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President's Message

The State Convention was a success and well attended. The Central Florida Association did an outstanding job from start to finish. We marvel at the way everything fell into place. It took a lot of people to communicate, coordinate and cooperate to make this happen. Thanks CFA!!

Next May will be our (NEFSARDA's) turn to host the State Convention and we are already underway, thanks to the leadership of Chairpersons Don and Bonnye Bell. Don, Bonnye, Ken and Ginger Miller orchestrated our Grand entrance into the Year 2000 with a parade of lights with Square, Line and Round Dancing. We received applause several times during the performance. They are certainly to be congratulated for their hard work, patience and great ideas. It was great to be a part of it.

You too can still be part of it. Don and Bonnye need all of our support to make the Year 2000 Convention even better than this year. We know it can be done but we need your help. If you can spare some time to help the committees that are already formed, just call them, or any NEFSARDA Board member and be part of the TEAM for the year "2000".

Something else that we need your help with — as we travel throughout

various clubs and conventions, we have observed single dancers and new dancers sitting through the majority of the night. It is very disheartening to see this. These singles and new dancers come to dance, socialize and have fun, too. There are many reasons dancers come without a partner. It takes a lot of courage to come to a dance alone. New dancers are just trying to get accepted. Remember when you were a new dancer? They all want to share in the fun, too and we should not ignore them. Sooner or later they may stop coming if they feel unwelcome. Whether they come back to your club depends on how much fun they had and if they felt part of your club. Our concern should be how we can ensure that they are enjoying themselves so they want to keep coming back to a sociable and fun club. If each of us would dance only one dance with a person that comes in alone, that would ensure that we would just miss one dance with our own partner. Better yet, the single person would get to dance every dance. Include new dancers in your square, encourage them along, you will be surprised how fast they learn with a little patience on our part. You will feel better for doing this and so will they!

Manny & Sherry Gonzales

FROM THE EDITORS DESKS



We read the following article and thought you might enjoy reading about the "behind the scenes" life of the caller. The article was written by Gale J. Lauger and appeared in the June, 1999 issue of *American Square Dance*.



"A GOOD PERSON TO REMEMBER"

"Square dancers - do not forget one of the most powerful, yet often least appreciated people at your dances.

She gives freely and willingly of her time, talent, and energy so you can have a good time. Her behind-the-scenes support has no price tag. She has labored hard and long, juggling schedules of her whole family for you and your club.

The music and choreography you find new and refreshing has probably been what she has been hearing coming from her basement or backroom for months. She could not get away from it, even if she tried, because her husband needed to practice and refine his new program for you.

She knows she is his support and helpmate. She does his scheduling (often two years in advance), maintains the road maps and directions, and makes sure his outfits are ready to wear, and helps carry in the equipment for the dance and carry it back out afterward. She often helps drive or at least makes sure he does not fall asleep while driving

to and from the dance. This routine is not once or twice a month; it is several times a week to several different places which are often more than a hundred miles from their home.

The majority of our callers have a full-time profession in addition to square dance calling. The calling is a part-time hobby for them, but takes a lot more of their time that one can imagine.

These caller's wives deserve more from us than a smile or a light-hearted "Hi". Clubs and dancers, greet your caller's wife with a sincere welcome. Guys, take turns asking her to dance a square, rather than letting her sit in the corner watching you all dance. Some of you may be very surprised to find out what a good dancer she is and how much fun she is to be around. Dancers, give her a "yellow-rock" and tell her "thank you" because she really does a lot more than you will ever realize to make your dance an enjoyable one."

The Editors

FLORIST FRIARS

The friars were behind on their belfry payments, so they opened up a small florist shop to raise the funds. Since everyone liked to buy flowers from the men of God, the rival florist across town thought the competition was unfair. He asked the good fathers to close down, but they would not. He went back and begged the friars to close. They ignored him. He asked his mother to go and ask the friars to get out of business. They ignored her, too.

So the rival florist hired Hugh Mac Taggart, the roughest and most vicious thug in town, to "persuade" the friars to close. Hugh beat up the friars and trashed their store, saying he'd be back if they didn't close shop.

Terrified, they did so --- thereby proving "that Hugh, and only Hugh, can prevent florist friars."

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LETTERS.....

WE GET LETTERS.....

(This column is for YOUR comments. Let us hear from you! Please remember letters should be in good taste and must be signed. Upon request, names will be withheld from the publication.)

Dear Editors:

This article represents our views as Square Dancers. We started square dancing in 1946, and this was a time of growth of the Square Dance population. Clubs flourished in the United States. What helped make it popular and easy to learn was the result of the efforts of Bob Osgood and "Pappy" Lloyd Shaw, who started the standardization of all calls in 1935 so that Square Dancers could dance to the same calls at any location.

The club we belonged to in the 1970s still has on its banner, "We dance for fun," and has remained Mainstream. Thirty-five years later, it is still going strong and is continuously being reinforced by the addition of new graduates.

Starting around 1975, the gradual introduction of higher levels, that eventually added up to ten in all, started the separation of dancers from each other. There was no visible effort made by Advanced clubs to bring new dancers into Mainstream. We have seen caller-run clubs in Florida advertise their A-1 level at Plus clubs and, after these dancers made that move, these same callers then bemoaned the fact that there were less dancers in their Plus clubs. Then they asked their club dancers to go out and bring in more people to classes. This practice has been very discouraging to dancers, and definitely not an incentive for dancers to bring new people into the activity.

The awareness that the imposition of higher levels was causing a significant drop in the Square Dance population was reflected in the opinions expressed at educational panels and symposiums at National Square Dance Conventions

since 1980, at which we participated nine times as moderators or panelists. The club officers and members attending were even then expressing their dissatisfaction with too much to learn in too short a time, and too many levels after graduating into Mainstream. The push toward higher levels resulted in dissatisfaction by many dancers to becoming "perpetual students."

When there was just one category of the Square Dance, there were between 10 and 25 squares in attendance at club dances. The size of the attendance was based on: The skill and charisma of the caller; the density of the population in the area of the club's location; and a club's convenient location. At that time period in the area that we danced, most clubs danced twice each month. This plan encouraged dancers to visit or raid other clubs, and to dance more frequently to other callers. It also made allowance for the fact that there were other social activities in which the Square Dancers might like to participate.

Today, club membership has dwindled and attendance has fallen in many areas to three or four squares per dance. With that small attendance, clubs scheduling a dance once every week have considerable difficulty in meeting expenses, particularly the increasing cost of renting a hall. One suggested solution is having club dances twice each month, possibly alternating with another nearby club using the other weeks. One example of the consistent drop in members is our regional Square Dance association which had a membership in 1982 of 630 members; in 1988 of 498 members; and in 1998 of 218 members. During the past 20 years, dancers expressed their dis-

satisfaction in being "perpetual students," voted with their feet, and walked out.

In 1990, a new generation of callers gave recognition to the fact that it was the callers who developed and imposed the systems of "levels" on the Square Dance activity and that, because of its damaging effect, it was logical that it should be up the callers to now abandon that system and return to some form of the original plan which had produced the greatest growth in members in the Square Dance activity. These callers proposed a category which is essentially a return to that original concept and call it simply the "Square Dance." They would reduce the field to just three categories: Square Dance, Advanced, and Challenge.

It took 20 years of levels to reduce the Square Dance population to the lower membership that it has today. It may take five years or more to turn it round and start filling our Square Dance halls again. Now is the time to move from talk to decision and action. In Florida, 24% of all clubs are Mainstream, and 48% are Plus and higher. Gradual acceptance of the "Square Dance" category by the Mainstream and Plus clubs would change those figures to 72% of all clubs that could accept new graduates. There must be a broader base of clubs that accept new graduates, and keep them.

Accepting and strengthening the first category of "Square Dance" should merit the support of all Advanced and Challenge dancers. If there is no change forthcoming, the Square Dance population will continue to decline; there will be less new dancers to feed into these clubs; and, conceivably, they will be the first to disappear from the scene. Dancers and callers need to work together and concentrate more on being caretakers of the Square Dance activity and less on elevation of dancers to the higher levels.

The gradual decline in the Square Dancer population during the past 25

years is not due entirely to the imposition of the additional levels. There has been growing competition by other social activities such as bowling, tennis, and golf. Better promotion and packaging will be needed to bring the awareness and pleasures of square dancing to the attention of the non-dancers.

To summarize, we propose the following changes to stop further decline of the Square Dance population by returning to the original objective and that is: to promote and develop Square Dance clubs based on fun and fellowship (not proficiency). Eliminate all Square Dance "levels." Apply the following three categories of the Square Dance, with classes for each category: (a) Square Dance; (b) Advanced; (c) Challenge.

Much of the information and views contained in this article were learned from interested dancers and callers and also from articles in Square Dance publications. This is not, and should not be assumed, an adversary situation, pitting dancers against callers or vice versa, but rather a "grass roots" movement by all us (dancers and callers) working together as family, to revamp the procedures and guidelines to prevent further loss of dancers and callers when clubs fold. All of the above recommended changes will take understanding, time, and much cooperation to gain acceptance. We have all talked about the decline in the Square Dance population for several years. It is now time to do something about it.

The dancers are paying all of the costs in our activity. It is time for all of us to make our wishes known to our club, association officers, and callers. It is essential that all of us work together to assure that there will be acceptance of the "Square Dance" concept in our particular areas in the near future.

Frank & Nan Habersberger
(Editors Note: Frank & Nan Habersberger are past presidents of the Florida Federation - 1989-1990)

LETTERS..WE GET LETTERS...(Cont'd)

Hi Val,

I am sending you an overdue laurel for the outstanding job you do in the "What's Cooking?" article featured in The Grapevine. One quick and easy recipe that appeared in the March-April issue has brought rave reviews from friends and relatives in three states. The "Triple Fudge Brownie" recipe is as delicious as

it is easy. After the first taste everyone immediately wants a copy of the recipe.

Please keep up the good work, your efforts are greatly appreciated!

Doris Spaulding

Editors Note: Thanks, Doris, for your comments. It's always nice to know our efforts are appreciated. Keep those recipes coming ladies!



WITH OUR RECENT SICK

Janice Atkinson.....	surgery
"Bit" Beatty.....	illness
Charlean Brinson.....	surgery
Appleann Brown.....	surgery
Mary Faircloth.....	illness
Harley Fisk.....	accident
Dale Fredrickson.....	surgery
Ruth Harper.....	accident
Ed Johnson.....	accident
Rae Joy.....	surgery
Jean Kindred.....	surgery
Walt Longino.....	surgery
Harvey Morton.....	surgery
Joe Pacetti.....	accident
Mike Rist.....	surgery/illness
Wendell Spears.....	surgery
Diane Stewart.....	accident
Freda Story.....	surgery



(Editors Note: Some of the above dancers are back dancing, while some are still taking treatments and/or recuperating.)

SINCERE SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO...



Art Wilson,..... on the death of his sister, and
Ed Malin,.....on the death of his sister.
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your families.

Cards and prayers are always welcome!

IN REMEMBRANCE

Patricia Jacqueline "Patti" Mercer 1949-1999



Patti Mercer, shown here celebrating her 50th birthday in March of this year, passed away on Thursday morning, June 16th. She is survived by her husband, Dale, daughter & son-in-law Kymie & Dennis Crews, her mother, and four brothers.

Patti and Dale began Square Dancing with the Mandarin Marauders in September, 1992 and later joined the Moose Promenaders. She served as Secretary of the Promenaders from January '95 to December '98.

Patti was well liked by everyone who came in contact with her. She had a pleasant and friendly personality, and will be remembered for her pet phrase, "That's Patti with an 'i'!"

Our thoughts and prayers are with her husband and family. Square Dancers throughout Northeast Florida have lost a great lady and a friend. We will all miss her!

Carol & Terry Sandy & Le
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CUER'S CORNER

By Barbara Winter



First, let us list some of the special events with round dancing. We don't know of anything in the month of July, but you have several selections to choose from August thru December.

Aug. 20-21.....	Jekyll Island Square Dance Jamboree
Sept. 4-5.....	Florida Knothead Konvention
Sept. 16-18.....	Myrtle Beach Ball
Oct. 22-14.....	Tumbling Leaves Festival
Nov. 12-13.....	NEFSARDA Fall Festival
Dec. 4-5.....	Fall Weekend of Rounds

Rounds of the Quarter for Florida

Phase II	Patty Cake TS	Connelly
Phase III-IV	Cotton Candy Mambo	Bond
Phase V-VI	Dancez Merenge	Shibota
Classic	Maria Elena	Ward

Jim and I will be starting round dance lessons on September 12th. Hope many of our Northeast dancers will join us. Flyer with further information appears elsewhere in this issue of The Grapevine.

See you "A- ROUND!"



THANK YOU!!

Our sincere thanks to everyone for their thoughts and prayers following the death of Art's sister, Helen Jernigan. Your kind expressions of sympathy helped us thru this painful time.

Art & Lucille Wilson

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IN STEP WITH...

Country, Clogging and Line Dancing

By Donna Robbins

As you know, the Northeast will be the host Association for the State Convention in 2000. Since our theme

is "Dancing's The Rage In The New Age", clogging will be included in the dance program. I have accepted the position of Clogging Chairmen and will offer several options for those interested.

There will be an introduction to clog-

ging for the novice (you need not know anything to participate); as well as workshops from basic to intermediate levels for those that do clog.

I sincerely hope that it will stimulate enough interest to be included in all future State Conventions -- as it used to be and, in my opinion, should continue to be.

Since I had several inquiries at the last Convention, I will keep you updated in future columns as to what to expect at the 2000 Convention.

Happy Dancing!



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GCA GRADUATION BALL

By Val Newsome

The **Gateway Callers Association** held their Graduation Ball for square dance students on Saturday evening, April 17th at Sandalwood High School.

Over 100 dancers enjoyed dancing to the calling of John Robbins, Lawton Smith, Ken Miller, Mike Akers, Art Wilson and Jim Morgan.

Jack & Phyllis Herpy, Blood Bank Chairmen, arranged to have Dale Malloy, President & CEO of the Florida-Georgia Blood Alliance, present and presented him with a check for \$906 raised from the Blood Bank Dance in March. Square dancing got some exposure on TV since WJXT Channel 12 was on hand to film the presentation for the 11 pm news.

Manny Gonzales, NEFSARDA President, presented Joe & Barbara Fitzmayer a plaque in recognition of their dedication and hard work in our blood bank drives for the Florida-Georgia Blood Alliance.

NEFSARDA dancers donated refreshments and helped decorate the hall. Of course, the Taws (Donna, Eleanor, Ginger, Jan, Lucille, and Jimmie Lee) were there to assist, too.

All in all, it was a delightful evening with lots of good dancing and we went away feeling good about welcoming so many new dancers to Square Dancing.

Thanks to all the callers for their support in providing these special dances for student dancers.



Jack & Phyllis present check for \$906 to Dale Malloy of the Florida-Georgia Blood Alliance.



New dancers enjoyed their Graduation Ball.



GCA GRADUATION BALL (continued)



Callers and Taws line up for a picture at the Graduation Ball.



Barbara & Joe Fitzmayer are all smiles after receipt of plaque in recognition of their work for the Blood Bank.

Congratulations Joe & Barbara!



JULY 4TH

(Reprinted from *Travel On*, a Kansas publication)

In Philadelphia, PA on July 4, 1776, the Continental Congress approved the final draft of the Declaration of Independence. John Hancock, President of the Congress, was the first to sign, using a clear and distinctive hand. Thus, giving the use of the expression "John Hancock" for one's signature.

During the Civil War, the City of Vicksburg, Mississippi, surrendered to General Grant's army on July 4, 1863.

A star is added to the U.S. flag on the first Fourth of July after a State is admitted to the Union.

On July 4, 1959, the 49th Star, representing Alaska, was officially added to the blue of the flag. Alaskans celebrate Flag Day on the Fourth of July.

On July 4, 1960, the last star was added. Hawaii celebrates Flag Day on July 4th, also.

The Fourth is observed as Independence Day in all U.S. states and territories. It is observed in friendship by Denmark, Norway, Sweden, England and the Philippines. It is called American Friendship Day by the Philippines.

Calvin Coolidge, 30th President of the United States, was born July 4, 1872.

Hannibal, Missouri, observes July 4 as Tom Sawyer Fence Painting Day.

It is said: Corn that is not knee high by July 4 won't feed you through the winter. Wheat that doesn't ripen before July 4 will die.



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FALL FESTIVAL PARADE

Here are the last pictures from the Fall Festival Parade.



Dolly Parton and her "bodyguard" made an "outstanding" appearance!



Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers took a "twirl" around the dance floor!!



Santa & Mrs. Claus left the North Pole to stop for a visit!

IN MEMORY OF

Ruth Megonigal Teske, 1925-1999

Ruth passed away after a lengthy battle with cancer on Saturday, May 29, 1999 at the Hospice Hadlow House. She is survived by her husband, Frank, two daughters, Betsy and Tina, and two sons, Dewey and Casey.

She was a member of St. Peters Episcopapal Church, and was a 1943 graduate of Andrew Jackson High School.

Ruth and Frank enjoyed Square Dancing and had been members of the Clay Wheel-Arounds, Yellow Rockers, Challengers, Fun 'N Frolics , and Touch of Class.

Court Reporting was her career. She spearheaded the development of a Court Reporting School at Jones Business College. Ruth was a strong advocate of equal rights and her lifelong motto was "the more the merrier."

She was talented in art (painting, ceramics & home decor), and writing. Ruth enjoyed travel, cooking, and square dancing. She taught painting at FCCJ and also participated in classes at the Murray Hill Art Center.

Prior to her death she had requested Bob speak at her funeral. Excerpts from his eulogy are...."She was a true friend, a gallant lady, a good mother & friend to her children and a good wife & friend to her husband, Frank... Her personality consisted of intelligence, humor, wit, and unbridled curiosity... She was talented from sandblasting & using Bondo to the delicate art of painting...There was nothing in her realm left untouched and she has certainly touched all of our lives by her special aura."

Sincere sympathy is extended to Frank, her family and many friends.

Bob & Betty Bolick

Seabreeze Singles Square Dance Club



Caller: Jim Cosman



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Mary Lou Pelz - 733-1869*



IN MEMORY OF THERON CHARLES SMITH, 1920-1999

Theron Smith, who was born in Barnett, GA, passed away on June 17, 1999. He moved to Jacksonville in 1926, graduated from Landon High School, and earned his college degree in Business Administration & Accounting. He is survived by his wife, Bonnie; three sons, David (Debra), Wayne (Kathy), and Mike (Grace); five grandchildren and one sister.

Theron was a Veteran of WWII, having served in the ETO, involved in five combat operations. After 33 years of service, he retired from State Attorneys Office as Administrator and Staff Artist.

As a member of Lake Shore United Methodist Church, he served as Treasurer for 12 years, choir member, Church Historian, Sunday School Teacher, member of Methodist Men's Club, and former Scout Master. He was a member of Wesconnet Lodge No. 297, F&AM and 32 degree Scottish Rite Bodies of Jacksonville. He served as Treasurer of the German-American Club, a member and Trustee of the Shepherd's Center in Orange Park, and a volunteer of the Jacksonville Food Bank.

Theron, along with his wife, Square Danced many years and served as Recording Secretary (1968) and Vice President (1969) of N.E. Florida Square and Round Dancer's Association.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Bonnie, his family, and many friends.

PIRATES BALL

Linda Blake 904 261-7192

The Pirates Ball was a big success, thanks to all you Square Dancers who supported this dance. We had a great time, it was just for one night this year, but we had a big time.

Art Wilson did his usual good time of calling, also we enjoyed having John and Linda Saunders there from down state. John & Linda brought a bus load of enthusiastic Pirates with them. When they got off the bus they were all dressed in Pirates attire and we really enjoyed having this group. Thanks Linda & John!!

The group coming in from down state also got their Knothead badge. That was quite a sight.

We are hoping next year will be back on the full weekend with dancing on Friday and Saturday evening. We had a

few campers this year, but not many since it was not a two day event.

Thanks again to all of you Square Dancers who supported this dance - we always have a good time. The food was outstanding. The Sweet Arts Squares really know how to put goodies on the table. The decorations were good also. Connie and Bill Schnippert are quite good at decorating - they designed most of our Pirate decorations and we reuse them.

Come dance with the Sweet Arts on first and third Tuesday evenings in July. We will not be dancing in August. We are hoping to get a class going so we may be dancing every Tuesday in September.

Make plans now to attend the Pirate's Ball next year. You'll have a great time!



"Pirate", John Saunders, and "Parrot" greet dancer!



Pirate & Lady, Art & Lucille Wilson, check out some of the "treasure"!



Linda & Docky Blake lead the Grand March at the Pirates Ball!



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46th Florida State Convention 2000



By Howard & Jettie Crowe
Publicity Chairmen

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Our surprises are planned -- be there to help us usher in the year "of fun,

friendship, & dancing in the year 2000."

Some of the cloggers are coming back and we are so proud to welcome them. We'll have clogging, lines, contra, and, of course, rounds and squares! Donna Robbins plans to have both clogging exhibitions and workshops.

In addition to camping at the Convention Center, we have a campground for \$15.00 per night with heated pool, putt-putt, & shuffleboard.

The dates are May 26, 27, 28, 2000 and the place is at the beautiful Lakeland Center in Lakeland, Florida.

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Additional graduates for the Joy Seas are listed below, along with the graduates from the River Ramblers.

Joy Seas, May 5th

Brianna Akers
Louise Rake
Ron Smith
Richard Vansandt
John & Kate McVicar
Howard & Ellen Geyer



River Ramblers, June 10th

Marion Carr
Charles & Marian Coe
Donald & Janice Davis
Dan & Judith Jones
Wes & Sarah Wightman
Alesia Zieran

To promote square dancing and provide incentives for clubs, NEFSARDA Delegates voted to donate money to clubs for graduating a square (\$100) or two or more squares (\$200). The following clubs received checks for amounts shown.

Rollaways.....	\$200.00
Mandarin Marauders.....	\$200.00
Joy Seas.....	\$200.00
Moose Promenaders.....	\$100.00
River Ramblers.....	\$100.00

The Grapevine CONGRATULATES these clubs for their recruitment of new dancers!

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Camp N' Dance

By Gerry Fredrickson

Summer is the time to head north and camp with other NSDCA members at Wisconsin for the International Camporee. It will be held in Elkhorn, WI, on July 13, 14, 15, 1999. This is where square dance camping clubs meet together for not only dancing but also annual meetings. Of course there are the usual crafts, games, parties, tours, and ample vendors to please all of us. I hear rumors that the next International Camporee will be held in Canada. That sounds like a great vacation spot and a good chance to get away from the Florida heat!

Just in case you are planning on traveling around, here are a couple of other spots of interest. Some camporees require membership in NSDCA. National membership fees are only \$16.00 per couple the first year. Save and sign up for three years for only \$33.00. It can be well worth the fee when you join in on the entertainment of camping and dancing. Call Dale at 263-9717 for a membership application.

• New Jersey State Square & Round Dance Camporee: September 10, 11,

12, 1999 - Augusta, NJ For information call 516-666-9756 or 908-722-8157 Or call the hotline at 1-800-892-8828

• Branson Camporee Festival (This one includes shows in Branson): September 8-12, 1999, 1-800-671-4399.

• Florida State Camp-o-ree: October 22, 23, 24, 1999, Lake Okeechobee, FL. Only \$50.00 for the weekend. Call Dale at 269-9717 or any NSDCA Member.

Locally the Gypsy Squares will be camping at Calawoods RV Resort near Reddick on July 2, 3, & 4, 1999. See the Gypsy article for more details. The first weekend in August they will be at Bulow so mark these dates on your calendars.

The Square Wheels are not camping during June and July but they will be at Suwannee Valley August 20, 21, 22, 1999, at White Springs.

The Drift Arouds also take time off and do not schedule campouts for July and August.

We invite you to join in as many of these activities as you can. Enjoy camping and dancing to the fullest.

Have a fantastic summer!!



5th SATURDAY DANCE

By Val Newsome

No flyers were available at the time **The Grapevine** was going to print, but we don't want you to miss the next 5th Saturday Dance.

The dance will be hosted by the Yellow Rockers Plus and the Joy Seas and will be held at the Tynes Elementary School on July 31st. Callers will be Jim Cosman and Bill Chesnut and rounds will be cued by Maggie Tripp.

Theme for the dance is "PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN" so be sure to wear your very best patriotic colors and/or outfit. Dance usually begins at 8:00 pm with early rounds starting at 7:30 pm

SEE YOU THERE!

50th Wedding Anniversary



Eleanor and Lawton Smith

On Monday, June 28th, at the Yellow Rocker Plus Dance, the hall was full of friends who had stopped by to help Lawton & Eleanor Smith celebrate 50 years of marriage! The Yellow Rockers had planned the surprise and the honorees were delighted.

Lawton and Eleanor met at a Halloween Carnival at their elementary school when he was 12 and she was 11 years old. They lived in the same neighborhood, so they went to the same church, and the same junior and senior high schools. They both graduated from Lee High School in 1947. Lawton then attended Stetson University and Eleanor attended Carson-Newman College.

They went their separate ways for a few years, met wonderful people, but managed to get back together and were married on July 1, 1949. Both of them worked for Southern Bell where he retired after 34 years of service. Eleanor quit after seven years to start a family. Mark was born on June 8, 1956 and Laura was born 11 years later, October 5, 1967. Mark and his wife, Portia, and son, Adam, live in Gainesville, FL. Laura and husband, Gary, live in Winston-Salem, NC. Needless to say, North Carolina is where Lawton and Eleanor go for vacations.

Lawton started calling square dancing before he retired from Southern Bell. He started a class and club in Orange Park in 1981 (Clay Wheel-Arounds). In July '97, the Clay Wheel-Arounds closed. Lawton still calls for two clubs, The Mandarin Mauraders, and the Yellow Rockers Plus.

Calling for square dances is Lawton's top priority, but he also enjoys his hobby of fishing with friends, and his grandson, Adam, when he visits. Eleanor enjoys reading and playing the piano for church functions. Both of them have made many friends in our area and they say "they have been rewarded for their hard work and efforts."

We do appreciate their love and dedication and hope they have many more rewarding years together!

(The above article was written by Doris Raines)

Editors Note: Our best wishes to you both on this most happy occasion -- your 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY. Hope you share many more happy years together!

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UNITED SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA

On January 20 and 21, 1999 representatives from eight national organizations met in Baltimore, Maryland to discuss issues related to the square dance activity. The unanimous consensus of the group was that there was a need for a national council to provide a unified voice to address issues related to the well-being and advancement of the activity. A recommendation for the framework of the National Council of Square Dance Organizations (NCSDO) was unanimously approved. This recommendation will be sent to each of the national organizations for their endorsement, and to solicit their membership in NCSDO.

The meeting was hosted and underwritten by United Square Dancers of America (USDA), and attended by representatives of the American Callers Association (ACA), CALLERLAB, the International Association of Gay Square Dance Clubs (IAGSDC), LEGACY, National Executive Committee of the National Square Dance Convention (NEC), ROUNDALAB, USA West Convention Policy Board, and USDA.

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

The Round Table Discussion Group hosted by United Square Dancers of America developed the following recommendations: A Committee be formed by one voting representative from each of the following organizations: American Callers Association, B & B

International, CALLERLAB, CONTRALAB, International Association of Gay Square Dance Clubs, LEGACY, National Executive Committee of the National Square Dance Convention, National Organization of Square and Round Dance Suppliers, National Square Dance Campers Association, ROUNDALAB, Single Square Dancers USA, USA West Square Dance Convention Policy Board Association, United Square Dancers of America.

This Committee shall be known as the **NATIONAL COUNCIL OF SQUARE DANCE ORGANIZATIONS**. The Following Mission Statement was adopted: To develop and present to its member organizations, for the purpose of adoption by each, goals to enhance the Square Dance activity.

Goals: New Dancer recruitment; Image (marketing and dress code); Promotion (advertising - national and corporate sponsors); Retention of Dancers in the activity.

Each organization was to respond by April 15, 1999 to USDA President Bill Flick, 400 Pete's Way, Boothwyn, PA 19061 (610)-358-2306 bcfjf@squaredance.net, with their acceptance and their representative information.

This Council held their first meeting on Saturday, May 15, 1999, in Cleveland, Ohio in conjunction with the LEGACY meeting.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: We understand that a **recommendation** came out of that meeting to greatly relax the dress code for Square Dancing. More later as the facts come in!)

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Blood Bank Report

Jack and Phyllis Herpy

JULY 4TH IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!

We spoke with Marilyn Kendeigh at the Florida-Georgia Blood Alliance and she reminded us of the critical need for blood at this time. Folks are on vacation and children are out of school for the summer. These situations plus the holiday increases the need for blood. Everyone is very busy and they do not donate as faithfully. An interesting fact she told us is that with the hot weather, people are drinking tea with their meals. Tea blocks the absorption of iron and therefore the hemoglobin is down. People with low hemoglobin cannot donate blood . . . so if you plan to donate, try to avoid tea with your meals for as long as possible before your planned visit to the blood bank.

The NEFSARDA accounts year-to-date contributions provided by the Florida-Georgia Blood Alliance are..

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>CLUB</u>	<u>UNITS</u>
1238.....	NEFSARDA	1
1956.....	Mandarin Marauders	23
2057.....	Moose Promenaders	7
2063.....	Rollaways.....	13
2064.....	Sweet Art Squares	1
2206.....	Teddy Bears	1
2212.....	Plus Fox.....	11
2240.....	Yellow Rockers Plus	18
TOTAL.....		75

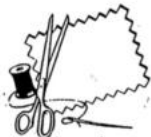
There may be several reasons that would motivate one to become a volunteer blood donor. It could be to support your local community to support a donor club and/or its club members. Whatever the reason you decide to be a donor, there are many benefits, including:

- * When an individual makes a donation, that donation counts for themselves and any designated fund.
- * One donation per year covers you and your immediate family (tax dependents) for any non-insured FGBA blood processing fees.
- * Two donations in six months covers you and your immediate family (tax dependents) and your extended family (first generation) for any non-insured FGBA blood processing fees.

Congratulations and thanks to all who have participated in this program and have donated the "gift of life".

SUMMER IS PICNIC TIME!
Share that fun time with
family & friends!





STITCHIN' TIME

By Val Newsome

("Excerpts taken from "HEMLINE" in the June 1999 issue of the

American Square Dance Magazine, Hemline column written by Phyllis Mudge.)

"This month I am going to give you a lot of tips that I have accumulated over my many years of sewing.

When tracing a multi-sized pattern use a 2-mil plastic dropcloth instead of paper. It is transparent for easy tracing and the small amount of static electricity in the plastic holds it to the surface when you are working. The clear plastic allows you to see clearly for plaid and pattern matching.

When pulling elastic thru a casing, insert a straight pin or large safety pin crosswise through the elastic free end.

As the elastic is pulled, the pin catches on the casing end so you don't accidentally pull the elastic too far.

Apply a seam sealant between the stitching lines on both the right and wrong sides of newly stitched buttonholes to prevent fraying. Let the sealant dry, then cut the buttonholes as usual.

To keep slippery fabrics from shifting as you sew a seam secure edges together with spring hair clips. The clip's leave no pin holes to mar delicate fabrics and can be easily removed as you approach them.

To avoid tangled and knotted thread when hand sewing, run your threaded needle through a fabric softener sheet."

More next month.....

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ON THE ROAD - - AGAIN

We were 100% in scheduled activities for the months of May and June. July and August are usually slow months, so we are hoping to visit some clubs at their regular dances. We'll be on the road to:



Jul 10	Christmas in July Benefit Dance.....	Friendship Squares
Jul 11	Delegates Meeting	NEFSARDA
Jul 18	Potluck Dinner/Dance.....	Moose Promenaders
Jul 31	5th Saturday Dance.....	NEFSARDA

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45TH FLORIDA STATE CONVENTION

By Val Newsome

Yes, it was truly **Mardi Gras Time** in '99 at the 45th Florida State Convention hosted by the Central Association under the very capable leadership of Jim & Jan McConnaha, General Chairmen. It was an exciting, happy, and fun weekend with lots of great dancing.

It looked like just about every dancer in Central worked in some capacity, and the teamwork certainly showed.

CONGRATULATIONS TO JIM & JAN, THEIR CONVENTION STAFF, AND ALL THE CENTRAL DANCERS FOR A GREAT WEEKEND!!

MARDI GRAS TIME WAS GREAT!

46th FLORIDA STATE CONVENTION

By Val Newsome

We all had fun socializing and dancing at the State Convention until Sunday, then things got serious as we arose EARLY for Kick-Off Practice at 8 am. Everything went as planned and we felt good about that evening.

WOW! What a fantastic showing orchestrated by Ken Miller. Good job, Ken!!

Good job NE dancers -- it was a great Kick-Off. We are still hearing favorable comments from around the State.

Now, let's buckle down and plan a great, fun weekend for May 26-28, 2000. The Mardi Gras hosted by Central will be a hard act to follow.

Let's Do It!!

General Chairmen Don & Bonnye Bell on stage with the "Star-2000" backdrop. Are those smiles (sighs) of relief that the Kick-Off is over?



Don gets ready to present traveling banners to Associations, with help from Eddie & Ann Millan, and Lawton & Eleanor Smith.

46th FLORIDA STATE CONVENTION
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M= MAINSTREAM P= PLUS R= ROUNDS L=LINES

All locations are Jacksonville unless shown otherwise.

SUNDAY

TOUCH OF CLASS: "R" Every Sunday: - **Phase II & III** 6:00-7:30PM; **Phase III & IV** 7:30-9:30PM Peace Presbyterian Church - 2300 Southside Blvd.: Cuer: Jim & Barbara Winter 904 268-1369.

MONDAY

ANGEL SQUARES: "M/P" Every Monday Class 7:00-8:30 Dance 8:30-10:00 PM St. James Episcopal Church, 3500 McFarlane Ave - **Lake City** -- Caller: Ralph Beekman 904 752-2544 Contact Walt & Lanie Knudsen 904 752-1250

FUN N FROLICS: "A" Every Monday: Dance 7:30 - 9:30 PM 2839 W. Beaver St. Woodstock Park--Caller: Art Wilson 904 225-5674 **NO DANCES IN AUGUST**

THUMPER SQUARES: "M/P" Every Monday 7:30 - 9:30 PM, at the Galleria, **High Springs** Caller: Ellis Lindsey, Contact Bill McNeese 786-1713.

YELLOW ROCKERS PLUS: "P" Every Monday Plus class 7:00 - 8:00 PM Dance 8 - 10 PM - Trinity Lutheran Church - Park & McDuff St -- Caller: Lawton Smith 904 389-3349--Contact: Millie Hutto 904 388-4196. NO DANCE JULY 12TH & AUGUST 9TH!

TUESDAY

DIXIE DANCERS: "P/R" Every Tues. Class 7 - 8:30PM Dance 8:30-10:00 PM - Teen Town - 312 N. 6th St., **Lake City** -- Caller: Bill Chesnut 352 374-8582: -- Contact: Daisy Tramel 904 752-1469

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

MANDARIN MARAUDERS: "M/P/L" Every Tuesday Plus Workshop 7:30-8:00 PM Club Dance 8:00 - 9:30 PM Italian-American Club Westberry Rd.-- Caller: Lawton Smith 904 389-3349 -- Contact: Tony & Barbara Rodon 292-4680.

MAVERICKS: "M/P" - **Middleburg** -- **NOT DANCING UNTIL SEPTEMBER**
Contact: Caller Ernie Rollen 904 282-2335

ROLLAWAYS: "M/P/L" Every Tues. Class/Workshop 7-8:00 PM Club Dance 8:00-10 PM Sandalwood High School -- Caller: Ken Miller 904 268-4492 -- Contact: Virginia Bornhold 744-7481

SEABREEZE SINGLES: "M/P" Every Tuesday Dance 7:30-9:30 PM - - Peace Presbyterian Church 2300 Southside Blvd. -- Caller: Jim Cosman 912 882-4006 Contact: Linda Paulley - 387-2239

SWEET ART SQUARES: "M/P" 1/3/5 Tuesday Dance 7:30-9:30 PM - **Yulee** - Lions Club (US17- 1 mile N of A1A, on left) Caller: Art Wilson 904 225-56741 Contact: Phyllis Cody - 765-8513. **NO DANCES IN AUGUST**

WEDNESDAY

PLUS FOX: "P" Every Wednesday 7:30-9:30 PM Jax Heights Elem - 7750 S. Tempest St.-- Caller: Jim Cosman 912 882-4006 Contact: Jack Carrouthers 241-1469



**NORTHEAST FLORIDA SQUARE & ROUND DANCERS ASSOCIATION
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T H U R S D A Y**

FRIENDSHIP SQUARES: "M/P" Every Thursday 8:00 - 10:00 PM **Keystone Hts.** Hi School, 900 Orchard St., Caller: Bill Chesnut (352) 374-8582 Contact: Sandra Pennell (352) 473-4347

JOY SEAS: "M/P/L/R" Every Thursday Dance 8:00 - 10:00 PM **St. Augustine Beach** #2 Ocean Trace Blvd. (AIA So to Cedar Trace Blvd, East on CT to Ocean Trace - last bldg on left) Caller: Mike Akers 904 829-1697 Contact Rose Larsen 904 471-0809.

MOOSE PROMENADERS: "P/L" Every Thursday Plus Class 7:00 - 8:30PM Dance 8:30 - 10:00 PM 5051 Collins Rd. Moose Lodge Orange Park -- Caller: Art Wilson 904 225-5674 -- Contact: Bud & Anita Taylor 272-6551 **NO DANCES IN AUGUST**

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

TOUCH OF CLASS: "R" Every Thursday 7:30 - 9:30 PM - **Ph. IV&V** Peace Presbyterian Church - 2300 Southside Blvd: Cuer: Jim & Barbara Winter 904 268-1369.

VAGABOND SQUARES: "M/P" Every Thursday 7:00-10:00 PM - St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Parish Hall, 1391 SW 11th St. - **Live Oak** - Caller: Ralph Beekman 904 752-2544 - Contact: Pauline & Victor Parker 904 935-2563.

F R I D A Y

CLASSIC PLUS: P/R" 1st & 3rd Friday Rounds 7:30-8:00 Dance 8:00-10:00 PM Peace Presbyterian Church - 2300 Southside Blvd Guest Callers Used -- Contact: Russ & Carolyn Ueber 223-9347 or Contact: Mary Lou Pelz 904 733-1869; For banner info., call Pat & Mike Rist 733-2298

GYPSY SQUARES: "M/P/L" 1st Full Weekend Each Month - **Various Campgrounds** -- Caller: John Barrett 904 767-7775 Contact: Gene & Wanda Tanner 904 782-3229 or Luther & Debbie Delp 905 642-0392

SQUARE WHEELS: "M/P/R" Every 3rd Friday & Saturday -- **Various Campgrounds** Caller: Bill Chesnut 352 374-8582 Contact Chuck & Aleen Breedlove 246-9545 **NOT DANCING IN JULY!**

JEKYLL ISLAND SQUARES: "M/P/R" 2nd, 4th Friday - Jane Macon Middle School - **Brunswick, GA** Caller: Don Heins 912 265-1504 Cuer: Donna Heins.

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DEMOS -- DEMOS -- DEMOS!

Dancers from NEFSARDA continue to promote square dancing while having fun.

Dancers from several clubs attended a square dance demo at the Mandarin YMCA Fund Raiser on Saturday, May 1st. Sam Atkinson was the caller and we danced both inside and outside (on the tennis courts). Free hot dogs and drinks were enjoyed after we danced.

With the new publicity policy which came out of the last Delegates Meeting, each club will be doing their own demos, etc., using their colors, flyers and caller. If you need a place to demo, call Phyllis

Cody, 765-8513, a month in advance and she will try to arrange for a location. If Phyllis gets a request, she will call the club nearest the demo area. NEFSARDA will continue to plan and participate in special demos, and dancers from all clubs will be advised of these events.

THE GRAPEVINE would like to request that clubs forward pictures and info on demos done. We want to keep as much information on demos and exhibitions publicized as we possibly can. If you let us know early, we might even be able to come by



It was a FUN demo at the Mandarin YMCA. Sam had such a good time, he was "beside" himself!!



Several clubs have scheduled some sort of **ICE CREAM SOCIAL** this summer. Check the Calendar of Events for dates. We are told all calories have been removed!!!





Club News!

CLASSIC PLUS

Carolyn & Russell Ueber 223-9347

Were you at the dance that Ray Yon called for us on April 16th? If you weren't, you missed a great Hot Hash tip that he called at the end of the dance. Whew!!! We were really dancing!!!

We had an exceptionally large crowd on May 7th when Dick Shinham called our dance..... three clubs (Rollaways, Teddy Bear Squares, and Yellow Rockers) stole our banners. We were also pleased that evening to have two callers with us...Eddie & Ann Millan and Lawton Smith.

Remember, Local Callers are always welcome at our dances as our guests.

Our dance on May 21st was most unusual in that our scheduled caller did not show up. Unfortunately, our worst fears were confirmed the next day, and we learned that Whit Brown had been in a bad car accident on his way to our dance and spent the night in the hospital. We all send best wishes and hope that he has recovered from his injuries. We're looking forward to dancing to him at our

dance on August 20th and certainly hope that he has an uneventful trip up to Jacksonville.

We want to thank Jim & Barb Winter for coming to our rescue that evening.....the Round Dancers had a special treat and danced to Jim's cueing until 9:30.

John Saunders called our June 4th dance. Although I was out of town for that dance, I've heard that he brought his lovely wife Linda and as always, everyone enjoyed an evening of great calling. And we were pleased to see Mike and Pat Rist at the dance....good luck, Mike, when you start your chemo at the end of June.

If you enjoy dancing with a club that features nationally recognized guest callers, we hope you'll come by and dance with us on the first and third Fridays of each month at 8 pm at Peace Presbyterian Church, with early rounds from 7:30 - 8:00.

See you soon!



WHAT'S THAT AGAIN -- ?

After a very trying day at the office, the husband was enjoying his pipe and reading the evening paper.

His wife, who was working on a crossword puzzle, suddenly called out, "Henry, what is a female sheep?"

"Ewe," replied her husband.

AND THAT'S HOW THE FIGHT BEGAN!

DIXIE DANCERS

Billie Gettinger 904-755-4870

Greetings from the Dixie Dancers! In April the Dixie Dancers enjoyed visitors from Tallahassee. Over two squares showed up for the evening. The Capital Square dance club stole the Dixie Dancer's banner. The evening was enjoyed by all.

In May the new officers for the Dixie Dancers were elected — They are President: Quida Taylor & Bob Dove, Vice President: Paul & Billie Gettinger, Treasurer: Annette Conk, and Secretary: Mercelyn & Bob McCrea. On May 1st the Dixie Dancers had the pleasure of putting on a square dance demonstration at the Annual High Springs, Native American Festival. Lots of square dancers turned out for the occasion, with Bill Chestnut as the square dance caller for the event. We are always happy to dance for special events, hoping it will promote an interest for others to want to learn the art of square dancing. The Dixie Dancers visited the Tallahassee Capital Squares on the 15th of May to retrieve the club banner, which had been taken in April by the Capital Squares. It was over a 100

mile drive to Tallahassee dance, but well worth it. They put on a great dance!

May was a busy month! Several club members attended the 45th Florida State Convention held in Lakeland FL, on Memorial Day weekend. Our club was also represented by O.J. Ferrington in the 2000, 46th year Kick-Off. It was a wonderful weekend, with lots of dancing.

Hawaiian Luau: On the 29th of June the Dixie Dancers, had a Hawaiian Luau dance. We took an imaginary trip to the islands. It was a fun evening.

Ice Cream Social: July 6th we will enjoy all the ice cream you can eat! Afterwards we promise to dance all the calories away. Mark your calendar and plan to come visit our club. We are sure you will want to come back!

The Dixie Dancers dance every Tuesday at the Lake City, Teentown Recreation Center, located at 312 North 6th Street, with classes from 7 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. & Round Dancing, Mainstream & Plus Square Dancing from 8:30 P.M. to 10:00 P.M. For more information call 904-755-4870.

GYPSY SQUARES

Dale and Gerry Fredrickson 269-9717

WOW! We certainly did enjoy all the visitors from Jacksonville that came to visit us at Pacetti's in May. We packed the hall and had a fantastic dance. We thank each and every one of you that came to our Mother's Day Dance. Also thanks to Stan and Alice Brittingham and Jacquie and Glen Stafford from Daytona for being our hosts. We shared superstitions on Friday evening and celebrated Mother's Day on Saturday. Our special meal of the weekend was enjoyed on the patio of Six-Mile Marina just down the road from the campground. We're looking forward to the new restaurant at Pacetti's the next time we visit.

For June we camped at Bulow RV Resort just south of Palm Coast. Again

we thank our visitors from Jacksonville. We also had several visitors from the Granada Squares and the Dixie Squares in Daytona. We joined together for a catered dinner from Woody's which was enjoyed by all. Officers were elected for our upcoming year. The following will be installed at the July campout:

President - Dale & Gerry Fredrickson;
Vice President - John and Alice Brittingham; Treasurer - Jay & Teri Peck

Join us for the 4th of July at Calawoods RV Resort in Reddick. It is a beautiful campground which we are visiting for the first time. We hope that you will either camp with us or just join us for the dance. The campground is located near exit 72 on I-75. Go west 300 yards, then 1 mile south on CR 225.

GYPSY SQUARES (Cont'd)

You are also welcome to join us for the cookout at 4:00 PM. Verner and Sue Gregory and Dee Castell are our hosts for the month. Bring your own meat to grill and a side dish to share. Desserts are also appreciated. Check out the details on the web at <http://members.xoom.com/fredrig>. We will be dancing on a carpet but if you wear smooth soled shoes it should not be a problem. R.J. Hogan will be our guest caller while John Barrett is vacationing.

During August we will be back at Bulow. The Humbles and the Fredricksons are hosting and they'd love to have you join them. It's an easy drive down I- 97 to exit 91. Go east to Kings Road and the resort is just 3 miles south on the left. Watch for flyers or check the web site to get the details when they become available.

Hope to see you in a square real soon!!

JOY SEAS

Mike Akers 904 829-1697

May was an eventful month for the Joy Seas. On the 5th we graduated our class with a real Cinco de Mayo celebration. Manny Gonzales graciously provided the authentic decorations and operated the pinata. The food provided was unlike any we have ever had, either in quantity or quality. Virginia Siedlich (80) and Brianna Akers (8) were our oldest and youngest graduates, respectively. Did any other class beat this record? Many thanks to the NEFSARDA Executive Board for their attendance and to Dick Lee for donating two free admissions to the River Ramblers SD club in Palatka.

We had our first trash pickup on the stretch of SR A1A we adopted in the Adopt-a-Road program. This is a popular stretch for tourists and, with our club name prominently displayed on the signs, we are getting great exposure.

On May 27th, guest caller Hank

Puckett from Daytona filled in for Mike when he was on standby duty for his day job. Hank and his lovely wife Madeline did a fine job entertaining us.

Thank you John and Mary Burzo for representing our club so well at the kick-off for the year 2000 Florida State SD Convention.

We finally received our Knothead badges from our trip to Waycross. The Joy Seas dancers understand the reason for the delay, and our prayers go to the Learmon family.

We miss our snowbirds, but our new resident graduates and the constant stream of out-of towners fill in the gaps and provide us with new friends with whom to dance.

Welcome back wishes go to Gen & Earl Wagner, and we hope to see George and Helen Cessna back with us soon. Let's all make plans to get together at the Knothead Convention.



Joy Seas members get ready to "clean up" the highway!



Joy Seas members pose for an Anniversary picture!



Caller Mike Akers presents Rose & Ron Larsen with a certificate of appreciation for their hard work for the club - a life-time free pass for any dance where he is the primary caller!



NE President, Manny Gonzales, coordinates the "Pinata" game at the Joy Seas graduation dance!



Joy Seas Graduates



Briana Akers, Joy Seas youngest graduate, demonstrates her "skirtwork"!



New dancers "wrap up" caller for their Mummy dangle!





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Tent-N-Trailers	081	Sarasota	1st W/E	Wofenden	
Hitch-N-Go	082	Kissimmee	4th W/E	Kelly	904 734-7760
			Usually		
Drift Around			2nd W/E		
Squares	093	Jacksonville	Usually	Moore	904 325-4118
B-Sharp Squares	126	Vero Beach	3rd W/E	VanDette	954 975-6103
			Not In Summer		
Square Wheels	128	Gainesville	3rd W/E	Kutchman	904 772-7163
Limonaders	139	Lakeland	1st W/E	Davis	941 859-6935
			Not In Summer		
Florida Wheelers	143	Brooksville	3rd W/E	Smith	813 752-0492
			Not In Summer		
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Mandarin Marauders

Ron & Judy Rodriguez 287-8562

It has been a productive recruiting year for the Mandarin Marauders. The club graduated two squares of dancers on April 13th. In recognition to the club's recruiting success, the NEFSARDA board presented the club with a check for \$200. We appreciate the award and here's hoping that it will serve as incentive to the club members to maintain their enthusiasm in seeking and enlisting students to the upcoming class in September.

Another award of note were the two plaques from the Blood Bank recognizing the club's consistent participation in and contributions to the annual blood drive. Our hats off to Joe Hardcastle and his lovely wife Martha for all the work and time they put in to make this drive a success.

Starting on the first Tuesday of June, the club designated a half-hour for Line Dancing lessons. Bob Wofford, our line

dancing instructor, features a new line dance that is repeated until all dancers are familiar with the steps. To date Bob has introduced two line dances; "Tush-push" and "Cha-ca-Cha?", I believe they're called. Bob's doing the most with the time he is allotted and he has a good group of eager and energetic dancers.

The Mandarin Marauders were well represented at the State Convention in Lakeland over the Memorial Day weekend. Eight couples from the club were in attendance and headed, of course, by our own Year 2000 State Convention Chairmen, Don & Bonnye Bell. All had a great time dancing to their hearts content and enjoyed the Sunday night Kick-Off celebrations. After listening to the returning couples comments about the great fun they all had, we expect next years delegation should get even bigger.



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Bonnye Bell and Caller
Lawton & Eleanor Smith!



Mandarin Marauders
members pose for their
14th Anniversary
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Northeast Association

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Jim & Jan McConnaha, General Chairmen

GOOD LUCK NEXT YEAR!

MOOSE PROMENADERS

Anita taylor 272-6551

Happy 4th of July to all of our fellow Square Dancers! It has been a very busy time at the Promenaders. We graduated a wonderful class in April and they are now in the middle of their plus lessons. They should be done with the lessons by the end of July. Just in time for our Pink Cadillac dance on July 29th. Please come and be a part of our special dance. We encourage 50's style outfits such as poodle skirts and peddle pushers for the women and jeans and T-shirts for the men. However, if you don't have these kind of "old fashioned" clothes in your closet come dressed in casual or Square Dance attire. I know Art will pull out all the stops to have the best rock-n-roll music available, including the song "Pink Cadillac."

Art and the Moose Promenaders are wanting to try something new for our students and any other dancer that wants to participate. On Sunday, June 20th, we held our first Potluck dinner at the Moose Lodge. Our next one will be on Sunday July 18th from 1 pm to 5 pm. All you, the dancer or student, will have to do is show up with a potluck dish and pay \$1.00 to defray the costs of using the Lodge. Art has planned some good dancing for that day and lots of good fun. We hope our students will plan

to attend since this is a day for getting to know each other. If you have any friends that might be interested in Square Dance lessons in the fall, you might want to bring them along. We do have to request this be for adults or teenagers that are students or plan to be students. No young children, please.

We have a few of our members on the ailing list and we hope they are doing better. Members that are recuperating are Wendell Spears, Joe Pacetti, Dale Fredrickson, and Tom Ball. We have just lost one of our favorite members, Patti Mercer, who passed away June 16th. We want her family to know our prayers are with them. Our sympathy is also with Art, who lost his sister on June 10, 1999.

The Moose Promenaders will not be dancing at the Lodge during the month of August. This is when our caller, Art Wilson, takes a well deserved vacation. We dance every Thursday until then. Lessons are from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. The dance starts at 8:30 pm until 10:00 pm. The dress is casual for June and July. We have Rounds on the 2nd and 4th Thursday. The cuer is Larry Dunn. The Moose Promenaders hope to do a lot of visiting in August. **Hope to see you in a square real soon!**



Moose Promenaders Graduates at their April 15th Graduation Ceremony!



GRAPEVINE SCRAPBOOK



Manny was supposed to be working in Charleston, but found time to dance--with a 100 year "young" lady.



Howard's busy talking, Jack's found something else to look at, and Mr. President is asleep!



Uumm, Good! Don't know where the picture was taken or where it came from, but looks like Eileen is enjoying her food!



A minister stood in front of his congregation on Sunday morning and said he would be doing something differently. When he said a word they would sing a verse from a hymn.....so he said, "I will begin now...

"Cross", and the congregation sang "The Old Rugged Cross"

"Grace", and the congregation sang a verse from "Amazing Grace"

"Power", and they sang "The Power in the Blood"

and his last word he announced was "Sex".

The congregation looked stunned, not a word from them -- they sat in silence while looking back and forth at one another, not knowing what to do when all of a sudden from the back of the church an 87-year old lady stood up and started singing....

"Precious Memories".....

(Taken from the Internet)

PLUS FOX

Hank Pelz 721-2214

From now 'til Labor Day, you can come dance to the calling and cueing of Jim Cosman IN CASUAL ATTIRE. As always, we start at 7:30 every Wednesday at Jax Heights Elementary, Hillman Ave. on the West Side.

We're hoping for a speedy recovery to Charlean and Applean. Get better, and get back! We miss you. Bring those husbands with you too. We also miss them.

At the moment, rooms on the cruise are taken up, but check with Macie Jackson, 693-2619 if you're interested

in going and she may be able to find a spot for you somewhere on the boat.

Jack is still taking the club members on banner raids. If you have one of our banners, and it's been there for a while, we may not know it, so inform us and we will try to get out to get it back. Contact Jack Carrouthers at 241-1469.

Welcome aboard to our two newest members of the Plus Fox; Jackie Hamlin, and Ben Steiner. Hope you enjoy dancing with us, and come often.

The same goes out to y'all out there. Come out, and come often, we have fun

River Ramblers

Dick & Jean Lee (904) 649-5327

This is the story of the birth of the River Ramblers Square Dance Club!

Betty & Dave Bickham and Dick & Jean Lee danced in Brevard County during the early 1990's. During the course of the next five years they moved to Putnam County and drifted away from Square Dancing. However, in 1997 they decided to brush up on their Square Dancing and took lessons in Flagler County.

During the Spring of 1998, they decided that Putnam County needed a Square Dance club that danced every week. So, they talked Ernie Rollen into calling the Square Dance and Frances Rollen into teaching Line Dancing. They contracted with a dance hall and advertised the opening on April 9, 1998. That night, Betty, Dave, Ernie, Frances, Dick and Jean went to the dance hall, set out snacks and waited and waited for someone to show up. To our delight, we ended up with 1+ squares. We awarded all those at our first dance with a Pioneer dangle. With those people, we established a class, which we ran through the summer and graduated in September.

During the course of that time, on occasion, we had two squares on the dance floor. The new dancers had a great time at graduation wrapping Ernie in

toilet tissue to earn a Mummy dangle. We had some faithful Angels that were awarded the Angel dangle.

We started another class in October, 1998 and we graduated 10 dancers on June 10, 1999. Some of our fun dances were the T-shirt contest, Strawberry Social and Ice Cream Sundae Dance. But the one we are most proud of is the benefit dance we held on April 3rd for the Putnam County Shrine Club to benefit the children's hospitals. We had guest callers who donated their time and talents, a silent auction with donated merchandise from local merchants and club members and lots of good food to eat. About 100 people attended the dance and we were able to donate over \$400 to the Shriners. For our fledgling club and for our first try, we thought that was pretty good.

During this coming summer, we will be having a Plus workshop from 7:00 - 8:00 PM and our regular club dance from 8:00 - 9:30 PM. We dance at the Putnam, County Shrine Club on Yelvington Road in East Palatka every Thursday night. For more information and directions, call 904 649-5327.

Consider this as a personal invitation to come dance with us. Our "Mission Statement" is "HAVE FUN!"



↑ Some of the River Ramblers Graduates!



Sarah Wightman helps "wrap up" the caller! →



Howard & Jettie Crowe, NEFSARDA VP, enjoy the River Ramblers Graduation festivities ↑

Club Presidents, Dick & Jean Lee, are congratulated for their hard work for the club! →



1999 CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

<u>CLUB</u>	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>ANNIV. #</u>
Classic Plus	Jan		35th
Dixie Dancers	Sep		21st
Fun 'N Frolics	Mar	22	43rd
Gypsy Squares	Dec	3-4	9th
Jekyll Island Squares	Jan	9	11th
Joy Seas	Apr	8	8th
Mandarin Marauders	Apr	27	14th
Moose Promenaders	Apr	1	9th
River Ramblers	Apr	6	1st
Rollaways	Apr	13	11th
Seabreeze Singles	Sep		23rd
Silver Fox	Jun	4	14th
Sweet Art Squares	Sep		24th
Square Wheels	Sep	17-18	19th
Teddy Bears	Jun	12	15th
Yellow Rockers +	Sep	13	8th

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The Rollaways

Eileen Loncle - 642-2404

Many Rollaways attended the Student Graduation Ball on April 17th, and did we have a ball! Six fabulous callers, lots of great food and loads of students, as well as seasoned dancers, made for a very enjoyable evening.

We visited several clubs and had fun dancing with our square dance friends. One club that we visit sporadically, the Carriage Club Squares, is made up of residents of the Carriage Club Retirement Community. The residents of Wesley Manor, another lovely retirement community, dance with them on Monday mornings, as well. John Robbins is their caller, and his wife, Donna, helps square 'em up. We enjoy our visits there very much. The people are friendly, the music is great, and the surroundings are beautiful. Besides, where else have you ever had the opportunity to dance with someone who is 100 years young? If it is Monday morning and your feet are just itching to move to the beat, and you just can't wait till nighttime to dance, come on over to the Carriage Club Squares. I'll bet you won't be sorry.

A big "thank you" to our new Activities Committee, consisting of Eunice and Roger Johnson, Jettie and Howard Crowe, Pat and Mike Rist, and our very own Betty Davis, for a much appreciated, fun-filled evening at our Hobo Hoe-down. We had a "sumptuous" meal as we dined on a very creative Hobo Stew. The meat was cooking away as everyone added a can's worth of grub to the pot. We're still trying to figure out the identity of the "dirty dog" who brought the two cans of ALPO! There were hobos to square up with and there were hobo jokes that had us rolling with laughter. A parade of hobos to be judged were hilarious. Our prize - winning bums, Virginia "BUM"hold, Glenn Shinkle, Samantha Rounds and Jack McKinney

won some fabulous, long - dreamed of prizes: a new bandanna, cans of butter beans, a canned ham, and best of all - a \$3.00 gift certificate to the Salvation Army Thrift Store! Our "bummy" caller, Ken Miller, sang some hobo songs and even called from inside a genuine, authentic outhouse! After a wonderful fun night, some of us went to hang out at McDonald's. Virginia "Bum"hold's sign, stating that she would dance for food, caught the eye of the manager. He took pity on her and refused to take her money. However, when we got ready to leave, he gave Virginia a mop and told her to get busy, in exchange for the free food. The rest of us bums quickly left before he decided to give us some work (what a terrible word) to do, too!

The Kickoff at State was very well received by the other associations. We received many compliments and praises. The lighting had a very dramatic effect. People said that the stars in the dresses looked as though they were twinkling. Many agreed that it was the best Kick-Off ever. Thank you to all who participated and a very special thanks to State Convention Chairmen Don and Bonnye Bell, State Convention Co-Chairmen Dave and Shirley Nihart, and Kick-Off Chairmen Ken and Ginger Miller.

Now that we all got to dance together in Lakeland, let's have some more fun together in Jacksonville. We have some fun activity nights in store for you. Our "American Heritage Celebration" on July 20 will offer special, unique events. Wear red, white, and blue and get into the spirit of the dance. Wear your favorite sports team's teeshirt on August 17th when we all "Get the Team Spirit." So join us for some fun then, or any other Tuesday, as well. We love visitors and we guarantee that you'll have a very enjoyable time!



↑ The Rollaways club members at their 11th Anniversary Dance!



← The Rollaways "pet HOB0", Virginia "Bum"hold at their recent Hobo Dance!



SEABREEZE SINGLES

Linda Paulley 387-2239

We celebrated our Mother's Day Dance and our GGRREEAATT Mother's of the Year were Sandy Holder, Jane Lane and Macie Jackson.

We have had so many either sick or out with surgery this past quarter. Rae Joy had surgery for colon cancer and was operated on and in the same hospital the same time as Mike Rist. Rae has had good news and Mike has a ways to go. Please remember them and their family in your prayers. Then Freda Story had shoulder surgery and it's healing but the fellas still have to be VERY gentle and no twirling with her. And can you believe the crazy way Diane Stewart tried to get into her attic??? Well I don't recommend anyone else try it because she cracked a

couple ribs. Use a ladder next time, Diane!

DAGO (remember him) has had a hernia operation and is not recuperating well at all. He's just a little fella and not much to draw on. If you think about it give him a call at 341-DAGO. I'm sure he would appreciate it. We're glad to have Mary Lou back with us.

Our ice cream social was a great success as it always is so appreciated during the hot summer months. If you didn't visit that night try to make it the root beer float night on August 24th.

Our Father's Day dance was June 22 and we all enjoyed ourselves. Our watermelon dance is on July 20. Come visit us. The Moose Promenaders visited

SEABREEZE SINGLES (Cont'd)

Linda Paulley 387-2239

us and retrieve their bloomers. It's always great to see visitors.

Hats off to Diane Stewart for designing and making our new 5th Saturday Dance banner. She did a great job and it will be unveiled at the July 5th Saturday dance.

At least 15 of our singles were at the State Convention this year and they all report having a great time. You can ask Marvin Simpson and Lonnie Aldridge especially since they always had between 5 - 9 single ladies around them

for dances or eats. What a way to go fellas. I'm pleased that so many of our singles were also in the Kick-Off. Hats off to Don & Bonnye Bell and Ken & Ginger Miller (and the dancers, too) for a great job. This was the first convention for many of our dancers and they were really thrilled at the experience. I hope they are all geared up now to help with the 2000 convention.

Now it's time to think of the FALL FESTIVAL. See you around!



↑ Banner Chairman, Marvin Simpson, holds "court"!



At the Convention! ↑



Lonnie and his Ladies!



IN MEMORY OF

Les Smith

We have just learned that another Square Dancer, Les Smith, of Penny Farms, has passed away. He is survived by his wife Bernie.,

Les was an avid Square Dancer in years past and at one time was a member of the Teddy Bear Squares. He has been dancing with the seniors club at Penny Farms.

Our Square Dance family has lost another member and friend. Those who knew him will miss him.

Our sympathy and prayers are with his wife and family.



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Silver Fox Squares

Rikki Jameson 771-4492

Here it is, summer time already. How time flies! The summer dress code is casual at the Silver Fox Squares from June through August, so come on out and join us!

We have round dance classes on Tuesday evenings. The beginners meet from 7:00 till 8:15; the more advanced dancers meet at 8:15.

We also have a square dance class on Fridays right before our regular dance, beginning at 7:00 pm. Come on out and angel, or just watch and visit. We would be glad to have ya!

The Silver Foxes have been busy. At our Annual Circus Dance in January we raised \$1918 for Dreams Come True. We presented the check to them at our St.

Patrick's dance on March 5th. We had a 5th Friday dance at the end of April which was well attended.

We also celebrated our 14th anniversary as a club on June 4th with a Hawaiian Luau. There was a pot luck dinner with roast pork with plenty for all to eat.

On August 6th we will be celebrating Sam's fifth anniversary as our caller. Come on over and join in the fun! We are planning an ice cream social that night. What a great way to spend a hot summer day! There is also a mystery trip being planned for August 14th. Come to our regular club dances for additional information!



Charter members Applean & Millard Brown, Maxine O'Donnell and Charlean & Fred Brinson



Silver Fox club members at their 14th Anniversary Dance on June 4th.



SQUARE WHEELS (# 128)

Billie Gettinger 904-755-4870

The Square Wheels April campout was held at Colby Woods, RV Park, near Ocala, FL. New officers were elected for the upcoming year. They are: President - Chuck & Aleen Breedlove; Vice President - Jerry Guard & Patricia Neff; Treasurer - Elaine & Ray Kutchman; and Secretary - Billie & Paul Gettinger.

Lorene Parnell had been making children's shorts for the clubs Service Project. On Saturday morning, the ladies put elastic in the waistbands of 27 pair of shorts. The shorts will be donated to the Primary Care/Neonatal Care Unit in the Shands Hospital in Gainesville. Saturday night approximately 22 club members & friends enjoyed dinner at Barnacle Bill's restaurant, which is located on Pacetti's campground.

Our May campout was held at

Pacetti's campground, near Green Cove Springs, FL. The Friday night dance was visited by the Rollaways from Jacksonville and the Young At Hearts from Chiefland. We were also delighted to see the editors of "The Grapevine" Charlie and Val Newsome come for a visit.

Our club was well represented at the Florida State Convention, which was held at Lakeland on Memorial weekend. It was exciting to see several of our club members (Chuck & Aleen Breedlove, Billy & Pat Hernandez, and OJ Ferrington) participating in the opening ceremony of next year's State Convention Kick-Off! It was Fun! Fun! Fun! Pat Hernandez, won a new square dance dress at one of the drawings, while Billy, her husband, won the Sunday night 50/50 jackpot. How much better can it get!

Bill Chesnut is the caller for the Square Wheels, so it's always a "sure thing" for a guaranteed good time. We welcome other square dancers to join us for the weekend campouts or just the dances. For more information on any of our events call: 904-755-4870. We will not be camping in June or July!

Upcoming Campouts: August 20th-22nd, Suwannee Valley Campground (near White Springs FL); September 17th-19th, Pacetti's Marina Campground (near Green Cove Springs FL).

Hope to see you soon!!



Caller, Bill Chesnut, had the "best (?) looking legs" at the Square Wheels casual night at Pacetti's.



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SWEET ART SQUARES

Martha Schirg 277-7930

The end of April was a marathon for the Sweet Art mates and maties. We all turned into sea rats to promote our upcoming Pirates Ball. You could see us in every business in Nassau County in Florida and even up into several counties in Georgia making and signing up advertisements.

We sailed into a seafaring mood on Saturday, April 24th, with a seafood meet and eat at Jinrights and wore our colors to the NEFSARDA demo at the Moose Lodge.

We made a banner raid on the Moose Promenaders Thursday April 29th and the Gypsy Squares May 8th.

The Rollaways surprised us with a visitation the first Tuesday in May (the whole club). It seems there was a bomb scare at the high school where they dance SO they evacuated to Yulee. We settled their nerves and had a great time.

We managed visitations to the Rollaways and the Silver Fox and even had time for another meet and eat at Jinrights.

Thanks to many people, our Pirates Ball on May 22nd at the Fernandina Beach Recreation Center was a swashbuckling success. We express our gratitude to our caller, Art Wilson, and our cuer caller, John Saunders, for our delightful dancing. We appreciate all the original costumes. We gratefully acknowledge all the clubs who supported us by attending this year. Thanks to the Sweet Arts who outdid themselves again with all the delicious food. A special thanks to Connie and Bill Schnippert for the super decorations that made us all feel so seaworthy.

It seems even President Clinton and Hillary were looking for a little rest and relaxation in Yulee. We didn't have a Square Dance scheduled at the Yulee Lions Club that week so they had to look for other entertainment.

Don't forget, we are still dancing every first, third and fifth Tuesday of the month from 7:30 to 9:30 (no dancing in August).

Remember, the place to be is Yulee!!

NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION

By Val Newsome

As this issue of **The Grapevine** is being printed, there are many dancers in Indianapolis, IN attending the 48th National Square Dance Convention. The Northeast Area and Florida are well represented and we hope to bring you a short report on the Convention in the September issue. For those dancers traveling to Indiana we wish you an exciting, fun - but safe - trip to and from the Convention.

Future conventions will be held in Baltimore, MD in 2000; Anaheim, CA in 2001; and Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN in 2002. At the Bid Session in Indianapolis, it will be determined where we will be going in 2003.

In the Summer 1999 issue of **National Squares** the Editor's Comments included the following, "Baltimore had a great Pre-Convention, thanks to the efforts of Dick and Linda Peterson, General Chairman; Joe and Norva Pope, Assistant General Chairman; and the 49th National Square Dance Convention Board and dancers. They are planning an exciting convention for dancers in Baltimore, Maryland in June 2000. Watch for what is planned in the coming issues; you will not be disappointed. ..."

So, if you didn't make the 48th NSDC -- or even if you did -- start making your plans now to attend the 49th NSDC. Publicity on this event will be in future issues.

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TEDDY BEAR SQUARES

Dave & Shirley Nihart 641-5218

On May 14th, 23 Teddy Bears attended the Suns' baseball game at Wolfson Park where we were entertained by the Famous Chicken. We had a great time and enjoyed the antics of the chicken. The vendors must have enjoyed having us also as we ate almost everything they had.

At our last dance in May we held a "cookie" night – those cookies were so good as several of the ladies baked them there and they were hot out of the oven.

We hope that Walter Longino is doing well since his surgery and will soon be back dancing.

Our condolences to Ed & Gloria Malin on the loss of Ed's sister.

The Teddy Bears had a real nice 15th Anniversary Dance as we were visited by dancers from seven clubs, plus the complete NEFSARDA Board. The Mandarin Marauders, Gypsy Squares and Classic Plus retrieved their banners. The Silver Fox and Rollaways stole our banner. The last time the Rollaways

visited us to steal our banner, a remark was made that they did not have much of a routine, so this time they really went all out and entertained us! We thank everyone for visiting us – a good time was had by all.

A lot of our Teddy Bears have been traveling this month – Virginia Cook, Ed & Gloria Malin, Aaron & Erma Fry, Dee Dee & Bessie Stovall, Chuck & Linda Riggs, Jack & Kathy McKinney, Walt & Betty Smith, John & Mary Ann Lawrence and Ed & Helen Williams.

Many Teddy Bears attended the State Convention and were a part of the Kick-Off for Northeast's convention in the year 2000. If you did not attend the convention, you missed a great Kick Off. Congratulations to Ken Miller for this – he did a wonderful job!

The Teddy Bears will be dancing causal in July and August.

If you have been left out of the news, please let us know as we cannot print what we do not receive. Thank you!



Teddy Bear Squares club members at their 15th Anniversary Dance!



Teddy Bears charter members Dee Dee & Bessie Stovall at the club's "15th Anniversary" Dance"



YELLOW ROCKERS PLUS

Eleanor Smith 389-3349

Our Grapevine reporter has gone to the big state of Texas for a visit so "yours truly" is doing the reporting this go 'round. If all work and no play makes Jack (Jill) a dull boy (girl) then there are no dull people in the Yellow Rocker Plus club . . . these folks are on the go stealing/retrieving banners, going to special dances, helping out in many ways. Some say work interferes with dancing. Seriously though, with Billy's able leadership and many who go each time we steal or retrieve, they've been having a ball and we're enjoying all who come dance with us as a result of their hard work.

We're having a great plus class and it won't be long until you will see more smiling Plus dancers out enjoying themselves.

Meet 'n Eat! ! ! Guess everyone enjoys that because April 24th found 34 Yellow Rockers once again in the Smiths' backyard for a covered dish dinner. Boy was that food good!! And guess what? We didn't have to all crowd in the garage because it didn't sprinkle until we were about to disband. (We thought we might make it rain by having it here.)

You may have heard of Cinco de Mayo but I'll bet you've never heard of Tres de Mayo. We did and we had a lovely Mexican dance on May 3rd with

lots of bright colors, pretty decorations, wonderful food and a real donkey pinata. Manny helped us do it up right by blindfolding each person who wanted to whack that thing. We found out some of those gals wield a mean stick.

June 14th was our Stars and Stripes dance. We're proud of our "grand old flag" and appreciate visitors joining us to celebrate. Carrying on the patriotic theme will be our American Pie dance on July 5th.

THERE WILL BE NO DANCE ON JULY 12th due to Vacation Bible School at the church. Also -- NO DANCE AUGUST 9th because Lawton and I will be taking a week of vacation celebrating our 50th anniversary.

August 16th we will be back in full swing with our Watermelon Crawl dance.

September 13th we hope you will join us for our 8th Anniversary Dance.

Wasn't that an outstanding "Kick-Off" for the convention next year? Thanks to all who participated and took the time to go to Lakeland. Also to Don and Bonnye for their able leadership.

MANY of our folks have been traveling and we always pray for their safe return.

For a friendly, fun-filled evening, come join us each Monday.

Anyone that goes to Yellow Rocker Plus Club knows that John Wilder claims he has a birthday every week or so. He actually did celebrate his real birthday on May 26 with a fish fry among friends. Also served was french fries, hush puppies, macaroni & cheese, cole slaw and cheese grits. Desserts included strawberry shortcake, lemon pie and a birthday cake, made by his wife, Christine. Hope you have many more happy ones, John!



NEFSARDA DELEGATES MEETING

May 2, 1999

Meeting called to order.

President welcomed visitors Weda Taylor & Bob Dave (Dixie Dancers), Dick & Jean Lee (River Ramblers) and Lawton Smith (Gateway Callers Association).

President reported over 120 dancers attended the Graduation Dance with awards presented to the Blood Bank. TV Channel 12 covered the event.

Treasurers reported an opening balance of \$6,296.32 and a closing balance of \$5,934.08 (net loss of \$817.08) for the period of March-April, 1999. A total of \$906 was turned over to the Florida-Georgia Blood Alliance from the Blood Bank Dance.

Minutes of last delegates meeting approved.

Committee Reports

5th Saturday Dance: Next dance July 31st, Tynes Elementary School

Blood Bank: Thank you received from Blood Bank CEO. Also see report elsewhere in this issue.

Grapevine: Deadline for next issue, June 15th. - Pictures due by the 10th.

Fall Festival: Eileen Loncle is Ad Chairman. Please sell ads and have money to turn in at July meeting.

SOS: Any club needing help contact Kim Keffer.

Education & Classes: Old Grapevines and Bow & Swings ready for drop-off. Take some to offices, etc.

Club Visitation: Cards are slow coming in. Clubs are reminded that visitations are to be on a **regularly scheduled** dance night.

Publicity: Clubs will now schedule their own demos. If assistance is needed, call Phyllis Cody at least a month in advance.

Insurance: Insurance cards are ready for pick up. Accidents/injuries are to be reported to Chairman within 48 hours of occurrence.

Dance Couple of the Year: Forms available to be filled out.

State Convention: Chairman Don Bell reminded everyone of the Kick-Off on Sunday Night. Bring extra batteries for flashlights. Practice 8 AM Sunday morning at Lakeland Civic Center. Be in place NLT 6:45 PM Sunday Night. Tickets will go on sale immediately after Kick-Off.

Gateway Callers: Lawton Smith thanked everyone for the help on the Graduation Ball.

Old Business: Petitions due.

New Years Eve Dance: GCA President John Robbins says all callers will participate. Not all delegates have brought this idea to their clubs. A committee to be formed with one couple as chairmen and two people from each club to be on the committee.

Money to Clubs For Graduating Classes: It was felt money could be better utilized. Since current concept had been approved by delegates, the President will entertain other ideas and/or motions for the future.

Blood Bank Awards: Hank Pelz brought several awards - two awards for Mandarin Marauders for percentage and number of units.

Club Rosters: Club dues due in July. Two copies of club rosters needed as well as updated information sheets on club delegates and alternates.

Next Meeting: July 11th, 3:00 PM, Piccadilly Cafeteria.

Meeting adjourned.

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CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

JULY 1999

05....	American Pie Dance	Yellow Rockers +
06....	Ice Cream Social	Dixie Dancers
06....	Ice Cream Social Dance	Mandarin Marauders
06....	Red, White & Blue Dance	Seabreeze Singles
07....	Red, White & Blue Dance	Plus Fox
10....	Christmas in July Benefit	Keystone Hts, FL Friendship Sq
10....	Red, White & Blue Dance	Teddy Bear
11....	Delegate's Meeting	NEFSARDA
18....	Potluck Dinner	1 - 5 PM Moose Promenaders
21....	Dangle Dance	Plus Fox
20....	Watermelon Night	Seabreeze Singles
20....	American Heritage Celebration	(Wear red, white & blue)..... Rollaways
29....	Pink Cadillac Dance	Moose Promenaders
31....	5th Saturday Dance	NEFSARDA

AUGUST 1999

06....	Sams 5th Anniversary - Ice Cream Social	Silver Fox
10....	Jaguars Night (wear your colors)	Seabreeze Singles
11....	Ice Cream Dance	Plus Fox
14....	Sundaes on Saturday	Teddy Bears
16....	Watermelon Crawl	Yellow Rockers +
17....	Get the Team spirit	(Wear team t-shirt(s))..... Rollaways
19....	Jekyll Island Jamboree	Jekyll Isl., GA
24....	Watermelon Feast Dance	Mandarin Marauders
24....	Ice Cream/Root Beer Float Dance	Seabreeze Singles
31....	All Singing Calls Nite	Mandarin Marauders

SEPTEMBER 1999

02....	Open House	River Ramblers
4-5...	Knothead Konvention	Civic Center..... Lakeland, FL
07....	Open House	Mandarin Marauders
07....	Open House/Hot Dog Night	Seabreeze Singles
08....	Crazy T-Shirt Dance	Plus Fox
09....	Open House	River Ramblers
10....	Favorite Team Kickoff Dance	Silver Fox
12....	Delegate's Meeting	NEFSARDA
13....	8th Anniversary Dance	Yellow Rockers +
14....	24th Anniversary Dance	Sweet Art Squares
16-18.	Myrtle Beach Ball	Myrtle Beach, SC
17-18..	19th Anniversary	(Pacetti's)..... Square Wheels
21....	Annual Garage Sale	Seabreeze Singles
25....	3rd Annual Spaghetti Dinner	Teddy Bears
30....	Pie Night	River Ramblers

OCTOBER 1999

05....	Sock Hop	Seabreeze Singles
08-09.	Mid America Jamboree	KY Expo Center Louisville, KY
14....	Club Colors Night	River Ramblers
15....	Costume Dance.....	Silver Fox
17-19.	Kanuga	(Wilson & Saunders)..... Hendersonville, NC

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CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

OCTOBER 1999 (Cont'd)

22-24. Fall Roundup	NW FL Association	Defuniak Spgs, FL
22-24. English Mt.....	(Atkinson/Lavender).....	Sevierville, TN
23.... Halloween Dance		Teddy Bears
24.... FL Federation Meeting		Defuniak Spgs. FL
25.... Pumpkin Dance		Yellow Rockers +
26.... Halloween Dance		Mandarin Marauders
26.... Halloween Dance		Seabreeze Singles
27.... Halloween Dance		Plus Fox
28.... Halloween Dance	(Costumes optional).....	River Ramblers
30.... 5th Saturday Dance		NEFSARDA

NOVEMBER 1999

5-7... Oleno		Square Wheels
07.... Delegate's Meeting		NEFSARDA
11.... Recycle Night Dance		River Ramblers
12-13. Fall Festival	(Ressurrection Catholic Church).....	NEFSARDA
15.... Scarecrow Dance		Yellow Rockers +
16.... Thanksgiving Dinner	(Bring cov. dish-meat furnished)...	Mandarin Marauders
16.... Chili Night		Seabreeze Singles
19.... Give Thanks Dance (Bring Canned Goods)		Silver Fox
24.... Thanksgiving Dance		Plus Fox
27.... Turkey Hash Dance		Teddy Bears
30... All Singing Calls		Mandarin Marauders

DECEMBER 1999

3-4... 9th Anniversary Dance		Gypsy Squares
11.... Christmas Dinner Dance		Teddy Bears
13.... Frosty The Snowflake Dance		Yellow Rockers +
16.... Christmas Dance		River Ramblers
17.... Dinner Dance (Bring Toys For Tots)		Silver Fox
22.... Christmas Dance		Plus Fox
21.... Christmas Extravaganza	(Bring White Elephant).....	Mandarin Marauders

JANUARY 2000

04.... "New Millenium" Dance		Mandarin Marauders
13.... Club Colors Dance	(Navy & White).....	River Ramblers
20-22.. FL Sunshine Festival		Lakeland, FL
25.... Super Bowl Dance		Mandarin Marauders
27.... 50's Dance		River Ramblers

FEBRUARY 2000

10.... Valentine's Dance		River Ramblers
15.... Valentine's Dance	(Wear red, white & blue).....	Mandarin Marauders
26.... President's Dance	West Coast Assoc.....	Plant City
29.... All Singing Calls		Mandarin Marauders

*** When planning for your special dances - - plan ahead and check this Calendar Of Events in order to avoid conflicting dates - - - Thanks!! - N E F S A R D A. We would like to publish all club's special/theme dances. HOWEVER - if we don't receive a listing, we don't know what to print!!



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