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President's



Message

The New Year started with a new slate of officers staying very busy going to special dances. We attended Plus Fox's anniversary, Circus Dance, Sophomore Dance, President's Ball and a birthday party with the Teddy Bear's. It was a pleasure to attend each of these dances.

By the time this goes to print, we will have attended several graduations starting with Seabreeze Singles on March 13th, then Mandarin on March 29th. Also on the agenda is River Rambler's benefit dance on March 24th. Rollaways' graduation and anniversary dance is scheduled for April 10th. At this time, I don't know of any other scheduled dances. Let us know as soon as possible when you do schedule your special dances. We would like to attend if at all possible.

A group of dancers from the Northeast attended the Shamrock Swing and had a great time. It was also the working weekend for the Federation. The Northeast was well represented at the meeting. And, of course, there is the 5th Saturday Night Dance on March 31st which will be held before this

goes to print. Callers for the dance will be Lon Ligon and Charlie Pergrossi. Rounds will be provided by Lisa Wall. We are expecting this dance to be a big success as we are promoting subscriptions to the Grapevine at this dance.

We ant everyone to take advantage of the benefits The Grapevine offers. Advertise your special dances, club news and any other items that affect your club. Also, you will be able to read about what other clubs are doing and may get new ideas for your club. We also encourage each club to consult with scheduled events listed in The Grapevine when scheduling your events so dancers don't have to choose your event or the event of another club or NEFSARDA.

I want to thank Bob Raymond for the hard work and effort he put into The Grapevine. He resigned as editor effective April 1, 2007. The new editor is Sarah Pergrossi. A big thank you goes out to Sarah for accepting this responsibility. We are looking forward to working with Sarah.

Jay Leno Could Be Right

“ With hurricanes, tornados, out of control fires, severe thunderstorms and flooding tearing up the country from one end to the other, and with the threat of bird flu and terrorist attacks, Are we really sure this is a good time to take God out of our Pledge of Allegiance ? ”

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From your Grapevine Editors.....

Bob & Jane Raymond

It's that time of the year again when we who are Christians are reminded of the ultimate sacrifice (**John 3:16**), for those of us who are of different beliefs it is still hard to ignore that Jesus, the Christ brought Love and Redemption to all mankind.

By now most of our loyal subscribers know that Jane and I are stepping down as Editors of **The Grapevine**. When we volunteered to relieve Val & Charlie are intention was strictly as interim editors.

As we have previously written in past issues the number of subscribers continues to decline. We mailed out 211 issues in January. But with the January issue 40 subscriptions expired. To date only about 35 have renewed. This issue finds the expiration of an other 60 subscribers. There is a bright spot however, we have received several new subscriptions

We must mail a minimum of 200 copies to use bulk mail. Without 200 copies the cost of mailing goes from .40 cents a copy to \$1.20 a copy. You do the math.

It cost \$2.20 cents per copy to print , add an other \$1.20 to mail each issue that totals $3.40 \times 4 = \$13.60$. We have some dancers who will not spend \$9.00 a year for a subscription.

NEFSARDA is faced with the decision of how long and if they want to continue publishing *The Grapevine* .

Now the really good news, Sara Pergrassi has accepted the challenge and effective with the July issue will be the new editor of **The Grapevine**. Also The NEFSARDA Board & delegates and hopefully with the full support of the dancers have no plans at this time to discontinue publishing this very informative square dance publication.

But to make that a reality they need the full support of the Northeast square dance community. Simply put, if you are now a subscriber, renew, if your subscription has expired and you have not, renew, if you are not a subscriber, start your subscription now.

We have no doubt that Sara will bring new ideas, and most of all her unbounded energy. For those who have yet to meet Sara, do so at your earliest opportunity, she is outgoing, warm, friendly, and sincere and will do what ever it takes to make square dancing and the Grapevine a success here in the northeast

A big yellowrock to all the dancers who made our job as editors a little easier, our club reporters, those who write the monthly articles, and submitted photos and news worthy articles.

Meet the New Editors

By Sarah Pergrossi

Charlie and Sarah have been involved in square dancing for many years. With Sarah by his side, Charlie has called I various places throughout the United States and in many countries abroad. They have worked with new dancer groups, as well as experienced dancers up to and including the Challenge level. While Sarah was teaching, Charlie would often visit to teach square dancing to both elementary and middle school students. The list continues but their focus has remained the same; to introduce people from all walks of life to the joys of square dancing. From Ambassadors, to Peace Corps volunteers, to doctors, and housewives, Sarah and Charlie have encouraged their friends and acquaintances to give square dancing a try and see what all the excitement is about.

With their combined talents of dealing with the public, organization, computer skills, financial knowledge of budgets and spending, verbal and written expression, mixed with Sarah's creativity, they are eager to accept the challenge or being the "Next" editors of **The Grapevine**. Sarah and Charlie want to increase the subscription base

and advertisement revenue, while widening the readership of this publication. By enlisting writers from all aspects of square dancing, news from across the region will be shared with readers regularly.

Sarah and Charlie can be reached in a variety of ways. While they will be present at many of the dances around the Northeast region, their mailing address is, 9660 SW62nd Court, Trenton, FL 32693. Our home phone number is 352 463 3829, you may e-mail us at < thegrapevine@pergrossi.com > We also have a web page devoted to square dancing and **The Grapevine** has its own link on that web site. Visit www.pergrossi.com and click on The Grapevine to read highlights of each quarterly issue, check out the Calendar of Special Events or find contact information for NEFSARDA officers and Chairpersons.

We want to hear from you, the readership, your ideas, thoughts and concerns. While we are the editors, **The Grapevine** really belongs to each member of the Northeast dancing community. Help to make this publication alive with news and photos from and about your club dances and activities.

Note:

As retiring interim editors we are excited about the new direction that Sarah and Charlie will be taking **The Grapevine**. Sarah's creativity and boundless energy will only make this a better publication than it has always been





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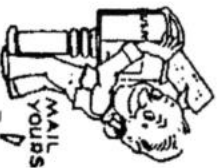
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GOLFBALLS or SAND

By Jeanne Mc Millen

When things in your lives seem almost too much to handle, when 24 hours in a day are not enough, remember the mayonnaise jar and the two cups of coffee.

A professor stood before his philosophy class and had some items in front of him. When the class began, he wordlessly picked up a very large and empty mayonnaise jar and proceeded to fill it with golf balls. He then asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed that it was.

The professor then picked up a box of pebbles and poured them into the jar. He shook the jar lightly. The pebbles rolled into the open areas between the golf balls. He then asked the students again if the jar was full. They agreed it was.

The professor next picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. Of course, the sand filled up everything else. He asked once more if the jar was full. The students responded with a unanimous "yes."

The professor then produced two cups of coffee from under the table and poured the entire contents into the jar effectively filling the empty space between the sand. The students laughed. "Now," said the professor as the laughter subsided, "I want you to recognize that this jar represents your life. The golf balls are the important things —

GOD, your family, your children, your health, your friends and your favorite passions—and if everything else was lost and only they remained, your life would still be full.

The pebbles are the other things that matter like your job, your house and your car.

The sand is everything else — the small stuff. "If you put the sand into the jar first," he continued, "there is no room for the pebbles or the golf balls. The same goes for life. If you spend all your time and energy on the small stuff you will never have room for the things that are important to you.

"Pay attention to the things that are critical to your happiness. Praying and asking God to help. Play with your children. Take time to get medical checkups. Take your spouse out to dinner. Play another 18. There will always be time to clean the house and fix the disposal. Take care of the golf balls first—the things that really matter. Set your priorities. The rest is just sand."

One of the students raised her hand and inquired what the coffee represented. The professor smiled. "I'm glad you asked.

It just goes to show you that no matter how full your life may seem, there's always room for a couple of cups of coffee with a friend."

Getting Old Ain't For Sissies

A distraught senior citizen phoned her doctor, "Is it true she wanted to know, that the medication you prescribed for me has to be taken for the rest of my life?" "Yes, I'm afraid so replied her doctor. There was a moment of silence, just how serious is my condition?" Why asked her doctor. Because replied the woman, the prescription is marked "NO REFILLS"

CALLER'S CORNER

By Gary Murphy



Boy, time sure flies! It seems like the Sophomore Hop just ended and now it's almost time for the Graduation Ball. If you missed the Hop, you missed a great dance. Nine callers were there and they kept a packed hall moving all night. A big thank you to Ernie Rollen, John Robbins, Ken Miller, Charlie Pergrossi, Jack Herpy, Bill Chestnut, Lawton Smith, Robert Padgett and me for donating their time to make a memorable evening for our new dancers.

Be sure to circle May 5 on your calendar for the Graduation Ball. Not only do you get to welcome our new graduates into our favorite activity, but you always enjoy great calling from the extremely talented members of the Gateway Callers Association. (They told me I had to write that!) It all

happens at Jax Heights Elementary starting at 7:30.

Speaking of making plans to enjoy great callers and fun dancing during the month of May, are you all set for the 53rd Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention? The Florida Callers Association, Round Dance Council of Florida and Florida Federation of Square Dancers along with the Northwest Florida Square and Round Dance Association have been working hard to make it worth your while to

"FOLLOW THE BIRD TO THE 53RD. There are so many good callers in this state, and the convention is your change to dance to dozens of them under one roof. If you've never attended a convention, do it this year. You won't be sorry!

DEATH

While walking along the sidewalk in front of his church, our minister heard the intoning of a prayer that nearly made his collar wilt. Apparently, his 5-year-old son and his playmates had found a dead robin. Feeling that proper burial should be performed, they had secured a small box and cotton batting, then dug a hole and made ready for the disposal of the deceased. The minister's son was chosen to say the appropriate prayers and with sonorous dignity intoned his version of what he thought his Father always said: "Glory be unto the Faaaather, and unto the Sonnn...and into the hole he gooooes

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Jax Heights Elementary School

7750 Tempest St. Jacksonville, Florida

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May 11.....Ernie's Anniversary &
Sha-Na-Na, Mothers Day

June 15.....22nd Anniversary Dance

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Joy Seas Square Dance Club

Caller — Mike Akers



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“ God Speak to Me ”

The man whispered, “God speak to me” and a meadowlark sang. But, the man did not hear. So the man yelled, “God, speak to me” and thunder rolled across the sky. But, the man did not listen. The man looked around and said “God let me see you.” A star shined brightly. But the man did not see, the man shouted, “God show me a miracle” and a life was born. But the man did not notice. So, the man cried out in despair, “Touch me God, let me know you are here.” Where- upon, God reached down and touched the man. But, the man brushed the butterfly away.

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ISSUE

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NUDITY

A little boy got lost at the YWCA and found himself in the woman's locker room. When he was spotted, the room burst into shrieks, with ladies grabbing towels and running for cover. The little boy watched in amazement and then asked, "What's the matter haven't you ever seen a little boy before?"

Seabreeze Benefit Dance for *City Rescue Mission*

April 21, 2007

Caller: Jim Cosman

Cuer: Lisa Wall

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Jax Heights
Elementary

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2006 CLUB DIRECTORY**

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M = MAINSTREAM P = PLUS R = ROUNDS**

SUNDAY

FIRST COAST ROUNDS " R" Every Sunday. Class 6:-7:30 PM Club Phase II & III 7:30-8:30 PM, Club Phase III & IV, 8:30-9:30 PM, Arlington Congregational Church of Christ, 431 University Blvd. North-this is one block south of the Arlington Expressway on University Blvd. Cuer-Instructor, Lisa Wall. Contact Lisa & John Wall, 904 241 0384

MONDAY

YELLOW ROCKERS M/P 7:30 -9:30 Jax Heights Elementary , 7750 S. Tempest, Jacksonville, FL. Information: Shirley White 904 388 1483

TUESDAY

DIXIE DANCERS " P/R " Every Tuesday. Dance 7:30-9:30 PM Teen Town, 312N 6th St., Lake City, Fl. Caller, Bill Chesnut, 353 374 8582, Cuer Maggie Tripp, 352 493 0853, or Ralph Beekman, 386 752 2544. Information, Ouida Taylor, 386 752 1469 or Annette Conk 386 935 1548

GRAND SQUARES " P " Every Tuesday. Dance 7:30-9:30 PM, 1910 NW 53rd Ave; Gainesville, Fl. (Union Hall) Caller Lon Ligon 352 377 1828

JOY SEAS " M/P/L/R " **No Dance on 2nd Tuesday**, Class 7:00-8:00 PM, Club Dance 8:00-9:30 St. Augustine, Fl. (Coquina Crossing) I 95S, Ext 94, Weston SR 207, 1mile on the left, **You must be thru gate prior to 8:00PM**. Contact Mary Burzo 904 797 7530

ROLLAWAYS " M/P/R/L " Every Tuesday Class 7:00-8:30 PM, Club Dance 8:30-10:00 PM. Sandalwood High School 2750 John Prom Blvd. Caller Ken Miller 904 268 4492. Contact Virginia Bomhold 904 744 7181

SEABREEZE SINGLES " M/P " Every Tuesday. Class 7:00-8:30 PM, Club Dance 8:30-10:00 PM, Arlington Presbyterian Church 1300 Sprinkle Dr.. Caller Jim Cosman. Contact Shirley White 904 388 1483, Banner Chairman, Jerry Kangas 904 272 6729

WEDNESDAY

FUN-N-FROLICS "A" 2nd & 4th Wednesday. Dance 7:00-9:00 PM. Jax Heights Elementary School, 7750 S. Tempest St. Caller Jim Cosman, Contact Russell & Carolyn Ueber, 904 223 9347 or Bob & Miriam Hinkle, 904 268 6643

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PLUS FOX " P " 1st & 3rd Wednesday, Club Dance 7:30-9:30 PM Jax Heights Elementary School 7750 S. Tempest St. Caller Gary Murphy. Contact Stephen & Marie Bigelow 904 771 72 49

THURSDAY

MANDARIN MARAUDERS "M/P/L " Class 7:00-8:30 PM, Club Dance 8:30-10:00 PM, First Christian Church, 11924 San Jose Blvd. (In Mandarin) Caller, Lawton Smith, Contact Ron & Judy Rodriguez 904 287 87 62 or Dan & Jenita Porfilio 904 448 8136

MOOSE PROMANADERS " M/P/L " Every Thursday, Class 7:00-8:30 PM, Club Dance 8:30-10:00 PM. Moose Lodge 5051 Collins Rd, Orange Park, Fl. Caller Bill Chesnut, Contact Jackie Hamlin, 904 731 9181, Banner Chrmn., Janette Sparrow, 904 278 7855

THURSDAY (cont'd)

RIVER RAMBLERS " M/P " Every Thursday, Class 7:00-8:30 PM, Club Dance 8:30-10:00 PM, Putman County Shrine Club, 112 Yelvington Rd. East Palatka, Fl. (just off US 17 approx. 1/2 mile south of SR 207) Caller Ernie Rollen, Contact Chuck & Betty Willis, 352 476 3886, Banner Chmn. Tom & Jean Moore 386 325 4118

VAGABOND SQUARES " M/P/R " Every Thursday, Club Dance 8:00-10:00 PM St. Luke's Episcopal Church Parrish Hall, 1391 SW 11th St., Live Oak, Fl. Caller Ralpy Beekman, Contact Pat Sandifer 386 658 1129

TOUCH OF CLASS " R " Phase III-V Club Dance 7:30-9:30 PM Sandlewood High School, 2750 John Prom Rd. Cuer Lisa Wall Contact John & Lisa Wall 904 241 0384

TRI-COUNTY DANCERS "M" Every Thursday 7:PM-9:30PM Trenton Rec. Ctr. 214 SE 3rd St. Trenton, FL. Contact Sara Pergrossi 352 463 3829

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FRIDAY

FLAGLER OCEAN WAVES " M/P/R " Every Friday Class 6:30-8:00 PM Club Dance 8:00-10:00 PM (Council on Aging / Wickline Center) Caller R. J. Hogan, Cuer Irene Knapp. Contact Jack & Gen Conn, 386 740 1652

GYPSY SQUARES "M/P/L " 1st full Weekend each month. Club Dance 8:00-10:00 PM. Caller Bill Chesnut **Campgrounds as Announced.** Contact Dale & Gerry Fredrickson, 904 269 9717

SQUARE WHEELS " M/P/R " Every 3rd Fri. & Sat. Caller Bill Chesnut, Contact Chuck & Aleen Breedlove 904 246 9545. **Campgrounds as Announced.**

SILVER FOX SQUARES "M/P/R " Every Friday. Class 7:00- 8:30 PM, Club Dance 8:30-10:00 PM, Jax Heights Elementary School, 7750 S. Tempest St. Caller Ernie Rollen, , Contact Sam & Mary Starling 904 786 3311 or Mark Fetzer 904 908 5184

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SATURDAY

TEDDY BEARS " M/P/R " 2nd & 4th Saturday. Club Dance 7:30-9:30 PM. Matthews Luthern Church 6801 Merrill Rd. Caller Gary Murphy, Cuer Lisa Wall, Contact Bud &

SEABREEZE SINGLES SQUARE DANCE CLUB



Caller: Jim Cosman



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Pennies From Heaven

(From the Internet)

You always hear the usual stories of pennies on the sidewalk being good luck, gifts from angels, etc. This is the first time I've ever heard this twist on the story. Gives you something to think about.

Several years ago, a friend of mine and her husband were invited to spend the weekend at the husband's employer's home. My friend, Arlene, was nervous about the weekend. The boss was very wealthy, with a fine home on the waterway, and cars costing more than her house.

The first day and evening went well, and Arlene was delighted to have this rare glimpse into how the very wealthy live. The husband's employer was quite generous as a host, and took them to the finest restaurants. Arlene knew she would never have the opportunity to indulge in this kind of extravagance again, so was enjoying herself immensely.

As the three of them were about to enter an exclusive restaurant that evening, the boss was walking slightly ahead of Arlene and her husband.

He stopped suddenly, looking down on the pavement for a long, silent moment. Arlene wondered if she was supposed to pass him. There was nothing on the ground except a single darkened penny that someone had dropped, and a few cigarette butts. Still silent, the man reached down and picked up the penny. He held it up and smiled, then put it in his pocket as if he had found a great treasure. How absurd! What need did this man have for a single penny? Why would he even take the time to stop and pick it up?

Throughout dinner, the entire scene nagged at her. Finally, she could stand it no longer. She casually mentioned that her daughter once had a coin collection, and asked if the penny he had found had been of some value.

A smile crept across the man's face as he reached into his pocket for the penny and held it out for her to see. She had seen many pennies before! What was the point of this?

"Look at it" He said. "read what it says." She read the words "United States of America."

"No, not that; read further."

"One cent?" "No, keep reading."

"In God we Trust?" "Yes!" "And?"

"And if I trust in God, the name of God is holy, even on a coin. Whenever I find a coin I see that inscription. It is written on every single **UNITED STATES** coin, but we never seem to notice it! God drops a message right in front of me telling me to trust Him? Who am I to pass it by? When I see a coin, I pray, I stop to see if my trust IS in God at that moment. I pick the coin up as a response to God; that I do trust in Him. For a short time, at least, I cherish it as if it were gold. I think it is God's way of starting a conversation with me. Lucky for me, God is patient and pennies are plentiful!

When I was out shopping today, I found a penny on the sidewalk. I stopped and picked it up and realized that I had been worrying and fretting in my mind about things I cannot change. I read the words, "In God We Trust", and had to laugh. Yes, God, I get the message.



NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CAMPERS ASSOCIATION

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Want the best of two worlds? Combine Square Dancing AND Camping like the members of the NSDCA are doing....and have been doing for almost fifty years. Here's your chance to expand your fun & fellowship and enjoyment of square dancing with the closeness and comradeship through potlucks, campfires, sightseeing, games, crafts, after parties, etc. of the camping world.

Membership is open to all couples and individuals who have completed a course in Modern Western Style Square Dancing and are also campers. A "Camper" is defined for our purpose, as one who resides in a tent, trailer, 5th wheel, motor home, van or other temporary shelter. You can also be a "full timer" camper, a "Snowbird" camper or just an occasional camper.

Currently we have over 90 chapters in 28 states and 3 Canadian provinces. But if there is no chapter in your area or convenient, then you may join Chapter #000 as a Member at Large. Or you can write for information on starting a new chapter in your area....the choice is yours. Each chapter is self autonomous, sets its own dues, and conducts its own camp and dance weekends. NSDCA members are usually welcome to camp and dance at any of the weekends organized by the other chapters as long as facilities are available. This past year there were also State Camporees in Florida, Iowa, Illinois, Michigan, Nebraska, Pennsylvania & Wisconsin and a tri-state of Colorado, Wyoming and Nebraska campers...all of which are usually open to any NSDCA member.

Yes, the National Square Dance Campers Association is organized and does have its own dues. But these dues include your liability insurance and the official quarterly publication, *NSDCA TIMES*, which contains Chapter news, craft ideas, a central listing of all chapter campouts and Camporees in the U.S. & Canada and other articles of interest to camper/dancers. New members are expected to purchase the official NSDCA badge with its logo of crossed logs and flame.

The NSDCA also conducts an annual International Camporee in mid July at a different site each year in either the U.S. or Canada. In 2007 it will be in Middle Amana, Iowa July 17-19. Many campers come in Sunday or Monday giving them more time for fun & fellowship before everything starts on Tuesday. All International Camporees are programmed with the family in mind. Besides dancing there are scheduled informational seminars, sports, games, crafts, a youth program, tours, vendors, a daily newspaper "The Snooper", after parties as well as chapter & representative meetings, a Parade of States and the Annual Meeting.

For more information please write NSDCA PO Box 224, Little Chute, WI 54140-0224 or visit the web site www.nsdca.org We'll hope to see you around the Square Campfire.

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In Step With.....²³Country Western, Clogging, and Line Dancing..... By Pat & Joe Seelhofer



This issue finds us preparing for the 53rd Florida State Convention. We are the Western/Line Dance Chairmen for this year's event. The line dances that we will be presenting are beginner

and beginner/intermediate levels. We are looking forward to sharing these dances with you and hope that they will offer both fun and variety. Also presenting lines will be Maxine Thomas and Billy Luper (Jacksonville). The Country Western instructors will be Jane and Paul Drimmel (Melbourne). Many of you have danced with these couples and know that they present excellent programs. We want to thank them for agreeing to share their time and talents with us. Remember that many clubs in the Grapevine area offer line dancing. We hope that you will give it a try!

Happy dancing!

MY RESUME

1. My first job was working in an Orange Juice Factory, but I got canned. I couldn't concentrate.
2. Then I worked in the woods as a Lumberjack, but I just couldn't hack it, so they gave me the axe.
3. After that, I tried to be a Tailor, but I just wasn't suited for it -- Mainly because it was a sew-sew job.
4. Next, I tried working in a Muffler Factory, but that was too exhausting.
5. Then, I tried to be a Chef - figured it would add a little spice to my life, but I just didn't have the thyme.
6. I attempted to be a Deli Worker, but any way I sliced it I couldn't cut the mustard.
7. My best job was a Musician, but eventually I found I wasn't noteworthy.
8. I studied a long time to become a Doctor, but I didn't have any patience.
9. Next, was a job in a Shoe Factory. I tried but I just didn't fit in.
10. I became a Professional Fisherman, but discovered that I couldn't live on my net income.
11. I managed to get a good job working for a Pool Maintenance Company, but the work was just too draining.
12. So then I got a job in a Workout Center, but they said I wasn't fit for the job
13. After many years of trying to find steady work, I finally got a job as a Historian --until I realized there was no future in it.
14. My last job was working in Starbucks, but I had to quit because it was always the same old grind.
15. SO, I TRIED RETIREMENT

FEATURE ARTICLE

By Val Newsome

“ From Credit Unions & Home Schooling to Square Dancing ”

What does credit unions, home schooling and square dancing have in common? Let me introduce you to Joe and Martha Hardcastle, and you'll see the connection immediately.

Joe and Martha met while both were students at the University of Kentucky -- he was majoring in Business Management and she in Home Economics. The two majors clicked and they were married September 2, 1950.

Although Martha majored in Home Economics, her first job was as a Lab Tech in the Pathology Department of Louisville General Hospital. When Joe's job moved them to Atlanta, she worked in the Lab at Emory university. As they began to start a family, Martha then enjoyed the life of mother and homemaker for the next ten years or more. She did some work for the Blood Bank before starting home schooling in 1990. She became interested in home schooling through a friend at her church, and since that time has tutored approximately nine (9) children from kindergarten to the eight grade. She no longer home schools in her home, but continues to assist in the Group Home School once weekly. All of her students were tested annually by persons certified by the teaching profession, and all of them always passed. The most interesting thing I learned while interviewing her is that all of her Tutoring was done on a volunteer basis and she charged no fees. Through her expertise and kind heart, she has helped further these children's education.

He stated and rightfully so, that he really has had one job. He started with Bell South as District Accounting

Manager and retired 37-1/2 years later - in November of 1987. However, along the way, and currently, he took on more responsibility in the Credit Unions. In January of 1956, the management of Bell South asked him to run for election to the Board of Directors of Florida Telco Credit Union because there was no one on the board with any accounting background. He was elected and therein begin a long career in itself. He was immediately elected Treasurer and General Manager of the Credit Union where there was a total of nine employees with a few million dollars in assets. As the telephone expanded, their employee body began to expand and the credit union also began to grow in leaps & bounds. Joe continued to be reelected every three years and became active in the Northeast Chapter of Credit Unions, serving on their Board of Directors over a period of some twenty years as President, Vice President, and also in other capacities. Joe became a member of the Florida Credit Union League (the State Credit Union Association) where he served as President for three terms. He also became a member of the Boards on two subsidiaries, serving as President of Florida Services Corporation, and as President of Southeast Corporate Credit Union. During his tenure as an officer, the establishment of the Credit Union. During his tenure as an officer, the establishment of the Credit Union 24 ATM Network came about. Today this network processes millions of transactions daily throughout the country.

Joe later became a Delegate of CUNA,

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The Credit Union National Association, and served for several years until they reorganized their governing body into a National Board with some 15 members. Joe continued to serve on the Board of the Florida Telco Credit Union as Treasurer, Secretary, and for seven years as the Chairman. The Credit Union continued to prosper and grow in both assets and services and now is a full financial services institution with approximately 400 million Dollars in assets, and with 160 employees. Joe served in all these capacities with no salary, except for the first 25 years with Florida Telco when he was paid a minimal amount for his services. Since 1956, Joe has been on the Board of Directors of Florida Telco and remains in that capacity today.

He has enjoyed a long, illustrious career in his service to the members of the Florida Telco Credit Union and several other financial institutions. Joe said, "This has been an excellent learning opportunity for me. I have attended hundreds of seminars and conferences nationwide and have visited every major city in Florida and most every major city in the United States. Since Martha makes most of these trips with him, they have had many opportunities to visit nearby attractions, including National Parks, Mt Vernon, Museums, and other points of interest, whenever they traveled. Joe ended the interview with this statement, "I am grateful for the privilege of serving the community in this capacity."

I don't know about you readers, but I sort of think that we, the community, should be grateful for the service given to all of us by both Joe and Martha. On a personal note. Joe and Martha

Have four children, eight grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. They were active members in Lakewood Presbyterian Church until 1985 when they joined the Christian Family Chapel, where they remain active in all areas of church service. Martha, for instance, has been teaching Sunday School to 4th and 5th graders for 45 years! Martha recently has become very interested in the Women's Prison Ministry at Lowell in Ocala, Florida. Through her church she is now doing clerical-type work for this ministry and will be going to Lowell on her first prison visit in April of this year.

And, as if Joe's Credit Union career wasn't enough, he continues to be an active part of the charitable organization of Bell South, the Pioneers. They do many things throughout the community to raise money for charity. They financially sponsor children in two schools, making sure they have all the books, equipment, etc. needed to continue their education.

After hearing about all the service they give in so many directions ...all for their fellow man, with no monetary gain for self....I was out of breath. Where does their energy come from? How do they manage to do so much for so many? I think we have to mention one other aspect of their lives. They must gain some of that energy through one of their hobbies -- Square Dancing.

They took lessons at Mandarin Mandariners in 1988 and have danced for the last 18 years. They have been Banner Chairman, Refreshments Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary, Vice President, and President of Mandarin Mandariners. They, currently, are the Vice

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are the Vice Presidents of Teddy Bear Squares. They also danced with Happy 2 Be's and Dixie Grands. In 1993, they took round dance lessons from Jim Winter at Touch of Class, and currently area members of Mandarin Marauders and Teddy Bear Squares, but dance with many other square and round dances clubs in the area. Joe & Martha have served the Northeast Florida Square & Round Dance Association (NEFSARDA) as Corresponding Secretary for one year, Treasurer for two years, President for two years, and as the Immediate Past President on the Executive Board for

three years. When Florida hosted the National Convention in 1997, they served on the Education Committee.

That's the story of JOE and MARTHA -- and I can truly say they do their best to serve their community, whether it be in church, in square dancing, in home schooling, or in credit unions. Next time you square up With Joe & Martha you might want to say 'thank you' for all they have done and continue to do for their community .

Hats Off to a lovely couple who have, and continue to, spread their love to so many!!!

Great job--- Sir Chappie & Lady Betty

By Sarah Pergrossi



I recently caught up with Sir Chappie & Lady Betty when they visited the Yellow Rockers at Jax Heights Elementary School. After chatting a bit I learned that they snowbird in Florida each year and once again have settled in Palm Coast. They shared with me this article printed in the " Heart of America , Kansas City Fed Fax ," November 2006. You may have an opportunity to dance with this Dynamic couple before they depart for the season. They enjoy visiting various clubs in the Northeast region and attending festivals throughout the state.

Congratulations to Sir Chappie & Lady Betty

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Sir "Chappie" Chapman & Lady Betty Jackson square danced 101 days straight. They started March 16th and danced every single day through June 2nd before taking a night off. They received documentation from every club they visited verified with the caller's signatures. Their square dance travels took them around Missouri as far as Poplar Bluff and St. Louis, and into the Kansas State Dance in Salina. Twice they had to create their own dances to keep it going--Memorial Weekend and on June 21st. Sir Chappie continued to work his full-time job during this square dance marathon. He would go dancing and then on to his job working third shift. The couple met at a Plaza Singles dance a couple of years ago and have been dancing together ever since. What dedication to square dancing.



The Easter Bunny[®] (Reprinted from Travel On)

The Easter bunny has its origin in pre-Christian fertility lore. Since the Hare and the Rabbit were the most fertile animals known, they served as symbols of the new life during the Spring season.

First mentioned in German writings in the 1500s, the bunny, as an Easter symbol, seems to have its origins in Germany. The first edible Easter bunnies were made of pastry and sugar in Germany during the early 1800s.

The Easter bunny was introduced to American folklore by the German settlers, who arrived and settled in the Pennsylvania Dutch community during the 1700s. The arrival of the "Oschter Haws" was considered "childhood's greatest pleasure" next to a visit from "Christ-Kindel" on Christmas Eve. The children believed that if they were good the "Oschter Haws" would lay a nest of colored eggs.

The egg, associated with Easter for centuries, is the symbol of fertility and new life. In Germany and Austria green eggs were used on Maundy

Thursday (Holy Thursday). Greek children exchange crimson eggs, honoring the blood of Christ. Eggs were decorated with special patterns of gold and silver by the Slavic Community. Poles and Ukrainians decorated eggs in a distinctive manner called Pysanki.. Meaning "to design, to write", it is the process of using melted beeswax and a series of dipping various colors of dye to eventually have a work of art. The German children would build their nest in a secluded place in the home, the barn or the garden. Boys would use their caps and girls their bonnets to make the nests. The use of elaborate Easter baskets would come later as the tradition of the Easter bunny spread through out the country. The secluded, secret place eventually lead to "Easter Egg Hunts" and "Egg Rolling." Easter Monday egg rolling, a custom of European origin on the lawn of the White House in Washington D. C. has become one of the most famous of American's traditions.

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We are pleased that our new dancers are still excited and attend every week. They are a vital part of our square dance family and are there to help in every activity the club promotes. They have brought a new level of fun to the club. Welcome to all our new dancers. Our Blue/Grey Dance was a huge success even though we were out of our comfort zone. Or I should say our chairman, Annette Conk, did a lot of organizing. Words can't say how organized she made the dance. Thank you very much Annette. You, the dancers, came out in great numbers and seemed to have a lot of fun and we hope you did have fun and will attend again next year. The dance can not be successful if you don't come no matter how much planning is done. Thank you for coming to the dance. Certainly one of the high points was when we gave away a new car. The big winner was our own JOHN WALL. Congratulation John and enjoy your car.

again. We want to thank Rountree Moore Toyota for allowing us to use their facility for our special dance.

As a result of holding the Blue/Grey dance at Rountree Moore Toyota dealership, we now have a new couple dancing with us. There were spectators at the dance and decided they wanted to learn to square dance. They attended our dance the following Tuesday ready to take lessons. Bill arrives early now to teach them. They will soon catch up with our other new dancers with a little extra help. We welcome William and Allison Lopes to our family of square dancers.

It was a sad time when we heard about the tornados in central Florida and all the devastation in the area. One couple was a square dancer and we were asked to help them with donations. It is my pleasure to say Dixie Dancers along with the other clubs in the northeast came through in a great way for this couple. Thank you again square



Newest Dixie Dancers, Allison & William Lopes



Bill Chesnut & Don Hanhurst at the Dixie Dancers 28th Annual Blue/Grey Dance

FLAGLER OCEAN WAVES

By Bill & Sharon Hepburn 386 446 1597

We started our New Year with a Black and White theme. The dancers wore black and white and looked quite elegant on the floor. Joyce and Dick Mangsen carried the theme to the refreshment table with Whoopy pies, Oreo cookies and black stars decorating the table. Dick's chef hat was the envy of all.

Our club actually had Ground Hog's Day festivities. Because a toy Ground Hog is a rarity, we had method actors playing the parts Ground Hogs. Two Teddy Bears were chosen to give R.J. a challenge. Whoever was handed a stuffed animal had to step out of the square laughing as they went. All the time R.J. was moaning about "A sight caller's nightmare." Our square Dancer Calendar lists our Special Event

Nights, but we've added color to our calendar. On the first Friday of the month, a designated color is written on the calendar. For example, March 2, anyone who wished (or remembered to look at the calendar) came wearing something green. There are no "color police" at our club, but the dance floor looks neat with the same hues swirling to the music.

We are happy to tell our Square Dance friends that our cuer, Irene Knapp and George Smith have announced their engagement to be married. The wedding date has not been set as yet, but we wish Irene and George the best of luck and love for their life together.

The nominating committee for next year's officers is prowling around. We saw Bonnie Jean get double teamed by

FLAGLER OCEAN WAVES

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Bill and Dick last Friday. Beware all members, these guys are good salesmen!

Our Ethnic Pot Luck Dinner was lots of fun. A contest to name the flags from different countries had many of us scratch our heads, but Mel and Jean Follett came up with 28 of the 38 country flags. Wow -- good job. The ethnic food was good too. Love those cabbage rolls and lasagna!

Our dear Square Dance friends, Harvey and Ella Shriver, were presented with a memento to show the club's appreciation for 30 years of continuous, graciously bestowed support of the activities of the Flagler Ocean Waves Dance Club. They served as

officers many times, attended most of our raids, and always contributed to the events sponsored by the club. The club gives a big "Thank you" to Harvey and Ella.

Our club does not dance on Good Friday, so we will be closed on April 6. We wish everyone a Happy Easter. But April will offer some fun. If you care to visit us, we will be having Black Cat Night on April 13. May 18 is slated as Cruise Night -- come and be surprised like the rest of us We area closed May 25 (Florida Convention Weekend). Our club does not hold dances in the month of July.

Keep your dancing' shoes on!

GRAND SQUARES

By Ma Craig 352 528 3323

Mark your calendars for June 1st and 2nd. Those are the dates for the Watermelon Festival dance in Chiefland. The callers for the weekend will be Lonnie Ligon, Bill Chestnut, Charlie Pergrossi and Ellis Lindsey. The cuer will be Lisa Wall. Friday begins at 7 PM with early rounds. The dance is from 7:30 until 9:30 and then you can have more fun earning badges and spitting watermelon seeds.

The parade and festival is Saturday morning. There will be a square dance workshop from 1:30 until 3 and a round dance workshop from 3 until 5. Early rounds begin at 6:30 and the grand march at 7. There will be an after party at 9:30. Tickets are \$10 per person in advance and \$12 at the door. All Florida callers are cordially invited as guests and are welcome to call. For

More details about the dance and accommodations, go to <http://lonligon.com/watermelon.html> or call Peggy at 352-377-1828 or Mary at 352-475-2550.

Our Monday evening Community dances have been very successful averaging about five squares. Plus workshop begin at 6 PM on Tuesday followed by the dance at 7:30. We have had party nights for Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day and Easter. Because of the late start this year, we won't have a graduation, but we are looking for more fun this summer. Our annual "blue bottom" picnic is scheduled for August 11th at Ichitucknee. All dancers are invited. Check our website for more information.

See you at the state convention.

JOY SEAS

By John and Mary Burzo

We are having a wonderful year. The Coquina Crossing residents have been very faithful. Many of our northern friends have arrived and visited us. Cecil Cross, our dancer friend from Ohio, lost his wife a couple of years ago. God blessed him with another partner; her name is Fran; she's a lovely woman and a pleasure to be with. Isn't it wonderful how God can take away and then give back. Cecil was able to find love twice in his life. Juanita and Dick Jamieson were here for three weeks. It was nice to have them dance with us again. They're thinking about moving out of cold Ohio and coming to St. Augustine. A wonderful couple from Rensselaer, NY came to St. Augustine on vacation.

Janet took square dance lessons in New York. When she was in St. Augustine, she came to dance with us and met Cecil and Fran. They took her to Flagler Ocean Waves. Even though her visit was only three weeks, she had a wonderful time and is looking forward to their visit next year and so are we. She is a great person with a lovely personality and such enthusiasm for square dancing.

We had a Valentine dance February 6. What a great dance -- everything was a lovely red and white--our outfits, food, and many red faces -- a good time by all.

We are going to graduate one more couple on March 27 and April 3 will be our 16th Anniversary. That's all folks

MANDARIN MARAUDER'S

By George Treiber 904 260 9294

Another quarter has come and gone, leaving behind the blessings of fun and fellowship with our friends in our Square Dance family and the sorrow that our Caller, Lawton Smith, is once again fighting Cancer. We ask for your support and prayers for his recovery. Our thanks goes out to Ken Miller for his willingness to call for us during Lawton's recovery.

Debbie and Fran Lipira have kept the Mandarin Marauders busy retrieving and stealing banners. We have the Silver Fox's and Rollaway's banners. After a quick inventory, we discovered that we have all of our banners "in-houses". Come visit us, and take one of our banners home with you.

In February, dancers had a wonderful time with their sweethearts at our

Annual Valentines Day dance. As usual there were sweets for the sweethearts -- goodies aplenty.

March brought a full schedule. Our annual St. Patrick's Day Corn Beef & Cabbage Dinner Dance on March 15th. A big thank you goes to Judy & Ron Rodriguez and Karen & Sergei Zelenkov for continuing their long tradition of cooking the Corned Beef & Cabbage for the club and guests. (They are really great cooks). The scrumptious potluck dinner was followed by an interesting dance as Ken Miller challenged us with some of his famous unorthodox calls. Everyone had a wonderful time.

The Mandarin Marauder's class of 2007 graduated on March 29th. Congratulations to the new graduates who

MANDARIN MARAUDER'S (Continued)

were honored with a cake and party -- another excuse for the club to chow down on goodies of all kinds.

Then on March 31st, many members of the club went to see "Shenandoah" at the Alhambra Dinner Theater.

April 26th is our Twenty-Third Anniversary Dance. We will also be installing new club officers for the upcoming year. Come join us! Help us celebrate and meet the new club "Movers & Shakers" (Officers).

MOOSE PROMENADERS

By Hazel Clark 904 778 0134

The Moose Promenaders invites guests To come join us on Thursday evening from 7 pm. To 10 pm. We're located at the Moose Lodge on Collins Road. It will be a fun evening of dancing, conversation and refreshments. Our caller is Bill Chesnut.

The Presidents Ball was February 8th with guest caller, Tony Oxendine with Bill Chesnut, Master of Ceremony. The President's Ball is a yearly event with the Promenaders to honor Presidents of the clubs of NEFSARDA. This year's winner was Virginia Bomhold, President of the Rollaways. We'll have Tony Oxendine as guest caller again in 2008. The Promenaders have longtime club members, Bill and Nancy Brown, for 2007 President.

Monday, March 12th, the Promenaders traveled to Jax Heights Elementary School to capture a banner from the Yellow Rockers.

April 12th will mark the 17th Anniversary of the Moose Promenaders. It will be a special night for us. The blue and white outfits will cover the room. Let's have a clothing sale that night too.

The dance class will be graduating April 26th. The Promenaders and Bill Chestnut have been working well with the new dancers. Congratulations to

Our new class of square dancers. May 3rd we'll start the Plus classes for the new dancers.

May 14th is the Pirates Ball. All dancers are encouraged to come dressed as marauding pirates. There will be dancing, games and great door prizes. Prepare yourselves for an evening of fun. Hope Frank Myers and Pat Herscha have the Kissing Booth ready.

Memorial Weekend the Moose Promenaders are following the Bird to the 53rd Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention, May 25 - 27, at the Lakeland Center, Lakeland Florida.

In the month of June, the Plus classes. Lots of our dancers will be away on vacation.

July 26th , The Pink Cadillac dance. The Promenaders will be looking back in time to the high school days. Ladies with the flared skirts with the poodle on it, bobby socks and oxford shoes. The guys with well worn jeans, shirt sleeves rolled up and loafer shoes. Bring your camera for lots of pictures. Congratulations to Robert Padgett. He has joined the Gateway Caller's Association. Start looking for him at your club as a guest new caller. Looking forward to having Jim Maroldo back on the dances floor. He had surgery on his ankle in November.

PLUS FOX

By Gaye Feuer 904 743 1087

"Live, Laugh, and Love" as the song says. You will do all three at Plus Fox Squares, dancing the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Jax Heights Elementary School. Gary

Murphy calls Plus for us, but adjusts his calls to the level of the dancers present. He also cues a Round between each tip. We look forward to seeing you soon.

RIVER RAMBLERS

IMMEDIATE OPENING FOR REPORTER

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CONTACT YOUR CLUB NOW

ROLLAWAYS

By Kathy McKinney

Well, it is hard to remember ALL what we have done over the last several months.....one of the downside issues of having our Grapevine come out quarterly. So if you find somethings forgottenremember, YOU could have reminded me before hand....haha.

We started the New Year off with our annual Chili Cook-Off. Boy does it attract the crowds....maybe we should have it monthly...ha ha. There were 15 crockpots of different kinds of chili with all the trimmings! And we had over 50 dancers to enjoy it! We had a REPEAT winner of the contest this year....(now we are wondering if there is a statute of limitations....or do we just need to try harder to de-throne her? ? ?) Mary Ann Lawrence was the big winner. Way to go Mary Ann !!

Everyone in the square dance world knows what a great cook Mary Ann is! She is always feeding someone! Her neighbors are well fed (lucky me!)

We followed the Chili night off with a Chocolate night in February! It wasn't a contest.... but sure looked like one seeing all the delicious edibles!

For March we plan to have an Ides of March Toga Dance, since we will be dancing on the 13th!!! We will have to do some research to see what happens on the Ides of March. I am sure there will be some very interesting happenings....hope you were there to take part!

On April 10th (if you are reading this as soon as you get it...you still have time), we invite you to come celebrate 19 wonderful years of Rollaways! We will have our installation of new offi-

ROLLAWAYS

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cers (come over, we would be glad to elect YOU, ha) We will have our graduation at the same time. We only have a few students this year....but they are special to us! Please come and welcome them into the Square Dance World!

The above covers our special dances at our home. Now to mention some of our visitations: The Rollaways came out in numbers to support the Circus Dance....winning a banner AGAIN! Year Rollaways. We had a large representation at the Winter Festival in Lakeland. We want to congratulate our cuer, Lisa Wall and her First Coast Rounds on winning the most attendance for an in-state club! We are so lucky to have her and John in our club and we appreciate them supporting us! We had a large representation at the

Blue-Grey Dance in Lake City. Going as a group out of town to these dances is just sooooo much fun. If your club doesn't do that, you ought to suggest they do! We plan on another large group going to "Follow the Bird" to the 53rd State Convention (we want to say "Thank You" to Ken, Lisa, and Joe and Pat for supporting the state conventions) We plan on going to the Trail End Dance and attending the Bachelor and Bachelorette Party! Lisa Will be a cuer there and we know the Northwest has lots of party tricks up their sleeves.

And we plan to go to Charlotte In June for the Nationals. Two outstanding trips to look forward to! Hope to see ya there! AND every Tuesday at Sandalwood!

SEABREEZE SINGLES

By: Mary Lou Pelz



Margaret Stratton, Grace Lloyd, Margaret Cahan, Eunice Johnson, Barbara Ann Dunn, and Belinda Glisson. (New Graduates not in order in photo)

SEABREEZE SINGLES

(Continued)

We of the Seabreeze Singles have been a very busy club. Our mainstream class has done so good that Jim even struck in a couple plus calls. Graduation was March 13. I am sure you will be seeing these new dancers around so be sure to welcome them. Don't forget the Graduation Ball on May 5 which is a good place to meet all the new dancers in Northeast Florida.

Our Annual Sadie Hawkins Dance was really fun, complete with a moonshine still, outhouse, possum stew, road-kill Sandwiches and many mores delicious vittles. Marrying Sam had to use his shotgun to persuade a reluctant couple to "get hitched: by the minister. Mammy Yokum made a surprise visit. And there were some other great outfits in keeping with the theme. On arrival, each dancer was given a DAWG Patch Café menu and a corn-cob pipe filled with some un identified green leaves from Shirley's garden. This is a dance you won't want to miss next year -- always held in February (watch for flyers). A group of our members traveled to Jekyll Island for the Annual Fuzzy Navel Dance, co-sponsored by the

Florida and Georgia State Singles Associations. You don't have to be a single to go to this dance. It is a very nice weekend on a beautiful island and is always held in March.

We are also making plans for our Annual Charity Ball on April 21 at Jax Heights Elementary School. The proceeds of this dance benefit the City Rescue Mission. Please support this worthy effort. You will have fund while helping the less fortunate.

In May, we are planning a trip to Cal-laway Gardens in Georgia as well as going to the Florida State Convention in Lakeland.

THE LOVE BUG HAS STRUCK AGAIN AT SEABREEZE SINGLES!

One of our new dancers is supporting a beautiful diamond ring on her left hand! Rumor has it that she got it from one of our club members. Congratulations.

We welcome all visitors, so come dance with us. We dance from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. at Arlington Presbyterian Church, 1300 Sprinkle Drive (corner of Arlington Road. We dance mainstream (with announced plus) so all of our new dancers can participate.



Shirley White being presented a check from NEFSARDA Pres. Quida Taylor



Little Abner (Jim Weismore) guarding "The Still" at the annual Seabreeze Singles dance held each February. (Editors question, " Is that the still of the night ? ")

SILVER FOX

By Lillie Irzarry 904 266 1083

Time seems to have a way of slipping up on me , so my apologies for no news in the last issue.

We are going to try something new this year. We will begin casual dress on Friday, March 16 and it will end on November 2. We will ask, however, that for special dances square dance attires be worn.

We regret to announce that as inflation has increased so will the donation. Beginning in May, it will be \$\$3.50 per person. That's still a pretty good deal for having fun!

At our Valentine's Day Dance, we had a delicious time with all kinds of chocolate goodies including a chocolate fountain with various dipping items. Yummy! After all of that the only thing to do was dance it off and go back for more.

We would like to thank all that participated in and donated to our Annual Circus Dance for another fine year. We presented a check for \$2,460.55 to Dreams Come True on February 16th. Mark you calendars for our upcoming Dances.

SILVER FOX

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April 13th will be our Black Cat Dance--come dressed in black-- if you dare!

May 11th is our Mother's Day dance in combination with our Sha-Na-Na dance in celebration of Ernie Rollen's anniversary as our very dear and talented caller whom we all love -- girls get out those poodle skirts and guys slick back that hair!

June 15th marks our 22nd Club Anniversary. We will be celebrating with a potluck dinner, beginning at 7:00 followed by dancing. Please bring a covered dish and join the fun. We will be dark on the following nights:

April 6th in observance of Good Friday and May 26th to attend the Florida State Convention.

There will be a change for our round dancing friends. Beginning in April, Lisa Wall will be cueing on the 2nd and 4th Fridays instead of the 1st, 3rd, and 5th. For the month of May, Lisa will be cueing on the 11th and 18th, and lastly, there will be no cueing for the month of June due to other scheduled compromises of Lisa and family vacation. Round dancing will resume in July on the 13th.

In closing, we wish you all good health and happy dancing feet.

SQUARE DANCE CAMPER CLUBS

By John & Mary Burzo

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January was a full month. Gypsy's camped at Suwannee River Hideaway in Old Town, Florida. Their name is perfect -- it took us a long time to find the campground but was well worth the effort. They are in a beautiful setting by the Suwannee River with a 1500 ft. Boardwalk that takes you to the river. We had a wonderful time -- lot of laughs. We also had a guest caller, Charlie Pergrossi, a great guy.

Drift Arouns Squares had 30 rigs at Lake Oklawaha in Fort McCoy -- we call it "Hog Valley". We had a beautiful weekend -- the weather was just perfect and so was Jim Cosman. The dancing was great and also the food -- we have good cooks. Friday, two of our members made us Chicken and Dumplings for dinner. Saturday we did a covered dish which always is a success.

Square Wheels danced at Suwannee Valley in White Springs. That was another perfect weekend. Bill Chestnut was great as always and always great dancing. The best part of the weekend no one had to cook. The Campground prepared the food for Friday night plus for \$1.50 we could make own ice cream sundaes. Saturday morning we walked to town and had a really good breakfast at a local restaurant. Saturday night meal was prepared by the campground.

Many of the camping groups attended the Winter Festival. A good dance -- all had a great time.

February started off not so good, but ended up OK. Drift Arouns were homeless. The RV Park overbooked so we had no where to go. Thanks to Strawberry Travelers, we had a place to camp and dance. They were camp-

SQUARE DANCE CAMPER CLUBS (Continued)

ing at Lake Oklawaha, and we joined them. It was a wonderful experience -- the two clubs worked perfectly together. We liked it so much that we are going to do it again next year on purpose.

The Blue-Grey in Lake City was another time many campers gathered together to dance and enjoy each other. Gypsy Squares received the Traveling Banner for percentage of dancers in attendance.

March, the Gypsy's were at Wild Frontier in Ocala. The weather was very bad -- it rained the whole weekend. Campers always make the best of it no

matter what. We went to the Flea Market; others socialized in their camper, but we always have fun. The great caller, Bill Chesnut and the good dancing made up for the bad weather. Sunday morning the sun came out -- it was beautiful. Well, we ended this almost perfect weekend with breakfast in a bag -- very interesting.

If anyone out there has a camper and want to camp and dance, get in touch with me and I will get you to a contact person any where in this fine state of Florida. There will be more information next time.

Happy Camping and Dancing ! ! !

TEDDY BEAR SQUARES By Gaye Feuer 904 743 1087

The Teddy Bear Squares recently marked the 90th birthday of Virginia Cook, who along with her late husband, Al, is a charter member of our club. We celebrated with a birthday cake and a good turnout of dancers. The accompanying photos tell you we had fun. We wish Virginia happiness in her new abode at the Taylor Residences.

Our upcoming dances include the 3rd Anniversary of Gary Murphy as our caller and Lisa Wall as our cuer. And, with the support of their spouses, they make us proud!

On May 12, we will celebrate Mothers' Day. On June 23, our 23rd Anniversary will feature a Cake and Ice Cream Social. Come join the fun, visitors are always welcome.



On February 17th the Teddy Bears Helped Virginia Cook celebrate her birthday, Virginia is 90 years young

WHY NOT SMILE

TRI-COUNTY DANCERS

By Sarah Pergrossi

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Spring has arrived in Trenton! The flowers are blooming, the bees are buzzing and the watermelons are growing juicy in the fields. The Tri-County Dancers continue to keep busy through club dancing and community activities. Our students are making progress as they learn the basics of the square dancing movements along with styling tips and dancing guidelines. Each week club members come out early to support the students and encourage them on their way. We arranged road trips to Jacksonville for students and club members to attend both the Beginner Dance and Sophomore Hoedown. Everyone returned home chatting about the wonderful time had dancing to different callers and meeting other new dancers. Plans are in the works now for a similar road trip to attend the Graduation Ball in May.

We recently performed a demonstration dance for the residents and staff of Ayers Health and Rehabilitation Center located in Trenton. After a club level tip, several staff members partnered up with club members to try their hand at square dancing. This was received with hoops of joy from residents watching from the sidelines. Afterwards four enthusiastic residents in wheelchair partnered up with four club members to dance a tip. Great fun was had by all, whether dancing or watching. The Tri-County Dancers have been asked to return to Ayers April 19 for their annual banquet.

Any interested dancers are welcome to join us for this demo dance. Contact Sarah Pergrossi for more details.

In January, Lucy Flamingo came all the way from Jacksonville by way of Gainesville to visit us in Trenton. It was quite a surprise to have such an important visitor. She told all in attendance about the upcoming State Convention in Lakeland over Memorial Day weekend. As a result of her visit, a few members made reservations and ordered their ribbons for this exciting event. Lucy joined with Charlie to welcome four new dancers to our membership. Tri-County Dancers are happy to welcome Jerry & Donna Robey and Ron & Janet Doolen as members of our club.

Everyone is welcome to join us in Trenton for an evening of dancing. Our caller, Charlie Pergrossi has a web site that features a link to our club news. So visit us in person and on the web at www.pergrossi.com/tricounty.html



Charlie Pergrossi and several of the Tri-County Dancers

YELLOW ROCKERS

By Bronze & Virginia Cagle 904 771 1578

Can you believe it? The Yellow Rockers Club will celebrate their first anniversary on April 23rd, 2007. All dancers are invited to join us for an evening of square dancing and celebration. We will have a cake and delicious refreshments. THANK YOU visitors and club members for a year of dancing and fellowship. Charlie Pergrossi is our caller and Maxine Thomas prompts line dancing for us each Monday evening.

We have retrieved one of our banners from the Silver Fox, so it is available for stealing. We still have two banners out. One is at the Rollaways and the other is at the Teddy Bears. So, Yellow Rockers get ready to go visiting and bring our banners home.

The 5th Monday Madness dance was a great success and another dance is planned for Monday, April 30th. Lisa Wall will join us with Early Rounds from 7:00 - 7:30, with squares and rounds from 7:30 -- 9:30 PM.

Our caller's wife, Sarah, is working hard as she prepares to take the editorship of *The Grapevine*. She is

encouraging folks to take subscriptions to our regional square dance magazine. Nine dollars covers the cost of a subscription for one year. Read *The Grapevine* and pick-up flyers available at all our dances to keep up on the news in the square dance community. Many of the Yellow Rocks plan to "Follow the Bird" to Lakeland over the Memorial Day Weekend for the 53rd State Square Dance Convention. We want to express our appreciation to our callers throughout Florida for their dedication and expertise to our favorite dancing activity.

We enjoy meeting with our regular dancers each Monday from 7:30 - 9:30 PM at Jax Heights Elementary School, 7750 S. Tempest St. Jacksonville, but we want to invite visitors to dance with us also. The Yellow Rockers are a mainstream club with announced plus tips. Charlie will continue the Plus Workshop through May. For more information on dancing with us, please call Shirley White at 904-388-1463 or Charlie Pergrossi at 352-463-3829.



Rollaways and the Teddy Bears on a Banner raid to the Yellow Rockers

Choreo



Corner

with Kenny Farris

The caller shouts out, "*Ladies In Men Sashay*," and the ladies grab their skirts in both hands, bunching them up and moving into the center of their squares exclaiming, "Wooooo!" The joyous sounds of folks having a great time square dancing! Let's take a look at this seemingly simple call which can elevate the excitement level in the room. "A little louder this time, girls, *Ladies In Men Sashay*!" ... "WOOOOO!"

Dancers will come to me and say, "So I get the *Ladies In* part, but what exactly is a *Sashay*?" Well, a true *Sashay* is a sideways *Dosado*. But nobody is doing a *Dosado* frontways or sideways in a *Ladies In Men Sashay*. Okay, so the name is a little misleading. The *Men Sashay* here just means the men move sideways. Usually, we are doing a *Circle Left* when the call is given. So as the ladies move into the center of the set, the men continue circling or "moving sideways" so that when the girls back out, everyone has a new partner.

Assuming we all started from home with our original partners, when the caller calls it once we get our corners. If he calls it again, we'll have our opposites. Two more times & we get our partners back and we likely get pretty dizzy as well! That's a lot of *Circle-ing Left*. But wait, we don't have to *Circle Left*, we can *Circle Right*. If asked to *Ladies In Men Sashay*, men will move sideways to the right, because that's the way they were already moving & because that's what it says in the book!

So what else can we do with this call? Why not *Men In Ladies Sashay*? Hey that'll work. The men may not be so good with the skirt work but they can shout, "Wooooo!" Just remember guys, if you are asked to do the into-the-center part, you must stop circling when

you go in. If you move in, but continue circling, the ladies will never get past you to effect the partner change and that's the whole point of the call. Well, it's one point—the ulterior motive is to liven things up a little!

We can also do *Ladies In Men Sashay* from lines, as long as they are alternating boy/girl lines. The lady can be on the left or the right, it doesn't matter. Each lady will step forward and slide in front of her partner, as he moves sideways to take her place. She then backs into his vacated spot. Now the book says alternating boy/girl lines. But if it doesn't matter if the girl is on the left or on the right, we could do it from boy/girl/girl/boy lines, as long as every guy has a girl—which is one of my favorite things about square dancing!

Now let's get back to the *Sashay* thing. If a *Sashay* is a sideways *Dosado*, then a *Half Sashay* is a half a sideways *Dosado*? Exactly! The call *Sashay* is not a part of any of our current Modern Western square dance programs—but *Half Sashay* is. The definition of *Half Sashay* says, "Dancer on the right sidesteps to the left, while the other dancer on the left steps back, sidesteps to the right, then steps forward to rejoin partner." So from normal couples, the lady would go in front. But if you were to do it a second time, the man would go in front, as he would be the right-hand dancer, completing a *Sashay* or sideways *Dosado*.

A *Half Sashay* flows nicely after calls which have the right-hand dancer moving forward. A *Courtesy Turn* does that. So you'll often here *Half Sashay* called after *Ladies Chain* or *Right & Left Thru*. How would this one flow: facing couples *Left Touch 1/4*, *Scout Back* (it's a lefty), *Girls Run*, *Half Sashay*. Or this one: *Heads Lead Right*, *Veer Left*, *Ladies Trade*, *Half Sashay*, *Boys Trade*, *Half Sashay*, *Chain Down the Line*, *Wheel Around*, (now facing out) *Half Sashay*, *Boys Fold*

If a *Half Sashay* has the right-hand dancer go in front, then a *Reverse Half Sashay* would logically have the left hand dancer go in front. How 'bout: facing couples *Touch 1/4*, *Scout Back*, *Boys Run*, *Reverse Half Sashay*. Or one of my favorite singing call figures: *Heads Square Thru*, *Dosado*, *Swing Thru*, *Spin the Top*, *Single Hinge*, *Girls Run*, *Reverse Half Sashay* (keep moving forward girls), *8-Chain 1*, *Allemande Left*, *Promenade* (Corner).

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5th Monday Madness

By Sarah Pergrossi

The inaugural dance for the Yellow Rocker's 5th Monday Madness was a great success! While the early rounds started slow with only 12 couples on the floor, this quickly changes as the Jacksonville traffic cleared and folks came in from the cold weather. Soon the dance floor was packed and the sounds of music, chatter, and sliding feet filled the air. Charlie Pergrossi was in good form as he alternately used mainstream and plus level movements throughout the evening to six enthusiastic squares. From the sounds of laughter and joyous delight, the dancers enjoyed dancing to Charlie's calling. Lisa Wall captured the hearts of the visiting round dancers with a mix of 2-step, the cha-cha, and gliding waltzes. It was often time difficult to move across the cafeteria as more than 15 couples crowded the floor for their time with Lisa. Further excitement was witnessed

as the Teddy Bears and Rollaway Square Dance Clubs arrived en masse to steal the Yellow Rocker banners. Each group made quite an impression on the crowd as they approached Banner Chairman Billy Luper to take away one of the traveling banners. In addition, two couples from the Dixie Dancers traveled the miles from Lake City to join in the merriment and dance the evening away. One of these visiting couples was our own NEFSARDA Presidents, Ouida Taylor and Thomas Tramel!

If you missed this opportunity to dance with the talented Charlie Pergrossi and Lisa Wall, you will be offered an other chance. The Yellow Rockers have scheduled another 5th Monday Madness dances for April 30th at Jax Heights Elementary School. Look for flyers at your next dance or visit Charlie's web page for details: <http://www.pergrossi.com/events.html>

The Pharmacists

A nice, calm and respectable lady went into the pharmacy, right up to the pharmacist, looked straight into his eyes, and said, "I would like to buy some cyanide."

The pharmacist asked, "Why in the world do you need cyanide?" The lady replied, "I need it to poison my husband."

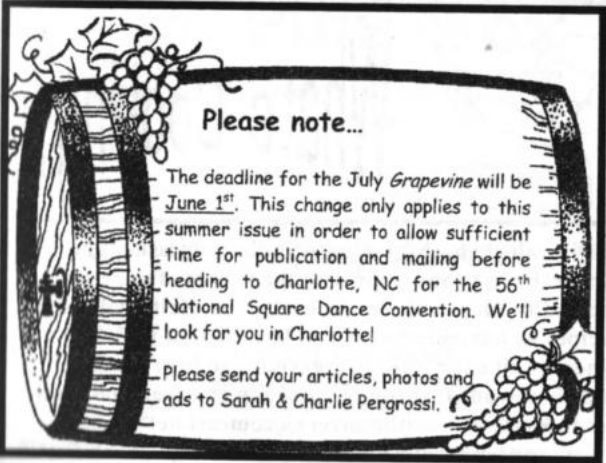
The pharmacist's eyes got big and he exclaimed, "Lord have mercy! I can't give you cyanide to kill your husband! That's against the law! I'll lose my license! They'll throw both of us in jail! All kinds of bad things will happen. Absolutely not! You CANNOT have any cyanide!"

The lady reached into her purse and pulled out a picture of her husband in bed with the pharmacist's wife. The pharmacist looked at the picture and replied, "Well now. That's different. You didn't tell me you had a prescription."

QUIZ for PEOPLE WHO KNOW EVERYTHING

1. Name the only sport in which neither the spectators nor the participants know the score or the leader until the contest ends.
2. What famous North American landmark is constantly moving backward?
3. Of all vegetables, only two can live and produce on their own for several growing seasons. All other vegetables must be replanted every year. What are the only two perennial vegetables?
4. What fruit has its seeds on the outside?
5. In many liquor stores, you can buy pear brandy, with a real pear inside the bottle. The pear is whole and ripe, and the bottle is genuine; it hasn't been cut in any way. How did the pear get inside the bottle?
6. Only three words in standard English begin with the letters "dw" and they are common words. Name two of them.
7. There are 14 punctuation marks in English grammar. How many can you name?
8. Name the only vegetable or fruit that is never sold frozen, canned, processed, cooked, or in any other form except fresh.
9. Name 6 or more things that you can wear on your feet beginning with the letter "S".

Answers in July issue



Please note...

The deadline for the July *Grapevine* will be June 1st. This change only applies to this summer issue in order to allow sufficient time for publication and mailing before heading to Charlotte, NC for the 56th National Square Dance Convention. We'll look for you in Charlotte!

Please send your articles, photos and ads to Sarah & Charlie Pergrossi.

MISSING SPEAKERS

I am trying to locate two speakers that I loaned to the NEFSARDA Board several years back. It was the year that NEFSARDA first acquired a used sound system that did not have any speakers. Shortly after that, Picadilly let us use their sound system and microphone and the NEFSARDA system was no longer used. Unfortunately the speakers were never returned.

These speakers are gray in color, have clasps on the side that connect them together when not in use or while in transport.

The fit a variable speed Newcomb turntable used by callers. **ANY ONE WITH ANY KNOWLEDGE OF THEIR LOCATION PLEASE CONTACT Charlie Newsome at 904 683 3512**

“ THANK YOU ”



Calling all chefs...beginning with the July issue, The Grapevine is proud to present the talents of our own food editor, Keith Myers. In each issue, Keith will share recipes he has collected or you have shared with him. Since we all enjoy eating, everyone can help to collect and share your favorite recipes. You can send your recipes to Keith at < keithmyers@comcast.net >, pass them over personally or send them through Sarah Pergrossi at <thegrapevine@pergrossi.com> It's obvious from the wonderful refreshments found at our dances that we have many fantastic cooks in the square dance community. So pull out your recipe files and start sending us your favorites today !

CONGRATULATIONS

How many of our square dance community are aware that **FRANCES ROLLEN** was among the Top 5 Finalists for Support Employee of the Year in the Clay County School System ? We had the honor of attending the Awards Program on January 31, 2007 and enjoyed the evening very much. Even though Frances did not win the Top Honor we know that she represented her school, Wilkinson Junior High, in an outstanding manner. We along with many others , still think you're the TOPS.

Charlie & Val Newsome



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INCONTINENCE HOTLINE...



THEY ASKED,
"CAN YOU HOLD PLEASE?"



(Left to Right) Carolyn Blymiller & Mary Starling present Circus Banners to the Clubs with the highest attendance. Shirley White, Yellow Rockers, Virginia Bomhold, Rollaways Milli Whipple, Moose Promenaders, and Betty Smith, Seabreeze Singles



Lucy one of the mascots for the upcoming 53rd State Convention Spends some quality time with Lon Ligon, caller for Grand Squares in Gainesville, FL. Lucy & Lon encourage all their square dance friends to " Follow the Bird to the 53rd "

“ A BIG THANK YOU “

By Kathy McKinney

“ What’s Hot in the Middle of Winter ”

What’s hot in the middle of winter?....

It was the “Winter Festival”! Words just can’t describe the weekend! Was it “Hot”, “Kool”, “Fun”, or was it just the “Best Time” a Square Dancer could have in the middle of “Winter”? However you prefer to describe it.....the bottom line is we owe a GREAT BIG “**THANK YOU**” to Grand Squares, Inc. for bringing such an amazing Festival to Florida for all of us to enjoy! The “Thank You(s) “ don’t stop there.....the list is never-ending. “Hugs” to John and Linda Saunders for all their hard work and their guidance to the Florida Federation Board. Thank you Florida Federation Board for all your hard work throughout the weekend. We know the list is never-ending as we stated above, so to everyone who helped put on such a wonderful weekend, you know who you are.....**THANK YOU!**

If you didn’t attend this year, you missed fabulous calling by an awesome staff! We thank you for all your hard work making our weekend FUN — The programs were more than one can imagine. Day time and night time! **THANK YOU!**

If you didn’t attend this year, you missed a hilarious “after-party” put on by the staff. Since “Laughter is the Best Medicine”, we ought to be livin’ a lonnng time! **THANK YOU!**

If you didn’t attend this year ... you missed some wonderful Vendors (hmmm I wonder if my husband is happy about that ???) ha ha **THANK YOU**

If you didn’t attend this year, you missed a truly awesome “Black Tie Affair” on Saturday Night! We didn’t know those callers could clean up that well! — ha ha. Their “Touch of Class” gave us cause to just say “**WOW!**” Thoughtfulness like that is very touching to the dancers, showing us how much you care to put a smile on our faces! **THANK YOU!**

If you didn’t attend this year, you missed one of our own receiving a big award. We want to congratulate, Lisa and John Wall and the First Coast Rounds of Jacksonville for supporting the Winter Festival and winning the trophy for most in attendance from within the state of Florida. **THANK YOU!**

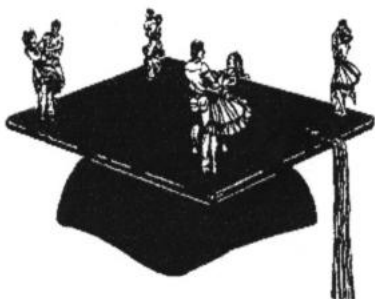
Now to let those who didn’t or couldn’t attend this year.....**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR NEXT YEAR!** There was the largest “pre-registration” ever for next year’s festival That alone says how wonderful it was this year!

If you want to add your name to the “pre-registration” list, you can contact Linda Saunders or any association President. Or you can contact us and we will make sure you have your ribbons **ASAP!**

We know that sometimes you have to pick and choose when and where you can go, so we want to offer our advice -- **THIS IS ONE WEEKEND YOU WILL NEVER REGRET YOU ATTENDED!**

**Two fish swim into a concrete wall. One turns to the other and says,
“ Dam ”**

GRADUATION DANCE



CALLED BY GATEWAY CALLERS

SAT, MAY 5 TH 2007 7:30 TILL 9:30 PM
JAX, HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
\$3.50 PER PERSON AT THE DOOR.

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Planning for the Future

CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

<http://www.floridasquaredance.com/northeast/events.html>

April 2007

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| 3 | Anniversary Dance (16 th) | Joy Seas |
| 4 | Easter Parade Plus Fox | |
| 10 | Anniversary Dance (19 th) | Rollaways |
| 13 | Black Cat Dance | Silver Fox |
| 15 | Delegates Meeting | NEFSARDA |
| 20-22 | Oaks-N-Pines | Lake City Square Wheels |
| 21 | City Rescue Charity Dance | Seabreeze Singles |
| 23 | Anniversary Dance (1 st) | Yellow Rockers |
| 26 | Ayers Rehab Volunteer Banquet Demo | Trenton, FL Tri-County Dancers |
| 28 | 3 rd Anniversary Dance for Gary & Lisa | Teddy Bears |
| 30 | 5 th Monday Madness | Yellow Rockers |

May 2007

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| 4-6 | Ocala Ranch RV Park | Ocala Gypsy & Sq Wheels |
| 5 | Graduation Dance | Jax Hts Ele School Gateway Callers |
| 11 | Ernie's Anniversary (Sha-Na-Na) | Silver Fox |
| 12 | Mother's Day Dance | Teddy Bears |
| 16 | Tacky Night Plus Fox | |
| 24 | Trails End Dance | Plant City, FL State Convention |
| 25-27 | 53 rd FL State Convention | Lakeland Hosted by NW Association |

June 2007

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| 1-2 | Watermelon Festival | Chiefland, FL | Grand Squares |
| 19 | Anniversary Dance (32 nd) | Gainesville, FL | Grand Squares |
| 23 | Anniversary Dance (23 rd) | Teddy Bears | |
| 27-30 | 56 th National Sq Dance Convention | Charlotte, NC | |

July 2007

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| 14 | Christmas in July | Keystone, FL | RCA |
| 14 | Dark in support of Christmas in July | Teddy Bears | |
| 15 | Delegate's Meeting | NEFSARDA | |
| 17-19 | International Camp-O-Ree | Amana, Iowa | NSDCA |
| 28 | All American Night | (wear favorite baseball team shirt) | Teddy Bears |

August 2007

- 11 Annual Blue Bottom Party Ichetucknee River Grand
Squares
11 Back to School Dance (bring school supplies)
Teddy Bears
15 School Supply Dance Plus Fox
17-19 Ocala Ranch RV Park Ocala Square Wheels

September 2007

- 19 Gary's 2nd Anniversary Plus Fox
21-23 Pacetti's Campground/Marina Green Cove Springs Square
Wheels
22 Fall Fun Fest (wear fall colors) Teddy Bears

October 2007

- 5-6 "Thrill In The Ville" Kristine & Bruce Nelson First Coast Rounds
12-14 Camp-O-Ree Okeechobee RV resort
FANSDC
14 Delegate's Meeting NEFSARDA
17 Halloween Dance Plus Fox
27 Ghost & Goblins (prizes for best costumes)
Teddy Bears

November 2007

- 2-4 O'Leno Hoedown O'Leno State Park Square
Wheels
7 Thanksgiving Dance Plus Fox
10 Veteran's Day Dance (bring pictures) Teddy Bears
16-17 Fall Festival Jacksonville NEFSARDA
24 Leftover Turkey Pot Luck Teddy Bears

December 2007

- 22 Christmas Dance (covered dish supper at 6 pm)
Teddy Bears

January 2008

- 16 Anniversary Dance (21st) Plus Fox

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