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1998 NEFSARDA OFFICERS

At the November 9th meeting, the slate of officers previously presented for office was voted on. The entire slate was approved as presented. Your new NEFSARDA officers are: Jack & Kathy McKinney, President; Manny & Sherry Gonzales, Vice President; Kim Keffer & Tom Thornton, Recording Secretary; Luther & Debbie Delp, Corresponding Secretary; and Walt & Betty Smith, Treasurer. Dee Dee & Bessie Stovall will remain as Immediate Past President.

Congratulations to the **new** Board members.

As a reminder, starting with the February/March issue, if you have a picture to go with your article, please make sure you include an **EXTRA** copy for us to use as we will cut it down when necessary prior to sending it for half-toning.

The Editors

CHILDREN'S CANCER FUND REPORT

The Rollaways

To all of those who purchased raffle tickets for the Children's Cancer Fund, your generosity is sincerely appreciated.

The 50/50 pot was won by a nurse (the same nurse who won last year) who purchased only one ticket. She took home \$1600.00.

Maybe we should get **her** to pick all our Lottery numbers!



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Time is passing by and the end of our first term has arrived. We have enjoyed working with the members of the Board, the Committee Chairmen, the callers & cuers and most of all, YOU, the dancers. It really takes all of us working together to make a good association. We have been blessed with the same members of the Board and committees returning next year for another term. We sincerely thank every one of you.

By the time this is published, the 44th Fall Festival will be history. We want to thank Howard & Jettie Crowe and their committee for a wonderful job. It is very gratifying to see our

association and our special dances growing and getting better each year.

This is the time of the year when most of us concentrate more on being thankful for the things we take for granted the rest of the year. We, in the Northeast, have a lot of blessings to be thankful for. We are blessed with great callers and cuers, a great variety of clubs, good weather, enough dancing to keep us going every night if we wish and super nice people whose friendliness and compassion we can enjoy every day. We are truly blessed!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to each and every one!

Jack & Kathy McKinney



**MERRY XMAS
TO ALL THE CLUBS
FROM
NEFSARDA BOARD**

**PEACE AND
HAPPINESS,
TO ALL!**





FROM THE EDITORS DESKS



As a reminder, again, if you don't have your copy of The GRAPEVINE by

the **tenth** of each even month, please call us - bulk mail is not forwarded. We need to know if we have a mail problem or if it is an isolated case.

As usual, we are asking for your help again. As we try to provide you, the dancers and readers of The Grapevine, we periodically introduce new items, columns, etc. We **NEED** your feedback. Let us hear from you if you like something. This lets us know to continue. We **especially** want to hear from you **IF YOU DON'T LIKE SOMETHING**. How else will we know whether to continue or not. Without **YOUR** feedback, we can't make an informed decision. Remember, the Letters To The Editor column is there for your comments, pro and/or con.

One new feature is "With Our Sick". We need **you** to let us know when someone is ill, in the hospital, etc., so we can let others know and add them to the Prayer List.

By the time you read this, the Annual Fall Festival will be over. At this writing, we've just

finished the Festival Booklet and delivered it to the "Bookie" who will print it and finish it for us. It is a big one (88 pages) with lots of Ads. Don't forget to patronize our advertisers and be sure you tell them where you saw their Ad.

For 'traveling' dancers, please note that the Calendar of Events in the back of this publication carries listings of known dances sponsored by other Florida Associations (among others). If you are passing thru their area, looking for a place to dance, please visit them and let them **know** where you are from. We try to include a contact telephone number for you to get specifics when you get in town. You can always call us before you leave and we can tell you what we know or get you a copy of their flyer

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

NEWS FLASH !!

The Grapevine went to press prior to the Fall Festival. Articles and pictures from the Festival will appear in the February issue. **READ ALL ABOUT IT IN THE NEXT ISSUE!**

To our subscribers and advertisers

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and a
HAPPY
New Year
CHRISTMAS

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In 1997

The Grapevine





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:

A few days ago, I was in a minor car accident. On a two lane road, the car I was following had stopped to turn left. I stopped but the car behind me, unfortunately, did not - it hit me and my car went straight on to the car in front of me. No one was hurt and damage to all three cars was minimal. The next day, however, I went to pick up my 12 year old daughter, Monica, and while driving home, I told her that I seem to have now developed a phobia. Every time I

stepped on the brakes, my first instinct was to look behind me to see if the car behind me was going to stop too. She said "That is normal Ma. You are just traumatized because of your accident yesterday. Why don't you call Miss Kathy up, she will make you feel better." I thought that was a very sweet comment and shows how highly people think of our very own NEFSARDA president - Kathy McKinney.

Signed by: *Monina Kniornim*

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THANK YOU FROM THE FALL FESTIVAL CHAIRMEN

We can hardly find the words to express our appreciation and gratitude to each of you out there in our dance world!

A stupendous THANK YOU to the greatest Fall Festival Committee in the whole wide world!

To Ken Miller "our caller" and M.C. and his wife, Ginger (our good friend), we wish to say "You're the Best" -- You did a super job and kept the hall jumping and things moving all night long! Our lives are never boring with you, Ken & Ginger. WE LOVE YOU.

THANK YOU to all of the local callers and cuers and their spouses! You great FRIENDS are always there for us. You are the most talented and generous group of people we know. Thanks for your talents and dedication to the dancers of Northeast Florida! Our dancers love you because you are tireless in your efforts to promote square and round dancing. You always do a tremendous job for us (and for free) each and every year!!!

Thanks also to J.R. & Margaret Sparks and to Phyllis & K.O. Williams for a lively and most enjoyable evening. What a happy, personable and truly delightful foursome you make. We are very pleased that those before us found you for this year's Festival!

A gigantic "AT A BOY" to all the clubs and dancers who provided us with

the greatest parade, floats, costumes, and entertainment this side of Hollywood!!! What talent and enthusiasm we have among us, for this we are truly grateful! You dancing friends, throughout this area, still honor us by coming back again and again! This shows our entire community your dedication and love for our pastime!

Thanks to all of our excellent cooks for all of the wonderful food that was displayed so beautifully. YOU always do us proud!!

A tremendous **THANK YOU** to all the dancers who come each year and enjoy the Festival; your support makes all of the work worthwhile! Because of you, the 44th Fall Festival was a colossal success.

"As Time Goes By!" we really are thankful to each and everyone of YOU. Thank You! We recommend that when you are asked to help next year, TRY IT! You will truly get more than you give. The most pleasant surprise is that you meet super people that can help you make all this production happen on a shoestring. Through their talents, hard work, elbow grease, and donations you too can make it happen for less than \$100 on decorations! Would you believe it!!(not counting the paper goods!!) **THANKS AGAIN!!**

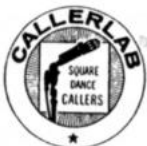
Howard & Jettie Crowe

HANGING CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

(Reprinted from The Roundup Dec 1995, Battle Creek Sq/Rd Dnc Assoc.)

The custom of hanging stockings on the mantle to receive small gifts originated with St. Nicholas, the Turkish version of our own Santa Claus. Long ago, St. Nick was supposed to have provided dowries for the three daughters of a poor nobleman. He threw bags of money through their windows (in one version, down the chimney), where the gifts happened to fall into a stocking that was hung out to dry by the fire.

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CUER'S CORNER

WHY YOU SHOULD BE USING ROUND DANCING AS PART OF SQUARE DANCE PROGRAMS

By Margaret Tripp

Round dancing is couple dancing very much like ballroom dancing, but unlike ballroom dances, which are freeform, round dancing is done to pre-choreographed routines set to a given arrangement.

Round dancing adds variety to an evening of squares, makes dancers more aware of timing, reinforces the styling and smoothness in dancing, and provides an incentive for dancers to remain longer in dancing activities.

Rounds are taught in phases. Phase one and two are for learning basic steps in the waltz and two-step rhythms. Phase three teaches are to advance the dancers to rumba, cha cha, and foxtrot. These are almost always the levels of round dancing that will be cued for most square dances. If

dancers wish to advance to more advanced rhythms, they can be taught in phases four, five and six, but generally speaking the easy levels will be the ones cued at the square dances between tips. The clubs that feature rounds between square tips generally have a cuer (regular or guest), but some callers also cue rounds themselves. This is an encouraged practice and Roundalab (the International Association of Round Dance Teachers) in 1988 issued a manual through Callerlab to instruct callers in cueing. Many callers do guest spots at clubs that do not have a regular cuer but have members that do rounds. A caller that does rounds will be doubly in demand.

FLASH ! !

Al & Dot Lobato of the Silver Fox Squares, won three Gold and two Bronze medals for Ballroom Dancing at the recent Senior Olympics.

Congratulations Al & Dot!!



IN STEP WITH . . . Country, Clogging and Line Dancing

By Donna Robbins

I'll focus on Line Dancing in this column. The two major reasons for its popularity are:

you don't need a partner to do it; and you can learn an entire dance with one lesson! It particularly works well for a "one-night" party entertainment.

However, for the seasoned dancer who likes the feeling of accomplishment through taking a class - of anything - it might not be so appealing. You can also "forget" the dances as easily as they were learned!

As far as I know, there are no Line Dance clubs per se, at least not in this

area. However, Line Dancing, like Square, Round and Clogging, does have its levels. Although you don't have to learn a certain number of basic steps before doing even one routine, as they are individually choreographed, there is a growing popularity of difficult choreographed routines.

The most difficult Line Dance that I have ever had to teach was "Achey Breaky Heart", and for most, who were caught up in that craze, it was the first and only Line Dance they ever learned! Then there was the "Macarena", which had no footwork, only hand movements.

I will admit, though, both dances were a lot of fun and that basically is what it's all about!

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&
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By Val Newsome

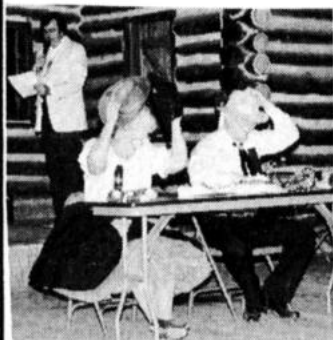
Charlie and I (along with his mother, Irene) recently attended the O'Leno Hoedown which was hosted by the Square Wheels Square Dance Club. The campground is located in High Springs. However, since we are not campers, we stayed in a motel about 5 miles away. BUT, let me hasten to add, we were always there when the "dinner bell" rang.

There was a super Halloween party & dance on Friday evening, October 31st. Then Saturday workshops were available -- or you could do your own thing. There are several trails for walking and the squirrels and deer are

in abundance. Saturday night both dance halls were filled to capacity. Tom Roper joined club caller, Bill Chesnut on squares; Audrey Phillips cued rounds; and Dennis Ricker kept the Contra hall busy. After a great dance, everyone gathered in the "log" cabin hall for an after party.

Back to food--breakfast, lunch, and dinner, were available for VERY nominal fees. The food was wonderful and the service excellent.

It was a fantastic weekend, full of fun and fellowship. We have included a few pictures from the weekend.



Your Editors were "volunteered" to provide entertainment and "directed" to put it into the Grapevine!

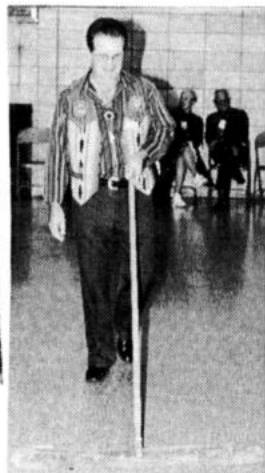


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(Reprinted from USDA News Dec 1996)

The first Santa was a bishop of Myra of Asia Minor, St. Nicholas, who today remains a principal saint of the Eastern Orthodox Church. In the 4th Century, he distributed presents to good children on his feast day, December 6.

During the Protestants Reformation, St. Nicholas was replaced in many countries by the Christmas Man, known in England as Father Christmas and France's Pere Noel. But in the Netherlands, where St. Nicholas was the patron saint of sailors, he remained popular. There he was known

as Sint Nikolaas or Sinterklaas, and Dutch children expected him to leave goodies in their wooden clogs on his feast day. Both this tradition and the name were Americanized. Sinterklaas became Santa Claus.

Amazingly, most of the things American kids believe about Santa originated with the 1822 poem, "The Night Before Christmas" by Dr. Clement Moore. The image of the tubby, jolly man in the red suit can be attributed to some 1860's illustrations by celebrated political cartoonist, Thomas Nast.

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Happiness This Holiday
Season!*



*Love,
Virginia
Cook*

BLOOD BANK REPORT

By Kim Keffer

Our account at the Blood Bank stands at 166 units year-to-date and is broken down as follows:"

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Mandarin Marauders	1956	41
Moose Promenaders	2057	13
Rollaways	2063	37
Plus Fox	2212	12
Sweet Art Squares	2064	1
Teddy Bear Squares	2206	3
Yellow Rockers	2240	43

Congratulations to all who have donated so far this year. One hundred sixty-six units exceeds the number donated during the entire year in 1996. Joe Fitzmayer is also to be commended for his work with the Mandarin blood drives throughout the year.



HAPPY HOLIDAYS

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Holidays!**

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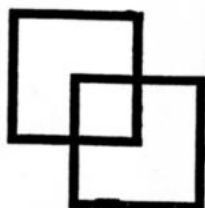
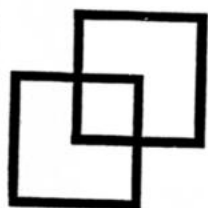
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We had a wonderful Halloween Dance with many dancers coming in costume. The "garage sale" held in conjunction with our November 6th dance was a huge success with many excellent buys available. We had our usual assortment of fine treats at both dances and everyone had a great time.

Our Thanksgiving Dance on November 20th featured "pies" baked by our Promenaders - Mmmmmm good.

December 18th will be our Christmas Dance. We will have a "white elephant" gift exchange that evening, so check out your closets, cabinets and garages, etc., and wrap up the item you no longer need and come enjoy the fun.

January 15th we will once again have a "SUPER BOWL CHILI" night when club

members and any guests who desire to, may bring a quart of their favorite chili. All the chili will be mixed together and served to all present. Last year the mixture was delicious and everyone enjoyed themselves.

Put a big "X" on your calendar for February 12 which will be our "President's Ball". The dance will feature our own special caller, Art Wilson with guest caller, Tony Oxendine, with Jim & Barbara Winter on rounds. Tickets will be available shortly. You may contact any Moose Promenader to obtain yours.

As Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years all fall on Thursday this Holiday Season, the Moose Promenaders will not dance on November 27th, December 25th or January 1st. Please mark your calendar accordingly. Please remember our regular dance night is Thursday at the Moose Lodge on Collins Road. Everyone is invited. Moose membership is not required for our guests.

See you soon and may all of you have a **safe and wonderful Holiday Season!**



Many \$\$\$ were spent at the Moose Promenaders "garage sale". Everyone enjoyed an evening of shopping!



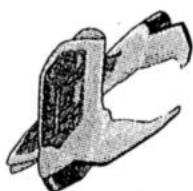
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Over 250 years ago, Scotch-Irish immigrants traveling the Great Wagon Road south from Philadelphia, stopped at the crossroads of two Indian trading paths east of the Catawba River. Here they built a settlement and as their friends and neighbors joined them, the community grew to several hundred residents. In 1768, to curry favor with the British king, George III, they named their town after Sophia Charlotte, who at age 17 married this most powerful man in the world. Local citizens also honored Queen Charlotte when they named their new county Mecklenburg after her German homeland. Evidently its residents didn't take their royal affiliation too seriously. When Lord Cornwallis occupied the town briefly in 1780, he was so annoyed by patriot activities, he called the town a "hornet's nest," a name that stuck and now proudly adorns the city seal.

In 1799, America's first major gold discovery was made here, a 17-pound gold nugget. The city quickly became the center of gold production in the U.S. and a branch of the U.S. mint was located here from 1837 to 1867 because of the Civil War. In the mid-1800s, cotton flourished and railroads converged, and later, the interstate highway system would evolve.

Today, the city of Charlotte still pays homage to its regal beginnings by using a crown as its logo and referring to itself as "The Queen City." A statue of our namesake welcomes passengers at our international airport. Its' citizens take great pride in treating every visitor as a royal guest.

For a visual display of Charlotte's beginnings, see the four sculptures

erected at The Square - Trade and Tryon Street. A gold miner for commerce, a woman millworker for our textile heritage, an African-American railroad builder for transportation and a mother holding a child for the future.

Charlotte is located in the sunny, moderate Central region of North Carolina making us easily accessible. Interstates 77 and 85, which intersect here, link the city with the Great Lakes region, New England and Florida. Interstate 40, running coast-to-coast is only an hour north of Charlotte. A two-hour journey to the west takes you to the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains; three-and-a-half hours east takes you to the Atlantic beaches.

For information on what to see and do while you're in Charlotte contact Charlotte on the Internet:

Charlotte Convention & Visitors Bureau
<http://charlottecvb.org/ncnw/clt>

Charlotte's Web
<http://www.charweb.org>

Charlotte Chamber of Commerce
<http://www.charlottechamber.org>

INFO! Charlotte, a one-stop information resource for visitors, is located several blocks from the Convention Center. Stop in here for brochures, information and maps on shopping, dining, sites and attractions. At the retail gift center you'll find a wide assortment of sports apparel, gift items, and memorabilia.

Look for the 47th National Square Dance Convention on the internet @ www.lei.net/47nsdc

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Charlotte, NC June 24-27, 1998

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CONVENTION REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION

The Convention Office of the 47th National Square Dance Convention is busy entering data from your registration forms, preparing confirmation sheets, and mailing these back to you. As you might expect the process does take some time. In fact many, many hours of volunteer time are spent in this effort by every National Convention. It may well be that more hours go into registration and housing than into any other phase of a National. After you register, you will receive an accounting sheet showing the things you ordered on your registration including what is paid for and what, if anything you owe, along with your Registration Number.

The Convention Office advises that those who registered prior to the Orlando Convention should have received confirmation and registration numbers by now. For those who registered at Orlando or after, your confirmation should have been mailed in early October. If you feel that receipt of your confirmation falls outside these time frames, contact the Convention Office at 704-566-9664 or by fax at 704-563-3265.

Needless to say, if you haven't registered -- DO IT NOW! That way you'll be able to understand that,

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Carolina!*

CLOGGING AT THE 47th NSDC

The 47th National Square Dance Convention will place an emphasis on clogging that has not been seen at a Nationals in some time. C.L.O.G., the National Clogging Leaders Organization, is assisting in programming the halls, arranging for instruction by top cloggers, and ensuring that the 47th welcomes cloggers in a big way. Our thanks to this group for their assistance and commitment to the 47th. If you

clog, there will be something to interest you at the 47th. Leaders you know such as Bill Nichols, Simone Pace, Chip Summey, Jean Stephenson, Dieter Brown, and many others will bring the best instruction and demonstration skills to Charlotte for you.

Be sure you take advantage of this wealth of talent and attend the 47th National Square Dance Convention in Charlotte, NC - June 24-27, 1998.

IN & OUTS FOR THE 47th NSDC

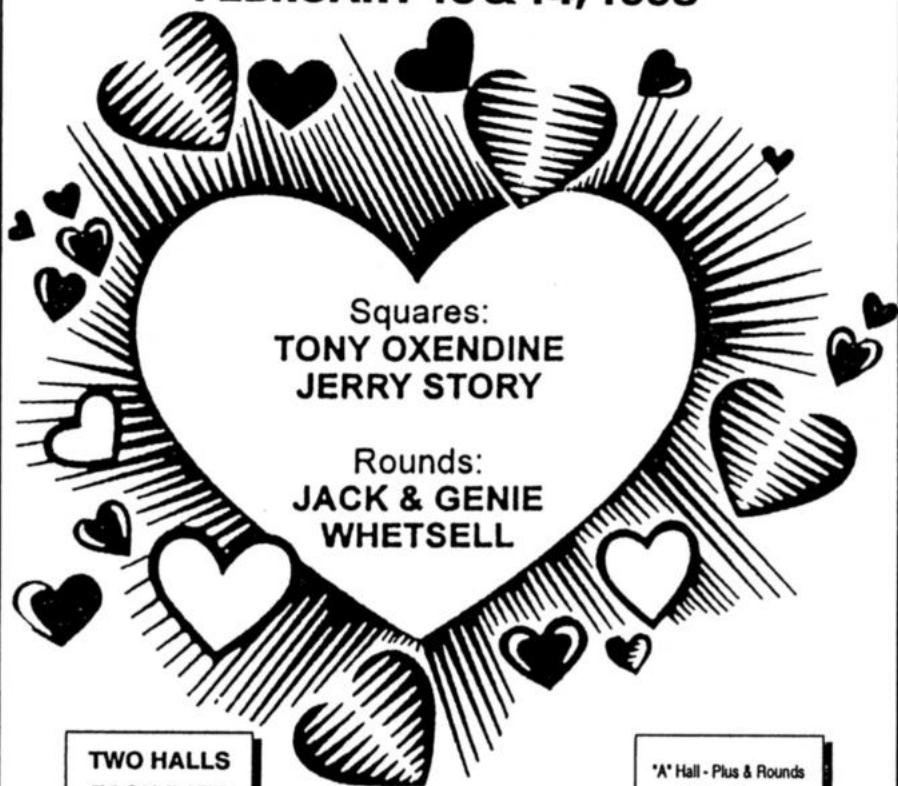
Is your club planning a Trail In or Trail Out dance to be held just before or after the 47th NSDC in June of 1998? If you are, let us know and we'll gladly include the date, place, time, etc. in our Publicity News Releases so that folks will know what is happening and can

plan to attend the dance as they travel to or from the convention. Contact Ron & Nancy Jacobs, Program Chairman, at 2443 Dutch Branch Rd. in Columbia, SC 29210 or call them at 803-772-3950 and they will be sure your dance gets publicized.

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See your Grapevine editors, Charlie & Val, for tickets!



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TOURS OFFERED BY THE 47th NSDC

There are several tours being offered by the 47th NSDC this year. Those interested should contact: Tour Director, 47th National Square Dance Convention, P. O. Box 562814, Charlotte, NC 28256-2814.

Pre-Convention Tours

Myrtle Beach Get-Away: 4 days
\$418.00 per person (Dbl)
\$540.00 per person (Sgl)
\$50.00 PP deposit required

Day Tours

- #1 - Welcome To America's "Queen City" - \$26.00 per person
- #2 - A "Capital" City, Columbia SC. - \$32.00 per person
- #3 - Biltmore Estate - \$72.00 per person

Day Tours(Cont'd)

- #4 - Catawba Queen Cruise - \$42.00 per person
- #5 - Golf! Golf, Golf - \$74.00 per person
- #6 - History and Religious Art - \$28.00 per person
- #7 - Charlotte Motor Speedway - \$30.00 per person
- #8 - Moravian "Old Salem" - \$55.00 per person

Post Convention Tours

- Majestic Mountain Tour
- Option A - 4 days - \$722 per person (sgl) - \$495 per person (dbl)
 - Option B - Same as A without day four - \$510 per person (sgl) \$395 per person (dbl)

ROCK 'N ROLL IS HERE TO STAY!!

The 47th National Square Dance Convention presents **SHA-NA-NA** on Wednesday Evening, June 24, 1998.

Return with us to the days of yesteryear, when good music had a beat but didn't shake your car at a stop light, when you not only related to the words, but could understand the language, return with us and **SHA-NA-NA** to REAL ROCK 'N ROLL. \$10.00 per person.

THEY'RE BACK!! MORE CHURCH BLOOPERS

(Thanks to Erma Fry for finding these, and more, little snippets of humor)

The ladies of the church have cast off clothing of every kind and they can be seen in the church basement Friday.

The pastor will preach his farewell message, after which the choir will sing "Break Forth Into Joy".

The choir will meet at the Larsen's house for fun and sinning



NEW YEAR'S

EVE DANCE

Wednesday, December 31, 1997
9:00 pm - 12 Midnight

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\$3.50 per person in advance
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5TH SATURDAY DANCE REPORT

By Manny & Sherry Gonzales

The new program for the 5th Saturday Dances appears to be working in light of the increased revenues from the dances.

The next dance will be held on November 30th at Sandalwood High and will be hosted by the Touch of Class and Friendship Squares.

Callers will be John Barrett and Eddie Millan and Larry Dunn will cue rounds. The theme will be "Holiday Magic".

Host clubs for the remaining 5th Saturday Dances were drawn. The schedule is:

January 31st - Fun 'N Frolics & Mavericks. Callers will be Lon Ligon and Ralph Beekman; Cuer is Jim Winter.

May 30th - Vagabond Squares & Gypsy Squares. Caller David Drake; cuer Larry Dunn.

August 29th - Dixie Dancers & Mandarin Marauders. Callers Don Heins & Sam Atkinson; Audrey Philips cueing.

October 31 - Seabreeze Singles & Sweet Art Squares. Callers Mike Akers & Ken Miller, Jim Winter cueing.

Blood Bank dance will be March 7th at Jax Heights. Callers will be David Drake & Mike Akers; Larry Dunn cueing rounds.

THE DANCER'S ABC NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

(reprinted from the Bow and Swing)

Ask if you can help - this will get other dancer's attention.

Bring your best self - fool everybody.

Courtesy is your most natural talent - what can we say?

Do something - don't just stand there.

Enthusiasm is contagious - make them smile.

Fun is fun - bring it with you.

Greet all newcomers - act as if you've known them all your life.

Have a pleasant look on your face. Borrow one, if necessary.

Involvement is the key. Get involved with the group.

Joy - Give it away. It's free!

Keep in contact with absentees. You may be the next one.

Love your enemies. Bring them with you. Make them happy.

Make new friends. You can never have too many.

No dance or tip is too difficult for you - never.

Offer to call or cue - don't pass up this chance.

Participate in everything, even if it's new or different. **Q**uote only the good things you hear.

Run for president of the club - this will keep you alert.

Start something. Be a starter. "They" will provide the brakes.

Talk to everybody about coming events. Spread the news.

Understand, even if you don't. Good therapy.

Vie to learn every figure/movement. Stretch your brain.

Walk around and mingle. Good exercise.

Xerox all memories. Stack them up for later.

Your attitude is your greatest asset. Shine!

Zoom in and make history - we've been waiting for you.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

HAPPY 99th BIRTHDAY, CECILE!!

By Val Newsome

On Monday, November 10th, a group of dancers (mostly Rollaways) met at Wesley Manor to help Cecile Swann celebrate her 99th birthday!

Yes, Cecile, square dances - with the Carriage Club/Wesley Manor Seniors - and on November 13th she was 99 years **YOUNG!**

Cecile was a little late for her surprise party as the bus carrying the group from Carriage Club to Wesley Manor had a slight accident. No serious injuries, though.

Once she arrived she was surprised, but delighted, as the dancers started singing, "Happy Birthday." The dancers brought a cake, punch, a corsage, and many brought along cards. The GRAPEVINE

presented her with a "goody" basket including a "99" pin she was told she could wear until she turned 100 -- then, of course, we will see she gets a 100 pin!

Cecile is a very gracious lady who has stayed active by dancing. She still drives her own car and does some sewing. She resides at the Carriage Club. John Robbins, caller, and his wife, Donna, say she is one of the best dancers in the seniors group.

This group of dancers from Carriage Club and Wesley Manor (they alternate dancing at each facility on a monthly basis) may be seniors, BUT THEY ARE LIVELY. They have a lot of fun and you don't have to drag them onto the dance floor. If you find time on a Monday, 11:00 am - 12 Noon, come dance with them.



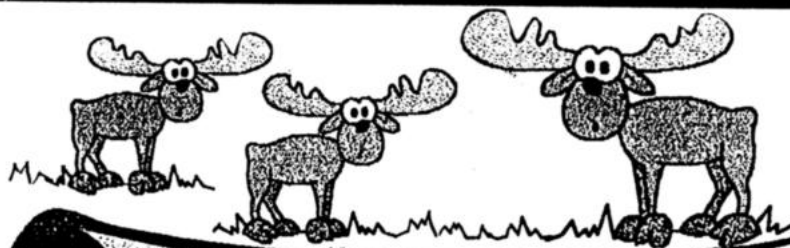
↑ Cecile with some of her "loot"!



↑ NEFSARDA presidents Jack & Kathy McKinney, and caller John Robbins, and his wife, Donna, join to wish Cecile a very Happy Birthday. (L to R) Donna, Jack, Cecile, John, and Kathy.

WORK WEEK

Sunday....."YIPPEE! But, how I dread tomorrow!"
Monday....."Don't Speak to me!"
Tuesday....."God...please get me through this day."
Wednesday....."Please, please, let me die!"
Thursday....."I feel life slowly seeping back into my body..."
Friday....."T G I F!!!"
Saturday....."YIPPEE! YIPPEE! YIPPEE!"



MOOSE PROMENADERS Annual President's Ball

February 12, 1998

7:30 - 10pm

\$10. advance per couple

\$12. at door per couple

featuring

Art Wilson

with Special Guest Caller

Tony Oxendine

Rounds

Barbara & Jim Winter

(Lodge Membership NOT required)

Pres - Carol & Terry Schoenekase - 287-7660

Banner - Betty & Tom Ball - 272-6979

PUBLICITY REPORT

By Phyllis Cody 765-8513



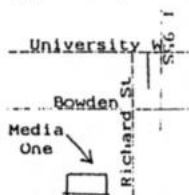
NEFSARDA has a TV Square Dance demonstration scheduled for Monday, January 5, 1998 at Media One Cablevision studio, 5934 Richard Street.

All Square Dancers are welcome. However, you must register in advance

by calling Phyllis Cody , 765-8513, or Jack Carrouthers, 241-1469.

Dancers must arrive by 12:30 PM and taping will be between 1:00 and 1:30 PM.

The tape will be aired on Channel 24, Thursday, January 15th at 8:00 PM.



Our last demo was on October 25th. NEFSARDA dancers held a one hour demo during the Western Fun Day at the Family Care Center on Ft. Caroline Road. It was very hot and the pavement was rough to dance on, but everyone had a great time. Several dancers accompanied me among the crowd to pass out flyers and sign up those interested in taking classes.

Dr. William Carriere' of the Family Care Center took his first "calling" lesson from Eddie Millan.



The dancers had a hot time, but seemed to enjoy the demo.



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Happy New Year!

Anita & Bud



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SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 21, 1998

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&

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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 **NO DANCE DEC. 22nd OR 29th.**

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" 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 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. 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 Beginners classes will start in February 1998.

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 **NO DANCE DEC 23rd OR 30th.**

SEABREEZE SINGLES: "M/P" Every Tuesday Class 7:00-8:30 PM Dance 8:30-10:00 PM- - Peace Presbyterian Church 2300 Southside Blvd. -- Caller: Jim Cosman 912 882-4006 Contact: Linda Paulley - 387-2239 **NO DANCE DEC 16th OR DEC 30th.**

SWEET ART SQUARES: "M/P" Every Tuesday 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. **NO DANCE DEC 23rd OR 30th.**

W E D N E S D A Y

PLUS FOX: "P" Every Wednesday 7:30-9:30 PM Jax Heights Elem - 7750 S. Tempest St.-- Caller: Jim Cosman 912 882-4006 Contact: Rex & Kate McCaul 744-3187 **NO DANCE DECEMBER 24TH!**

T H U R S D A Y

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 **NO DANCE NOVEMBER 18th OR 25th!**

JOY SEAS: "M/P/L/R" every Thursday Club 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 Beverly 904 794-1912.

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. **NO DANCE ON DEC. 25th OR JAN. 1st.**

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: Paulline & Victor Parker 904 935-2563.

F R I D A Y

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

GYPSY 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 - Glynn 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 8:00 - 10 PM (Intro to Rounds 7:00-8:00PM) Jax Heights Elementary School -- Caller: Sam Atkinson (904) 268-3165 Contact: Cliff & Marge Elliott 781-2101 **NO DANCE DECEMBER 26th.**

S A T U R D A Y

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 DECEMBER 27th**

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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The first Florida State Convention (Square and Folk Dance Festival) was held on April 10, 11, & 12, 1953 in Tampa. Several national and international figures were present, including "Pappy" Lloyd Shaw, Doc Alumbaugh (founder of Winsor Records), the Chans of New York and Collettes of Atlanta (international figures in Folk and Round Dance), Ed Durlacher and Jimmy Clossin. Don & Marie Armstrong, nationally known callers and cuer, were General Chairman of the event.

The Florida Federation of Square Dancers was formed in November of 1957 with one of the reasons being the hope of bidding for a National Convention. At that time it consisted of four associations: Southeast, formed in February 1956; Northeast in January of 1957; Central in February of 1957; and West Coast in October of 1957. Later, in November of 1972, they were joined by the Northwest, forming a Federation of five associations.

In May of 1958, the 7th Florida State Convention at Miami was a joint effort of the Florida Callers and the Federation. The first six had been staged by the callers and they were turning it over to the dancers so they could gain the

necessary experience to meet the requirements to bid for a "National Convention". The first bid at Denver in 1959 was not successful as it was awarded to Detroit. However, the next year at Des Moines, Harry Moore, his host of friends and fellow workers were awarded the bid for 1962. He is still around so it must have turned out okay.

For the next nine years, several formats for the convention were tried and in 1972 a plan came into operation that has proved quite successful for the last 25 years. With seed money and guidelines from a Coordinating Committee, each association sponsors the convention in turn. They appoint a dancer chairman assisted by a vice chairman. From the callers, a Caller Chairman and a Cuer Chairman from the cuers. All of these are from within the association and must belong to their respective state organization. They basically have full control of their actions under certain guidelines. The Coordinating Committee is composed of the Immediate Past Chairman and Vice Chairman, the current Chairpeople and the Chairpeople for the next three associations in line. Thus, there are three people from each of the five associations on the committee.

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Virginia Bomhold 744-7181

44TH Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention



"Tour the State in '98" is the theme of this year's State Convention which will be hosted by The West Coast Square & Round Dancers' Association.

The dance program will offer halls from Basic thru Challenge. There will also be halls for Round, Contra, Country Western, and Line dancing. Handicapable dancers are encouraged to come and dance.

The newly renovated Lakeland Convention Center is a beautiful place for dancing. We understand there will be a buffet during limited hours ON THE

PREMISES. Food is also available in the many area restaurants.

The sewing clinic "Cross Country Sewing Snippets" will have much to offer, including helpful hints, sewing booklets, sewing machine demonstrations, fabric painting, ruffle rules and "how to", clinics, door prizes, and drawings for dance outfits.

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hearts of all
our friends!



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WHAT'S COOKING ?

By Val Newsome

In the last issue we promised fruit cake or holiday recipes for the December issue.

The first recipe is for a fruit cake. The pieces of whole fruit make this a particularly handsome cake -- a cake with style as well as delicious flavor.

The second recipe is for a jelled Cranberry Salad. Just a little prettier and tastier than a can of cranberry sauce.



LIGHT FRUIT CAKE

Set the oven at 350 degrees. Line three deep loaf pans with aluminum foil.

Cream 1 cup butter. Beat in 2 cups white sugar and 1 teaspoon vanilla. Beat until fluffy. Beat in, one at a time, 7 egg yolks. Sift together 3 cups pastry or 2 3/4 cups all-purpose flour, 1/2 teaspoon salt, and 2 teaspoons baking powder.

Add to the butter mixture alternately with 1 cup milk. Fold in 1 pound white raisins and 1 pound pecan meats. Then, fold in 7 egg whites, beaten stiff.

Have ready for decorating the layers 1 pound candied cherries, red and green; 1 pound candied pineapple fingers; 1 pound whole Brazil nut meats; and 1 pound pitted dates.

Put a thin layer of the cake batter in each pan. Arrange on the batter whole fruit (using one kind of fruit for each layer). Cover with a layer of batter. Repeat until the fruit is used and put a layer of batter on the top.

To make loaves even, work with all three pans at the same time. Fill the pans to 3/4 inch from the top. Bake 2 hours.

CRANBERRY SALAD

2 cans jelled cranberry sauce

1 tblspn lemon juice

Blend together and set aside.

1/2 pint whipping cream

3 oz cream cheese

1/8 cup mayonnaise

1/4 cup conf. sugar

Whip cream. Mix cream cheese, mayonnaise and sugar, and then fold into whipped cream.

Place creamed mixture on top of cranberries and jell. Cut in squares and serve on lettuce leaves. Top with chopped nuts, if desired.

ENJOY!!

EDITOR'S NOTE: IF YOU HAVE A FAVORITE RECIPE THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH THE DANCERS OF THE NORTHEAST, PLEASE SEND IT TO US AND WE WILL SEE THAT IT GETS INTO A FUTURE ISSUE.

**Don't be afraid to ask dumb questions --
They're easier to handle than dumb mistakes!**

CLUB NEWS!

CLASSIC PLUS

Mary Lou Pelz 733-1869



All of us at the Classic Plus have enjoyed seeing so many visitors at our dances. We had some very good callers and promise you that we will keep it up.

Our upcoming callers include: Lon Ligon from Gainesville, December 5th; Joe Floretti, December 19; Tom "Blue Side Of Lonesome" Perry, February 6th.

We have early rounds from 7:30 -

8:00 PM by Jim & Barbara Winter and our Plus dance from 8 - 10 PM. Come visit us at the Peace Presbyterian Hall - we promise you variety, good dancing, fun and fellowship.

For banner information, call Pat & Mike Rist, 733-2298.

A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all!

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DIXIE DANCERS

Linda Yocum 904 752-2970

The advent of autumn has brought about many activities for the Dixie Dancers. Our annual club picnic at O'Leno State Park in October was an "eaters delight", with an array of wonderful dishes prepared by club members. We ate, then ate some more, and even managed to squeeze in some Square Dancing.

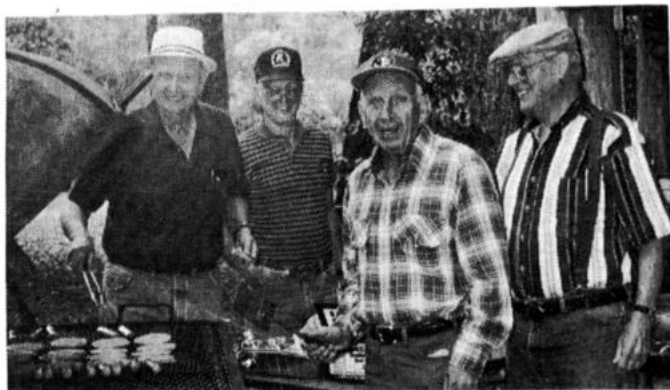
November took the club to the Friendship Squares in Keystone Heights to steal their banner. Needless to say, we had a wonderful evening. For our avid Gator and Seminole fans, there was our annual **Gator or Seminole Colors Night**, which is held during the week of the **BIG** game; the Thanksgiving Theme Dance; and our annual collection of non-perishable food items which are donated to the Christian Service Center for

distribution to the needy. Let's not forget the **Fall Festival!** We had a great time; and thanks to Duane Moore and Sam Uphaus, the Dixie Dancers were represented in the parade of floats.

Upcoming club events include: Christmas Party & Dinner Dance on December 16th; Crazy Hat Dance on January 13th; Presidents Dance on February 10th; **The Blue-Grey Dance** (where we hope to see all of you) on February 14th; and a Western Dance on March 10th. We welcome you to join us!

On a more somber note, the Dixie Dancers were saddened by the loss of two of our dancers - - **Gene McCall** and **Melanie Williford**. They will both be missed greatly by all of us.

Looking forward to seeing you soon!



←
The "Experts"
grilling up those
dogs & burgers
at the club
picnic!



The smiling faces seem to indicate that the food and company were tops, while Duane Moore helps himself to seconds or, perhaps, thirds!





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Squares Workshop

7:45 - Grand March

8 - 10:30 PM

Squares, Rounds & Lines

FUN N' FROLIC

Dale & Gerry Fredrickson 269-9717

The Fun N' Frolic's have new dance hours. Until further notice, we will be dancing from 7:30 to 9:30 PM at Woodstock Recreation Center on Beaver Street. We hope these times will be more convenient for all concerned. We are looking forward to the holiday

season but will not be dancing on December 22nd or 29th. Be sure to join us for the Christmas Dance on December 15th.

We welcome all advanced dancers to come and have a frolicking good time!

GYPSY SQUARES

Debra & Luther Delp 641-0392



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The Gypsies are back from the State Camperee at Lake Okachobee. It just gets better each year. The weather and dancing were great. Thank you to all the members that helped. We are proud that our own Gene & Wanda Tanner were installed as the State FANSDC presidents for the coming year. Congratulations! We are already planning for the next Camporee at Thousand Trails in Clermont.

The Gypsy Squares were back at their home campground in November. If you didn't make it to Celebrity, you missed a turkey of a time. We had lots of NEW music by John. It made for an outstanding dance with standing room only. The news of the NEW songs must have spread quickly. As usual, our hosts did a fantastic job. J. E. & Kathy Mott taught a couple of new Line Dances which were enjoyed by all the Country-Western fans. We welcomed new members from all over Florida.

In December we will be back at Celebrity. Be sure to decorate your camping rig to brighten the holiday spirit. The Delps and other club officers will be hosting this Christmas/Anniversary

Dance. This is our lucky seventh anniversary so don't miss it. We have lots of plans. We will welcome you on Friday with hot cider and homemade cookies followed by motorhome races. Get your engines ready. The baked ham dinner will start at 3 PM. Bring a large vegetable dish and a dessert and join in the holiday feast. Lines by J. E. & Kathy start promptly at 7 PM. The 8 PM dance will feature NEW songs by John Barrett. There will be special entertainment throughout the evening including Christmas Caroling and hot chocolate. Remember that Friday is a casual day but we request Square Dance attire for the Saturday evening dance.

The Gypsies will be collecting children's gifts which will be used to brighten Christmas for special children. We also have a basket of L'oreal cosmetics which will be raffled off. It's valued at over \$200.00 so be sure to get your ticket. The money will be donated to friends of the Gypsies that lost their home to a fire. Thank you to Dick & Sally McKay for this generous donation.

In January and February we look forward to being back at Pacetti's Marina in Orangedale. Make your plans to visit. We love visitors. You add to our fun and festivities. We hope to see you in a Gypsy Square. Remember we are a fun, friendly, family of fantastic campers.

HAPPY 2 BE'S

Aaron & Erma Fry 721-2167

The Happy 2 Be's took the night off so Eddie & Ann could be with her mother who had a serious heart operation. We're glad to say Margaret Bowie, Ann's mother, is doing great and chomping at the bit to get back into the mainstream of life.

As this goes to print before the Fall Festival, I'm not sure of Happy 2 Be's float for the parade on Friday night. Shirley Nihart wouldn't give the secret away. She said just come and see.

As Thanksgiving falls on Thursday, just eat turkey and all that good stuff and we will see you back in December dancing the 4th and 11th. Everyone is so busy at Christmas time we will not be dancing the 18th, and of course Christmas and New Year's are both on a Thursday this year so there will be no dance either night.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from Eddie & Ann and all the Happy 2 Be's!



MANDARIN MARAUDERS

Bill & Jinny Carson 262-2872

The fall season has really been a busy one with lots of fun. We've had many visitors including a couple from New York who were visiting in our area. One evening a young honeymooning couple from Germany - Oliver & Sylka - stopped by. They were a delight and we discovered Oliver calls for two clubs at home - one Mainstream and one Advanced. By the way, Oliver taught us a neat move!

On September 30th, a large contingent of Rollaways visited us. Since both clubs meet on Tuesday evenings, this was a real treat!

Our new class is enthusiastic and are benefiting from Lawton's inspired teaching - doesn't it seem that the new ones learn so much faster than we did?

Our social was a picnic at the home of Russ & Jeanette Snyder, featuring lots of good food. We played different board games at various tables and later had coffee & dessert to end a delightful evening.

The Halloween dance was scheduled for both class and club members with several in costume - prizes were awarded. We danced by spooky candlelight - also used for necessary side trips!!

Two couples joined the Marauders last month - Bob & Martha Parker and Tony & Barbara Rodon. The Parkers have agreed to serve as Dangle Chairmen. Welcome!

Our fund raiser - Entertainment Books - is concluding with Jack & Carmen Tedrahn doing an outstanding job for the club. In addition, Geneva Monday Youge has us participating in Avon's Christmas campaign to benefit the club treasury. This is her second season of leading this drive.

We appreciate Joe & Barbara Fitzmayer who support the NEFSARDA Blood Drives. Our latest on November 7th netted over 30 units contributed by members, neighbors, families, I/A members and friends. The next drive will be in the spring of '98.

The Veteran's Day Salute featured a display of pictures of our member men and women who served in the Armed Forces. We had to guess who was who! NO prisoners were taken - but name, rank and serial numbers were revealed in the course of events.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the Fall Festival and wish one and all a **Happy Holiday Season!**

IN MEMORIAM



Sara Hare passed away on October 16, 1997, following a lengthy illness from cancer. She leaves her husband, Robert, and one son.

Sara and Bob danced for many years in the Jacksonville Area. They were members of the old Lone Star Swingers and Quartermores and also danced with several camping clubs. They most recently were members of the Happy 2 Be's Advance Club.

We extend heartfelt sympathy to Sara's loved ones and many dancing friends.

John P. Leman died on November 6, 1997 following a long illness. He leaves a wife, Lenore, and 3 daughters. One of his daughters, Linda of Jacksonville, is married to former caller Matt Wimpee.

John and Lenore danced for many years until she had to stop dancing for medical reasons. John continued to dance with the Seabreeze Singles and Yellow Rockers. Linda commented that her dad loved to dance and attended every 5th Saturday Dance, Fall Festival, and State Convention.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to all of the family, and his many square dancing friends.

The dancing community has just learned of the May 9, 1997 death of **Thomas (Tom) C. Frantz**, formerly of Jacksonville. Tom died of a blood clot in the heart following back surgery. He was 58 years old and is survived by his wife, Sherriann, and three children.

Tom and Sherriann, had moved back to Pennsylvania approximately three years ago. While in Jacksonville, they were members of the Silver Fox Squares and the Teddy Bear Squares. Tom and Sherriann served NEFSARDA as Vice President in 1992, and also chaired the Fall Festival.

We extend our sincerest sympathy to his loving family, and to his many dancing friends.

(Editors Note: Though we just learned of Tom's death, we are sure Sherriann would welcome hearing from all of you. Her address is 204 Dade Court, Dallastown, PA 17313.)

Two members of the Dixie Dancers Square Dance club of Lake City passed away recently. The Grapevine extends sincere sympathy to the families and friends of **Gene McCall** and **Melanie Williford**!

We wish you a Merry Christmas, We wish you a Merry Christmas, We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



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RIVER CITY SQUARES



The River City Squares "helped" Don Heins celebrate (?) his 50th birthday on September 20th.

They hosted a surprise party prior to the dance at Peace Presbyterian Church.

← A dinner of Woody's Barbeque was served along with a "hot" birthday cake that had (you guessed it) **50** candles on it. Yes, he DID blow all of them out at one time.

Don is shown here wearing and looking over his many gifts.
(Ask Don about his gas powered tooth brush!)

ROLLAWAYS

Marcella & Grover Jacobsen 641-4791

September brings us back to normal. Kids are back in school and we settle into routine again. Off with the shorts and T-shirts and back to Square Dance clothes.

The air conditioner at Sandalwood was fixed and it is working very well. Come and visit us and check it out.

Our Square Dance lessons started with open house on September 2nd and 9th. We have about 40 students in our new class, eight of whom are teens or preteens age. These young folks learn so fast and are very energetic! Thanks to the angels for helping with the new dancers.

On September 21st, about three squares of us went to St. Andrews Lutheran Church for a demonstration. Many of the guests were people who had danced before and were able to join us for some of the dancing. They were serving spaghetti dinner and asked us to join them but most of us were headed for the River for the long awaited "Rolling on the River" cruise. We boarded the boat about 6 PM for two hours of music, fun, friendship and food. It was very warm but we had a good time. Thanks Sharon & Joe Lyons for all your hard work!

The Spauldings kept us busy

retrieving three of our banners in September.

September 23rd was our talent night. Yours truly was on vacation in Minnesota but I'm told we missed a "really good show". Our club is very fortunate to have so many talented members.

Pat & Mike Rist are doing a super job selling the Entertainment Books. The book sales bring in a nice sum to add to the treasury. Thanks to both of you!

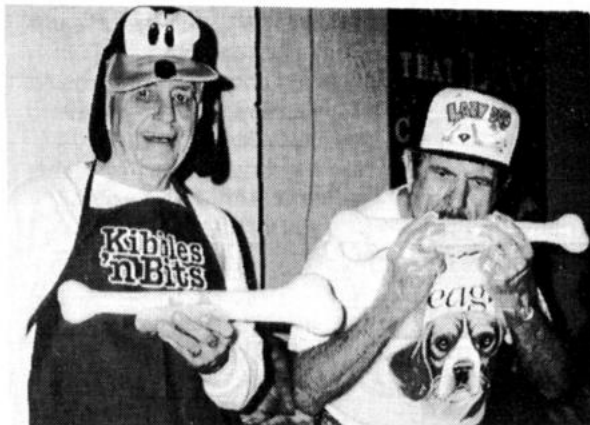
Linda Seaman has made a very pretty banner for our club. It will be displayed at all the multi-club functions that NEFSARDA sponsors.

Our Activities Committee did it again! The "Spooks & Spiders" Halloween Dance was a winner! What will they think of next? We are all looking forward to the Thanksgiving "Pheasant Pheast".

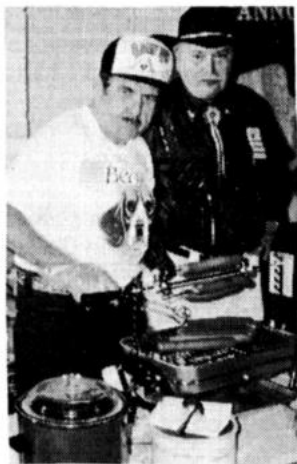
We now have six new members: Paul & Vannessa Drummond; Kimberly & Michael Rounds; Virginia Bomhold; and Bertha Crowson. Welcome aboard!

The Rollaways wish all of you Happy Holidays. We will **NOT** be dancing during the Christmas school holiday time. Call us if you have any questions.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Jack McKinney & Harvey Morton put the finishing touches on their "doggie" bones during their "Dog Days Of Summer" cookout.



Harvey Morton & Mike Rist are the "Super Cooks" for the day! (Sort of like letting a kid loose in a candy store.)



SEABREEZE SINGLES

Linda Paulley 387-2239

Well.... Classes have started. We have a good mix of singles averaging 17 per night. Remember... send any singles our way. We had a special "hot dog" night dance and a Jaguars night. Of course, anytime you serve food, you're a hit. But, on Jaguars night, almost all of our dancers wore "the colors" ... even our visitors, the Plus Fox. During the month, we had banner raids at the Moose Promenaders, River City Squares and Classic Plus.

We all brought our favorite homemade cookies for our Cookie Monster night. It was fun to see who ate the most. I know cookies are my favorites.

In October the club gave itself an "Appreciation Picnic". Nineteen of us went to Fernandina Beach for a CATERED Bar-B-Q. Unfortunately, this was also the day we had hurricane force winds. Ever try to hold a chicken leg in one hand, try to keep your plate on the table with the other and watch your drink

fly by?? We played yard darts, Square Danced for a "sand" dangle and had a water balloon toss game. Tom Miller & Linda Petry won that game BUT Tom's last throw got her! It was great and even a rainbow came out to greet us.

Several of our members attended the Single-Rama in Melbourne. Unfortunately, I didn't hear of one story of anyone doing anything "naughty" Can't believe everyone behaved themselves. Then there's the Witches & Goblins night. We had a costume party for students and members alike. The First Place student was "The Ghoul"; Second place went to our "Gypsy"; the third place went to Cowgirl Geraldine, our 83 year old who is such a good sport. As to the contest for club members — Phyllis Cody won first place "hands down", or should we say "hands off". She was a hospital patient and her hospital gown didn't quite match in the back. Lonnie Aldridge was our favorite Hobo for second place and Steve Ray won third as

SEABREEZE SINGLES (Cont'd)

Zorro. Hats off to everyone who joined in the fun because we had some really good costumes.

We had a Turkey Trot dance with a drawing for a turkey. We were all trying to win "that turkey".

Please circle your calendar and join us for a covered dish Christmas party

on December 23rd at the Peace Presbyterian Church hall. get your holiday shopping done early, then come join us for a nice evening. Dinner starts at 6:30 sharp with dancing afterwards.

We hope everyone has a lovely holiday season and the Seabreeze Singles wish you a Happy New Year!



The Seabreeze Singles members "romp" during their "windy" picnic at Fernandina Beach.

SILVER FOX

By Rikki Jameson 771-4492

The Silver Foxes would like to thank Virginia Bomhold for the great job she has done this past year as our Banner Chairman. NEFSARDA came to retrieve their banner on November 7th. They were led by Jack & Kathy McKinney. Most recently the Foxes went to the Rollaways to retrieve their banner on November 11th. Let's give Virginia a warm thank you for a job well done!

The weekend of October 24th, Sam Atkinson & George Lavender (from Alabama) called a weekend of dance at English Mountain, TN. The Alabama dancers toilet-papered Sam and George together! A wonderful time was had by all. The Alabama dancers have asked Sam to return again next year! Watch for information about another fun weekend to dance and enjoy the beautiful fall colors in Tennessee!

After enjoying the weekend trip to English Mountain, Silver Foxes Bud and

Diane German, Howard Bryan and Liz Hartly went to Branson, MO the week of Oct 26th. They enjoyed the vacation that was won by the German's in the raffle at the Circus dance held January 27, 1997.

On November 8th the Foxes hosted a demonstration at Holly Point Nursing Home in Orange Park. Two squares of dancers entertained with expert dancing, then went to the Cracker Barrel for dinner.

Just a note to remind everyone that we will be dark on Friday, December 26th. Plans are in full swing for the Circus Dance. Check out some of our fliers.

Be sure to put our New Year's Eve dance (co-hosted with Plus Foxes) on your calendars! We will dance from 9 pm to 12 midnight. There will be plenty of food and fun!



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SWEET ART SQUARES



↑ The Sweet Art Squares celebrated their 22nd Anniversary on September 16th with a super fine dance!

TEDDY BEAR SQUARES

Aaron & Erma Fry 721-2167

Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to you, happy birthday Jim Winter, happy birthday to you, and what a birthday party it was. The lights were dimmed and when Jim & Barbara walked in the door, everyone sang "Happy Birthday" to him. Jim was dressed up in a suit - he really didn't suspect we were having a party for him - he had been to a meeting. He was presented with a suitcase full of good wishes and loot and a jar of Tootsie Rolls. Asked what he was going to do with the jar of Tootsie Rolls, he said they were for the girls who stopped by his desk. A good excuse or is it to **attract** the girls?

The Plus Fox came to retrieve their banner and the Moose Promenaders stole our Teddy Bear banner. If you are coming to steal our banner or retrieve

your own, please contact our banner chairmen, Walt & Betty Smith, 260-8266. By the way, we have Mandarin Marauders' and Dixie Dancer's banners.

Our Christmas party will be December 13th, a covered dish dinner, at 6:30 PM. You don't have to be a Teddy Bear to be there. We love to have you any time.

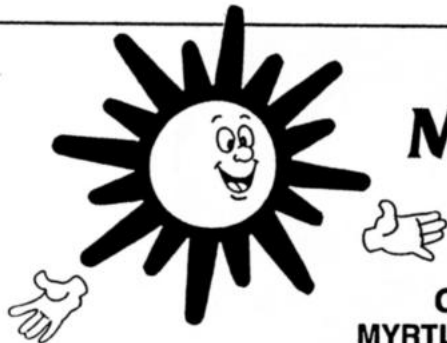
We canceled for the Fall Festival and since everyone is busy with family and company at Christmas, we will not be dancing December 27th. See you at our first dance of 1998, January 10th.

Aaron & I would like to thank everyone for their cards and expressions of sympathy in the recent death of his brother, Paul.

From the Teddy Bears, Eddie & Ann, Jim & Barbara and us, a very **Merry Christmas** and a **Happy New Year!**



← The kitchen crew hard at work at the Teddy Bear's Spaghetti supper, September 13th!



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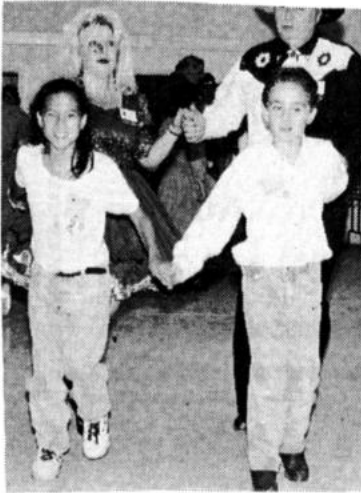
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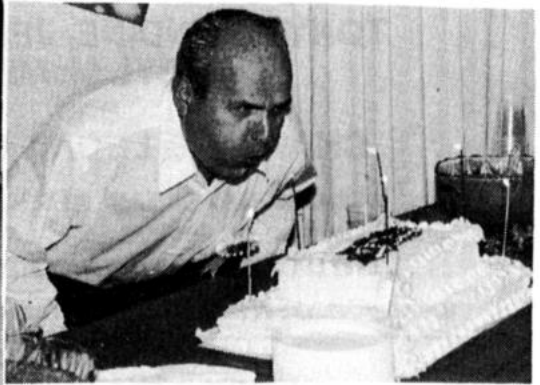
See your Grapevine editors, Charlie & Val, for tickets!



Dancers were stepping lively at the Spaghetti Dinner Dance. Must have been the pasta!



The "Cotton Eyed Joe" enticed these young dancers on the floor at the Teddy Bear's September 13th dance. They are Monica Knierim and Carl Miller.



Jim Winter blows out the candles on his cake. The Teddy Bears surprised him with a birthday party on November 8th.



VAGABOND SQUARES

Leesa Adcock 904 755-7015

The Vagabond Squares have moved across the street from the Coliseum, into the Fellowship Hall of St. Luke's Episcopal Church. The current contact is caller Ralph Beekman, 904 752-2544.

The Vagabonds have enjoyed a good

year, relocating, and at one time having FIVE stolen banners on the wall, thanks to Banner Chairfolks Marie & John Simkanich. We had a successful Hat Dance with six winning hats in June, and plan an Anniversary Dance in November.

YELLOW ROCKERS PLUS

Eleanor Smith 389-3349

Halloween, New Years, July 4th – time sure flies when you're having so much fun – and fun it is!

Week by week we've watched our group grow not only numerically but closer together and I thank our "mystery banner person" and all those who participate with him are adding to that. We truly enjoy all those who visit with us and who come to retrieve banners.

You may see our "great pumpkin's" picture in this Grapevine. As always, Burt outdoes himself when it comes to his costumes. (Just wait 'til the Fall Festival!) We did have a fun "Pumpkin" dance and lots of pumpkin goodies. The orange worn by so many really showed up in that big hall.

Speaking of the Fall Festival - the Yellow Rockers brought some very special guests all the way from Nashville. Surprise! Surprise!

We'll celebrate Thanksgiving with a

dinnerdance on November 24th at 6:45. Turkey will be furnished and folks will bring covered dishes of all kinds.

Our Christmas dance will not be a dinner dance but a Twelve Days Of Christmas party. We are asking all our folks to bring canned goods for the Lutheran Social Services food bank during the month of December.

Several of our folks have been traveling a great deal and we're always happy when they return safely.

We've also had some on the "ailing" list and miss them very much.

By the time you receive this, the Square Dance Cupid" will have let another arrow fly. Don Largent and Judy McInnis are to be married Saturday, November 15th. Lots of good things come out of Square Dancing!

Hope to see you in a square real soon at Yellow Rockers Plus!



Sherry Gonzales presented Lawton a "Lady Bug" cake at the Yellow Rockers Plus sixth Anniversary dance, September 8th. ↑



"Mr. Pumpkin", Burt Osteen, delivered door prizes to winners at the Yellow Rockers Pumpkin Dance, October 27th. ↑



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS:** Square dancing is one of the oldest forms of recreation in America, having initially helped pioneers ease the hardships of frontier life through colonial times and in the Old West; and
- WHEREAS:** This healthy folk dance has sustained widespread popularity throughout the centuries, and is still intensely popular today; and
- WHEREAS:** Folk and square dances play an integral role in American art and culture; and
- WHEREAS:** This wholesome physical exercise and cultural activity offers a valuable antidote for the tensions and pressures of modern-day life; and
- WHEREAS:** Square dancing is a family-oriented activity enjoyed by individuals of all ages; and
- WHEREAS:** It has been designated as the official Folk Dance in the State of Florida, and the various square dance associations throughout the United States and Canada, including the Northeast Florida Square and Round Dancers Association, are celebrating the month of September as National Square Dance Month.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN A. DELANEY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of Jacksonville do hereby proclaim September, 1997 as

SQUARE DANCE MONTH

and invite all citizens to recognize the many advantages of square dancing and experience the physical benefits of this historic art form.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this 15th day of October
in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and
Ninety-seven


MAYOR



CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

SQUARE DANCE PROCLAMATION !



Jacksonville Mayor, John Delaney (C), presents proclamation designating September as Square Dance Month to NEFSARDA President Jack & Kathy McKinney (R) as The Grapevine editors, Charlie & Val Newsome (L) look on. The editors accompanied Jack & Kathy to get this picture for this issue but passed our camera to the mayor's photographer, Tom Salley, who insisted "I take all the pictures". Thanks Tom, you did a great job!

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ON THE ROAD - - AGAIN !

(The Editors)

Many of you have asked us at one time or another, "When are you coming to...?" or "Will you be taking pictures at...?" So, we decided to post our TENTATIVE "road" schedule for the next couple of months.

Nov. 21-22	Fall Festival	NEFSARDA
Nov. 29	5th Saturday Dance	NEFSARDA
Dec. 6	Student Hoedown	G C A
Jan. 5	T V Demo	Media One
Jan. 24	10th Anniversary Dance	Jekyll Island Squares
Jan. 30	Annual Circus Dance	Silver Fox-Charity
Jan. 31	5th Saturday Dance	NEFSARDA
Feb. 12	Presidents Ball	Moose Promenaders
Feb. 14	Blue-Grey Dance	Dixie Dancers
Feb. 21-22	Federation Working Weekend	Plant City
Mar. 7	Annual Blood Bank Dance	NEFSARDA

These we **know** we'll be attending (barring some 'Devine" intervention). There are numerous 'theme' dances we would like to attend also, but can't guarantee we'll be able to make them.

If your club has a special event, let us know so we can list it/them in The Grapevine! Remember -- we can't possibly make every dance, so please, keep those pictures and articles coming!!

*May all your
Christmas wishes
Come true!*

Dorisa Smith



**May the true spirit of the
Holiday Season
bring you Peace and
Happiness and a
New Year filled
with good health.**

Charlie & Val Newsome

**Happy
Holidays !**



**Bob & Reba
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**MERRY CHRISTMAS and
BLESSINGS in 1998.
HELEN F. & BUD S.**

WITH OUR RECENT SICK

(Cards and prayers are welcome)

Marlene McCabe.....	Home
Docky Blake.....	Home
Keith Manning.....	Home
Art Wilson.....	Home
Juanita Pacetti.....	Home
Lucile Forhan.....	Home
Rosemary Williams.....	Home
Carol Schoenekase.....	Home
Rod O'Conner.....	Home
Phyllis Cody.....	Home
Luther Delp.....	Home
Dottie Gornowich.....	Home

We are also happy to hear that Margaret Bowie, mother of Ann Millan and Bob Bowie, is recovering nicely from recent heart surgery.

A special prayer goes out to:

Charlene Brinson and **Applean Brown** on the recent loss of their brother, and **Aaron Fry** on the recent loss of his brother

Please let the Editors or a member of the Board know of any illness or accidents.

THE INDISPENSABLE MAN

(Author unknown)

Reprinted from *USDA News* (Oct - Dec '93)

Sometime when you're feeling important, Sometime when your ego's in bloom,
Sometime when you take it for granted you're the best qualified in the room,

Sometime when you feel that your going would leave an unfillable hole.
Just follow these simple instructions, and see how they humble your soul.

Take a bucket full of water, put your hand in up to the wrist,
Pull it out, and the hole that's remaining is a measure of how you'll be missed.

You can splash all you want when you enter, you may stir up the water galore,
But stop, and you find that in no time it looks quite the same as before.

The moral in this quaint example is to do just the best that you can.
Be proud of yourself, but remember -- there's no indispensable man.

VILLAGE SQUARES ARE NOW ANGELS!

The VILLAGE SQUARES of Lake City have changed their name and moved to a new location and new dance night.

They are now the "ANGEL SQUARES" and they dance on Monday evenings at the St. James Church, 3500 McFarlane Avenue, Lake City, FL. Workshop/Class begins at 7:00 pm, with dancing from 8:00 - 10:00 pm. For further information call Ralph Beekman at (904) 752-2544. "Come dance with the ANGELS".

NEFSARDA DELEGATES MEETING

November 9, 1997

President called meeting to order at 3:05 pm. After invocation and pledge to flag visitors were welcomed.

President asked all delegates to have a couple from their club join them at the next meeting.

Treasurer's report indicates checking account balance of \$4,170.15 and Smith Barney Acct of \$6,912.51 for a grand total of \$11,082.66.

Minutes were accepted as written.

Committee Reports:

5TH SATURDAY: See report elsewhere.

BLOOD BANK: See report elsewhere.

GRAPEVINE: Requesting inputs on dancers who are ill--also on new formats.

FALL FESTIVAL: Ads and director name sales great. Badge sales down.

Everything ready for Nov. 21-22.

SOS: No report.

EDUCATION & CLASSES: NO REPORT.

HISTORIAN: Anything of historical value from years past is welcome.

BYLAWS: No changes.

CLUB VISITATION: So far 1 gold, 3 silver, and 3 bronze medals have been earned by participating clubs. Deadline is December 15th.

PUBLICITY: See report elsewhere.

INSURANCE: Insurance due. Need app, 2 copies of roster, check for \$2.35 per dancer by Dec. 6th.

DANCE COUPLE OF YEAR: Plaque is ready for presentation at Fall Festival.

FL FEDERATION: Next meeting will be in Lakeland, Nov. 16th.

STATE CONVENTION: Committee met in October & will meet again first of year. Expect to raffle off dolls to raise funds.

NATIONAL CONVENTION: Should receive financial status at Federation meeting.

GATEWAY CALLERS: No report.

RURAL CALLERS: New officers: R. J. Hogan, President; Ernie Rollen, VP, Ellis Lindsey, Treas, and Rick Yams, Secretary.

OLD BUSINESS:

Slate of Officers presented. There being no nominations from the floor, Hollis Fowler moved nominations be closed and slate be accepted unanimously. Val Newsome seconded, motion carried. (see new officers on page 3)

NEW BUSINESS: Reports on sick only (see report elsewhere in issue).

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS: Clubs announced special dances. Val asked that delegates consider attending the Blue-Grey Dance, Jekyll Island Ball, and Myrtle Beach Balls--these are great advertisers and promoters of our dances. Val & Charlie and Luther & Debbie are selling ribbons to all events.

Jack McKinney reminded dancers of the 99th birthday of a lady in the seniors club. All are invited to a surprise party for her on Monday the 10th at 11 a.m.

Next meeting will be January 11th at 3:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 4:15 pm.

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE!!!

CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

DECEMBER 1997

- 02.... Christmas Family Sock Tree for Homeless Night Mandarin Marauders
 02.... Sock Hop(Craziest socks contest)Seabreeze Singles
 06.... Student's HoedownGC/A
 06.... 7th Anniversary /Christmas Dance Gypsy Sq.
 07.... Annual Toys for Tots Benefit Dance..(850 934-0574)..Pensacola...NWFSARDA
 11-13 Gatlinburg Christmas Ball Gatlinburg,TN
 13.... RCA Christmas DanceGainesville, FL
 13.... Christmas Dinner Dance Teddy Bears
 15.... 12 Days of Christmas Dance(Bring canned food).....Yellow Rockers +
 16.... Christmas Party & Dance Dixie Dancers
 16.... Christmas Party (White Elephant Gift Exchange)..... Mandarin Marauders
 16.... Dinner With Santa Rollaways
 16.... Christmas Dance(Covered Dish)Sweet Art Squares
 18.... Christmas Dance ...(White Elephant Gift Exchange) Moose Promenaders
 19.... Christmas Dance Silver Fox
 23.... Christmas Dinner Dance(Covered Dish)Seabreeze Singles
 31.... New Year's Eve DancePlus Fox & Silver Fox

JANUARY 1998

- 03.... New Year Celebration Dance Gypsy Sq.
 05.... TV DemonstrationMedia One Studio
 06.... Homemade Soup & Bread Supper Dance Mandarin Marauders
 07.... Penguin Night(Wear black & white)Seabreeze Singles
 13.... Crazy Hat Dance Dixie Dancers
 15.... Super Bowl Chili Dance Moose Promenaders
 20.... Winter Wonderland Dance Mandarin Marauders
 22-24. FL Sunshine Festival Lakeland
 24.... Anniversary Dance (10th)Jekyll Island Squares
 27.... Smokey Mt. Jubilee Rollaways
 30.... Annual Circus Dance Silver Fox
 31.... 5th Saturday Dance NEFSARDA

FEBRUARY 1998

- 10.... Valentines Day Dance Mandarin Marauders
 10.... Love Boat Sails to Fantasy Island Rollaways
 12.... Presidents Dance Dixie Dancers
 12.... Annual President's BallMoose Promenaders
 13-14. Jekyll Island Ball Jekyll Island, GA
 13-14. Okefenokee Square-Up Pogo Squares
 14.... Blue Grey DanceDixie Dancers
 16.... President Who? DanceYellow Rockers
 21-22. Federation Working Weekend Plant City
 21.... Annual Charity Ball(K of C Hall- Hendricks Ave.)Seabreeze Singles
 24.... Hobo Night Mandarin Marauders

MARCH 1998

- 07.... Annual Blood Bank Dance NEFSARDA
 10.... Western Dance Dixie Dancers
 11.... St. Patrick's Day Leprechaun Stomp Mandarin Marauders

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE!!!

CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

MARCH 1998 (Cont'd)

- 16.... An Irish Frolic (wear green) Yellow Rockers
 17.... Leapin' Leprechauns Dance Rollaways

APRIL 1998

- 13.... Rainbow Dance (wear rainbow colors) Yellow Rockers
 16-18. Myrtle Beach Ball Myrtle Beach, SC

MAY 1998

- 1-2... Annual Pirates Ball Sweet Art Squares
 11.... Pretty In Pink Dance (MOTHER'S DAY- wear pink) Yellow Rockers
 15-17. Derby City Festival Louisville, KY
 22-24 State Convention Lakeland
 30.... 5th Saturday Dance NEFSARDA

JUNE 1998

- 15.... Luau Dance (Dress Hawaiian) Yellow Rockers
 24-27..47th NSDC Charlotte, NC

JULY 1998

- 20.... Sadie Hawkins Dance Yellow Rockers

AUGUST 1998

- 24.... Talent Night Yellow Rockers
 29.... 5th Saturday Dance NEFSARDA

SEPTEMBER 1998

- 4-6... Florida Knotheads Convention Lakeland
 14.... Anniversary Dance (7th) Yellow Rockers
 16-19, Myrtle Beach Ball Myrtle Beach, SC

OCTOBER 1998

- 2-3... Mid-America Jamboree..... Louisville, KY
 26.... Trick of Treat Dance Yellow Rockers
 31.... 5th Saturday Dance NEFSARDA

NOVEMBER 1998

- 20-21. Fall Festival NEFSARDA
 23.... Turkey Trot Dance Yellow Rockers

DECEMBER 1998

- 10-12. Gatlinburg Christmas Ball Gatlinburg, TN
 14.... Silver Bells Dance (Bring Canned Goods for Luth. Soc. Svcs.) . Yellow Rockers

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

*** 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. THANKS!**

By The Way!

If you find mistakes in this issue of The GRAPEVINE please consider that they are there for a purpose. We publish something for everyone and some people are always looking for mistakes!



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