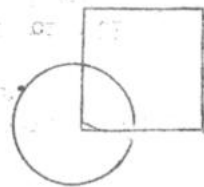


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WESTERN CUTTERS ---- SWEET GEORGIA FUN!

2nd & 4th Saturdays - Mary Hammond Youth
Center, Club Colors - Purple & White.
Caller - Fred Beard
President - David & Claudia Fitzsimmons
(384-4162)

Brunswick, Ga.-- What a holiday of fun!
Must have been a hundred folk there. Eight
couple including Caller Fred Beard and Taw,
Lila attended. All who missed this dance
really missed a good one.

Western Cutters were proud to have visitors
from the Grand Slammers, Paxon Prancers,
and Allemandarins at our January 25th dance.
We also welcomed a visitor from "the North
Country" -- John Veit from Norfolk, Virginia's
"Wreck Tangles" that same evening. Think he
enjoyed our dance as much as we enjoyed
having him. Don't think he had to sit out
a single tip!

January 31st our graduating class became
full-fledged square dancers, and have al-
ready been attending regular dances, and
participating in banner stealing. Those
graduates really do a good job of square
dancing. At the graduation, we could have
danced all night it seemed-- even after the
games and fun, and enjoying such a variety
of good refreshments served from such a
lovely decorated table. The hall was full,
Fred Beard at his best, Tom and Mariann
Hidding getting in some of their favorite
calls. A highlight of the evening came as
a surprise when young Don Miller, President
of the Calico Swingers picked up the micro-
phone and called a tip just as though he
were an old hand at it. Then right on into
a singing call. Make room for him GCA--
sounds like he's heading that way!

Glad to have Don Miller(daddy) back with us
after his stint in the hospital. He hasn't
forgotten a thing!

Two of our newly graduated couples--Caldwells
and Browns--were along to steal Grand
Slammers banner Feb. 1, along with four other
couples. We met us some "Kousins" from the
Jubileers while there. While the banner
thievery was going on at Grand Slammers in
Jacksonville, there was a square made up
for the trip to Palatka and they came home
with the Kaper Cutters' banner. Thanks to
all for a lovely evening.

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February 4th at Woodstock, we were all dancing to the extraordinary calling of Jack Livingston from the Indiana Hoosier country. Many thanks to you Fun & Frolic for a very lovely evening of dancing and good refreshments. You know, if it had been a regular dance, we could have walked off with your banner. We'll be back with swiping on our minds.

Feb. 7th .. Street dancing-- that's what it was at Orange Park's shopping Center. Of course, there were Western Cutters there, in the shadows of the mossy oak trees with the melodious voice of Bill Camp coming from atop the back of a truck with lots of shoppers crowded around to see five squares of happy square dancers just doing what comes naturally when they square dance! Some of the watchers decided to come back to join a class at Orange Park, and I'm sure that they are sure that they made a wise decision.

Heart of my heart, or, part of my heart seemed to be the theme of the Western Cutter Valentine dance Feb. 8th. The hall was beautifully decorated by Doris & Dan Yoder, our program chairman. We matched hearts to see who was our valentine partner for one tip. Delicious refreshments were in keeping with the theme, thanks to Hosts and Hostesses Collins, Fakes, Musselwhites.

Ray Cunningham was our caller for the Valentine dance (from Ocala). Clubs from Ocala and Leesburg visited us coming on their Knothead trip. The ceremony of making Knothead sounded like quite an exciting event, and those of us who have not made Knothead are really looking forward to Mar. 15th, when Western Cutters are journeying to Mims, Fla. to make Knothead, where Lil Tom Hidding will be doing the calling.

Friendly Frolics had a hilarious Hobo Convention Feb. 15th and two and a half squares of Western Cutters were really living it up! The place was packed but we didn't seem to have any trouble weaving in and out around the room. Put away some mighty tasty goodies too, and slipped away with the banner.

All you visitors welcome--so ya'll come.

Double Deckers - Reporters.

ORANGE PARK PROMENADERS never die or fade away.

Lyons Club, Orange Park, Florida.
Caller - Bill Camp

Friday, Feb. 14th, marked the beginning of a new era for the Orange Park Promenaders. The Promenaders celebrated three "firsts": the first dance of the New Year, the first class dance, and the first dance called by their new caller, Bill Camp. The fun got under way with the presentation of a special

valentine to caller Bill by the beautiful Jacqueline Onassis Stubb who graciously docked her yacht at Orange Park long enough to pay a visit to the square dancers...Dot, is "she" always that pretty?

The club hosted a Valentines dance for new dancers who might be interested in learning to square dance. Four squares of new comers made their debut into square dancing. Bill's instructions were helped along by a great turnout of "seasoned" dancers, including many guests. One couple, Tom and Val Powers from the Circle Hi Squares of Springfield, Oregon, were working on their Rovers badge. We enjoyed having them and hope they can join us again. We wish to express our thanks to our local visitors who came out to help us get our club going again, the Calico Swingers, the COUNTRY Cousins, and a very, very special thanks to the Western Cutters who turned out in numbers!

The food to eat was something else! There were all kinds of Valentine treats! Since the purple punch was made at home, many were wondering if Annie's feet had anything to do with it. It's OK fellows - it was fruit punch! But wonder what made Annie's feet purple?? She says some people would do anything to please - even to bringing polka dot punch!

Everyone seemed to have a good time dancing, eating and especially seeing some of the Promenaders who hadn't been in quite some time. It's also nice to be back at the Lions Club in Orange Park.

Those who left early missed quite a finale! We had some "hot hash" and some nice singing calls, not only by Bill Camp, but by visiting Tom and Mariann Hidding of the Calico Swingers and our own Phillis Horton. The crowd didn't seem to want to go home. It was a very successful evening!

Several couples stopped off after the dance to get some more food and have some more fun. Was that George Millan or Danny Danson that was seen washing dishes? Was it to pay for the food or because of the pretty waitress? Come to think of it, that could have been Ernie up to his elbows in suds.

On March 14th, three days before St. Patrick's Day, a "Lucky Clover Leaf Dance" is planned. So all you Irish lads and lassies (and those who aren't) put on your green and come out and join us. Who knows - maybe that little mischievous Loprechaun might just give you the "Lucky Clover Leaf"!

Clyde and Dottie Adams - Reporters

JOSEPH LEE CENTER to have a top National Caller.

Tuesdays, Joseph Lee Recreation Center, 42nd and Perry St. Next to Pearl Plaza.
Caller - Bill Camp (388-3889)

Continued - JOSEPH LEE CENTER

The most important news at the moment is that we have a very well known caller coming to call a dance for ALL SQUARE DANCERS on Tuesday, April 1st. Bruce Johnson of Santa Barbara, Calif., well established in his home area as an outstanding caller and teacher, will be in our area, and has accepted an offer to call for that night. Bruce travels three months out of the year but is in demand for week-end festivals, workshops, and clinics. He conducted the clinic for Florida Callers in 1966 and called a good dance for Callers and dancer association officers and delegates on Sat. night. We are still having friendly fun at our dances.

All requests for workshop on basics and movements are honored at our dances. So far we have not had a request for something we did not know.

We are looking forward to seeing you any Tuesday night - but, especially on April 1st to dance to a caller with a smile in his voice

Bill Camp

FONTANA VILLAGE readies to welcome square dancers from all sections of the country.

The 32nd consecutive SWAP SHOP, week-long western style square dance festival, oldest established square dance vacation in the United States, gets underway at Fontana Village Resort on April 26, 1969 with more than 500 dancers from throughout the United States attending.

Al (Tex) Brownlee Recreation Director of the sprawling resort located in the Great Smoky Mountains of western North Carolina, who is a nationally famous square dance caller in his own right, and who hosts all of Fontana's family of festivals, announced that special caller guests this Spring would be Jim Coppinger, Jackson, Miss.; Ed Sparrough, Adelphi, Maryland and Bill Volner, Sikeston, Missouri.

The week-long festival has a permanent caller staff who keep a fun-filled program moving night and day throughout the dance vacation. They are Ray and Louise Bohn, Louisville, Ky; Ruy and Jeanette Camp, East Point, Ga.; Fred and Shorty Goodner, Athens, Tenn.; Paul and Helen Pate, Atlanta, Ga.; and Joe and Al Robertson, Mobile, Ala. Programming and teaching rounds during the week are Wray Ferrell and Ruth Jewell, Raleigh, N.C.; Tom and Lib Hubbard, Atlanta, Ga. and Frank and Phyl Lehnert, Toledo, O.

The second festival of the Spring Season is REBEL ROUNDUP, May 7-11, which is staffed by Bob and Willie Baker, Oak Ridge, Tenn.; Bob and Dot Dubree, Knoxville, Tenn.; Jack and Grace Livingston, Speedway, Ind.; and Irv and Betty Easterday, Boonsboro, Ma. Assisting this Spring will be the following guest staff: Mick Howard, Fred Keller, and Don (Red Boots) Williamson. In charge of

the rounds will be Ken and Carol Guyre.

ACCENT ON ROUNDS, a festival featuring round dancing, will be held May 18-25, is directed by John and Vickie Laverty, Huntington, L.I. and Ed and Kay Mack, Clearwater, Florida. Recreation Director Brownlee will call the evening western style square dance tips.

Climax of the Spring festivals come with FUN FEST, May 24-June 1. This large festival is staffed by Al and Millie Boehringer; A.B. and Pauline Coleman; Harry and Clara Lackey; Ed and Kay Mack; Jamie and Myra Newton; John and Linda Saunders and John Stewart. Featured on the Guest Staff for the week-long festival are Stan Burdick, and Dick Jones.

The festivals will be repeated in the Fall, with continuous dancing for a full month, from August 30 through September 28. In order, the festivals are FUN FEST, Aug. 30-Sept. 7; ACCENT ON ROUNDS, Sept. 7-14; REBEL ROUNDUP, Sept. 14-21; and SWAP SHOP, Sept. 20-28.

Rounds dancers and teachers from throughout the southeast will gather at Fontana Village Resort June 6-8, for a meeting of the Dixie Round Dance Council. President of the group is Miss Ruth Jewell, Raleigh, N.C., Associate State Music Supervisor for the State. She is also active with the Folk and Square Dance Federation of North Carolina; and the Eastern North Carolina Callers Association.

The Resort emphasizes square dancing as one of its recreation activities during the summer months. Recreation Director Brownlee teaches square dance basics three afternoons a week during the summer months, and three Great Smoky Mountain Square Dances are presented each week to the live music of the resort's own string band, The Fontana Ramblers.

The public is invited to attend all evening festival dances and whether dancer or spectator, is offered special American Plan rates of \$14.00 per day, \$80.00 per week, and \$11.00 per additional day at the square dance festivals during May and September. The package rate includes all dance fees, cottage or Lodge accommodations, all meals, plus snacks and refreshments during the evening dances, golf greens fees, first run movies, tennis, swimming, miniature golf, and other miscellaneous scheduled recreation at the Resort. Interested individuals are requested to write for additional information to Mr. Robert Murphy, Reservations Manager, Fontana Village Resort, Fontana Dam, N.C.

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COUNTRY COUSINS have Valentine Dance.

Saturdays, Danmore Civic Club
Caller - Walt Knight
President - Robert Zortea and Ann Zortea.

February 1 we had a square from the Starlite Shufflers to come over and steal our banner. Their caller, James Maxey, did a great job

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calling for us and as usual Walt was the greatest. We even had a few guests from Orange Park to visit us on this night, Harold, Billie and Danny Danson. We all wish Orange Park the best of luck getting their club back together.

On February 7 some of our club members ventured over to the dance Orange Park had, but I am very sorry to report that I could not make it and time has slipped up on me without getting any news of this dance.

February 8 was our big Valentine dance and once again we have to say Thank You, Pat and John for your creative ideas for decorating the club. Pat baked a valentine heart cake that was so big we had refreshments off of it and then gave away about 10 huge slices for door prizes. This was John's idea, giving away the cake, so he wouldn't be eating cake until this time next year.

We would like to have more visitors from other clubs come out and join us. Come any Saturday night except the third, ya'll come.

Vivian and Edward Bessent
Reporters

Y-KNOTS own Bill Bishop developing into a good caller

Thursdays, Southside Community Center

1541 Hendricks Avenue

Caller - Frank Clements

President - Bob and Annette Dulaney (384-5797)

Activity is beginning to pick up again! On Feb. 13th we had the pleasure of welcoming 8 couples from Friendly Frolics who left with our banner. And, dancing with us also a couple from St. Marys, Ga. (The Paper Promenaders). Also, we welcomed two couples from the 441 Club. One couple included Chet & Julia Vetter, Past Pres. of the NEFSDA. We had more visitors than club members!

On Saturday, Feb. 8th, two squares from our club attended the Jubileers Valentine's dance and returned with their banner. What a success that dance was! We'll be looking for your visit soon, Jubileers.

We are having the pleasure of dancing to the calling of Bill Bishop along with our regular caller, Frank Clements. That Bill has got the voice and rhythm that makes dancing a real joy! All are invited to come out and dance with these two fine callers.

Bill is also teaching a class that our club is sponsoring on Monday nights at the Southside Community Center. We still have space for more couples, and club members! Let's make this a good class.

Mary Ann & Glenn Johnson
Reporters

CALICO SWINGERS readying for Knothead Trip.

2nd & 4th Sundays, 7 to 10 p.m.

Westconnett Civic Club, 105th St. just off Westconnett Blvd.

Callers - Tom and Mariann Hidding (771-6272)
President - Donald Miller, Jr. (771-2800)

Glad to have Pres. Donald Miller back in the "swing of Things" after his emergency appendectomy.

We would like to thank the Western Cutters for letting us use their Valentine decorations. They were really pretty and made everybody happy.

The Knothead trip jointly sponsored by the Calico Singers and Western Cutters is scheduled for Sat. March 15. The trip to visit the Swinging Squares, Mims, Florida, and their caller, Lil Tom Hidding is a well known personality in Jacksonville. Any dancers who would like to join us are most welcome to come along. For the location of the dance, please contact Mrs. Hidding (771-6272) or Mrs. Fitzsimmons (384-4162).

We are happy to have Angie Reynolds to join our club.

Donna Hicks - Reporter

JUBILEERS graduate five couples.

2nd & 4th Saturday, Arlington Congregational Church.

Caller - Harold Pillmore

President - Harvey Chambers (724-9014)

Since I reported last, Jubileers have been very active. For one thing, collecting banners, all of which have been claimed by their owners, so I guess we'll have to start stealing them all over again.

Jan. 24th, Harold was guest caller for Ancient City Squares. Three squares of Jubileers attended with him after stopping for a shrimp dinner in St. Augustine. There were a few complaining about having had too many shrimp to be able to dance.

Jan. 25th, five couples were graduated and well initiated including eating what they thought were live worms. We were very happy that Starlite Shufflers came to retrieve their banner that night and also that we got to dance to a tip of James Maxie's calling.

Valentine Day was well celebrated. There were 23 squares at the Feb. 8th dance including two squares that the caller, Frank Coggins, brought with him from Atlanta. I think everyone was in agreement that he is a fine caller.

On Valentine night, Carol Meeks cooked another delicious spaghetti dinner for the club preceding the class's last work shop.

Three squares of Jubileers visited the Grand Slammers graduation party on the

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15th of Feb. It was a real fun dance. We enjoyed watching their graduation ceremony and crazy initiation stunts.

After the dance we met by chance in Lums, a shabby group, whom we soon recognized in spite of their disguises as square dancers from the Friendly Frolics Hobo Dance. They were kind enough to share a frog and lizard or two with us.

Plans for future include making the new members Knotheads.

Pete Pillmore - Reporter

GRAND SLAMMERS have big dance planned!

1st & 3rd Saturday, Minton Hall, 12th & St. Clair Streets (Paxon)

Caller - John Robbins

President * Wayne & Barbara Blackford
(781-2532)

Sat. Feb. 1st found six squares dancing at Minton Hall. Class members had been invited, and in addition to them we had visiting with us, Jubileers, Lancers, and a group of Western Cutters who once again made off with our banner. Those "purple people" must really be fond of our green and white banner adorning their walls. Another couple dancing with us that night were Frank and Peggy Rogers. Although they're 'Slammers from way back they seemed like guests due to their long absence. Welcome back Frank and Peg. We also want to welcome Gene and Grace Shimp to the Knit Knit Klan.

Let us take this opportunity to give a pat on the back to those Orange Park Promenaders who just wouldn't give up. It's folks like that who are the real Die Hards in Square Dancing.

April 5th is the date, eight o'clock is the time, Minton Hall is the place and Rod Blaylock is the man you'll all be dancing to at our 3rd annual Spril Foolishness Dance. There's no fooling about Rod being one of the really fine callers from Albany, Ga. We hope to see all of you there.

Feb. 15th finally rolled around and with it graduation for 15 happy, if a little nervous, couples. And what a dance there was. Our hall was packed with dancers, in addition to our own, we had Jubileers, Western Cutters, Country Cousins, and Starlite Shufflers on hand for the festivities. We were also happy to see Louie Perdue out of the hospital and present if not dancing, here's to a speedy recovery, Louie.

One of our class members received special recognition. Paul Kirtz was half way through the class when he unfortunately broke his foot. Although this put a stop to his dancing, it didn't keep him away. He attended every class and so was presented with a

half hat plus a very special Grand Slammer badge, complete with a shingle naming him Chief Critic.

Besides Graduation and welcoming this wonderful group of dancers into our folds, we had another reason to celebrate that night, Nella Robbins birthday. She received a lovely "Nitey", in Grand Slammers Green and White no less.

The fact that our banner wasn't at home didn't slow down those theiving Starlite Shufflers. They made off with our president's shirt. So President Blackford will have something to wear during this cold weather, a group of 'Slammers are going to retrieve his shirt on Feb. 20th.

After all the antics, the Graduation exercise, and the dancing we announced that we'd start another class Feb. 26th at Philips Highway Plaza in conjunction with the Allemanderins. March 5th we'll host a free spaghetti supper for all would be square dancers who would like to join this class.

Next month you'll be hearing from someone new so so long, it's been fun.

Larry & Harriette Dickerson
Reporters

RHYTHMAIRES Snoopy Scoop scoops the Round Dancers.

Tuesdays, Southside Youth Center.
Teacher - Helen Crout

Hello World! Round'n Round she goes, and where she stops .. Everybody knows! Why at Rhythmaires, of course.

"Snoopy Scoop" here dashing off a bit of news 'n nonsense - filling in this month for our regular club reporter who's been on the sick list lately. We do hope she's feeling up to par real, real soon.

Rhythmaires extends a hearty welcome to its newest group of round dancers who graduated with honors on February 4th under the expert instruction of our own Madame Crout! Many thanks, Helen, for your patience, time and talents, and a great big thank you to Jack Stevenson for his never tiring assistance each week. Congratulations one and all to the new graduates! "Everybody's got to do his own thing" agreed Doris Shuler as she put the graduates through a haze of mad stunts and games on Initiation night! Imagine being wrapped from head to foot with toilet tissue - unlike the "Mummy" that married dear old Dad! Needless to say, the festivities of Feb. 4th will long be remembered, including the delectably delicious array of refreshments served by our club gals.

A skoop! By Snoopy! Flash - Be sure to see

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your next Grapevine for the date of our Gala Third Anniversary Party scheduled for sometime in April. And-our very best wishes to the "Rounduleers", with whom we all look forward to help celebrating their Fourth Anniversary on March 19th.

From Buffalo, New York - arrived some very distinguished guests at our Dance of Feb. 11, the Dearnys, Bill and Jeannette, who entertained us royally with a beautiful Tango and Waltz exhibition! Their talent was exceeded only by their style and grace.

For a new workshop number (7:30 to 8 p.m.) we've chosen "Rockin' Ida", while "Kopy-Kat", the February round of the month has been taught by Bill and Ruth Fleshman. Leave us not forget "Bramble Bush", "Roses", "My Gal Country Style", the ever popular "Green Alligator", "Molly and Me", and "Sleepy-Time Gal", all of which make for a thoroughly enjoyable evening of Rounds at Rhythmaires.

Love ya Madly,
"Snoopy Skoop"

DIXIE CHAIN GANG changing time of dancing to 8:30 to 11:00 p.m.

2nd & 4th Saturday, Philips Highway Plaza
Caller - Frank Clements
President - Warren Smith (725-7642)

Sorry Sam and I didn't get to the Jubileers Valentine Dance. From all reports we really missed a swinging dance. Four squares of Dixie Chain Gang-ers attended and a good time was had by all.

We want to extend our belated sympathy to Doris Adcock in the loss of her Mother. Also, Sam's Mother passed away recently after an extended illness.

Our wishes for a quick recovery is extended to Allene Hill who has recently been in the hospital. She is at home recuperating and I know would appreciate hearing from her friends. Get well soon Allene, we need you and Roy back dancing with us.

We recently had a business meeting and it was decided to change our time of square dancing. We will now be dancing from 8:30 until 11:00 p.m. beginning with our first dance in March. Pass the word around.

A second generation of Dixie Chain Gang's coming dancers are now enrolled in Billy Bishop's class. They meet at the Southside Youth Center every Friday night from 8:00 until 10:00 p.m. From what I've heard, little Arnie Yuille is going to outshine his proud dad, Ronnie, and that takes some doing. Billy Bishop is a new caller to most of us, but in my unbiased opinion is going to be one of the best.

We are looking forward to this coming Sat. night, Feb. 22nd, when we will initiate our recently graduated class into the Dixie Chain Gang. They are a friendly group and I know will be an asset to our club.

Have fun:

Carolyn Howard - Reporter

FRIENDLY FROLICS annual Hobo Convention a great success.

1st & 3rd Saturdays, Philips Highway Plaza
Caller - Bobby Keefe
President - Don & Bea Smith (725-1504)

We'd like to start the column off this time with praise to the newly initiated club members. We're indeed fortunate to have such ardent passion for action. Like man, they really like to dance. They also like to steal flags and by now we've given up trying to chronologize the month's activities. Paxon Prancers, Ancient City Squares, Y-Knots, and Starlite Shufflers all fell victims of our flag-stealing groups. Our feet are tired!

Bobby sounds great after resting his voice and we're really glad to hear him again. He was getting pretty good with sign language but it's difficult to dance to.

Good to have our Treasurer, Barney Davis, back with us after a few days in the hospital. Glad you're "all better" Barney. We hope it won't be too long before Jane Spring and Hugh Butner will be at least visiting our dances.

Anyone who missed our annual Hobo Dance on February 15th will never know what "real class" was displayed. This was very educational with all the symbols of the hobo decorating our walls. Even the stew was educational as some of us have never before seen such a variety of vegetables, meat, and other things in a stew. Winners in the "fashion parade" were Jean and Bud Harper as best couple, Louise Motley as best lady, and Herman Ibach as best gentleman. These lucky winners received gifts suitable to the hobo profession.

All Friendly Frolics club members, mark your calendars for 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 26, to attend our business meeting. The meeting will not be held in our dance hall, as usual, but you will be notified later by phone of the place. Remember, this is your club, and we need your ideas and your vote on some very important things coming up.

Be seeing you around,

Ruth Brandt - Reporter

441 CLUB open to all visitors.

2nd & 4th Saturdays, Recreation Center,
Gainesville, Florida.

After 8 years as a membership club and out

and introducing new dancers. All dancers who have graduated since January 1st will be admitted free of charge, for all others it will be \$1.00 per couple. Johnny Robbins will be at the turntable with Tom and Sue McRorie on rounds and mixers.

Frank Clements will be with us March 8th with John Saunders and Bob Rust for April 12 and 26.

Chet Vetter - Reporter

ANCIENT CITY SQUARES - A new "Yellow Rock" call??

Fridays, Chamber of Commerce Visitors Center
Callers - Bob Keefe and Hal Ham
President - Bob & Grace Hall (824-2490)

Harold Pillmore obligingly joined us one Friday night and brought his Jubileers with him. Of course, they made off with our banner, but we sure enjoyed having them. On Feb. 8th, a square or so attended the Valentine dance to retrieve our banner, and they tell me it was a real "danceable" dance.

Our Gordon Blaum dance was well attended and we all enjoyed seeing our square dancing friends from other clubs. We appreciate your support.

Bob Keefe is back and in excellent voice, so we are again enjoying those singing calls. The Friendly Frolics came to steal our banner, but since our regular "thievin banner" was gone, they got our "emergency banner". Some of us will be after our red panties soon - the weather is cold!

We were all so happy to welcome back our own Hal Ham. He is coming along nicely and seems to be back in the calling groove and we all enjoyed him so much. How about that yellow-rock called "Hug the Caller"? We sure have missed our Hal and sincerely hope that his recovery is rapid and complete.

Some of our membership were lucky enough to have tickets to the Joe Lewis dance. They say his calling and showmanship were as great as ever. This reporter would have

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"NEW GRADUATE" by Jewel Hanvey a new graduated herself from Bobby Keefe's class.

We came to you to learn this new,
and different sort of pasttime.
Somehow we felt You'd see us thru;
If we did our best at classtime.

As we stood in our first square,
You walked us thru with tender care.
The thought ocured (we recall)
This is going to be a ball!

You're doing great! You told us then
Let's play the music and begin.

The sounds of patter calls descending,
From your lips did prove heart rending
For the dancers in dismay,
Each asked the other, "Which Way"?

On, and on and on we strove,
To please him "Our dance master",

8. Only to find the more we learned,
The tune he just called faster.

At last that magic hour came,
We had mastered one thing or other,
And allamaded, All the same, when
we should have looked for mother.

But not withstanding this one error,
We decided to keep going,
And as he called to us "Chain Four"
We commenced to "Do se Doing".

You put us thru our steps "ole boy",
You bade us dance each set,
Our feet, they took this task with joy,
But our heads are spinning yet.

But that's all right, we're not upset
We will not fret or beef.
We will become square dancers yet,
Because of Bobby Keefe.

GRAND SLAMMERS

Gail and Ray Sudduth
Velma Highsmith
Neil Nevin
Craig and Sue Marshall
Marge and Ed Nolan
Dick and Eddy Corl
Stan and Eleanor Belusky
Joe and Thelma Glasser
Harold and Gail Steinmeyer
Bob and Dale Bach
Vance and Bev Gordon
Bill and Mary Reed
Herb and Harriett Spaulding
Bud and Myrt Hennessey
Pat McIntee
Carrol and Paul Kirtz

WESTERN CUTTERS

Doug and Lew Higgin
David and Marie Clark
Tex and Kathleen Caldwell
Mac and Jeanette Diloreto
Clyde and Virginia Brown

ANCIENT CITY SQUARES

Jack and Carole Wilson
Eddie Moeller
Darlene Leth
Clem and Zondra Douglass
Arthur and Louise Selbee

DIXIE CHAIN GANG

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AN OPEN LETTER TO THE EDITORS

As you know my wife and myself go around to many of the clubs to dance and talk to many of the members. In your comment in the February issue was mention of raising the admission to \$1.00 per person instead of \$1.50 per couple to increase treasuries or pay the caller more. Many of the clubs dance to just a few squares. Reason: The club members themselves. When a class graduates they are mainly left on their own and not really taken in to the club fold unless they have good possibilities as coming proficient dancers. This is true of most of the clubs. These new members should be taken in tow and helped by older members so they can improve and be able to dance to any caller. I have been guilty of looking for a good square at times myself. But for the betterment of square dancing as a whole we should all be willing to help others and in doing so will be helping ourselves. As soon as we give a little polish and poise to our new members we will make them into dancers everyone will want to dance with. Our classes in this area graduate more than enough people each year to form a complete new club, but many of them drop by the way because they feel unwanted. Let's all help these new graduates. You, at one time or another, have felt you could not dance the level of the rest of the square. For some it may be a long time ago, for others, like myself, it was just a couple of years ago I felt I could never learn all that stuff. Some of the clubs in the area are doing a

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good job in this respect while others are not. All club members will know which category their particular club falls into. Wake up dancers! Keep square dancing alive.

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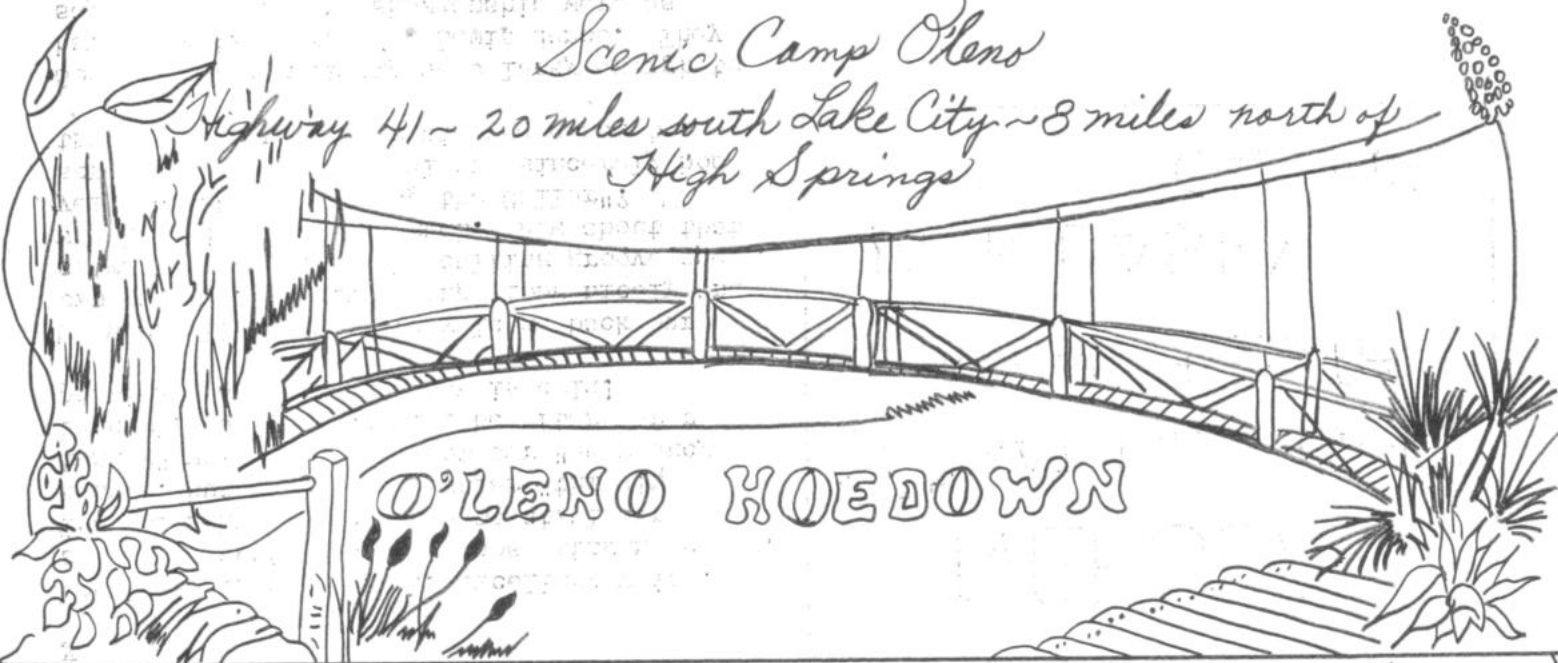
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- Mar. 7 .. Al Aderante sponsored by the Challengers.
- Mar. 8 .. Tom and Mariann Hidding sponsored by the Western Cutters.
- Mar. 8 .. Frank Clements sponsored by the 441 Club of Gainesville.
- Mar. 14 .. Lucky Clover Leaf Dance sponsored by Orange Park Promenaders.
- Mar. 15 .. Knothead trip to Mims, Fla. sponsored by Calico Swingers and Western Cutters.
- Mar. 19 .. Anniversary Dance with Caller Danny Robinson sponsored by the Roundoleers.
- Mar. 22 .. Welcome to new dancers-Gainesville Square Dance Council-Johnny Robbins calling
- Mar. 22 .. John Saunders sponsored by Western Cutters.
- Mar. 29 .. 5th Saturday dance NEFSDA sponsored by GCA, with Jack Lasry calling - To be held at Nat. Guard Armory, State St.
- Mar. 30 .. Callers Clinic
- Apr. 1 .. Joseph Lee Center Dance - Bruce Johnson caller.
- Apr. 4 .. Johnny Everett sponsored by the Challengers.
- Apr. 5 .. April Foolishness Dance - Minton Hall. Sponsored by Allemandarins and Grand Slammers - Rod Blaylock Calling.
- Apr. 26 .. Bob Rust sponsored by the 441 Club of Gainesville.
- Apr. 26-27 .. Camp O'Leno - sponsored by Starlite Shufflers - Callers Dick Barker, James Maxey, Walt Knight and Others.
- Apr. 26-May 4 - Swap Shop - Fontana Village Resort.
- May 7-11 .. Rebel Roundup - Fontana Village Resort.
- May 18-25 .. Accent on Rounds - Fontana Village Resort.
- May 24-June 1 - Fun Fest - Fontana Village Resort.
- May 31 .. 5th Saturday Dance NEFSDA sponsored by Swinging Squares of Jacksonville - Callers will be programmed by GCA. Cedar Hills Armory.

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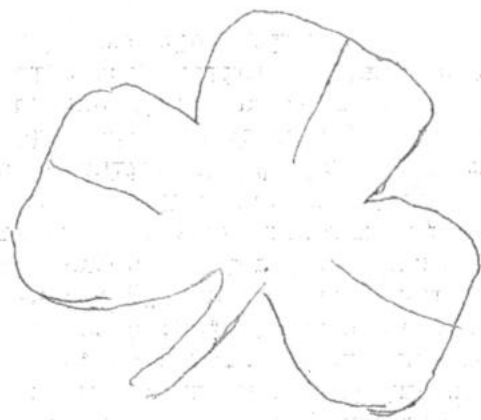
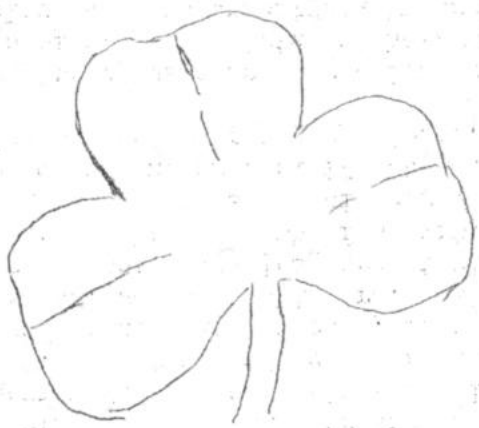
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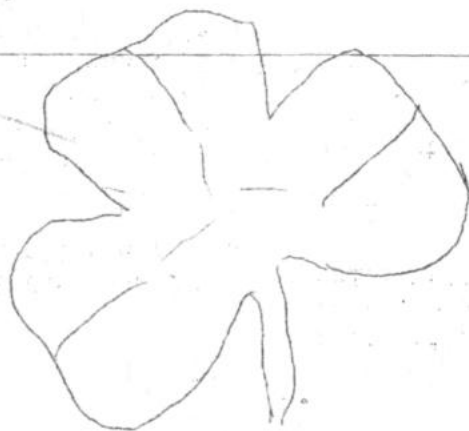
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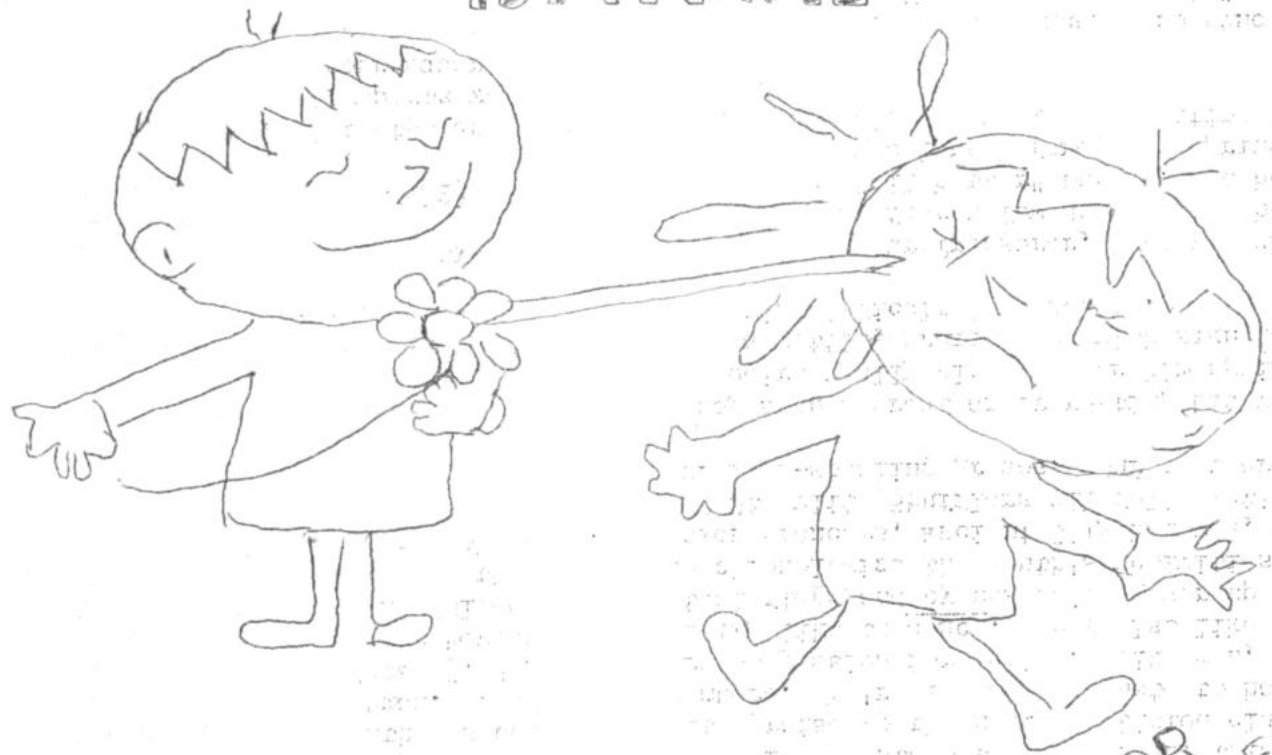


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- 8:00 - 11:30 p.m. - FUN FEST DANCE TIME* - STAFF (two rounds between tips)
- 12:00 - ??????? - IDIOT DANCING

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- 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. - ROUNDS with the MACKS
- 2:30 - 3:00 p.m. - VISITING CALLERS
- 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. - REVIEW WORKSHOP - STAFF
- 4:30 - 5:00 p.m. - ANYTHING GOES

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