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but while we are here we might as well dance!**

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# President's Message

with Ouida Taylor & Thomas Tramel



Wow! I don't know where the time goes. I can't believe another year has come and gone. That's what happens when you are having fun and the Northeast always seems to stay busy and have fun at the same time.

On September 30<sup>th</sup> about 400 dancers, some retired and others still active, were treated to a fun afternoon of dancing to celebrate NEFSARDA'S 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Retired callers kept the squares busy while Lisa Wall did a fantastic job cueing rounds. While the floor was always full, other dancers enjoyed socializing. It was great to see friends we had not seen for a long time. Many people had a hand in making this a successful dance starting with the General Chairmen, Jack and Kathy McKinney. They chose their committees well and everything went very smoothly. The room was decorated beautifully, the door prizes were very nice and plentiful, and Susan and Mark did a fantastic job taking pictures of the past presidents, board members, etc. The history booklet was very informative. There was plenty of delicious food and it was served in a very organized manner. It was wonderful to see everyone working as if they had rehearsed their parts. Thanks Jack and Kathy, and everyone who had a part in planning the dance, for a job well done. It was truly a "Blast from the Past."

The Northeast has many dedicated workers and that was evident during the Fall Festival. Shirley White and Smitty Smith, and their committees,

did a super job planning this event for our dancing pleasure. The theme for the dance was "Viva Las Vegas" and it was very colorful. Again, the decorations were outstanding. Lottie Ainsworth, the guest caller, Curt and Tammy Worlock, the guest cuers kept the floor full of happy dancers. Charlie Pergrossi, the emcee for the evening, was instrumental in keeping everyone on schedule and the dance running smoothly. Good job Charlie! Also, many people donated items for the silent auction and/or door prizes. We certainly can't forget the kitchen helpers for the job they did and the dancers who provided the food. Frank and Barbara Meyer worked diligently preparing and serving food again this year. The list of helpers is too long to mention each name individually but please allow me to say a big "THANK YOU" to each of you. The Fall Festival would not have been a success without you. And last but not least, as the saying goes, dancers, without you, all the plans would have been in vain. Thanks for attending the dance.

January starts with the same officers as last year. They are as follows: Ouida Taylor/Thomas Tramel, President; Erv and Jan Oermann, Vice President; Tom and Pat Herscha, Treasurer, Mary and Sam Starling, recording secretary, Frank and Barbara Meyer, corresponding secretary and Bud and Anita Taylor Immediate Past Present.

Respectfully submitted  
Ouida Taylor & Thomas Tramel



# From the Editors' Desk...



## IT'S NOT TOO EARLY!

During the 2007 Fall Festival the Northeast honored individuals who unselfishly offer their time and talents to the square and round dance community. Unfortunately, we weren't able to recognize ALL the people worthy of this recognition. You know who they are; those names that we keep hearing over and over again. This is one time we want to hear their names again! You can never say "Thank you; we appreciate you." too many times. These are people that without whom our clubs or Association wouldn't exist.

It's not too early to begin thinking of who you would like to nominate for the **Dance Couple of the Year 2008**, or recognize with a **Circle of Service Award**. A bit of information is needed to nominate your candidate. If you aren't sure of the criteria for nominating deserving dancers, contact any of the NEFSARDA board members or Dave & Shirley Nihart for the details. Start thinking now and begin gathering the necessary information so you won't miss the deadline in 2008. Lastly, remember these awards are a surprise presented at the Fall Festival each November, so gather your information surreptitiously.

Have you danced through your favor-

ite dancing slippers yet? Let's hope not as we have lots more special events and festivals coming up! It's an honor to attend the Anniversary Dances of our clubs. It takes many hard-working volunteers to keep a club up and running. Those folks who bring refreshments, open the doors, help sweep the floors and offer their time to serve as officers are key in a club staying afloat. Their Anniversary Dance is a special time to celebrate with them.

Giving back to the community is a service dancers have believed in for so long. You can participate by attending any or all of the Benefit Dances being organized by Northeast clubs. The Silver Fox have their Circus Dance for Dreams Come True and the River Ramblers will host their annual dance for the Shriners' Children's Hospital. The Seabreeze Singles host their annual dance for the City Rescue of Jacksonville, and the Plus Fox are hosting a Cancer Research Dance. In July RCA & GCA, our caller associations, host their annual Christmas in July dance. Check the Calendar of Events for more details.

We hope to see you at any of these fantastic events.

Sarah & Charlie, editors



"Appreciation is a free gift that you can give to anyone you encounter - it is completely your choice. And each time you choose to thank someone for a job well done, you are making the world a better place."

This is a beautiful quote can be found in a book titled: *The Simple Truths of Appreciation...How each of us can choose to make a difference.* It was written by Barbara Glanz.



## 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. Names will be withheld upon request)

Sarah & Charlie,  
We are the Minnesota Rolla-  
ways. Thank you for the updates on the  
members of the Florida community of  
square dancers. We were not able to  
come to Florida this past February and  
March and the 2008 visit is still to be  
decided, but we do want to hear about  
our Florida friends. We enjoy the Grape-  
vine as well.

Ted and Dorothy Dornfeld

Dear Sarah,  
You are doing a great job keeping all  
informed. Unfortunately I can no longer  
dance.

Margie Elliott

Dear Sarah & Charlie,  
Thanks for keeping me up with what's  
going on in the Northeast through the  
Grapevine and the emails. I do miss  
seeing and dancing with everyone. Tell  
everyone I said hello. I'll be living and  
working out of town for a while longer.  
Have you heard the news? Norm asked  
me to marry him and I said yes! We've  
not set a date yet, but it will be in the  
near future.

Yellow Rocks,  
Jenell Hall

Dear Editor,  
After reading Caller's Corner, by Gary  
Murphy, in the October, 2007 issue, we  
would like to make some comments.  
We graduated from Mainstream Class  
in 1994. At that time most clubs were  
Mainstream and Plus levels. They alter-  
nated tips. We realized we would only  
dance every other tip so we immediately

went into Plus lessons. We did NOT  
want to miss a tip. After graduating from  
Plus lessons, we realized most clubs  
were becoming Plus Clubs. Boy were we  
lucky...we already knew Plus! However,  
we had just brought our friends into  
square dancing and they wanted to  
travel together with us to all the dances  
we went to. Problem....they were lim-  
ited...we were not! They started backing  
off asking to go to dances with us, be-  
cause they thought they were holding  
us back. We felt just the opposite...we  
did not have nearly as much fun without  
our friends! They still needed several  
weeks of Plus lessons to keep up with  
us. We asked them to come to the State  
Convention with us. There was a Main-  
stream and a Plus Hall. They could  
come with us...but had to split up at the  
convention. They were very tentative  
about that. We promised we would  
dance all tips in the Mainstream Hall.  
They felt bad...what they didn't realize  
was that we had soooooo much  
more FUN dancing in the Mainstream  
Hall with them and other new dancers  
who were excited about being at most  
likely their first convention! When we  
became delegates to the Florida Fed-  
eration, we went to a breakout meeting  
called "Preservation of Square Danc-  
ing". We heard about the American Call-  
ers' Association and their advocate of  
"one floor dancing". We thought...  
WOW...someone with common sense!  
When you divided people into groups of  
higher and lower levels, you are AL-  
WAYS disappointing someone. After 15  
years of dancing we still have more FUN  
dancing with new dancers. Having gone

straight from Mainstream to Plus to Advanced dancing, we feel the levels are not harder (once you have memorized the calls) there are just MORE STEPS! We feel if we had one floor dancing we would include everyone at all dances! Yeah, to Gary Murphy for pointing this out!

Jack & Kathy McKinney

Sarah & Charlie:

WOW!! WHAT A GREAT ISSUE OF THE GRAPEVINE! It was the very BEST issue of The Grapevine we've read.....makes us realize that, Yes, we did the right thing when we resigned as Editors back in January 2006! We are very sure that The Grapevine will be #1 in the Nation before long! Congratulations on your very first issue!!

Love & Prayers,  
Charlie & Val

Dear Friends,  
Another **GREAT** job done. But I would expect nothing less from such **GREAT** editors! Thank you for all your hard work.

Linda Tester

Hello

Just want to say we really, really like what you have done with the Grapevine. This issue has out done the

last issue and that was pretty hard to do. It is fun and easy to read. You guys are the best! Thanks to you for a job not well done, but exceptionally well done!

Helen and Ed Williams

Hi Sarah,

You have done another terrific job on the Grapevine, my copy just arrived today. Because Margaret and I will not be dancing until her feet can take it, I think it is best for the Grapevine and all dancers if another person assumes the roll I presently have. Contact with dancers is a vital part of the food section, and I am not filling that capacity. Thanks for the opportunity you gave me these past two editions of Grapevine.

Keith Myers

**EDITOR'S NOTES:** Anyone interested in serving as our Food Editor? Thank you Keith for compiling such delicious recipes for us to enjoy.

You will see that Maxine Thomas and Billy Luper are now writing the Line Dance column, "Stepping Out With Maxine & Billy". While we warmly welcome them to *The Grapevine*, we also extend a sincere thank you to Pat & Joe Seelhofer for their contributions in past issues.

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The 2008 Fashion Show for the Florida Square Dance Convention intends to honor our outstanding workers in our hobby. Please consider your club, how it functions, and if you have a person or couple to recommend, we'd like to know it. We will invite them to participate in our *Celebration*. We would like one ‘Celebrant’ from each club, so let us know who they are. They do not have to wear a ‘fancy’ outfit, just be willing to walk around and get their due recognition!

We can be contacted by snail-mail at: 15 Matricaria Ct., Homosassa, FL 34446 or e-mail: [flspence@earthlink.net](mailto:flspence@earthlink.net) or by phoning: (352) 382-0336. Be sure to add the subject line saying “54th Fashion Show”, if e-mailing us.

We need their name(s), address, telephone, e-mail, club affiliations and a brief summary of the reason for your nominations for this “celebrity” position in the fashion show.

Thank you in advance for your effort in supporting this theme in our **2008 Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention**.

Squarely yours, Bob & Maria Spence  
Fashion Show Coordinators - 2008

## *Viva Las Vegas 2007*

The Fall Festival has come and gone. It was a great affair and we have heard many positive comments. The dancers had a good time and are already looking forward to next year's Festival. The Festival Committee are special people — they give freely of themselves so the dancers can enjoy that special weekend every year. Please make a special effort to thank each of them when you dance in their square.

To Shirley and Smitty and their entire committee, we say “THANKS FOR A GREAT WEEKEND!”

If you are asked to help on next year's Festival, please say “yes”. Better yet, why not volunteer to help Martha & Joe Harcastle and their committee as they plan for our 55th Fall Festival ALOHA! to be held November 21-22, 2008.

*Sarah & Charlie*

# CALLER'S CORNER



By Gary Murphy

With the passage of another year (where do they all go?) I guess it's a good time to clean up some odds and ends.

First, I'd like to thank everyone who's taken the time to comment on my last column about one floor dancing. I'm surprised by the number of dancers who also feel that this approach just might help stem the erosion of dancers from our activity. (For a deeper discussion on the idea, check out the article by Pat Demereth in the December issue of American Squares.) As I said last time, though, if it's going to work, it has to be enthusiastically supported by callers and dancers alike.

The future of calling in Northeast Florida continues to look bright. Our newest callers Robert Padgett and Mark Fetzter both attended the Florida Caller's Associations' Fall Clinic in Lakeland. The clinic was taught by Ken Ritucci, and both Mark and Robert excelled and progressed under his coaching. Mark also joined Robert as an associate member of the FCA and will soon be proudly wearing his FCA badge. Both of them also signed up for Ken's upcoming Caller's College, so we expect great things from them soon! (SHHHH...it's a secret...don't tell anyone, but Robert Padgett will be calling his first actual dance on Wednesday January 16 for the Plus Fox...I'd make a bigger deal of it, but I don't want him to get too nervous.)

Speaking of caller's associations, the Gateway Caller's association recently met and reelected the same officers for 2008. They are: President Ernie Rollen, Secretary Gary Murphy, and Treasurer John Robbins. The GCA also welcomed Ken Perez back as a full member and added Robert Padgett and Skip Cleland as full members.

The GCA also wants to thank everyone for their OUTSTANDING support at the New Dancer's Hoedown on December 1st. Without a doubt, that was one of the biggest and best new dancer dances we've held in years, and we couldn't have done it without YOUR support. Also, I'd like to thank all the callers who showed up to make it such a special night: Ernie Rollen, Lawton Smith, Charlie Pergrossi, Robert Padgett, Ken Miller, Ken Perez, John Robbins, Bill Chesnut, Gary Murphy and, of course, Lisa Wall on the Rounds and Donna Robbins on the lines. Don't forget the Sophomore Hop coming up on February 2nd and the New Graduates Ball on May 4th. We can't do it without you!

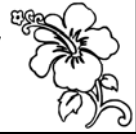
And before I forget, a giant CONGRATULATIONS to the GCA's Lisa Wall on her recent election as President of the Round Dance Council of Florida. Lisa has done so much to promote round dancing in Northeast Florida...now she has the chance to do it for the entire State!

As the holidays come to a close and we all get back to the grind, both Berni and I wish each and every one of you the happiest new year, and we'll see you across the square!

*Thank you for your support, time, talents and enthusiasm. The Viva Las Vegas Fall Festival 2007 was a success and it's due to you! Our committee chairs were wonderful and the support of dancers from across the region and state is much appreciated.*



*We'll look for you at Fall Festival 2008—Aloha!*



*Shirley White and Smitty Smith*

*Please wear your name badge whenever appropriate. This way you are not a “stranger” to others, only a “friend” they haven’t met.*



By Ailene Picheco (321) 452-7963

ARTS is planning a Nationwide Benefit Dance on Friday, February 29, 2008. **Dance Across America.** They hope to raise enough money to help improve and expand all areas of dance activities through research, marketing and education. You can go to their website and have them list your dance in their log for Dance Across America. And order some brochures to pass out at the dance so everyone can learn more about ARTS. Many dances are already scheduled across the country. Any club that already dances on Friday night can participate by collecting a donation for ARTS and sending it in along with their sign-in sheets. There is still time to plan a dance in your area.

ARTS will request each dance to play “God Bless America” or “God Bless the USA” at specified times across the nation during the dance so that it will be sung and/or danced to at the same time across America.

Everyone who attends will be asked to sign in and these sign-in sheets will be sent with the donations to ARTS so that ARTS can apply for the *Guinness Book of World Records*. The premise is to get recognition across to the general public of our Traditional dances.

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## **ALBERT EDWARD POWE** JULY 14, 1923 – OCTOBER 2, 2007

Ed Powe, 84 of Jacksonville, passed away at his residence on October 2, 2007. He had recently moved to Taylor Villas with his wife, Marjorie May Lowe-Powe. Mr. Powe was president of Triangle Truck Lines and was affiliated with Florida Rock and Tank. He was a long time square dancer, in fact, he and his wife were partners with Eddie and Ann Millan in owning a square dance shop on the Westside at one time. Ed was a former president of Lone Star Swingers Square Dance Club, and danced with Sand Dollars, Arky Stars, Drift Around Squares and Dixie Grands. Ed was a Knothead and attended most all of the conventions. Ed and Marjorie served as Vendor Chairmen for the 1984 State Convention and Security Chairs for the 1999 State Convention. In addition Ed was an avid golfer with First Coast Seniors. He also enjoyed gardening, proving to be a great tomato grower.

A native of Mitchell County, Georgia, he was born July 14, 1923. Mr. Powe is survived by his wife, Marjorie, sons, Ken, Dan and Jimmy Powe, daughters, Eugenia Browning, Becky Glennon and Susan Walski, sister, Sue Scott, 13 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held at Hardage-Giddens Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, Jacksonville, Florida.

We extend our deepest sympathies to Marjorie and their family. Our prayers are with you during this difficult time.

# Cuer's Comments

by Lisa Wall



## *What makes a good club?*

A club is an association of people united by a common interest or goal. So we will agree that Square & Round Dancing is done in a club. But what makes a good club? Is it the location; is it the time of day, or is it the leaders? What makes one club more successful than the other? It can't be just that one is Dancer run and the other is Teacher run. That does not fit the definition of a club. Remember a club is an association of people united by a common interest or goal. Could the difference be club leadership? Leadership is defined as the ability of an individual to influence, motivate and enable others to contribute toward the effectiveness and success of the organizations of which they are members. One type is a dictator the absolutist or autocratic ruler who assumes sole power. History has told us this type of leadership has failed. Laissez-faire Leadership on the other hand is a French phrase means

"leave it be" and is used to describe a leader who leaves his or her colleagues to get on with their work. Although a group does need a leader what kind of leader works best for the club? Leaders of a group must change with the group. Watch your club, look at all the people not just the "elected leader" people. How many have you ever noticed helping? They are there, never drawing attention to themselves, quietly pick up trash, sweeping the floor, putting out the food or thanking others for coming. Everyone contributes their part to the club sometimes without being asked or asking for anything in return. Isn't this a contribution toward the effectiveness and success of the club as defined under leadership?

"Thanks to all the members of the club we have a club to attend."



## A Personal Security System



This tip came from a neighborhood watch coordinator. Next time you come home for the night and you start to put your keys away, think of this:

Put your car keys beside your bed at night. If you hear a noise outside your home or someone trying to get in your house, just press the panic button for your car. It's a security alarm system that you probably already have and requires no installation. Test it. It will go off from most everywhere inside your house and will keep honking until your battery runs down or until you reset it with the button on the key fob chain. It works if you park in your driveway or garage. Odds are the burglar or rapist won't stick around. After a few seconds all the neighbors will be looking out their windows to see who is out there and sure enough the criminal won't want that. Also remember to carry your keys while walking to your car in a parking lot. The alarm can work the same way there. This is something that should really be shared with everyone, maybe it could save a life or a sexual abuse crime.

# Congratulations



Margaret Stratton and Keith Myers were married on Saturday, July 14, 2007 in a simple church ceremony. They enjoyed a weeklong honeymoon at Ormond Beach before returning home to Jacksonville. Margaret and Keith enjoy squares and round dancing. Best wishes to you both!

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This month's USDA article is from the USDA Publications and Educational Materials. Do you know who your Club Delegates are? Ever wonder what they do? Ever thought, "Hey, I'd like to do that!" Well, read on...

## **CLUB DELEGATE RESPONSIBILITIES**

### **INTRODUCTION**

Most clubs are organized in a basic club format with officers or leaders performing their duties in a very similar manner. Clubs may use different titles for their leaders but the duties and responsibilities are basically the same. The following is a list of typical duties and responsibilities for a position that may meet the needs of most clubs but may require some variation or tailoring depending upon the type and organization of the club.

### **CLUB DELEGATE**

Responsible for the interchange of information between the Club and the area Association.

Attend and actively participate in all the area Association and Club meetings.

Represent the Club, vote for the Club and express the club's position on Association functions and operations.

Volunteer and accept on behalf of the club any responsibilities, appointments, or any obligations deemed necessary in the best interests of the association and the Club.

Disseminate all information and data to the club Board of Directors obtained at the Association meetings.

Be thoroughly familiar with the constitution, by-laws, Policies, procedures and operations of the Club and the Association.

Support area and state square dance organizations, festivals, activities, conventions, etc.

Participate in all club functions.

Assist in the preparation of the dance facility at least 30 minutes prior to start of function.

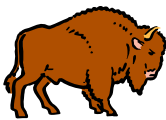
Assist in the set up of chairs, tables, banner, bulletin board, literature display, etc., to be completed 15 minutes prior to start of the dance or activity.

Set an example for other officers and Club members to follow to include; dress, badge, promptness, enthusiasm, knowledge of the square dance community activities, etc.

Perform other duties as assigned by the President.

You can find this tri-fold at <http://www.usda.org/trifold/ISO5603.pdf> . You can find many other interesting articles at <http://www.usda.org>.

Paul & Cheryl Miller  
Florida Federation of Square Dancers  
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57th National Square Dance Convention®  
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June 25-28, 2008  
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Are you ready for a party? Are you ready for some terrific line, partner, and couples dancing? The 57th National Square Dance Convention® in Wichita, is the place to be in June 2008.

In the Line Dance/Country Dance Hall you can expect 36 hours of programming. From 10:00am to 10:00pm each day, there will be something going on. It may be someone teaching line dancing, partner dancing, basic couples dancing, or one of various dance clinics. Each evening there will be a two-hour quick review and dance session. There is enough room on the dance floor to have line dancers in the center and couples dancers around the edges.

Round Dancers, there will be three halls with composite flooring in the Broadview Hotel for your enjoyment. There will be three clinics a day to choose from, 18 to 20 daily workshops, and programmed rounds in the evening.

The Youth Committee is working hard to provide a fun-filled and exciting Convention for youth dancers. Many activities are being planned, crafts, games, dangle winning contests, special tips, door prizes

and other events. A reminder to the adults, the Youth are our future. Please consider signing up to chaperon in the Youth Hall for a brief period of time.

The Trail End Dances will be on Wednesday evening, June 25. Thursday through Saturday, June 26-28, the dancing will begin daily at 10:00am and end at 10:00pm. The first tip of the After parties will commence at 10:00pm and continue until 11:30pm on Thursday through Friday. For the convenience of dancers attending the After Parties, our busses are scheduled to run until midnight.

The Ghost Riders band will be performing in the Exhibition Hall (Mainstream Hall) each evening. There will be Clinics, Workshops, High Energy Mainstream and Plus, Exhibitions, All Position Dance, Intro to DBD, Reviews for Plus, Advance and Challenge. A session dedicated to International Callers to highlight their calling planned.

With no dancing on carpeted floors, it is going to be GREAT DANCING at the 57th National Square Dance Convention® in Wichita, June 25-28, 2008. Don't miss the first National Square Dance Convention® in Kansas. REGISTER NOW!

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These are the most common National Square Dance Convention® questions people want answered. The Convention **Program Book** has the answers.

The Program Book will tell you every event (WHAT) that will be taking place from the Wednesday Night Opening Ceremonies to the final dance tip Saturday evening. There will be a complete layout of the Convention Center to help locate (WHERE) events will be held, including where your favorite caller, cuer or dancer

leader is programmed. Of course, there will be a complete schedule of (WHEN) each event will take place.

The Program Book, with the three "Dailies" is a must to be able to fully enjoy the activities of the Convention. Only a limited number of Program Books and the three Dailies were ordered. To insure receiving a copy of the Program Book, it would be wise to pre-order on your Registration Form and have it waiting for you in your Registration Packet.

### Web site

The official Web site of the 57th NSCD is: [www.57nsdc.com](http://www.57nsdc.com). Please visit often and check out all the details of your 2008 National Convention.

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**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2008**

*We wish to send our sincere thanks and congratulations to NEF-SARDA for an excellent Fall Festival and for the opportunity to be a part of it. Shirley and Smitty always make the group proud!*

*Thanks to the many line dancers who attended the Saturday afternoon session. The large group was thrilling and very encouraging.*

*We want to extend a special THANKS to MaryLou Morton for presenting the Circle of Service Award to us. It was made even more special because it came from family!*

*Happy Dancing and Thank You! Sincerely, Pat & Joe Seelhofer*



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# Stepping Out with Maxine & Billy

## Line Dancing Highlights











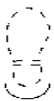









Hi Everyone,

My name is Maxine Thomas and I have been line dancing for 16 years. I started at the Pavilion on Ramona Blvd. I belong to the Yellow Rockers and started teaching line dancing while we still danced at Trinity Lutheran Church with Lawton Smith as our caller. I also clogged with the Cloggin' Robins for over 25 years. I have done exhibitions for State Conventions in Lakeland as well as in Daytona Beach and Tallahassee. My current partner is Billy Luper and we also teach line dancing to the nurses at St. Catherine's Lebourne Manor and Palm Gardens and West Jax Rehabilitation Center.

In this issue, we are illustrating some dance step symbols to help you understand written descriptions of routines. We'll be sharing routines and tips in future issues.

If you would like to learn easy beginner level line dancing, please join us every Monday evening at Jax Heights Elementary School with the Yellow Rockers.

See ya soon....

	One-quarter turn		Scuff
	One-half turn		Tap toe twice
&	Half count		Jump
R	Right		Hop
L	Left		Weight on foot
	No weight on foot		Stomp, changing weight to foot
	Weight on ball of foot		Stomp, rebounding foot off floor
	No weight on ball of the foot (tap or touch)		Scuff on the leg
	Weight on heel of foot		Lift or hook
	No weight on heel of foot (tap or touch)		Lift knee
	Clap hands		
	Kick (or brush) feet forward		
	Tap heel twice		

# News from the Federation with Charlie & Val Newsome



Florida Federation meeting was held on November 11th in Bartow, FL in conjunction with the West Coast Sponsored Fall Fun Fest dance weekend. We all enjoyed a great dancing weekend, shopping at the local craft fair, and then attending the meeting on Sunday. During the meeting, the 2007 Florida State Convention Chairmen, Tim & Terri Wilaby, presented checks to the Federation President (Ken & Sue Brown), the Round Dance Council President (Lisa Wall), and a representative from the Florida Callers Association (Whit Brown), representing their shares



of the profits from the 2007 State Convention. Each entity received a check for \$3,264.61. Tim & Terri received a standing ovation for a most successful convention. Following the business portion of the meeting, the Federation Officers for 2008 were installed. They are: Randy & Carol Poole, President; Paul & Cheryl Miller, Vice President; Ray & Elsa Huddleston, Secretary, Charlie & Val Newsome, Treasurer, and Bob & Maria Spence, Parliamentarian. Bob & Maria were not able to be at the meeting due to prior commitments, but the installation package was sent along to them. We welcome them to the Florida Federation Board.

The next meeting of the Florida Federation will be held on Sunday morning at 9:00 AM on March 9, 2008, in Maitland, FL. This, of course, will follow the Shamrock Swing dance weekend in Maitland on Friday & Saturday, March 7th & 8th. So, if you plan to attend the Shamrock Swing, remember you are also invited to attend the Federation meeting. If you need advance ribbons, call us and we'll get them to you.

Coming up soon is the Florida Winter Festival to be held at the Lakeland Center in Lakeland, FL January 24th-26th, 2008. This is a really great dance weekend with many National Callers & Cuers. Remember your Association & Club benefits from this dance as a portion of the profits go to the Florida Federation and they pass the money on to the five Associations for the promotion of square dancing. If you haven't registered, we can help you there, too. We have ribbons with us at every dance.

One last item MUST be discussed.....all of us need to continue to support the 2008 Florida State Convention to be held at the Lakeland Center in Lakeland, Florida, May 23rd-25th, 2008. The West Coast Association is host and the Chairman, Don & Ann Slocum, and their committees are working very hard to bring you a FUN DANCING WEEKEND! So get registered (see us or Jack & Kathy McKinney for ribbons), get your room booked and make your plans to CELEBRATE IN 2008!!!

Until we meet in a square.....  
Charlie & Val Newsome  
Florida Federation Treasurer



## ***SEABREEZE SINGLES SQUARE DANCE CLUB***



**Caller: Jim Cosman**

**We dance every Tuesday –**

***Dance time: 7:30 – 9:30 PM***



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**Shirley White (904) 388-1463**

***Come Join The FUN!***

## **110 HOLES OF GOLF—WHAT A DAY!**

Monday, October 22nd was a beautiful sunny day with a cool gentle breeze. For Bill Ebersole, resident and square dancer of Oak Hammock, Gainesville, it was the beginning of a full day of golf. This wasn't just a typical round of 18 holes for Bill; it was to be a full day golf marathon which ended when he finished his 110th hole! He began his day of golf at 7:15 AM and finished up by 5 PM. Bill placed 3rd in the Golf Marathon raising \$5,200 for the event. He wasn't far behind the first place winner who raised \$6,300.

Bill concedes that he often played multiple balls, which was permitted on this charity event to benefit the Interfaith Hospitality Network comprised of 30 local Gainesville churches. Many in the Network are host churches offering weeklong lodging of area homeless families with children. This provides some relief for families caught in a temporary situation with the churches giving them a place to sleep with meals provided. Bill also supports this worthy cause by volunteering to help when his own church serves as a host.



In addition to golf, Mr. Ebersole enjoys square dancing. He helped to organize the weekly square dances at Oak Hammock. Each Tuesday evening you can find him in the Oak Room dancing, smiling and mingling with the other resident dancers of Oak Hammock. Thank you Bill for all you do to brighten the lives of so many.

# PRESTON H. MAYS

SEPT 12, 1923—SEPT 29, 2007



Preston H. Mays, 84, passed away peacefully at his home on Saturday, September 29, 2007 after a long illness. Preston was born in Lovingson, VA September 12, 1923. He joined the U.S Marine Corps in 1942 and served as a Navigator & Tail Gunner on a B-26 Mitchell where he served in the Pacific and Japan. After his stint in the Marines, he joined the Civil Aviation Administration, which was later named the Federal Aviation Administration, where he served for 36 years until his retirement in 1979. He was a life long member of the Arlington Lions Club where he held several offices. He and his wife enjoyed traveling and square dancing. They are charter members of the Rollaway Square Dance Club. He was a practicing catholic and served as an usher at Prince of Peace Catholic Church for many years before moving to Holy Spirit Catholic Church. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Claudia Lawson and is survived by his wife of 32 years, Eleanor (Ellie) Smith Mays; son, Phillip Mays of Lakeland, FL (Sanfra Mays); step-daughter, Karen Thigpen (Ronnie Thigpen) Jacksonville, FL and step-son, David W. Jordan (Teresa) of Sandusky, Ohio. He is also survived by five grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. The family wishes to thank all of our neighbors and friends for their prayers and hospitality during this trying time. God bless you all. Funeral services for Preston Mays were held on Saturday, Oct. 6, 2007 at Holy Spirit Catholic Church with interment in Ogilvie Cemetery.

Our prayers are with you during this difficult time.



## PLUS FOX

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# Viva Las Vegas!

Fall Festival Review by Janette Sparrow

Friday and Saturday night, November 16th and 17th, the slot machine was heard whirling constantly as NEFSARDA celebrated their Fall Festival with "Viva Las Vegas!" The chairpersons, Shirley White and Lorvale "Smitty" Smith transported Las Vegas to Jacksonville for a weekend filled with fun and surprises.



Charlie and Sarah Pergrossi, our Master of Ceremonies and Caller Coordinators, did a fine job keeping the festival flowing smoothly. A floor show, "A Tribute to Patsy Cline", performed by Debra Shirley, set the tone for the start of the weekend. Curt and Tammy Worlock led the round dancers gracefully around the dance floor with their cueing. Guest caller, Lottie Ainsworth, traveled all the way from Louisiana so that we could enjoy her calling and dancing music.

Saturday daytime was busy with round dance and line dance workshops. An afternoon of square dancing was provided by our local Northeast Callers with a few additional out-of-town callers joining in.

Three Circle of Service Awards were given during the weekend. Kathy and Jack McKinney presented the award to Martha and Joe Hardcastle for their continued support of square dancing.

Ed and Hazel Hauck were presented their award by Ouida Taylor and Thomas Tramel. They were honored for their endless contributions to our dancing community, especially for their innovated approach in teaching Don Graves, a blind dancer from Lake City, to round dance.

MaryLou Morton surprised her daughter and son-in-law, Pat and Joe Seelhofer, with their Circle of Service award for their many contributions to promote square dancing, round dancing and line dancing.



Shirley and Smitty congratulate Debra Shirley on a fantastic 'Tribute to Patsy Cline'

The after party show was a spotlight on our local talented square- and round- dancers and callers. We enjoyed country singers, a harmonica player and even a one-man skit, to name a few.

If you weren't there, you missed an exciting dance. Thanks, Shirley and "Smitty" for all your hard work. And, thanks to Barbara and Frank Meyer for keeping the refreshment line moving. Not one dancer starved to death.

Make plans to join us next year for "Aloha, Hawaii". Chairpersons, Joe and Martha Hardcastle invite us to join them as they recreate the sunny beaches of Hawaii for our dancing pleasure. Reserve the date now—November 21 and 22, 2008!



Lottie Ainsworth is guest caller for weekend.



Curt & Tammy Worlock are guest cuers for weekend.



2008 Fall Festival chairmen Shirley White & Smitty Smith.



Treasurers Tom & Pat Hersha present Mary Ann Lawrence with her 50-50 winnings!



Norm Barnes shows his winnings to Elvis!



Anita Taylor presents the Circle of Service Award to Ed and Hazel Hauck.

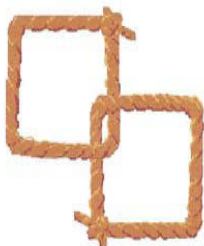


Joe and Martha Hardcastle are presented the Circle of Service Award by Jack & Kathy McKinney



Pat and Joe Seelhoef are presented the Circle of Service Award by Mary Lou Morton.

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# HANDICAPABLE NEWS

A publication of The Handicapable Committee of CALLERLAB  
The International Association of Square Dance Callers

## 1st NEWSLETTER MAKES IT OUT ON THE PRESSES!

Hello! Welcome to the first newsletter to all Handicapable Clubs! The purpose of this newsletter is to get the communication going with this wonderful group of dancers. There are so many wonderful things going on that we need to share ideas, tell others about the special occasions we have, and get the word out to help other clubs. This newsletter will be published 3-4 times a year with all of the input coming from YOU!! An email will be sent letting you know when to send me some information for the newsletter. Yellow Rocks to everyone!

## USH HOLDS 11TH CONVENTION JULY

There will be a Handicapable Convention this summer in Mobile, AL! Get ready for a great time! It will be held at The River-view Renaissance Plaza Hotel on July 24-25-26, 2008. It is the 20th Anniversary of the US Handicapable Association. The Square Dealers are planning a party for everyone to enjoy! The very first Handicapable Convention was held in Mobile and it has returned to the city where it all started. If you are interested in attending, please contact Michael Feore or Dean Emery at 9354 Johnson Rd, Mobile, AL 36695 (251)633-8212 or dean2@ushandicapable.org. Hope to see you there!



This newsletter has been put together with the love and support of members of the following organizations:



Hello!

I would like to send greetings to every Handicapable Square Dance club everywhere. We are a small community of likeminded people. We are all brought together by our love of Square Dancing. I have participated in the Handicapable Square Dance World for over 25 years now.

I am the Caller/Instructor for two such clubs, the Square Dealers, Inc., and the Southern Stars.

I founded the Square Dealers in the spring of 1982, originally in Saraland, AL. The Square Dealers changed locations after a couple of years. Since 1985 they have danced on every Tuesday night at the Chickasaw Civic Center in Chickasaw, AL. Both Saraland and Chickasaw are smaller towns close to my home in Mobile, AL. We dance both of the US Handicapable Square Dance Association's Call Lists, the Basic and the Advanced. On a poor night we dance three squares, and on a very good night we dance seven squares.

We would love to welcome you any Tuesday night.

Dean Emery, Square Dance Caller/Instructor



# Lisa Wall



## Cueing Schedule:

### ROUND DANCE CLUBS:

First Coast Rounds ----Sundays 7:30 to 9:30PM (phase II, III, & IV)

Touch of Class ----- Thursdays 7:30 to 9:30PM (phase III - V)

### SQUARE DANCE CLUBS WITH ROUNDS:

Rollaways -----Tuesdays 8:30 to 10:00PM (phase II & III)

Silver Fox ----- Even Fridays 8:30 to 10:00 PM (phase II & III)

Teddy Bears ----- Even Saturdays 7:30 to 9:30 (phase II & III)

### **BOOKING LIMITED WEEKENDS/FESTIVALS**

**FOR 2008/2009**

### JAN/FEB/MARCH SCHEDULE CHANGES

- Jan 1 Not Cueing at Rollaways (School Closed)
- Jan 3 Touch of Class resumes at Sandalwood (7:30-9:30pm)
- Jan 6 Phase III Waltz and intro to Foxtrot Class (6:00-7:30pm)
- Jan 10 Introduction to Waltz Class Sandalwood (6:00-7:30pm)
- Jan 11 Circus Dance Jax Heights Elem. (7:00-10:00pm)
- Jan 25 Not Cueing Silver Fox (Florida Winter Fest)
- Jan 26 Not Cueing Teddy Bears (Florida Winter Fest)
- Jan 27 First Coast Rounds NOT Dancing (Florida Winter Fest)
- Feb 2 Cueing at Sophomore Hoedown Jax. Heights Elementary
- Feb 3 First Coast Rounds NOT Dancing (Super Bowl Sunday)
- Feb 7 Touch of Class NOT Dancing (Moose Presidents Ball)
- Feb 7 Cueing at Moose Presidents Ball with Tony Oxendine
- Feb 15 Cueing at Blue/Grey Trail in Dance at Teen Town (Lake City)
- Feb 16 Cueing at Blue/Grey Dance in Lake City
- Feb 29 Cueing at Silver Fox 5<sup>th</sup> Friday (Singing Calls with Rounds)
- Mar 1 Cueing at Plus Fox Bebefit Dance
- Mar 8 Not Cueing Teddy Bears (Shamrock Swing)
- Mar 9 First Coast Rounds NOT Dancing (Shamrock Swing)
- Mar 14/15 Cueing Fuzzy Naval Dance at Jykell Island with Sam Dunn
- Mar 14 Not Cueing Silver Fox ( Fuzzy Naval Dance)
- Mar 23 First Coast Rounds NOT Dancing Happy Easter
- Mar 28 Not Cueing Silver Fox (RDCF Spring Weekend)
- Mar 29/30 Cueing at Round Dance Council of Florida Spring Weekend
- Mar 30 First Coast Rounds NOT Dancing (RDCF spring Weekend)

### SPECIAL DANCES AS ANNOUNCED

### FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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# Joys & Concerns

Please include these square dancing friends in your prayers:

**Helen Williams** is now undergoing be-weekly chemo therapy.

**Marie Bigelow** of Plus Fox, is currently taking chemo treatments for cancer.

**Jettie Crowe** is continuing to improve from her recent knee replacement surgery.

**Lucille Forhan** is recovering following heart surgery.

**James Kindred** is recovering from having a tumor removed from his leg and losing some mobility in his foot due to surgery.

**Ron Baker** of Mandarin Marauders, continues to recover from knee replacements on both legs. Glad to see him out visiting.

**Jerry Sullivan** of Mandarin Marauders, has started treatment for prostate cancer.

**Ivy Phillips** as she continues to battle with cancer.

**Hannelore Register** continues to regain her strength from recent surgery.

We are thankful that **Bonnye Bell** is recovering well at home following surgery to have her gallbladder removed.

**Anne Philips** fell recently and suffered cracked ribs. While in the hospital she developed an infection. Best wishes for a speedy recovery.

**Mary Stewart**, of Central Association, is now in Hospice care. Please keep her and Pee Wee in prayer.

**Val Newsome** continues to have difficulties with her ankles. Keep her in prayer as the doctors continue to work towards finding her relief.

**Tom Culverwell** has had reconstructive surgery on his arm. Our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

**Virginia Bomhold** is recovery well from recent surgery.

Our prayers go out to those men and women serving our country overseas. Bobby Hampshire-Iraq, grandson of **Ellie Hampshire**, Square Wheels.



Jamie Pistole, grandson of **Thomas Tramel**, continues to make progress in his rehabilitation at Brooke Army Medical Center, San Antonio, Texas. He is beginning to walk with his artificial limb. Our prayers are with Jamie and his family.

We are thankful to learn that Evan McQuiston, son of **Mary & Henry Britten**, is recovering from bone graft surgery in late November. He has been able to spend time at home in Trenton before returning to Walter Reed for additional medical care.

## OUR HEARTS ARE SADDENED

**Shirley White's** aunt, Elsie Ezzell of Bremen, FL died Sept 25, 2007.

**Virginia Patton's** father, Robert Patton died Sept 18, 2007, and her nephew, Robert King, died Nov 21, 2007.

**Bill Brown's** father and mother are having serious health issues in Illinois.

**Ed Williams'** sister died October 2007 in Pennsylvania

**Pat Hersha's** father, Thomas Norton died July 2, 2007.

**Cheryl Trescot's** father went into Hospice Care on Nov 29, 2007 for cancer.

**Patsy Peay** of Flagler Ocean Waves passed away on Tuesday, December 4, 2007 after a long and courageous battle with cancer.

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# Thrill in the Ville

By Kathy McKinney

Over the October 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> weekend, 25 couples attended a round dance festival right here in Jacksonville, "Thrill In The Ville". It was in 2003 that John and Lisa Wall held their first festival. They sure came up with an appropriate title for their round dance weekend, because it truly was **thrilling!**

It was **thrilling** to meet and dance to National Cuers, Kristine & Bruce Nelson! It was **thrilling** to learn the Bolero. Bruce and Kristine did a dance for us and it was **thrilling** to watch the professionals dance! (boy can they move!).

It was **thrilling** to dance with cuers from out of town! Thank you Ken & Joanne Helton, George & Irene Knapp Smith and Dick & Darlene Nordine for coming to Jacksonville and dancing with us! There were many dancers from out of town also that made our dancing pleasures more **thrilling**



It was **thrilling** to have such a wonderful turnout from First Coast Rounds! Since First Coast Rounds has such large classes each year, this weekend has grown in attendance! Dancing with a lot of visitors along with local dancers is always **thrilling!**

It was **thrilling** to be a part of such a First Class Event where John and Lisa thought of EVERY detail! Many of the details included food...lots of it! They had cake and ice cream on Friday night which hit the spot! The cake was **thrilling** it had the picture of Kristine and Bruce on it! And...all that ice cream...mmmmm good.

Each year John and Lisa distribute review forms regarding the weekend... AND they really look at what the dancers have to say. One suggestion was not to have the morning workshop so early on Saturday! Sooo, they moved the morning workshop up an hour. However, they tried to accommodate the early birds too. They brought gourmet Bagels, Danish, Orange Juice, and hot coffee to start the morning. WOW... **thrilling!**

Following the afternoon workshop everyone took a long afternoon siesta (ha). Later, most of us got together at an Italian restaurant for dinner before the evening dance. Bruce and Kristine dined with us, so we really got to know them personally.

The Saturday evening dance was so much FUN with a lot of different music and we got to try out our new found Bolero skills!

After all is said and done, the only thing left to say about the weekend is.... "It was just downright **thrilling!!!**"

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Thank You John and Lisa for a wonderful weekend! Looking forward to next year's "Thrill In The Ville"!





## Publicity Release for the 54th Florida State Convention 2008



Have you seen us yet? We have been getting around the state to different clubs and events. We can't make it to every club so we are asking YOU to help promote The 54th FLORIDA STATE SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CONVENTION.

The programming of the staff for the 2008 Convention has been completed and there have been some positive changes made; we hope you will like them. There is more scheduled dancing at this year's Convention and you will have to just take your break when you want to. For those dancers who can only come on Saturday, there will be more dancing available to you. There will be a Singles Get Together on Friday night in the general Hall.

At this year's convention there will **only be square and round dancing**. In past years, there has been very little participation in the halls for contra, line dancing, western dancing, etc. There will be **Mainstream, Plus, Plus DBD and Advanced Squares and Easy and Advanced Rounds**. All halls will have 30 minute segments with the same caller or cuer during the day. In the evenings, the Plus hall will have 20 minutes of squares and 10 minutes of rounds.

Registration! Don't let the time get away from you. Buy your ribbon now and if something happens that you can't go, we will cheerfully refund your ribbon right up until the start of the convention. Plus purchasing early saves you money and you won't have to stand in line at the Lakeland Center!

If you have noticed the trademark for The Central Florida Tourist Bureau it is because they have agreed to give us some financial support since we are bringing people into our area. They started this program last year and we appreciate this to help cover all the many expenses.

We are calling on all Callers & Cuers, 2008 committee members, and club officers to help promote our State Convention. This is our mission and we want to encourage you to join us in it. We are hoping that at every dance the State Convention gets mentioned during your announcement time. We can't get complacent and think that everyone knows about it just because it was talked about once, there are different people coming to the dances every week. Maybe you have heard the advertising philosophy that says 'people have to hear an ad 21 times before they really get the message', this is true- so keep plugging along. Have you seen our traveling clown at your dance? Hope someone got a chance to have the microphone and say a few words about why it is at the dance and talk about Florida State Convention. And how about the flyers for the Convention, are there some available and in a place where everyone can see them? What do you say- you don't have any at your dance, haven't seen any!! Please let us know and we will be glad to get some to you.

Hope to see you at a dance,  
Ann Slocum, Publicity Chairman, [AnnDonSlocum@juno.com](mailto:AnnDonSlocum@juno.com)

# News & Notes



For free frog stickers send a self-addressed stamped envelope to FROG STICKERS c/o John & Alitia Becker, USDA Youth Advisors. If you prefer to purchase a frog dangle for your badge, contact Sarah Pergrossi. She has dangles for sale.

## 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!  
Sarah & Charlie

## NEW GRAPEVINE DEADLINES

March 1st .....April Issue  
June 1st ..... July Issue  
September 1st ..... October Issue  
December 1st ..... January Issue

### FUTURE NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

Don't miss out on the fun!

Wichita, Kansas June 25-28, 2008

[www.57nsdc.com](http://www.57nsdc.com)

Long Beach, CA June 24-27, 2009

[www.58nsdc.com](http://www.58nsdc.com)

Louisville, Kentucky June 23-26, 2010

[www.59nsdc.com](http://www.59nsdc.com)

## CELEBRATE ~ CELEBRATE ~ CELEBRATE IN 2008

### 54th Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention

Please note\*\* Since the printing of the registration forms the host hotel, formerly **Best Western**, has changed hands and is now a **Howard Johnson**, same location and same price, but the correct phone number is **863-688-7972**.

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You can visit the web site: <http://floridasquaredance.com/westcoast/convention/registration.html> for the latest information on the convention.

# In Memoriam Juanita Vaughn Pacetti

Juanita Vaughn Pacetti, 84, of Palatka, died Monday, November 26, 2007, at Palatka Health Care Center after an extended illness. She was a native of Walnut Hill, Florida, and returned to Palatka three years ago from Green Cove Springs where she had lived for 23 years. She had previously lived in Palatka for 25 years before moving to Green Cove Springs. Juanita was a member of Faith Baptist Church and a homemaker.

She loved square dancing, playing bingo, and camping. Juanita and her late husband, Joe, were members of the Clay Wheel-Arounds and the Moose Promenaders, but could be seen most any night dancing with many other clubs in the Jacksonville area. They were regular attendees at the many Festivals, Conventions, and camping dances. Being avid square dancers they opened their hearts and doors at Pacetti's Marina on State Road 13 for camping square dancers. Many Camping Square Dance Clubs still visit the marina on a regular basis. Wherever they went they were promoting Square Dancing. Joe & Juanita will be lovingly remembered in the square dance community in the Northeast.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 21 years, Joe Pacetti; her parents, Jodie & Barto Solomon; and her step-daughter & her spouse, Dorothy & Tyrus Campbell. She is survived by two sons and spouses, Jimmy & Pat Vaughn of Palatka & Jerry and Elaine Vaughn of Interlachen; stepdaughter and spouse, Linda & Pinkham Pacetti of Orangedale; two brothers, Barto Solomon, Jr. of Pensacola and Preston Solomon of Walnut Hill; 10 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held on Friday, November 30, 2007, in Palatka, with the Rev. Dave Thomason, officiating with burial in Oak Hill West Cemetery.

We extend our deepest sympathies to the family and friends of Mrs. Pacetti.



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**NORTHEAST FLORIDA SQUARE & ROUND DANCE ASSOCIATION  
2007 CLUB DIRECTORY**

**A = ADVANCED B = BASIC C = CHALLENGE L = LINES  
M = MAINSTREAM P = PLUS R = ROUNDS**

**Sunday**

**FIRST COAST ROUNDS** "R" Every Sunday. Class 6:00-7:30 PM, Club Phrase II & III 7:30-8:30 PM, Club Phrase III & IV 8:30-9:30 PM. Arlington Congregational Church of Christ, 431 University Blvd. North, Jacksonville, FL (This is one block south of the Arlington Expressway on University Blvd.) Cuer-Instructor: Lisa Wall. Contact Lisa & John Wall (904)241-0384

**Monday**

**YELLOW ROCKERS** "M/P/L" Every Monday. Club dance 7:30-9:30 PM, Jax Heights Elementary School, 7750 S. Temple St, Jacksonville, FL. Caller: Charlie Pergrossi (352)463-3829. Contact Shirley White (904)388-1463 or Smitty Smith (904)779-7626

**Tuesday**

**DIXIE DANCERS** "P/R/L" Every Tuesday. Dance 7:00-9:30 PM, Teen Town, 533 NW Desoto St, Lake City, FL. Caller: Bill Chesnut (352)475-2550, Cuer: Ralph Beekman (386)752-2544. Contact Annette Conk (386) 935-1548.

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

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

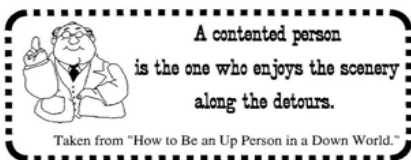
**JOY SEAS** "M/P/L/R" Every Tuesday **except for 2nd Tuesday**. Class 7:00-8:00 PM, Club dance 8:00-9:30 PM, St. Augustine, FL (Coquina Crossing). I-95South, exit 311, West on SR 207, 1 mile on the left, **You must be thru the gate prior to 8:00 PM**. Caller: Mike Akers (904)797-7554, ***VERY IMPORTANT*** to contact Mary Burzo at (904) 797-7530 to verify dance availability.

**SEABREEZE SINGLES** "M/P" Every Tuesday. Class 7:00-8:30 PM, Club dance 8:30-10:00 PM, Arlington Presbyterian Church 1300 Sprinkle Dr. Caller: Jim Cosman (912) 882-4006. Contact Shirley White (904)388-1463 or Smitty Smith (904)779-7626, Banner chairman Betty Smith (904)772-9131.

**Wednesday**

**FUN-N-FROLICS** "A" 2nd & 4th Wednesday. Dance 7:00-9:00 PM, Jax Heights Elementary School, 7750 S. Tempest St, Jacksonville, FL. Caller: Jim Cosman (912)882-4006. Contact Russell & Carolyn Ueber (904)223-9347 or Bob & Miriam Hinkle (904) 268-6643. **NO BANNER STEALING PLEASE**

**PLUS FOX** "P" 1st & 3rd Wednesday. Dance 7:30-9:30 PM, Jax Heights Elementary School, 7750 S. Tempest St, Jacksonville, FL. Caller: Gary Murphy (386)755-2329. Contact Stephen & Marie Bigelow (904)771-7249.



## Thursday

**MANDARIN MARAUDERS** "M/P/L" Class 7:00-8:00 PM, Club dance 8:00-10:00 PM, First Christian Church, 11924 San Jose Blvd in Mandarin, Jacksonville, FL. Caller: Lawton Smith (904)389-3349. Contact Sergei & Karen Zelenkov (904) 287-5411. Banner chairman Fran & Debbie LiPira (904)380-6882.

**MOOSE PROMENADERS** "P/R" Every Thursday. Class 7:00-8:30 PM, Club dance 8:30-10:00 PM, Moose Lodge 5051 Collins Rd, Orange Park, FL. Caller: Bill Chesnut (352)475-2550. Contact Bill Brown (904)282-5445. Banner Chairman Jackie Hamlin (904)731-9181.

**RIVER RAMBLERS** "M/P" Every Thursday. Class 6:30-8:00 PM, Club dance 8:00-9:30 PM, Putman County Shrine Club, 112 Yelvington Rd, East Palatka, FL (Just off US 17 approx 1/2 mile south of SR 207). Caller: Ernie Rollen (904)891-5822. Contact Bob & Ruth Izzard (386) 467-8026. Banner chairmen Tom & Jean Moore (386)325-4118.

**VAGABOND SQUARES** "M/P/R" Every Thursday, Club dance 7:00-9:30 PM, Hale Recreation Center, 215 NE Duval St (CR 136), Live Oak, FL. Caller & Cuer Ralph Beekman (386)752-2544. Contact Paul and Laura Fortner (386)362-4226.

**TOUCH OF CLASS** "R" Phase III-V. Every Thursday. Club dance 7:30-9:30 PM. Sandalwood High School, 2750 John Prom Rd, Jacksonville, FL. Cuer: Lisa Wall. Contact John & Lisa Wall (904)241-0384.

*"let's go  
Dancing"*



## Friday

**FLAGLER OCEAN WAVES** "M/P/R" Every Friday. Class 6:30-8:00 PM, Club dance 8:00-9:30 PM. Council on Aging/Wickline Center, 800 S. Daytona Ave, Flagler Beach, FL. Caller RJ Hogan (352) 376-2428. Cuer Irene Knapp Smith (386) 409-3399. Contact Jack & Gen Conn (386)740-1652. Banner chairmen Bonnie-jean & Drew Esterly (386)441-7969.

**GYPSY SQUARES** "M/P/L" 1st full weekend each month. Dance 8:00-10:00 PM. Various campgrounds. Caller: Bill Chesnut (352)475-2550. Contact Jay & Terri Peck (386)672-8677

**SQUARE WHEELS** "M/P/R" Every 3rd Friday & Saturday. Dance 8:00-10:00 PM Various Campgrounds. Caller: Bill Chesnut (352)475-2550. Contact Martha Zimmerman (352) 336-5311 or (352) 226-0118.

**SILVER FOX SQUARES** "M/P/R" Every Friday. Class 7:00-8:30 PM. Club dance 8:30-10:00 PM, Jax Heights Elementary School, 7750 S. Tempest St, Jacksonville, FL. Caller: Ernie Rollen (904)282-2335. Contact Mary & Sam Starling (904)786-3311 or Mark Fetzer (904)908-5184.

## Saturday

**TEDDY BEARS** "M/P/R" 2nd & 4th Saturday. Club dance 7:30-9:30 PM. St. Matthews Lutheran Church 6801 Merrill Rd, Jacksonville, FL. Caller: Gary Murphy (904)262-2909. Cuer: Lisa Wall (904)241-0384. Contact Bud & Dianne German (904)781-1532. Banner chairmen John & Mary Ann Lawrence (904)246-3279.

### **NEFSARDA 5th SATURDAY DANCE:**

Every 5th Saturday at various locations. Please consult Special Events Calendar in the back of this publication. Contact: Erv & Jan Oermann (904)777-1501

# *The Rollaways*

Every Tuesday

Class: 7:00 to 8:30 PM

Club Dancing: 8:30 to 10:00 PM

Dancing Mainstream with announced Plus,  
Rounds & Lines between tips

**CALLER: KEN MILLER**

**CUER: LISA WALL**

**LINES: PAT SEELHOEFER**

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Virginia Bomhold, President (904)744-7181

**NORTHEAST FLORIDA SQUARE AND ROUND  
DANCERS ASSOCIATION  
50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY ~ A BLAST FROM THE PAST**

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On Sunday, September 30, 2007 the Northeast Florida Square and Round Dancers Association celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a dance and a catered dinner. The celebration was held on Sunday afternoon from 3:00pm to 7:00pm at Tynes Elementary School in Middleburg, FL.

The celebration was a tribute to all the past presidents of the association and all the callers and cuers. Over 300 dancers came to pay tribute to 65 past presidents, callers and cuers and their spouses, who were in attendance, bringing the total attendance to nearly 400. We wanted to pay tribute to those who have given so much of their time and energy over the years to the association and to square dancing.

The hall was decorated with top hats garnished with gold and our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary logo. The tables were covered with gold and white table cloths. A huge bouquet of gold balloons was placed next to 2 Full Sheet Cakes that were also decorated with our logo. The stage was highlighted with a huge "50" that was lighted up and placed in the center. The BIG 50 was made by Larry Heffner of Orlando, who was in attendance with his wife Margie.

Special Badges made by Jerry Wright were given to all past presidents along with dangles that were also given to all the dancers. A special bolo was presented to each caller, cuer and past president. Their wives received a gold corsage. All 65 callers, cuers, and past presidents had their picture taken, developed, and placed in engraved gold frames. They were wrapped and given to them at dinner. Thank You, Mark Fetzer and Susan Snider for making that happen!

A History Book was compiled for each dancer by Charlie and Val Newsome depicting highlights of each of our 50 years.

Four retired callers, Larry Ford, Bobby Keefe, Eddie Millan, and Art Wilson called the dance so that the current callers could dance with their wives and enjoy visiting with past and present members of their clubs and other clubs in northeast Florida.

Lisa Wall did an outstanding job of cueing for so many Round Dancers in attendance. And she isn't even retired!

After the dance everyone lined up and promenaded thru the cafeteria line to receive their chicken dinner with all the "fixins", thanks to Beach Road Chicken and a fabulous kitchen staff.

Everyone got to dance, eat and visit with friends from the past and present. It sure would be wonderful if we could have a 50<sup>th</sup> dance EVERY year! We pray that the next 50 years will provide as much fun and fellowship as the last 50 years has been.

# Thanks for the memories!



Featuring:  
Bobby & June Keefe, Art & Lucille Wilson, Lisa & John Wall, Larry & Lori Ford, and Eddie & Ann Millan

Presentation to Jack & Kathy McKinney



Above: Art Wilson, Bobby Keefe and Eddie Millian

Below right: Presidents Ouida Taylor & Thomas Tramel receive commemorative clock



Below: Our current callers are special guests



# SQUARE DANCING BENEFITS FROM RAFFLE



Richard Vansandt and his dance partner Peggy Armenoff donated the designer lifelike dolls to be raffled off with the proceeds going to NEFSARDA. The dolls were won by Doris & Wendell Spears of the Moose Promenaders. Thank you Richard and Peggy for your generous donation.

## NEFSARDA'S 5th SATURDAY DANCES



**Reserve  
these dates  
in 2008**

**March 29<sup>th</sup>**

Sandalwood High School  
2750 John Prom Blvd, Jacksonville

**May 31st**

Jax Heights Elementary School  
7750 S. Tempest St, Jacksonville

**August 30th**

Tynes Elementary School  
1550 Tynes Blvd, Middleburg

**Callers and Host clubs for each  
event will be announced soon.**

*Contacts for dance info:  
Erv or Jan 904-777-1501  
Ouida or Thomas 386-752-1469*

***Congratulations to Kathy & Jack McKinney***

on the birth of a great-grandchild—Laney Paige Stratton was born on Monday, September 24, 2007 in Orlando, FL. She weighed 7 lb. 2 oz<sup>38</sup> and was 20 inches long. Laney was born to Amanda Janson, Kathy's granddaughter and Shawn Stratton.



# JOHN GRADY FAVORS, JR.

## 1922-2007



John Grady Favors, Jr., 85, died on Thursday, September 20, 2007, in his home at Potomac Place assisted living in Woodbridge, Virginia.

Grady was born in Macon, GA on September 2, 1922. He excelled in athletics in high school becoming a boxer and a lifeguard. In 1942, he enlisted in the US Navy where he served on active duty until the end of WW II and was selected for Chief Petty Officer. In 1950, Grady joined the Macon, GA Police Department where he served as a patrolman. In 1951, he married the love of his life, Martha, and in 1953, moved his wife and only son to Jacksonville, FL.

Grady's life was characterized by services to others. He was a devoted husband, father, and mentor who deeply loved his family and was dedicated to both his family and his friends. His love of animals and the outdoors was renowned and his many activities included square dancing, camping, hunting and fishing. Everyone who knew Grady will remember his warm smile, kind heart and sensitive yet fun-loving personality. His many years of square dancing and ballroom dancing earned him a legion of friends.

Grady was preceded in death by his wife of 25 years, Martha Booth Favors, and sister Catherin Batton. Grady danced with the Rollaways with his dance partner, Florence Mullis. He is survived by his son John Dana Favors and his wife RoseMarie Favors, brother-in-law Dick Batton of Macon, GA, and cousin Aileen Snior of Saratoga, WY and Marianne Dodson of Palmetto, GA.

In lieu of flowers contributions can be sent to the Jacksonville Humane Society, 8464 Beach Blvd, Jacksonville, FL 32216.

We offer our sincere sympathies to the friends and family of Grady Favors. We pray you will find peace and comfort during this difficult time.



*Dear Friends,*

*The Fredrickson Family (Dale, Dawn, Heather (Dale), and Sonya) would like to take a moment to thank everyone for the cards and e-mails sharing their condolences and prayers with us in time of our need. It has meant a lot to us. I don't ever remember her saying no to anyone that needed help. Gerry was a special lady to us and will always be remembered.*

*Thank you - all of you!!!!*



# M&M

## THE STORY OF A REAL COWBOY

Interview written by Jack & Kathy McKinney

How many residents of Jacksonville, FL have had the opportunity to meet "A Real Cowboy"? Well, thanks to Nanette Holt, wife of Jacksonville councilman Ray Holt, we had the privileged opportunity to meet Manan "M&M" Zoller, a real cowboy.

How we came to meet M&M was through an email from Nanette Holt. Nanette had met M&M at the Oceanway Senior Center that he frequents every day. Through their conversations she found out he used to be a square dance caller and was curious about square dancing in Jacksonville. She also found out that M&M walks approx 4 miles every day! Nanette looked up square dancing in Jacksonville and found our email address. We corresponded and told her we would love to meet M&M. But...were we prepared to walk 4 miles while talking with him???

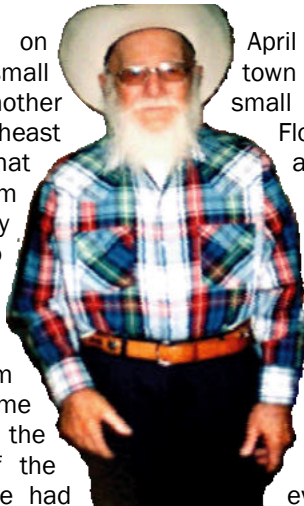
Soon we drove up to Oceanway from Jacksonville Beach to make a surprise visit to M&M with the History Book Charlie and Val Newsome put together for of the Northeast Florida Square and Round Dancers Association's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. We thought it would give M&M a good insight of how square dancing has evolved in northeast Florida. We brought him a bolo too. (Jack's favorite gift!) However, the surprise was on us....he was gone for the day to Whitey's Fish Camp in Orange Park! So we had to reschedule our meeting.

M&M was born on Nixon TX is a very small and near Cuero, another place of one of northeast Manny Gonzales. (What married a girl from oil fields, was a deputy town and then went to came a Ranch For-one having over round up cattle with a

We asked him dancing. Those are some He called during the still knows a few of the

M&M asked if we had dance caller. He had not. We told him he was in luck! Our Fall Festival this year features Lottie Ainsworth from Louisiana. We told him we will make sure he attends and gets to hear his first female square dance caller.

If you ever want to have a wonderful experience, go to Oceanway Senior Center and personally meet M&M. You will love it....and....so will he! (P.S. Call first, he may be on a field trip!)



April 23, 1918 in Nixon, TX. town southeast of San Antonio small Texan town and the birth- Florida's square dancers, a small world!) M&M even Cuero! M&M worked in the sheriff in a small Texas work on a ranch. He be- man for over 24 ranches, 97,000 acres. He had to helicopter.

about his years in square of his favorite memories. 1960's in San Antonio. He "oldie but goodie calls".

ever heard a female square

# NEFSARDA Delegates Meeting

October 14, 2007

Meeting called to order at 3:00 PM  
Invocation by Erv Oermann followed  
by Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes of the last delegates meeting  
were approved with a few corrections.

Treasurers' report approved as pre-  
sented and submitted for audit

President welcomed new delegates  
for Vagabond Squares and Dixie Dancers.  
Joys and Concerns were shared.

## Committee Reports

**Bylaws:** Due to a lack of a quorum  
voting on any modifications will be tabled  
until the next meeting.

**Publicity/Classes/Clubs:** Visitation  
numbers were updated for each club. Joe  
Hardcastle reminded delegates of the  
deadline for visitations for the annual  
awards is November 30th.

**Computer Liaison:** Sarah Pergrossi  
reported that all clubs in our association  
have been updated on the National Direc-  
tory website. Let her know of any changes  
so information remains current.

**Dance Couple of the Year:** no re-  
port

**Fall Festival:** Shirley White & 'Smitty'  
Smith reported that everything is on  
track. Remember that the program begins  
at 6:00 PM on Friday, Nov. 16th.

**Grapevine:** Sarah & Charlie Pergrossi  
reported that the deadline for all submis-  
sions has been moved to the first of  
month prior to each issue.

**5th Saturday Dance:** Tentative  
dates of dances for 2008 were shared.  
They are March 29, May 31, and August  
30. The 5th Saturday in November was  
cancelled due to usual practice of no  
dance in 4th quarter. Sandalwood High  
School is being looked at as a location for  
the dances. Callers and host clubs are  
being contacted. Questions were raised  
about these dates, as they are close to  
holidays. Further discussion will follow at  
the next meeting.

**Historian:** no report

**Insurance:** Shirley Nihart reminded  
club delegates that rosters and checks  
are due now. Remember to provide 3  
copies of the club roster.

**Showcase:** Remember to take pho-  
tos of your club activities and pass those  
photos along for next year's Showcase

**SOS:** No report

**State Convention 2010:** Anita &  
Bud Taylor, chairpersons, presented the  
names of their committee chairs. A dis-  
cussion followed regarding ticket prices  
for current and future conventions.

**Florida Federation:** Charlie and Val  
Newsome reported that the Federation  
will meet on Sunday, Nov. 11 in Bartow  
following the West Coast Fall Fun Fest.  
They will be advancing up the board to  
Treasurers for 2008.

**Gateway Callers:** The dates for the  
student dances were shared. Beginner  
Hoedown is Dec. 1, 2007, Sophomore  
Hoedown is Feb. 2, 2008 and the  
Graduation Ball is May 3rd. All at Jax  
Heights Elementary School.

**Rural Callers:** Christmas in July  
2008 will be kept in the afternoon for July  
12, 2008.

**Old Business:** A committee will be  
formed to follow up on Accelerated Learn-  
ing & the ABC method of teaching new  
dancers. Committee is: Erv & Jan Oer-  
mann, Joe & Martha Hardcastle, Ouida  
Taylor & Thomas Tramel, Charlie & Sarah  
Pergrossi. Other members are invited.

**New Business:** It was passed that NEF-  
SARDA would reimburse The Grapevine  
editors for the cost of providing a current  
issue of The Grapevine to each new stu-  
dent graduate. Therefore, information on  
graduations and the number of students  
needs to be shared with The Grapevine  
editors.

**Next meeting:** January 13, 2008 at Pic-  
cadilly Cafeteria, Jacksonville. Everyone is  
invited to attend. Clubs please send your  
delegates to represent your interests.



# Club News

A warm welcome to all our club reporters, both new and returning. We are appreciative of your efforts to keep us informed on the activities of your club. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

*Sarah & Charlie*, editors

## DIXIE DANCERS

Ouida Taylor (386) 752-1469

The Dixie Dancers are pleased that our president, Imogene Lawrence, is doing well after undergoing surgery to repair a cracked hip.

A group of 25 Dixie Dancers and Vagabonds attended NEFSARDA's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance on September 30<sup>th</sup>. This was a new experience for part of our group. We are looking forward to them attending more special dances in the future.

September was a very busy month. Our club enjoyed a fish fry at Thomas Tramel's home on September 15<sup>th</sup>. On September 18<sup>th</sup>, Wayne Conk was surprised with a birthday party at our weekly club dance. Then on the 25<sup>th</sup> of September, we celebrated our club's 29<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

On October 2<sup>nd</sup> and October 9<sup>th</sup>, The Dixie Dancers started a group of new square dancers. We are enjoying every one of them. They also seem to be having a good time. A good group of new dancers always adds an extra little spark to the weekly club dances. On October 29<sup>th</sup>, a group from our club went to the Yellow Rockers' for their 5<sup>th</sup> Monday Madness and we had a fun time. We wrapped up the month of October with a Halloween Dance on October 30<sup>th</sup>.

The Dixie Dancers are honored to have Ed and Hazel Hauck as members of our club. They volunteer their talents to teach round dancing. Through the years, they have enjoyed both round dancing and square dancing and now they want to give back part of what has been given to them. On Monday nights

and Wednesday afternoons they work with different groups of round dancers. On Wednesday afternoons, Ed teaches a workshop for more advanced round dancing. The upsurge in round dancing has added more interest and more fun in our club.

Another person we are honored to have as a member of our club is Rosemary Uphaus. At our weekly club dance we also have line dancing under Rosemary's tutelage. Rosemary is using her interest and talents to add even another dimension to our club. Way-to-go, Rosemary.

We enjoy the talents displayed by Annette Conk, our club's secretary/treasurer. She has started writing an electronic newsletter for our club that is sent out by email. She is doing a fantastic job.

A group of our dancers attended NEFSARDA's Fall Festival weekend and had a great time. On Saturday night, Ed and Hazel Hauck were awarded the Circle of Service Award for their contributions to round dancing.

Every year our club tries to give something back to our local community. This year we again donated money to purchase Christmas gifts for underprivileged children of working parents. We always sponsor at least three children. This is done through a local Lake City charity, The Dream Machine. We also donate food items to another local charity, Christian Service Center. This charity puts together hundreds of Christmas Food Baskets for

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# Silver Fox Squares Circus Dance



**January 11th, 2008**

**Early Rounds 7:00**

**7:30-10:00**

**Jax Heights Elementary  
School**



**\$ 4.00 per person in advance**

**\$5.00 per person at the door**



*Callers:*

*Ernie Rollen*

*Gary Murphy*

*Cuer: Lisa Wall*

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needy families in our community. We collect and donate stuffing/dressing for these food baskets.

Plans are in the making to attend the Circus Dance in January. This is always a fun dance and benefits another great charity, Dreams Come True.

Last, but not least, the Blue-Grey Dance is coming up on February 16, 2008. As chairman, Annette has

worked hard and has made many plans to make sure everyone has a good time during Blue-Grey weekend. The location is still Rountree-Moore Toyota Showroom on US Highway 90 West in Lake City.

The Dixie Dancers look forward to seeing you at the Blue-Grey Festival on Presidents' Day Weekend in February of 2008. Let us share the fun with you.

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## FIRST COAST ROUNDS

Mary Rozzano (904) 241-0384

What a busy three months! We had an outstanding crowd at the 50th Anniversary of NEFSARDA, then on to our Thrill in the Ville with a sell out crowd of 22 couples getting an introduction to Bolero with Bruce and Christine Nelson from Illinois and Arizona.

On we went to the Daytona Beach Ball for a quick teach on Moon River, a Phase IV+I waltz and Tico Twostep Phase II+I. Next up was The O'Leno Hoedown, back at the O'Leno State Park, where Lisa and John were the featured cuers. Enough you say, there is more.

Last but not least was our Fall Festival with the Viva Las Vegas theme. We were treated to an introduction to Meringue by Curt and Tammy Worlock. That is only a taste of the doings in our round dance world. Come and join in the fun.

Our introduction to Waltz class starts on January 10th at Sandalwood High School on Thursday from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. On January 6th we will begin our phase III Waltz/Foxtrot class at Arlington Congregational Church from 6:00 to 7:30 PM.



## FLAGLER OCEAN WAVES

Bill & Sharon Hepburn (386) 446-1597

In late September we had a square dance demo at the VRW Western Night. We were well received and enjoyed visiting the audience members, hoping to interest them in joining us in the near future. We were also able to have another demo at Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church for their Western Night. Everyone in attendance, both dancers and audience had a great time. A BIG YELLOW ROCK for all our club members who were able to participate. 44

Our Halloween Party brought out many spooky characters. There were prizes for many different categories of

costume. What an imaginative group of dancers we have!

We are enjoying our newest dancers each week. They are having a great time and it's a pleasure to dance with them. Be an "Angel" and come early each week to dance with them.

Each quarter our dedicated dancers meet to conduct Highway Clean-Up campaign. It only takes about an hour, and we have lots of fun chatting while the work gets done. We are proud to be participating in the "Partnership for Litter-Free Florida Highways". You can

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# MOOSE PROMENADERS

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Caller:



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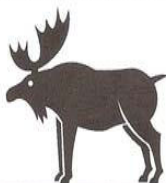


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see some of our dedicated dancers posing at our highway sign.

Our Chinese Auction was a great success. This year we raised \$237.00 for a needy family in Flagler County. We owe a debt of gratitude to the Dixie Squares and River Ramblers for attending as well as our many visitors.

We had our Christmas Party with a covered dish dinner in December. Our cooks continue to prepare the most delicious selections and RJ Hogan keeps us in shape with a lively evening of dance.

Please check the Calendar of Events in *The Grapevine* or online for all our special dances. We want to welcome you to Flagler Beach real soon.



John Palatini, Dick Mangsen, Joyce Mangsen, Norm Hartman, Nancy Bixon, and John Peay.

## FUN 'N FROLICS

Carolyn Ueber (904) 223-9347

Advanced dancing is soooo much fun. The mental and physical exercise involved just can't be beat. What a joy it is to dance to Jim Cosman. He always keeps us on our toes and makes our dances really interesting.

It's been great to have Dale Fredrickson returning to our dances, even with his broken foot. And recently, Janet Lyons has come and danced with us also ... so good to be dancing with her again. We've been missing Ray & Eleanor Reedy ... sure hope they're feeling better soon and will be dancing with us again in the New Year. Morris & Wannette Davis have stopped dancing because of health reasons. Hope they'll at least stop in and visit with us again soon. We're so glad that Verna

Mae & Bud have been coming to the dances since Verna Mae recovered from her surgery, but now Bud hasn't been able to dance ... still having problems with his legs. And Mary Lou Pelz broke her foot ... Get well soon, Mary Lou ... we sure miss dancing with her ... but we're so glad that she's still coming to the dances and socializing with everyone.

The Fun 'n Frolics meet on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, from 7 - 9 pm at Jax Heights Elementary School, 7750 S. Tempest St., Jacksonville.

Hope to see you in a square soon.



An added note to our **Camp N' Dance** column on page 60 from Mary Burzo: On the way home from the Camp-O-ree in Okeechobee there was a near tragedy. Sue and Vern Gregory had an accident on I-95 near Cocoa Beach. Their RV and tow car were totaled but they were unharmed. They were shaken but not broke. Thank you to everyone for your offers of assistance and prayers.



## FRANKLIN T. BEDELL

### Beloved Square Dance Caller

Frank passed away after a long and courageous fight with cancer on November 16, 2007. He was preceded in death by his wives Shirley and Connie. He is survived by his children, Sharon, Marty, Doug, Rusty, Kevin, Sheila and Gloria, 18 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister, Betty Anderson of Detroit and his loving and devoted Companion, Betty Krakehl of Boynton Beach. Frank

was born in Detroit, Michigan in 1926. He served as a Sea Bee in the US Navy in WWII and was a decorated veteran, having been wounded on Guam during his enlistment in the Pacific Theater. Following in his father's footsteps he later served along side his Dad in law enforcement as a Detroit Police Officer. Frank worked as a Square Dance Caller for over 50 years and called for several clubs in Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties. With his beautiful singing voice and wonderful sense of humor he put smiles on all the faces of those that he touched while they danced the night away. His students frequently referred him to as "Mr. Patience" in his teaching programs for square dancers. A Funeral Service was held Tuesday, November 20, 2007 at Boynton Memorial Chapel, 800 W. Boynton Beach Blvd., Boynton Beach. A visitation was held before the service. Interment followed at Hollywood Memorial Gardens.

Our deepest sympathies to the family and friends of Frank. His memory continues to live through his friends and family and all the dancers touched by his love of square dancing.

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## NATIONAL SQUARES

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## GRAND SQUARES

Ma Craig (352 ) 528-3323

The members of Grand Squares hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and wish you all a very Happy New Year.

Our Halloween party was a big success for witches, monsters, Orientals and many others who, surprisingly, were able to square dance.

We enjoyed two special pot luck dinner dances in December. On the 11th we celebrated with our Thanksgiving/Christmas party where we exchanged "white elephant" gifts and donated toys for the children at the St. Francis House for the homeless in Gainesville.

On the 29th we held our Pre-New Year's Eve dance and enjoyed skits, games and other activities in addition to dancing.

We're looking forward to our annual St. Valentine's and St. Patrick's Day dances.

Our normal dance schedule will be the class at 7 PM Monday evenings, a plus workshop at 7 PM Tuesdays followed by the plus dance and an advanced class at 7 PM Thursdays with Bobby Keefe.

Singles and couples are welcome at our dances. For more information call Lon at 352-377-1828 or go to our web site at [www.lonligon.com](http://www.lonligon.com).



## JOY SEAS

John & Mary Burzo (904) 797-7530

Hope you all had a great Thanksgiving and looking forward to a wonderful Christmas. We all have so many parties and other activities, that's what makes this the best season of the year.

We started this year off on a sad note. Bill Lloyd, one of our dancers for many years passed away. He died November 9, 2007. He was a young 93. Bill lost his wife 8 years ago and has three children, seven grandchildren, and sixteen great-grandchildren. Bill danced for over 50 years and was well known in the square dance community. The Joy Seas and Seabreeze Singles were frequently visited by this gentle man. We will miss him very

much.

Joy Seas opened their doors September 18th for the winter folks. We had a real good turn out. I guess we were all anxious to get back to dancing. Our luck is holding out because we have two new dancers. The snowbirds are starting to arrive. It is always wonderful to see old friends again, sometimes they bring new ones with them.

We are not expecting to have any special dances this year other than for our Graduation and Anniversary Dances next year.

Remember if you want to visit us at any time please CALL first.

That's all Folks



# MANDARIN MARAUDERS

George Treiber (904) 260-9294

What a way to finish a banner year! Our caller, Lawton Smith continues to serenade us with the smooth “pipes” that have graced us for the last twenty-three years. Bev Treiber, assisted by yours truly have livened things up by leading lines dances between tips. Bob & Jo King have kept us busy with extra curricular activities while Fran & Debbie LiPira have kept us stealing and retrieving banners all over town.



The Club started the quarter by going to the dogs! The Dog Races to be exact. Twenty-one Mandarin Marauders had a great time at the Orange Park Greyhound Race Track on October 26th. We were treated to first class service including the valet parking, clubhouse seating, a delicious prime-rib dinner with all the trimmings and tips on how to place your bet! What an exciting evening we had. We were even honored by having the seventh race named in honor of our club! Everyone had so much fun that they want to go again next year! So—if there is anyone out there who would like to join us for our next evening at the races, just let us know so we can add your name to the list.

We had a wonderful time participating in a square dance demo on November 7th at the



Geneva Presbyterian Festival. Ken Miller called for the dancers who learned a few new calls and entertained other festival goers. It was a great success!

In November the club enjoyed its annual Thanksgiving Pot Luck Dinner. The club provided the turkey, which was prepared to perfection by Judy Rodriguez and Karen Zelenkov. The turkey was accompanied by a sinful assortment of scrumptious desserts. Lawton made sure the subsequent dance gave us ample opportunity to work off the extra calories.

In December, some of the members participated in a 5-Day motor coach tour which included a dinner Christmas cruise on the Tennessee River, a stay at the Galt House in Louisville, KY, a tour of Churchill Downs and the Derby Museum. Later in the month we held our annual Christmas Party with a White Elephant gift exchange and the ever present goodies.

January will bring a night out to the Alhambra Dinner Theater for dinner and [Neal Sedaka's Breaking Up Is Hard To Do](#). February will bring more excitement—Stay tuned for details —same time, next quarter!

We are sorry to say that many of our members have been sidelined from participating in fun and fellowship due to surgery and/or illness. We miss them terribly and pray for their speedy recovery.

Mandarin Marauder members enjoy the best of the square dance world—dance to an excellent caller, travel, entertainment, and the opportunity to socialize with new and not-so-new friends. Come join us for the continuing fun, fellowship and dancing. Contrary to what some may believe, the Good ol' days of square dancing are here and now!

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# MOOSE PROMENADERS

Hazel Clark (904) 778-0134

The Promenaders had their Christmas Dinner Dance December 13th. We had lots of food, dancing and door prizes. A special THANK YOU to club members for cleaning and decorating the club. The dance class and other clubs joined us for our yearly event.

We were closed December 20th and 27th. Our happy holidays are all over.

January 3rd we're back to the regular dance classes with Plus level dancing after the classes.

The Presidents Ball will be February 7th in honor of all Club Presidents. This will be the 2nd year Tony Oxendine will be guest caller along with our club caller Bill Chesnut. Tickets are being sold now. Don't miss this special event. Who will be President of the Year?

We'll be dancing February 14th with a Valentine sweetheart theme for that night. Get you partner and join us for that evening.

March 13th is near. Wear your green and join us for a St. Patrick's Day dance.

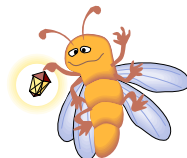
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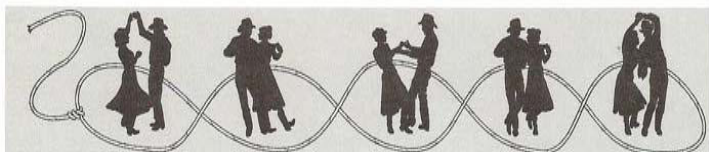
This frightening group was photographed dancing at the Moose Promenaders' Halloween Dance in October. Shrieks of laughter and ghostly dancing was witnessed.

When my grandson and I entered our vacation cabin, we kept the lights off until we were inside to keep from attracting pesky insects. Still, a few fireflies followed us in. Noticing them before I did, Billy whispered, "It's no use, Grandpa. The mosquitoes are coming after us with flashlights."



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# PLUS FOX

Gaye Feuer (904) 743-1087



Plus Fox Square dancers are pleased to have our President Marie Bigelow continuing to preside at our meetings and even dancing a tip or a round when she feels up to it. We all wish her the best as she undergoes chemotherapy. In October, we went on a banner raid to Moose Promenaders.

We celebrate our 21st Anniversary in February since our caller and cuer Gary Murphy and taw Bernie will be out of town on January 16th. We are pleased to welcome guest caller, Robert Padgett to our dance while Gary Murphy is out of town.

Our first dance of 2008 will be Jan. 2nd. Come on over to Jax Heights Ele-

mentary and help us Welcome the New Year on the first Wednesday.

Have you gotten your ribbon yet for our Cancer Research Dance in March? We are pleased to sponsor such a worthwhile event. Check for flyers at your next dance and contact Stephen Bigelow for more details or to purchase your ribbons.

We are thrilled to welcome the entire Tower family as new members of Plus Fox. George & Annie along with son George and his wife Suzanne are sporting their new club badges. Welcome to our club!

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## RIVER RAMBLERS

Vern Bender (386) 965-8558

In addition to some really great weekly dances, we began a new class of square dancers in September. In October we held a very scary Halloween Dance with Pete Thomas taking first prize for the best costume.

Our Thanksgiving dance went very well. We had several squares with many guests from other clubs. It was a 'free' dance and a gourmet buffet that rivaled the best restaurants in town. We had guests from as far away as Germany.



We've been doing some "good will" demo dancing in Welaka and Palatka. We visited the ARC on November 2nd. Brian Eltervoog may have a future as a square dance caller after his impressive performance calling the ARC dance.

During the month of December we collect Toys for Tots to help the less fortunate kids in the area. Our next quarter schedule is as follows:

- January 10—Recycle Dance
- 53 February 14—Valentine's Dance
- March 13 - St. Paddy's Dance
- 15—Shriner's Kids Dance
- 20—Easter Dance





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## ROLLAWAYS

Coralee Garrett (904) 221-8905

When you read this we will be into the new year of 2008. I hope everyone had a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I will go back and try to recap some of the highlights of the last three months.

Our square dance lessons started on a very positive note with about 28 students, singles and couples. John Wilson brought his daughter Dawn and grandchildren to start lessons. We think it's great to see a family doing things together. Also Leroy and June Blalock brought their granddaughter. The other adults taking lessons are having fun too.

September 30<sup>th</sup> was the NEFSARDA 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary dance and dinner. What a great day with over 300 square dancers coming together for fun and fellowship and dancing with loads of good food. Our Rollaways Jack and Kathy McKinney did a wonderful job pulling everything together. Kudos to them.

A large group of Rollaways went to the Ocala area to dance at The Top of the World and Oak Run. Everyone agreed that they were excellent dances. Thanks to Norm and Glenda Barnes' help over 3 squares from that area returned the visit to us at the Fall Festival.

The Rollaways are a traveling group. We had approx 3 squares attend the O'Leno Hoedown also. We sure enjoyed the cueing of Lisa Wall, and two of our own members, John Wall and Jack Herpy called for us Saturday afternoon. It was a wonderful weekend.

We are still going out to eat together on Wednesdays. We have fun but it is hard on our waistlines!

November 16 & 17 was our annual Fall Festival. The theme was Viva Las Vegas. All the hard work that Shirley and Smitty and their committees did really paid off. In addition to great square dancing, round dancing and line dancing, we had all kinds of food! Square dancers love food almost as much as dancing! Also, we

were happy to have several students attend the Fall Festival, as guests, to watch and anticipate what a great time they will have next year.

The Rollaways celebrated Thanksgiving together with a covered dish dinner. I wasn't present but the report I heard was that there was loads of food and some very good cooks! Ken said the blessing and we all agreed we are very "thankful" for all our members. Even Jettie Crowe joined us for dinner...she is doing so very well with her knee replacement.

Speaking of people we want to keep in our prayers as always, Hank Spaulding, and Bill Knierim are in our prayers. Our own president, Virginia Bomhold came thro her kidney surgery very well...like a trooper as always!

A welcome to snowbirds Lady Betty & Sir Chappie back dancing with us for the winter. We also want to acknowledge some other special visitors we had recently. We had two different couples on two different evenings come to dance with us from Germany . That was very exciting. They were very lively and fun to dance with. We also had a couple from Mobile AL , Art & Karen Conner. Art wears a badge saying" Guitar Playing Caller". Well, we put him to the test and he actually played the guitar and called a tip for us! Way cool!

On our last dance for the year we had Santa appear with gifts for all the kids! Now seeing smiles on little faces really touches your heart! See Virginia, there really is a Santa Claus".



Until next time,  
Coralee

There were some cute cigarette girls circulating at the Fall Festival - Coralee Garrett and Marylou Morton.



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# SEABREEZE SINGLES

Jackie Hamlin (904) 731-9181

We have had a great Fall with Single-Rama in Sebring, Octoberfest at the club and food, food, food. The Fall Festival was a big success and now Christmas and New Years is upon us.

In January we will be recovering from the holidays. The last Tuesday in February will be our annual Sadie Hawkins dance with all the usual good decorations and food.

March is our annual Fuzzy Navel Dance in Jekyll Island, sponsored by

the Singles Association of Florida and Georgia. Lisa Wall will be cueing. Couples & Marrieds are invited.

April is our annual charity dance at Jax Heights Elementary for benefit of City Rescue Mission. They do a great service for our community and are deserving of our help. Watch for our members who will be at dances selling tickets.

Remember: Life's blows cannot break a person whose spirit is warmed at the fire of enthusiasm.

## SILVER FOX

Lillie Brugh-Irzaray (904) 266-1083



It seems hard to believe that we have gone through another year so fast. We hope all had a very Merry Christmas and are enjoying a Wonderful New Year.

The Circus is coming! The Circus is coming! Perhaps some of you have been dancing with a few "clowns" lately. We have been making visits around town the past few months promoting our Annual Circus



Dance. Mark your calendars and plan to join us January 11th for a night of fun and dance while supporting a good cause. As most of you know the proceeds from the dance go to benefit Dreams Come True.

We would like to thank Robert Padgett from the Moose Promenaders for guest calling on October 25th at Argyle Christian Preschool & Kindergarten for a dance demo & entertainment. We were given a donation of \$200 towards Dreams Come True.

In closing remember to yellow rock your partner and we wish you happy dancing.

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Has the 2008 artifact been to your club or event yet? Keep it traveling through our Association until it finally arrives in Lakeland for the 2008 Convention in May 2008.



## *Thank You, Thank You, Thank You*

The Northeast has been privileged to play host to two fantastic events since September—the 50th Anniversary Dance and *Viva Las Vegas!* Fall Festival. We want to thank Jack & Kathy McKinney for their hard work making the 50th Anniversary Dance such a celebration. We also want to thank Shirley White & "Smitty" Smith for their superb achievements in making the Fall Festival such a success. We certainly couldn't forget all the volunteers working on the committees with these Chairpersons. We couldn't do it without you and we wouldn't want to do it without you!

Our sincerest gratitude for all your work, *Cuida and Thomas*



### TEDDY BEAR SQUARES

Gaye Feuer (904) 743-1087

The Teddy Bear dancers have had lots of fun this year and are looking forward to 2008. We had successful banner raids to several clubs, including Moose Promenaders and Mandarin Marauders. In October, Ken Perez called for us, and even brought a few of his dancers with him. In November for our Veterans' Day Salute to the Military, members in the military and their families brought photos to share with the club.

We enjoyed Leftovers at our Pot Luck dinner after Thanksgiving. Our Christmas Dance provided lots of

good eating for all of us and our guests.

In the coming year we plan to celebrate Valentine's Day and St. Patrick's Day on our club night, the second and fourth Saturdays of each month.

Make a New Year's resolution to have more fun...come dance with us at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church at 6801 Merrill Road. Gary & Berni Murphy, our callers, and Lisa & John Wall, cuers, inspire us with their expertise.



5/ Mark Fetzer isn't clowning around when it comes to learning to call. Gary Murphy & the Teddy Bears were pleased to have Mark share his talents recently.



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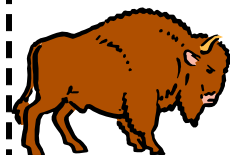
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Grand Squares .....	June.....	33rd
Gypsy Squares .....	December .....	18th
Joy Seas.....	April.....	17th
Mandarin Marauders.....	April.....	23rd
Moose Promenaders .....	April.....	18th
Plus Fox .....	January .....	21st
River Ramblers.....	April.....	10th
Rollaways .....	April.....	20th
Seabreeze Singles .....	September .....	32nd
Silver Fox .....	June.....	23rd
Square Wheels.....	September .....	27th
Teddy Bears .....	June.....	24th
Touch of Class.....	September .....	
Vagabond Squares .....	November .....	14th
Yellow Rockers.....	April.....	2nd

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## TOUCH OF CLASS

Mary Rozzano (904) 241-0384



We have been working very hard on a beautiful Phase V+2 Rumba called "And I Love You So", La Vie En Rose, a Phase III+2 Foxtrot, Laurann, a Phase IV+2 Waltz. Lisa has plans to teach Moon River in the near future.

Congratulations to John and Lisa who are now President-elect to the Round Dance Council and on a job well done.

We attended the Round Dance Council of Florida's bi-annual dance in Plant City. Lisa and John have been working tirelessly contacting everyone in the state and surrounding states to see what would encourage them to join and be a part of the council. They succeeded in recruiting five new couples.

We are very happy to welcome two new couples to our club, Grey and Glenda Duncan from Jacksonville and Maurice and Valerie Millard from the Daytona area.

On January 6th, we will begin our phase III Waltz/Foxtrot class at Arlington Congregational Church from 6:00 to 7:30 PM.

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## TRI-COUNTY DANCERS

Sarah Pergrossi (352) 463-3829

It is with saddened hearts that we inform the square dance community that due to declining attendance the Tri-County Dancers have closed their doors effective October 31st.

We are thankful for the opportunity to meet our neighbors and share good times square dancing. It has been our privilege to offer square dancing in Trenton. Thank you dancers for supporting the Tri-County Dancers.

Charlie & Sarah

Editor's note: Charlie and grandson Ethan pack up one last time at the Trenton Recreation Center.



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## VAGABOND SQUARES

Paul Fortner (386) 362-4226

The Vagabond Squares are dancing on Thursday evenings from 7:00 PM until whenever we get tired at Hale Recreation Center in Live Oak, FL on NE Duval St. The student dancers are enjoying square dancing and moving along very well. Call Ralph at 386 752-2544 for details and directions. Ralph Beekman is our caller and cuer. Now that Gary Murphy has moved into

the neighborhood, he has been kind enough to guest call for us when Ralph wasn't available. Thank you Gary. See you Thursday evening on the dance floor for some good fun.

**Editor's Note:** Charlie and I visited this lively group of dancers recently and had a wonderful evening. Ralph kept

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us busy on the dancing floor with his calling and cueing. We wish to express our sincere thanks and we'll be back soon. We would encourage everyone to take a drive to Live Oak and dance.

Sarah & Charlie



## YELLOW ROCKERS

Bronze & Virginia Cagle (904) 778-7132

By the time you read this issue of The Grapevine you will have celebrated the holiday season and hopefully enjoyed a wonderful new year! These past months have held many wonderful dances, but never fear, there are plenty more just ahead!

The Yellow Rockers have played host to several clubs coming to steal our banner. We've hosted the Mandarin Marauders, the Teddy Bears, and the Rollaways. Luckily we've been back to claim our banners except for one, and we'll be out in force very soon. But, we'd be happy to have you come along to visit and try to take our traveling banner home to your club.

The 5th Monday Madness dance on October 29th was a great event. Lisa Wall cued the rounds while our own Charlie Pergrossi called a great Mainstream/Plus dance for a very enthusiastic group.

What a fantastic weekend we all enjoyed at the Fall Festival in November! It was quite different as we enjoyed the talents of a lady caller, Lottie Ainsworth. The decorations were beautiful and the entertainment was terrific. Our club is especially proud of our members, Shirley White and "Smitty" Smith as festival chairpersons and our caller Charlie Pergrossi as emcee. We discovered the hidden talents of our fellow dancers & friends during the fabulous Afterparty. Shirley, Smitty and all their committees deserve a BIG

YELLOW ROCK for all the hard work required to present such a fabulous dance for us to enjoy.

In November we were delighted to welcome back our traveling friends, Sir Chappie and Lady Betty. We also were treated to dance to the talented Mike Preskitt. You may recall meeting Mike and his wife Debbie at the Fall Festival. They live in Anchorage, Alaska and visit their Florida family members for Thanksgiving each year. This year they arrived in time to attend our Fall Festival. It was a treat to have Mike and Debbie come to our dance and call for us before returning home to Alaska.

Have you noticed that our own Maxine Thomas and Billy Luper will be writing the Line Dance column? Join them for line dancing each Monday evening at Yellow Rockers.

Check the Calendar of Events for our Spring Dance in March with Lisa Wall on rounds, and our 2nd Anniversary Dance in April. Also, check for the various nights we must be dark due to the school holiday schedule.



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## **SHAMROCK SWING IS MOVING ON**

The Central Florida Association's annual weekend dance festival, **The Shamrock Swing**, is coming up on March 7 & 8, 2008. Chairman Dick and Jeanne Lysobey announced today that everything is a go for this major dance on the Florida dance scene.

This weekend affair will be held at the same location as the past few years, the Maitland Presbyterian Church, 341 N. Orlando Ave., Maitland, FL on Friday night March 7 and Saturday day and night March 8, 2008.

Callers are Tim Marriner and Whit Brown. Cuers are Jimmy and Carol Griffin. These great callers and cuers have presided at some of the past Shamrock Swings and have really wow'ed the crowds. Their programs will include both mainstream and plus square dancing, with workshops for both squares and rounds and DBD dancing on Saturday afternoon. It should be fun for all.

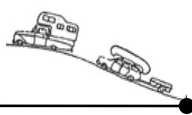
OH YES!! FINNEGANS PLACE will be open for your enjoyment when you are not dancing. You will remember this from two years ago as the place where you could get snacks and drinks while you rested up from all of your dancing. If you did not attend the dance when they were there, ask someone who was there. IT WAS GREAT! As always, vendors will be on site for your shopping pleasure.

For more information or to order your ribbons (\$16 in advance or \$18 per person at the door for the weekend, daily admission is available at the door) contact Dick & Jeanne Lysobey at (386) 789-8018 or E-mail [rjl1013@earthlink.net](mailto:rjl1013@earthlink.net).



# Camp N' Dance

By Karen Lowe & Mary Burzo



Most of our happy campers in the Northeast have returned from their summer travels.

September was a full month for us, **Gypsy's** and **Square Wheels** camped together at Pacette's Marina. We love going there. The Outlet Mall is close, there's great shopping, also usually many of our friends come from Jacksonville to visit us on Saturday. Always a good time, Bill and Mary Chesnut are great.

**Drift Arounds** went to Blueberry Hill. Wonderful time as always with Jim Cosman. For some reason Bob Lingle was taking women into the men's room. They were lined up waiting their turn, and always came out with a big smile on their face. Ya had to be there!

In October **Gypsy's** went to Lake Oklawaha. That's a wonderful camp ground. It's rustic and very peaceful providing a good time to do some serious thinking or napping. The **State Camp-O-Ree** was also in October and was the event of events. It was at Okeechobee this year with close to 100 rigs in attendance. The weather was perfect. As always the calling, cueing, games, pool, golf and all other events were absolutely perfect! Did you know that Non-Camping Dancers are also invited to our Camp-O-Ree? Mark your calendars for next year's event at Blueberry Hill RV Park, October 9-12, 2008. Flyers will be out at all dances very soon.

Our annual **O'Leno Hoedown** was a

great success. Gypsy's joined with the Square Wheels on this event. They did a great job. This year's callers were Bill Chesnut and Bob Poyner and our own Lisa Wall on rounds. On Saturday afternoon we had the opportunity to dance to the talents of several amateur callers and an amateur cuer. It was a good experience for everyone.

## The Limonaders #139

The Limonaders have returned from their busy summer schedules visiting the Nationals in Charlotte and then to Amana, Iowa for the National Camp-O-Ree. We kept busy with dances, shopping and visiting and had lots of fun, but it's good to be home ready to resume camping with Florida Wheelers #143. In October & November we gathered at Bushnell catching up on friends and dancing with our caller Clyde Stocker. So many dancers were generous with their gifts for our Toys for Tots and Nursing Home for Elderly & Veterans. We look forward to a joint campout between The Limonaders, Sunshine Pioneers and Florida Wheelers at Ocala Ranch in January 2008. Happy New Year!

## Strawberry Travelers #153

Wow! The Camp-O-Ree was a huge success. Our own "Princess" and her "Frog" were a hit during the Fashion Show. We followed up that weekend by camping in Davenport at FL Camp Inn. We were concerned about Rosie Snell's health, and we're thankful she's doing much better now. We had a fabulous visit to Fort Wildness, Disney World in November. Pat Willis is a world class tour guide! Our Christmas campout at Lee's Travel Park was delightful. We hope to see you in the near future. Join us Feb. 8-10, 2008 at Lake Oklawaha, Fort McCoy as we join up with Drift Arounds for an exciting weekend. April 11-13 will find us back at FL Camp Inn in Davenport.

Happy New Year from the Strawberry Travelers!



Achim & Elvira Steil from Germany were one of the many couples attending the O'Leno Hoedown. Kathy McKinney and Val Newsome helped to welcome them Saturday evening.

# Planning For The Future!!!

## CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

(Locations in Jacksonville unless otherwise indicated)

### **January 2008**

- 4 ..... Black & White Dance ..... Flagler Beach ..... Flagler Ocean Waves  
11 ..... Circus Dance..... Plus Fox  
14 & 18. Dark for School Break.....Yellow Rockers  
15 ..... Annual Chili Cook Off..... Rollaways  
16 ..... Guest Caller—Robert Padgett ..... Plus Fox  
18 ..... Western Night..... Flagler Beach ..... Flagler Ocean Waves  
26 ..... Super Football Fan Dance ..... Teddy Bears

### **February 2008**

- 1 .....Mardi Gras Dance ..... Flagler Beach .....Flagler Ocean Waves  
2 .....Sophomore Hoedown ..... Gateway Callers Association  
2 .....Snowflake Frolic ..... Boynton Beach ..... Southeast Association  
6 .....Anniversary Dance (21st) ..... Plus Fox  
7 .....President's Ball ..... Moose Promenaders  
8 .....Chocolate/Chocolate/Valentine..... Silver Fox  
9 .....Valentine's Sweetheart Ball ..... Teddy Bears  
12 .....Au Chocolat! ..... Rollaways  
15 .....Trails End to Blue-Grey Dance. Lake City .....Square Wheels  
16 .....Blue-Grey Dance..... Lake City ..... Dixie Dancers  
18 .....Dark for Presidents' Day..... Yellow Rockers  
26 .....Sadie Hawkins Day Dinner & Dance ..... Seabreeze Singles  
29 .....Sadie Hawkins Potluck Dinner Dance ..... Flagler Ocean Waves

### **March 2008**

- 1 .....Cancer Research Benefit Dance ..... Plus Fox  
4 .....Celebrating in Irish Style with Peg Lust! ..... Rollaways  
7 .....Irish Green dance..... Flagler Beach ..... Flagler Ocean Waves  
7 & 8 ....Shamrock Swing..... Maitland ..... Central Assoc  
8 .....Irish Stew Night..... (wear your green)..... Teddy Bears  
14 .....St Patty Day Dance ..... Silver Fox  
15 .....Square'em Up for Shriner's Kids..... Palatka ..... River Ramblers  
17 .....Spring Dance—Squares & Rounds ..... Yellow Rockers  
21 .....Dark for Good Friday ..... Flagler Beach ..... Flagler Ocean Waves  
28 .....Amateur Callers Night..... Flagler Beach ..... Flagler Ocean Waves  
29 .....5th Saturday Dance ..... Sandalwood High School.....NEFSARDA  
31 .....Dark for School Break..... Yellow Rockers

### **April 2008**

- 4 & 5 ....2009 State Convention Party Weekend ..... Deer Haven Retreat  
8 .....Anniversary Dance (20th) & Students' Graduation..... Rollaways  
10 .....Anniversary Dance (18th)..... Moose Promenaders  
12 .....Gary & Lisa's 4th Anniversary Dance..... Teddy Bears

- 19..... City Rescue Benefit Dance.....Seabreeze Singles
- 24..... Students' Graduation .....Moose Promenaders
- 25..... Club Colors Installation of Officers ..... Flagler Ocean Waves

**May 2008**

- 3..... Graduation Ball.....Gateway Callers Association
- 9..... Ernie's Anniversary, Sha-Na-Na & Mother's Day ..... Silver Fox
- 10..... Mother's Day Dance .....Teddy Bears
- 15..... Pirate's Ball .....Moose Promenaders
- 16..... Garden Night Dance .....Flagler Beach..... Flagler Ocean Waves
- 22..... Trail End Dance..... Plant City ..... 54th FL State Convention
- 23..... Dark for the FL State Convention ..... Flagler Ocean Waves
- 23-25... 54th FL State Convention ..... Lakeland ..... Hosted by West Coast
- 24..... Dark to support the FL State Convention .....Teddy Bears
- 26..... Dark for Memorial Day holiday ..... Yellow Rockers
- 31..... 5th Saturday Dance..... Jax Heights Elementary ..... NEFSARDA

**June 2008**

- 6-7..... Watermelon Festival.....Chiefland ..... Grand Squares
- 19..... Ice Cream Social .....Moose Promenaders
- 20..... Anniversary Dance (23rd) ..... Silver Fox
- 23 & 30. Dark for support of National Sq Dance Convention ..... Yellow Rocker
- 25-28... National Sq & Round Dance Convention ..... Wichita, Kansas
- 28..... Anniversary Dance (24th) Cake & Ice Cream Social .....Teddy Bears

**July 2008**

- 12..... Christmas in July.....Keystone Heights ..... RCA & GCA
- 12..... Dark in support of Christmas in July dance .....Teddy Bears
- 26..... All American Dance .....Teddy Bears
- 31..... Pink Cadillac Dance.....Moose Promenaders

**August 2008**

- 9..... Back to School ..... bring school supplies .....Teddy Bears
- 28..... Amateur Calling Night.....Moose Promenaders
- 30..... 5th Saturday Dance..... Tynes Elementary..... NEFSARDA

**September 2008**

- 1 & 8.... Dark for Labor Day..... Yellow Rockers
- 20..... Anniversary Dance (27th) ..... Square Wheels
- 27..... Fall Funfest ..... wear Fall colors.....Teddy Bears
- 30..... Anniversary Dance (30th) .....Lake City ..... Dixie Dancers

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