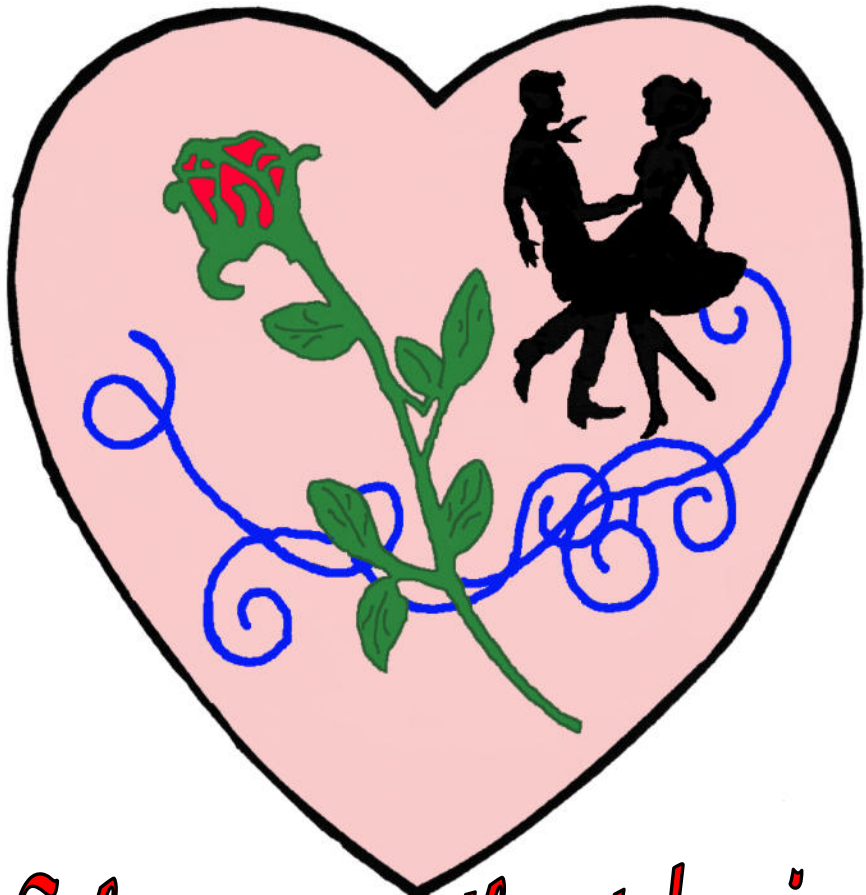


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Moose Promenaders Amateur Callers Night 2008

CORRECTION: On page 20 of the October 2008 issue, we stated that Jim Weismore won the Moose Promenaders Amateur Caller Night, but the actual winners were Bill & Jane Dando. Congratulations Bill & Jane! We regret this error.



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President's Message

with Ouida Taylor & Thomas Tramel



Thomas and I would like to thank Joe and Martha Hardcastle and all their committee members for a successful Fall Festival. The entertainment on Friday night was very informative. Also, we would like to thank all the dancers who participated in the parade of Hawaiian attire and congratulations to Amber German, the big \$50 winner. Now, we are looking forward to next year's Fall Festival "Walk on The Wild Side" on November 20-21, 2009. Guest Caller: Tom Roper, Guest Cuer: Joanne & Ken Helton. Chairmen for the Festival are Mary and Sam Starling.

The executive board has been honored to have Tom & Pat Herscha, Frank & Barbara Meyer and Erv & Jan Oermann to give of their time. They have served well and will be greatly missed. We welcome Jerry & Donna Robey, (Treasurer) Walt & Dianne Syphard, (Corresponding Sec) and Jack & Kathy McKinney, (Recording Sec). We are looking forward to working with the new Board.

NEFSARDA'S 5th Saturday Grapevine Subscription Dance on January 31, 2009 will be held at Jax Heights Elementary School. Subscribe to or extend your subscription to *The Grapevine* and dance for free or pay per person if no subscription is taken. Callers are: Jim Cosman & Charlie Pergrossi and Cuer: Lisa Wall. Come out and support our publication.

Several dances have been scheduled, which we hope you will support,

so please check your calendar of special events to choose the dances which you can support as we know it is impossible to attend all of them. Just to mention a few, the Sophomore Dance sponsored by the Gateway Callers Assoc. on February 7th, one honoring all our Presidents, (The President's Ball) on February 12th sponsored by Moose Promenaders. Another is a 2010 Convention Benefit Dance which will be held in Plant City on February 28, 2009. Last, but not least as the saying goes, is the Florida State Convention, which you will hear more about later is scheduled May 22-24, 2009. All the dances are special so please attend as many as you possibly can.

Another subject is new dancers. It seems each club has few, if any, new dancers. We need to start thinking about, or continue thinking about, ways to recruit and retain new dancers. If anyone has any new ideas, or old ones that work, please discuss this with any Board Member. We want and need new dancers. The people are out there, we just need to find a way to get them interested in square and round dancing, the activity we enjoy so much.

Respectfully submitted,
Ouida Taylor & Thomas Tramel
President of NEFSARDA

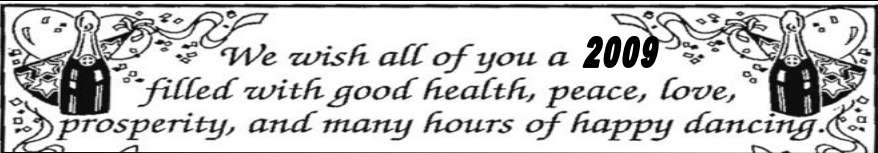
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From the Editors' Desk...



Dear Readers,

I am going to step aside for this issue and use an editorial printed in *The Grapevine* November-December issue, 2004. The editors were Charlie and Val Newsome and their words still hold true today.

"The subject for this editorial is SUPPORT. Webster's Dictionary gives us several meanings:

(1)To promote the interests or causes of; (2)To keep (something) going; (3) Assist; Help; (4) To hold up or serve as a foundation or prop for...and several others.

Let's take number 1. All of us who are in the square dance activity (including rounds, contra, lines, country western, or clogging), **MUST** support the activity or there will be no activity for us to enjoy. The healthy fun and fellowship will disappear. What will we do then?

We will have lost the vital part of our 'FELLOWSHIP' with other humans. Square dancing affords us the opportunity to make lifetime **friendships**, which can be some of the most meaningful experiences in one's life.

We've already alluded to #2, because if we don't promote the square dance community **ACTIVELY**, then #2 stops. It no longer is being kept **GOING**, instead it is **GONE!**

Number 3 tells us exactly what we can do to **SUPPORT** the activity. **ASSIST – HELP!** **SUPPORT** your local clubs, callers, cuers and dances. You ask, what do you mean assist, help? Attend other dances, make a point of dancing, helping when you can, coop-

erating with other clubs. You'll find there is a better spirit and the activity grows when you are cooperating and not competing with each other.

One way to accomplish this is to check with the Calendar of Events, or call us, the editors, to make sure your special event is not on the same date of another special dance. **Cooperate - don't compete!**

Also, have you ever said, "Well, I worked hard today. I don't think I'll go to that dance tonight." Did you ever think how much it might have meant to the club, caller, or cuer, if you had gone? And, what it might have meant to you! You would have been among friends and the social atmosphere would have, itself, made you feel better. Who knows, you might have even felt so much better you even danced!

So, support all you can. Volunteer at your local festivals, attend the State and National Conventions, and visit other dance events around the state.

Once we accomplish numbers 1-3, number 4 will be **HELD UP**. It will have a **FIRM FOUNDATION** and the Square Dance movement will flourish and grow!"

Thank you Charlie and Val for your thoughts and words. They still hold true 5 years later!

Sarah & Charlie, editors



Meet Your Executive Board for 2009!



Couples left to right: Thomas Tramel & Ouida Taylor, President; Sam & Mary Starling, Vice President; Jack & Kathy McKinney, Recording Secretary; Jerry & Donna Robey, Treasurer; Walt & Dianne Syphard, Corresponding Secretary; Bud & Anita Taylor, Immediate Past President

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Stepping Out with Maxine & Billy

Line Dancing Highlights



Well, here we go again. I just finished teaching line dance at another exciting event, the FALL FESTIVAL, and my heart feels warm as I reminisce over the days activities. I wish I could tell each and everyone how proud I was that you came out to support me. I hope that you had as much fun dancing as I did. I wish that I could tell you that I learned all the dances from my good old COWBOY FRIENDS (ha ha), but I will confess that I went to my computer as part of

my research. I also practice the steps till I think they are right. Sometimes I forget the count or which foot to start on, but I hang in there and have fun trying.

Thank you again for staying 'til the end. Next issue I will include an easy line dance so have fun.

Here's to happy feet,
Maxine



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ELILLIAN ANNE (HAYS) HELM

Dec. 31, 1937 – Oct. 3, 2008

Anne Helm, 70, died at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 3, 2008, at Marion General Hospital. She was born in Converse, Indiana, to the late J. Bernard Hays and Lavina (Putterbaugh) Thompson. Her stepfather was the late James T. Thompson.

Anne married Earl E. Helm on June 22, 1958. He survives. She formerly worked as an insurance clerk at the Johnson-Hoffman Insurance Company.

Anne was an excellent homemaker, a loving mother and grandmother and a wonderful Christian woman. Anne graduated from Marion High School in 1956 and attended Marion Business College. Roller skating and dancing were very important in her life. She began roller skating when she was 10 years old. She won her first competition at 12 and continued until age 52, including judging roller skating competitions.

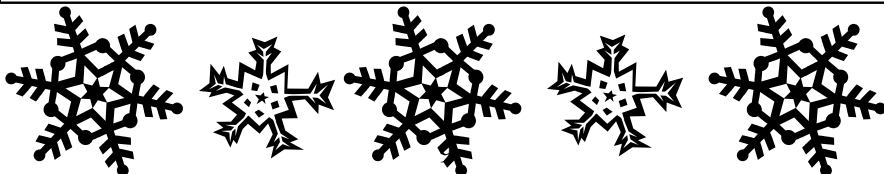
Anne was also very involved in Square Dance, Round Dance, Ball Room Dancing and Line Dancing. She belonged to the Board of Directors of The International Association of Round Dance Teachers (RoundaLab), Indiana Square Dance Callers & Cuers Association, the National Callers Lab and the Florida Round Dance Counsel.

Anne and Earl were snowbirds, spending a portion of the year in Indiana and Florida. With the support of the River Ramblers, they started teaching beginning round dance in the fall of 2007. Their students have continued to practice Anne's lessons even after the Helms returned to Indiana. Anne had been contracted to cue at the 2009 Knothead Konvention. The dancers of Florida were discovering the joy of round dancing with Anne & Earl and will miss this talented couple deeply. Even after death, she continues to show her generous spirit with her gift of tissue donation.

Survivors include husband, Earl E. Helm, Marion; daughters, Elizabeth "Beth" (George) Huskins, Mulberry, Jane Shaw, Fairmount, and Elaine Joy Fosnough, Goshen; son, Earl LeRoy (Teresa) Helm, Warsaw; grandchildren, Sabrina and Sara Huskins, Corey Shaw, Kayla and Aaron Fosnough and Nathan and Jennifer Bannon; sisters, Margot Coppock (Michael L.) Mullenix, Converse, Janice (William) Schrader, Niles, Mich., and Sue (Leo) Theilman, Kalamazoo, Mich.

She was preceded in death by her parents, son, Robert Brooks Helm; brother, Jeffrey L. Thompson and grandson, Robert Shane Huskins.

Our deepest sympathies are with Earl, his family and their many friends in Florida and Indiana.



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Cuer's Comments

by Lisa Wall



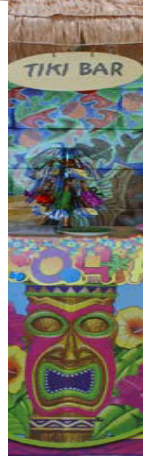
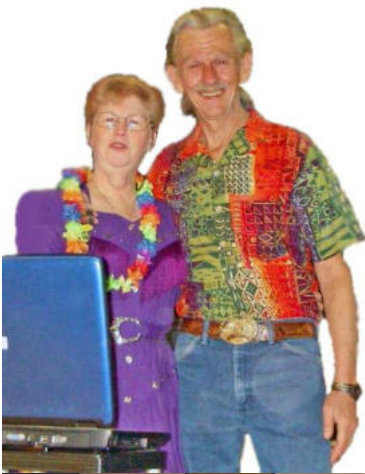
FALL BRINGS LEARNING

Wow what a fall we have had. It has been very busy and full of lots of learning and surprises. The 'Thrill in the Ville' was a complete success and already in the planning stages for next year. We were surprised to see so many out of town attendees. They just about outnumbered the locals this year and we are considering looking for a new hall. From a Round Dance Teachers point of view it was wonderful to see all the out of town Teachers in attendance. We hope that all the dancers that attended had a good time and will consider returning next year.

The surprise to top all surprises was the Bus load of dancers that attended the Northwest Association Dance in DeFuniak Springs this year. We cannot thank them enough for all there support. It makes us feel so good to have that many people want to go in support of us. All the dancers from our area and Lake City in my opinion made the dance, but I might be a little biased. I know there were several who helped to plan this trip, and thanks to all and especially to Kathy & Jack McKinney for being such good friends. I have heard rumours that a group of purple clad dancers are planning to attend the Queen City Ball in August. It should be a fun dance, so if you are interested just ask and we will get the information to you.

Read more about the Bus Trip
to DeFuniak Springs on
page 59







Aloha! 2008



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Shirley White and 'Smitty' Smith escorted a very surprised Frank and Barbara Meyer to the front stage on Saturday night, November 22, 2008. Frank and Barbara were being honored with the Circle of Service Award. They had been nominated by Shirley and Smitty for their many years of service to the square dance community. They have served as Corresponding Secretary to the Northeast Association, Alternate Delegates to the Florida Federation for the Northeast, and chaired the Refreshment Committee for several Fall Festivals. They are active members of the Seabreeze Singles and always willing to assist and lend a hand when needed. Thank you Frank and Barbara for your unending support of square dancing throughout Florida.



Sundaes on Sunday

On a warm Sunday afternoon, September 21, 2008, the first benefit dance for the 2010 State Convention was held. The theme for the dance was "Sundaes on Sunday". Each club in the Northeast was asked to provide a theme basket to be used in a silent auction. The baskets were beautifully displayed and the bids were under way. Everyone had a wonderful time bidding on their favorite basket,



dancing and enjoying delicious ice cream sundaes. In addition to raising money from the Silent Auction, Bob Hunnicutt of the Dixie Dancers presented a check to the 2010 Convention on behalf of the club.



The callers and cuer from the Northeast Association donated their time for the event. We truly appreciate each person who had a part in this kick-off for the 2010 Convention.

To top off a truly delightful afternoon and successful dance, we have learned that \$1,094 was raised at this event. What a great start to the fund raising events for 2010!

NEFSARDA's 5th Saturday Grapevine Subscription Dance



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January 31, 2009

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58th National Square Dance Convention® "California Dreamin'"

June 24-27, 2009 Long Beach, California



Ceremonies at the 58th NSDC

The 58th National Square Dance Convention® Ceremonies Committee has put together four ceremonies for your enjoyment at the Long Beach convention. In the prior press release, we told you about two of the four special ceremonies. The Opening Ceremony on Wednesday, which features the "Beach Buoys," a quartet of Nationally-known callers (Mike Seastrom, Ken Bower, Tony Oxendine plus ??), will be singing *Beach Boy*' tunes and honoring America. The tree dedication ceremony on Thursday, which will be the last in a series of tree dedications, was begun in Riverside in 2001 as part of the 50th National Square Dance Convention®.

Now for the other two ceremonies. The Friday ceremony is the opportunity for the 59th National Square Dance Convention® to shine, as they invite everyone to attend their convention in Louisville, Kentucky in 2010. The ceremony will begin at 5:45PM in the Arena. This free event will open with a very special square dance exhibition. This ceremony will include nationally-known caller Pat Carnathan with a stirring tribute to America, and will feature the presentation of Louisville's invitation.

The premier ceremony at the 58th National Square Dance Convention® is the Parade of States and Closing Ceremony. It will be held on Saturday evening in the Arena. This ceremony will feature an impressive and rousing parade of dancers marching into the Arena by state or country. As the dancers enter, each state or country will be recognized for its contribution.

to the success of the 58th National. The Closing Ceremony will then culminate with the announcement of the winner of the bid to host the 62nd National Square Dance Convention® in 2013. Lineup for the Parade will begin at 4:30PM, with the Parade stepping off at 5:00PM. The Closing Ceremony will start immediately after the Parade.

Make your plans now to include the 58th National's ceremonies in your convention schedule.

Raffle at the 58th NSDC

Would you like a new Chevrolet HHR? It's that mod/retro vehicle that you see other folks driving around town. It could be yours if you win the great raffle that the 58th National Square Dance Convention® is holding. The winner need not be present to win. The grand prize is a 2009 Chevrolet HHR vehicle or \$15,000 cash. The other prizes are a Panama Canal Cruise (or \$5,000 cash), a 58-inch flat panel HD television (or \$4,000 cash) and a digital camera and accessories (or \$500 cash). Tickets are \$20 each. The drawing for the winners will be held during our closing ceremonies on June 27, 2009. Contact anyone on the 58th Board (the "Surf Board") to purchase tickets.

Tour Opportunities While at the 58th NSDC

The Social & Special Events Chairman and all their wonderful helpers have scoured the "southland" looking for great tours to make your "California Dreamin' adventure" more enjoyable. They have found

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many wonderful tour opportunities. You can see them online at www.58nsdc.org. Some of the tours: Disneyland® Park & Disney's California Adventure® Park; Knott's Berry Farm; LA Fashion & Jewelry Districts; The Getty Museum; Catalina Island; Dolphin & Whale Watching: Harbor Cruise. And, of course, the big one: The Post-Convention Mexican Riviera Cruise. Learn all about the many tours by logging onto the website.

58th NSDC Program Book

The Program Book only costs \$6, but contains valuable information about the convention. It also contains interesting information about the Long Beach area as well as southern California. It makes a great keepsake of this great event. Remember, you **"Can't tell the players without a program."** Along with the Program Book comes three separate "Daily Pocket-Size Programs," one for each day. These will provide you information on all activities of the convention. Price is \$6, but goes up to \$10 after May 31, 2009; so reserve yours early **via the "registration form"**. If you've already sent in your form, you may use another one to order the Program

Book, as well as the following items: lodging request, dance syllabi, Sew & Save book, *National Squares* magazine, Wednesday night event tickets, Route 66 Passport, camping needs. Supplies at the door will be very limited, so we recommend ordering in advance to ensure you get one.

Tony Oxendine Benefit Dance – January 18, 2009

If you're in Southern California, you can begin your ***California Dreamin'*** experience early. Save the date: Sunday, January 18, 2009, 7:30 to 10:30PM, and come to the Cedarbrook Dance Center in Garden Grove. Tony Oxendine will be calling squares and Eileen Silvia will be cueing rounds for this exciting event. There will be a \$10 donation. All proceeds of the dance go to support the 58th National Square Dance Convention®.

Make plans now to come to Long Beach, California, in June 2009, for the "Greatest Square Dance Event In The World"

Web site

The official Web site of the 58th NSDC is: www.58nsdc.com. Please visit often and check out all the details of your 2009 National Convention. The Registration Form may be downloaded from the web site.

Emergency Phone Number at the 58th NSDC

We have received the emergency telephone number for the Long Beach National Convention. The number has been issued but will not be active until Monday, June 22, 2009. The telephone number is: (562) 628-8400.



It's that time again. Insurance Renewals are due now. This month's USDA Article is taken from USDA NEWS Volume XIX, Issue 4 Oct - Dec 2008.

ARE YOU DANCING UNINSURED

Every square dance organization needs General Liability and Accident Medical Expense coverage while conducting and sponsoring dance activities. As closely as safety rules are followed, accidents can and will happen. This insurance program, especially designed for USDA dance groups, provides Accident Medical insurance, which helps protect club members from financial loss due to a covered accidental bodily injury, and Liability insurance, which protects the club and its members and association officials from financial loss due to unforeseen incidents which may develop into litigation against members and dance organizations.

LIABILITY INSURANCE - Limits of protection: \$1,000,000 combined single limit of liability for bodily injury and property damage per occurrence (subject to a \$100 property damage deductible per claim) while participating in scheduled and sponsored dancing activities. \$100,000 limit for damage to premises rented to you.

Who is covered: The club and its members while participating in club or organization sponsored and supervised dancing activities. Liability coverage applies in the United States, its territories or possessions, and Canada.

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Submitted by: Paul and Cheryl Miller, Florida USDA Representatives

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CALLER'S CORNER



By Gary Murphy

The Gateway Callers did themselves proud at the recent Florida Callers Association's Workshop Weekend. John Saunders had been scheduled to be the clinician for the weekend, until he broke his leg just beforehand. The workshops went on though, and the FCA chose some of it's most knowledgeable and experienced members to conduct the clinics. I'm very proud to say that three of the four clinicians came from the Gateway Callers: Bobby Keefe led the Music and Voice clinic, Bill Chesnut led the Caller's Ethics clinic and Skip Cleland led the Showmanship clinic. It's just more proof that some of the finest callers in Florida hang out up here in the north country!

And the future of the Gateway Callers remains bright as our newest callers continue to progress at a rapid rate. Robert Padgett used his time well at the FCA workshops and emerged from the weekend sounding better than ever. And Mark Fetzer took the time to travel to New Hampshire recently to attend one of the best Caller Colleges in the country and is now wowing everyone with his progress. Mark recently called his first solo dance for the Yellow Rockers and Robert has called dances for the Plus Fox and the Silver Fox. I hope you had the chance to hear both of them at the Fall Festival and at the Beginners Hoedown. It takes a lot of hard work and practice to become a caller, and both of these guys deserve a standing ovation for how far they've come.

And finally, on a very personal note, I'm sad to say that this will be my final time to write the Caller's Corner. It's hard to believe that I've been doing this for almost five years! I've enjoyed working with Charlie & Val, Bob & Jane and now Sarah & Charlie. I'm hopeful the column will go on, since I've always felt it was important for Callers and Dancers to communicate. Thanks to all of you for your comments and support over the years.

From both Berni and myself, have a very Happy New Year!

Editor's Note: Thank you Gary and Berni for your years of service to The Grapevine. We have all enjoyed reading your articles.

Thank You

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

Howard Crowe

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News from the Federation with Charlie & Val Newsome



The Florida Federation met on Sunday, November 23rd after attending the Fall Festival in Jacksonville. It was a pleasure to welcome so many delegates and officers of the Federation to our annual festival.

The Board bid farewell with their gratitude to outgoing presidents Randy and Carol Poole. Their hard work and dedication has benefitted the actions of Federation and dancers of Florida. The 2009 Board welcomed Jack and Barbara Hoffman of the Central Association as new members of the Federation Board. The Hoffmans will serve as Parliamentarians. Our own Charlie and Val Newsome move to the position of Secretary.

Happy New Year!

Charlie & Val
Florida Federation Secretary



Federation Board Members, 2009

Ray & Elsa Huddleston, Vice Presidents, Charlie & Val Newsome, Secretary, Paul & Cheryl Miller, Presidents, Bob & Maria Spence, Treasurer, Jack & Barbara Hoffman, Parliamentarians

Many thanks to all my friends for their cards, calls, food, prayers and most of all their support, sharing these difficult times with my loss of Bill. He will be missed in the dancing world and most of all by his loving wife and family.

Greta Stanton
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FANSDC 33rd Annual Camporee

By John and Mary Burzo, Publicity Chairpersons of FANSDC

It's has been advertised all year, look at all the fun you missed!!!!

There's always next year!!!

It takes a lot of hard work and a year to prepare for this wonderful event. This year's theme was "It's a Party" and was celebrated at Blueberry Hill Bushnell, Florida. This year we had a 3 day party instead of the usual 2 days format.

Thursday was a Trail Ends dance with 10 squares opening up the weekend festivities. The dance was followed by an Ice Cream Social with all the toppings, feeding 120 hungry dancers. Friday night was just fantastic! There were 13 squares all in orange and white. It was a sight to behold. What a treat to welcome dancers from the Northeast to our Annual Camporee.



Saturday was best of all! The day was full with dancers heading to the golf course, others shopping

with the vendor and Recycle Sale, with even more enjoying the arts & crafts presented by VP Marcy Cole. After a delicious catered dinner, the Saturday night dance was opened with a Grand March of Camping Clubs and 18 squares filling the hall ready to dance the night away. It was wonderful to have a full house with dancing, laughter, and socializing,

The Circle of Service was awarded to Maurice Ritter by Garland & Carole McKenzie for his years of service to square dancing. There were donated tickets to Disney Theme Park, Orlando FL which were raffled off.

The After Parties for the weekend included cider with a wonderful selection of doughnuts, party games, songs, chapter skits and the Dead Grass Band. The Chapter Skits were great. We have a trophy here in Florida the winning club keeps all year and takes to all their campouts. The winner this year was 153.



Hope to see you all in Sunny Florida October 22nd thru 25th, 2009 for the 34th Camporee once again at Blueberry Hills, Bushnell, Florida.



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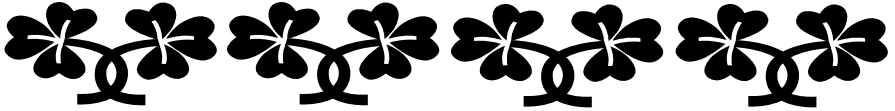
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Thank you for all of the heart warming support and encouragement from all of our family and friends. Life will never be the same because we have lost the rock of our family, but because our Wife and Mother has touched so many lives her heart lives within all of us. May the Angels that have guided her guide us and all that love her. The support of Family and Friends is the answer to our loss. My wife and our Mother will be missed but never forgotten. She will also be our strength and light.

Earl Helm, children and grandchildren



IN MEMORIAM **William Stanton**

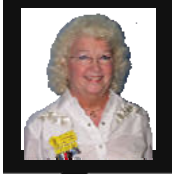
William Molton Stanton, 1922 -2008, age 86 passed away November 24, 2008. He was born in Clio, SC to parents Lucille Reynolds Minott Stanton and James Claude Stanton, Jr. He was a retired Master Chief Petty Officer with 31 years of service in the U.S. Navy, veteran of WWII, Korea and Viet Nam. He was a member of FRA, First Coast Rounds, Touch of Class Rounds, Blackfords' Reflections Demo group and other various square dance groups.

He was preceded in death by his first wife Mary Emma Williams Stanton, step-son Dwight Hunt and brother J.C. Stanton, Jr. Survivors include his wife Greta R. Stanton; son, William M. Stanton, Jr. (Thadra) and step-son, Kent Hunt; 2 daughters: Mary Leslie McCarthy (Fred) and Linda Stanton Teetz (Doral); 2 step-daughters: Mahala Jefferson and Renee Miller (Harold); sister, Lucille Stanton Lentz (John); brother-in-law, Jesse B. Williams, Jr. (Phila); 4 grandchildren; 4 step-grandchildren; 5 step-great grandchildren, father-in-law, Wilburn Boggs and brothers-in-law, Neal W. Boggs, (Chris) Edwin H. Boggs (Frances) and Royce O. Boggs (Maxine). Leaving behind many wonderful friends.

His funeral service was held Saturday November 29, at the Protestant Chapel NAS JAX. Interment was in Magnolia Cemetery with full military rites. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the Shriners Hospital, 12302 Pine Drive, Tampa, FL 33612.

Please keep Greta and their family members in your prayers during this difficult time.





What's Cooking?

In the Kitchen with Virginia Patton

In this issue we are presenting a few favorites submitted by our readers. So, forget your resolutions about food and try these delicious recipes.

Dolly Ide made these for the Camp-O-ree and was willing to share the recipe:

Twice Baked Potatoes

- 4 large baking potatoes (scrubbed really well)
- 1 pkg. (3oz.) cream cheese (softened)
- 2 Tablespoons Milk
- 1 envelope (1oz.) ranch salad dressing mix
- ¼ cup shredded cheddar cheese
- 1 ½ cups mashed potatoes (I just cooked extra potatoes for this, but you could use instant)

Scrub & pierce potatoes; Microwave, uncovered on high for 18 to 20 minutes (till tender). Let stand 10 minutes. Mash the extra potatoes or mix up instant ones. Mix together cream cheese, milk, salad dressing mix and mashed potatoes. Cut each potato in half length wise and scoop out pulp. Add pulp to mashed potato mixture. Spoon into potato shells and top with cheese. (Bacon bits, chives etc. optional). Microwave about 3 to 4 minutes on high to serve.

Extras may be frozen on a cookie sheet and transferred to a freezer bag for up to 3 months. (That's what I did, and you microwave the frozen potatoes at 50% power for 8 to 9 minutes Or till heated through)

Linda Tester says, "NOW we're in trouble!"

5 MINUTE CHOCOLATE MUG CAKE

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| 4 Tbs. flour | 4 Tbs. sugar |
| 2 Tbs. baking cocoa | 1 egg |
| 3 Tbs. milk | 3 Tbs. oil |
| 3 Tbs. chocolate chips (optional) | a small splash of vanilla essence |
| 1 coffee mug | |

Add dry ingredients to mug, and mix well. Add the egg and mix thoroughly. Pour in the milk and oil and mix well. Add the chocolate chips (if using) and vanilla essence, and mix again. Put your mug in the microwave and cook for 3 minutes at 1000 watts. The cake will rise over the top of the mug, but don't be alarmed! Allow to cool a little, and tip out onto a plate if desired.

EAT! (this can serve 2 if you want to feel slightly more virtuous).

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dancing	2 hours a week	816	12

Shamrock Swing 2009 Publicity Release



We wish each and everyone a Blessed and Happy New Year!!

We have reached the New Year of 2009. This means that the Shamrock Swing 2009 is fast approaching. Have you gotten your ribbons? Do you know all of the details of this upcoming dancing weekend? Let us fill you in or remind you of the details of this March 20th & 21st, 2009 right here in The Villages in the LaHacienda Recreation Center, 1200 Avenida Central you will find Tony Oxendine and Bob Stern calling Squares for your dancing pleasure. Joanne and Ken Helton will add to this enjoyment by cueing your favorite Rounds.

There will be two halls of dancing featuring Mainstream, Plus, DBD, Advance and Rounds. You can purchase Ribbons in advance for \$17 per person. The Ribbons will be \$19 per person at the door. Daily admission is also available at the door. All day Saturday dancing for the price of \$13 per person. Admission for Friday or Saturday evening will be \$11 per person.

You can help support the Shamrock Swing also by being a Booster. You pay \$1 and your name will be entered in the Program Booklet as a supporter of the Shamrock Swing.

The Host Hotel is Microtel Inn and Suites – 840 South Hwy. 22/441 in Lady Lake, FL. Their phone # is (352) 259-0184. They are approximately (3) three miles South of The Villages. Be sure and tell them you are with the Central Florida Square Dancers. Right next door to the Microtel is Oakwood Bar-B-Q restaurant. There are many restaurants in The Villages – some within walking distance.

Talk to the President or Area Reps of the Central Florida Square and Round Dance Association clubs to purchase your Ribbons or to become a Booster. You can, also, contact: Bob & Jennie Courter, Chairpersons, Phone (352) 751-1009, Email: courjl4720@thevillages.net



Joys & Concerns

In this issue we have a lot to celebrate and just as much to keep in prayer. Please include these square dancing friends in your prayers:

Helen Williams needs our prayers and support as she undergoes continued cancer treatment.

Don Graves, of Dixie Dancers, has made a great recovering from surgery on his rotator cuff.

Virginia Bomhold, of the Rollaways, is recovering well after hernia surgery.

Dutch Stormes called to express his appreciation for all the cards, thoughts and prayers extended to him. He is still weak but hanging in there! Mikki is taking good care of him.

Great News! **Shirley Nihart** is doing well after her recent hospital stay.

Eileen Asmussen, of Mandarin Marauders, had a defibrillator and a pace maker placed in her body in early November. She remains in considerable pain. Her heart is very weak and has had a second shock treatment. Please keep her in prayer for healing.

Eileen Asmussen's son, **Mark Gladd**, who is being treated for brain cancer. Please keep Eileen, Mark, Bill and all of her family in your prayers.

What joy to hear that **Ann Ogenorth** of Dixie Dancers, is recovering well after her recent dog attack.

Denny Fogle, of Rollaways, had a minor set back after surgery with a stroke. Our prayers are with him that he will bounce back with a complete recovery.

What a thrill to hear that **Roberta Simpson**, of Vagabond Squares, is recovering well after her bypass surgery in late October.

Hannelore Register, of Mandarin Marauders, is struggling keeping her balance following her operation. She has been able to come and visit but was not able to dance. Please keep her in your prayers.

Let's celebrate with **Tom & Pat Herscha** on the birth of their granddaughter, Alexis Betty Abel born November 7, 2008. She was 2 months premature and doing beautifully.

James Kindred, of Mandarin Marauders, is recovering from his cancer treatments.

Our prayers go out to those men and women serving our country overseas, and to their families.



Andy Gardiner, son-in-law of **Charlie & Sarah Pergrossi**, is serving in Afghanistan. Andy was home for 2 weeks at Thanksgiving. What a joy to his family!

Brandon Green, son of **Roger & Linda Minard** of the Rollaways, is serving in Afghanistan.



What Love means to a 4-8 year old

A group of professional people posed this question to a group of 4 to 8 year-olds, 'What does love mean?'

- 'When someone loves you, the way they say your name is different. You just know that your name is safe in their mouth.' Billy - age 4
- 'Love is what's in the room with you at Christmas if you stop opening presents and listen.' Bobby - age 7
- 'If you want to learn to love better, you should start with a friend who you hate,' Nikka - age 6
- 'Love is what makes you smile when you're tired.' Terri - age 4
- The winner was a four year old child whose next door neighbor was an elderly gentleman who had recently lost his wife. Upon seeing the man cry, the little boy went into the old gentleman's yard, climbed onto his lap, and just sat there. When his Mother asked what he had said to the neighbor, the little boy said, 'Nothing, I just helped him cry'

OUR HEARTS ARE SADDENED

Please keep these families in your prayers as they mourn the loss of their loved ones.

Jerry Van Deusen died on September 2, 2008. He enjoyed square dancing and was a past member of Clay Wheel Arounds and Mandarin Marauders.

Vincent Pelz, son of **Mary Lou Pelz** and **Hank Pelz**, passed away on Saturday, September 20, 2008.

Jim Cunningham passed away the end of September. He and his wife, Tena, were long time square dancers in the Jacksonville area. His memorial service was held on Friday, October 3rd.

Our prayers are with **Sherry Boatman-Burris**, of the Rollaways, as her father passed away in early November.

Helen Maxine O'Donnell, age 84, died on November 6, 2008. She was a long time square dancer and member of Silver Fox.

Tom Tripp departed this life Thursday, November 13, 2008. Tom's wife Maggie was a cuer in the Northeast. He was buried at Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell.

Betty French, of Seabreeze Singles, lost her mother on November 15th, a day after her mother celebrated her 102nd birthday.

Betty Longino passed away on Saturday December 6th. Betty was married to Walter Longino for nearly 60 years. They belonged to many clubs over the years, the last being The Rollaways. Betty crocheted many afghans for the Rollaways to take to nursing homes every Christmas. They were very involved in the square dance world until health issues kept them from dancing.

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Our Dance Couple of 2008

Written by Janette Sparrow

The 55th Northeast Florida Fall Festival 2008 was a beautiful place to be on Friday and Saturday, November 21st and 22nd. All the bright Hawaiian colors scattered about on the posters, on the walls, flowers on square dance outfits and lights on the palm trees lit up the room. Many of the men even had flashes of brilliant oranges, greens and yellows on their shirts as they stood in their squares or waltzed around the room.



Joe and Martha Hardcastle transformed the Christ the King Auditorium into a beautiful Hawaiian garden in honor of their great granddaughter, Kiyomi Brinkley, who is of Hawaiian descent. Her name, Kiyomi, means clear little beauty and she lived up to her name as she won the hearts of everyone while she judged the Hawaiian costumes and narrowed the choices to the winner.

The moment that we all look forward to each year arrived as Kathy McKinney announced this year's winners of the Couple of the Year Award. Joe and Martha Hardcastle were an obvious choice as we all basked in the Maui influence of the night. They have contributed so much of their energy in the past 27 years toward the enjoyment of square dancing from past presidents of their clubs to publicity chairmen to delegates of the Florida Federation. Their expertise even reached the National level when they served on the Invitation Committee. Last year at the Fall Festival 2007, they were presented with the Circle of Service Award for their continued support of square dancing.

The Mandarin Marauders and The Teddy Bear Squares are so proud to have them as contributing members of their clubs. They work tirelessly toward their goals even through all of their hardships and health issues.

They skipped over any credit for all of their achievements as they accepted this honor of the Couple of the Year. They said how they appreciated what everybody did to make the Fall Festival a success. They praised all the workers for their tireless hours helping them over the years. Then without missing a beat, they reminded everyone to stay after and help clean up. Once again, showing why Martha and Joe Hardcastle are so deserving as 2008 Couple of the Year. Congratulations, Martha and Joe!

NEFSARDA President Ouida Taylor presents the Dance Couple plaque to Joe & Martha. It came complete with a swinging hula dancer!



Harry Earl Spencer

(April 12, 1929 - November 26, 2008)

Mr. Harry Earl Spencer, 79, of Lake City, Florida, formerly of Hermann, Missouri passed away on Wednesday, November 26th, 2008 at Malcolm Randall VA Medical Center, Gainesville, Florida.

Mr. Spencer was born in Jonesburg, Missouri on April 12, 1929, the son of the late Harry and Pearl (Morton) Spencer. He Worked in Quality Control at Boeing Corporation in St. Louis, Missouri.

He was a member of the Dixie Dancers Square Dancers of Lake City, Florida, The American Legion in Florida, the Vagabond Squares of Live Oak, Florida and the West County Spinners of Chesterfield, Missouri.

He is survived by a special friend Gail Stochl of Eureka, Missouri; by a son Stuart and wife Debbie Spencer of Seattle, Washington; by a daughter Jane Spencer of Seattle Washington; by a son Jay Spencer of Cardiff by the Sea, California. He is also survived by a grandson Josh King of Seattle, Washington; by one sister Esther Heberle of Hermann, Missouri, and one nephew David Egelston of Olathe, Kansas.

Funeral Services were held in Hermann, Missouri on Saturday, December 6th, 2008.

Our deepest sympathies to Gail, Harry's family and many friends during this difficult time.



SQUARE DANCING - THE STATE FOLK DANCE



In September, a group of Northeast square dancers met with Jacksonville's Mayor, John Peyton, to receive the proclamation stating that September is Square Dance month.

Editor's Note: Dianne Syphard had her picture with the Mayor because she used to work for Gate Petroleum Co and the Mayor's father owns all the Gate Gas stations.





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)

JAN/FEB/MAR SCHEDULE CHANGES

NOT CUEING TEDDY BEARS ON Jan 24, Feb 14, Feb 28,

NOT CUEING SILVER FOX Jan 23, Feb 13, Feb 27

Jan 3 Cueing at **SIZZLING HOT SATURDAY NIGHT** With Bobby Keefe -7:00 - 9:00PM

Jan 4 First Coast Rounds starts **CHA-CHA** class (6:00 - 7:30PM)

Jan 8 Touch of Class Resumes dancing at Sandalwood.
Workshop 6:30 - 7:30, club dance 7:30 - 9:30

Jan 22 Touch of Class **NOT** dancing

Jan 22 - 24 Florida Winter Fest at Lakeland

Jan 25 First Coast Rounds **WILL** dance regular class & club schedule

Jan 30 Cueing at Circus Dance Jax Heights Elem (Early Rounds 7:30)

Jan 31 Cueing at 5th Saturday Dance Jax. Heights Elem.
(Early Rounds 7:00)

Feb 1 First Coast Rounds **NOT** dancing (enjoy the Super Bowl)

Feb. 7 Sophomore Hoedown at Jax Heights (dance starts @ 7:30)

Feb 12 Cueing at **MOOSE PRESIDENTS BALL** (Early Rounds 7:00)

Feb 12 Touch of Class **NOT** dancing

Feb 13 **Blue/Grey Trail** in dance at Teen Town no scheduled rounds **BUT** they usually let Lisa cue when she shows up

Feb 14 Cueing at **Blue/Grey Dance** in Lake City (Early Rounds 7:00)

Feb 21 Cueing at **SIZZLING HOT SATURDAY NIGHT** With Bobby Keefe -7:00 - 9:00PM

Feb 27 - Mar 1 Working weekend in Plant City

Feb 27 **CUEING** at **Benefit Dance** in Plant City for State Convention
(Early Rounds 7:00)

Mar 7 Cueing at **SIZZLING HOT SATURDAY NIGHT** With Bobby Keefe -7:00 - 9:00PM

Mar 21-22 Spring weekend of Rounds in Plant City

Mar 22 First Coast Rounds **NOT** dancing

Mar 30 Cueing at **Yellow Rockers 5th Monday Madness** Jax Heights Elem

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55th Annual O'Leno Hoedown

The 55th O'Leno Hoedown was held on Friday and Saturday, October 31st and November 1st. The event was held at O'Leno State Park in High Springs, Florida. The weekend is hosted by the Square Wheels with the Gypsy Squares joining in two years ago.

Callers were Bob Poyner and Bill Chesnut, with Lisa & John Wall cueing rounds.

The program includes breakfast on Saturday and dinner that evening, with a continental style breakfast on Sunday morning. Hot dogs and hamburgers are offered for lunch on Saturday.

Friday's program included a Halloween Contest for the best costumes. Many great costumes meant the judges had a really hard time picking winners.

Saturday afternoon and evening were full of dancing and fellowship -- in both halls. O'Leno enjoyed a large attendance this year and everyone had a great time! A portion of the proceeds each are donated to the Shriners Hospital.

Mark your calendars for November 6-8, 2009, and join your friends at the O'Leno Hoedown.



This Gangster and his Moll (John & Lisa Wall) were armed and ready.



The Sand Witch and her Proctologist (Kathy & Jack McKinney) keep company with a Witch and her Ghoul (Virginia & Randy Patton)



These Vampires (Aleen & Chuck Breedlove) stand with the Devils (Helen & Ed Williams)

These Wizards (Karen & Gil Gagne) are here with the Farmer and her Frog (Diane & Gary Harrell).



NEWS & NOTES

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Thank You!

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



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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. Tempest 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" 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-95 South, 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. Club dance 7:30-9:30 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 8:00-9:30 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 Tom & Pat Herscha (904)406-0275. Banner Chairman Milli Whipple (904)213-4906.

RIVER RAMBLERS "M/P" Every Thursday. 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.



Friday

FLAGLER OCEAN WAVES "M/P/R" Every Friday. Workshops 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 Drew Esterly (386)441-7969. Banner chairmen Elaine & Roland Hebert (386)446-2642.

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 Dale Fredrickson (904)269-9717.

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: Gary Murphy (386)755-2329. Contact Mark Fetzer or Susan Snider (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: Sam & Mary Staring (904)786-3311.

Attention Club Leaders, Callers, & Cuers

The Grapevine would like to publish information on your dance classes and workshops. Send us the information and we'll include the details in the next issue. We need to know: the start date, the beginning & ending times, level (beginner, mainstream, plus, etc.), the exact address with the city, where the class and/or workshop will be held, instructor's name, contact person with phone & email address.

SQUARE DANCE CLASSES

MANDARIN MARAUDERS Every Thursday - New Dancer Classes 7:00-8:00 PM with caller Lawton Smith at First Christian Church, 11924 San Jose Blvd in Mandarin, Jacksonville, FL. Contact Sergei & Karen Zelenkov (904)287-5411.

SEABREEZE SINGLES Every Tuesday - Mainstream class 7:00-8:00 PM. Arlington Presbyterian Church 1300 Sprinkle Dr. Contact Shirley White (904)388-1463 or email Mary Lou Pelz at maryloupelz@aol.com.

MOOSE PROMENADERS Every Thursday. New Dancer Class 7:00-8:30 PM. Moose Lodge 5051 Collins Rd, Orange Park, FL. Contact Bill Brown (904)282-5445.

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ROUND DANCE CLASS

A Cha-Cha class starting January 4, 2009. It will be held on Sunday from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm at Arlington Congregational Church 431 University Blvd N. Jacksonville FL. Contact John or Lisa Wall (904)241-0384 or ljwall@comcast.net

A Jive Class on Thursday evenings is

being considered if there is interest. Contact John or Lisa Wall for more details, (904)241-0384, ljwall@comcast.net

WORKSHOPS

ROUND DANCE Beginner Two-Step and Waltz Every Monday 7:00-9:00 PM at Teen Town, 533 NW Desoto St, Lake City, FL, with Ed Hauck. Contact Ed or Hazel Hauck (386)755-7926.

ROUND DANCE Phase 3 Every Wednesday 3:00-5:00 PM at Teen Town, 533 NW Desoto St, Lake City, FL, with Ed Hauck. Contact Ed or Hazel Hauck (386)755-7926.

FLAGLER OCEAN WAVES Every Friday. Mainstream workshop 6:30-7:30 PM with RJ Hogan (352)376-2428, Phase II round dance workshop 7:30-8:00 PM with Irene Knapp Smith (386)409-3399. Club dance (with announced mainstream tips) 8:00-9:30 PM. Council on Aging/Wickline Center, 800 S. Daytona Ave, Flagler Beach, FL. Contact Drew Esterly (386)441-7969.

RIVER RAMBLERS Every Thursday. Workshop from 7:30-8:00 PM, Putman County Shrine Club, 112 Yelvington Rd, East Palatka, FL (Just off US 17 approx 1/2 miles south of SR 107). Caller Ernie Rollen (904) 891-5822.

A complete listing of classes and workshops, including those out of the Northeast area, can be found at www.pergrossi.com/grapevine.html. Contact the editors for updates, corrections or to be included.



Publicity Release for the 55th Florida State Convention 2009



Rock & Roll Times in 2009

The 55th Florida State Convention, May 22, 23, & 24th, 2009

Happy New Year from Randy & Carol and all of the Committee....our time has come! The 55th Florida State Convention is just around the corner so you know it's almost time to rock around the clock. If you have never attended before, or only on occasion, this is one convention you won't want to miss. Get those tickets Now....\$27.00 per person is a real bargain, and if you wait you will pay \$30.00 at the door.

Mark your calendars, get your tickets, make your accommodation reservations, get out those poodle skirts and saddle shoes, and come dance away the weekend. CFA members and the convention committee have raffle tickets for only \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00...which gives you the opportunity to win a Hewlett Packard Laptop Computer. Add the purchase of raffle tickets to your list of "must haves" for this year's convention. Check all the publications and brochure tables at the dances so you won't miss any of the pre-convention fundraisers and special dances.

There are many ways you can help promote the convention. Visiting other clubs with brochures in hand, reminding the callers and cuers to urge the dancers to attend. We certainly want new dancers to be aware and feel welcome. The State Convention is a good place for them to get a chance to dance to many different callers and get a lot of floor time. Everyone can benefit from the workshops during the day. Those of us with the convention attire wear it frequently....it is a definite way to advertise...not only to the dancers, but to remind the callers and cuers to point it out as advertising. Don't let those poodle skirts get dusty!

Yellow Rocks,
Joanne Engum, Publicity Chr.



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This skirt will require approximately 4 yards of 45" fabric and 1" elastic for the waistband. Determine the desired finished length of the skirt and add 8" for casings, seam allowances, and hems. Divide the length measurement by 3 to find the length of each tier. Cut strips across the width of the fabric the determined tier length (about 11" to 13").

- Measure your hips. Add 14" to this measurement and divide by 2.
- Cut 2 strips to this size - this is the top tier.
- Seam one side seam together - you will leave one side seam open throughout construction. Edge finish one long edge of tier.
- Form the elastic casing by folding this long edge 1 ½" to the wrong side. Stitch in place.
- Sew 3 strips together for middle tier.
- Gather tier and stitch to the top tier.
- Sew remaining strips (or as many you want to get the desired fullness) together for bottom tier.
- Gather tier and stitch to middle tier.
- Measure waist and cut elastic 2" less than waist measurement. Pull elastic through the casing. Sew side seam making sure to secure elastic.
- Hem skirt - 1" is allowed.

To finish:

- Wet skirt, roll up lengthwise, and insert into one leg of pair of panty hose.
- Dry in dryer.

[Extract from Sew Heavenly - 56th National Square Dance Convention 2007]

Interesting Tidbit from Ed Foote

Square Dance History - Here is information from the Old Florida Museum, St. Augustine. In olden days when people were done their farming for the day, they would put down their hoes to play games and hold dances. Thus, the name "hoe-downs." Also, at these dances sometimes inexperienced dancers would dig their heels into their partner's shins. Thus, this type of get-together became known as a "shin-dig."

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Square Wheels Club, NSDCA 128

Bill Chesnut, Caller

2009 CAMPING SCHEULDE

- Jan 17-19 **Suwannee Valley RV Resort** - White Springs, FL 386-397-1667 or 1-866-397-1667
- Feb 13-15 **Oaks-N-Pines** (3864 N Hwy 441) North of Lake City at I-10 and Hwy 441. This is in conjunction with the Blue-Grey Festival. Square Wheels will sponsor Friday night dance at Teen Town Recreations Center. (386) 752-0830 They also have cabins.
- March 20-22 **Wilderness RV Park** - 2771 NE 102nd Avenue Rd, Silver Springs (Old Colby Woods Campground), Hwy 40 E past Silver Springs, after the bridge over the Oklawaha River on your left. \$17.00/night + tax. 352-625-1122
- Easter April 12
- April 17-19 **Deerhaven Retreat** - 47925 NFS 540-S, Paisley, FL 32766 [Fund raiser for 55th & 56th FL State Convention, Callers, Cuers, fun & Games, cabins available. Contact Mary or Martha for more information.
- May 1-3 Co/Camp w/Gypsy Squares - **Ocala Ranch RV Park**. 2559 SW Hwy 484, Ocala, FL I-75 just south of Ocala at exit #341 (old #67), go west 1/2 mile on #484 - park is on the right. 1-877-809-1100 \$24 per night.
- May 22-24 **State Convention** - Lakeland
- June 5-6 **Watermelon Festival** - Chiefland RV Park, Chiefland, FL
- July 17-19 No official campout
- August 21-23 **Wilderness RV Park** - 2771 NE 102nd Avenue Rd, Silver Springs (Old Colby Woods Campground), Hwy 40 E past Silver Springs, after the bridge over the Oklawaha River on your left. \$17.00/night + tax. 352-625-1122
- Sept 18-20 **Pacetti's Marina**, Green Cove Springs near St. Augustine, State Rd 13, North of St. Augustine (904) 284-5356. \$20 per night
- Oct 22-25 **34th FANSDC Camporee**, Blueberry Hill RV Park, Bushnell, FL
- Nov 6-8 **56th O'Leno Hoedown**, O'Leno State Park. Watch for flyers.
- Dec 19 **Christmas Party** - Location will be announced.

SQUARE WHEELS ALWAYS WELCOME YOU!!



For information on any of these camping weekends please contact:

Mary Chesnut - (352) 475-2550 or cell (352) 211-5880

Email: marynut@cfop.biz OR

Martha Zimmerman - (352) 366-5311 or cell (352) 226-0118

Email: marthazimmerman@cox.net



30th Annual
BLUE-GREY
 SQUARE DANCE



Caller: BOB POYNER

Saturday - February 14, 2009

Lake City, Florida

Rountree-Moore

Toyota Indoor Showroom

Grand March @ 7:45 p.m.

Dancing Until 10:30 p.m.

Alternate Plus & Mainstream

Rounds Between Tips - Early Rounds @ 7:00 pm

Qued by: Lisa Wall & Ralph Beakman

Advance Tickets - \$7.00 each

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Bob Poyner, Caller

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JOIN US IN SAVING AND RECYCLING SODA CAN TABS

What do you do with your pop or soda can tabs? Do you throw them away? Recycle them with the can? Or take the tabs off the cans to save? Hopefully it is the latter.

Members of the National Square Dance Campers Association have been collecting soda can or pop tabs for many years. Chapters are free to choose whatever project they wish to support thru the recycling of those tabs. At the International Camporee last July, the president of Chapter #018, Sunshine State Pioneers in Florida, informed all that their chapter had donated 43 pounds of pull tabs to their local Ronald McDonald House. Two Florida chapters who camp & dance together, #139 Limonaders and #143, Florida Wheelers, turned in their 238 pounds to their local Ronald McDonald House as did Chapter #002, Pine Tree in Wisconsin, whose members donated 19 pounds to their local Ronald McDonald House.

This year the International Camporee Committee in Coldwater, Michigan designated one table in their display area for the collection of pull tabs. Soon the table was overflowing with

tabs in all sorts of bags, boxes and plastic containers from the campers! By the time the 2008 International Camporee Chairman, Lloyd & Linda Catey, and committee finished weighing all the pop and soda tabs that had been turned in there, the grand total of all the donations was 433½ pounds! The benefactor from the Michigan collection was also the local Ronald McDonald House.

Have you or your club started saving tabs yet? If not, why not? It's an easy, worthwhile project any club or person can adopt. Any Festival or Convention should also be able to generate a goodly number of tabs. ROUNDALAB saved all their tabs from their annual Convention and donated them to us. Make some signs to ask attendees to save the tabs, then put out containers for collecting and see how many pounds you can get before the end of the summer of 2009. If you have no place to recycle them, contact the NSDCA website for assistance, www.NSDCA.org. Maybe you can top the NSDCA members, Keep us posted!

NEFSARDA Delegates Meeting

October 12, 2008

The minutes were not available in time for this publication.

***When planning for your special dances — plan ahead and check this Calendar of Events, AND call or email The Grapevine editors for the most current information in order to avoid conflicting dates. Thanks !! — NEFSARDA

IF YOU DON'T TELL US, WE CAN'T LIST IT!

The online Calendar of Events is updated monthly, check back often at <http://www.floridasquaredance.com/northeast>

Pensacola Twirlers 22nd Anniversary Festival

Written by Geraldine Pitts, VP Pensacola Twirlers

The Pensacola Twirlers Round and Square Dance Club celebrated their 22nd anniversary with a weekend of dancing at Ragon Hall on November 7th and 8th. Thanks to a new caller to our area, Charlie Pergrossi from Trenton, FL, for calling an exciting, high energy dance that kept everyone moving and having a great time. He also called a dance on Saturday morning. Sandy Sturgis from Panama City cued to a full floor of round dancers and also taught a workshop on Saturday afternoon. A Great Big Thanks to all the people who came out and enjoyed dancing with us. Door prizes, raffles, 50/50 and wonderful, delicious foods were enjoyed by everyone.

Congratulations to Jerry Williamson and Sarah Pergrossi for winning the 50/50, and Thelma Caruthers for winning the raffle which was a gorgeous handmade Christmas Tree made and donated by Pauline Edison.



President Tim Wilaby welcomes Sandy Sturgis and Charlie Pergrossi to the Anniversary Festival.

Get a Second Job

Excerpt from The Simple Truth newsletter, September, 2007

We can never underestimate the influence that our actions and our attitudes will have on other people. Winston Churchill said, "The price of leadership is responsibility." and part of that responsibility is to stay positive whether you feel like it or not.

Managing your attitude is a very personal thing. However, for me, one of the most important factors is exercise. My attitude and my energy levels are directly tied to exercise. I can be doing everything else right, but without regular exercise I can feel my attitude "heading south".

I've got a friend who is 65 but looks like he's 55. I saw him the other day and said, "Tony, you look great." He said, "I feel great! I got a second job." I said, "A second job?" I thought your import business was doing well." He said, "It is. My second job is on the treadmill from 6-7 every morning. When I started looking at it as a second job, I showed up whether I wanted to or not!" He said, "The pay is lousy, but the benefits to my health and my attitude are priceless!"

Exercise, more than anything, is a "stress buster". And, don't kid yourself, stress is a killer. In fact the World Health Organization estimates that 80% of all illnesses are directly or indirectly cause by stress. Therefore, if you're not proactive in busting stress, it's very likely to come back and bust you!

FL Association of Single Square and Round Dancers (FASSRD)

By Penny Green (863 967-5004)

The 29th Single-Rama was held the weekend of October 24th at the historic Kenilworth Lodge in Sebring. Although we had a markedly decreased attendance, the small group that was there had a very enjoyable time dancing to Mike Doughty of West Palm Beach and Charlie Lovelace from Dade City. We feel the economy was the main reason for keeping people away and we hope they will join us next year when we will have Sam Dunn of Sebring and Lisa Wall from Jacksonville. We will be dancing on October 23 - 24, 2009.

We were pleased to have special guests with us; Ted Wright, SSDUSA (our national singles organization) past president, who drove all the way from Albuquerque, NM; Bill Highsmith, SSDUSA Southeast Area Rep, from Jessup, GA; and two of our friends (unattached men!) from Georgia Singles decided to make a visit for the first time. Someone in Georgia was kind enough to mention our weekend in their state newsletter. Many of us go to the Georgia Singles dances and it's nice when they come down to ours once in awhile.

We were celebrating the 30th anniversary of our organization and the past presidents in attendance were recognized. We also held our annual meeting where we had the election of officers for the new year. The new officers are: President - Penny Green (West Coast Association); Vice President - Virginia Barnes (Central Association); Secretary - Ailene Picheco (Central Association); Treasurer - Mary Lou Pelz - Northeast Association.

Our next big weekend will be the Fuzzy Navel in Jekyll Island, GA on March 27 - 28, 2009, which will be hosted by the Georgia Singles. Bud Witten (Georgia) will be calling and Shirley Wilson (Georgia) will be cueing. This is always a fun weekend; we stay at the Oceanside Inn & Suites, which is right on the beach, and we also dance there. If you would like a flyer, please feel free to contact me.

Membership in FASSRD is for any single square dancer who is 18 years or older and has graduated from a square or round dance class. The annual membership fee is \$6. What are the benefits of membership? You get to meet other singles, you receive a quarterly newsletter containing information on singles activities in Florida and SSDUSA, we have an annual festival in October, USDA square dance insurance and square dance news via email. We also communicate with the Florida State Convention to ensure that there are well-marked solo sections at the convention and we have a get-acquainted dance on Friday night. We would love to have you be a part of our organization.

Penny Green
FASSRD President sqdncfan@aol.com



Club News

FUN 'N FROLICS

Carolyn Ueber (904) 223-9347



The Fun 'n Frolics resumed dancing this fall, after Jim Cosman returned from the mountains. It's been wonderful to once again have the challenge and exercise of dancing to his great calling. He keeps us on our toes and continues to help us improve as Advanced Dancers. We had a nice little Christmas party on December 10th, with finger foods and punch. We're now looking forward to a full schedule of dancing during the winter and spring of 2009. Gail Pflaster, one of our snowbirds, has returned from Canada and it's fun dancing with her again. We're also awaiting the return of Don Barta.

Lanette Causey is doing much better. Although she's not dancing, she accompanies her husband David to our dances, and socializes with everyone. Jackie Hamlin is still doing physical therapy for her knee operation and hopefully will be dancing with us very soon. Wannette and Morris Davis are slowly recovering and we hope that they will return to dancing with us sometime this

spring ... the sooner the better. We're still waiting for Luther and Debbie Delp to return to the fold ... we really miss them. We haven't seen Ray and Eleanor Reedy in quite awhile and hope that they'll soon be able to join us again.

Thanks to Mary Lou Pelz's email list and her phoning helpers, the former and current Advanced dancers have been meeting quarterly for lunch to renew old friendships and make new ones. We met on Monday, October 13th at the cafeteria on San Jose and everyone had a great time. Our next luncheon will be in January and we'll have more details as we get closer to the date.

If you are an Advanced Dancer, we'd love to have you come and dance with us to Jim Cosman's great calling. We dance on the second and fourth Wednesdays of most months, from 7-9 pm at Jax Heights Elementary School, 7750 S. Tempest St., Jacksonville.



GRAND SQUARES

Jerry & Donna Robey (352) 377-5676

Grand Squares in Gainesville is under the leadership of our caller, Lonnie Ligon. Classes are now being offered for new dancers on Tuesday nights at the Carpenter's Union Hall, 1910 NS 53rd Av at 6:00 PM. 12 new dancers are enrolled. Then, the

classes are followed by the regular club dance at 7:30 pm. On Thursday nights at 7:00 pm, many continue to enjoy an Advanced Class with Bobby Keefe which is also being offered at the Carpenter's Union Hall.

On October 30th, 20 dancers

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made the trip to Anthony to retrieve the club banner which was stolen in a banner raid by the Prestige 55 Squares on August 12th. The Grand Squares had a neat Halloween party in Oct and many attended the O'Leno Hoedown on October 31st, and NEF-SARDA's Fall festival, "Aloha Hawaii" on November 21st in Jacksonville. Thanks to all for a great job and a neat dance. Also, dancers are being encouraged to plan now to attend the Florida State Convention in Lakeland in May.

Another highlight this Fall was the Barn Dance and Folk Music at the Williams Farm. We were guests of Jack and Shirley Williams, and the music was provided by the "Overall Band". A return trip was made to the Farm on December 20th for the 9th

annual "Christmas Under The Stars." Thanks Jack and Shirley. The club enjoyed a pre-New Year's Eve potluck and dance at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, December 30th.

Club members, Jerry and Donna Robey have joined the NEF-SARDA Board as Treasurer. Our thanks to our outgoing treasurer, Pat and Tom Herscha for a super job, and for assistance in getting us started. Just as an aside, while Jerry and Donna have been traveling the countryside, they have been dancing in various states as a part of the USDA Traveler's Award. To date, we're up to 19 states. We'll keep you posted as more are added.

For more information on these or other club activities contact us at www.lonligon.com. Hope to see you in a square soon.

DIXIE DANCERS

Annette Conk (386) 935-1548



This is the year of our 30th Anniversary.

We celebrated this special event on October 15. Usually we celebrate our anniversary dance on the last Tuesday of September. This year, many of our club members were out of town, wandering all over the country on vacation, during most of September so we opted to celebrate in October.

Hoorah for Ivan & Ann Hadsall and Bob & Voncelle Hunnicutt. They planned and executed a fun, event filled evening. They also created an "History" handbook and made copies for everyone. It has lots of fun and useful information about the club in it. There are also lots of pictures in it – both old and new. Another fun thing they created was a Club Roster "booklet" with photos of all the Dixie Dancers' members.

Of course we had all of our old Dixie Dancers' photo albums out for everyone to look at and comment on how young we use to look !!! Terry Kitching had been collecting old bits of video footage and put it all together on a DVD – which also showed how young we use to look.

During the evening, Imogene Connolly Lawrence was presented with a lifetime membership as co-founder, and one of the original members, of the Dixie Dancers. In 1978, Imogene and R.J. Hogan worked to get the club started in Lake City. It has been a long and eventful 30 years.

**Thanksgiving has passed and
Christmas is on the horizon.**

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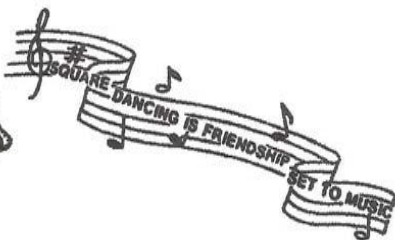
February 12

Presidents' Ball

with Tony Oxendine and Cuer Lisa Wall

March 12

Sweetheart's Ball



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Tom & Pat Herscha

904-406-0275

Banner Chairman

Milli Whipple

904-213-4906



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We have started collecting for our Christmas charities – Christian Service Center’s Christmas Food Baskets and Christmas gifts for children in needy families. We will have our Christmas themed dance and party on December 23rd. Traditionally, we do not dance during the week between Christmas and New Years. We will start dancing again on January 6, 2009.

The 2009 New Year begins with hectic activity.

That is when we start to gear up for the annual Blue-Grey Dance on February 14, 2009 - in conjunction with the Olustee Civil War Battle Re-enactment and Festival. We are honored to have Bob Poyner as caller for the dance. You all know there are lots of activities during the whole festival weekend, so start making your plans now to spend the entire weekend in Lake City. We are looking forward to seeing you at that time.

You can visit the Dixie Dancers online at www.dixiedancers.net



Dixie Dancer Club members and guests celebrate the club’s 30 years of dancing.



FLAGLER OCEAN WAVES

Bill & Sharon Hepburn (386) 446-1597

Hurricane Fay scared us right out of dancing on August 8th. R. J. Hogan, our caller, drives from Gainesville to call for us, but we gave him a night off. Some trees were blown down on his farm, so canceling the dance was a good idea. Thanks to our presidents, Bonnie-jean and Drew, for that decision.

Our club is hoping that you all are having a good start to the Welcome New Dancers Season! We offered Root Beer Floats at our Open House and had quite a few folks come to partake. Of course, the next week we had fewer attendees. Maybe we needed to offer food again, but then our refresh-

ment table is never lacking for goodies!!! Those who have returned are enthusiastic, so we will happily treat them with kindness.

Our Road Pick-Up crew had an easy time in September. We were wondering if there are fewer litterbugs, or the vegetation is hiding all the beer cans from our volunteers. Thank you to our leaders, Joyce & Dick Mangsen, and their helpers, Nancy Bixon, Sharon & Bill Hepburn, and Norm Hartman.

Reluctantly, but with an eye on the bottom line, the club members voted to raise our entrance fees. It now costs \$5 to dance for members and

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\$6 for guests. Compared to an evening at the movies, our fun is cheaper and the refreshments are tastier.

On October 25th Bonnie and John Palatini, Elaine and Roland Hebert, Sharon and Bill Hepburn and Joyce and Dick Mangsen square danced at the Cracker Creek Fall Festival. The "Old Florida" setting was a pleasant way to spend an afternoon. We watched the children in their costumes, went on the hay ride and enjoyed the food provided for us by the organizers.

The theme for our Halloween Dance was "The Thing". Among our costumes was a "Sweet Young Thing" dressed like Alice in Wonderland. Gail Pflaster, the sweet, young thing, also recited a Canadian poem called "The Thing". The Biker and his Babe came carrying a big sack with "The Thing" in it - it really was a huge, stuffed snake. Norm and Fran Hartman forgot to bring their bike to the dance. Another Planet, a 1951 movie, featuring James Arness as "The Thing", inspired Connie Gray to become a painted vine. Her face had intricately woven tendrils and the seed

pods for new "things" were fastened in her hair.

Of course, December was busy, with a Chinese Auction on the 5th, proceeds to go to needy families. On December 12th, the members enjoyed our annual Christmas Pot Luck dinner and then on December 19th our Christmas Caroling showcased yet another talent among our dancers.

Our club was closed December 26 and January 2 for the holidays, but come join us for our annual Black and White New Year's celebration on January 9.

Mark your calendars for our celebration of R.J.'s 20th year. January 30 is the date and it is, also, Amateur Calling Night. We'll let R.J. take a little rest while some of us try to call a tip.

Friday the 13th occurred 3 times during our calendar year, so we have a triumvirate of dangles for those who come to our February 13 dance, Lucky in Love, and our March 13 dance.

Wishing everyone a Happy New Year,
Sharon Hepburn



JOY SEAS

John & Mary Burzo (904) 797-7530

Summer is over and classes are starting. We have some interest this year but well see. Our own John Burzo had a birthday October 28. We had a real party that night. Between us going to New York and Coquina Crossing having other events scheduled, we had our Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas party, plus John's birthday all at once it was great.

We are really looking forward to January because Corpus Christy RC Church is having a Hoedown in May and want us to do a demo. The Youth Group wants to learn to dance and we are very willing to teach, and you know where there are youth there are adults. This could big for us but all we can do is hope for the best. That's all Folks

PLUS FOX

Gaye Feuer (904) 743-1087



Plus Fox Square Dancers are back in business. The Teddy Bear Squares visited us in the fall to retrieve our banner.

Gary Murphy and his Taw, Berni have continued to call for us even as our numbers dwindled. When Gary cannot call, we have been fortunate to have Robert Padgett call for us, providing style and originality.

The Welcome Mat is always out. We hope you will visit us at Jax Heights Elementary School on the West side where we dance on the first and third Wednesdays.



MANDARIN MARAUDERS

Ralph & Mary Eusterbrock 904-264-0069

Well autumn season is with us again with it's colorful leaves, crisp mornings and beginning square dancers trying to learn a few steps. Mandarin Marauders have a few new dancers who seem to be learning fast due to the excellent teaching of our caller Lawton Smith. Hopefully they will learn to love dancing as much as we do and will join in the many activities of the Marauders.

In September a group of us headed south to Flagler Ocean Waves club where we had a wonderful dance with this very friendly club. Before dancing we had dinner at Martin's restaurant. Our tables overlooked the ocean - what a lovely way to dine, good friends and a lovely view. Also in September we did some exhibition dancing at the Westminster Woods Health Care Center. It was a very hot afternoon but residents seemed to enjoy the music and dance. It is good to share our "talent" with others.

In October Jo and Bob King organized a trip to World Golf Village. A large group of us went to the I-MAX theater to see " Wild Ocean" then had dinner at Caddy Shack. It was a most enjoyable

evening for everyone. They are now making plans for us to visit the Alhambra theater in January or February. These extra activities are a lot of fun and add to our feelings of fellowship with other club members. Nothing quite like chatting over dinner to get to know your fellow dancers.

Debbie and Fran LiPira have led us in a few raids on other clubs. On October 13th we had 13 members at the Yellow Rockers. Enjoyed the dance and brought home a banner. In November we went to Silver Fox and col-



Mandarin members enjoy the Fall Festival

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lected another banner had a fun dance and some yummy refreshments. We now have 3 banners so are looking forward to these clubs visiting us in 2009 if not before.

Between tips of square dancing George and Bev Treiber teach us some fun and interesting line dances.

November 13 we enjoyed our Thanksgiving Dinner Dance. We had a big crowd - 30 members, 20 guests and 6 students. It was good to talk to some of the former members who for various reasons are not dancing at this time, it is nice to keep in touch. Thanks to Judy

Rodriguez and Karen Zelenkov for fixing the delicious turkeys and to Eleanor Smith for the lovely decorations. Of course Lawton Smith called a great dance.

Now we look forward to our Christmas Dance and party. We will have the usual White Elephant Exchange and lots of Christmas goodies. Lawton will probably sing a few Christmas songs and we'll all dress in our holiday finery.

When this is published it will be a new year and we hope to see many of you across a square again this year.



RIVER RAMBLERS

Bob & Ruth Izzard 386 467-8026

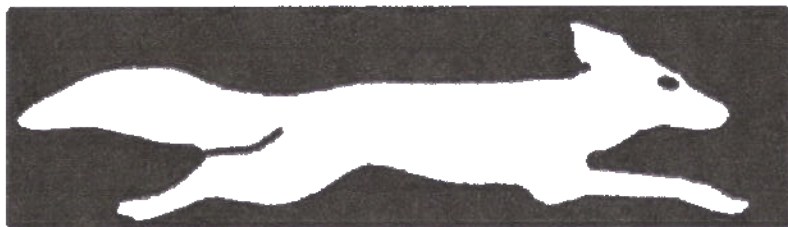
Plataka - No club news this quarter.

2009 CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

<u>CLUB</u>	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>ANNIV. #</u>
Dixie Dancers.....	September	31st
First Coast Rounds.....	June.....	9th
Flagler Ocean Waves	April.....	34th
Fun 'N' Frolics	March	53rd
Grand Squares.....	June.....	34th
Gypsy Squares	December.....	19th
Joy Seas.....	April.....	18th
Mandarin Marauders.....	April.....	24th
Moose Promenaders	April.....	19th
Plus Fox	January	22nd
River Ramblers.....	April.....	11th
Rollaways	April.....	21st
Seabreeze Singles	September	33rd
Silver Fox.....	June.....	24th
Square Wheels.....	September	28th
Teddy Bears	June.....	25th
Touch of Class.....	September
Vagabond Squares	November.....	15th
Yellow Rockers.....	April.....	3rd

EDITORS' NOTE: If your club's anniversary is not listed, or if it is incorrect, please let us know as soon as possible. Check the Calendar of Events for dates of clubs' anniversary dances. Thank you. *The Editors* 36

Silver Fox Squares



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*Circus Dance
January 30, 2009*



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MOOSE PROMENADERS

Hazel Clark (904) 778-0134



The Holiday Seasons are over and it's time to get back to our normal routine. The Promenaders had their Christmas Dinner Dance December 11th. We had lots of food and dancing. The dance class and other clubs joined us for our yearly event. A special thank you to everyone for making this a special evening.

We were closed Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. We're back to the regular dance class with plus level dancing after the class beginning on January 8th.

Our next big event will be the Presidents' Ball on February 12th in honor of all club presidents. Who will be President of the Year? Tony Ox-

endine will be our guest caller with club caller Bill Chesnut. Come out and dance with Tony calling and take lots of pictures.

We have a web site set up by Jim Maroldo and he also keeps it up to date. You will find our dance schedules, club information and photo from many events. We dance each Thursday evening from 7 -8:30 for class, and 8:30-10 PM plus level at the Moose Lodge #2020 on Collins Road in Jacksonville, FL. You are invited to dance with us and enjoy the talents of our club caller Bill Chesnut. Visit us on the web at

www.moosepromenaders.com.



The Moose Promenaders enjoyed dressing up for the Halloween Dance.



VAGABOND SQUARES

Paul Fortner (386) 362-4226

Live Oak...No club news this quarter.

**Daylight Savings Time
begins 2:00 AM Sunday,
March 8, 2009**



LISA'S POSSE HEADS WEST

Written by Kathy McKinney

When the round dancers of First Coast Rounds heard about Lisa being asked to cue for the Northwest Round-Up they gathered more round dancers and square dancers to band together as Lisa's Posse to head west on a mission. The Mission...support Lisa and John and to publicize our Fall Festival. We chartered a bus and headed west! We had 46 dancers decked out with Posse badges and Hawaiian leis. We found out just how much fun you can have all traveling together. The bus was very comfortable. Bridget, our driver AND companion for the weekend was outstanding! We played games and watched movies on the bus. We made a stop for lunch as well as having 3 stops to pick up dancers. Once we arrived in DeFuniak Springs, Bridget chauffeured us everywhere we wanted to go. We took a tour around the lake, stopped at an old church with a host telling of its origin and on to the historic downtown. There are always neat things to see when you take tours of the area you are visiting. Bridget chauffeured us to and from the dances and she even stayed at the dance both evenings and watched us dance! The northwest dancers, callers and cuers all welcomed us with open arms and warm hospitality. We had a wonderful time!

Our intention for writing this article is to inform dancers, callers and cuers that gathering together and traveling to dances outside your area is very rewarding, emotionally and financially. The bonding of the travelers brings everlasting memories. The financial impact to the dance you attend will never be forgotten by those putting on the dance. In this day and time, of high cost of traveling and hardship of dancers traveling alone for long distances, traveling together is a great remedy to rectify those issues.

Many dancers from the Daytona area chartered a bus and attended our Fall Festival. And guess what??? Their caller and taw, John and Linda Saunders, came with them. John is still recuperating from a broken leg and just came to enjoy fellowship with dancers! That's possibly why they are known as the King and Queen of Hugs!

As both passengers and the recipients of a bus trip we realize the value of getting a group together and supporting another dance, festival, or convention.

We look forward to traveling together again real soon. Will we be seeing you and your group arriving in Jacksonville? We hope so pardner!





"MARSU"

ROLLAWAYS

Coralee Garrett (904) 221-8905

On September 2nd the Rollaways had their famous "Dog Days of Summer." Our guests were the Seabreeze Singles Club, Millie Whipple and Robert Padgett from the Moose and Mark Fetzer and Susan Snider from the Silver Fox.

An update on getting the last two offices filled for the club. We now have an historian, Heather Jodrey, and our "Sunshine Gal" Sherry Boatman-Burriss. We're glad to have these offices filled and know our new appointees will do a great job!

On Friday, September 12th, Virginia Bomhold (our club president), Mary Lou Morton and I drove down to Flagler Beach to help Martha and Joe Hardcastle advertise our Fall Festival, along with the Mandarin Marauders. We stopped at Martins to have supper before we went to the dance.

Sunday, September 21st was the Sundaes on Sunday Dance, a benefit for the 2010 State Convention. Great turnout for the Rollaways!

October 21st, the Seabreeze Singles came over and danced with us. What fun! Everyone had a good time. Four squares on the floor and later food. A winning combination!

November 4th the Rollaways were dark because so many of our dancers worked at the polls. November 11th we were again dark because the school was closed for Veteran's Day. So several of the Rollaways went over and danced with the Seabreeze Singles.

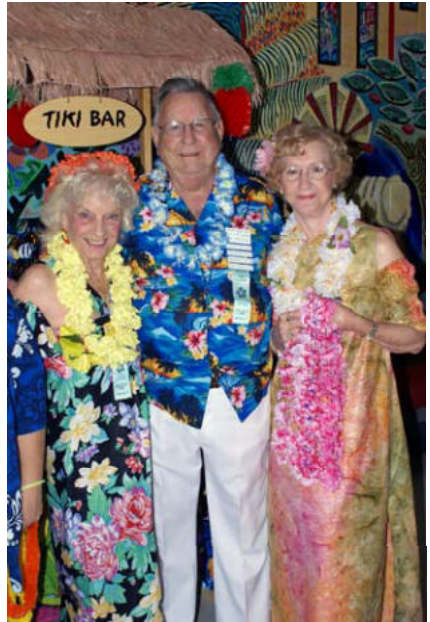
The Rollaways had their Thanks-

giving dinner on November 25th. I wasn't there but all reports say there was loads of good food. Mark and Susan came over and helped celebrate with the club with Mark calling the last tip of the evening. I also heard there were a couple of pilgrims and an Indian and his squaw. No reports of scalps being taken!

We want to extend our Condolences to Sherry Boatman-Burriss on the loss of her father.

This will be the last article before the New Year of 2009, so I want to wish everyone a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Until next time,
Coralee



ROUND DANCING WITH FIRST COAST ROUNDS & TOUCH OF CLASS

Mary Rozzano (904) 241-0384



We have been busy this quarter, perhaps our busiest of the year. We started a phase IV workshop in September to begin our journey.

October brought us a very full schedule and lots of fun too. The Thrill in the Ville started us off and the next week we were at the Daytona Beach Ball, on to the Round Council Dance Weekend, and this brought us a surprise bus trip for 42 people to the Northwest Association Dance where Lisa was the featured Cuer then on O'Leno Hoedown with guest callers Robert Padgett and Mark Fetzer and Terry Wilaby on Rounds Saturday afternoon.

We continued into November with a trip to the Fall Fun Festival in Bartow and then, then on to a Media weekend attended by Lisa & John while some of us attended a Boot Camp for four days of intense Foxtrot clinics and evening dancing. Our own Fall Festival was a

great success with lots of visitors, some coming on a bus, car and a long distance away.

Rollaways had their Thanksgiving Dinner dance with lots of good food to eat between dancing rounds and squares.

Be sure to watch for coming events in the New Year. Have a Happy Healthy New Year.



Touch of Class members who attended the Fall Weekend of Round in Plant City, Oct 18 & 19, 2008



SEABREEZE SINGLES

Jackie Hamlin (904) 731-9181

By the time you read this, Seabreeze has been through a very busy Christmas Season. It started when some of our members attended the Mayor's Annual Christmas Party. That night was the Beginner's Hoedown. Later in the month, we attended a Christmas concert at Southside Baptist Church where one of our members sings in the choir. We hosted our club Christmas dinner and dance on the 16th. On the 21st, Bill and Belinda hosted our annual Christmas party where we ate

exchanged gifts, and were entertained (at this writing, I am not sure what the entertainment will be but I am sure it will be fun). On the 30th, we danced and served pizza. So, you see we did have a very active December

We now have no time to rest. Our class continues to progress under the instruction of Jim Cosman and with the help of many club angels. This is a very enthusiastic class. Then on January 20 we will have our Annual Sadie Hawkins Day Dinner and Dance (including

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a REAL wedding). Don't miss this! We will also be planning our Annual Charity Dance (date TBA).

We do want to take this opportunity to thank Joe and Martha Hardcastle and all their helpers who put on a great Fall Festival Weekend. It is a lot of hard work and want to let them know that we do appreciate it.

We wish all of our square dancers and their families a very happy and healthy 2009.

Come visit us - every Tuesday at Arlington Presbyterian Church, 1300 Sprinkle Drive, Jacksonville - class starts at 7:00 with club dance following - mainstream with announced plus.

SILVER FOX

Mark Fetzer (904) 908-5184



The Silver Fox Squares are getting ready for their annual Circus Dance on January 30th. This will be our 20th Circus Dance. We have this dance to raise money for Dreams Come True. This is a local charity that raises money to help local children with terminal and critical illnesses to be able to fulfill a dream that they have. These children are usually under 12 years old and their dreams are frequently trips to amusement parks with their family. These trips are things that the families can not afford with all of their added medical bills and lost time at work. The Silver Fox Squares cover all of the expense of the dance, so all proceeds can go to Dreams Come True. Callers for the dance are Ernie Rollen and

Gary Murphy. Lisa Wall will be cueing rounds. We will be serving all the regular circus type snacks such as hotdogs and popcorn. The location is Jacksonville Heights Elementary School, 7750 Tempest Street, Jacksonville, Florida, 32244. For more information on the Circus Dance contact: Sam & Mary Starling at 904-786-3311.

Other news at the Silver Fox Squares is our elections. The current slate of officers has done such a great job that there were no challengers and everyone was reelected. Gary Murphy is calling for us every Friday and Lisa Wall is cueing on 2nd, 4th, 5th Fridays. We will also have a Black Cat Dance in March.



Silver Fox are stealing the Yellow Rocker's banner!



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TEDDY BEAR SQUARES

Gaye Feuer (904) 743-1087

Wear your scariest costume to the Teddy Bear Squares' Ghost and Goblins Night on Saturday, October 25, at 7:30 p.m. Square dance attire will do just as well, but do join us for a fun night of dancing, at St. Matthews Lutheran Church, 6801 Merrill Road, 2 miles east of University Blvd N. and 2 miles west of 9-A.

November 8th, we Salute the Vet-

erans. Bring pictures of you or your family in uniform to share.

Dancing on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays, means that we will cancel for the Fall Festival on Nov. 22nd.

December 27th, we will have a Christmas Leftover Dance: Potluck at 6:00 p.m. That means good eating!

Looking forward to seeing you all in a square. Our caller is Gary Murphy (Berni). Lisa (with John) Wall cues for us.



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YELLOW ROCKERS

Billy Luper (904) 771-7041

The Yellow Rockers continue to dance on Monday evenings with visitors each week. The visitors are greatly appreciated. The students are working hard to master all the basic square dance moves by being faithful each Monday evening.

Our caller, Charlie Pergrossi, keeps all dancers on their toes by mixing up the calls and trying out new songs. Mark Fetzer, caller in training, works some with the students and calls a tip for the club members each night. Mark was called upon to call a whole dance one evening and did an outstanding job.

At the 5th Saturday Dance in August the Yellow Rockers were in good numbers. The club received the NEF-SARDA banner for having the highest percentage of members in attendance. The host clubs, callers and cuer did an outstanding job for all the dancers present.



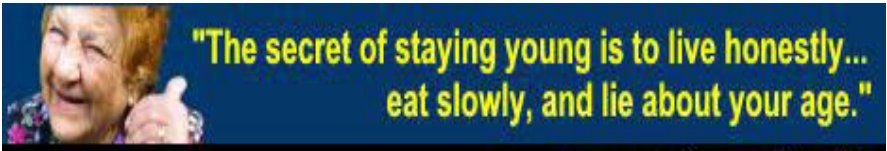
Our 5th Monday Madness special dance, September 30th, was well attended. As always, the caller and cuer were in good form and the dancers enjoyed the evening. We would like to encourage all square dancers to come and dance the night away at our next 5th Monday Dance on March 30th., and be a part of a special night of dancing.

One of our long time members has moved out of state following the passing of her husband. We shall remember Virginia Cagle and wish her many happy days in her new home.

You can check out the happenings of the Yellow Rockers by visiting us online at www.pergrossi.com/yellowrock.html.



Shirley White and Charlie Pergrossi welcome out of town guests, Chris & Billy Hollis.



First of all I have to say that the Camp-O-Ree was a huge success. There were almost 100 RV units at Blueberry Hill Resort this year. Our host for this event was our own Charlie and Sarah Pergrossi, who did an exceptionally good job. Sarah and Charlie have their way to get every one to do their jobs and be happy to do it. Keep an eye on *The Grapevine* for news of next year's event.

Square Wheels #128 & Gypsy Squares #168

The Gypsy, Square Wheels and the Driftarounds all canceled their normal October campout to attend the State Camp-O-Ree Thanks to the Callers and Cures for their participation.

November Campout was at O'Leno State Park for the annual O'Leno Hoedown. This was a joint effort by the Gypsies and the Square Wheels. It was wonderful. We ate, danced, socialized with dancers we haven't seen in a while, and the weather was perfect. Thanks to the Bill Chesnut and Bob Poyner for calling and Lisa Wall for her cueing. Lisa and other amateur callers entertained on Saturday afternoon. That was fun.

Drift Around Squares #093

All I have left now is the Driftarounds. They had a Crock Pot night Friday night for dinner, and that was different. Besides dancing and eating and enjoying each other they did a demo at the Veterans retirement home at Fort Mc Coy FL. Thanks Jim and Margaret Cosman for a wonderful weekend.

That's all Folks
Mary Burzo and Karen Lowe

Strawberry Travelers #153

Our October campout was at Sumter Oaks in Bushnell. The Friday night dance was interrupted by a power loss. Bob Friend will share that story with you. John & Nancy Smik from Plant City visited for the weekend & became our newest members.

The following weekend we all met up at the Camp-O-Ree at Blueberry Hills in Bushnell. The highlight was the "New Campers" skit written, produced and directed by Bob & Jan Friend. The skit won first in the state and we have the trophy to prove it!

Gold Coast Dancers #080

We had 13 Gold Coast rigs attend the Camp-O-Ree in Bushnell. A new slate of club officers were installed on Friday night after our potluck dinner. Our club cuer, Larry Chatos, did a terrific job for festival and had a full dance floor every time he was on stage. Mike, we missed you! Maurice Ritter was presented the Circle of Service during Friday night's dance.

Our December gathering at Lake Okeechobee was attended by 10 rigs and several non-camping couples. The weather was beautiful as we created Christmas ornaments on Saturday afternoon. It was a treat to have Charlie & Sarah Pergrossi visit for the weekend. Charlie agreed to "sing for his supper" with a couple of tips at the dance Saturday night.

Everyone is invited to join us at Lake Placid February 6 & 7, 2009.

Hitch-N-Go #082

We had a wonderful time at the Camp-O-Ree in Bushnell. There were 15 couples and a single representing our club this year. The hall was packed

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with dancers for the Trails End Dance on Thursday evening. After the dance, our chapter hosted the Ice Cream Social. It was a great hit! Many thanks to all 082 members who turned out to help with the preparations, serving and cleanup.

Once again, we had a perfect weekend for our November square dance/camping outing. Due to turkey day we held our get-together during the 2nd full weekend, November 14th and 15th. We met at Sanlan Ranch in Lakeland, FL where we had a record number of rigs arrive on Thursday, November 13th. On Friday, by late afternoon, we had a total of 14 rigs set up. After our pancake breakfast Saturday morning, prepared by our hosts Ace Taylor and

Dave Benne, several of the fellows went golfing, while others went bike riding and/or played games. Thanks to Ace & Ann Taylor for introducing a game new to most of us - we sure enjoyed playing it, as could be heard with the moans, groans, yeahs and laughter! Sometimes, we even get serious - we have board meetings and member meetings. At our General Meeting after our potluck, we had elections for 2009 Officers. Our new board, to be installed at our January campout, are: President, Phil/Deanna Sortore; Vice President, Jim/Laureen Kelly; Secretary, Tom/Jeanne Hartwig; Treasurer, Tom/Eivor Brown.

We will meet for a social campout at Lake Louisa over the New Year's holiday.

Planning For The Future!!!

CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

(Locations in Jacksonville unless otherwise indicated)

January 2009

- 1Dark for New Year holiday Moose Promenaders
- 1Dark for New Year holidayMandarin Marauders
- 2Dark for New Year holidaySilver Fox
- 2Dark for New Year holiday - Flagler Beach Flagler Ocean Waves
- 11NEFSARDA Delegate Meeting - 3:00 PM
- 13Annual Chili Cook-Off Rollaways
- 17Benefit Dance for Domestic Abuse Council - Deland, FL CCFA
- 20Sadie Hawkins dinner & dance
with REAL Sadie Hawkins wedding Seabreeze Singles
- 21Anniversary Dance (22nd) Plus Fox
- 24Super Football Fan Dance Teddy Bears
- 30Circus DanceSilver Fox
- 30RJ Hogan's 20th Anniversary Dance
& Amateur Caller Night - Flagler Beach Flagler Ocean Waves
- 315th Saturday Dance - Grapevine DanceNEFSARDA

February 2009

- 7Sophomore Dance Gateway Callers Assoc.
- 12Presidents' Ball Moose Promenaders
- 13Trails End for Blue-Grey - Lake CitySquare Wheels
- 14Blue-Grey Dance - Lake City Dixie Dancers
- 14Valentines Dance Teddy Bears
- 282010 Convention Benefit Dance - Plant City FL Federation of Dancers

March 2009

- 12Sweethearts Dance Moose Promenaders
- 13Triskaidekaphobia Dance (Fear of Friday the 13th) -
Flagler Beach Flagler Ocean Waves
- 13Black Cat Dance Silver Fox
- 14Irish Stew Night - wear your green Teddy Bears
- 17Celebrating in Irish Style with Peg Lust! Rollaways
- 20-21 ...Shamrock Swing - The Villages Central Association
- 27-28 ...Fuzzy Navel Festival - Jekyll Island, GA FASSRD
- 305th Monday Madness - Squares & Rounds Yellow Rockers

April 2009

- 9Anniversary Dance (19th) Moose Promenaders
- 10Dark for Good Friday - Flagler Beach Flagler Ocean Waves
- 11Gary & Lisa's 5th Anniversary Dance Teddy Bears
- 17-19 ...Party Weekend - Paisley, FL 55th & 56th State Conventions
- 19NEFSARDA Delegates Meeting - 3:00 PM
- 20Anniversary Dance (3rd) Yellow Rockers

30..... Students' Graduation Moose Promenaders

May 2009

1..... Students' Graduation Silver Fox
2..... Graduate Ball Gateway Callers Assoc
9..... Mother's Day Dance Teddy Bears
21..... Pirate's Ball Moose Promenaders
22-24... FL State Square & Round Dance Convention - Lakeland..... Central
22..... Dark to support the FL State Convention - Flagler Beach..... FOW
23..... Dark to support the FL State Convention..... Teddy Bears
30..... 5th Saturday Dance..... NEFSARDA

June 2009

13..... Silver Jamboree Teddy Bears
18..... Ice Cream Social Moose Promenaders
19..... Anniversary Dance (24th) Silver Fox
24-27 ... National Square Dance Convention - Long Beach, CA 58th NSDC
27..... Cake & Ice Cream Social Teddy Bears
29..... Dark - No Dance..... Yellow Rockers

July 2009

11..... Christmas in July - Keystone Heights..... Rural & Gateway Callers
11..... Dark to support the Christmas in July Dance..... Teddy Bears
12..... NEFSARDA Delegate Meeting - 3:00 PM
21-23... NSDCA International Camporee - Raines, LA NSDCA
25..... All American Square Dance..... Teddy Bears
30..... Pink Cadillac Dance..... Moose Promenaders

August 2009

8..... Back to School Dance - bring school supplies Teddy Bears
27..... Amateur Caller Night Moose Promenaders
29..... 5th Saturday Dance..... NEFSARDA
31..... 5th Monday Madness - Squares & Rounds Yellow Rockers

September 2009

3-5..... 39th Single Dance-A-Rama - Quad Cities, IA & IL SSDUSA
7 Dark - No Dance..... Yellow Rockers
10..... Open House to New Dancers Moose Promenaders
17..... Open House to New Dancers Moose Promenaders
18-19... Anniversary Dance (29th) - Pacetti's Marina Square Wheels
26..... Fall Funfest - wear fall colors Teddy Bears

October 2009

18..... NEFSARDA Delegate Meeting - 3:00 PM
22-25... FL State Camp-O-Ree - Blueberry Hill, Bushnell, FL..... FANSDC
23-24... 30th Single-Rama - Sebring, FL FASSRD

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