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NOTICE !!

In our never ending quest to satisfy ALL of our readers, we have strategically placed errors and typos within the confines of this publication for those who are always looking for them!

If only one person finds a 'goof', then we have accomplished our task.

THANK YOU!

Charlie & Val Newsome,
Editors

President's



Message

We certainly hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

As we begin this article for the first time, We're sure we will please some of the dancers all of the time, some of the dancers part of the time, but we will never be able to please all of the dancers all of the time. That having been said, anyone that wants to discuss any issue with us at any time, please call us. Bear in mind that we might not be able to solve your particular issue, but we will give it some thought and get back with an answer.

We already have two issues that we will attempt to address. One issue that was mentioned to me is that some of the dancers feel that the NEFSARDA Executive Board decides everything. To an extent that is true. The Executive Board has been elected to help things run smoothly for the dancers. On the other hand, decisions should be voted on by the dancers via their delegates. We intend to see that the delegates handle most of the major decisions. This organization belongs to the dancers - not us personally, nor the Board. But you will need to do your part. We cannot know there is a problem, if you don't let us know. None of the Chairmen of any committee has carte blanche to make decisions that effect all the dancers. You will also have to understand that majority rules. If you do not have a delegate or alternate that



attends every meeting, how can your club know what goes on. If you have delegates that are not interested in coming to the meetings, you need to find someone who is. You also need to make the delegates accountable to you and report back to the club. Someone has stated that the delegates "don't care what happens at the meetings." You need to care or indifference will kill your organization. We feel a commitment to this organization and I hope you do too.

The second issue is visitation versus banner stealing. These subjects will be covered under another article in this publication. They are both worthy programs and are tools that have helped us, as an Association of clubs, become closer knit as a Square Dance community in the promotion of visiting each other.

One final thing, we would like to add our personal CONGRATULATIONS to John and Mary Burzo on a very successful Fall Festival.

See you in a square very soon!

Bud & Anita Taylor

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Club Visitations vs Banner Raids

by Charlie Newsome & Anita Taylor

As mentioned in the President's Message, there appears to be some trepidation regarding the two activities. Both of these programs are meant to promote visitation to other clubs for more fun and fellowship and the enjoyment of dancing with other clubs.

The Club Visitation Program was initiated in the Northeast about nine years ago as a method to promote more club visitations.

The guidelines initially established called for a minimum of four "paying" couples to visit. In most areas I have danced in, a caller is not usually charged for a dance since he is, likely as not, to be asked to call a guest tip - therefore, his service is considered his/her entrance fee. In that light, the four visiting couples would not include a caller as one of the couples.

In the same light, it was not intended that the visited clubs members be part of the visiting club's four couples. With the many multiple club memberships, the "four paying couples" issue becomes murky.

We have heard many comments regarding this over the past years. If you feel any of the guidelines should be changed, please see your delegate for suggestions that need to be submitted.

The banner stealing, on the other hand is a different animal. Banner raids have been in existence long before a lot of us started square dancing. In some areas, these banner raids are conducted in accordance with guidelines agreed to by the partic-

pating clubs

Some years ago, the NEFSARDA delegates decided that they did not want a set of guidelines.

Banner stealing needs to continue to be fun. There are only guidelines to be applied to the banner stealing. At the present each club makes their own decisions concerning banner stealing. However we all should exert some common courtesy when banner stealing. If possible the club seeking the banner should contact the host club at least a week in advance, so the host club can prepare. When notifying the contact person, don't leave a message on the answering machine, without following it up a couple of days later. The person you contacted may be out of town for awhile and the host club may never get the message. If your club is contacted and you cannot accommodate the club that has called, let them know in advance. Don't let them get to your dance, and then find out they cannot have a banner, if they have contacted you in advance. The number of banners your club has, is up to the individual club, but remember your club will have to go retrieve all the banners. If your club has had a banner for more than 6 months, you might consider taking the banner back to the club you got it from. There may be a reason they have not been able to come get their banner back, such as a lot of members that have been ill. This is enough about these two issues for now.

Remember, today is the first day of the rest of your life.

Make the most of it!



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.)

Hello Charlie & Val:

Thank you both very much for the extra Grapevine, and the real nice write up about "Danny". He would have loved that. You are both so sweet for remembering him.

We all miss him so much. He was one special person and he really loved his square dancing.

Keep up the "Good Work" and Keep Dancing!"

Love,

Billie Danson & Family

Dear Charlie & Val:

Many Thanks! for all you do for Square & Round Dancing and for **The Grapevine**.

Here are the pictures of the Myrtle Beach Ball we talked about.

Special Thanks! Val, for your reminders about deadline dates and helping me to advertise all the Balls in **The Grapevine**.

Fondly,

Barbara Harrelson

Meet Your Executive Board for 2004!



L to R: Tom Tramel & Ouida Taylor, Recording Secretary; Lorval "Smitty" Smith, and Shirley White, Vice President; Bud & Anita Taylor, President; Bob & Jane Raymond, Treasurer; John & Mary Burzo, Corresponding Secretary, and Joe & Martha Hardcastle, Immediate Past President.

Congratulations NEFSARDA Board!

FROM THE EDITOR' DESKS.....

As we begin the year 2004, let us all Thank God for His many Blessings. We enjoy so many things that other people in other countries do not have. As we go about our lives during this year let us remember our military who are keeping us safe and our President who is leading them. We wish you all a bright and beautiful year filled with Good Health, Much Happiness and Great Dancing!

Charlie & Val

FEATURE ARTICLE

By Val Newsome

Meet Gary Murphy



The Northeast has two callers new to the area...Nick Cline and Gary Murphy. We recently asked them for bio's so we could introduce them to our readers. The first bio follows.

Gary Murphy has returned to square dance calling after a hiatus of over 10 years.

He learned to square dance while in the U. S. Air Force in 1973 and began calling in 1976 for the Zaragoza Promenaders at Zaragoza AB, Spain. After returning to the United States, Gary called and cued rounds for clubs in Biloxi, MS and Minot, ND before getting out of the Air Force and settling in southern Arizona in 1984.

While in Arizona, Gary was club caller for clubs in Benson, Sierra Vista and Willcox. He also called for numerous festivals in the area. Gary became an accredited member of Callerlab in 1983, and is a past president of the Southern Arizona Callers Association.

After moving to Fort Pierce, Florida in 1989, Gary and his wife, Berni, found that the pressures of work and parenting were growing and they gave up dancing and calling in 1991.

In May of 2002, after a job transfer

to Jacksonville, they decided to start dancing once again and joined the Silver Fox Squares as dancers only. Encouraged by the Silver Fox caller, Ernie Rollen, Gary picked up the mike again this past summer and is once again calling Mainstream and Plus, as well as cueing classic rounds.

He has already filled in for callers at local clubs and is quickly filling his calendar for 2004. Gary is currently a member of the Gateway Callers Association, the Florida Callers Association, and the American Callers Association.

Gary and Berni have four children and three grandchildren, with another on the way. They are thrilled to be back in Square Dancing and feel that the entire Northeast Florida square dance community is one of the finest group of dancers and callers they have met in all their years in the activity.

Gary has called locally for Silver Fox Squares in October, and for Seabreeze Singles on December 2nd. He will be calling for the Temple Twirlers Square Dance Club in Tampa, FL on January 26th, and is already programmed to call for the Florida State Convention in May.

You can reach Gary at area code 904, 739-1474, or you can email him at southmurphys@aol.com.

Welcome to the Northeast Gary and Berni!



*The Road
to a Friend's House
is Never Long.*





CALLERS CORNER !!

(EDITORS NOTE: At the Northwest Association's festival, Val & I had an interesting conversation with Patty & Gary Ping regarding a Square Dance program for classes that they have found to be successful. Patty agreed to share that program with us. It is certainly worth considering!)

Weekend Square Dance Classes: I had read an article that someone had written about having weekend classes. These classes covered the entire Mainstream program in one weekend. The concept of a weekend class really intrigued me, so I decided to try the weekend program, but went only as far as what used to be the Basic 50 program. It is possible to teach this entire program in one weekend, and not totally over-saturate the dancers or the caller!!

You will need a commitment from several good angels for the class to progress as it should. The angels will not have to commit for every session. I tell mine to come when they can. I have taught 4 of these classes and have had enough angels so no class member ever had to sit out.

One of my dancers mentioned that I probably really had to do a lot of planning to teach a class in one weekend, but the opposite was true. I really didn't have a set plan. As each group of dancers learns at a different pace, I teach according to how the dancers are progressing. What's really amazing is that you don't have to spend the first tip or two reviewing what the dancers have learned the previous session as they haven't had time to forget what they've learned!! The angels were so excited about how fast the people were learning, that they decided to invite these new dancers to come and dance with our Plus club the following week. We dance one new dancer tip and then a Plus tip, etc.

The first class I taught did not get through the entire "Basic" program the first weekend, but I taught them the rest of the moves at the club during their dance time. (The other groups did get through the entire program during the weekend. Having a little experience at teaching the weekend classes, I moved things along a little faster!) The new dancers danced at this level for several weeks and then I scheduled a Saturday class and taught them the rest of the Mainstream moves in one Saturday. (At the second class, some of my experienced ladies decided to join the class and learn the man's part.)

As far as ages, the first group I had one 16 year old and the rest were older, some retired and some still of working age. The second group I had two 11 year olds, a 19 year old and some retired and some still of working age. Naturally the younger ones picked it up faster, but the older ones didn't seem to have much trouble learning the calls in one weekend. The third class had one young boy, age 11, who unfortunately moved out of the area shortly after the class, and the others were retired people. The fourth class had one young girl, age 11, some retired and a few working people.

I will admit that by the end of the first weekend class, my brain was totally worn out!! (I guess it's just not used to that much work!!) The next three weekend classes I taught didn't seem to bother me. It was so exciting having the new dancers at our club the following week. Some of the dancers

CALLERS CORNER (Cont'd)

were people who had danced before, but some of them were people, who just a week before, had never square danced in their lives, and now they are dancing with our club!! The weekend classes are so rewarding, that I don't really care to go back to the once-a-week classes.

We retained most of the dancers. Of course, you always lose some for one reason or another. The different age groups seem to get along just fine. We are starting to pick up some younger dancers, too, which is great for the activity. This is also a great way to bring ex-dancers back into the activity. They don't have to spend several months getting back into dancing they'll be ready to start dancing with the club the following week.

For callers wanting to start a new club, having weekend classes would be an excellent way to start a new group. After just one weekend, you already have your new group or club.

The time schedule I used for teaching the class is as follows

Friday Night:.....	7:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Saturday Morning:.....	9:00 AM - 12 Noon
Saturday Afternoon:.....	2:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Saturday Evening:.....	7:00 PM - 9:30 PM
Sunday Morning: No class (give them enough time to attend church services)	
Sunday Afternoon:.....	2:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Sunday Evening:.....	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

I tried to leave enough time during the breaks for the people to eat lunch or dinner together. (Give them a little time to bond and build those friendships as that is another very important aspect of square dancing.)

I would like to add that this class is a team effort - caller and club have to work together for it to succeed - but it does work - at least it did for my club. I teach my classes through the City of Pensacola and I use one of their community centers to hold my classes.

If anyone has any questions about the weekend classes you can reach me as follows:

Patty Ping, 11904 Longwood Drive, Pensacola, Fl. 32507. Tel: 850-492-1757 or e-mail: pattyping@worldnet.att.net

Good Luck.

Patty Ping

THANK YOU

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of you for your prayers, calls, cards, flowers and food during my recent illness. Each act of kindness was greatly appreciated.

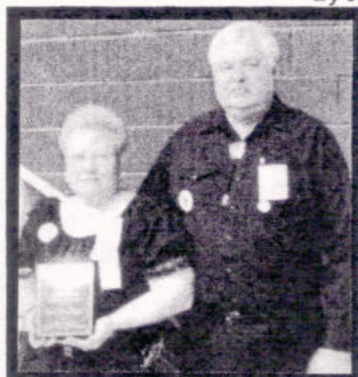
I will be undergoing chemo therapy as soon as I'm strong enough, so don't know when I'll be able to dance again. It is great to be a member of "The Square Dance Family."

God Bless You All.

Dot Lobata

2003 DANCE COUPLE OF THE YEAR

By John & Mary Burzo



Bud & Anita Taylor were named "2003 Dance Couple Of The Year" on Saturday evening of the Fall Festival. They have been very active in the Association in many capacities, and will be President of NEFSARDA in 2004. In addition, they have served Square Dancing in various State & National activities. They are most deserving of this prestigious award. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR MANY YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE!**

**CONGRATLATIONS TO
BUD & ANITA!**

CIRCLE OF SERVICE

Manny & Sherry Gonzales were presented the Circle Of Service Award by Jack & Kathy McKinney, during the Friday evening program of the Fall Festival. They have been very active in the Square Dance movement and far surpassed the guidelines of "three years of service" for this award. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATED YEARS OF SERVICE!**



**CONGRATULATIONS TO
MANNY & SHERRY!**



I AM THE NEW YEAR

Each hour of every day, I will
Give you sixty minutes that
Have never known the use of man,
White and pure I present them;
It remains for you to fill them
With sixty jeweled seconds of Love,
Hope, Endeavor, Patience
And Trust in God.



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FALL FESTIVAL 2003!

By John & Mary Burzo

Thanks to you all!!

We truly want to thank all of those who supported us in our first attempt at the Fall Festival. We are truly blessed to have dancers like you who made this festival a success. John and I had a great time doing the organizing and there was no hurdle too high for us to get over.

We are hoping to visit all the clubs to express our gratitude personally. As for our committee members, there was no challenge too great, no mountain too high, nor valley too deep to get in their

way. They just kept on truckin'.

To Fred and Ginger (Maxine and Billy) no words could describe their performance. It was a work of art.

To the callers and cuers of the Northeast, we couldn't have done it without you! Thank you!!

Thank you Nasser, Curt, and Tammy for your wonderful calling and cueing.

Hope to see you all next year at the Winter Wonderland.

Chairman,

John and Mary Burzo



This year's Fall festival
Caller, Nasser Shukayr!



This years Fall Festival cuers,
Curt & Tammy Worlock!

EDITOR'S NOTE: We have learned that a letter from Nasser was received:

"Dear John & Mary – Just a quick note to say THANK YOU for your extreme hospitality during my recent visit to Jacksonville. I was very glad that your Fall Festival happened without a hitch! The event was just beautiful, and very well done. You deserve the utmost in congratulations. Please send my regards to everyone who worked on your committee.

Also, the afterparty was the very finest I have ever seen at a square dance ANYWHERE. There is a lot of talent in Jacksonville, Florida, and I was glad to find out that the Jacksonville area considers FUN AND FRIENDSHIP to be the most important ingredients in square dancing!

Here's hoping that our paths cross again (and again and again)!

Best regards, Nasser Shukayr (www.NShukayr.com)".

Notes For The Milk Man:

"Please don't leave any more milk. All they do is drink it"

Invest In Saving Our Squares

By Manny & Sherry Gonzales

Saving our Squares is like putting money in the bank
that creates such an appeal,
You really have to work with "interest"
to get a higher yield.

Our seasoned dancers are like gold,
the best asset that we have in our account,
New dancers are like silver,
that time & interest will make them an equal amount.

Singles are excellent investments,
with the right kind of "interest", will double for sure.
Students are like Savings bonds,
for our future that in time will mature.

This is our dancing community bank,
our most precious commodity we have in stock,
Are we sure that our interest will hold and investments
will grow to ensure our future is solid as a rock.

Are our accounts balancing and ever increasing
to keep us from ever going in the "Red"?
Or are we skimming with our "interest", making more
withdrawals, and less deposits instead.

It's all up to us on how hard we work
in our community bank and promoting our shares
Because our future will be determined by
what investments we make now in Saving Our Squares.

Dear Square Dance Family:

As most of you already know, my Mom, Geneva Hodges, left this life on October 30, 2003, to her eternal Heavenly home.

"Thank You" does not begin to express our gratitude for the thoughts, prayers, and support over the past two years of Mom's illness. I was encouraged through this difficult time by many cards, phone calls, visits, and prayers. I will never be able to thank you enough, nor will I ever forget your thoughtfulness.

A special thanks to the ladies who supported and danced with Leroy in my absence!

Again, Thank You ALL for your continued support and love.

On behalf of the family of Geneva Hodges,

Leroy and June Blalock

Winter is the time of the year when it's too cold to do the jobs around the house that didn't get done in the summer because it was so hot.

Cuer's Corner

By Val Newsome



Twelve dancers at **FIRST COAST ROUNDS** completed 2-Step lessons on December 7th. The dancers at First Coast Rounds, under the capable leadership of Lisa & John Wall, seem to be growing in leaps and bounds. The club still dances on Sunday evenings at Peace Presbyterian Church. They will be offering Cha-Cha & Rhumba classes starting sometime in February, probably. Watch for flyers with dates,

Jim & Barbara Winter still keep the **Touch of Class** in lively Rounds every Thursday evening, also at Peace.

Aleen Breedlove sent us a clipped article entitled "Steps To Take." It continues, "A study in the New England Journal of Medicine found that **ballroom dancing** reduces the risk of developing dementia. Lead researcher, Joe Verghese, M.D., an assistant professor of neurology at

Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York, suggests that the demands of ballroom

ballroom dancing, such as remembering the **steps**, moving in precise time to the music and adapting to the movements of one's partner, are mentally and physically challenging exercises that keep your "**mental muscles**" agile. Other forms of straight exercise, such as swimming and climbing stairs, did not offer the same protection against dementia. Other activities that seem to offer **protection** include: learning a new language or musical instrument, doing crossword puzzles, or taking a class that requires study and memorization." Thanks, Aleen, for sharing the information with us.

ROUNDS OF THE QUARTER

(1st Quarter, 2004)

PHASE 2: Paint The Town (TS) by Desmond & Ruth Cunningham, RCA 8747-7

PHASE 3: (Tie) C'est Si Bon III (CH) by George and Joyce Kammerer, STAR 136

I Won't Send Roses (RB) by Bill and Martha Buck, STAR 203A

PHASE 4: This is the Life (FT) by Ron & Ree Rumble, CD or contact choreographer

PHASE 5: When Forever Has Gone V+1 (WZ) by Mary & Pete McGee, SP

PHASE 6: I'm Still Me (WZ) by Kay & Joy Read, CD or contact choreographer

ROUND DANCE CALENDAR

Jan. 23rd-25th	Florida Sunshine Festival	Lakeland
Jan. 31st	5th Saturday Dance	NEFSARDA
Jan. 13th-14th	Jekyll Island Ball	Jekyll Island, GA
Feb. 14th	Annual Blue-Grey Dance	Dixie Dancers, Lake City
Mar. 12th-13th	Shamrock Swing (Central Assn)	Kisimmee
Mar. 19th-20th	Fuzzy Navel Dance (FASSRD)	Jekyll Island, GA
Mar 21st	Shriner's Kids Benefit Dance	River Ramblers
Apr 3rd	Annual Charity Dance (City Rescue)	Seabreeze Sgls.

Happy Round Dancing!

50th Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention

May 28 - 30, 2004

Shirley Knapp, Publicity Chairman

2004!! You know what that means. The 50th State Square and Round Dance Convention is only five months away. While you are making New Year's Resolutions, why not resolve to attend this festive event in Lakeland May 28-30? We promise you a good time. If you have not purchased your ribbon to the convention yet, now is a good time to do so before you forget. Remember the money back guarantee. If for any reason you cannot attend, your money will be cheerfully refunded up to the first day of the convention.

The Convention General Chairman, Bruce and Colleen Morgan, tell us we will have twelve vendors on site for our

shopping pleasure. One of the vendors is a square dance photographer. It has been awhile since a photographer has attended our state conventions so it is about time to have that photograph updated.

Musical highlights are planned for both Friday and Saturday nights in the Plus hall from 10:00 to 11:00 PM. An hour of "all singing calls" makes for a great way to top off a convention evening of dancing.

We want to see you there: Lakeland Convention Center, May 28-30, 2004, to celebrate 50 years of square dance conventions in Florida.

Program Book Advertising!

We are taking ads for our Program Book. Ad copies can be mailed or emailed to Bruce & Colleen Morgan, 697 Shady Court, Altamonte Springs, FL 32701-2625 - brucemorgan@earthlink.net. Copies MUST be received BY April 15, 2004. Ads are as follows:

Inside Front Cover . \$80.00 4.75" x 7.5"	Inside Back Cover \$80.00 4.75" x 7.5"
Quarter Page \$25.00 4.75" x 1.8"	Half Page \$35.00 4.75" x 3.7"
Full Page \$60.00 4.75" x 7.5"	
Non-Business Ads - for those personal, text only messages \$10.00	

Fashion Show News

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! We are looking for talented dancers to make and model an outfit for the 2004 Fashion Show on Saturday, May 29, 2004. Come join us and be a part of the FIFTY YEARS of square and round dancing history in the state of Florida. Please contact Mary Butlak at 386-767-1717 or Donna Hendricks at 386-574-9322 for a Fashion Show application. DEADLINE FOR RECEIVING APPLICATIONS HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO MARCH 15, 2004.

Committee members of the 50th State Square and Round Dance Convention have been busily traveling about the state promoting the convention. You have probably seen some of them at your Association dances. If not, keep watching. Someone will be in your area soon. Ticket sales are going very well which

we find encouraging. We do appreciate your support of the convention. Notice I did not mention "our" convention as it is NOT just the Central Association's convention. The conventions belong to ALL of us. Central Association is merely the host in 2004.

Bill and Peg Gowen are doing something new this year in the Sew-n-

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(Cont'd)

Save room: Scissor Sharpening. You can get your scissors sharpened in the Sew-n-Save room while you are dancing. All scissors may be sharpened for only \$5 each pair. Just drop them off on your way into the dance halls and pick them up on your way out. The price of the scissor sharpening is a donation to the 50th Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention. Bring them your tired, ugly used scissors and they will make them wonderful again!

Additionally, in the Sew-n-Save room you will find a schedule of

seminars to attend and an opportunity to try a hands-on project on one of the machines. Sounds like a busy couple of days in the Sew-n-Save room.

Get your ribbons now before you forget. In fact, wouldn't that make a nice Christmas gift for your favorite person- a pair of ribbons to the Florida 50th State Square and Round Dance Convention? Remember, if for any reason you are unable to attend, Bruce and Colleen Morgan, the General Chairman, will cheerfully refund your money up until the first day of the convention.



IN MEMORY

John Wesley Garrett
April 27, 1924-November 28, 2003

John Wesley Garret passed away November 28, 2003 at St. Luke's Hospital following an extended illness. He was born in Monroe County, OH. John graduated from Barnesville High School in 1942 and enlisted in the US Coast Guard in December, serving our country during World War II.

After the War, he attended Ohio State University, graduating in 1950. He then served in

the US Navy during the Korean Conflict.

Following that war, John went to work for the US Department of Agriculture and retired after 32 years of service.

He was a member of the Soil Conservation Society of America, the Ohio State University Alumni Association and the American Legion. In 1995, John and Coralee, his wife of 53 years, took up square dancing with the Rollaways Square Dance Club and continued dancing until just before his death.

John is survived by his wife, Coralee Garrett; daughters, Karen Garrett of Atlantic Beach and Cheryl Callen of Short Hills, N.J.; son-in-law, George Callen of Short Hills, N.J.; grandson, Garrett William Callen; brothers, Thomas Garrett of Gallon, OH and Homer (Ruth Ann) Garrett of Millersburg, OH; sisters, Dorothy Johnson of Cambridge, OH, Martha McConnell of Barnesville, OH and Margaret Louthen of Reynoldsburg, OH.

Our sympathy goes out to his family and all his friends and fellow square dancers. He will be greatly missed by those who knew him.



OLUSTEE BATTLE FESTIVAL

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THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL

SQUARE DANCE

Saturday - February 14, 2004
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Grand March @ 7:45 PM
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 Caller: Bill Chesnut
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 The Square Wheels



Saturday
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 as part of
 Festival Entertainment
 Caller: Bill Chesnut
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 Sponsored by
 The Dixie Dancers

Sponsored by: **THE DIXIE DANCERS**
 Club Caller: **BILL CHESNUT**

2004 CFA Shamrock Swing

By Jim McConnaha

"Plans for the 2004 CFA Shamrock Swing dance to be held March 12 & 13, 2004 are shaping up nicely", said Chairman Jack and Barbara Hoffman, as they revealed the program format today.

The format for the 4th version of this dance is based mainly upon input from attendees at last years dance. Much of the input centered on the desire for more workshops, including more Rounds teaches during the day on Saturday and expanding the mainstream portion of the program.

Jack and Barbara said, "While we know you can not satisfy all of the dancers all of the time, we feel that by basing the program on the expressed desires of those who have been faithful

attendees of our annual event, we will be able to have something for most all dancers".

The program on Saturday morning centers around a seminar conducted by the Shamrock Swing staff on all aspects of our dancing world. The afternoon program then breaks up into various workshops for round dancers, mainstream dancers and plus dancers. Both Friday night and Saturday nights are 'all out' early rounds, plus with rounds in the main hall and mainstream dancing in the other hall.

This program, based upon the wishes of our dancers, should make for a great week end of dancing for all dancers.

See Ad In This Issue

ON THE ROAD - - AGAIN!

Special dances seem to be in abundance in January & February. In addition, the beginning of the year always brings Chili dances and we hope to make as many of them as we can (Charlie loves Chili!).

Hope to see many of you as we travel around the area -- join us in a square!

Jan. 7th	18th Anniversary Dance	Plus Fox
Jan. 11th.....	Delegates Meeting	NEFSARDA
Jan. 23-25	Florida Sunshine Festival.....	Lakeland
Jan. 30th.....	Annual Circus Dance	Silver Fox
Jan. 31st.....	5th Saturday Dance	NEFSARDA
Feb. 12th.....	Presidents' Ball	Moose Prom.
Feb. 14th.....	Annual Blue-Grey	Dixie Dancers



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Notes For The MilkMan:

"When you come with the milk please put the coal on the boiler, let dog out and put newspaper inside the screen door.
PS. Don't leave any milk."

50th ANNUAL O'LENO HOEDOWN

By Val Newsome

The 50th O'Leno Hoedown was held on Friday and Saturday, October 31st and November 1st. The event is always held at O'Leno State Park in High Springs, Florida. The weekend is hosted by Bill and Mary Chesnut and the Square Wheels.

Callers were Bob Poyner and Bill Chesnut, with June & Frank Leverette cueing Rounds, and Dennis Ricker & Angela Brown prompting Contra.

The program includes breakfast on Saturday and dinner that evening, with a continental style breakfast on Sunday morning. Hot Dogs and Hamburgers are offered for lunch on Saturday at VERY reasonable prices. And, if there is a Florida Football game, a TV will be located somewhere close to where Bill is calling or eating!

Friday's program included a Halloween Contest for the best costumes. Many great costumes

meant the judges had a really hard time picking winners. It was decided to award prizes to more than one couple in each category. Final judging presented the following winners:

Most Original: Verna Mae Gedman & Bud Walker (Outhouses), and John & Lisa Wall (Butler & French Mail).

Scariest: Frank & June Leverette (Dracula & Witch), and Dennis Ricker & Angela Brown (Grim Reapers)

Goofiest: Mary & Henry Britten (Miss Muffet and the Spider), and (The Flasher and the Pirate).

Saturday evening was full of dancing and fellowship -- in both halls. O'Leno enjoyed a large attendance this year and everyone had a great time!

The Square Wheels decided over the weekend to continue the event next year, so mark your calendars for November 5th-7th and join your friends at the O'Leno Hoedown!

▼ The Cuer



▲ The Cake



▼ The Contra Leader



▼ The Callers getting their instructions!



50th ANNUAL O'LENO HOEDOWN (Cont'd)



Is this an outhouse I see? Knock, Knock - who's in there?



▲ The Butler & the Maid - At your service!

The Flasher, Pirate, Spider, and Little Miss Muffett. ➔



THANK YOU

We would like to take this opportunity to say Thank You to everyone who supported the sale of the Angels for the fund raising program to benefit the 51st Florida State Convention in 2005. Special thanks go to Jean Lee, Joan Hogan and Kathy McKinney who purchased many angels and then chanced reselling them.

Yellowrocks to all who purchased any of the the angels.

Bob & Jane Raymond

Editor's Note: As General Chairman of the 51st Florida State Convention, we would like to thank Bob & Jane for initiating this effort and making several hundred Angels. We all thought that this fund raiser would probably net approximately \$75.00; however, to date has raised a whopping \$950.00 and we expect to go over the \$1,000.00 mark by the first of the year. THANKS, BOB & JANE! YOUR SUPPORT IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!



IN STEP WITH. . .

Country, Clogging and Line Dancing

By Donna Robbins

I think the popularity of the Country Western 2-Step dance is that it's relatively "do-able," (I refrain from using the term easy, because nothing is easy until you learn how to do it!).

Unlike other dance forms, square, round, clogging and even lines, it's not structured, i.e., you can be shown the

simple step: slow..slow..quick..quick -- and you're able to do the dance.

Of course, with a partner, and practice, you can add the turns and twirls, having more fun. One fact that is constant with 2-step; it's only danced to country Western music, making it appropriate to be attired in boots, prairie skirts, western shirts, and perhaps even a western hat!

A Blessing in Poem

By Rev. Richard Petry

EDITORS' NOTE: At the Moose Promenaders Christmas Dinner Dance, Rev. Richard Petry and his wife, Mary, were guests. Rev. Petry is Pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Jacksonville and offered the Blessing prior to the meal. We liked the Blessing so much and asked him if we could use it in The Grapevine -- it follows, and we hope you like it. We enjoyed meeting and talking with Rev. Petry and his lovely wife, and hope our paths will cross again soon.

Moose Promenaders Square Dance Club is where you'll find such fun,
For here folks share in fellowship and let the good times run,
Art Wilson is the very best; his calling none surpass,
And with Lucille, his sassy law, they show a lot of class.

Jackie Hamlin takes the helm; as President presides,
And with her good supportive Board, with them she will confide,
The Spears gave such strong leadership, the Meyers, Kim Keffer, too,
You each have kept the club alive, for from the best they drew.

Square Dancing helps enhance our health, and friendship does promote,
The do-se-do, the promenade, the swing are all of note,
For Art keeps dancers on their toes while smiling faces glow,
With feet and hands and heads alert, he calls just like a Pro.

The gift of dance you give to all, and thus we celebrate,
And tap our feet and clap our hands and share each fancy gate,
And so we gather here, Oh Lord, to share a gracious meal;
To dance in happy western style and swing a joyous reel.

Moose Promenaders Square Dance Club has brought us here, Oh Lord,
Now Bless our fun-filled time tonight which brings its clear reward.

AMEN

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

(GCA Beginner Hoedown)

By Jack McKinney

On Saturday, December 6, 2003, dancers came to Jax Heights Elementary School and received Christmas presents.

The Gateway Callers Association held their annual Students' Beginner Hoedown Dance and received their present by having 100 dancers and students in attendance. The students received their present by having six different callers to entertain them. There were 32 students in attendance.

The regular dancers had their present by getting to dance with the new students and see them enjoy the dancing and fellowship.

Refreshments were delicious and everyone enjoyed dancing to the calling of Jack Herpy, Ken Miller, John Robbins, Ernie Rollen, Lawton Smith and Art Wilson.

The Gateway Callers will host the Sophomore Hoedown in March. Look for flyers with more information.



New dancers attend their first GCA dance!



Gateway Callers at the New Dancers Hoedown!



F A S S R D

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT ...

Since my last article, we had a very successful Single Rama in Sebring on October 24th and 25th. Our registration was 92, up from 77 last year! In a time when attendance keeps dropping, we were very pleased that ours increased. This was our 25th Single Rama and we recognized all the past presidents in attendance. A letter was read from a woman who was on the committee for the very first Single Rama telling us about the planning of that first one. We also recognized Millie Griffin from Southeast for 25 years of attendance at Single Rama.

Our next Single Rama will be October 8 and 9, 2004. We are changing weekends to see if this will help our attendance. There always seems to be so much going on the fourth weekend of October. We will again have Joe Fioretti (Homosassa, FL) and Whit Brown (Orlando) on squares and Jimmy and Carol Griffin (St. Pete) on rounds. Sandy's Closet will join us again and we will have two after parties.

We held our annual meeting during Single Rama and held our election of officers. They are: President - Penny Green (West Coast Association), Vice President - Nita Flanagan (Central Association), Secretary - Mary Lou Pelz (Northeast Association), and Treasurer - (Mr.) Carroll Pomplin (Central Association). Our area reps remained the same with Shirley White (Northeast Association), Lorrie Bernal (Central Association), Bill Shellman

(West Coast Association) and Millie Griffin (Southeast Association). Mary Dow (West Coast Association) will remain as Historian.

I attended the Florida Federation meeting in Orlando on November 23rd as the delegate-at-large for FASSRD. We are now associate members of the Federation, and as such, we can offer square dance insurance to our members.

On March 19 & 20, 2004, FASSRD will host the 13th Annual Fuzzy Navel in Jekyll Island, Georgia. We will have an all-Florida staff of Joe Fioretti on squares and Jimmy and Carol Griffin on rounds. We will also have Sandy's Closet as our vendor for the weekend.

We will be in Atlanta on September 2-5, 2004 for the Single Square Dancers USA Dance-A-Rama being hosted by Georgia Singles. Arrangements are being made to charter a bus to take us to Atlanta for the weekend.

All Singles are asked to join us for the 50th Florida State Convention in Lakeland May 28 - 30, 2004. The Singles Host Hotel will be the Best Western Diplomat in Lakeland.

For more information about us and our dances, please visit our website at www.floridadancing.com or contact me direct at pgreen@squaredancing.org or at 863-967-5004.

As always, although these dances are hosted by Singles, marrieds and couples are always welcome.

Look forward to dancing with you real soon!

Penny Green

AIR TALK

Tower: "Delta 351, you have traffic at 10 o'clock, 6 miles!"

Delta 351: "Give us another hint! We have digital watches!"

WHAT'S COOKING?

By Val Newsome

As we visited some of the Christmas Dances I asked for several recipes to share with you -- hope to have them by the next issue.

Here's a 'chicken' recipe from Mary Lou Pelz which looks very good.



TENNESSEE CHICKEN CASSEROLE

4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts (boil until white, cut into bite size pieces)

1/2 cup sour cream

1 can cream chicken soup

1 tablespoon lemon juice

Topping:

1/2 stick melted margarine

1 stack Ritz crackers, crushed

Combine chicken, sour cream, soup and lemon juice. Pour in 9X13 baking dish. Combine the margarine and cracker crumbs and put on top of chicken mixture. Bake uncovered in 350 degree oven for 20-25 minutes.

For you pork lovers, here is a good recipe from Mary Lou Morton.

SPICY BROWN MUSTARD PORK CHOPS

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon garlic powder

1/4 teaspoon pepper

1/2 cup spicy brown mustard*

6 (1/2" thick) boneless pork chops

1 cup all purpose flour

1/4 cup vegetable or canola oil

*Dijon mustard can be substituted.

Combine first 3 ingredients, spread mustard evenly on both sides of chops and sprinkle with salt mixture. Place flour in a shallow dish; dredge chops in flour. Cook pork chops in hot oil in a large skillet on medium heat - until each side is golden brown. Drain on paper towels, before serving.

While attending a Fun 'N Frolics Dance, I ate a piece of cake and Mary Lou Pelz was kind enough to share the recipe. It's called...

PEG BRACKEN'S WINE CAKE

1 pkg. Duncan Hines yellow cake mix
(not the butter)*

1 pkg. (4 oz) vanilla instant pudding

4 eggs

1/3 cup vegetable oil

1 teaspoon nutmeg

1 cup white wine (I use whatever
leftover white wine I have on hand)

Preheat oven to 350 degrees; grease and flour 10 inch Bundt or tube pan. Combine all ingredients and beat at medium speed with electric mixer for 2 minutes. Pour into prepared pan and bake approximately 50 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean (cooking times can vary from oven to oven). Cool in pan 25 minutes and then invert onto serving plate. Sprinkle with powdered sugar when cool, leave plain, or drizzle with glaze.

*If you use a Pillsbury yellow cake mix with pudding in it, prepare the cake as directed on the package, substituting wine for the water and adding 1 teaspoon of nutmeg.

Thanks to everyone who has submitted recipes -- I still have a few, but always need more. Keep them coming.



53rd National Square Dance Convention*

June 23-26, 2004 Denver, Colorado

"SPECIAL EVENT & MORE"

On June 23, 2004, a Bar-B-Que meal will be served to advance ticket holders starting at 4:30 p.m. in the National Western Complex Events Center. (1-70 Exit 275) The dress is casual Western attire. The meal will be followed by a mini-rodeo performed by professional cowboys. Order tickets on your registration form.

Immediately succeeding the rodeo, we will hold our Opening Ceremonies. Doors will open at a designated time to

allow dancers not attending the rodeo to view the opening ceremonies.

Trail End Dances will follow at the National Western Complex. The dress will be casual Western attire, allowing dancers to come directly from the Special Event to the dance floor!

Don't miss this Wednesday night kick-off to the 53d National Square Dance Convention. Come experience hospitality Western Style in beautiful Denver, Colorado, June 23 - 26, 2004!

Seminar Committee Presents: Dr. William M. Litchman

Dr. William (Bill) M. Litchman, President of the Lloyd Shaw Foundation, and his wife Kristin will be speaking at the 53rd National Square Dance Convention, on Friday, June 25, 2004 in Denver, Colorado. Dr. Litchman will be presenting Education Seminars on the "History of Dancing" and "What is The Lloyd Shaw Foundation?" Kristin Litchman is presenting the Education Seminar, "Getting Youth Involved in Square Dancing".

One of Dr. William (Bill) M. Litchman's recent achievements was being awarded the Silver Spur Award. The following is the printed presentation given to Bill Litchman from Bob Osgood, as printed in the American Dance Circle:

**BILL LITCHMAN AWARDED
SILVER SPUR**

At the Memorial Weekend Dance in Albuquerque, NM, Bob Osgood presented the Silver Spur Award to Bill Litchman. The Spur is the award created by the Sets in Order American Square Dance Society, headed by Bob Osgood, who has been a devoted and effective promoter of square dancing for over 50

years. In the almost 50 years since the first Silver Spur Award was given to Lloyd Shaw in 1956, only 25 awards have been made. Bill is the 26th. In his presentation Bob read the following citation:

"For the leadership and tireless energies directed toward the square dance activity over the past several decades, we salute you and present to you your Silver Spur.

For many years you have shared with so many the pleasures of square dancing in all its many forms. You and your wife, Kris, have traveled across America and into other countries spreading your knowledge, teaching, and calling and sharing the pleasures of the activity.

You have aided in the steering of the Lloyd Shaw Foundation and served as its President. As a custodian of the Lloyd Shaw Archives you have gathered and protected so much of the past history in the form of films, recordings, books and papers in order that students of the future may carry the hobby



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Dr. William M. Litchman (Cont'd)

forward.

And so, like the knights in the days of old 'You have done your work well,' and indeed, Bill, 'You have won your spur.' "

Don't miss your chance to meet Dr.

Bill Litchman and his wife Kristin at the 53rd National Square Dance Convention!

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The Lloyd Shaw Foundation is dedicated to the preservation, restoration and teaching of the folk dances of America. Our work is intended to share a diverse range of dance and music with an intergenerational audience, develop leadership in dance and music to ensure its continuity, retain records which document the past, present, and future of our American dance and promote fellowship and enjoyment through the production of dance events, music and dance materials. All of this

emphasizes the spirit and dances of Lloyd Shaw. Join our circle of dedicated, enthusiastic members as we follow in the footsteps of history.

The Lloyd Shaw Foundation Archives are housed in the Carson-Brierty Dance Library in the Penrose Library at the University of Denver. This may be the largest collection of square dance and round dance related material in the world. It includes over 100,000 books, magazines and records.

Web Site: www.lloydshaw.org E-mail Dr. Litchman: wmlitchman@yahoo.com Visit often to check the new changes. Register on line or print out a registration blank to mail in. Purchase Ways and Means with Paypal. Follow the links to learn all about Colorado, and Denver. Send a message to a 53d National Board Member. Be in the know! Visit our Web site!



STITCHIN' TIME

By Val Newsome



Since I did not find an article to use in this column, I will take this opportunity to talk about the 2005

So that you do not have to purchase the pattern (which is expensive) for the outfit, we are in the process of having additional copies of the pattern made. If you need a pattern, please call me and I will get a copy or a pattern to you.

Convention attire.

We still have material left from the bolts that we purchased last year. We are not sure that you will find the material still in the stores and we hope everyone who will be making the Convention Attire has already gotten the necessary fabric. If you still want to make the outfits and need material, call us.

Remember, Virginia Rowe is making the outfits for those who do not sew, or do not have time to make them. She can be reached at 268-1942.

If you have any questions about the 2005 Convention attire, please call us. Remember...the outfits will not be worn until the kick-off in May.

ANNUAL SINGLE RAMA

By "Laney" Stewart

The Annual Single Rama was held October 24th and 25th at the Kenilworth Lodge in Sebring, FL. The weather was beautiful and greatly enjoyed by the 92 dancers who attended. Jacksonville had 19 dancers attending, if we may take credit for Al Kush who moved to Pennsylvania, but returned to Jacksonville to visit and attend the dance with us. Other dancers came from as far away as Tennessee to attend this annual function. We also had one student who attended the dance.

The lively calling of Joe Fioretti and Whit Brown kept the feet of the dancers moving. Jimmy & Carol Griffin did a great job cueing for the round dancers. The after-parties each night had more than enough finger food and were a great way to continue to fellowship and mingle with the other dancers. I heard

the Saturday after-party lasted until the wee hours of Sunday morning.

Round and square dance workshops were held Saturday afternoon. Rumor has it that some of the men had difficulty finding partners. How unusual is that? Some dancers went shopping, watched the ball game, and took naps. I went for a swim and sat by the pool.

Several of us made our annual trek to the flea market and found things we could not live without. The Cat House Restaurant where we always had our Saturday afternoon meal is now the Circle Cafe' and only a few of the 1,000 cats that used to decorate the restaurant remain.

The date for the dance next year is October 8th and 9th, 2004. Hope to see you there!



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Belles & Beaux.....			
Dixie Dancers.....	September		26th
First Coast Rounds.....	June		4th
Flagler Ocean Waves			
Fun 'N Frolics.....	Mar/Apr		48th
Grand Squares.....	June		29th
Gypsy Squares.....	Dec		14th
Joy Seas.....	Apr		13th
Mandarin Marauders.....	Apr 27th		19th
Moose Promenaders.....	Apr 15th		14th
Plus Fox.....	Jan 7th		18th
Pogo Squares.....			
River Ramblers.....	Apr 1st		6th
Rollaways.....	Apr		16th
Seabreeze Singles.....	Sep		28th
Silver Fox.....	Jun 4th		19th
Square Wheels.....	Sep 20th		23rd
Teddy Bears.....	Jun 12th		20th
Vagabond Squares.....	Nov		10th
Yellow Rockers +.....	Sep 13th		13th

Congratulations!

EDITORS' NOTE: If your club's anniversary is not listed, or if it is incorrect, please let us know as soon as possible. Thank you.

With Our Recent Sick

Ron Anderson.....	illness
Vivian Bennett.....	illness
Docky Blake.....	knee problems
Randy Busby.....	illness
Maddy Chitko.....	accident
Virginia Bomhold.....	surgery
Luther Delp.....	surgery
Betty French.....	surgery
Tom Hidding.....	illness
John Lawrence.....	surgery
Jean Lee.....	surgery
Fred Malkin.....	illness
Joanne McCann.....	recup. from accident
Bob Pringle.....	surgery
Linda Rickman.....	illness
Colleen Rozel.....	illness
Bill Schnippert.....	illness
Jack Shuler.....	surgery
Everett Sweat.....	illness
George Tower.....	plane accident/surgery
Tom Tripp.....	illness
Larry Waller.....	surgery
Marion Whiting.....	illness
Floyd Wiggins.....	illness



**Get Well Soon!
We Miss You!**

The Grapevine sends sincerest sympathy to . . .



Coralee Garrett on the death of her husband; Gloria Jackson on the death of her companion, Tom Smith; June Blalock on the death of her mother, Geneva Hodges!

Cards and Prayers are always welcome.

THANKS!!

Bud and I wish to thank everyone who contributed to the Silent Auction for the Fall Festival this year. We wish to especially thank Eileen Loncie for getting door prizes from various places in her quest for the ads. We also wish to send an extra special thanks to Lisa and John Wall for the lap top computer. That one item alone brought a considerable amount of money. A special thanks also goes to Jim Winter for the beautiful wooden bows he made for the auction. The silent auction brought in \$1026.00.

Watch the Grapevine to see what special projects are planned and what the money may go for.

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IN MEMORY
Harriett Gaines Cameron
November 29, 2003

Harriett Gaines Cameron, 95, died Saturday, November 29, 2003. She was born in Westminster, SC and her family moved to Jacksonville, FL in 1912.

She and her husband, Thomas, owned and operated Cameron Seed Store where they enjoyed many happy years working together. A charter member of Murray Hill Presbyterian Church, she served in many capacities there during her lifetime, but most notably in establishing the Memorial Garden. She was a life member of the Garden Club of Jacksonville, Night Shade Circle, and belonged to the Jacksonville Rose Society. After her retirement, she enjoyed square dancing with the Seabreeze Singles Square Dance Club and traveling throughout the United States and abroad, especially visiting beautiful gardens.

She is predeceased by her husband, Thomas Wood Cameron, and is survived by her daughter, Mary Ann Petska, of Orange Park, Fl.; her grandchildren, Thomas Cameron Petska of Buford, Ga., and Antonia Metcalf (David) of Centreville, Va.; three beautiful great grandchildren Amelia, Abigail, and Jack; her sister, Emily Tinsley of Orlando, Fl, and many nieces and nephews of both the Gaines and Cameron families.

Our sincere sympathy goes to her family and friends. She will be missed by all who knew her.

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MYRTLE BEACH BALL

By Val Newsome

Barbara & Laverne Harrelson welcomed dancers to the 27th Anniversary of the Myrtle Beach Ball in Myrtle Beach, SC, September 25th-27th. The weather was beautiful for the dancers attending this year.

Callers were Tony Oxendine and Jerry Story, with Curt & Tammy Worlock cueing rounds. It was a full program of dancing Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Several vendors were on hand so square and round dancers could shop

when they were taking a break from dancing.

On Saturday evening a special "Party After" started at 10:30 PM. with a Hawaiian Theme. A highlight of the evening was the selection of Mr. & Ms. Luau Garry Bradley from Columbia, SC was chosen as Mr. Luau, with Carol Van Hise from Durham, NC selected as Ms. Luau.

Several dancers from the Jacksonville area traveled to Myrtle Beach for the Ball and we have heard nothing but compliments on this fun-filled dancing weekend.

The 28th Annual Myrtle Beach Ball is scheduled for September 23, 24, & 25, 2004 at the Convention Center. For tickets and information you may contact Barbara Harrelson at telephone 803-731-4885; fax 803-750-7222; or email her at bharrelson1@juno.com



Seasons

By Fred Christman
(Grand Squares 9/2003)

I feel a change now in the air,
As I find Fall is almost here,
I love these days with season's
change,

For these are times for special things.

Square Dance class starts in the Fall,
Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas,
all.

Then old man winter pays us a call,
We look for snow flakes one and all.

Friends return from somewhere North,
Another trip from back and forth.
So good to see them come again,
So good to see our oldest friends.

Soon cold will cause us all to yen,
For the Summer to come again.
But as Summer comes and wears away,
Again we'll be looking for a colder day.



IN MEMORY
Bette Bland Bracewell
October 27, 2003

Bette Bland Bracewell, 78, died at her home in Cypress Village on October 27th after an extended illness.

She was a lifelong resident of Jacksonville and a graduate of Andrew Jackson High School, class of 1943. She was the daughter of Eddie Bland, who was a founder of NASCAR and its first Vice President, who also was instrumental in bringing

auto racing to the Northeast.

Bette worked with her father at Eddie Bland Motors, then at Arlington Fuel Oil, and later at the Florida State Beverage Department. Afterward, she worked in the real estate business in Jacksonville. During 1986 through 2001 she owned and operated Happy Tours by Jobet, a travel-tour business.

In the late '80s she and her husband Joe learned to square dance and were instrumental in starting the Seaside Stompers Square Dance Club at the beaches. They were also instrumental in establishing the annual charity dance, The Beach Bash, at the Beaches.

Bette and her husband, Joe, were happily married since April 19, 1968. Bette was a member of Eastern Star and was active in Daughters of the Nile. She was a long-time, active member of First Christian Church of the Beaches.

She is survived by her husband, Joseph C. Bracewell, Jr.; two sons, Wesley Bassett and Maurice Bassett; two stepsons, Ronnie Owens and Kevin Owens (deceased); one step daughter, Kathy Owens; two grandsons, Blake and Nowlin; her beloved dog, Bella; and one sister, Edine Duke.

Our sincere sympathy to her family and friends. She will be missed.



IN MEMORY
Thomas J. Smith
October 9, 1917-October 19, 2003

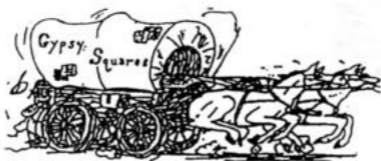
Thomas Smith passed away October 19, 2003 after a lengthy illness.

He began square dancing in 1992 taking lessons with the Seabeeze Singles Square Dance club and remained a member of the club until illness overtook him.

Tom was well cared for by his long time friend and square dance partner, Gloria Jackson.

Our sympathy goes out to Gloria, his two sons, three daughters and his many friends. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

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May 7,8,9,	Ocala Ranch RV Park, Ocala
June 4,5,6	Olde Mill Stream, Umatilla
July 2,3,4	Ocala Ranch RV Park, Ocala
August 6,7,8	Encore RV Campground, Ocala
September 3,4,5	Recreation Plantation, Lady Lake
October 1,2,3	Olde Mill Stream, Umatilla
November 5,6,7	Lake Oklawaha RV Resort, Ft McCoy
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51st Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention

WOW! It's 5 (yes, 5!) months away from the Northeast Kickoff! That means it is about **17 months** away from the Convention!

Committees such as registration, signs, decorations, etc. are making final preparations. Bill and Ernie have the music needed -- Kickoff practices will begin before we know it! Charlie and Val are in a "panic" mode. Is it?, Will it?, Why?, How? You sure? -- that seems to be our daily thoughts.

But with the help of all our talented and dedicated dancers, we know we will have a great Kickoff. The Kickoff will be held Sunday evening, May 30th, the last evening of the 50th Florida State Convention.

We will be calling those persons on our list of Kickoff participants in early January for confirmation. For those dancers who have not made a commitment, but who would like to participate in the Kickoff, please call

us at 683-3512 as quickly as possible. We don't want to miss anyone who will help.

Also, we still have some material left for the outfit necessary for the Kickoff. If you haven't gotten yours, call us!

While we have been very quiet since the Fall Festival in November and the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays, it is now time to make that final push of hard work towards presenting an interesting Kickoff as we invite all of Florida to attend the 51st Florida State Convention in May of 2005. The Northeast is the host for the Convention and we want to be sure we give all the dancers in Florida a fun-filled Convention weekend. Listed below are Committee Chairs -- please decide where you can help and let us, or the Committee Chairman, hear from you. **REMEMBER, THIS IS A NORTHEAST PROJECT -- WE NEED THE HELP OF EVERYONE!**

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All locations are Jacksonville unless shown otherwise.

SUNDAY

FIRST COAST ROUNDS: "R" Every Sunday. Club Phase II & III, 7:30 - 8:30 PM; Club Phase III & IV, 8:30 - 9:30 PM. Peace Presbyterian Church, 2300 Southside Blvd. Cuer-Instructor: Lisa Wall. Contact: Lisa & John Wall, 904 241-0384. Watch for information on Cha-Cha & Rhumba lessons starting soon!

MONDAY

FUN N FROLICS: "A" Every Monday Class 7:00-8:00 PM. Dance 8:00 - 9:30 PM Balis Community Center, Corner Hendrix Ave & Lasalle St. Caller: Art Wilson 904 225-5674. Contact Dale & Gerry Fredrickson, 269-9717

JOY SEAS: "M/P/L/R" Every Monday. Class 7:00 - 8:00 PM Club Dance 8:00-9:30 PM. **St. Augustine** - Coquina Crossing, 195 S, exit 94, West on SR207, 1 mile, on the left. You **MUST** be thru the gate prior to 8:00 PM or you **WON'T** get in!! Caller: Mike Akers 904 829-1697. Contact: John & Mary Burzo 904 797-7530.

YELLOW ROCKERS PLUS: "P" Every Monday. Dance 7:30 - 9:30 PM. Trinity Lutheran Church, Park & McDuff St. Caller: Lawton Smith 904 389-3349. Contact: Billy Luper 904 771-7041.

TUESDAY

BELLES & BEAUX: "M/P" Every Tuesday. Club 7:30-9:30 PM (1st & 3rd - Regular dance -- 2nd & 4th - Workshop).. Jaycee, Park Center on Jaycee Shack Rd., **Valdosta, GA.** Call Bob & Vivian, 229 242-7321, or Parks & Recreations, 229 259-3507, for directions. Caller: Bob Bennett, 229 242-7321.

DIXIE DANCERS: "P/R" Every Tuesday. Dance 8:00-10:00 PM. Teen Town, 312 N. 6th St., **Lake City.** Caller: Bill Chesnut 352 374-8582; Cuer: Maggie Tripp 352 493-0853 **OR** Ralph Beekman 386 752-2544. Contact: Ouida Taylor 386 752-1469 or Annette Conk 386 935-1548. **No Dance December 23rd or 30th.**

GRAND SQUARES: "P" Every Tuesday. Dance 8:00 - 10:00 PM. 1910 N W 53rd Ave., **Gainesville,** (Union Hall). Caller: Lon Ligon 352 377-1828

MANDARIN MARAUDERS: "M/P/L" Every Tuesday. Class 7:00-8:30 PM, Club Dance 8:30 - 10:00 PM. Italian-American Club, Westberry Rd. Caller: Lawton Smith 904 389-3349. Contact: Rob & Jennie Harris 904 731-0795

ROLLAWAYS: "M/P/RL" Every Tuesday. Class 7:00-8:30 PM, Club Dance 8:30-10:00 PM. Sandalwood High School. Caller: Ken Miller 904 268-4492. Contact: Virginia Bornhold 904 744-7181.

SEABREEZE SINGLES: "M/P" Every Tuesday. Class 7:00 - 8:30 PM Club 8:30- 10:00 PM. Peace Presbyterian Church, 2300 Southside Blvd. Caller: Jim Cosman 912 882-4006. Contact: Shirley White, President, 904 388-1463 **OR** Banner Chmn, Jerry Kangas or Diane Stewart, 272-6729.

WEDNESDAY

PLUS FOX: "P" Every Wednesday. Club Dance 7:30-9:30 PM. Jax Heights Elementary School, 7750 S. Tempest St. Caller: Jim Cosman 912 882-4006. Contact: Stephen & Marie Bigelow 771-7249.

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THURSDAY

MOOSE PROMENADERS: "P/L" Every Thursday. Class 7:00-8:30 PM, Club Dance 8:30-10:00 PM. 5051 Collins Rd., Moose Lodge, Orange Park. Caller: Art Wilson 904 225-5674. Contact: Wendell & Doris Spears, President, 904 264-5524 Banner Chmn. Bill Brown & Nancy Schufeldt 282-5445.

RIVER RAMBLERS: "M/P" Every Thursday. Class 6:30 - 8:00 Club 8:00 - 10:00 PM. 112 Yelvington Rd., **East Palatka** (Just off US 17, Approx. 1/2 mile So of SR207) (Putnam County Shrine Club). Caller: Ernie Rollen 904 282-2335.

VAGABOND SQUARES: "M/P" Every Thursday. Club Dance 8:00-10 PM. St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Parish Hall, 1391 SW 11th St. - **Live Oak**. Caller: Ralph Beekman 386 752-2544. Contact: Loyce Harrell 386 963-3225.

TOUCH OF CLASS "R" Phase III-V Club 7:30 - 9:30 PM. Peace Presbyterian Church, 2300 Southside Blvd. Cuer: Jim Winter 268-1369. Contact Barbara Winter 268-1369.

FRIDAY

FLAGLER OCEAN WAVES: "MP/R" every Friday Class 6:30 - 8:00 PM Club 8:00 - 10:00 PM Wickline Center - Council on Aging, Flagler Beach (Flagler Ave.) Caller: R J Hogan (352) 376-2428 Contact Wendy & Dale Hendrix, Tel. (386) 586-3805

GYPSY SQUARES: "M/P/L" 1st Full Weekend Each Month. Dance 8:00-10:00 PM **Various Campgrounds**. Caller: John Barrett 904 767-7775. Contact: Dale & Gerry Fredrickson 904 269-9717 OR Luther & Debbie Delp 904 642-0392.

SQUARE WHEELS: "M/P/R" Every 3rd Friday & Saturday. **Various Campgrounds**. Caller: Bill Chesnut 352 374-8582. Contact: Chuck & Aleen Breedlove 904 246-9545.

POGO SQUARES: "M/P/L" 2nd & 4th Friday. 8:00-10:30 PM. Wacoma School, U.S. 1 N., **Waycross, GA**. Caller: David Drake. Contact: Bob Farnham 912 283-9107 OR Arthur Murray 912 283-8886.

SILVER FOX SQUARES: "P/R" Every Friday. Class 7:00 - 8:00 PM Dance 8:00-10:00 PM. Jax Heights Elem. School. Caller: Ernie Rollen 904 282-2335. Contact: Dave & Janet Britten 569-9574 **NO DANCE JANUARY 2nd OR 23rd**

SATURDAY

TEDDY BEAR SQUARES: "P" 2nd & 4th Saturday. 7:30 - 9:30 PM. Peace Presbyterian Church, 2300 Southside Blvd. Caller: Eddie Millan 904 765-0296. Contact: Ed & Helen Williams 285-6289. **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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Fall Festival Chairman, John & Mary Burzo, were presented a plaque for a job well done! Great Festival, Thanks John & Mary!

Outgoing Presidents Joe and Martha Hardcastle were presented a plaque for 2 years of service by then VP's Anita & Bud Taylor.



Two of the hardest working dancers were Bob & Jane Raymond, who were always "on the job"! Did they ever dance?

FALL FESTIVAL MEMORIES

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SELF-EVIDENT TRUTHS

By Stan & Kathy Burdick

When in the course of human events, controversy arises and problems loom, a feasible course is to examine some self-evident truths. Truths seen and heard in Square Dancing are:

- ** Square Dancing is FUN.
- ** "U" are the center of that FUN.
- ** Folks become square dancers because friends invite them to classes.
- ** Square dancers are special people.
- ** A Square Dancer may leave a purse in a dance hall and return to find it untouched.
- ** Ill and bereaved dancers have been overwhelmed by the caring responses of their dancer friends.
- ** Causes too numerous to mention have benefited from dance proceeds & dancer donations.
- ** All square dancers are friends you haven't met yet.
- ** Square dancing is friendship set to music.
- ** A snipe is a curve that straightens out a square.
- ** Happiness is square dancing.
- ** You can't dwell on problems and square dance.
- ** Round dancing is the icing on the cake of square dancing.
- ** Square dancing is our name for an activity that embraces squares, round dances, traditional dances and clogging.
- ** Square dancing gives a sense of belonging.
- ** Fellowship is a square dancer's greatest reward.
- ** The touching of hands in the dance is the perfect recreational answer to our high-tech society.

We believe these truths. Do You? If you do believe, surely, we can solve our problems and get on with our dancing.

Reprinted from American Squaredance, October 1985



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CONTRA LINES

By Val Newsome

(The following has been taken from an article written by Wayne Nicholson which appeared in the Aug-Sept 2003 edition of ASARDA NEWS. We previously published some excerpts from the same article in the September 2003 issue of The Grapevine.)



WHY DANCE CONTRAS

We present contras as a "challenge" and as an added bit of variety which will not only stimulate the caller's imagination but open up a vast area of enjoyment for the dancer. There's one very definite point in favor of these line dances (certainly there are more than just one). First and foremost, in order to get any satisfaction from a contra, dancers must move to the beat of the music. A dancer soon learns when doing these dances that his enjoyment stops the minute he crowds the calls. Suddenly he is standing and waiting -- and it's entirely his fault -- not the caller's (providing that the caller is calling correctly). The dancer will find much pleasure in taking enough steps to do each right and left thru or ladies chain comfortably.

Most enjoyable of all perhaps is that in contras he will discover that the movements he already knows in square dancing can be fitted into so many new and different situations. Actually, he is challenged to do well the material he has already mastered.

CONTRAS--CHALLENGING?

How can Contras be challenging with only 40 to 50 basics?

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"dancing challenge."

THE 6 P'S OF CONTRA CALLING

... Or, the six things a caller needs to know to call contras. And they're all easy to comprehend!

P hrase: Contras are danced to the phrase of the music, and therefore music is strongly phrased.

P rompt: The calls are merely prompted just before the dancer is expected to execute on the first beat of the next phrase.

P rogression: With each repeat of the dance, some dancers progress in one direction thru the longways set, while other dancers progress in opposite, so that each time the dance is repeated a different group of dancers are dancing together.

P roper Count: Only movements requiring proper step-count to fit the music should be used--thus, some square dance calls are not suitable for contras because they require too few or too many steps to dance to the musical phrase.

P assive: The contra caller (prompter) is not the "star" of the show. His primary function is to bring the dancer and the music together, and when he has achieved that, he should withdraw.

P ersonal Dancing Experience: The contra caller should be thoroughly schooled in actually dancing contras so he can fully appreciate and understand the preceding P's.

Note: Final excerpts from the article will appear in the next issue.

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BETWEEN THE YEARS

By Mary E. Helsey

The Old Year sadly checked the clock
And eyes his worn-out shoes.
"I've time and strength for one more dance
Before they break the news."

"Come here, young fella (lucky guy!),
And let share some views."
"You're looking healthy, fine and fit--
I see you've got new shoes."

"You'll need them in the year ahead,
The days get kind of long,
But life that's square dance bright
Can keep you happy, well and strong."

You hear those bells? It's time for me
To dance right out of here.
You're welcome to my place,
I wish you one great dancing year!"

SHIRLEY GOODNEST

Editors' Note: We received the following email from a friend.

Timmy was a little five year old boy whose Mom loved him very much, and being a worrier, she was concerned about him walking to school when he started Kindergarten. She walked him to school the first couple of days, and at the end of the week, he came home from school and told his mother that he did not want her walking him to school every day. He wanted to be like the "big boys", he protested loudly.

So, she had an idea of how to handle it. She asked a neighbor, Mrs. Goodnest, if she would please follow him to school in the mornings, staying at a distance, so he probably wouldn't notice her. Mrs. Goodnest said that since she was up early with her toddler anyway, it would be a good way for them to get some exercise as well, so she agreed.

The next school day, Mrs. Goodnest and her little girl, Marcy, set out following behind Timmy as he walked to school with another neighbor boy he knew. She did this for the whole week.

As the boys walked and chatted, kicking stones and twigs, Timmy's little friend noticed the same lady was following them as she seemed to do every day all week. Finally he said to Timmy, "Have you noticed that lady following us to school all week? Do you know her?"

Timmy nonchalantly replied, "Yeah, I know who she is." The friend said, "Well, who is she?" "That's just Shirley Goodnest", Timmy replied, "and her daughter, Marcy." "Shirley Goodnest?" asked the friend, "Who the heck is she and why is she following us?"

"Well," Timmy explained, "every night my Mom makes me say the 23rd Psalm with my prayers, 'cuz she worries about me so much. And in the Psalm, it says 'Shirley Goodnest and Marcy shall follow me all the days of my life,' so I guess I'll just have to get used to it!"

First Coast Rounds



Lisa Wall, Cuer

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Club News!

BELLES & BEAUX

Pauline Brown 229-247-0891

It seems like we were just wishing everyone a Happy New Year in 2003 and here it is 2004 already. It doesn't seem possible -- time flies so fast. As you read this, The Belles and Beaux are also ready to begin a new year and hope we will add some additional dancers to our group during the coming twelve months.

Recently some of our club members have been traveling to other dances. Several couples attended the Annual Christmas Dance sponsored by the Dixie Federation Callers Association held in Tifton, GA. Another of our couples enjoyed dancing with the Honey Bee Squares in DeLand, FL where they were attending a high school class reunion. In both cases, a good time was reported as well as enjoyable dancing and great friendship. The February Blue-Grey Dance in Lake City, FL is just around the corner (February 14th) and several of our dancers are making plans to attend. This is always a fun dance with dancers from a number of different clubs and featuring a well known caller. The Belles and Beaux also sponsored their own Thanksgiving and Christmas

Dances with our own special caller, Bob Bennett, and will be having some special dances in January and February complimenting the season.

We are happy to report that our caller, Bob Bennett, is doing much better healthwise, but his wife, Vivian, is still somewhat under the weather. The rest of our members all seem to be back in town after the holidays and all appear to be feeling fine once again. Get well wishes go out to Vivian and we hope she will be back with us again real soon. We appreciate both of them and are especially thankful to Bob for his loyalty to the Belles and Beaux. He is always there on Tuesday nights, rain or shine, and ready to give us his best.

Thanks, Bob!

As always, the Belles and Beaux invite you to dance with us this year. Our dancing place, the Jaycee Shack, is a little hard to find in the wintertime when it gets dark so early. Phone ahead to Bob Bennett (229) 242-7321 so he can give you directions. We dance every Tuesday at 7:30 PM and the cost for dancing visitors is \$4.00

per person.

In closing, the Valdosta Belles and Beaux wish our square dancing friends in Florida a Happy New Year. May each of you make many new friends through square dancing in 2004 and beyond. **Have a great year!**



Club members help Bob & Vivian Bennett celebrate their 56th Wedding Anniversary. Bob's been calling almost 50 years. Congratulations Bob & Vivian!



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DIXIE DANCERS

Gerl Sanford (386) 755-7327

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2004 to all our friends and fellow square dancers from all the Dixie Dancers.

Congratulations to the new NEFSARDA officers, including Dixie Dancers Thomas Tramel and Ouida Taylor as Recording Secretary.

A Trail's End Dance sponsored by the Square Wheels will be on Friday, February 13th at Teen Town. Don't let Friday the 13th scare you - just come and have a good time.

It's not too early to start making plans to come to our 25th Annual Olustee Festival Blue-Gray Square Dance hosted by the Dixie Dancers on Saturday, February 14, 2004 at the American Legion

in Lake City, with the caller being Joe Fioretti. Round Dance cuers will be Maggie Tripp and Ralph Beekman. Grand March is at 7:45 PM, as well as the street dance in downtown Olustee Park around 2:00 PM. There is a block of 10 rooms reserved in the Dixie Dancers name for the night of February 14th at the Jameson Inn for \$58.00. Call 1-800-Jameson to reserve a room in your name before February 1st. Don't forget to mention that you are a part of the Dixie Dancers to get this price.

We look forward to seeing everyone again and know you will have a good time.

Come visit us anytime you can - we'd love to have you.

FIRST COAST ROUNDS



Lisa & John Wall with 12 dancers who have just completed Round Dancing's Two-Step classes. Watch for information on Cha-Cha & Rhumba lessons starting soon!

FLAGLER OCEAN WAVES

Sharon Hepburn

Happy New Year to all Dancers!
I can happily report that we had another delicious Pot Luck Supper at our Christmas Party. After dinner, the FOW players presented a skit with Santa as the star, a few cued lines and lots of laughs. Thanks go to Patsy and John Peay, Barbara and David Triplett, Hank Groit and Maurice Millard for their courage and talent.

Our Pie Night became a great

success with the help of the Starlight Promenaders. They helped us dance and helped us eat up some of those pies!! Six brave men stepped up to the counter and entered our Pie Tasting Contest. With blindfolds covering their eyes and helpers feeding them, they showed off their acute taste buds. We had a distinct winner, Paul Dean correctly identified all the pies that he tasted. I wonder if he had been

FLAGLER OCEAN WAVES (Cont'd)

practicing?

Looking at the New Year, the club will be having some changes. Our new dancer class is very small, so we are planning an Open House in January. We hope to attract some more new dancers. Wish us luck.

Another change for us will be the loss of Bev Landwehr as our cuer. She has been driving from Clermont every Friday night and the traffic situation has made

her decide to resign from Flagler Ocean Waves. We will miss her very much and wish her well. In the meantime, our round dancing is "up in the air". Ideas include alternating Round Dance nights with some other activities like line dance, contra dance and perhaps Cotton Eyed Joe. We hope to have a schedule soon for our dancers.

January 16th, the club will be celebrating the Chinese New Year. Bring your chopsticks. One never knows what zany antics will transpire at this dance.

February 13th is our Sweetheart's Dance. We will have the normal lovey-dovey, ooey goey stuff. So wear your red with the hearts and flowers. Come and eat chocolates with us.

We hope 2004 will be kind to each and every one of you.



FUN 'N FROLICS

Wannette Davis 772-1397

There isn't much news from the Fun N'Frolics this time, but by the time the Grapevine is received, Christmas and New Years will have come and gone. We will be through with all the wonderful holiday seasons. So we just want to tell everyone we hope they had a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Our advance class is still doing good. We are still dancing on Monday nights at the Balis Community Center at 1545 Hendricks Avenue. Class is from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM with club dancing from 8:00 PM to 9:30 PM. We would love to have you join us.

We want to send get well wishes to Luther Delp and Bob Pringle. Luther had surgery and he is doing

fine because he was able to dance at the Gypsy Squares on December 5th. We were glad to see him up and dancing. Bob Pringle had open heart surgery December 1, 2003. We don't know much at this time, but we will keep everyone posted as we find out. If we missed anyone please let us know.

We are looking forward to another fun filled year of square dancing, and we need to remember to keep our troops overseas in our hearts and prayers and give thanks for their sacrifices that enable us to live the lives we live and enjoy our favorite pastime.

Look for fliers for the next 5th Monday dance on March 29, 2004. See you across a square real soon.

The Rollaways

Every Tuesday

Classes:..... 7:00-8:30 PM

Club:.....8:30-10:00 PM

Dancing Mainstream with Announced Plus.
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CALLER: Ken Miller

CUER: Lisa Wall

LINES: Pat Seelhofer

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744-7181

GRAND SQUARES

Gerry "Scoop" Jesk 352 493-2842

Hope everyone brought the New Year in Happy and Healthy and that it is a good year for all! We had our usual New Year's Eve Party and a good time was had by all.

Halloween at Grand Squares turned out a number of ghoulish folks and we had seven winners. Jerry Sager, "Prettiest" Woman, Melba Adams, "Pretty two", Judy Williamson, "Ugliest Witch", Michael & Colleen Rogel, "Funniest", and as Impatient Patients, Phil & Shirley Weidler, "Most Halloweenish" as Witch & Ghoul, Morn Mary and Morn Leslie, our Mascots, "Most Spirited", Ray & Carolyn Randle, "Most Original" as Hobo's, and Rita & Wes Ard, "Most Delicious" as Mustard and Catsup.. Plus many more unrecognizable Ghouls, Way to go Gang!

We did things a little different for Thanksgiving had a Left Over Turkey Thanksgiving Dinner/Dance.

Our fearless leader went on a cruise so we had our Christmas Party Dance on December 16th and that is always a

fun dance and again lots of good food. Takes lots of work to decorate the hall and for all those who give of their time and ingredients to come up with this wonderful food.

On January 13, 2004 we will have our RESOLUTION Dance and they are going to hold us to it, so come on out and join in the fun.

Don't forget to check out our Web Page for updates on club activities at : <http://www.geocities.com/grandsquareclub/GrandSquaresClub.html>.

Our circle of concern remains a big list. Some same names as there are some long term illnesses but we are hoping they will return to dance as soon as able. Some of these sick are: Jack Shular, Ron Anderson, Floyd Wiggins, Linda Rickman, Colleen Rogel, Joann McCann, Randy Busby, Everett Sweat and Fred Malkin. Also the Millers are in Illinois and the Wrights are in Vermont.

Again HAPPY NEW YEAR and look out for our Banner Raiders.

Until the next time, keep Smiling and Keep dancing!



The Grand Squares celebrating (?) their Halloween party!

AIR TALK:

"TWA 2341, for noise abatement turn right 45 Degrees.."

"Center, we are at 35,000 feet. How much noise can we make up here?"

"Sir, have you ever heard the noise a 747 makes when it hits a 727?"

GRAND SQUARES (Cont'd)



Honoring (??) the
← "Prettiest" (?)
and the
"Ugliest" →



GYPSY SQUARES #168

Dale and Gerry Fredrickson 269-9717

The Gypsy Squares enjoyed Christmas at Wild Frontier. We had a very nice group of campers as we were camping in the central part of the state where most of our members can attend. Many campers that we hadn't seen were able to come this time. The Campground has been closed for about a year and we were very happy to hear that it had reopened. We not only have a nice hall to dance in but we can browse through the new RV's at the same time.

The group enjoyed a delicious baked ham dinner provided by the board. It is always nice to just go and enjoy the meal without having to spend time preparing the food ourselves. It's fortunate that the Gypsies have a board that likes to work. They did a top-notch job again this year. They even cooked a very special Christmas breakfast for Sunday morning!

Of course, John Barrett, our club

caller was there and provided a top of the line dance. We always count on him for a good time. We are so very fortunate to have John and Mo Barrett with us each month. We would not be the same without them. They helped lead us in our special Christmas sing along. The Twelve Days of Christmas is becoming a tradition with us. You have to be there to understand.

We were glad to see Debra and Luther back with us. We were thankful that Luther made it though this surgery and appears to be doing fine. Keep taking care of yourself, Luther, so we can enjoy many more campouts with you.

Going back a month, we enjoyed our Thanksgiving campout at Ocklawaha RV Resort. We had a fantastic turkey dinner with all the trimmings. We had great dancing and a super time visiting with all of our friends that we only see once a month. The Guildfords, Pecks,

GYPSY SQUARES #168 (Cont'd)

and Davises were hosts and did a great job as usual. We really enjoyed the hot fudge sundaes.

Our next campout will be close by, and we hope you will join us the first weekend of January at Pacetti's Marina and RV Park. We always enjoy having the local dancers from Jacksonville come and dance with us there. Be sure to mark January 2nd, 3rd, and 4th, on your calendar. Our dance starts at 8:00 PM.

For February we'll be in the back country at Lake Ocklawaha RV Resort near Fort McCoy on the 6th, 7th, and 8th. Remember that we do dance

casual on Friday evening, and wear square dance attire on Saturday evening. I don't have the details of these dances yet, but if you will check our web site at <http://www.geocities.com/fansdc/gypsy> the current schedule and directions to the campouts are posted. I usually don't have the details until about a week before the campout. If you can't find the answers to your questions, go to the officers' page and e-mail one of us. We'd be happy to update you on the details.

We hope all of you had a very Merry Christmas, and we wish you a Happy New Year!

JOY SEAS

John & Mary Burzo 904 797-7530

Our class is coming along just fine. The students are learning and having fun ... all at the same time. The Rollaways, Teddy Bears and Seabreeze Singles came to visit us. It is always a pleasure to have them. With the holidays upon us, it is nice to have company.

Hope you all had a nice Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas. The Joy Seas

want to wish you all a Happy New Year.

By the way, if you missed the Fall Festival, you missed the event of the Century. Hope to see you next year at the Winter Wonderland. If you ever get a chance to dance to Nasser Shukayr, please take advantage of it. It is an experience you will never forget.

That's all folks.

MANDARIN MARAUDERS

Kitty Fuller 264-2864

Our class is progressing nicely under the direction of Lawton. Class is from 7:00 to 8:30 and club dancing from 8:30 to 10:00.

November 18th we had our annual Thanksgiving dinner and dance. The food was great.

We paid a visit to the Yellow Rockers on Monday, December 8th and our annual Happy Holidays party was held December 16th.

We are looking forward to events

planned for January and February. On the 20th of January we will have our blast from the past dance (50's and 60's) and on February 10th a Sweetheart / Valentine dance.

The year 2003 was a great one for the Mandarin Marauders and we hope 2004 will be just as much fun. Come dance with us any Tuesday night at the Italian American club on Westberry Road in Mandarin.

See you in a square soon!

MOOSE PROMENADERS

Wow! Christmas is just around the corner and all of sudden I realize it's Grapevine time. So here goes.

Classes are well underway at the Moose Promenaders. We thoroughly enjoy our new fun loving students who are under the capable wings of our class coordinators, Tom and Pat Herscha. Our class will be dancing with us at our upcoming Christmas Dinner Dance and looking forward to the experience.

In October we had our Dangle Dance directed by Steve and Katja Palmer who did a great job of hosting our "Miss America" type finale. And the winners were..... Queen Doris Spears and King Frank Meyer!

New officers have been installed: Jackie Hamlin & Jerry Kangas as Presidents, Bill Brown and Nancy Schufeldt as Vice Presidents, Barbara and Frank Meyer as Secretary, Tom Herscha and Kim Keffer as Treasurers. Congratulations! A hearty round of applause and appreciation is due to Wendell and Doris Spears for their dedication to the club as Presidents for

771-5775 the past two years. They did a wonderful job but I know they will enjoy their "retirement".

Our next big event is our Christmas Dinner Dance. This is always a wonderful evening when we all get together under the capable direction of Art and Lucille Wilson and it is usually a big dance with the students joining in. All area students are welcome. We encourage you to get your tickets in advance as the Moose Promenaders will be supplying the meat and we need to have those numbers.

Watch for our flyers on the President's Ball. This is the dance at which we honor the Presidents of our clubs in the Northeast for donating their time and talents to keep our clubs on an even keel and growing. Art Wilson will be calling and Lisa & John Wall will be on the rounds. We hope to see you all across a square.

We wish all our dancers and their families a prosperous New Year and another year of fun and fellowship in square dancing.

PLUS FOX

Stephen and Marie Bigelow 904-771-7249

Happy New Year everybody, Hope Penny Waller are taking over as to see you on Wednesday nights at Treasurers.
Plus Fox. We love to have visitors.

Don't forget, we have squares and rounds from 7:30 - 9:30 PM.

On January 7, 2004, we will be having a "Welcome" to 2004 and our 18th Anniversary Dance. Please come help us celebrate!
Stephen & Marie Bigelow are keeping the presidency; Jack Carrouthers is going to be the club representative; Macie Jackson is keeping Banner Chair; and Larry &

Air Talk!

A student became lost during a solo cross-country flight. While attempting to locate the aircraft on radar, ATC asked, "What was your last known position?"

Student: "When I was number one for takeoff".

Seabreeze Singles Square Dance Club



Caller: *Jim Cosman*



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Club.....8:30 - 10:00 PM

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Shirley White 388-1463

LIFE IS A MIRACLE

(Submitted by Jettie Crowe)

Life is a miracle, don't let it slip away.

Open your heart to others, give of yourself each day.

See the beauty in everyone regardless of where they've been,

Some have had a difficult journey and really need a friend.

Share your gifts and talents, listen with your heart.

Do the things you dream about, but never have time to start.

Pick a bouquet of flowers, show someone that you care.

Be gracious and forgiving, life is never fair.

Hold onto your courage -- you may need it down the road.

We all have a cross to bear and it could be a heavy load.

If you practice all these things no matter where you roam,

You may find both sun and rain, BUT you'll never feel ALONE!

Notes For The Milk Man:

"My daughter says she wants a milkshake. Do you do it before you deliver or do I have to shake the bottle."

RIVER RAMBLERS

Cecilia Hodges 692-2136

Well, as predicted, our Halloween dance was a bug success. We had everything from a pair of escaped convicts to an arranged marriage. We even had a couple of gunslingers drop by. An aged and worn out Batman on a walker, a fat and flabby Robin, and Cat Woman using a cane came to visit from the Mandarin Marauders. Of course, they brought their nurse to take care of them. I hope they enjoyed themselves as much as we enjoyed having them. Dovie McDonald won most original for her clown outfit. Way to go Dovie!

Some of the club went to the 50th O'Leno Hoedown. Like always, the Square Wheels did a fine job. As an eight time visitor, I can say with certainty it was as good or better than years past. It's really nice to be able to enjoy a holiday with good dancing and better friends. Bob Poyner's and Bill Chesnut's calling was of the same fine quality as always. They both will be there next year, so let's all make plans to go. I know I will be there.

November 13th was our 50's night. Haven't seen so many poodle skirts and black & white saddle oxford shoes since I was in high school. Everyone looked like the teenagers we all once were. Thanks our hosts and hostesses, Rick & Janelle Larkley, along with Dovie & Buck McDonald, for the decorations. It made us feel young again.

We had a large group attend the 50th Fall Festival, better known as New York, New York, on November 14th and 15th. In the past 30 years of dancing, I have never seen so much work put into making an event so original. It was easy to see how much planning went into the entire festival. The food was out of this world and just kept on coming. Thanks so much to all of the committees for a fun filled weekend.

November 20th was our recycle night and on November 28th we marched in Palatka's 150th Christmas

Parade. Our ambitious group decided to make a River Boat out of a trailer. With a lot of planning and replanning and hard work (mostly fun), we pulled it together. It rained so hard we got wet just getting in the car. However, the rain stopped and we got to do our thing. It was so much fun seeing all the children's eyes light up when they saw us dance. Well, guess what we won first place!

Jean Lee is conducting a workshop each Tuesday evening from 7:00 to 9:00 PM at Gateway Elementary School here in Palatka. The first hour is concentrated on Mainstream, followed by a review of Plus. If you think we can help, or if you would just like to visit, come and join us.

Once a year we present dangles to all those who went on five or more banner raids. We have a large group this year and hope to see it grow next year. They are: (Five +) Bob & Ruth Izzard, J.W. & Margaret Edlin and Jeff & Cecilia Hodges; (10+) Joy Mullis, Jay & Gloria Seifert; (15+) Shirley Rollison and Clayton Harrison; (20+) Jim & Audrey Phinney; (25+) Dick & Jean Lee and Tom & Jean Moore.

We had our Thanksgiving dance Thursday, November 20th. Our hosts and hostesses for the evening were Jeff & Cecilia Hodges, along with David Nye and Juanita Treadwell. Thanks to all of you for the lovely decorations, making us all feel like it was really Thanksgiving.

A good group also attended the Beginner Hoedown on December 6th. This dance is always fun and gives us a chance to support the new dancers.

The River Ramblers wish everyone a very Happy New Year. We also invite you all to come on down, or up, as the case may be, and let one of the best callers around, Ernie Rollen, entertain you. That's all for this year -- see you in 2004. Have fun and be safe.

RIVER RAMBLERS (Cont'd)



What do you mean "you don't want to git hitched?"



Who does this "clown" think she is?

They call me a clown? Look who's wearing the "striped suits."



ROLLAWAYS

Ruth Harper and Ed Johnson 744-3452

The flag on the good ship Rollaways flew at half mast on November 28th to mourn the passing of our "Love Boat" captain, John Garrett. Our annual Valentines Day dances were themed in the spirit of the popular television sitcom, "Love Boat," and we will all miss having the tall, lean skipper in his jaunty cap at the helm. John was a loyal Rollaway since 1995. Always out there dancing and helping students, always ready to volunteer whenever and however he could, John will remain in our memories as the personification of Friendship Set to Music.

We were dark on November 11th as our dance facility, Sandalwood High School, closed in honor of the Veterans Day holiday. So we had no chance to salute our dancers who served in the

armed forces. We'd like to include an honor roll here but since Jacksonville is a Navy town the list would be too long for inclusion. So all you former swabbies, dogfaces and grunts stand up and take a bow! We Rollies are proud to be dancing in the company of heroes!!

But let's get down to serious business, our Dangles Dance on November 18. Dangles are great little things because they represent special moments in every dancer's personal square dance history. Not quite as important as club badges, which represent commitment and loyalty, but more important probably as reminders of how great our activity is. Anyway after much counting and recounting of dangles (we Floridians do better with

ROLLAWAYS (Cont'd)

chads) the Rollies sounded trumpets and crowned a Dangles Dame - actually, a Queen, Kathy McKinney. Not to be outdone for bragging rights, her hubby, Jack, ascended the throne as Dangle King! When not busy collecting dangles, the McKinneys do a ton of collecting as Florida Federation Treasurers.

A couple of other Rollaways excelled at the November 14th and 15th Northeast Florida Square And Round Dance Association's Fall Festival. Harvey and Marylou Morton, our club Treasurers, produced and performed the hilarious "New York, New York" after-party skit. Marylou and Harvey play a double role for the Rollies, also serving as our Activities Directors, and they've just announced some special dances

coming up soon: the annual (it takes a year to recover from it) Hot, Hot, Hot Chili Cook-Off, January 12th; a Sadie Hawkins Dance, February 24th (careful, guys, it's Leap Year!) and a March 16th Green Eggs And Ham Dance (no, it's not moldy grub, it's IRISH!)

We tried to talk them into having a Mardi Gras dance but their wiser heads prevailed. It didn't seem culinarily correct (or safe) to hold a store-it-up Fat Tuesday feed inbetween all that sizzling chili and green ham and eggs. But y'all come to our hungry-man hoedowns in January and February and our caller Ken Miller will burn them extra calories off ya fer sure!

SEABREEZE SINGLES

Jackie Hamlin 731-9181

Our Oktoberfest/Halloween dance was a big success. We had 67 dancers and two spectators enjoying sausage, sauerkraut,, beer (root), and delicious desserts. We thank everyone who participated in this fun evening. We'll plan another next year, so look for a date in October 2004.

Our Adopt-a-Highway clean up is going well. We have been assigned a section of Beach Boulevard close to Wal Mart.

We all had fun at the Fall Festival. Thanks to Jerry and Smitty for making and delivering the Coney Island hot dog stand. Also, thanks to the Burzo's for organizing a great dance.

December was a very busy month. December 5th was the Mayor's party for seniors at Prime Osborne Center; our Christmas covered dish dance was on the 16th; and on December 21st we enjoyed a wonderful afternoon at Diane Stewart's home in Georgia. We ate, exchanged gifts, and enjoyed some

Christmas music.

Don't forget the 13th annual Fuzzy Navel dance sponsored by the Florida and Georgia singles associations on March 19th and 20th in Jekyll Island. You don't have to be single to attend and enjoy the great calling of Joe Fioretti and cueing of Jimmy and Carol Griffin.

Our Annual Charity Dance to benefit the City Rescue Mission will be held Saturday, April 3rd at Jax Heights Elementary School. Please support this worthy cause. Our chairpersons this year will be Linda Allen, Janette Sparrow, and Betty Smith, so look for them soon--they will be out there selling admissions.

Please keep in your prayers are Seabreeze who are "sick" -- Maddy Chitko is recovering from an injury to her leg during a fall; Betty French is recovering from a heart procedure.

We hope everyone had a safe and happy holiday season!

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SILVER FOX SQUARES

Manuel & Lillie Irizarry 266-1083

Happy New Year! We hope your Christmas was peaceful and your New Year bright. We would like to thank all who donated canned goods during November for our food drive and toys during December for our Toys for Tots drive. We really appreciate all of your generosity.

We would like to announce our new officers for 2004. Our President is Dave & Janet Britton, Vice President Larry & Brenda Brown, Treasurer Cliff & Margie

Elliott and Secretary Gary & Berni Murphy. Thank you and congratulations to all.

As you may know, January is our Annual Circus Dance, which benefits Dreams Come True. We hope that you will attend and bring a friend to support such a worthy cause. Let's make this a banner year with the highest attendance and largest contribution ever.

SQUARE WHEELS

Martha Zimmerman 352-336-5311

WOW! Another O'Leno Hoedown is in the books. It was a really great weekend. Mother Nature did her best for us on our 50th Annual event. The food was the best ever and so was the attendance. The final report should be very good. We had somewhere between 23 and 25 squares, including Square Wheels. Everyone pitched in and made the weekend special and successful. A meeting of our club was held Saturday morning after breakfast and it was voted to continue the weekend, but with a little different format for duties. The dates for the 2004 O'Leno Hoedown are November 5th-7th. The entire calling, cueing and contra staff have agreed to be back next year. A HUGE THANK YOU from Bill and Mary to all who came and worked -- it couldn't have been done without you. And, of course, a HUGE THANK YOU from Bill and Mary and all the Square Wheels to everyone who came and enjoyed the weekend!

O'Leno weekend also brought two new members to the Square Wheels -- Welcome to **Tom & Pat Herscha**

from Middleburg!

The Square Wheels enjoyed their annual Christmas Party in Gainesville on December 20th. This is a casual affair we all look forward to. The club provided the meat and everyone brought a covered dish -- what delicious food, and plenty of it. We had great fun during our gift swap extravaganza. A large stuffed bear was the highlight this year -- almost everyone claimed him (or her) at one point during the evening. In the end, the Holiday Bear went to a loving home!

Our next campout will be January 16th-18th at Lake Oklawaha RV Resort in Ft. McCoy, FL. Hope you can join us there. Look for our 2004 schedule in the Calendar of Events in The Grapevine.

Marian Whiting and Jo McCann were both at the Christmas party, but we ask your continued prayers for their continued recovery.

The Square Wheels hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and we send our Best wishes for a Healthy and Happy New Year!

Notes For The Milk Man:

"Please send me a form for cheap milk, for I have a baby two months old and did not know about it until a neighbor told me."

TEDDY BEARS

Jack & Kathy McKinney 249-3224

Have you heard the expression... Short and Sweet?" Well, that was how our Christmas Dinner Dance on December 13th was...Very, Very sweet with all the goodies to eat, the beautiful decorations, and most of all the great fellowship...but unfortunately short because of a tragedy in Ann's family. A family member was in a serious accident and they had to close early. We all pray for a speedy recovery for the family member. And we pray for all those who were ill and unable to be with us!

We appreciated John Loveland coming to our dance to crown our King and Queen of Dangles...however, we were not prepared, and promise to do a better job in January. Sorry, John. I am sure some of the Teddy Bears

have some golden oldie dangles that will impress a lot of the newer dancers!

The Teddy Bears have had to cancel several dances lately due to a Federation meeting and the holidays. We are looking forward to starting the New Year out on January 10th with a Bang-Dangle Dance! Ha!

In February we are planning a Valentine's Day Dance -- watch for more information.

Let's all keep John Lawrence in our prayers as he undergoes surgery on December 30th.

Hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas. All the Teddy Bears send best wishes to everyone for a Happy, Healthy New Year!

YELLOW ROCKERS PLUS

Yellow Rockers Reporter 389-3349

"We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

Can you believe it?! Another year gone! Am I getting older or what?

Thank goodness I'm back on my feet and able to keep Lawton straight at the Yellow Rocker dances. Maxine was so great to take my place for the six weeks I was out (she even told some jokes) and I truly appreciate her for that -- and for all the years she has been so willing to do whatever needed to be done. Thanks also to the sweet ladies who stepped right in and helped with the coffee, snacks and clean-up. It just shows again the spirit of our square dancers.

What a turn out for our Thanksgiving Dinner Dance! Seven squares helped empty all those wonderful dishes brought by these good cooks. It was a great time of fellowship, too. The holidays are so enjoyable as we get together with one another.

Our Christmas dance was held on December 15th. We had collected nonperishables for the Lutheran Social Services during November and December, and the Yellow Rockers were very generous in their help.

If you get The Grapevine before the 29th, we will be dancing on **Monday, December 29th!** Please join us!

Our King and Queen of Dangles were **Billy Luper and Maxine Thomas**. We appreciated John Loveland, who began this contest, for coming, bringing the red carpet and crowning our King and Queen. It will be interesting to see who will be the final King and Queen at the 5th Saturday dance in January.

Blessings to all who have danced with us through the years and who have become our friends through Square Dancing.

May the love, joy and peace that only He can bring, be yours at Christmas and always.

DID YOU KNOW?

(Speaking English can drive you verbally insane!)

Let's face it -- English is a crazy language.

There is no egg in eggplant, nor ham in hamburger; neither apple nor pine in pineapple. English muffins weren't invented in England or French Fries in France. Sweet-meats are candies while sweetbreads, which aren't sweet, are meat.

We take English for granted, but if we explore its paradoxes, we find that quicksand can work slowly, boxing rings are square, and a guinea pig is neither from Guinea nor is it a pig!

Doesn't it seem crazy that you can make amends but not one amend; that you comb through annals of history, but not a single annal? If you have a bunch of odds and ends and get rid of all but one of them, what do you call it?

Sometimes I think all the English speakers should be committed to an asylum for the verbally insane. In what language do people recite at a play and play at a recital? Ship by truck and send cargo by ship? Have noses that run and feet that smell? Park on driveways and drive on parkways?

How can a slim chance and a fat chance be the same, while a wise man and a wise guy are opposites? How can overlook and oversee be opposites, while quite a lot and quite a few are alike?

Have you noticed that we talk about certain things only when they are absent? Have you ever seen a horseful carriage or a strapful gown? Met a sung hero or experienced requited love? Have you ever run into someone who was combobulated, grunted, ruly or peccable?

You have to marvel at the unique lunacy of a language in which your house can burn up as it burns down, in which you fill in a form by filling it out and in which an alarm goes off by going on.

English was invented by people, not computers, and it reflects the creativity of the human race (which, of course, isn't a race at all). That is why, when the stars are out, they are visible, but when the lights are out, they are invisible. And why, when I wind up my watch, I start it, but when I wind up this essay, I end it?

Received via internet from Dale Fredrickson.



HAPPY NEW YEAR

May you always have enough . . .

Happiness to keep you sweet,

Trials to keep you strong,

Sorrows to keep you human,

Hope to keep you happy,

Failure to keep you humble,

Success to make you eager,

Friends to give you comfort,

Wealth to meet your needs,

Enthusiasm to look for tomorrow,

Faith to banish depression,

Determination to make each day better than the day before,
Laughter, Smiles and Friendship to make your dancing happy!



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If you are traveling throughout Florida, you can still find a dance somewhere.

Happy Dancing

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NEFSARDA DELEGATES MEETING

November 9, 2003

Meeting called to order and President led delegation in prayer and pledge to the flag. President welcomed guests and new delegates.

Minutes of last delegates meeting accepted as written.

Treasurers Report accepted as presented. Report filed for audit.

Committee Reports

Bylaws: Problem of Delegates at Large to be taken up at January meeting.

Fifth Saturday Dance: January dance to be hosted by Yellow Rockers + and Fun 'N Frolic at Jax Heights School. Suggestion made to include a map to dance locations in The Grapevine. Going west on 103 Rd. from I 295, turn left onto Hillman Dr. Go to Tempest Dr (should be third street) and turn left to rear of school.

Club Visitation: Visitation cards to be in by end of November.

Dance Couple of the Year: Two nominations presented this year. Award to be presented at Fall Festival.

Education: Delegates asked to sign a pool if their club will support a NEFSARDA sponsored beginners class

Fall Festival: Everything on track. Ads are up; directory names up. Hot dogs for sale until 8 PM.

Grapevine: Deadline for next issue, December 10th. Change made to Letters To The Editor - names **will no longer be withheld on request.**

Historian: No report

Hospice Dance: No report.

Insurance: New Chairman, Shirley & Dave Nihart. Fees increased to \$3.75. All new club members will need to pay for rest of the year.

Publicity: Business cards presented that are to be used for business that advertised in Festival Book.

SOS: No report.

Showcase Of Ideas: No Report.

State Convention: Angel pin sales up as well as Christmas Angel pins and candy sales. Still have Entertainment books available. Garage sale was good. Cookbook still in the works. Kick off practice will be in March.

Florida Federation: No report.

USDA: No report.

Gateway Callers: Time correction for Beginners Hoedown.

Rural Callers: No report.

Old Business: Nominees for new Executive Board presented. Each office presented separately. New officers are (President to Treasurer) Bud & Anita Taylor; Lovale Smith & Shirley White; Tom Tramel & Ouida Taylor; John & Mary Burzo; and Bob & Jane Raymond.

New Business: New Board introduced.

Next meeting - January 11, 2004
Meeting Adjourned.



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WINTER WONDERLAND

Planning For The Future!!!

CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

JANUARY 2004

2,3,&4. Pacetti's Cmp Grnd/Marina	Gypsy Squares
05.... Bean Dance.....	Yellow Rockers+
06.... International (Around the World) Dinner Dance.....	Mandarin Marauders
07.... Anniversary Dance (18th)	Plus Fox
10.... Dangle dance (who's the Queen & King?).....	Teddy Bears
11.... Delegates Meeting.....	NEFSARDA
12.... Hot, Hot, Hot Chili Cookoff.....	Rollaways
13.... Resolution Dance	Grand Squares
15.... Mexican Theme Dance.....	River Ramblers
16.... Chinese New Year Dance.....(Bring Chop Sticks)....	Flagler Ocean Waves
16-18.. Lake Oklawaha RV Resort - Ft McCoy.....	Square Wheels
20.... Chili Night	Dixie Dancers
20.... Blast From The Past Dance (50's - 60's)	Mandarin Marauders
23-25. Florida Sunshine Festival	Lakeland
30.... Annual Circus Dance....(Dreams Come True Benefit)	Silver Fox
31.... 5th Saturday Dance	NEFSARDA

FEBRUARY 2004

6,7 & 8. Lake Oklawaha RV Resort, Ft McCoy	Gypsy Squares
10.... Sweetheart/Valentine Dance.....	Mandarin Marauders
11.... Thomas Edison Dance.....	Plus Fox
12.... President's Ball.....	Moose Promenaders
12.... Valentine's Day Dance.....	River Ramblers
13.... Sweet Hearts Dance	Flagler Ocean Waves
13.... Valentine Dance	Silver Fox
13-14. Jekyll Island Ball	Jekyll Island, GA
13-15.. Kelly's Camp Gnd..Lake City	Square Wheels
13.... Trail's End Dance.....	Square Wheels
14.... Annual Blue-Grey Dance.....	Dixie Dancers
14.... Valentine Dance	Teddy Bears
16.... Presidents Day/Valentine Dance	Yellow Rockers+
17.... Mardi Gras Dance	Mandarin Marauders
24.... Mardi Gras Dance.....	Dixie Dancers
24.... Sadie Hawkins Dance.....	Rollaways
29-29. Florida Federation Working Weekend.....	Lakeland

MARCH 2004

02.... Crazy Hats Dance.....	Mandarin Marauders
05.... Strawberry Social	River Ramblers
5,6 & 7. Lake Oklawaha RV Resort, Ft McCoy	Gypsy Squares
12.... Spring Fling	Silver Fox
12.... St Patrick's Day Dance	River Ramblers
12-13. Shamrock Swing.....CFSARDA	Kissimmee
14.... Delegates Meeting.....	NEFSARDA
15.... Wearin' of The Green Dance.....	Yellow Rockers+
16.... Shamrock Dance (wear green).....	Mandarin Marauders
16.... Green Eggs & Ham Dance	Rollaways
17.... St Patrick's Day Dance.....	Plus Fox

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CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

MARCH 2004 (Cont'd)

19-20. Fuzzy Navel Dance	Jekyll Island, GA
19-21.. Okefenokee-Folkston/Homeland, GA	Square Wheels
21.... Shriner's Kids Benefit Dance.....	River Ramblers
29.... 5th Monday Dance	Fun 'N Frolics
29.... 5th Monday - Irish Stew Dance	Yellow Rockers+

APRIL 2004

01.... Anniversary Dance (6th)	River Ramblers
2,3 & 4. Suwannee Valley CmpGrnd, White Springs	Gypsy Squares
03.... Annual Charity Dance ... (Jax Heights Elem Sch).....	Seabreeze Singles
14.... April Showers & Flowers Dance	Plus Fox
05.... April Irish Dance.....	Yellow Rockers+
13.... Class Graduation	Mandarin Marauders
15.... Anniversary (14th) /Graduation Dance.....	Moose Promenaders
16-18.. Three Flags - Wildwood.....	Square Wheels
27.... Anniversary Dance (19th)	Mandarin Marauders
30.... Ice Cream Social.....	River Ramblers

MAY 2004

01.... Annual Hospice Dance	NEFSARDA
04.... Cinco de Mayo & Taco Dance.....	Mandarin Marauders
7,8 & 9. Ocala Ranch RV Park	Gypsy Squares
07.... Class Graduation Dance	River Ramblers
12.... Honor Our Mothers Dance.....	Plus Fox
13.... Pirates Ball.....	Moose Promenaders
14.... ShaNaNa (Ernie's 4th Anniversary)	Silver Fox
21-23.. Encore RV Park, Reddick, FL	Square Wheels
28-30. 50th Florida State Convention.....	Lakeland
30.... Florida Federation Meeting	Lakeland

JUNE 2004

04.... Anniversary Dance (19th)	Silver Fox
4,5 & 6. Olde Mill Stream, Umatilla	Gypsy Squares
17.... Ice Cream Social.....	Moose Promenades
21.... Ice Cream & Cake Dance	Yellow Rockers+
23.... Honor Our Fathers Dance	Plus Fox

JULY 2004

2,3 & 4. Ocala Ranch RV Park	Gypsy Square
07.... Bless The USA/Ice Cream Social Dance	Plus Fox
19.... Around The World in 80 Days Dance	Yellow Rockers+
23-25. Encore RV Park, Reddick.....	Square Wheels
29.... Pink Cadillac Dance.....	Moose Promenaders
30.... 5th Friday Dance - All Singing Calls	Silver Fox
31.... 5th Saturday Dance.....	NEFSARDA

AUGUST 2004

6,7 & 8. Encore RV CmpGrnd, Ocala	Gypsy Squares
11.... School Supplies Dance	Plus Fox
13.... Black Cat Dance	Silver Fox
20-22. Ocala RanchRV Park.....	Square Wheel
30.... 5th Monday - Salad Night & Dance	Yellow Rockers+

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CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 2004

02....	Open House	Moose Promenaders
2-5...	34th Nat'l Singles Dance-A-Rama.....	Atlanta, GA
03....	Sports Night - Classes Start.....	Silver Fox
3,4 & 5.	Recreation Plantation, Lady Lake	Gypsy Squares
08....	Labor Day/Watermelon Party	Plus Fox
13....	Anniversary Dance (13th)	Yellow Rockers+
17-19.	Pacetti's Marina, SR 13.....	Square Wheels
18....	Anniversary Dance (23rd)	Square Wheels

OCTOBER 2004

1,2 & 3.	Olde Mill Stream, Umatilla.....	Gypsy Squares
22-24	State Camp-O-Ree, Okeechobee	Square Wheels
25....	Pumpkin/Scarecrow Dance	Yellow Rockers+
27....	Costume Party Dance.....	Plus Fox
28....	Halloween Dance	Moose Promenaders
29....	5th Friday Costume Dance	Silver Fox
30....	5th Saturday Dance	NEFSARDA

NOVEMBER 2004

1-30.	Food Drive All Month	Silver Fox
5-7...	Lake Okalawaha RV Resort, Ft McCoy.....	Gypsy Squares
5-7...	51st O'Leno Hoedown	Square Wheels
17....	We Are Thankful Dance.....	Plus Fox
19-20.	Fall Festival.....	NEFSARDA
22....	Thanksgiving Dinner Dance.....	Yellow Rockers+
29....	5th Monday - All Singing Calls.....	Yellow Rockers+

DECEMBER 2004

3,4 & 5.	Ocala RV Park	Gypsy Squares
10....	Christmas Dance - Toys For Tots.....	Silver Fox
13....	Winter Wonderland Christmas Dance	Yellow Rockers+
15....	Christmas Dinner Dance.....	Plus Fox
16....	Christmas Dinner Dance.....	Moose Promenaders

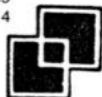
***** When planning for your special dances - - plan ahead and check this Calendar Of Events, AND call the Grapevine editors at (904)683-3512 for the most current information, in order to avoid conflicting dates. Thanks!!—N E F S A R D A.**

We would like to publish all club's special/theme dances. HOWEVER - if we don't receive a listing, we don't know what to print!! Get your 2004 schedules to us as soon as possible! - The Editors.

You are what you have learned in the past, what you experienced today, and what you dream for tomorrow.

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