in the basket? Guess who was substituting for Virginia Cook (while she was vacationing in Hawaii) and who

numbered all the tickets for the King and Queen? I'll never tell. By the way, Welcome Home, Virginia. We missed you. I heard Virginia went to Hawaii to get a lei.

Green was the color at the St. Paddy's Dance. It didn't matter if you were Irish or not, seems we all are green on this special day.

Check The Grapevine Calendar of Events and look for our special dances: April 11th, Easter; May 9th, Mystery Caller; June 13th, Anniversary Dance. Teddy Bears will be closed on April 25th (See you at the Graduation Ball); May 21st (Let's all go to the State Convention); and June 28th (National Convention in Charlotte).



← Aaron & Erma Fry were selected King & Queen of Hearts at the Teddy Bear Squares Valentines Dance.

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## VAGABOND SQUARES

Leesa Adcock

Live Oak in Suwannee County has been busy dancing around floods, road wash-outs, tornadoes, and other El Nino put-outs, But we have been able to get through and dance.

In March we did a demonstration dance for the Retarded Day Care and currently we are planning a "Black and White" dance. We should all look like

penguins. We started a new class in February and the students are eager to become Vagabonds with us.

On March 5th, Bertha and James Bell were in an auto accident on their way to dance at the Vagabond Squares. As they recover, their fellow Vagabonds wish them a speedy recovery and we will keep them in our prayers.

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April 25 .....**Canceled** For Graduation Ball  
May 09 .....Guest Caller  
May 23 .....**Canceled** For State Convention  
June 13 .....14th Anniversary Dance  
June 27 .....**Canceled** For National Convention

The Teddy Bear Squares extend a special invitation for you to visit us at any time and enjoy an evening of Plus dancing and Rounds.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL EDDIE OR ANN MILLAN AT 765-0296

## YELLOW ROCKER PLUS

Eleanor Smith 389-3349

Whoever heard of a Bean Dance? We hadn't, but we had one and what a success! We had a bean dinner at 7:00pm and you can't imagine all the different beans and the variety of ways they were prepared. We even had jelly beans -- uncooked of course! You never know what these Yellow Rockers will do.

Our "President Who?" dance was a timely event. We have some very knowledgeable people who were able to answer several questions on past presidents of our country, but there was some division over WHO was the handsomest. We celebrated birthdays of 13 of our club members on this same night so there was lots of excitement (one of our members still tries to have a birthday every month -- JW).

Our Beginner Class will graduate on March 30th and several have joined our club and will begin plus class on April 6th. If you are interested in a plus class, we will meet from 7:00-8:00 pm every Monday night for several weeks.

Yellow Rockers have been out visiting other clubs and they are led by our "Mystery Banner Person." He is so enthusiastic and enthusiasm is catching.

It was great to have ten of the Sweet Art Squares come to dance with us on March 9th. One couple came all the way from Brunswick.

By the time you receive this Grapevine we will have had our Irish Frolic, but on April 13th we are having a "Rainbow Dance." (Who comes up with these weird ideas?) Come on over and see if you can find the Pot of Gold!

We have really missed Elaine and Ray Kutchman and Hannelore Register & Warren Paire. The girls have been sick (Elaine had back surgery) so the guys have stood by them. We hope to have them back real soon. Jerry Bird also had surgery but things are looking up now.

We need to keep our square dance family in our prayers.

Our newest Yellow Rocker member is Pat Cameron and we are so happy to have her.

The Sophomore Hoedown was outstanding. There were 160 people having so much fun and ten of our callers were present. Hope to see everyone at the Graduation Ball on April 25th.

Please check the listing in the back of The Grapevine for several upcoming theme dances.

We are so blessed with wonderful weather here in our Jacksonville area we should thank the Good Lord every day. Our hearts go out to all those in our country who have experienced such loss this year by floods, etc.

Let's keep an attitude of gratitude.

Come join our fun every Monday night at Trinity Lutheran Church.



↑ Burt, at the Yellow Rockers "Bean Dance", is all decked out in BEANS! Instead of sequins, he placed BEANS all over his shirt and his "Beanie". Where does he get these ideas?

# PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE!!!

## CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

### APRIL 1998

|        |   |                       |
|--------|---|-----------------------|
| 02.... | <b>7th Anniversary</b> Dance .....                                  | Joy Seas              |
| 04.... | Spring Dance .....  | River City Squares    |
| 04.... | Feast & Fest <b>Demo Dance</b> - 5 - 6 PM .....                     | North Bank Riverfront |
| 07.... | <b>10th Anniversary</b> Dance .....                                 | Rollaways             |
| 08.... | Easter Dance .....  | Plus Fox              |
| 11.... | Easter Dance .....  | Teddy Bears           |
| 13.... | Rainbow Dance (wear rainbow colors) .....                           | Yellow Rockers        |
| 14.... | Graduation Dance .....(7 PM).....                                   | Mandarin Marauders    |
| 14.... | Easter/April Showers Dnc (Sp. Colors & Easter Bonnets)...           | Seabreeze Singles     |
| 16.... | Graduation Dance .....  | Joy Seas              |
| 16-18. | Myrtle Beach Ball .....   | Myrtle Beach, SC      |
| 22.... | Remember the 70's Dance.....  | Plus Fox              |
| 23.... | Graduation & <b>8th Anniversary</b> Dance (with Sweet Art Sq.)..... | Moose Prom.           |
| 24.... | Class Graduation .....  | Silver Fox            |
| 25.... | Band Benefit Dance ... (Keystone Hts HI Sch) .....                  | Friendship Squares    |
| 25.... | Student Graduation Ball ..(Sandalwood HS - 7:30 - 10:00 PM).....    | GCA                   |
| 28.... | <b>13th Anniversary</b> Dance.....                                  | Mandarin Marauders    |
| 28.... | Chili/Cajun Night .....   | Seabreeze Singles     |

### MAY 1998

|        |   |                    |
|--------|---|--------------------|
| 1-2... | Annual Pirates Ball .....                               | Sweet Art Squares  |
| 02.... | Fireworks Display Benefit Dance .....                   | Mavericks          |
| 02.... | Queen Moms' Special Dance .....                         | River City Squares |
| 05.... | Mother's Day .....(Men bring desserts) .....            | Seabreeze Singles  |
| 09.... | Mystery Caller Night .....                              | Teddy Bears        |
| 11.... | Pretty In Pink Dance (MOTHER'S DAY- wear pink) .....    | Yellow Rockers     |
| 12.... | Flower Dance ..... (Flower & Plant Exchange) .....      | Seabreeze Singles  |
| 14.... | Dots & Stripes .....                                    | Moose Promenaders  |
| 15.... | Bloodmobile .....(3:45 - 8:30 PM ..Ital-Amer Club)..... | Mandarin Marauders |
| 15-17. | Derby City Festival .....                               | Louisville, KY     |
| 16.... | Some Enchanted Evening .....                            | River City Squares |
| 22-24  | FL State Convention .....                               | Lakeland           |
| 30.... | 5th Saturday Dance .....                                | NEFSARDA           |

### JUNE 1998

|        |                                     |                    |
|--------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 02.... | White Elephant Dance .....          | Seabreeze Singles  |
| 03.... | Mickey Mouse Dance .....            | Plus Fox           |
| 05.... | <b>13th Anniversary</b> Dance ..... | Silver Fox         |
| 13.... | <b>14th Anniversary</b> Dance ..... | Teddy Bears        |
| 15.... | Luau Dance (Dress Hawaiian) .....   | Yellow Rockers     |
| 17.... | Father's Day Dance .....            | Plus Fox           |
| 20.... | King Dads' Special dance .....      | River City Squares |
| 23.... | Come As You Are Dance .....         | Seabreeze Singles  |
| 24-27. | 47th NSDC .....                     | Charlotte, NC      |

### JULY 1998

|        |   |                   |
|--------|---|-------------------|
| 01.... | Red, White & Blue Dance .....           | Plus Fox          |
| 03.... | Red, White & Blue Ice Cream Dance ..... | Silver Fox        |
| 07.... | July 4th Ice Cream Social .....         | Seabreeze Singles |
| 11.... | Ice Cream Float Night .....             | Teddy Bears       |

# PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE!!!

## CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

### JULY 1998 (Cont'd)

- 15.... Tacky Night Dance ..... Plus Fox  
 18.... Red, White & Blue Dance ..... River City Squares  
 20.... Sadie Hawkins Dance ..... Yellow Rockers  
 23.... Pink Cadillac Dance ..... Moose Promenaders  
 28.... Fifties Dance (Burgers, Dogs & Cokes) ..... Seabreeze Singles

### AUGUST 1998

- 01.... Hawaiian Luau Dance ..... River City Squares  
 07.... Sam's 4th Anniversary Dance ..... Silver Fox  
 08.... Show Your Talent Night ..... Teddy Bears  
 18.... Sunflower Dance (wear yellow) ..... Seabreeze Singles  
 19.... Ice Cream Dance..... Plus Fox  
 24.... Talent Night..... Yellow Rockers  
 29.... 5th Saturday Dance .....NEFSARDA

### SEPTEMBER 1998

- 01.... Back to School Dance (school donations accepted) ..... Seabreeze Singles  
 4-6... Florida Knotheads Convention ..... Lakeland  
 05.... Labor Day Dance ..... River City Squares  
 09.... Crazy T-Shirt Dance ..... Plus Fox  
 12.... 3rd Annual Spaghetti Dinner ..... Teddy Bears  
 14.... 7th Anniversary Dance ..... Yellow Rockers  
 16-19. Myrtle Beach Ball ..... Myrtle Beach, SC  
 22.... State Fair Dance ..... Seabreeze Singles  
 29.... 20th Anniversary Dance ..... Dixie Dancers  
 30.... Nifty Fifties Dance ..... Plus Fox

### OCTOBER 1998

- 2-3... Mid-America Jamboree..... Louisville, KY  
 10.... Cookie & Bar Night ..... Teddy Bears  
 13.... Hobo Stew Dance ..... Seabreeze Singles  
 14.... Root Beer Float Dance ..... Plus Fox  
 17.... Harvest Moon Ball ..... River City Squares  
 23-25. State Camp-O-Ree ... 1000 Trails - Clermont, FL ..... FANSDC  
 23-25. English Mt. .... (Atkinson/Lavender) ..... Sevierville, TN  
 26.... Trick or Treat Dance ..... Yellow Rockers  
 28.... Halloween Dance ..... Plus Fox  
 30.... Halloween Dance ..... Silver Fox  
 30-31. Fall Festival ..... NEFSARDA

### NOVEMBER 1998

- 06.... Bloodmobile .....(3:45 - 8:30 PM...Ital-Amer Club)..... Mandarin Marauders  
 6-7... Georgia Fawl Bawl .....(770 983-9319) ..... GA Callers Assoc.  
 11.... Western Night ..... Plus Fox  
 17.... Pilgrims Dance ..... Seabreeze Singles  
 21.... Dance of Thanksgiving ..... River City Squares  
 23.... Turkey Trot Dance ..... Yellow Rockers  
 28.... Turkey Hash Night ..... Teddy Bears  
 30.... Thanksgiving Dance ..... Silver Fox

**PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE!!!**  
**CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS**

**DECEMBER 1998**

- 10-12. Gatlinburg Christmas Ball ..... Gatlinburg, TN  
 12.... Christmas Dinner Dance .....Teddy Bears  
 14.... Silver Bells Dance (Bring Canned Goods for Luth. Soc. Svcs.) ..Yellow Rockers  
 15.... Christmas Dance ..... Seabreeze Singles  
 16.... Christmas Dance ..... Plus Fox  
 18.... Christmas Dance ..... Silver Fox  
 19.... River City Christmas Dance ..... River City Squares  
 26.... All Singing Calls Dance .....Teddy Bears  
 31....New Year's Eve Dance .....Atkinson/Cosman.....Plus Fox/Silver Fox

**JANUARY 1999**

- 05.... New Years resolution Dance ..... Seabreeze Singles  
 09.... Wear Your Prettiest SD Outfit Night .....Teddy Bears  
 19.... Western Night (Bar B Q Sandwiches) ..... Seabreeze Singles

\*\*\* When planning for your special dances - - plan ahead and check this Calendar Of Events in order to avoid conflicting dates - - -

Thanks!! — N E F S A R D A

\* \* \* We would like to publish all club's special/theme dances. HOWEVER - if we don't receive a listing, we don't know what to print!!

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