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## THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

The square dancers of the NEFSDA, through the Jaycees, gave the children of the Jacksonville area over 200 toys for Christmas. The Jaycees were much impressed and have asked us to do the same in the future.

Next months Grapevine will go to members of the various classes. If all callers will send the names and addresses to the Grapevine, the editors will send complimentary copies to the graduates.

Bea Smith needs the names and addresses of all Club Presidents. Please let her know at 2044 West Road, Jacksonville, Florida.

George and Annie Millan have been appointed General Chairman of the Fall Round-up. I know he will get all the help he asks for.

NEFSDA Bi-monthly meeting will be held at the Ramada Inn, Gainesville, Florida, at 2:30 P.M., January 8, 1967.

Chet Vetter

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## SEASIDE SQUARES

Wednesday night - Jax. Beach Community Center, Caller - Joe Smith (249-5051)

We have a new couple to welcome to the club. They modestly call themselves pupils and came to enroll in our beginners class, not having danced in several years. However, after only 2 or 3 visits with us, we find that we are unable to teach them anything new, for they have managed to keep up with everything our astrite caller can put out. We are proud to welcome the newest couple to our small group - - Alex and Dot Helberstadt. (We understand they are also expert bridge players as attested to by an observing witness to this communities Monday night bridge sessions).

On a sadder note, we deeply regret the pending loss of Jim and Helen Maxey. Jim, our versatile assistant caller just graduated from the U. S. Navy after more than 21 years

service. He is now on his new job in Michigan - Helen and children to follow after she sells her home in Oak Harbor. We already miss Jim, as we surely will miss Helen when she leaves to join him. Our club is just too small to afford any losses, especially such personable, congenial people as they are.

As with the NEFSDA Fall Round-up, it is with pride that we noted our club also had the greatest participation (percentage-wise) at the recent Jaycee benefit dance at Phillips Highway Plaza. While this dance was so greatly represented by all the local clubs, we feel that next year's should be a 100% affair. Not only does it give us another excuse to get together, but it also does so much to help spread joy to those needy youngsters in the area.

There are other side benefits from these large gatherings -- it does much to keep a club from falling into a rut. For instance, at these last two large gatherings, our caller noticed a few calls we were having trouble with. Joe was quick to "walk us through" them at our next weekly dance.

In spite of the inclement weather, Eric and Anne Erickson very successfully hosted our regular monthly get-together in their home on 18th. Avenue, North. The combined culinary efforts of Eric and Anne resulted in the finest turkey dinner with all the trimmings this writer has ever enjoyed. Too, they were very masterful in sitting such a large crowd in their home. Everything they did resulted in perfection. All was going along extremely well until one guest with a displaced sense of humor called in the Erickson's dog from the back yard, right in the middle of the meal. Can you imagine the havoc a 60 pound playful Basset Hound can wreak streaking through a line of dinner-laden TV trays. The ease and composure with which the Erickson's overcame this crisis was admired by all.

This writer publicly apologizes for that dirty trick.

John and Bertie Wilder, Reporters

## KAPER KUTTERS

1st. & 3rd. Saturdays, Union Hall, Jax.  
Hygy., Palatka, Fla., Caller - Bill Camp,  
President - Bud Steinmetz (325-5675)

The Kaper Kutters are hoping to see everyone in Palatka on January 10th. for our Frankie Lane Dance. This dance will be held at the Civic Center in Ravine Gardens from 8 to 11 P.M.

We have cancelled our regular Saturday, January 7th. dance so that club members can attend Lake City's dance that night.

Our "Annual Learners Hoedown" held Saturday, December 3rd. was a success, and we want to thank all the clubs and callers for making the newcomers so welcome. A lot of good dancing and fun was had by all. Especially want to thank callers Oscar Erwin, D. J. Lynch, Scotty Thomas, Dick Gonzales and Walt Knight for assisting Bill Camp and making the program fun for all.

New officers were elected for 1967.  
President - Bud Steinmetz  
Vice-President - Bill Young  
Treasurer - Harold Hummel  
Secretary - Ed Fridy

Many thanks for a successful year 1966 for the Kaper Kutters to Margaret and Gerald Northcutt, Past President.

Happy New Year to all.

Flossie Steinmetz, Reporter

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## PAXON PRANCERS

Thursdays, Mary Hammond Youth Center,  
Caller - Bob Rust, President - Harry Drake.  
(398-0762)

Congratulations to our newest club members, who graduated December 8th. They are:  
Lauren Barnhart, Angelo and Hubert Purvis,  
Callie and T. P. Shearin, Martha and Bob McNeal, Betty and Charles Poole, Nell and John Barnett and Evelyn Heren.

The Prancers enjoyed a wonderful dance recently with the Jubileers, the most friendly group you'll ever meet. We brought home the Paxon banner and are looking forward to more

visits. We had quite a number of visitors during the month of December and are always happy to have them.

Starting in January, we will have a Round taught by Carl and Betty Graeff each month from 7:30 to 8:00 P. M. Those interested, come early and remain for our regular dance on Thursdays. Please call Harry Drake 398-0762 for more information on this.

We Prancers have a new, interesting Badge which you can earn. We can't wear it, but visitors can. Come see us and ask Harry Drake about it.

We had a most enjoyable Christmas Party at the Drakes on Saturday, December 17th. Our newest members made Kangaroo and rode on the Cho-Cho. Did you ever see Wilfoch Warren fly without wings? He has his pilot license. If you haven't, you've really missed something. A short business meeting was followed by a delicious dinner, games, and all ending in several tips being danced to tapes.

We are happy to see Bob and Nadine back with us. Hope they can stay awhile longer this time.

As this article goes to press we are busily planning our December 22nd. Christmas Party and Dance. Will give you a report on it next month.

Here's wishing a Happy New Year especially to Bob and Lou Rust, and all our Square Dancing friends from

"Blondie"

Bonnie Smith, Reporter

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## GRAND SLAMMERS

1st. & 3rd. Saturdays, 12th. and St. Clair St.  
Minton Hall, Caller - Johnnie Robbins,  
President - Bill Bailey (781-4609)

First and foremost - we wish to congratulate the Doerings on the beautiful December issue of the Grapevine. Keep up the good work folks.

We unveiled our new formal club banner on November 19th. and, if we may speak with pardonable pride, it's a work of art. Wanda Goedert really deserves all the praise we can give her on her creation.

The Jubileers visited us that same night and stole our banner but a group of Slammers retrieved it on November 26th. Sure enjoyed dancing with them on both occasions. We'll have to have a repeat real soon.

Our next door neighbors, the Western Cutters, danced with us on December 3rd. and picked up their banner. Sure hope you Cutters had a good time. We will be visiting you again real soon.

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Grand Slammers, continued

A goodly group of Grand Slammers hired the hall at Fernandina Beach on December 10th. and 11th. and really had a good time. Being among the "walking wounded" I couldn't go, but the lucky ones who did go reported that it was a real ball with dancing, games and plenty of good eating. I understand Nella Robbins cooked pancakes for the whole group Sunday morning and I am sure she now qualifies as an expert pancake cook - as she cooked literally hundreds of them. Our Grand Slammers are a pretty healthy group with big appetites. It seems that the sexes changed clothes and the girls danced as men and the men as girls. What a turmoil that must have been. We hope to repeat the occasion sometime in 1967.

We are sorry to hear that Bobbie Fulwood is out of circulation temporarily with an injury and hope to see her back in good shape dancing real, real soon.

We are happy to report that our President, Bill Bailey, is recovering nicely from his recent operation and is back at work on a very limited basis. Take it easy Bill so you can get back in that swinging, high-stepping square dancing soon after the first of the year.

On March 31st., the fifth Friday in that month, the Grand Slammers and the Allemandarins will co-sponsor a dance at the Phillips Highway Plaza. Rod Blalock will do the calling and we guarantee a real swinging time. Look for more details in the February issue of the Grapevine and plan to be with us that night.

This is "4-D" for your old Reporter as Wayne and Barbara Blackford will take over the duties of Reporter in January. It has been a pleasure providing news of the Slammers for the Grapevine for the past few years but I'm glad to retire and let the younger generation write some real peppy articles.

Our old friends, the Allemandarins, Visited us Saturday, December 17th., and we had some real snappy dancing - thanks for coming, we always enjoy having you. We had punch, coffee and delicious cake that was all, decorated up Christmas-like.

Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all of us to all of you. May 1967 be the best year yet for square dancing.

Hugh & Edna Bruce, Reporters

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As our contribution to square dancing fun in Jacksonville, the Swinging Squares invite everyone to come dance to Al Aderente of Metuchen, New Jersey, at the Paxon Junior High School, Friday night, January 27th. from 8:00 till 11:00. Al called for us last January and everyone enjoyed his style of calling so much, we invited him back. He is on the fast side, but his material is so smooth and his calling so directional and timing so good, you find yourself doing some pretty complicated figures with the greatest of ease. You will like Al and be as enthusiastic as we are after you have danced to his calling once. Donation at the door - \$2.00 per couple.

Carl Law

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STARLITE SHUFFLERS

Thursdays (Except 5th. Thursday), Brad Tradinnick Youth Center, 41st. Street and Perry, Caller - Walt Knight, President - Richard Patrick (724-1386)

Saturday, November 25th. - Over two squares of Starlite Shufflers danced with the Allemandarins and retrieved our long lost banner. We want to thank them for the repair work they did on it. We all had a wonderful time and learned a new call "Load the boat". John Saunders was at his calling best and we hope to hear him again soon.

Bob Hart was really living it up. I caught Evelyn Albertson trying to pay him a quarter to dance with her. Since Bob has started charging a quarter for his dances, wife, Yvonne, doesn't get to dance with him very much. She says she can't afford it.

Thursday, December 1st. - We enjoyed having the Roths and Dickenson's of the Friendly Frolics visit us.

Saturday, December 3rd. - Twenty Starlite Shufflers including our student class visited the Palatka Kaper Kutters New Dancer Hoedown and had a ball dancing to the calling of Bill Camp, Oscar Irwin, Scotty Thomas, Walt Knight, D. J. Lynch, and Dick Gonzales.

I'll bet Walt never had so much fun since Grammar school when he shot spit balls at little girls. He stood at the door hugging the ladies as they came in. That just goes to show you Walt is a very friendly person.

It was so crowded, Ossie said it was the first time he ever square danced cheek to cheek.

That blob of yellow sprawled out on the floor was yours truly. I forgot I could

Starlite Shufflers, continued

only kick up one heel at a time.

Then there was poor Windy Winderweedle, he had bursitis in his right shoulder and couldn't "star-through". He was lucky those two famous Masseurs were there and gave him a massage which must have helped him because afterwards, he could even lift his other arm.

Bill Camp and Walt Knight announced they'd like to learn to dance when they can find a caller qualified to teach them!

Thursday, December 15th.- We started our Christmas party with a covered dish supper and had our student class to visit us. We had a good attendance and there were so many, I forgot to count them. Santa Claus was there giving out the presents and kissed all the ladies on the cheek. Besides Santa, our visitors were Jim and Jimmie Morgan. We hope all our visitors will come back again.

We are sorry Pat and David Ebersole's young son has broken his leg and hope it is well soon.

Elizabeth Voelker, Reporter

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DIXIE CHAIN GANG

2nd. & 4th. Saturdays, Phillips Highway Plaza  
Caller - Frank Clements, President -  
Bill Fridgen (724-5994)

We hope this edition finds you having had a Merry Christmas and looking forward to a prosperous New Year.

The Dixie Chain Gang has already been preparing for a happy New Year by adding 21 "new links" to the chain. This was brought about by the graduation of Frank's new class on December 10th. Listed below are the ones who survived his second class:

- John and Mid Baxter
- Stacy and Betty Dexter
- Anthony and Brenda Green
- Harold and Betty Green
- Billy and Claudia Johnson
- Roger and Sibley Johnson
- Perry and Jackie Lewis
- Louise Livingston
- Bob and Edith Nail
- Fred and Sue Nation
- Ray and Rosemary McInarnay

Again, our graduation was carried out in the traditional Chain-Gang fashion with Marshall "Qyatt Burb" (George Stanton) rounding up all the "convicts" for sentencing by "Short Circuit Judge" and illustrious club president, the Dishonorable, er, I mean the Honorable V. H. (Bill) Fridgen. I think everyone enjoyed the festivities and we were real happy to see so many visitors. Y'all come again real soon.

On December 17th., three squares from our gang visited the Allemandarins and I think they let us borrow their flag for awhile.

We are looking forward to our Christmas Party, December 22nd. Due to this and other events during December, our regular dance for the 4th. Saturday was canceled.

So until next year, we wish each of you a happy New Year and may it be the best year yet.

"Twinkle Toes"

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ANCIENT CITY SQUARES

Fridays, 8:00 P.M., Chamber of Commerce,  
St. Augustine, Florida, Caller - Oscar Erwin,  
President - Bill & Lynn Priester (VA 9-3945)

The third of December found the club as well as our class enjoying the wonderful hospitality of the Kaper Cutters in Palatka. We all had a wonderful time and hope they will come visit us soon. The warm welcome from the Kaper Cutters soon put some of our timid new dancers at ease.

On the 7th., our club won a prize for having the most out of town dancers at the Phillips Highway Plaza in Jacksonville.

The Western Cutters lost their banner when five couples plus one invaded their dance on the 10th.

Over the holiday (Thanksgiving, that is) our President and his law enjoyed dancing in Brooksville with the Brooksville Squares.


We are looking forward to our Christmas party on the 23rd. and are planning to have a grand old time as several clubs have told us they plan to visit us that night.

On behalf of The Ancient City Squares, Clarke and I would like to wish all of you a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Clarke and Florence Moore  
Reporters

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JAX 'N JILLS

Thursdays, Arlington Community Club,  
Callers - Tom and Mariann Hidding,  
President - Glenn Crout

Mr. Maxey's last night calling for our club was on November 25th. The club gave him a square dance shirt and Mrs. Maxey a blouse, although she will be staying here for a little while. Our whole club wants to wish Mr. Maxey a Merry Christmas.

December 2nd. - The Hidding's took over the club and we made plans for the Christmas Party which was held on the 16th.

December 9th. - We made further plans on the Christmas Party. The parents were invited to come and dance too. Mrs. Maxey brought her Christmas tree for us to use. The girls were suppose to bring a girls gift not over 50¢. The boys were suppose to bring a boys gift not over 50¢.

December 16th. - We had a wonderful Christmas Party. We want to thank Mrs. Hidding for all the refreshments she made. We even had Santa to drop by from the North Pole to give everyone a gift.

December 17th. - Some of the Jax 'N Jills and Haystack Hoppers went to the All Saints Home for Catholics. They said they enjoyed our dancing, but we enjoyed dancing more than they thought. All of us enjoyed their refreshments.

We want to wish everyone a Merry, Merry Christmas.

Suzy Pugh, Reporter

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SWINGING SQUARES

Gainesville, Thursday nights at 8:00 P. M. at the Howard Bishop Junior High Auditorium located on N. E. 9th. Street

Early in December, about eight couples from our class went to the party for beginners in Palatka and had a grand time. If any of you remember ever being a beginner, I'm sure you remember the uneasiness accompanying your first trip out of town, new caller, strange calls, etc. Of all things, our class broke down completely on "Yellow Rock". I understand that Dick will give them a workshop on that until they catch on to it. Bet that won't happen again.

Five couples traveled to visit our neighboring Ocala Squares to enjoy their Christmas dance sponsored annually by the Ocala Chamber of Commerce. They reported a great dance highlighted by the superb calling of John Saunders, Bob Rust, and Howard Rohbaker. We also are sporting a pretty green and white banner from the Ocala Squares. We are looking forward to a visit from them soon.

We are all looking forward to our big New Years Eve party which will be a fond memory by the time this column comes out. The Swinging Squares wish all of our friends the best New Year ever and hope to "square up" with you many times during the coming year! Come see us!

Norma and Warner Weseman  
Reporters

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ORANGE PARK PROMENADERS

Fridays, 8:00 P.M., Orange Park Lions Club.  
Callers - Floyd and Marge Hazen,  
Chairman - Don Hunt (724-4869)

We goofed in November, and forgot to wish all of you a Merry Christmas, but after all, it was only November 16th. when we reported. But anyway, we hope all of you had the Merriest Christmas ever, and hope 1967 holds only the very best for you. We also hope everyone has another good year of square dancing, and meet a lot of new dancers from the new classes.

We Promenaders have really enjoyed 1966, and winding it up with lots of parties and fun. One sad note tho, and that was because Floyd was sick on November 25th. and we missed both him and Marge. But Eddie Millan did a real fine job filling in for him with just a few minutes notice, and that is the mark of a real pro. Thanks a lot for the good dance, Eddie.

November 26th. a square of us stole the Beaus and Belles banner, and enjoyed the nice hospitality and the calling of D. J. Lynch. Palatka danced away with our banner December 9th. We always enjoy those friendly people from down there, and to prove it, 21 Pro-

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Orange Park Promenaders, continued

JUBILEERS

menaders went down there Saturday, December 17th. and got our banner back and enjoyed their Christmas party at the same time. They sure had a nice party, as everyone that was there will tell you.

A bunch of Western Cutters came the same night that Palatka stole our banner, but Palatka had notified us of their intentions in advance, so we had to give it to them. But we are glad you Western Cutters came, and it is back home now, so please try again.

Well, square dancers proved once again that they are the best people in the world, when we had such a good turn out at the Toys for Tots dance. There sure were a lot of nice toys brought, thanks to all of you dancers that came. I think we all owe a big

THANK YOU to George and Annie Millan for the fine job they did in planning the whole dance, and to Floyd Hazen and Eddie Millan for calling such a good dance and giving their time, equipment and talent without charge.

Of course, we Promenaders are about to bust our buttons for winning the prize at the Toys for Tots dance for being the club with the most in attendance of the local clubs. Would like to thank Ancient City Squares for their fine support of this worthy cause. They won for the out of town clubs.

On December 10th., Floyd called for 441 in Gainesville, and a square and a spare of us went down and danced with those nice people down there. My, are those folks good bakers. All of them goodies were just delicious. Thank you, 441.

We had the prettiest hall in town for our Christmas party, Friday, December 16th. thanks to Mike and Pauline Miklos, Chairman of our decorating committee. Boy, such pretty decorations I never saw, and the refreshments were great also. Everyone had a great time and enjoyed dancing with our class members who joined us. Santa even dropped by to get his list completed, and to our surprise, even Santa knew a little about square dancing with a little help from others in the square. Wonder if he belongs to a club at the North Pole??

We would like to wish one of Floyd Hazens Young Folks, Donna Solona, a speedy recovery from her recent operation. Hurry back to the square, Donna. We miss you.

Also want to welcome two new members, David Martin, a Navy boy, who has been dancing in Japan, and Judy Echols. Glad to have you.

Have Fun on Fridays, come and dance with us.

"The Square Dancers"  
Danny and Billie

2nd. & 4th. Saturdays, Arlington Congregational Church, Caller - Harold Pillmore, President - Harry and Lou Nell

As the Jubileers look toward a long and exciting winter of dancing, we hope that everyone had a most happy Christman season, and will join us often at our bi-monthly dances. Over the span of the last two dances, the Grand Slammers and Paxon Prancers have retrieved their flags, and we really enjoyed dancing with them. We would emphasize here, that it doesn't take a flag stealing or retrieval to justify a visit. We do have a good time over here, do come and dance with us.

The Jubileers have chosen a new slate of officers for the 1967 season to take office the first of February. Elected were:

- President - Gloria and Harvey Chambers
- V. President - Genevieve and Wilton Fipps
- Treasurer - Carol and Ed Sasser
- Secretary - Joyce and Bob Barker

Although your reporter was not present, I understand that these elections were held under the most delightful of circumstances; a fantastic smorgasbord type dinner. I gather from conversation that was not the night to be absent.

We would ask all you readers to go now and mark off as reserved, Saturday, February 11, as the date of our annual Valentine Dance. Fliers will be forthcoming, but we want you to know that preparations are now underway to provide even a better time than everyone seemed to have last year.

Joyce and Bob Barker, Reporters

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ALLEMANDARINS

Fridays, Mandarin Atheletic Club, Brady Rd.  
Caller - 1st., 3rd., & 5th. Fridays -  
Johnnie Robbins. Caller - 2nd. & 4th.  
Fridays - John Saunders, President -  
Charlie and Dot Landiss (268-5688)

Our "decorating" banners are all gone! We miss their beauty, but sure had lots of fun dancing with all the visitors who came to carry them home. We've started collecting again and have Grand Slammers to start the list.

On November 25th, we had a houseful. Y-Knots and Starlite Shufflers both retriived their banners. Some visitors from the Western Cutters enjoyed Johnnie Robbins calling so much, on December 3rd., they stomped a hole in the floor. I understand Johnnie had everyone in the square including some enthusiastic Allemandarins autograph the broken board and he has big plans for this souvenir. They came to bring us our banner that was out of place when we went calling.

Plans are being firmed up for a dance co-sponsored by Allemandarins and Grand Slammers featuring Rod Blalock on March 31st. Club members will have advance tickets soon. \$2.00 per couple - refreshments will be served. Y'all come!

Did y'all hear! Betty and Jack Arnold have a daughter to go with their two boys. Betty was at the dance Friday night, December 16th. and was a new mother by 2:00 P.M. Saturday. Only Betty (a dyed-in-the-wool square dancer) could do this. Congratulations Betty and Jack.

Our class is doing beautifully and we are so proud of them. We're having a joint Christmas party December 23rd., and anticipate lots of fun.

We had a bake sale December 11th. and you can guess how many goodies we had. I hear Edna Groom and Dot McGill are pretty good sales girls.

Those young people from Dixie Chain Gang came visiting December 16th. and boy, can you tell your age in a hurry when you get in a square with them. Frank favored us by calling a tip. Enjoyed it Frank.

I believe I hear Santa coming, so I better close and hurry off to bed. Hope all of you have a happy holiday and we'll see you "squaring up" again all of 1967.

Joe and Clarice Greek  
Reporters

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The swinging Hillbilly dance had Roger Chapman calling for a group of members and guests - many in true hillbilly costumes. Best costume award was bestowed on Aubrey and Elizabeth Griffis. Marge Wixon of the Jacksonville Challengers won the door prize - would you believe a "chick sale" door? The Wixons, Hayes', Smith's and Millan's from the Challengers, Pete and Carolyn Warfand from Cincinnati, Ohio, and Bill and Jeanette Stuhn from Ft. Pierce were welcome guests.

Sixteen squares enjoyed the tremendous calling of Tex Brownlee, Odessa, Texas at a 441 sponsored dance. Visitors joined us from Tampa, Plant City, Leesburg, Wildwood, Windemere, Ocala, Orlando, Mandarin and Jacksonville.


Floyd Hazen of the Orange Park Promenaders called for the pre-Christmas dance. Members were joined by visitors from Floyd's club.

Jimmy Whiteman, current president of 441, and general chairman of Spring Fling to be held next April 21-22 in Gainesville, has donned his third square dance hat--- Chairman of Gainesville Square Dance Council.

On January 14, 1967, we will dance to Scotty Thomas. On January 28th. - Bill Claymore. February 25th. - Frank Bedell.

Bill and Margaret Buckhannan  
Reporters

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The Toys for Tots dance on December 7th. was a big success and we wish to thank everyone for their participation.

The Thursday night class is continuing to do exceptionally well and the club plans to have a party for them this Thursday night. We really like to dance with this group and

are looking forward to the time they can be regular.

At the last business meeting, plans were made for our New Years Eve dance. It is understood that most of the tickets have already been sold. We are looking forward to a good crowd that night. As a reminder, the next business meeting is to be held January 13th. at the beach apartment of the Pearces and Hughes. This is to be a Luau. They are furnishing the meat. Everyone else is to bring supplanting covered dishes.

were very sorry to hear of Barney Davis's mishap and will be glad when he and Grace are back dancing with us.

Betty Dickinson, Reporter

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HAYSTACK HOPPERS

Fridays, Y.W.C.A., 325 E. Duval Street, Caller - Bill Tom Hidding, President - Bill Pugh (389-7272)

The month of December has been a busy month for the Haystack Hoppers.

On the 17th., we had a combination Christmas - Graduation dance. Our new club members are: Mary Wilson, Jake Pugh, Kent Fleming, Mike Lightner and Leo Wilson. The initiation was wide spread - from "wardback" to rubber bands to the unraveling of some boys pants. Huh, Mike Lightner? We even had a Santa Claus with a Southern Drawl (Jake Pugh). By the way, who wanted a little red wagon; two front teeth; a boy even? Thanks go out especially to Mrs. Meriann Hidding who made all the scrumptious refreshments for us including brownies, punch cup cakes, and 995 cookies (why not 5 more?) They were all delicious. Thanks again.

The next day, some of the Haystack Hoppers and the Jax 'N Jills went to the "All Saints Home for the Aged" and put on some exhibition dancing for them at their Christmas party. We all had fun.

By the way there will be no more dancing until January 14th. when we will be starting a new class for beginners 13 years and above.

For all of Y'all who are planning to go with us to Fernandina, please contact Bill Pugh at 389-7272 or Kathy Gales at 355-0210. The date for the trip is set for January 7th. and 8th. Also the annual Y.W.C.A. \$1.50 membership fee is due.

Y'all please try to get your money in for Fernandina and the Y.W.C.A. dues.

Have a nice Christmas and New Year and we'll see you at the next dance.

Janet Pugh, Reporter

2nd. & 4th. Saturdays - Mary Hammond Youth Center, Caller - Bobby Keefe, President Andy Allan (764-1293)

Before I start with the news, Ernie and I would like to say how much we have enjoyed the past year as president of the Western Cutters and wish to take this opportunity to thank all the Western Cutters and especially the board members for the help and co-operation they have given us this year. Although our dancing will be limited for awhile, we will still be around if needed for anything. Don't hesitate to call.

On November 26th., the Allemandarin's came for their banner, but our President had forgotten and left it at home, so a couple of squares of Western Cutters took it to them on December 2nd. We're sorry we forgot it, but everyone enjoyed visiting with you nice people.

It must have been a great shock to the Grand Slammers when two squares of us showed up to retrieve our banner after letting them keep it for so long. Some of us had forgotten what it looked like.

We had only a short look because on December 10th., we lost it again to the Ancient City Squares of St. Augustine, but they didn't get to look at it very long either because on the 23rd. a group went down and got it back.

Our caller, Bobby Keefe's birthday was on the 9th., so on the 10th., the club had a birthday party. He was given a beautiful pair of western pants and was served a birthday cake.

The Christmas dance was held December 17th. The dance chairman, Judy and Johnnie Johnson, and their committee, Martha and Horace Fretwell, Vivian and Charlie Jackson, and Jenny and Bill Kirkland did a wonderful job on the hall and games. They were aided by Pauline and Mike Miklos who offered the use of decorations and time. Santa Claus was there - sitting in his rocking chair enjoying the girls on his knee and the kisses on his cheek. His ho-ho-ho sounded very much like Horace Fretwell. Bobby was given a shirt and tie to match the pants we gave him for his birthday. It was a memorable occasion.

Due to the Okefenokee Round-up, our regular dance will be changed to the 7th. The Mary Hammond Youth Center will not be available that night, so it's back to the Wesconnett Civic Center for that one night. Come see us.

Sally Doering

BANNER STEALING RULES

The Grapevine has been asked to print the Banner Stealing Rules for this area. It should be noted that there is nothing official about these rules and that they were not drawn up by the Northeast Florida Square Dancers Association but by representatives from nine local clubs. They are intended to remove some of the confusion existing on this matter.

1. Advance notice must be sent by the club that is going on a banner expedition to the club they intend to visit. This is to make it known that it is a club sponsored event.
2. Dual memberships are common in the area; therefore it will be left up to the dancer involved to elect which of the clubs he will represent on any given night or visit. If he has one, the badge of the club he intends to represent should be worn.
3. Minimum of one square of visitors is needed to seize a banner.
4. Rules will apply only in the Greater Jacksonville area, including Orange Park, Palm Valley and the beaches if they so desire.
5. Banner can only be taken at a regular club dance with a club caller calling the dance, not a guest caller.
6. A club can only take one banner at a time. If it visits a club that happens to have a third club's banner in its possession, it cannot seize both banners. If the club is on a visit to reclaim its own banner from a club, it can only obtain its own banner, not the host club's also.
7. In order to participate, a club must own or be in the process of making a banner.

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- Jan. 7 - Harper Smith - Lake City National Guard Armory. Sponsored by Lake City Squares.
- Jan. 7 - Western Cutters dance changed from January 14th. - Wesconnett Civic Center.
- Jan. 10 - Frankie Lane - Palatka, Florida - Civic Center, Ravine Gardens. Sponsored by Kaper Kutters.
- Jan. 13-14 - Okefenokee Round-up - Waycross, Georgia - Frank Bedell, Erv Elias, Bob Rust and John Saunders calling.
- Jan. 20 - Mel Clark calling for Challengers. Members Only.
- Jan. 27 - Al Aderente - Paxon Junior High School. Sponsored by Jacksonville Swinging Squares.
- Feb. 11 - Jubileers Annual Valentine Dance.
- Feb. 13 - Ron Schneider - Brad Tredinnick Youth Center, 5120 Perry Street. Sponsored by Starlite Shufflers. \$2.00 per couple.
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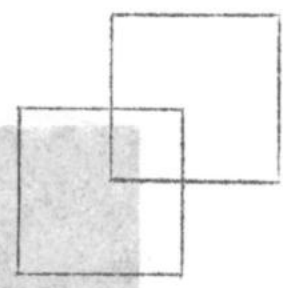
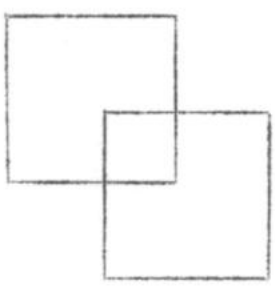
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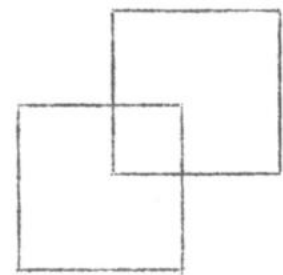
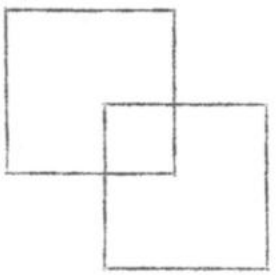
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