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Our NEFSARDA Board is always willing to travel that extra mile to attend graduations, anniversaries and special dances throughout Northeast Florida. They have a lot of fun along the way! 3

President's Message

with Ouida Taylor & Thomas Tramel



The NEFSARDA Board stayed busy attending graduations, anniversaries, and retrieving banners from the winning clubs of the January 5th Saturday Dance. There was excitement in the air as the officers promoted the 5th Saturday Dance which was held May 30th at Tynes Elementary School. The theme for the dance was "Anchors Aweigh" and we all cruised on down and enjoyed a fantastic dance in a cruise ship atmosphere. The callers were Admiral R. J. Hogan and Captain Mike Ackers. Cruise Director was Irene Knapp-Smith. The hosts clubs were Flagler Ocean Waves, River Ramblers and Joy Seas. Thanks to all of the staff and the dancers for making the dance a success. It was a fantastic dance.

The next 5th Saturday Dance is scheduled for August 29th and will be held in Lake City at Rountree/Moore Toyota Indoor Showroom. The hosts clubs are Dixie Dancers, Grand Squares and Vagabond Squares with callers Lon Ligon and Gary Murphy. Lisa Wall will be the cuer. Plans are on going to make it a fun dance. The theme for the dance is: "Are You Ready for Some Football?" There will be a tailgate party and some surprises that you don't want to miss.

Many dancers attended the State Convention and enjoyed "Rock and Roll Time in '09." If you did not go you missed a fun dance hosted by the Central Association with Randy and

Carol Poole as General Chairman. They were pleased to have chaired a very successful dance. Thanks Randy and Carol and the Central Association for all your hard work.

Anita and Bud Taylor are the chairmen for the 2010 State Convention. Let's support them as much as possible in order to make the first all state convention a HUGE, HUGE success. Help should and will come from the whole state but we, in the northeast, have already stepped up to help them. The northeast dancers have many talents and are ready to use them to support Anita and Bud. Thank you in advance for your support.

Summer will bring about traveling by many dancers so it is important that everyone make a special effort to attend their own club dances and visit other clubs when possible. Also, encourage the new dancers to visit other clubs. You may need to invite them to go with you and introduce them to dancers, callers and cuers in order to make them feel more comfortable at these dances.

Mary and Sam Starling are making plans for The Fall Festival, "A Walk on the Wild Side." It is scheduled for November 20-21 so let's make every effort possible to promote and attend this dance. This is the annual dance for the northeast and a time for all the dancers in our association to dance together. We are all busy and don't get an opportunity to dance

together often so take advantage of this chance.

Two squares plus attended the dance held celebrating National Nursing Home Week at Sunbridge Nursing Home in Folkston, GA. I appreciate each dancer who took time out of their busy day to bring joy to the residents. Also, it could not have happened without Charlie & Sarah Pergrossi and Lisa & John Wall. You are always there when we need you. Thanks!

There are many dancers and/or family members of dancers who have health problems so please continue to keep them in your thoughts and prayers. Square dancing if a wonderful activity but, it becomes more than just our activity, the dancers become family. THANKS!

Respectfully submitted,
Ouida Taylor & Thomas Tramel
President of NEFSARDA



LETTERS, WE GET LETTERS.....

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

Dear Sarah & Charlie,

I received my April *Grapevine* and spent the whole afternoon reading every word. I'm sorry to read so many memorials, but pleased other folks are doing better and still dancing. I even got out my magnifying glass and found some familiar faces in the pictures.

I am doing well and gradually adjusting to a completely different life. Say hello to all and I hope they will "keep on" dancing and supporting square dancing.

Happy Dancing to everyone.

Love, Virginia Cagle

Hi Sarah & Charlie:

Just want to say thanks for sending us the "Joys & Concerns", we know many of the folks that are mentioned and we do say a prayer for their situation.

Paul & Nita Walker

Sarah,

Thank you for including us in you emails regarding square dancers who need our prayers. While we do not want to hear about people's illness and operations, we do want to include them in our prayers. We know how important friends' prayers are to the families involved.

Take care of yourself.
Dorothy Dornfeld

Hi Sarah,

We receive the news you send out in the Joys & Concerns and the Grapevine Notices. We just want to say thanks so much.

June & Leroy Blalock

Hello Sarah,

Thanks for all your messages. They keep me in touch and I appreciate them.

Eileen Loncle



From the Editors' Desk...



Hello Dancers,

Let us begin by welcoming a new addition to our magazine staff - **Marilyn Scott** of Moose Promenaders. She is a talented photographer and has submitted several of her photos for this issue. We are thankful for the talents of Jack McKinney and Marilyn for helping to cover the many events throughout the northeast. Each club is also asked to submit pictures of happenings at their club dances and events. Show us what's going on at your club!

Janette Sparrow begins her new series of articles, "Spotlight". In each issue she will be shining the spotlight on a club of the Northeast and a caller or cuer. Watch out...she may be visiting your club in the near future. Be sure to read her spotlight on Bill Chesnut found on page 42, and her spotlight on the Seabreeze Singles on page 17.

Rock-N-Rock Time in 2009 is now history and the focus turns to the 2010 Convention where "**Everyday's A Holiday When You're Dancing.**" This is the first true all-state convention, with Anita & Bud Taylor of Orange Park as the General Chairman. Be sure to check out the convention website so you know the latest on what's happening in Lakeland May 28, 29, & 30, 2010. The Press Releases are included in each issue of *The Grapevine*.

Unfortunately, we must bid a sad farewell to two of our Northeast square dance clubs - **Yellow Rockers and Plus Fox**. The faithful members of both clubs tried hard to keep their groups alive, but the difficult decision was finally reached. Each club closed their dancing doors in late May. Thank you dancers and callers for your efforts and support over the years.

While we are enjoying the sun and fun of summer, we must remember that fall is just around the corner. Children will be returning to school. Leaves will begin to fall over the lawns. Football games get underway and sports fans disappear from view. We begin to think of the festive holiday seasons just around the corner. Hard to believe isn't it?

September is **National Square Dance Month!** With it comes the traditional start up of New Dancer Lessons. Whether your club offers new classes in September or throughout the year, they won't be successful without your support. Have you talked to anyone about learning to square or round dance? Do you plan to? Square dancing is a wonderful family-oriented activity and we need to share the news with everyone! It's a proven fact that most dancers went into the activity because **SOMEONE ASKED THEM TO TAKE LESSONS!**

Bringing in new dancers can't fall to just one or two people. Just imagine if everyone brought just one couple into the activity, think how many people we could add to the square and round dance activity.

It's also time to consider your nominees for the **Dancer of the Year** award. This is your chance to recognize an individual or couple who you feel should be honored for their contributions to the dance community. Begin putting your ideas into words. September 15th is the deadline for submitting your recommendations to Shirley & Dave Nihart or the NEFSARDA Board. Check out the article on page 21 for details.

Sarah & Charlie, editors

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1st All State Florida Square & Round Dance Convention

The 56th Florida State Convention
May 28, 29 & 30, 2010

What a fantastic time we had at the 55th Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention. Congratulations to Randy & Carol Poole, General Chairman, and all their committees for their dedicated work. The planning by the Central Association brought three fun-filled days of dancing to the dancers at this year's State Convention. We certainly rocked our socks off! Hats off to everyone who helped!

Bon voyage to the **winners of the Western Caribbean Cruise trip**, Rick & Sharon Nelson of the Southeast Association, This couple are new dancers and this was their first Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention. They were so excited after the shock of winning wore off! What a great way to begin their square dancing adventure.

Now, after a terrific Kick-Off presentation at the convention on Sunday night, General Chairman Bud & Anita Taylor are ready to buckle down and put the final touches on the 2010 Convention. Their committees are working hard and we believe we have a great weekend planned for you next May. The 2010 event will be extra special as it will be the **1st All State Florida Square & Round Dance Convention**. This means that it won't be hosted by just one regional Association, but by dancers from across the state. While the General Chairmen for 2010 are from the Jacksonville area, their committee chairmen and volunteers come from all the Associations throughout Florida and YOU are invited to volunteer your skills and talents. Visit the convention web site and contact any of the committee chairs for information on how you can be a part of the 2010 Convention.

We wish to thank all the dancers who contributed to getting the 2010 Convention off to a strong start by purchasing their Early Bird ribbons and the convention shirt. If you didn't take advantage of this opportunity, it's not too late! Additional convention shirts have been ordered and will be available soon. Ribbons have been distributed to dancers in each region of the state for your convenience (Val Newsome & Kathy McKinney have ribbons in the northeast), or you can contact our Convention Registrars, Carole & Garland McKenzie at 352-622-7678 or carolemc@embargmail.com. They will be happy to help you with your ribbon purchase. Speaking of registrations, there was a slight error on the printed blue registration forms. Please note that the zip code for the McKenzies should read **34482**.

For our dancers who access the Internet, you can visit the Florida State Convention site for all the latest news on this special event and print a copy of the registration form. The prices have remained the same for a 3rd year at \$27.00 per person. For our dancers under the age of 16 your ribbon is only

half-price. These prices are valid until April 30, 2010. After this date, there will be no mail-in registration and you must purchase your ribbon at the box office for \$30.00 per person. **BUY EARLY AND SAVE MONEY!** There is a money back guarantee until 5:00 PM on Friday, May 28, 2010 – no questions asked. You won't find a better deal than that!

Is there a **special convention outfit** for 2010? Great question and so easy

to answer! Any holiday outfit or combination of holiday colors in your closet is exactly what you should wear to promote the convention. You aren't lim-



ited to wearing that special outfit during the holiday either. Wear it to any dance at any time of the year. What a great way to get more wear out of those special outfits AND promote our own Florida Square & Round Dance Convention at the same time!

Have you been hearing about how fellow dancers are turning their grocery receipts into cash? You can do it too! Throughout the state, dancers are selling **Grocery Certificates** for an initial cost of \$50, which you will quickly recover by shopping at your favorite food store. As you submit \$100 in grocery receipts you will receive a \$25 Visa Debit Card on a monthly basis. This is a \$300 return on your \$50 investment at the end of one year. To begin participating you need to contact your Association's Convention Ways & Means representative or visit the Convention website to learn all the details of this profitable program.

Check out our website for all the up-to-date details, contact information and registration form, by visiting <http://www.floridasquaredance.com/convention/index.html>. If you don't use the Internet, and haven't seen anyone with registration forms or ribbons, then contact the General Chairman, Anita & Bud Taylor at 904-272-6551 and they'll have you connected to someone in your area to answer all your questions. **MORE NEWS COMING SOON!** Remember, **Everyday's A Holiday When You're Dancing!**

Charlie & Sarah Pergrossi
Publicity Chairman



Cuer's Corner

by Lisa Wall



The Cuer's Corner must be our corner of Florida. Well if that is true then here is what is happening in the NEFSARDA area. First, what a great State Convention, and if you missed it then shame on you. Although John & I were the only NEFSARDA teachers to work at the Convention this year, that does not mean that some of the others were not in attendance. It was wonderful to see Ed Hauck & Ann Hadsall taking teaches and dancing. As a new Cuer/Teacher it is important to keep up with new dances and dance techniques. A little bird told me that Ed Hauck cued his first dance the other day and did a great job. More power to him as he is really working hard to improve his cueing and teaching.

With the Convention a fond memory those of us who consider ourselves Leaders need to remember who really makes the convention. As Leaders in the Round Dance community we consider the State Convention our chance to thank all the dancers who have attended a dance that we worked at. There were over 30 couples from the Jacksonville area alone and then with everyone from the other parts of our association, NEFSARDA had a great turnout. While our association had a good turn out of the Cuers perhaps next year we can take an example from the dancers and have a full force turn out with all NEFSARDA cuers. Other associations are not so lucky. It is a shame that there are leaders who don't make the time to attend and give back to there dancers.

With the convention behind us the next NEFSARDA event is the 5th Saturday Dance on Aug 29, 2009 in Lake City, FL at Rountree Moore Toyota. There will be early rounds and maybe a guest set from another association cuer. Remember ROUND DANCERS RULE



NEFSARDA Needs YOU!

Do you like to know what's going on in our square dance community? Do you have ideas you want to share? Do you like to be involved? Well, if you've answered yes to any of these questions, then we have the answer for you. NEFSARDA will be assembling a new slate for the officers of the Board in the near future and we want you to be involved! If you enjoy square or round dancing and want to help the community of dancers, then you are qualified! The Board is made up of a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary and Corresponding Secretary. Contact your club delegate or Board member for details.

Address Book Updates

Greetings from **Virginia Cagle** - Her newest address is 1002 Jackson Downs Blvd, Nashville, TN 37214, 615-232-8448. She says that she is getting accustomed to her new community while living near her sister. Virginia misses her many dancing friends from Florida and would love to hear from you.

June & Leroy Blalock have asked that we share their updated home phone number. Please note that you can now reach them at 904-879-4894. They no longer have the cell phone number 904-879-6254.

NEFSARDA's 5th Saturday Dance



Are you ready for some Football?!!

Callers:
Lon Ligon
ε
Gary Murphy

Cuer:
Lisa Wall

Rountree-Moore
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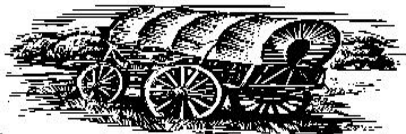
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2009 NWFSRDA



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NWF Callers

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Cuer

Sandy Sturgis

Friday Evening

Saturday

Saturday Evening

Costume Contest	9:45 AM - NWFSARDA meeting	7:00-7:45 Early Rounds & Squares
7:00- 7:45 Early Rounds & Squares	12:00 - 1:30 Roundup cookout	8:00-10:30 Squares & Rounds
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NEFSARDA Delegates Meeting

April 5, 2009

Meeting called to order at 3:00 PM
The President welcomed the delegates and visitors.

Minutes of the last delegates meeting were approved.

Treasurers' report approved as presented and submitted for audit.

Joys and Concerns were shared.

Committee Reports

Bylaws: Val Newsome submitted revised Standing Rules for 5th Saturday Dances.

Publicity: Kathy McKinney shared that one demo in Callahan led to another at a Blueberry Festival. Demos attract attention to our activity and are highly advised. Ouida Taylor requested dancers for a demo in Folkston, GA.

Classes/Clubs: Joe Hardcastle presented a listing of clubs holding graduations. He also shared current numbers for club visitations.

Computer Liaison: Delegates were advised to utilize the NE web site.

Dance Couple of the Year: no report

Fall Festival 2009: Mary Starling has filled most of the committees and still needs an assistant.

Grapevine: Editors presented the annual financial report to the delegates.

5th Saturday Dance: Next dance will be May 30th at Tynes Elementary in Middleburg.

Insurance: Shirley Nihart reported that all insurance cards have been distributed. An accident was reported at Mandarin Marauders with undetermined results. The number of insured dancers has decreased dramatically.

Showcase: Dianne Syphard attended the Federation meeting and reported that the theme would be "People We Meet" "Places We Go" &

"Things We Do". The showcases are displayed at the State and National Conventions.

Historian: No report

State Convention 2010: Ribbons have been ordered and registration forms are being printed. The next fund raiser will be the Party Weekend April 17-19, 2009. Anita Taylor requested 8 people to represent Easter/Passover at the 2010 Kick-Off at the State Convention.

Florida Federation: Val Newsome reported on the working weekend along with the 2010 Benefit Dance held that weekend. Next meeting - Sunday, May 23rd at State Convention.

Gateway Callers: Charlie Pergrossi reported that the Graduation Ball will be May 2nd.

Rural Callers: Charlie Pergrossi reported that the Christmas in July dance will be July 11th at Keystone Hts High School.

Old Business: No report

New Business:

- Ouida Taylor asked delegates to confer with their club members for input on visitation guidelines.
- Jack McKinney asked the delegation for \$400 to purchase plaques for businesses which have supported NEFSARDA for many years. It was approved unanimously.
- A nominating committee was selected by Ouida Taylor. They are: Dee Dee Stovall, Howard Crowe, and Frank Meyer. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please contact one of these members.

Next meeting: Sunday, July 12, 2009. All dancers, callers, cuers and club delegates are encouraged to attend. Support **your** dancer association!

59th National Square Dance Convention®
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InfoGrams

Almost two years ago the 59th National Square Dance Convention® was awarded to Louisville KY. Since that time a lot of work has been done making plans for the convention and promoting it.

Many dancers have asked what is happening with the National. To keep everyone informed, we plan on sending out info grams via e-mail periodically with information about the 59th NSDC. All of the info grams will have the same format, a news or general information section followed by a listing of contact points and updates on registrations. The info grams will generally have only one subject with no attachments so recipients will not have problems opening attachments. All e-mails will contain information on how to add or delete your address from the distribution list.

Anyone wishing to be added to the distribution list for Info Grams can send an e-mail with the word subscribe in the subject line to 59thnsdcinfo@bellsouth.net.

WHY LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY?

You can find great Square Dancing (including Rounds, Lines, Contra, etc) and callers, cuers and instructors all around the world. There are great dance Festivals, Conventions, and local club Specials everywhere. So, why come to Louisville, Kentucky to dance when you have it all elsewhere? Well, we have all of the above, plus some things you may not be aware of.

Our Social & Special Events Chairmen, Ives & Carol Pruett, have put together an array of tours of Louisville and surrounding area attractions, locations and events that many of you may

never have the opportunity to experience again. Also, be sure you don't miss the Wednesday Night (June 23rd) Special Attraction information which follows the listing of tours below. If you have any questions about tours and attractions you can contact Ives & Carol Pruett at social@59thnsdc.com.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SHOW AND DINNER - BLAIR CARMAN AND THE BELLEVUE BOYS

From Cincinnati, Ohio, the Rockin', Honky Tonkin' Piano Pumpin' Blair Carman has been singing and performing since the age of 12. He and the Bellevue Boys are considered as "Midwest's Hottest Piano Pumping Rockabilly Band". Blair has the hands of Jerry Lee Lewis and the look of Elvis Presley. Blair's talent and professionalism has given him the opportunity to open for artists such as Trace Adkins, Marty Stuart and Hank Williams Jr's Bama Band. Blair has recorded at the legendary Sun Records Studio in Memphis, TN.

Our Wednesday evening dinner/show will start at 5:30 pm (or immediately following the opening ceremony) with a Southern Picnic Style Fried Chicken buffet. The Blair Carman and the Bellevue Boys show will start at 7:00 pm. Tickets will be available for dinner and show or the show only. Tickets for dinner/show must be purchased no later than June 3rd. Show only tickets will be available via registration or at the ticket office. Blair will make you feel like dancing, so for the young and the young at heart, a dance area will be provided.

Registration/Housing information:

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Contact the 59th NSDC Housing/Registration Chairman at: 59th National Square Dance Convention®, 96 Floyd Street, Carrollton, KY 41008. Phone: (502) 732-0979. Fax: (502) 732-4600. You can also download a 59th NSDC Registration Form and find other useful information about the 59th NSDC at our Web Site: <http://www.59thnsdc.com>

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many campsites available. If you want to find out the latest information on camping at the 59th NSDC® and/or reserve a camp site contact a Registration and Housing Representative or go to www.59thnsdc.com/Camping.html.

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**National Nursing Home Week Picnic & Demo
Folkston, GA**



Big yellow rocks and **thank you** to everyone who participated in the Dance Demo in Folkston, GA on Friday, May 18th. When I received the invitation from the facility and asked for volunteers it seemed there would not be enough dancers to make a square. You came through with flying colors and there were two squares plus extras. You made the Northeast and us, very proud. It is rewarding to share our activity and to bring a little pleasure to those who, at this stage of their lives, can not come to us.

Ouida Taylor & Thomas Tramel

CALLER'S COLUMN



By Ken Miller

STYLING, TIMING, & CASUAL DRESS

After attending our student dances, and the 2009 Florida State Convention, I feel that most callers including myself, have gotten away from teaching styling in our classes. I have noticed that when doing Courtesy Turns, Ladies Chain, Chain down the line, and Right & Left Thru most of the Ladies are giving me their left hand in a position other than palm down. This makes it difficult to properly turn the Lady, and keep time with the music. Circle left should also be done with men palms up and ladies palm down. Callers, when teaching these 5 basic calls please spend a little more time making sure the hand work is being done properly. Timing is another aspect of dancing that we need to spend more time on during class. The dancers seem to be pulling and jerking each other around more than dancing to the beat of the music. So as callers maybe we need to slow our calling down just a little, and pay more attention to our rhythm.

Another thing that needs to be addressed is altering the way a call is performed & completed. Let me say here I do not see anything wrong with altering a call, after all we dance to have fun, just be sure that EVERYONE in your square is comfortable with it. And when you alter a call be sure you know the position you are suppose to be in when the call is completed. A good example is the Do Sa Do. Most people swing instead of back to back (this is OK) but most people then finish the call in an ocean wave formation. This puts them out of position if Do Sa Do is followed with a call other than swing thru.

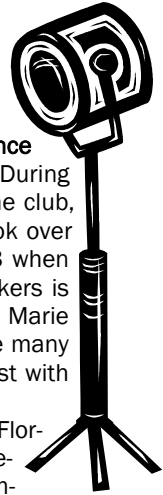
Summer casual dress has been in effect for a few years now, and it appears to me that there are a few dancers that are taking casual dress a little too far. Flip flops should not be worn in place of shoes. (I think it is unsafe to be dancing with this type of foot wear, as you can slip and fall or be stepped on). Some are coming to dances (for a lack of better words) just plain sloppy. It has been said shorts should be part of casual dress. And some dancers think summer casual dress is a year around thing. I also think we need to readdress the wearing of short sleeve shirts for men. I will be the first to agree it is more comfortable for the guys, but what about the comfort of the ladies? Having to take hold of a sweaty hairy arm during swing thru, or allemande left. I'm a guy and it bothers me to take hold of that clammy arm. Really guys why not change into a long sleeve shirt at the dance, and then change back before you go home?

I did not intend to offend anyone with this article, but I have heard comments from several dancers from the beginning of casual dress, who agree with the things written here. I hope to get some feed back from fellow callers, and dancers, please let me know what you think.

Thanks
Ken Miller
km3261@juno.com.

CLUB SPOTLIGHT

By Janette Sparrow



Our Spotlight shines on the **Seabreeze Singles Square Dance Club**. Seabreeze Singles have been dancing for over thirty years. During this time, they have had five callers...Matt Wimpee established the club, Eddie Millan replaced him when he quit calling, Bob Belanger took over until his job transferred him to Alaska, Eddie returned until 1993 when their present caller, Jim Cosman started calling for them. Mike Akers is the only known charter member who is still dancing. Leo Pizzardi, Marie Fisher Bigelow and Mary Lou Pelz all started classes at Seabreeze many years ago and are probably the ones who have danced the longest with Seabreeze.

Seabreeze Singles Dance Club is one of four singles clubs in Florida. The other clubs are Orlando Singles, Spares 'n' Pairs in St. Petersburg, and Swingin' Singles in Ft. Lauderdale. Seabreeze members are active in our own regional association (NEFSARDA) as well as the state singles association, Florida Association of Single Square and Round Dancers.

The Singles are very active in supporting square dancing locally, statewide and nationally. The club sponsors a mainstream class every fall. They have traveled in caravans to attend National Conventions in Colorado, Ohio and New York with their long time President Shirley White and Vice-President "Smitty" Smith in the lead. They often travel throughout the state of Florida to attend dances. They are sure to be in attendance at the Florida State Convention, the Fuzzy-Navel Dance (a annual weekend dance sponsored by Florida and Georgia Singles). You might even spot them at your local Wal-Marts or Cracker Barrel stores, looking for a bargain as they travel.

The Seabreeze Singles host a charity dance annually to benefit the City Rescue Mission medical and dental facility. They have monthly meetings at club members' homes with a covered dish dinner. There are some great cooks amongst them. They are also hosts at their annual Sadie Hawkins Dance. Every year they have a mock shotgun wedding to entertain their guests. This year they outdid themselves with a real shotgun wedding. Bill and Belinda Barker were married in a special ceremony at the dance. Cupid is always hiding out at their dances. Carl and Doris Raines exchanged their vows during one of their dances. Other notable marriages were between Erv and Jan Oermann, Linda (now deceased) and Lonnie Aldridge and Bobbie and Everett Luke.

The Seabreeze Singles Dance Club meets to dance on Tuesday night at the Arlington Presbyterian Church on Sprinkle Drive from 7:00 to 9:30 P.M. They welcome singles, married couples and married with non-dancing partners in their classes and club. They strive to keep alive the spirit in which the club was formed: To promote and encourage square dancing and round dancing, and provide a place where single dancers may enjoy square dancing together in a spirit of friendliness and cooperation.

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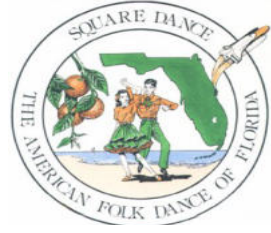


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News from the Federation with Charlie & Val Newsome



The Florida Federation meeting was held on Sunday, May 24th, during the Florida State Convention in Lakeland. It was a very busy meeting and several visitors joined the delegates.

Highlights of the meeting were:

Informative reports were heard from Presidents' Breakfast Meeting, Association Presidents, FASSARD President, Publication Editors, 2009-2011 Convention Chairmen. Historian, Web Site, & ARTS, and various committees also reported to the Delegates.

Lisa Wall, President of the Round Dance Council of Florida gave a quick run-down on what was happening in that organization.

Florida will be represented at the USDA meeting at the Annual Meeting in Long Beach, CA by Ray & Elsa Huddleston and Don & Ann Slocum. Florida will also have a square participating in the Competition of Mainstream Squares at the National Convention.

In addition to the Insurance Financial Report, several questions on insurance that came up at the working weekend were clarified by Carol Poole. If anyone has any further questions about the USDA Insurance program, Randy & Carol Poole will be happy to talk with you.

Dave & Shirley Nihart attended their last Hall of Fame Meeting and rotated off the committee. New chairman of the committee will be Dick & Darleen Nordine. Dave & Shirley have also resigned effective December 31, 2009 as Chairman of ASCAP//BMI.

Grand Squares, Inc. sent the Federation a check for \$600 representing 10% of the profits from the Florida Winter Festival. This money will be passed on to the five associations to be used for the promotion of square dancing.

Appointment of a General Chairman for the 2012 Florida State Committee was made – Garland & Carole McKenzie (Central).

The new business portion of the meeting consisted of proposed changes to the Bylaws, Standing Rules and Articles of Incorporation, as well as the Convention Procedures. The motions brought forth were a result of committee work with Bruce Morgan as Chairman. This was voted on by the Federation, Callers & Cuers and unanimously approved.

The next meeting will be held on Sunday, November 1st at 9:00 AM at the DeFuniak Springs Community Center in DeFuniak Springs, Florida.

That's about all the news for this issue.

Charlie & Val Newsome
Florida Federation Secretary



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Honoring Our Volunteers

Here's your chance to recognize an individual or couple who you feel should be honored for their contributions to the dance community. Have you decided on those folks you want to be honored in this manner? It's time to begin putting your ideas into words. September 15th is the deadline for submitting your recommendations to the Shirley & Dave Nihart as chairman of the committee. The Niharts can be reached at (904) 641-5218.

NEFSARDA'S DANCE COUPLE APPRECIATION AWARD

1. A person who has contributed time and energy and works hard to bring in new dancers by inviting them to their club, bringing visitors to first nighters, etc. How long have they been dancing?
2. How long have they been dancing in the Northeast Association area?
3. A person who belongs to a NEFSARDA member club. What clubs they currently belong to?
4. A person who is involved in many aspects of dancing, but not necessarily all (ie. Offices they currently hold or have held at the club level, and not necessarily at their present club[s]),
5. A person who has worked to promote square dancing, clogging, or round dancing and NEFSARDA in general in their club, community & in the NEFSARDA area. What offices or positions they currently hold or have held above the club level? At the Association level, State level or National level
6. A person who shows by their actions that they believe and demonstrate by their actions in the motto "Square Dancing is Friendship Set to Music".
7. Write a narrative about the nominee(s) and of their contributions to square dancing. Also address why you feel they deserve this honor. (These contributions should not be restricted to the current year, but should encompass all of their dancing years.)

SQUARE DANCING THE STATE FOLK DANCE



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What's Cooking?

In the Kitchen with
Virginia Patton

Summertime and the living is easy. What's not to like about summer? Generally it is filled with vacations, swim parties, cookouts with potluck dinners, etc. Okay, so there is the stifling heat when we hit the dog days and of course, mosquitoes, but what the heck, we need something to complain about! When it is hot, we certainly don't want to spend our time in the kitchen. So here are two dishes that are quick, easy and cool:

GRAPE SALAD

4# Red grapes (I try to pick small ones) washed and stemmed grapes.
8 oz Cream cheese
8 oz Sour cream
1/2 Cup sugar

Topping

1 Cup brown sugar that has been mixed with 3/4 cup chopped pecans
8 oz Shredded cheddar cheese

Mix cream cheese, sour cream and sugar. Stir in grapes. Put in 3 or 4 quart dish. Top with brown sugar and pecan mixture. Chill. Add 8 oz shredded cheddar just before serving

This one is great for camping also, because you can keep a lot of the ingredients in your pantry:

INGUINE WITH WHITE CLAM SAUCE

3/4 Cup Olive Oil
6 Garlic cloves, minced
1 Can clams
Bottled clam juice
1/2 tsp Dried oregano

Salt, to taste
Black Pepper, to taste
Linguine or spaghetti
1/2 Cup finely chopped parsley
Shredded Parmesan cheese

Heat olive oil, add the garlic and cook over low heat until golden. Add clam juice from can and bottled juice along with parsley, oregano and salt and pepper. Simmer, partially covered, for 10 minutes, remove from heat. Bring a large pot of water to a boil add salt and drop in the pasta. Cook until tender but still firm. Meanwhile, if your sauce has cooled, add clams and heat gently: don't overcook clams or they will become tough. Drain pasta and toss it in the pan with sauce and clams. Transfer to wide soup bowls and top with Parmesan cheese. Add some hot crusty bread and take a bow, because they will love this dish.

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1:30-2:00 WARM UP ROUNDS with Council Cuers
2:00-4:15 CLINIC FOR ALL Conducted by Jerry & Barbara
4:30-5:30 ROUND DANCE COUNCIL MEETING
7:30-10:00 PHASE 3/4+ DANCE Conducted By Jerry & Barbara

SUNDAY OCTOBER 18TH

- 9:00-9:30 WARMUP ROUNDS with Council Cuers
9:30-11:30 CLINIC FOR ALL Conducted By Jerry & Barbara
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Square Dance Cruise

Jerry & Donna Robey, Everett & Lea Sweat, Bob Hornberger and Mignon Craig from Grand Squares enjoyed a square dance cruise aboard the Carnival Glory on March 6, 2009 with about 80 other square dancers. Most of the other dancers were from the Central region of Florida.

Square Dance outfits for sale

Bonnie Drake is offering up her collection of ladies square dance dresses, skirts, blouses and crinolines for sale. She currently has a wide selection of colors and styles. For the best selection, contact Bonnie now at (904) 264-9818 or email at bonniesmith3@bellsouth.net



SQUARE DANCING LOST A DEAR FRIEND

Eleanor C. Mays

Ellie Mays, 73, of Jacksonville, Florida passed away Wednesday, May 27, 2009. She was born on February 14, 1936 in Jacksonville, FL. She was the daughter of the late Cary M. And Clara Smith of Jacksonville.

Ellie was a member of Holy Spirit Catholic Church for many years where she served faithfully as an Eucharistic Minister. She and her late husband, Preston, were avid members of the Rollaways Square Dance Club. They served as Presidents of the Rollaways in 1992-1993 and 1994-1995. While president for the first time, Ellie made the large club banner which is displayed at club events through today.

Preston and Ellie were fortunate to travel through the US and enjoyed several cruises with close friends. They looked forward to including their grandkids on summer trips.

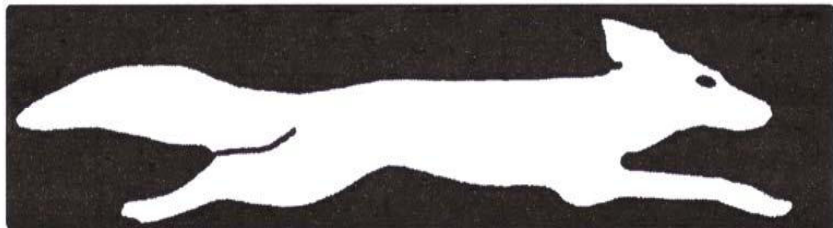
She was predeceased by her first husband, Charles L. Jordan in 1974 and her second husband, Preston H. Mays in 2007; and daughter, Claudia Mays Lawson in 2002. Ellie is survived by her daughter and two sons, six grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

She had a true love and commitment to her faith, family, and many dear friends. She will always be in our hearts and will truly be missed by us all.

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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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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.

Ouida Taylor has been traveling between Mayo Clinic and Lake City, as she visits with doctors for evaluation of her ankle after her fall in Flagler Beach.

Harry Drake, is making a great recovery after his fall which resulted in a broken hip. He is walking with little assistance from a cane. Great news!

Luther Delp, continues to be hospitalized as a result of a motorcycle accident. He is showing improvement but has so much more to go. Keep him in prayer as he continues to heal.

Pat Herscha has been able to return

to work as she recovers from a blood clot forming in her lower leg. This is a result of her fall in March and breaking her ankle.

Sam Uphaus, of Dixie Dancers, experienced a heart attack in late April, and underwent surgery. Keep Sam in prayer for a speedy recovery.

Ken & Ginger Miller celebrated their 47th Anniversary in June.

Randy Patton has completed his chemo and radiation treatments. He is recuperating at home and awaiting further evaluation at Mayo Clinic.

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**, has recently returned home after serving 13 months in Afghanistan.

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

OUR HEARTS ARE SADDENED

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

Rachel Moyer, daughter of **Bud & Dianne German**, passed away on Wednesday, May 6th after a brave battle with cancer. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Donna Hicken Foundation or Community Hospice of Northeast Florida.

Linda Allen's father, Harlan Snuggerud, pass away on April 6th, 2009 in Ormond Beach, FL. He was 93 years old. He often joined Linda at the Seabreeze Singles, whenever he was visiting the area. He was from South Dakota.

Bill Canton passed away on May 17th, 2009 after battling cancer since October 2008. Bill and his wife, Loreen, round danced with Jim & Barb Winter and Wayne & Barbara Blackford for many years.



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Lisa Wall

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

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Rollaways -----Tuesdays 8:30 to 10:00PM (phase II & III)
Silver Fox ----- Even Fridays 7:30 to 9:30 PM (phase II & III)
Teddy Bears ----- Even Saturdays 7:30 to 9:30 (phase II & III)

JULY/AUG/SEP SCHEDULE CHANGES

FIRST COAST ROUNDS DARK UNTIL AUG 31 (school closed)
TOUCH OF CLASS DARK UNTIL AUG 27 (school closed)
NOT CUEING IN JACKSONVILLE AREA JUNE 14TH - JULY 22ND

July 30 Cueing at MOOSE PINK CADILLAC (early rounds 7:00PM)
July 31-Aug 2 Cueing at QUEEN CITY BALL Charlotte N.C.
Aug 8 Resume cueing at Teddy Bears
Aug 14 Resume cueing at Silver Fox
Aug 25 Resume cueing at Rollaways - DOG DAYS OF SUMMER
Aug 27 Resume cueing for Touch of Class
Aug 31 Resume cueing for First Coast Rounds
Sept 7 First Coast Rounds NOT dancing LABOR DAY
Sept 14 First Coast Rounds starts two step class (6:00 - 7:30)
club dance 7:30 - 9:30
Oct 2 -3 "THRILL I N THE VILLE" w/Bruce & Kristine Nelson

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Congratulations



Ann Opgenorth and Monroe Morrell were married on May 9, 2009 at the Epiphany Catholic Church. Ann and Monroe are members of the Dixie Dancers Square Dance Club in Lake City. Best wishes to you both!

Notice of Bake Sale to Benefit the 2010 Florida State Convention



At the 5th Saturday Dance which will be held August 29th in Lake City, Florida, we will have a BAKE SALE with all proceeds going to benefit the 2010 Florida State Convention. We are asking all the ladies (and men, too, if they would like to bake something) to bake their favorite cake, pie, or cookies/bars and bring it to the sale where they will be auctioned off in a "Silent Auction". That is, everyone can bid on their favorite and the one who bids the most at the end of the bidding time, will take home their "sweet prize". If you bake cookies, brownies, and/or some type of bar, please bring them already on a plate (or wrapped or in a baggie) of 6 or 12. People will then bid on 6 cookies, or 12 cookies, etc. It's much easier to establish a good price if we have either 6 or 12 of small items like that. Of course, cakes and pies will be bid on as a whole -- no slices, please! With as many good cooks as we have in the world of square dancing we hope to have plenty of good things for our dancers, callers and cuers to spend their dollars on. Last time we held a bake sale, we made \$400.00 -- let's top that!!

If anyone has any questions, you may call me at 904-683-3512, or 904-673-1531, or email me at valnewsome@comcast.net, or contact Kathy McKinney at 904 249-3224, 904-704-6634, or email her at jacknkathy1@bellsouth.net.

Thank You for your support.
Val Newsome
Vice Chairman, NE
2010 Florida State Convention

Stepping Out with Maxine & Billy

Line Dancing Highlights



Hi Everyone,

Since my last article to The Grapevine, I have been very busy. In March for St. Patrick's Day, some friends of mine, Jim Weismore, Nancy Martin, Joyce Berrier, Billy and myself put on a variety show for West Jacksonville Rehab. We had a fun time doing line dancing, clogging, and round dancing with Jim and Nancy warming up the Karaoke machine. Also during March Billy and I went to Palm Gardens Nursing Home for line dancing for the residents. I took a couple weeks off in April, as my grandchildren, great grandchildren, friends and myself all went fishing. Bad news is that we didn't catch enough fish!

During the Spring, I went camping with the Gypsy Squares, which is always fun. On May 15th, Billy and I went to Normandy Village Elementary School and for 6 hours (yes, I said 6 hours), we demonstrated four types of dance. We had grades 2-5 in a classroom teaching them square dance, line dance and steps to clogging. Then we did some round dancing. It appears that we have many future dancers from our schools. June 5th & 6th found us in Chiefland, FL at the Watermelon Festival. It was a wonderful weekend with Henry Britten and I leading line dancers during the evening dances and workshop on Saturday afternoon. It means a lot for people to come out and support any type of dancing. I will miss sharing line dancing with the Yellow Rocker square dancers. It has been a wonderful and rewarding experience for the past 3 years.

Here's to happy feet,

Maxine & Billy



NEFSARDA BANNERS AWARDED AT 5TH SATURDAY DANCE - May 30th



Attendance banners were awarded to Teddy Bears, Touch of Class, Moose Promenaders and First Coast Rounds at the 5th Saturday dance on May 30, 2009. Congratulations dancers!

Say It Your Way

We know that the cost of greeting cards and postage keeps going up and up. Why not spend \$3 and place a greeting in *The Grapevine* which will be read by all your square dancing friends? You can make it as personal as you want, or you can choose one of the clip art figures shown below. The greeting should fit in the space shown.

Don't wait! Send us your greeting and clip art (or choose one of ours) along with \$3, to send Holiday Greetings to your friends. Deadline is September 1st! The editors would be happy to assist you in designing your message.

The Editors

EXAMPLE 1

We hope everyone has a beautiful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Sarah & Charlie



EXAMPLE 2

Happy New Year!



Sarah & Charlie



“Say It Your Way”
below



Please use
black ink or
type your
personal
message.

Please
stay
within
the
lines.





23rd Watermelon Festival

As Kevin Costner was told in "Field of Dreams" 'build it and they will come', so we experienced for the 23rd Watermelon Festival. We agreed to host this annual square dance festival with hopes that our dancing community would make the trek to Chiefland, FL and sure enough....they came!

Charlie and I certainly couldn't have pulled off an event of this size alone, so we asked Henry & Mary Britten and their club the Young at Hearts for assistance. This small group of dedicated dancers were responsible for the abundant door prizes and delicious food table throughout the two day event. The area sponsors of Chiefland and Cedar Key were generous with their donations and everyone visiting the festival, whether for one day or the entire weekend, were delighted with their unexpected gifts.

Dancers came from all across the region to enjoy the talents of Bill Chesnut, Lon Ligon and Charlie Pergrossi for square dancing, Ralph Beekman for rounds and Henry Britten & Maxine Thomas with line dancing. What a treat to have Ellis Lindsey call on Friday night for the Dangle Dances and Ed Hauck to cue a few rounds throughout the weekend.

From the responses we've received, everyone else had as much fun as we did. We look forward to hosting the 24th Watermelon Square Dance Festival again next year. Mark your calendars for June 4th & 5th, 2010 in Chiefland. You'll be glad you did!

Written by Sarah Pergrossi



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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**

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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.

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Friday

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Saturday

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**Publicity Release for
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Rock & Roll Times in 2009

The 55th Florida State Convention - Now Down in the History Books

“ROCK AND ROLL TIME IN 2009” was enjoyed by the 818 dancers in attendance. Congratulations to Randy & Carol Poole, General Chairmen, and all their committees for their dedicated work. The planning by the Central Association brought us three great ROCKIN’ GOOD days of dancing. Randy and Carol surely do know how to “get it together”.

The laptop was won by Mike Rolley from Georgia and the proud owner of the beautiful quilt is Carol Stern from Leesburg, Florida. Once again Grand Square Inc. supported the convention by donating a week at Pride RV Resort, won by Cliff Reiss from Riverview, Florida. Congratulations to all the winners, and to quote Randy “I told all of you who lost you should have bought more chances”!! In the same breath, he and Carol would also like to thank everyone who supported the convention. Nothing but good words can describe the wonderful weekend of square and round dancing. The Line Dance hall and the Sew and Save room added to the versatility of the weekend, as well as the shopping opportunities - something for everyone - and it left us all looking forward to next year.

“EVERYDAY’S A HOLIDAY WHEN YOU’RE DANCING!” is the theme chosen for the 1st All State Florida Square & Round Dance Convention in 2010 in Lakeland May 28th, 29th and 30th. Early registrations were entered into a drawing for two free ribbons for next year’s convention and once again Grand Square Inc. donated ribbons for the 2010 Florida Winter Festival. So dig out your holiday outfits, you can promote the 2010 convention by enjoying those favorites all year long. Valentines Day in summer, Christmas in the spring, Easter in December....we can go on and on....mix it up and have fun with it! Good luck Bud and Anita Taylor and your committees, we wish you the sense of accomplishment this year’s committees feels at the present time.

Joanne Engum, Publicity Chairman

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A Tenth Anniversary in Cross City

A nursing home in Cross City was making plans for their Tenth Anniversary that was held in mid-May. This Home started off in 1999 with only 8 folks and now houses some 51 residents. In a planning a meeting for this upcoming anniversary the residences requested they have some square dancing for this celebration.

Ginny Cunningham, the Activities Director, had tried to get dancers before for other events, but was unsuccessful yet she decided to try again. A Staff Doctor remembered that one of his patients was a square dancer and a call to her brought forth the following.



On Friday May 15, 2009 with the help of some local square dance callers and their clubs members we were able to organize a demo dance. Henry Britten called a wonderful dance. He was supported by his *Taw*, Mary, members of their club, The Young At Heart of Chiefland, FL and dancers from Bill Chesnut's, Mixed Nuts & Square Wheels, and Lon Ligon's, Grand Squares. The final count

was 20 dancers, having two full squares and then some.

What a wonderful showing and it was viewed by approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ the residents in an outside demonstration of square dancing and Contra dancing. The dancers enjoyed themselves as well and were treated to a picnic style lunch of hotdogs, hamburgers, drinks, cotton candy and snow cones.



Written by a humble but proud Square

Dancer: Scoop Jesk

*Pictures were taken by Mary Britten and Karla Thomas
one of the Home's Staffers.*

Thank You

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of my sister Gail and myself to thank everyone who gave from their hearts to help my sister and family in the time of need. All that you have given will be put to good use for the payment of medical and transportation bills that has and will be accrued. Once again thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

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CALLER SPOTLIGHT

By Janette Sparrow

Our spotlight falls on **Bill Chestnut** as our Caller of the Quarter. You will find Bill calling just about any day of the week in Northeast Florida. His dedication to square dancing is evident in his longevity with his clubs.

On Mondays, you will find him calling for the Gator Twirlers/Mixed Nuts, an Advanced workshop. He has called for them since 1980. He travels to Lake City on Tuesdays to entertain square dancers at the Dixie Dancers, calling Plus with Ralph Beekman on Rounds. He has shown up consistently since 1988. In 2006, he began the long trek to Jacksonville to make sure that the Moose Promenaders have a great night of Plus squares and rounds every week. Two weekends of the month he calls for camping clubs, traveling all over the state to join up with square dancers for the weekend. The 1st Friday weekends he calls for the Gypsy Squares Camping Club since 2006. The 3rd Friday weekends belong to the Square Wheels Camping Square Dance Club. They have covered a lot of miles and camped in many campgrounds since 1981.

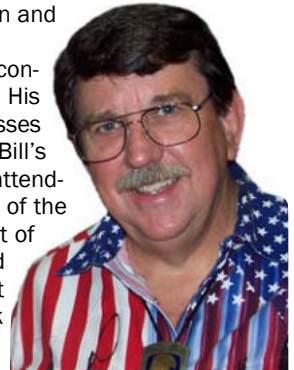
All those nights of square dance calling doesn't end his interest in square dancing. His biggest accomplishment comes from the money earned at the benefit dances for the different charities and non-profits. His favorite is the dance for the Shrine Hospital. Over \$15, 000 has been raised since Gateway & Rural Callers have been sponsoring the Christmas in July dance.

He enjoys helping new callers get started. He is working with Robert Padgett at the present time. Robert has progressed from a student dancer singing in the squares to a well-learned caller during the past year or so. Bill was sponsored by Scotty Thomas in the beginning. He says he probably learned more from Dick Barker than any caller. He also gives credit for his accomplishments to FCA callers like John Saunders, Art Springer and Danny Robinson. The learning doesn't stop for Bill as he continues to garner new information from every caller, local or nationally known, experienced ones or new.

Still he finds time to be a panelist at three different National Square Dance Conventions, President of the Florida Callers Association and has served as the caller coordinator for the state convention, the Northeast Fall Festival and the Florida Association of Square Dance Campers Camporee. He will serve again as caller coordinator for the 2010 state convention.

Square dancing has even spilled over into his personal life. He married his wife, Mary on Valentine's Day 1986, after the Friday night dance at Blue-Grey weekend in Lake City. They share three children and five grandchildren.

His reward is seeing folks that he taught to dance continue to grow in the activity and bring their friends in. His biggest disappointment is getting people through classes only to have them disappear shortly after graduating. Bill's goal for each dance is to give enjoyment to each dancer attending. He says Dick Barker told him that no matter the size of the crowd at a dance, we owe each dancer the same amount of entertainment that we would give if there were a hundred squares. Bill has learned well from his mentor. The next time you see Bill at a dance, shake his hand and thank him for his dedication to our pastime, Square Dancing.



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FL Association of Single Square and Round Dancers (FASSRD)

By Penny Green (863 967-5004)

The 55th Florida State Convention is now history. I was pleased to see several solos taking advantage of the Singles Hall on Friday night and the Dancers without Partners section in the Main Hall. I hope everyone got in enough dancing and had a great time.

It's not too soon to start planning to attend the National Singles Dance-A-Rama in the Quad Cities over the Labor Day Weekend or the Florida Singles Single-Rama in Sebring October 23rd - 24th.

Unfortunately, I don't have ribbons for the Dance-A-Rama, but you will want to send in your registration for that big weekend so you can order a shirt and register for the tours at the same time. What a great way to advertise the Dance-A-Rama; purchase a shirt advertising the weekend and wear it while you travel to the Quad Cities! I'm sure you will be asked questions about square dancing.

I do have ribbons for the Single-Rama and would be happy to sell you yours at any time. With Sam Dunn calling and Lisa Wall cueing you will be guaranteed to have a great time! Get your friends together and come see what you've been missing at the historic Kenilworth Lodge.

Everyone is welcome at our dances - marrieds, couples, and dancers without partners.

Hope to see you in a square real soon!

Penny Green
FASSRD President
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Our own Seabreeze Singles members, Shirley White and Helené Lawton took time from their dancing at the State Convention to pose with Grapevine editor, Charlie Pergrossi.

REMINDER

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Square Wheels Club, NSDCA 128

Bill Chesnut, Caller

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- 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 32767 [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 - **Stagecoach RV Park**, St Augustine, Fl. (Originally scheduled for Ocala Ranch) Stagecoach is at I-95 and SR 16 near outlet mall.
- 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.

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Club News

DIXIE DANCERS

Annette Conk (386) 935-1548



Every year on the first Tuesday in May, the Dixie Dancers elect their Board of Officers. Sometimes on that date, we elect the officers who are already in office. That was the case this year. Since last year was **Ivan Hadsall's** first year as president of the Dixie Dancers, we thought he should have another go at it this year.

Dixie Dancers Board of Officers for 2009 - 2010: President: Ivan Hadsall, Vice President: Duane Moore, Secretary/Treasurer: Annette Conk, Recording Secretary: Barbara Thomas (soon to be Barbara Rosenthal)

On November 7th - if the Good Lord willing and the creeks don't rise (as the old saying goes) - **Barbara Thomas** and **Bob Rosenthal** are going to tie the knot. A good man is hard to find and Bob is one of those good ones. All of their friends are happy for them.

Another Dixie Dancer couple, **Ann Opegnorth** and **Monroe Morrell**, were married on May 9th. It seems our singles population is dwindling.

On Saturday, May 9th, the Dixie Dancers participated in Lake City's first annual MADD Fest - A Music, Art, Drama and Dance Spring Festival - in Olustee Park in downtown Lake City. During the 12 hour festival, the "ARTS" were celebrated by local singers, dancers, gymnasts, musicians, thespians, artists and historians. The Dixie Dancers energetically performed in full square-dance dress, despite 90-degree heat.

As a part of the festival, our own **Bud Thayer** and other members of the Historical Museum presented an historic dramatization of a clash between

local residents and Union soldiers, which actually happened soon after the Civil War had ended.

The encounter resulted in the Union soldiers' rifles being thrown into Lake DeSoto. The rifles were recovered many years later and are now in the Historical Museum.

As well as being a Dixie Dancer, Bud Thayer is an avid civil war reenactor and a member of the Blue-Grey Army. His wife, **Ginny Thayer**, is also a member of the Blue-Grey Army. During Blue-Grey week-end, Ginny heads the committee to feed breakfast to the troops before the parade on Saturday morning.

There is no end to the talent in our club. **Ed Hauck** is moving forward as a round dance cuer. **Ann Hadsall** has also joined the ranks of round dance cuers. Ann started out by helping Ed teach round dancing. Now, as cuers, they recently became members of The Round Dance Council of Florida.

On May 14th, some of our Dixie Dancers joined others from NEFSARDA to entertain the residents of Sunbridge Nursing Home in Folkston, Georgia. They were invited to entertain the residents of Sunbridge in honor of National Nursing Home Week.

On August 29th, the Dixie Dancers, joined by the Grand Squares and the Vagabond Squares, are hosting NEFSARDA's 5th Saturday Dance in Lake City. Ya'll come now - ya hear? Wear your favorite team's colors and enjoy the fun filled evening.

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

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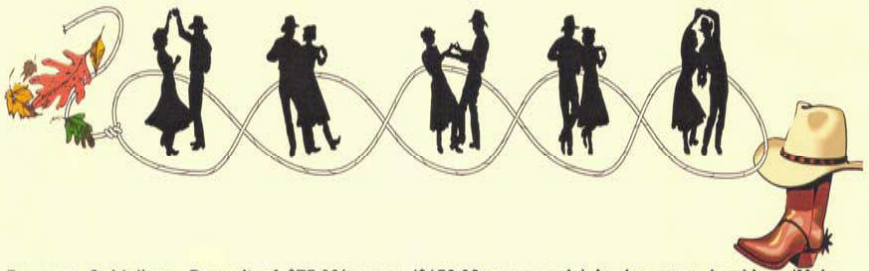
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FLAGLER OCEAN WAVES

Bill & Sharon Hepburn (386) 446-1597

Lucky in Love was our Valentine's Day theme. It was Friday the Thirteenth, as well. The second of our dances for Friday the Thirteenth were distributed.

In March, our Canadian friends, who always light up our evenings, became the organizers of our Western Pot Luck Supper. They did a great job of getting members to sign up, as well as, supervising the table setting. We miss them, but I'm sure Canada is happy that they have returned home.

On March 13, the members received the third and last part of our Friday, the 13th, dances for this year. We now have a compound dangle with 3 triangles, commemorating our survival of the 3 superstition laden evenings.

Thank you to Norm Hartman, Roland Hebert, John Palatini and John Peay for joining Joyce and Dick Mangsen for our quarterly roadside clean up. Thank you to Joyce and Dick, too, for organizing this program for the past year. And, thank you to the above volunteers, whose names have appeared faithfully as helpers for this cause.

Well, we did it. We thought outside of the box and found 4 corners. The presidency of our club will be divided into 4 parts this year. Bill & Sharon Hepburn will take the first portion, followed by Bonnie & John Palatini, followed by Shirley & Paul Dean, and then Nancy and Bob Sloan. Nancy Bixon celebrated her second 40th birthday the same night that she was installed as Secretary. Fran & Norm Hartman are the Treasurers. Keeping track of the officers will keep our dancers on their toes.

On May 1, we celebrated May Day with a graduation ceremony for our new

dancers. We gave them diplomas, Square dance magazines, handbooks, cake and our congratulations on joining the Square Dance community. Then, our outstanding graduates weaved the ring around the Maypole. We welcome Shiela Boyle & Chuck Nichols, Betty & Jim Cox, Janet & Jim Jividen, Mary & Ken Obrzut and Andrea & Wayne Perry.

The team of presidents decided to extend our summer closing through the first 2 weeks in August. Our club will not be holding Friday Dances in July and will also be closed for August 7 and 14. We will come back to dancing in Flagler Beach on August 21 with a Back to School theme. Members will be asked to contribute notebooks, pencils, etc. to the schools.

Casual dress will be the norm for May, June, August and September, however, we never turn away dancers in traditional Square Dance outfits.

On June 26, a Potluck Salad Night is planned with a Happy Fourth of July theme. You can bet that there will be pies and cakes to offset all those nutritious salads.

Tacky night on May 29, was indeed TACKY. Our new dancers got in the swing of tackiness. Even our guests from Joy Seas and Granada Squares dressed for the occasion.

May 30, we traveled to Middleburg for the NEFSARDA 5th Saturday dance, carrying food and decorations. The Joy Seas Club and River Ramblers coordinated with our club, to help make the dance a success.

In June, R. J. Hogan, our caller, will be running a DBD workshop from 7:45 to 8. Regular dancing will start at 8.

Hope everyone has a Good Summer, Keep your dancin' shoes ready,

Sharon Hepburn

FUN 'N FROLICS

Carolyn Ueber (904) 223-9347



The Fun 'N Frolics continued to dance this spring to Jim Cosman's great Advanced calling. He really keeps us thinking and we continue to learn different combinations of moves. Our club members have had quite a bit of illness and our thoughts and prayers are with our ill dancers. Since learning that all Wednesday nights are now available to us at Jax Heights Elementary School, Jim Cosman has said that he would consider

teaching "A" for a few weeks if there were enough interest. The class would start in September and would be every Wed. with "A" dancing afterward.

So, if you'd like to LEARN ADVANCED DANCING, JOIN US IN THE FALL. Let Jim Cosman or Carolyn Ueber (904-223-9347) know of your interest. Starting time and prices will be determined later.

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GRAND SQUARES

Jerry & Donna Robey (352) 377-5676

Grand Squares in Gainesville under the leadership of our caller, Lonnie Ligon. We dance on Tuesday nights at the Carpenter's Union Hall, 1910 NS 53rd Av at 7:00 PM. The first half hour is a quick review for newer dancers, and then the regular club dance begins at 7:30 pm. Lonnie has also agreed to teach some basic round dancing to those of us interested in getting started. These lessons will be from 6-7 PM on Tuesdays before we begin Square Dancing.

Lon Ligon and members of the club participated in an afternoon of dancing at the Manatee Springs State Park 17th Annual "OL' FASHIONED RIVER PARTY" on April 4,

2009. Lonnie called a few tips and the dancers did some demonstration squares. A good time was had by all, and lots of good eats. The river party is a celebration of the heritage of the Suwannee through music and story. Our hosts were Jack and Shirley Williams and "The Overall Gang."

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

Editor's Note: Jerry & Donna Robey were unable to send along their quarterly club news as they are driving across the US heading for the National Convention in Long Beach. They are adding additional states to their collection as they fulfill the requirements for the USDA Traveler Program. You can learn how you can enjoy the same adventures by visiting <http://www.usda.org/traveler.htm>.

They have agreed to share highlights of their adventures in future issues of The Grapevine.

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For more Information contact:

USA Traveler Program Chairman

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Phone (850) 243-9484 E-mail: usda.usa.traveler@usda.org

This information was taken from the USDA website at <http://www.usda.org>

Paul & Cheryl Miller, Florida USDA Representatives



Dancer Graduates with Gateway Callers at Graduate Ball May 2, 2009
at Jax heights Elementary School, Jacksonville, FL



JOY SEAS

John & Mary Burzo (904) 797-7530

We had a wonderful time with the Youth's from Corpus Christi RC Church. The kids were getting ready for their Country Hoe Down May 3rd, which was a great success. Mike Akers had the youth's dancing and having so much that the bystanders joined to get in the action.

The three couples Mike got from COA have been faithful, and with our few there are two squares. We are doing OK.

Mike was asked to call with RJ Hogan for the 5th Saturday Dance. The Joy Seas, Flagler Ocean Waves and River Ramblers were responsible for the great time you all had. Great fun, lots of food and the cruise attire was a good mix from the Captain's Dinner to the walk on the beach and two bathing beauties. You had to be there.

Our last class was June 2nd and we'll open again Sept 22nd with Graduation on September 29th. Have a wonderful summer.



Dancers of all ages enjoy themselves at the Joy Seas.



STOP!



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.

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MANDARIN MARAUDERS

Ralph & Mary Eusterbrock 904-264-0069

The time is here again to update everyone on the activities of the Mandarin Marauders Square Dance club. As usual it has been a busy and fun-filled three months.

March found us celebrating St. Patrick's Day with a corn beef and cabbage dinner. The corn beef and cabbage was delicious and there were many tasty side dishes as everyone brought their special dish. We had 5 squares on the floor that night including the Rollaways who came to retrieve their banner. We all enjoyed dancing to the excellent calling of our own Lawton Smith. Later in March Jo King organized a club outing to the Alhambra Theater. About 20 of us enjoyed watching "Singing in the Rain". It is especially pleasant to see an excellent show with good friends. At our next dance on the 26th of March we enjoyed dancing with members of the Silver Fox Squares. They took our banner home with them. The end of April we went to retrieve our banner and enjoyed a great dance with them.

Cliff and Carol Calvert arranged a demo dance at Geneva Presbyterian Church Fair on Saturday. After the dance we relaxed inside and enjoyed lunch together.

April 16th was Graduation for our class. Sarah Pergrossi presented each graduating couple with a free publication of *The Grapevine*, *Bow and Swing* and *American Square Dance*. The Yellow Rockers came to retrieve their banner, and Charlie Pergrossi called a tip for us. Lawton also called a few good tunes and everyone had a good time dancing and visiting.

April 23rd was our 24th anniversary dance and installation of new

officers. The ceremony was impressive with the passing of the candle from last years officers to the new group. New officers of the Mandarin Marauder Club are: President - Dan & Agnes Porfilio, Vice President - Ron & Judy Rodriguez, Secretary - Ralph & Mary Eusterbrock, Treasurer - Rod O'Conner & Dorothy Dean, and Asst. Treasurer - Ron Rodriguez.

On April 27th Lawton Smith had hernia surgery. Ken Miller graciously filled in for Lawton at a couple of our dances. We all enjoyed his energetic calling. We had 3 or 4 squares at these dances including our new graduates who adjusted well to the new caller. By the middle of May Lawton had recovered enough from the surgery to call our dance. It is good to have him back.

Now summer is upon us and Mandarin Marauders have enjoyed some exciting dances. On June 18th we were closed due to summer bible school hosted by the church. June 25th found us celebrating Lawton's birthday. On July 9th we plan to have a hot dog and apple pie dinner and lots of patriotic calls. We are also thinking of having an ice cream social at one of our August dances.

We realize that many clubs cannot dance in the summer so this is an invitation to all dancers to join us at our special dances or any Thursday evening you wish to jump into a square. Mandarin Marauders and Lawton Smith welcome you. We have casual dress for the summer but square dance clothes are always appropriate. Hope everyone has a wonderful summer with lots of "fun" square dancing.

MOOSE PROMENADERS

Hazel Clark (904) 778-0134



The Moose Promenaders welcome all visitors and guests. Our Moose Liaisons are Wendell and Doris Spears. Jim Maroldo, a club member, created our website and keeps it up to date with information and photos of our many special dances.

The Plus classes started May 7th and everyone is invited to join us. Bill Chesnut and his angels have been working with the new Plus dancers.

Many of our club members took advantage of our caller's invitation to join him in Chiefland, FL at the Watermelon Festival on June 5th & 6th. Late in the month we held our Ice Cream Social offering dancers their favorite ice cream with toppings and cake.

Once again, the Moose Promenaders will host the Pink Cadillac Dance on July 30th. Ladies, get out your poodle skirt, bobby socks and saddle shoes, while the guys find their well worn jeans, roll up their shirt sleeves and slip on their penny loafers. Then everyone will head on over to the Moose Lodge for a night of fun. Don't forget your camera as the photo opportunities will be numerous.

Hope you've been practicing your favorite songs as the date for our Ama-

teur Callers Night has been set for August 27th. The dancers eagerly await this event each year, so all we need is you. This reporter wonders who the winner will be this year?

We're having Open House for anyone interested in learning to square dance on the first two Thursdays in September, the 3rd and 10th. This will be an introduction to square dancing held each week from 7:00-8:30 PM. Let's invite everyone to join us!

We are located at the Moose Lodge #2020 on Collins Rd in Jacksonville. We dance each Thursday evening with classes from 7 - 8:30 PM, and plus level dancing from 8:30-10:00 PM. Come and enjoy the talents of our club caller Bill Chesnut. Visit us on the web at

www.moosepromenaders.com.



PLUS FOX

Stephen & Marie Bigelow (904) 771-7249

To the Square Dance Community

It is with a heavy heart that I announce the closing of Plus Fox Square Dance club. Thank you for all the people that came out and supported this club over the past 22 years.

Let us remember the good times and the people that we have danced with. Let this serve as a thank you and a blessing for the wonderful times. Never let the name Plus Fox be far from your memory and smile when you think of the memories. Those people still here and those waiting for us in that eternal square, let us dance and remember.



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Have you ever wondered how in the world you got yourself into something, especially into something where you are entirely out of your element? Well, that's me. Now! I am the new NEFSARDA Delegate for the Rollaways. I went to my first meeting back in April and loved it. Then found out that with the delegate responsibilities, it was also my responsibility to write the quarterly Club News article for the Grapevine. OH, NO! I am now facing my worst fear, **writing**. So, unless I go back to work (not going to happen) and make enough money. (not going to happen) to hire someone to write the article for me, (not going to happen), you are stuck with me. Hopefully, I can get my act together and not be a total embarrassment to myself or my club. Please bear with me, I'm do58

ing my best. So without any further ado, let's get started.

The State Convention is now history...AND WHAT A GRAND PIECE OF HISTORY IT WAS! If you missed it, you missed a great time. The Rollaways had a wonderful representation there with 17 members including our own caller, Ken and Ginger Miller and cuer John and Lisa Wall. And a BIG thank you goes to our very grand Tom and Ester Stidham and Roger and Linda Minard who marched in the Grand March.

What a busy, busy night we had on Tuesday, April 7th. The Rollaways turned another year older as we celebrated our 21st anniversary. We also installed our new club officers. The club welcomed Walt and Dianne Sypard as our president, Denny and Sue

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Fogle, vice president, Linda Tester, secretary and Marylou Morton and Jack and Kathy McKinney as co-treasurers. Also, we would like to thank our outgoing officers; Virginia Bomhold, president, Walt and Dianne Syphard, vice president and Coralee Garrett, secretary, for all their hard work this past year.

Also on April 7th we held our class graduation. Steve and Jeanne Minard and Tyler Cason are now, proud new club members. They also allow us the bragging rights to having three generations of dancers in our club. Steve and wife Jeanne are the son and daughter in law of Roger and Linda Minard and Tyler is their grandson. Talk about a family affair, we've got it going!

From April 7th to June 2nd we held a new beginners class from 6 - 7 PM, and a plus workshop from 7 - 8 PM. Ken was able to get our new dancers through the basics so they can begin

dancing this summer. I know they can't wait to get out in the wonderful world of square dancing.

June 2nd was our last dance at Sandalwood High School until the new school year begins in August. We had the pleasure that night of presenting a check to the Sandalwood Band Director to use for much need music stands. For the rest of the summer we will be visiting different clubs in and around Jacksonville. Our new Banner Chairmen, Tom and Ester Stidman have a plan. So watch out.....we're out to steal **your** banner!

We hope everyone has a safe, happy and healthy summer. See you around the square.

P. S. Since my next article is due to the Editor by September 1, 2009, if you find out that it really isn't my responsibility to write the Grapevine article, make sure you let me by 11: 59 PM on August 31, 2009.

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ROUND DANCING WITH FIRST COAST ROUNDS & TOUCH OF CLASS

Mary Rozzano (904) 241-0384



With the start of Spring many things have happened in the round dance world in Northeast Florida. With the loss of our dance hall at Arlington Congregational Church we have moved to Sandalwood High School and changed from Sunday to Monday night. We would like to thank Millie Whipple for getting the hall for us to start with. It takes special dancers like her to keep a club going. We appreciate the church being so kind to us over the last few years and understand them wanting to do some upgrades. Again thank you Millie and Arlington Congregational Church.

Over the last few months both clubs have participated in several outings. The Round Dance Council Spring Weekend was one of the big ones. Those who attended were taught several dances and many new dance techniques to practice. In April a few couples travelled all the way to Pensacola, FL for the "Seaside Weekend of Rounds". This event featured Sandy & David Sturgis doing a workshop on Waltz & Foxtrot figures. Also, Terri & Tim Wilaby gave a workshop

on Rumba & Cha figures. In the evening Sandy & Terri cued a great dance. On Sunday we had a review of the figures that were covered and another great dance. Kudos goes to both couples for a fantastic event. We will certainly try to attend again next year and take more dancers with us.

Now that summertime is here both clubs are shut down and we are headed out to California for Roundalab and the National Square Dance Conventions. We look forward to dancing with the Northeast Round dancers in Long Beach. We will resume dancing in Jacksonville in late July at several of the square dance clubs. Touch of Class and First Coast Rounds will resume after the schools open in August.

Meanwhile we are working hard to get ready for the Queen City Ball in Charlotte, NC July 31, & Aug 1, 2009 where we will be cueing with several national callers. We are also looking forward to starting a Basic Two-Step class the Monday after Labor Day.



Touch of Class club members who traveled to Plant City for the Round Dance Council "Spring Weekend of Rounds" in March 2009.



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Seabreeze Singles is very pleased to have the Rollaways dance with us while the schools are closed; and we appreciate Ken Miller filling in for Jim while he and Margaret are in the mountains.

And a big thanks to Ernie Rollen and Gary Murphy for calling while Ken was out of town. It is always fun to have them at the club.

Those Seabreeze who went to the State Convention reported having a LOT of fun. Over the Labor Day weekend some will be on the road to Davenport, Iowa for the National Singles Dance-A-Rama. Then, in October its on the road again to Sebring for the annual Florida Single-Rama. You do not have to be single to attend any of

these dances, so think about going.

We continue to have our monthly meetings/dinners. In May we had a fish fry with all the trimmings. Tony did a great job frying the fish (and catching them). In June we will be at the Barker's home. (I heard it would also be a surprise birthday party for someone!).

We dance very Tuesday, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. So, come and join us. It is a lot more fun than sitting at home by the TV. We dance mainstream (with announced plus). All dancers are welcome. For more information call Shirley White at 904-708-3273.

Dear Square Dance Family,
 Thank you for your prayers, cards, food, and support
 that was given during the illness and death of our
 daughter, Rachel Moyer. It was greatly appreciated
 Bud & Dianne German
 Silver Fox Squares & Teddy Bear Squares

SILVER FOX

Mark Fetzer (904) 908-5184



We have just celebrated our anniversary. We will be dancing at Faith Lutheran Church for the summer. Faith Lutheran Church is located at 5927 Timuquana Rd on Jacksonville's westside. Gary Murphy will continue

with our Plus/ DBD workshops from 7-8 and dance from 8-9:30 on Fridays. Our dress is casual for the summer. We have also set January 29th as the date for next year's Circus Dance.



TEDDY BEAR SQUARES

Gaye Feuer (904) 743-1087

Teddy Bear Squares had a fabulous 25th Anniversary celebration! Looking ahead to the summer, we plan some fun dances, with our All American Square Dance on July 25. (We cancelled on July 11 to support the Christmas in July dance.) In August at our Back to School Dance we will collect school supplies to help teachers and students. September 26 will be our Fall Funfest when we will wear fall colors.

Wall, with the able assistance of her spouse, John. Bring your friends and dance with us at St. Mathews Lutheran Church, 6801 Merrill Rd., in Arlington, 2 miles east of 9A.

We welcome you to our Plus club, where we have a ball dancing to caller Gary Murphy, who with his twin Berni, has been calling for us for 5 years. Rounds are cued by Lisa



Lisa Wall and Gary Murphy prepare to cut their anniversary cake with the Teddy Bear Square Dance Club.

YELLOW ROCKERS

Billy Luper (904) 771-7041

In April the club celebrated our 3rd anniversary, and it was a blast! The dance floor was filled with enthusiastic square dancers. Before you could sit down, Lisa Wall had all the round dancers waltzing and two-stepping around the floor.

Our members and guest brought all kinds of outstanding finger foods which everyone enjoyed. The evening was a real success, but only due to all the guests in attendance. Every club needs visiting dancers and the Yellow Rockers thank each and every one that support our club.

Not only was it our Anniversary Dance, but it was also our student

Graduation Night. Our one student, Doug Scott, was able to enjoy all the square dancing and then was honored in receiving his square dance certificate. IN addition, the NEFSARDA Board was present and gave him special recognition.

It is with sad hearts that the Yellow Rockers Square Dance Club is folding. May 18th was our last dance. The club members have worked hard, with the assistance of Charlie and Sarah, to make the club successful, but it didn't happened. So again, our thanks to all those who supported us. Hope to see you somewhere on the dance floor in a square.



Yellow Rocker club members, supporters and friends gathered for one last dance before bidding farewell to the Yellow Rockers Square Dance Club.

We miss hearing about the news of your club.

Any volunteers?

RIVER RAMBLERS

Bob & Ruth Izzard 386 467-8026

Palatka...No club news this quarter.



VAGABOND SQUARES

Live Oak...No club news this quarter.



WELCOME GRADUATES!!

The Editors of *The Grapevine* would like to welcome our new dancers to the "World of Square Dancing". You have just entered an activity that we hope you will enjoy for many years to come.

We encourage you to dance with different clubs and callers, because unless you enjoy the fun & fellowship associated with Square Dancing, you will not receive all its' benefits. When you join a Club, be loyal to it. Volunteer to help wherever and whenever you can. Don't just be a Badge Wearer, be a

Club Member!

We tried to keep a list of graduates for 2009 and hope we didn't overlook anyone. If your name was omitted, please let us know.

Eight clubs received \$100.00 for graduating at least one student. This money is used by the club to promote square & round dancing.

We look forward to dancing with you sometime soon!!

Sarah & Charlie, editors



Jive & Cha-Cha graduates with Lisa Wall



River Ramblers with caller Ernie Rollen



Flagler Ocean Waves with caller RJ Hogan



Moose Promenaders with caller Bill Chesnut



Yellow Rockers with caller Charlie Pergrossi

FIRST COAST ROUNDS

Jive Class

Gray & Glenda Duncan
Sherry Boatman-Burris
Grace Noe
Linda Tester
Angie Noe
Katie Noe
Russ & Carolyn Ueber
John & Mary Burzo

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Suzanne & George Tower
Dale Fredrickson
Grace Noe
Linda Tester
Margaret Cahan
Ricky Conklin
Russ & Carolyn Ueber

FLAGLER OCEAN WAVES

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MANDARIN MARAUDERS

Jerry & Phyllis Casper
Bob & Joann Johns
Agnes Porfilio

MOOSE PROMENADERS

Anne & John Johnson
Debbie & Wayne Miller
Danny Sharkey
Bernie Van Matre
Debbie Van Matre

RIVER RAMBLERS

Names not available at
time of issue.

ROLLAWAYS

Tyler Cason
Karen Cole
Glenda & Gray Duncan
Laurie Durkalski
Steve & Jeanne Minard
Kevin Nickelson
Anna Oleen
Christine Suarez

SEABREEZE SINGLES

Ricky Conklin
David Cross
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Patty Moon
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YELLOW ROCKERS

Doug Scott

Congratulations to all 2009 Graduates!!



Seabreeze Singles with caller Jim Cosman



**Mandarin Marauders caller
Lawton Smith**



Rollaway April & June Grads with caller Ken Miller





Camp N' Dance

News from our Camping Clubs



Drift Around Squares #093

March was their first their time at Three Flags in Wildwood. They had the pleasure of having #018 Sunshine State Pioneers join them for their dancing fun. The hall was rather small for the amount of dancers, there were over 34 rigs. It felt like we were at a convention tight squeeze but plenty of fun, the more the merrier.

April was at Pacetti's in St. Augustine and it was their annual picnic, plenty of food and games all day long. Sunday was Easter and Bob Izard planned a wonderful Easter service, accompanied by the Dead Grass Band. There wasn't a dry eye in the Park, beautiful service. They were all out of the park early so they could make their own church for service.

In May we were at Blueberry Hill and had a another wonderful time. Thank you Jim Cosman. The campers sure keep this campground busy with many other clubs going there for camp-out and the State using it for their Camporee in October.

Square Wheels #128

March was at Wilderness RV Park Estates in Silver Springs. This was a new campground for them. It was very nice with a great dance floor and a large screened porch, which could be sued for breakfast, games, computer work or just to chit chat. The Sunday morning breakfast was delicious. We had homemade waffles with all the

trimmings - yummy.

April found many of us at Deerenhaven helping to support the 2009 and 2010 State Conventions. This fundraiser is one of the best. If you missed this outing this year, try again in April 2010. It looks like it will be a yearly event.

Gypsy Squares #168

March was at Pacetti's in St Augustine. Thanks Bill for doing such a great job! There were many visitors from Jacksonville and a workshop with Robert Padgett on Saturday afternoon.

April was at Suwannee Valley Hideaway in Old Town. This is a wonderful rustic campground. Besides good dancing and fun, it's a place to be with nature. Great weekend.

In May the Gypsies and Square Wheels camped together at Stagecoach Campground in St Augustine. This was a new spot for the group and everyone found it very nice. The Gypsies are thinking about going there several times next year. It is close without too much travel time and they may get some visitors from clubs in Jacksonville.

Club reports by Mary Burzo

Check the web <http://www.floridasquaredance.com/fansdc/index.html>

Check online for the current news of Strawberry Travelers #153, Gold Coast Dancers #080 and Hitch-N-Go #082.

Enlightened Perspective by Andy Rooney

*I've learned...that the less time I have to work with,
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Did You Know...?

.... the planning is underway for the 2009 Camporee. John and Dolly Ide of #093, the Drift Around Squares, are this year's chairmen. The theme for this year's event is Pirates, so get out your eye patch, start training your parrot, and submit your registration so you don't miss out!

... that most of our state camping clubs are now online? You can read of their monthly adventures in their newsletters and check their camping schedule by visiting our new website - www.floridasquaredance.com and click on FANSDC. You will be able to find each Florida camping club as well as plenty of information about our Camporee.

... non-campers are welcome to join us for our evening dances. If you have a tent, camper or RV, we encourage you to check out any of our fantastic camping clubs. We have a special deal for you through the end of 2009. Call any of the camping club officers to see how you can save \$20 on your camping fees when you come to visit any of FANSDC clubs for a weekend. We hope to see you visiting a camping club real soon!

Planning For The Future!!!

CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

(Locations in Jacksonville unless otherwise indicated)

July 2009

- 11Christmas in July - Keystone HeightsRural & Gateway Callers
11Dark to support the Christmas in July Dance Teddy Bears
12NEFSARDA Delegate Meeting - 3:00 PM
17-18 ...July Jamboree - Pensacola, FL.....Pergrossi & Wilaby
18Sizzling Hot Saturday Nites..... Keefe & Wall
21-23 ...NSDCA International Camporee - Raines, LA NSDCA
25All American Square Dance Teddy Bears
30Pink Cadillac Dance Moose Promenaders

August 2009

- 1Sizzling Hot Saturday Nites..... Keefe & Blackford
7No Dance - Flagler Beach Flagler Ocean Waves
8Back to School Dance - bring school supplies..... Teddy Bears
11Back to School Dance - Lake City..... Dixie Dancers
14No Dance - Flagler Beach Flagler Ocean Waves
15Sizzling Hot Saturday Nites..... Keefe & Blackford
21Welcome Back to School Flagler Beach
.....Flagler Ocean Waves
27Amateur Caller Night..... Moose Promenaders
295th Saturday Dance - Lake City, FL.....NEFSARDA

September 2009

- 3Open House to New Dancers Moose Promenaders
4Labor Day Dance - Flagler Beach Flagler Ocean Waves
3-539th Single Dance-A-Rama - Quad Cities, IA & IL..... SSDUSA
4-5Labor Day Thrill@ Blueberry Hill, Bushnell, FL . Saunders, Keefe & Blackford
10Open House to New Dancers Moose Promenaders
11Open House to New Dancers - Flagler Beach..... Flagler Ocean Waves
18New Dancer Class begins - Flagler Beach Flagler Ocean Waves
18-19 ...Anniversary Dance (29th) - Pacetti's Marina.....Square Wheels
22Luau - Lake City Dixie Dancers
26Fall Funfest - wear fall colors..... Teddy Bears

October 2009

- 2Orange & Black Dance - Flagler Beach Flagler Ocean Waves
9No Dance - Flagler Beach Flagler Ocean Waves
17FCA presents Tom Miller - Strawberry Squares, Plant City ...FL Callers
18NEFSARDA 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
24Ghosts & Goblins Night..... Teddy Bears
24Club Picnic - Lake City..... Dixie Dancers

- 27..... Halloween Dance - Lake City..... Dixie Dancers
- 29..... Halloween Dance..... Moose Promenaders
- 30..... Mad Hatter's Night - Flagler Beach..... Flagler Ocean Waves
- 30-31... NW Fall Round-Up - DeFuniak Springs, FLNorthwest Assoc

November 2009

- 1..... Florida Federation Meeting - 9:00 AM - DeFuniak Springs
- 6-7..... O'Leno Hoedown - High Springs, FL..... Square Wheels
- 13-14... West Coast Fall Fun Fest - Bartow, FLWest Coast Assoc
- 14..... Veteran's Day Salute to the MilitaryTeddy Bears
- 20-21... NE Fall Festival NEFSARDA
- 20..... Dark for Fall Festival..... Silver Fox
- 20..... Pie Night - Flagler Beach Flagler Ocean Waves
- 24..... FL vs. FL State Dance - Lake City..... Dixie Dancers
- 26..... Dark for Thanksgiving..... Moose Promenaders & Mandarin Marauders
- 27..... Dark for Thanksgiving..... Silver Fox
- 27..... Dark for Thanksgiving..... Flagler Ocean Waves
- 28..... Leftover Potluck Thanksgiving Dinner - 6:00 PM.....Teddy Bears

December 2009

- 4..... Red & Green Dance with Chinese Auction - Flagler BeachFOW
- 5..... Beginner Hoedown Gateway Callers Assoc
- 10..... Christmas DanceMoose Promenaders
- 11..... Dance with covered dish dinner - Flagler Beach.....FOW
- 18..... Mistletoe Dance - Flagler Beach Flagler Ocean Waves
- 22..... Christmas Dance - Lake City Dixie Dancers
- 24..... Dark for Christmas HolidayMoose Promenaders
- 25..... Dark for Christmas Holiday - Flagler Beach Flagler Ocean Waves
- 26..... Dark for Christmas HolidayTeddy Bears

January 2010

- 1..... Dark for New Year's HolidaySilver Fox & Flagler Ocean Waves
- 10..... NEFSARDA Delegate Meeting - 3:00 PM
- 16..... Central Callers Association Benefit Dance - The Villages
- 29..... Circus Dance..... Silver Fox
- 29..... Snowbird Potluck & Dance - Flagler Beach..... Flagler Ocean Waves
- 30..... 5th Saturday Dance..... NEFSARDA

***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.pergrossi.com/grapevine.html>

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Trenton each Monday,
we love you.*

*To those who missed dancing
with us, we are sorry.*

*It is with great sadness that
Yellow Rockers Square Dance Club has
decided not to return to dancing after
our last dance for the summer, which
was Monday, May 18th.*

Shirley White & Smitty Smith



**Have A Safe
Labor Day!**