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## H I G H L I G H T S

- Saturday, April 30 - Don't forget the NEFSDA 5th Saturday dance at Lake City Armory.
- Friday, May 6 - Merry Mixers Maypole Dance. Arlington Presbyterian Church.
- Friday, May 20 - Pirates Ball. Orange Park Promenaders. Lions Club, Orange Park, Fla.
- Saturday, May 21 - Jack Jackson - Grand Slammer's Club. 12th & St. Clair Streets. "2.00.

### THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

A State Convention planning session was held Sunday afternoon, April 17th, to develop advertising plans for use at Orlando during the State Square Dance Convention there June 17th and 18th. As a result, we will have a 4 ft. by 20 ft. sign to hand in the Orlando Auditorium proclaiming "Have Fun At The 14th State Square Dance Convention, Jacksonville, June 16, 17, 1967". We will also have poster board letters, one per person, spelling out "State Convention - Jacksonville, June 16, 17, 1967" and will have a parade of Jax dancers carry these into the hall the last night of the Convention in Orlando. (We hope it spells what it's supposed to). If you haven't made a hotel reservation for the 13th Convention in Orlando you better hurry.

We expect a big crowd at the Rod Blaylock dance in Lake City April 30th. We have tried to arrange a dance which will be well worth the drive over to Lake City. If you haven't danced to Rod Blaylock, we promise you will enjoy his calling. Support your Association. TO GET TO THE LAKE CITY ARMORY, GO VIA I-10, EXIT INTERSTATE 10 AT HIGHWAY US 90. FOLLOW US 90 TO US 41 TO US 90 IN DOWNTOWN LAKE CITY. TURN RIGHT ON 90 FIVE BLOCKS, THEN RIGHT AGAIN ABOUT FOUR BLOCKS. THE ARMORY IS ON THE LEFT.

The July 30 Northeast Florida Square Dancer's Association Dance will be held in the Hotel Mayflower Ballroom - the best square dance hall in town. Bob Reynolds will be one of the callers. The second caller has not been firmed up yet. This will probably be Bob's farewell dance for the Association; he is being transferred in August. We will be sorry to see him go. He has done a lot for square dancing in Jacksonville, and for the Western Cutters.

HAVE FUN - GO SQUARE DANCING.

The Next Association meeting will be held in the Mayflower Hotel the 2nd Monday, May 9th at 8:00 PM. One item on the agenda will be a discussion on group accident insurance to cover dancers while traveling to and from a square dance or while at a square dance. Members of the Texas State Square Dancer's Federation have \$1000 accident insurance for 10¢ per member per month.

The GRAPEVINE is still in need of a new editor and publisher. The magazine is in good financial shape and we are sending out about 475 copies a month. There are a large number of dancers who are not subscribing to the GRAPEVINE, and we lose 15 to 20 every month who do not renew their subscriptions, however, new dancers are just about making up for the old ones who drop their subscriptions. Still, only a small number of the "graduates" who are given 3 months free subscriptions, send us the necessary one dollar when their 3 months is up.

We would like to start a "Letters to the Editor" column in GRAPEVINE. How about starting it off with your letter? What is your pet peeve? What do you like about your club? What's wrong with the Grapevine? We think the subscription rate is too cheap - it's too good a magazine to sell for 8¢ a copy. We would like to call your attention to "Just Reminiscing" on page 12 of this issue. It is a very well written editorial written by a square dancer in North Dakota.

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The GRAPEVINE publishers wish to thank Joyce Kopp, Jibildes, for typing address labels this month. Also many thanks to Danny and Billie of Orange Park Promenaders and their son, and Marge and Frank Parker of Fun and Frolic for their help in putting it together.

THE ALLEMANDARINS

FRIDAY - Mandarin Athletic Club. Anne Lawhorne, Caller. John & Vivian Hansen, Co-Presidents. (268-5304).

The AlleMandarins welcomed into their club 24 new members on the 1st of April, when their recent class graduated. They are:

- Jack & Betty Arnold
- Ernest & Effie Batten
- Harold & Shirley Brash
- Marshall & Marcy Catlin
- William H. Carter
- Clarence & Betty Dickinson
- Buck & Edna Groom
- B. J. & Chink McCauley
- Mack & Mamie Lou McCauley
- Tom & Pat Pound
- Mary Pritchett
- Perry & Hazel Williams
- Tom & Nina Younger

Mandarin is fast becoming a Square Dance Center! We extend a warm and hearty welcome to the "Friendly Frolics", who are now dancing in our Mandarin Garden Center on Loretto Road. We AlleMandarins have been visiting them, (three & four squares) regularly, since they have come into our neighborhood! Now we are looking for them to visit with us often on Friday nights. We hope they remember that we do have their Banner!!

"The Highland Squares" from Daytona (John Saunders, caller) and the AlleMandarins have been exchanging Banners the past two months. We now have theirs and they have ours.

Those of us who attended the Jim Brower dance at Orange Park had a ball!

We will be seeing you-all at the N.E.F.S.D.A. Dance at Lake City on April 30th.

As Jim Brower says: "Keep Smilin'".

Vivian Hansen, reporter

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FUN AND FROLICS

TUESDAYS - Woodstock Park Community Center. JACK GRIFFITHS, Caller. President - Frank Parker (387-1382).

There's nothing we like better than a good congenial crowd to dance with, and that is what we had at our tenth Anniversary dance. With 12 squares on the floor, everyone had a wonderful time. The food, which was prepared by our gals, was as usual, out of this world. With all of those luscious calorie conscious goodies it's a good thing that Jack gives us such a work out, in order to keep our weight down. Well, after being kept in suspense for three weeks, we were all happy to see Bill & Ruth Fleshman crowned as King and Queen of Fun and Frolic. The runners up were Reggie and Aliette Register and Frank & Marge Parker. Our thanks go to Jane Nolan for the decorations, and to Faith Butner for making the robes for the king and queen, and also for the poem she wrote, "What Makes A Square Dance Club". To Everyone else who worked so hard to make the night a success, we say thanks

a million. One of the highlights of the night was the skit put on by our guys. Wish we could all have seen that movie, as by Jack's expression, it must have been a doosie. Incidentally, who was the red headed Q. T.? After the dance we lost our banner to the Merry Mixers, but we'll be after it soon.

We've had so many visitors this last month that it would be impossible to name all, but we'd sure like to see more of them.

One or two of our regular dancers have been missing this last two weeks. Sure hope that it isn't sickness that is keeping you away. Anyway, we miss you all, so please hurry back. If any of our members should be unfortunate and get sick, or have to go to the hospital, please have someone let us know.

Guess who celebrated birthdays this month? Jay Carter and Bill Skiles, was this your thirty-ninth? Anyway, best wishes to you both, and to any others we have missed.

Rhona Williams, reporter.

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Dear Gainesville,

I wish to thank you for receiving me so kindly at a time when kindness was most welcome. I especially extend my "tanks" to Jim and Bunny Whiteman for taking such good care of me, and I am most grateful to the Vettors, Murphys, and Rose and Harry Forbes for making my Friday night workshops so pleasant, and to Marshall and Robert (who can out-dig me) and to everyone else in Gainesville, "Thank you so much".

Eddie Millan

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GOLDEN SQUARES

SATURDAYS - Y.W.C.A., 325 E. Duval St. TOM AND MARIANN HIDDING, Callers (744-0658).

The GOLDEN SQUARES have so much news this month I hardly know where to begin. I suppose of first importance is the fact that they have now graduated, on April 15th, and are dancing at fun level. We thank the Voelkers and their friends for coming over and doing the initiation. I am sure that the graduates will not forget the fun they had. We also thank the dancers who came to make the graduation a gala affair. Along with diplomas, the graduates received their club badges and a brand new banner, an exact duplicate of the club badge.

The next important news item is that the GOLDEN SQUARES will be dancing on each Saturday night with the exception of the 5th Saturdays. Also policy has been set, and visitors will be charged \$1.25 per couple. Our club will not serve refreshments during a dance as the YWCA has vending machines available. We are still dancing in the air-conditioned Friendship Room, downstairs. You are always welcome. (Continued page 3)

GOLDEN SQUARES - continued:

As most of the club members have been busy learning to square-dance, we do not know rounds, therefore, rounds will be played between tips upon request of the visitors. We all hope to join in round-dance classes in the fall as we can see they are much fun from the few demonstrations we have seen. Or maybe we can prevail upon some round-dance enthusiast to come in and teach us at our club.

Rumor has it that four of our couples are planning a Knothead trip to Fort Lauderdale in the very near future, in fact by the time you read this. They will have gone and returned. The club they plan to visit is the "Shirts 'N Skirts", the club where our callers learned to dance. (sure wish we could go along!)

Tom & Mariann Hidding

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K A P E R K U T T E R S

1st & 3rd SATURDAYS - Union Hall, Palatka, Florida. BILL CAMP, Caller. Gerald Northcut, President.

The Kaper Kutters held their graduation on March 19th, and a grand time was had by all. Being welcomed into the club were: John & Elsie Berry, Gene & Nancy Bivings, Joe and Bonnie Burke, Gene & Marie Colvin, Robert & Dolores Graves, Mike & Harriett Gravely, Ed Fridy, Walt & Louise Mason, William & Ruth Medlock, Vernon & Barbara Mullins, Walter & Dottie Sapp, Howell & Wartha Smith.

Big plans are in the making for the coming months, including a new class for beginning square dancers, and a workshop for the more advanced dancers. April 29th, approximately 30 people will travel to Titusville, Florida to regain possession of our banner, and also to make Knothead.

Edna Cooper, who has been the Kaper Kutters reporter for some time now is leaving us to move down south. Our best wishes and thanks go to her. We will miss you, Edna.

John & Elsie Berry  
Reporters

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"Y" K N O T S

THURSDAY - 8:00 PM. YMCA. ANNE LAWHORNE, caller. Frank Sullivan, President (389-0612).

The "Y" KNOTS have been busy this past few weeks helping our caller get a new class started. We now have three squares of eager to-learn dancers who meet at the YMCA every Monday at 8:00 P.M. There are quite a few 'helpers' who show up with the class and as any square dancer knows, some extra practice never hurts any of us. Besides it is always fun meeting new people!

Our election of officers was held April 7th and our nominating committee did themselves proud in securing such capable people to serve for the coming year. The slate of officers presented was unanimously elected and these are:

- President - Frank & Lucille Sullivan.
- Vice-President- Bill & Vi Hancock
- Secretary - Joy & Faye Palmer
- Treasurer - Harold & Mynette Smith

Our new presidents have already been busy getting their various committees appointed and I am sure we will have a wonderful year under their capable leadership.

Would love to have you come and dance with us any or every Thursday night at the "Y". We begin promptly at 8:00.

Bessie Allen, reporter

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H A Y S T A C K H O P P E R S

FRIDAYS - Englewood Home Demonstration Center. JOHNNY ROBBINS, Caller. Debora Fleming, President (355-2771).

To start this month off we had a Sadie Hawkins Dance on March 25th. We would like to thank Frank Clements for calling and bringing his (old) Taw, and the Jacks & Jills, some who were dressed as hillbillies. We sure hope Johnny Robbins and his Taw had a wonderful time at St. Augustine. I know everyone at our Sadie Hawkins Dance did.

The HAYSTACK HOPPERS would like to thank Little Tom Hidding and Mrs. Hidding for calling for us on April 1st, when our regular caller couldn't make it.

April 2nd we had a Beach Party at Ponte Vedre and had a ball. We went swimming in



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HAYSTACK HOPPERS, continued:  
ice-cold water, played ball and ate with small paper plates or potato chips. The Robbins sure don't have any fun because they had to work.

Guess who became "Sweet Sixteen" on April 13th? Yes, it's our Vice-President, Bill Pugh. HAPPY BIRTHDAY, BILL!

April 15 we had loads of fun when the Grand Slammers, with their two nuts, Bill and Mary Bailey, came banner stealing. Those Grand Slammers will be seeing us soon (like at their next dance). Hope to see a big crowd there.

Well, I gotta go now and I want to see all the HAYSTACK HOPPERS next Friday night.

Reporter, Martha Pugh

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PAXON PRANCERS

THURSDAYS - Mary Hammond Youth Center on 12th street. BOB RUST, Caller. Roy Hill, President (phone 724-8915).

These months just seem to come around much faster than news can be obtained; but that's the lot of a reporter.

We certainly enjoyed having the Starlite Shufflers dancing with us on their recent night off. It seems our caller lost his shirt during one of his calls, - it was taken without his missing a single beat, too! Shows you what concentration can do. So, Bob, - in the future you'd better bring along an extra shirt, for you may need it.

All those who went to Camp O'Leon must agree we really had fun! I took along several changes of clothes, but there was one thing wrong! I was so cold that first night out that I had to wear them all at the same time! I am still trying to catch up on my sleep! Some people just won't let you sleep. We did have a most wonderful time, however, and know that we Prancers who went will want to go next year also. Thanks to Starlight Shufflers for a well-planned dance.

We're sorry to hear that Margaret Joyce has gone back in the hospital for tests. We will be missing her and hope she's back dancing with us again real soon.

On July 14th through 21st, our caller will be on vacation. Frank Clements will be calling for us during this time. We are always happy to have Frank with us.

Square Dancing really is fun! Don't you agree?

Bonnie Smith, reporter.

BLUE SWEATER LOST

Someone accidentally picked up Kay Holbrook's light blue sweater at the Paxon Dance, Thursday, April 7. Please contact her for an exchange - she has your sweater. The sweater she lost was a birthday gift and she would like to get it back. Call Kay at 721-3405.

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JAX N' JILLS

THURSDAYS - Arlington Community Club Bldg. FRANK CLEMENTS, Caller. Ricky Ewing, Pres.

The Jax N' Jills have had a real exciting month. The last Friday night in March, the Jax N' Jills visited the Haystack Hoppers. They were having a Sadie Hawkins Day Dance.

We are now dancing at the Arlington Community Club building. Our class is still showing improvement.

The Mandarin Promenaders were over to visit us and to take our flag back with them the Friday night before Easter. We hope to go visit them real soon and get it back.

Well, so long for now Fellow Square Dancers. Happy Dancing!

Mary Lee Haselton, reporter

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441 DANCE CLUB

2nd & 4th SATURDAYS - Howard Bishop Jr. High School, Gainesville, Florida. Florida Callers (for members - out of town dancers welcome). Ike Cheves, President (FR6-5764)

A sure sign of summer fast approaching; sunburns, children counting days, Mothers also. Plans made for camping trips, vacations and the State Convention. Three members of 441 have some special plans going for them this summer. The Whitemans and Wigglesworths will see the results of long hours of planning and dreaming in the beginning of construction of their new homes. Tom and Sue McRorie will enjoy their annual trip to Rainbow Lake just a little better this summer as Sue has won a free week. 441 trying to pin down a date so they can make plans for their Dinner-Dance, too many conflicting dates. Finally settled on June 11th with Eric Sohn the caller. Watch for more details and flier in next months GRAPEVINE. Ed Turlington very grateful for his lopsided victory in the City Commission race, but most happy to step down from the Mayor's chair. (Continued)

Again during the last month we were blessed with a number of visitors, several of whom were called to the front of the hall for presentation of our pleasure for their visits. Dan Danson, Ann Danson, John Ruthruff, Donna Solonso, Betty Sue Bradley, Bill and Amy Gill, Jim Nolan and our almost constant visitors, George and Annie (with an ie) Millan, Eddie Millan and Myrna Nolan.

This will no doubt be in the Swinging Squares column, but we think he rates two mentions. The Swinging Squares of Gainesville had their annual Barbeque last Saturday Night, and Dick Gonzales did that pig to a turn.

Julia & Chet Vetter

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#### RHYTHMAIRES ROUND DANCE CLUB

MONDAY - Englewood Home Demonstration Center. Early workshop 7:30 'till 8:00. Class from 8:00 until 10:00. Club dancing 'till 11:00. Bob Willis, President.

Another month has gone by and we have had a very busy month. The first Sunday in April we had a workshop and covered dish supper in the Allemandarins hall. We were so pleased to have with us that day Bob Pringle & Frances Upshaw, and from Roundoleers Bill & Ruth Fleshman, Foots & Joan Reynolds, and Fred Hafer. We workshop "Diane", "Go Go Go", and the round of the month for April "Marie". Boy, did we have some good food! We hope more of you round dancers will attend our next workshop which going to be May 15, which is the 3rd Sunday, at the Allemandarins hall at 4:30 'till ?. It will be a covered dish supper. There is a charge of \$1. Everyone who has been thru a round dance class is welcome to come.

We have had two on our sick list this last month. Eddie Bowman and Anne Willis. We sure have missed you two, so hurry and get well. We need you.

We are happy to report that we have two new members, Chera Mullino and Sam Webb.

Helen's class on Monday nights is coming right along. They have learned two rounds which are, "Hot Lips" and "Marie" and several mixers. We RHYTHMAIRES had better watch out or they will be out-dancing us. You know we have one member who says he doesn't know a single dance we do. Joe, maybe some day we will play one you know. Did you all know that Barney Davis grows cabbage in the back of his Car?

It was decided at our last business meeting to make a Banner and start visiting the other Round Dance Clubs and see if they would make a club banner. That way we can go from club to club and steal each others banner. If any other Round Dance Clubs already have one, let us know and if it isn't too far away you just might find us

knocking on your door.

We would like to extend an invitation to all Round Dancers to come and visit us. We dance every Monday night at the Englewood Club house. If you need any information on our club, call our President, Bobby Willis, 733-1927.

We hope to see you soon.

Anne Purvis & Helen Crout

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#### STARLITE SHUFFLERS

THURSDAYS - except 5th Thursday. Brad Tredinnick Youth Center. WALT KNIGHT, caller. Bob Ross, President. (771-6512).

Saturday March 19, we retrieved our banner from the Grand Slammers and fun was had by all. Johnny Robbins thought he was seeing things, but instead of a square of beginners there were four callers. Now, it is much better if you dance with the opposite sex, but some of said callers couldn't seem to tell which was which. If you ever dance in the same square with Walt Knight, Joe Smith, Mariann Hidding and Frank Clements with big Tom Hidding standing there directing, you'll know what I mean. Lorene Hill and the Veelkers won a purple heart badge but Walt thought we deserved more because it was murr-derr.

Yvonne Hart came to a recent dance dressed in a croaker sack. Her excuse was she didn't have a thing to wear and Bob would not buy her a new dress. Now Bob, you should stop squandering your money on windshield wipers and buy Yvonne a new dress, because she really started to unravel and people could see her knees.

When you've been blindfolded and told to pucker up for a kiss, it must be horrible to have lemon juice squeezed into your mouth, but that's exactly what happened to Jack and Dottie Millis, because they missed the club's Knothead initiation and had to have their own private party.

Friday March 25th Margie Patrick, Lorene Hill and four other Starlite Shufflers visited Tom and Mariann Hidding's class at the YWCA in order to learn the Grand Square, Star Prowl, and Grand Chain Dixie style. It just goes to show you, some of



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STARLITE SHUFFLERS continued:

us did not pay attention when we were supposed to have been learning.

Saturday, March 26th, Jingle Bells - Jingle Bell Rock. A group of us took back Bob Reynold's shirt. He was so proud of the lace and bells he danced more than he called, just to hear the bells. Kids will be kids and he is no exception. He said he never takes a dare. I think he made a mistake to say that, for we can be pretty daring. Bob, when you visit our club in the near future, I dare you to wear it.

Attention Carl Law, "You need to have your typewriter fixed. It just does not spell words the same way mine does. Mine does not spell garter with a "d" and that man that likes girls spells his name Primo, not Prime, which he does think that he is in the middle of. (The misspelled words are what make the Grapevine interesting) CL

Lorene Hiss is dying hard these days, especially since her die-hard partner is none other than Norman Voelker, the little boy who always runs and hides when the music starts playing.

Speaking of dying, Gus Ruser hopes to do do just that, at the ripe old age of 108, by the hand of a jealous husband. Gus, if you don't stop this petti-pants inspection, your time may come sooner than you think. Why don't you try for a Knee-pincher badge like Bob Reynolds has. He earned that by pinching girls on the knees and one squealed on him.

Bob Rust was one surprised caller when more than a square of Starlite Shufflers visited the Paxon Prancers to get their banner and took his shirt instead. He was even more surprised when they gave it back to him at the end of the dance.

April 2nd and 3rd we had our Camp O'Leno Hoedown. We do not have an accurate count but there was almost 200 people participated, with 150 staying for the whole weekend. We want to thank all of our guests from local and out of town clubs from near and far who helped to make it a memorable weekend. We want to thank our guest callers for doing such a good job and we want to let them know they are always welcome to visit us.

We especially want to thank Floyd and Margie Hazen for bringing their 27 children and having an exhibition dance for us. Floyd says he and Margie have not spent all of their time square dancing and have only one set of twins in the bunch. Anyone who has to have 10 cars to haul his family around is really to be admired for being able to get anywhere. I find it hard to keep track of two kids.

Poor Floyd had a flat tire on the way and when all 10 cars pulled off the highway, he had plenty of help, although Margie was a little uneasy, she was afraid a state trooper would come along and give them a

ticket for having so many kids; or was it cars?

Richard Patrick, Jaiquette Liner and yours truly found the gravity was different at Camp O'Leno, you know, what goes up must come down. Well the three of us put our feet down and found they came up again, leaving us flat on the leaves.

We had two Kangaroo parties and some of us earned a Kangaroo badge. Other badges that were earned were Idiot, Night Owl, Knot Head, CooKoo, Camper, a ghost for attending Camp O'Leno for two or more times. Don Hunt thinks Richard, Jaiquette and I deserve a slipper's badge for slipping up flat on the ground. I may not be around to wear mine as Richard warned me not to tell on him.

For some strange reason, the water went off and some of the girls had a dry bath.

It was a cold night, and Margie Patrick said she nearly froze while Yvonne Hart's electric blanket was going full blast on an empty bed. Some of us visited Floyd and Marge's cabin and toasted our backs by their fire while Bob Hart entertained us with his cute little jokes.

After the Saturday night dance, we had some wonderful skits and games, and of course Walt modeled the petti-pants he received for his birthday. He sure was cute in them and nicer legs noman ever had. He did complain the elastic was too tight, since he is not used to wearing such.

I can't mention any names on this one as every man is blissfully unaware that he himself snores, and to be told that he does is strictly taboo; but the men that occupied the leader cabin next to the dining hall, know who you are, and Charlie Kempt claims he could not sleep for the noise, some if may have been his own. There was one that snored with curly Q's on the end and another snored like he was sawing a knotty log, still another sounded like a motorcycle going by on a windy hill, another one sounded like a freight train going through a tunnel, then there was the one that snored quietly like a kitten purring after drinking a saucer of milk.

The loud laughing at 3:30 Sunday morning was coming from cabin 5, which was occupied by Goldie Egelkraut, Lil Hall, Lillian Shaw, Mabel Meredith and Rose Agee.

"Those Senior Citizens", as one teenager put it, "were worse than juvenile delinquents. They not only sewed their husbands' pajama legs and arms so they could not put them on, they put wood, pecans and other junk their beds. The other half of said men were in cabin 11, and were kept awake all night by their wives torment. Of course, yours truly was invited to share in the fun, or meanness, and is not entirely blameless, by any means.

I never could figure out why Elsie Green kept counting to 5 when she danced in our square.

Starlite Shufflers - Continued

Yvonne Hart showed up in the new dress Bob would not buy her for St. Patrick's Day.

Art and Elaine Draper's darling little two year old daughter wanted to dance so bad, but no one would be her partner because mama and daddy kept pulling her off the dance floor.

After seeing the beautiful exhibition dance by Floyd's kids; known as Floyd Hazen's Young Folks", we are about as proud of them as he is and it won't surprise us to be seeing them on TV one of these days.

Well enough about Camp O'leno, as I don't want to take advantage of Carl Law's generosity in printing my whole column and I will be surprised if he does not cut this one to pieces.

Thursday, April 14, we enjoyed the visit of Bill and Nora Camp from the Lake City Squares. Bill wants everyone to know, he lives in Jacksonville and will be visiting us more often, although he is a busy man and calls for about three clubs.

Elizabeth Voelker

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The following articles were found in the cabins at Camp O'Leno and may be claimed by calling 771-6512 -

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SEASIDE SQUARES

WEDNESDAY - Jacksonville Beach Pavilion.

JOE SMITH, Caller (249-5051)

A lot of Purple Hearts are going to show up at the Seaside Squares since another of our new members, Chuck Wail, reported in from his tour of duty in Morocco equipped with his caller's qualifications and records packed in his seabag. We want to welcome his wife Jean into the club and now that they have settled down in their new abode we hope to see a lot of them. With three or four Callers on hand to take turns at the table, we never quite know what to expect. (A tip in a square with three callers entitles you to the Purple Heart -- and you usually earn it!).

Someone in the Merry Mixers came up with a good idea to assure a good attendance at their May dance -- go out and pick up most of the flags in the area and let the clubs collect them all at one dance. Since they relieved us of ours nearly a month early, I wonder what would happen if we went over to take it back? Ya all come back after it again?

Our Cotton Tail Dance provided quite a few dancers with a new shingle, since it was the first one picked up since graduation. I hope they keep on dancing and pick up many more badges to follow it. We extend our thanks to Hershel Lee, Bill Camp and Mrs. Van Ziles for judging our hat parade contest. With all the fancy chapeaus adorning the heads of the dancers, their ability to pick out the winners was no easy task. Prize winners for the evening were: Barbara Blackford from the Grand Slammers for most original, Wayne Blackford also from the same club for the funniest. Lou Freeman from the Seaside Squares for the most original male. Al McAtee from the Seaside Squares for the prettiest hat (was made as an original entry but ---). And to make it a family affair, Ann Freeman came up with the winning ticket for the door prize.

The large buffet we all enjoyed was made possible by the hard work of Margaret Smith, Virda McAtee and Ann Freeman who did most of the shopping, wrapping and preparing the food and prizes. Continued next page)

SEASIDE SQUARE continued:

Then there was all those Easter goodies the ladies prepared and fixed up so fancy - calories and all! Our Thanks to Mary Forrester for her cake all decorated up with a Happy Easter to the club. And last but not least, to Richard Steeves for his M.C. talents and to the guest callers who added to the evenings success.

A spur of the moment covered dish supper was a gourmets delight, with everything from shrimp creole to iced tea, and nearly everyone in the club managed to attend. After everyone had seconds and thirds, it was a problem to find the energy left to square dance. May we have many more of the same. Do you know that one of these days the Glovers will be able to field a complete square in their own family? And that's all for this edition.

The Beachcomber, McAtee

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GRAND SLAMMERS

1st & 3rd SATURDAYS - 12th and St. Clair Streets (Minton Hall) - Johnnie Robbins, Caller. Chuck Crowell; President 781-0596.

This month Grand Slammer news is by necessity going to be brief. "Ye Olde Scribe" and Taw have been feeling poorly for the past few weeks having been afflicted with just about every virus known to medical science. As a consequence we haven't been doing any dancing and haven't picked up much news, but good old summertime is almost here and maybe we can get in full swing again.

On April 2nd the Lake City Squares visited us and retrieved their banner - also the Jubileers danced with us that night and took our banner. Awfully nice to have you folks with us for a night of fun.

Grand Slammers Wayne and Barbara Blackford made the Seaside Squares annual Connontail Dance and won first prize for the most original costume. Congratulations folks - I knew we had some some prize winners in our group.

How does noonlight dancing while cruising on the river aboard a replica of an old stern wheeler riverboat sound to you square dancers? We are considering chartering the "Moon River Queen" one night this summer to do just that. If any clubs are interested, please contact our President, Chuck Crowell. We will need at least eight squares to swing the deal. Besides being a lot of fun we can add a "Riverboat Plank" to our badges.

ON MAY 21st JACK JACKSON FROM WINTERPARK WILL CALL OUR SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE. MAKE PLANS NOW TO BE WITH US THAT NIGHT FOR SOME REAL GOOD SQUARE DANCING.

Jack and Doris Shuler, Bill and Lynn

Priestly and Clark and Florence Moore from the Ancient City Squares visited on the night of April 16th and carried home their banner. Sure glad to have you folks with us and come again real soon.

Our new class is coming along real fine and we'll be putting a new crop of dancers in circulation soon.

That's all for now folks. Come see us.

Hugh & Edna Bruce, Reporters

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MANDARIN PROMENADERS

MONDAY 7:00 until 8:30. Mandarin Athlet Club. DAVE TURNER, Caller. Charles Price, President.

The new class is learning fast. They have nearly four squares and we enjoy dancing with them.

On the 8th of April ten of the Mandarin Promenaders visited Jax 'N Jills and brought their banner home. We had a ball, and look forward to dancing with them again when they come to get their banner.

Yours truly  
Susan Greek, Reporter

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ANCIENT CITY SQUARES

FRIDAY - Chamber of Commerce - St Augustine, Florida. Caller - OSCAR ERWIN. President - Bill & Lynn Priester (829-3945).

On the eighteenth of this month we had five couples visit us from the Grand Slammers, with theiving on their minds. You guessed it; they took it. The same evening two couples from the Friendly Frolics also came down. Sure had a fine time dancing with all of you and to the calling of the Outer-Shouter from the Grand Slammers, Johnnie Robins.

On the week-end of the 25th, Ancient City Squares were swinging high and wide. The Priesters, Olivers and the Pinkhams joining the Berry's from the Kaper Kutters for a visit with the Jubileers. The same weekend the Shuler's, their son Jack and the Moores had a swinging time down on the farm - Frontier Farms that is. For the ones going down to Wildwood the tea cups in 3 and 11 will long be remembered!!!

Bill and Nora Camp from Jacksonville, also Bill and Ann Thiebault of the Nautical Knotts joined in the April Fools Party fun of Bill Priester catching fish and Jack Shuler flying, then too, watching Oscar

ANCIENT CITY SQUARES Continued:  
Erwin cutting his cake. Watch it, you can't always tell a cake by it's frosting. We enjoyed dancing to some calls by Bill Camp.

Those Kaper Kutters, you can't beat them. Do to circumstances beyond our control, we needed held during the Arts and Crafts Festival, and called on Gerrald. Two couples came to our rescue, Margaret and Gerrald, along with the Massons. Many Thanks!

Seven couples from the Wally Wyan (Florida unit) Caravan danced with us last week. They in turn asked our members to come out and dance with them at the fair grounds. We had a good time and learned quite a bit, like the "Dip and Dive".

Our caller, Oscar Erwin from Daytona; along with John Saunders are making arrangements for a week end of square dancing you will surely want to attend. The date to mark on your calander is OCTOBER 14, 15. Watch for more news of the other callers we will have. The list is not complete as of now as to the National caller to be here. Early bird pins will be available. (See coming events on last page for more info. Editor).

Last Saturday we enjoyed the hospitality of the Grand Slammers and brought our banner home. Their new home is mighty fine. That bucket of worms was really fun.

Clarke & Florence Moore

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ROUNDLEERS

WEDNESDAYS - Woodstock Community Center, 2839 W. Beaver Street. 7:00 PM, Basics Class. 8:00 PM, Regular Dance. Joan and "Foots" Reynolds, President.

"Tango Mannita" has been the number one dance this month at Roundleers. I believe all our dancers have just about mastered this little jewel. Since your hand and body positions are as important as the footwork, it takes more than a one track mind. Whee!!!

"Go-Go-Go" a samba number was learned by all this month. It's a cute one.

Our president, Foots Reynold, has been busy setting up committees for our third year. I'll list all officers and committee chairmen and hope I don't forget someone this time. I did last month. As I mentioned above, the Reynolds are President, Charlie and Pauline Shuford, Vice President, Helen Cout, Secretary and Treasurer, Anne Turner, reporter, Ruth and Bill Fleshman, Program Chairmen, Sunshine Committee is Joan Reynolds and Pauline Shuford. If I've missed anyone, I promise to get you in next month.

Carl & Betty Graeff report that their class is moving along fine. Many basics have been taught plus three Rounds, "Left Footers One Step", "Dancing Easy" and "Philadelphia Strut".

The class is near it's half way point and is moving on full speed ahead.

We are very happy to welcome a new couple to our group. Junion and Anne Purvis.

It's sure grand to hear Eddie Bowman is home from the hospital. We all are anxious to have you back dancing with us soon.

Plans are in the making to go to Westley Manor for one of our regular dances. I believe May 8, 7:00 PM is the time and date. Further information see Bill Fleshman.

Many new dances have been planned for us next month, but I'll wait until then to tell ya!

Anne Turner, reporter

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SWINGING SQUARES  
THURSDAYS - Howard Bishop Junior High School, Gainesville. DICK GONZALES, Caller. Robert and Marshall Wigglesworth, President (376-2358).

Our "Fifth Thursday" Dance was a big success. Joe Johnson did a fine job of calling and we were happy to have so many visitors. Among these were Bill and Nora Camp. Come again folks!

The new class was honored with a covered dish supper and welcomed into the club on April 5th. There's some real fine dancers in this group and we're glad to have all of you.

We held our annual Bar-b-Que at the Lion's Club, in High Springs, Saturday, April 16.

Dick Gonzales did himself proud at the pit. Delicious!! And such an array of covered dishes! After everyone had passed the table to the groaning point, we danced to the calls of Dick and Scotty Thomas.

We hope everyone is making plans to go to the Convention in Orlando in June.

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Ev and Marge Sweat

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MERRY MIXERS

FRIDAYS - Parish Hall, St. Paul's Episcopal Church. MYRON SIMMONS, Caller. Bruce Marley, President (724-0486).

The Merry Mixers met at the home of Betty & Jim Tresca for the covered dish supper on the last Friday. We had a nice turn-out, the food was good, as always, and the meeting very successful. Members came very dressed up, even Dwight Perkins came in tails. We had loads of fun.

On April 1, we graduated our class with a party. The hall was decorated very gaily in spring flowers. After a little fun and foolishness, the 17 new Merry Mixers were welcomed into the club. We know they will be an asset to our club. Welcome!

Don't forget our MAY DAY DANCE on May 6. We plan big things so keep that date in mind. See the flyer in this issue.

We are so glad to see Rosie Groover back dancing again, after surgery. We missed you.

That's all for this month.

Betty and John Adams

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WESTERN CUTTERS

2nd and 4th SATURDAYS - Lakeshore Women's Club. BOB REYNOLDS, Caller. Ernie and Sally Doering, President (781-3351).

Our March 26, 1966 dance was held at the Mary Hammond Youth Center. This was a covered dish supper and boy, was that good eating! We really have some chefs in our club as the food was outstanding. Credit goes to Doris and Jim Butler and Erma and Fred Blado who served on this committee. Bob called a good dance as usual and we enjoyed hearing Johnnie Robbins who was visiting with us, and Joe Smith added to the nights dancing enjoyment. Even though the dancing was good, there was sadness in the air, as this was Bruce and Murph Liebold's last dance. They are being transferred to Memphis, Tennessee and we are really going to miss them. They are good dancers and good friends. We wish them lots of happiness and much luck and know they will be welcomed in a square dance club there.

At our Saturday night dance, April 9, we had a grand time. Bill and Nora Camp honored us with a visit and Bill did a fine job of calling as usual. Really liked that Steel Guita Rag, Bill. And those cup cakes Macie Byrd made were delicious! Nathan Byrd thought so, too! (ha ha).

This past Saturday night was Bob's Workshop night. I haven't but one thing to say, "I danced a hole in my shoes that night..... we really did some dancing". We learned so many different things that I'll be lucky if I remember one. But let me say this.... Congratulations goes to me, as the impossible was accomplished that night. I learned to

do the Tea Cup Chain. However, if you ever get in a square with me and this figure is called, kindly have patience, please.

This Friday night, April 22nd, we will visit Orange Park to dance and get their Banner. The same night, a Square will visit Jubileers and get our banner back, so look out, here we come.

May 28 will be our Anniversary Dance and everyone is invited. The Roaring Twenties are back again so come like Al Capone or Dorothy Provine. (It's best if the men come dressed like Al and the women like Dorothy....would look better, don't you think?)

Our dance on April 23rd will be held in the Lake Shore Women's Club, and everyone is welcome. The way we Western Cutters move around, we will soon be known as the Roaming Western Cutters.

Hope everyone had a nice Easter. See you next month.

Phyllis and Bobby Keefe

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F R I E N D L Y F R O L I C S

1st & 3rd SATURDAYS - Mandarin Garden Club. HERSCHELL LEE, Caller. Gene Johnson, Pres. (389-4097).

The hall was beautiful, Herschel inspired and the crowd enthusiastic - that's a thumb-nail description of our housewarming, April 2nd, at the Mandarin Garden Club. We were happy to have so many visitors join us on this gala occasion and hope they'll come often now that they know the way. Our thanks to Mildred Hartley, President of the Garden Club, and husband Harvey for having everything set up for us on our arrival - even to a gorgeous bouquet of azalias for the Treasurer's table.

Our Eddie Bowman has been paroled in the custody of Willie Gray after serving a term in Riverside Hospital. Be a good boy, Eddie, and maybe you'll get time off for good behaviour and can rejoin us soon. We miss you.

The Wixsons got a new car the hard way - the old one was demolished by a hit-and-runner on their way to Gainesville. We're all grateful that Ray and Margaret escaped serious injury.

Junior and Anne Purvis have a new address:  
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FRIENDLY FROLICS continued:  
Junior and Anne Purvis have a new address:  
3133 Spring Glen Road, Apt. 3.

A warm and hearty welcome to our new members, Clarence and Betty Dickinson, who reside at 6362 Elise Drive, South. Their telephone number is 733-5147.

Is there no end to the talents of Helen Crout? Dancer, teacher, composer and now writer. Helen's amusing and informative article "The Making of a Round Dance Teacher and Creator" appeared in the April issue of Bow & Swing.

Our 4th annual Miss Friendly Frolics Beauty Contest is now history. A 21-gun salute to all the great guys who participated..... you've never looked lovelier! Judges for the event were Ruth Fleshman, Clarice Greek, Harvey Hartley and George Stanton. We appreciate their accepting the difficult task. After long and careful deliberation, they reached the following decision:  
Miss F.F 1966 - Dexter Hughes (Miss Led).  
1st Runner-up - Carlton Pierce (Miss Fling).  
2nd Runner-up - Ronnie Nelson (Miss Top Drawer).  
3rd Runner-up - Jim Smith (Miss Fortune).

Arie Willis did a great job as M.C. and was ably assisted by Helen Crout in the music department. All in all, it was a night to remember!

Election of new officers will be held at our first dance in May. They will be chosen from the following slate of nominees:

- President - Eddie & Vera Edge  
Irvin & Ellen Johnson
- Vice President - Don & Bee Smith  
Jack & Frances Wimber
- Treasurer - James & Doris Adcock  
Jim & Betty Smith
- Secretary - Ruth & Joe Brandt

Get out the vote - give someone a ride to the polls!

Bee Smith, Reporter  
Don Smith, Kibitzer

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Even if man could understand women, he still wouldn't believe it. (From North Dakota Prairie Squares)

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JUBILEERS

2nd and 4th Saturdays - Arlington Congregational Church. HAROLD PILMORE Caller. Harry Null, President (725-5537).

Here we are again. Hope everyone had a nice Easter. I know Lou Null did, her parents, sister and two little nephews came down from Pennsylvania for the Easter Holidays.

On April 2nd, a group of us went eating and raiding, our two favorite pass-times. We

We had shrimp at Prichards Kitchen and I never saw so many platters of shrimp that never made it any farther than Ed Sasser - he's a growing boy! We stole the Grand Slammer's flag that night. We really enjoyed ourselves; we always have a good time at the Grand Slammers, they are so friendly.

Our class is doing so well we have three enthusiastic squares.

We want to extend our sympathy to Jewel Turner on the loss of her brother and to Billy Bishop on the loss of his mother.

We are planning a sizzling 4th of July dance so be watching next month's GRAPEVINE for more details.

Wilton Fipp's father was operated on and I'm so glad to report he's doing just fine.

Remember, we dance every 2nd and 4th Saturday. We love to have visitors. We want to thank all our last month's visitors. We had a ball dancing with you.

Till next month, "HAPPY SQUARE DANCING".

Jay and Joyce Kopp, reporters.

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ORANGE PARK PROMENADERS

FRIDAY - Orange Park Lion's Club. FLOYD and MARGE HAZEN, Callers. Danny Danson, President (264-9322).

Have you ever held a "Special" Jim Brower Dance without Jim Brower? That is what our Caller and our Chairman thought we were going to have Tuesday, April 19th. "Keep Smiling" Jim Brower was in town but couldn't reach our folks and they were really getting worried when there was no word by 7:30 PM on dance night. But Jim drove up at 7:40 and really gave us a dance. He had the toes tapping that night. There seemed

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ORANGE PARK PROMENADERS continued:  
to be representatives from almost all the clubs in the area.

On our regular dance night, April 15th, we had visitors from the Western Cutters, the Kaper Kutters, the Starlite Shufflers and the Kansas City Flying Saucers. On March 25th, the Allemandarins came and retrieved their Banner. They were involved in a lot of education that night, as were the rest of us. We learned, or tried to, Peel Off, and Dixie Spin - and we didn't learn the Beer Mug Chain. That evening also saw us close out the dancing with Hash by Floyd Hazen, D.J. Lynch, and Eddie Milan. We had almost two squares visiting the Allemandarins John Saunders dance on March 19th, and since cake was out on a table all evening, there wasn't any refreshment line for our Chairman to lead.

On March 26th some of the Orange Parkers visited the Jubileers and had a real good time dancing to Harold's calling. Guess who was first in the refreshment line? Our Chairman had the pleasure of calling a short bit for us April 8th. He had sprained his back and wasn't dancing so he made up for it this way. More recently, April 16th, a contingent of us went to the Kaper Kutters in Palatka and really enjoyed the calling of Bill Camp, and the club's hospitality.

There were 29 of our younger members attending the Starlite Shufflers Camp O'Leno Dance, plus many more of the "more mature" Promenaders enjoying the antics of all in attendance, as well as the dancing. The young ones performed one of their exhibition dances and did a really beautiful job. They also elected to call themselves Floyd Hazen's Young Folks. Some of the girls want to call Floyd "Daddy Baby" now. He'll get that stopped, we are sure.

It's Fun! See you Friday.

The Orange Pickers  
Martin and Margaret

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K A T K I C K E R S

The Valdosta, Georgia Kat Kickers have some good dancing on the way:

May 14 - Anniversary Dance. City Auditorium, Valdosta.

May 28 - HERSCHELL LEE, of Jacksonville, calling for Kat Kickers at the City Auditorium in Valdosta, Ga.

July 9 - Joe Johnson from Windermere, Fla., calling for Kat Kickers - City Auditorium, Valdosta.

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May 6 - Bob Smith of Blackshear, Georgia, calling for Brooks Bouncers in the Agriculture Building, Quitman, Ga.

I think we should take another look at our membership in our square dance clubs, and see who the most active members are. The members who are present at all the dances, and who show the most enthusiasm when taking part in club activities, I think you will find most of them to be the newer members of the club. Most of the members with less than five years of dancing seem to be the one's who don't want to miss a dance, they make the trips to other towns and visit the square dance clubs there, and they are always glad to take part in all club activities and enjoy doing it. As an old timer, I know, we also did all these things and enjoyed every minute of it. Now we take the club activities more or less as they come along. The point I am trying to make is that all members should work on new people and fill their clubs with new dancers from these ranks. We spend a lot of lost effort on drop-outs who for some reason or other, just don't get back into the swing of things when it comes to square dancing.

Working on new people, we open up a world of pleasure and enjoyment they never knew existed. As for the clubs, during the next several years they will have active and enthusiastic members, which is necessary to keep a good club going. If every square dance club member works on a friend or two, we should have large classes of beginners this fall and from these classes fill our clubs with new members and their enthusiasm.

Ray Schaefer, in the Prairie Squares square dance magazine in North Dakota.

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M E R R Y S T E P P E R S

TUESDAYS, 8:00 - Gainesville Recreation Center. Prof. Ernest "Bart" Bartley, Caller. Al Strickland, Chief Square.

"We're Tickled Pink" was the theme of the birthday party held by Merry Steppers on March 22nd. Tables were set up for each month and after a covered dish supper, Ruth Bartley blew out the candles of the huge decorated birthday cake and we all sang, "Happy Birthday to Us".

It was also graduation night for 8 couples who completed a course of instruction and are now members of Merrysteppers. We're all "tickled pink" to have them join us. Scotty Thomas was also officially initiated as a member. We appreciate his fine calling.

Many thanks to our Chief Squares, Al and Margaret Strickland and our Special Events Chairman, George and Sheila Beasley, and John and Jeri Moore for the nice decorations, and special entertainment, including the monsters from outer space who performed. Also to Chuck Wagon Paws, Kauhryn Walker and Vera Brogdon for the supper. Lois Wilkowske.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

- May 6 - Merry Mixer's Maypole Dance - Arlington Presbyterian Church.
- May 6 thru 8 - White Springs, Fla. Folk Festival - Stephen Foster Memorial. Not a square dance but you will enjoy the exhibition folk dances, balads, clog square dancing, wash-board bands and the rest of it.
- May 13 - Western Night at Philips Hiway Plaza. Square dance to Herschel Lee and the Jimmy Strickland Band. Free outdoor dance in the center of the mall. Check the news papers for details - probably will start at 7:00 PM.
- May 14 - Roger Chapman - 441 Club in Gainesville.
- May 20 - Pirates Ball. Orange Park Promenaders. Orange Park Lions Club.
- May 20 - Ed Newton - Challengers. Members and invited guests.
- May 20 - 29th - Fontana Fun Fest.
- May 20 - 22 - "Tex" Brownlee, Eric Sohn, Geo. & Helen Everette at Frontier Farms, Wildwood, Fla. Weekend lodging, meals, dancing - \$42.50 per couple. Write Frontier Farms, Box 218, Wildwood, Fla. for reservation.
- May 21 - JACK JACKSON - Grand Slammer's Club - 12th and St. Clair Streets. \$2.00.
- May 27 - 29 - Don Franklin with the Wagon Masters Band, at Wildwood, Fla. Frontier Farms.
- May 28 - Dick Barker of Waycross, Ga. at 441 Club, Gainesville,
- June 16, 17, 18 - 13th Annual Florida Square Dance Convention. Orlando City Auditorium
- June 11 - Eric Sohn at 441 Club in Gainesville
- June 16, 17 - 15th National Square Dance Convention - Indianapolis, Indiana.
- June 25 - Frank Bedell of Miami calling at 441 Club in Gainesville.
- June 26 thru July 2 - CALLERS COLLEGE for callers and taws only. Rainbow Lake, Brevard, N. C. Joe Johnson and Les Gotcher.
- July 1 - Chuck Raley - Challengers (members and invited guests).
- July 2, 3, 4 - Chuck Raley, Ron Schneider - DeLido Hotel, Miami Beach. \$3 per dancer.
- July 24 thru 29 - Challenge Week - Rainbow Lake Lodge, Brevard, North Carolina.
- July 31 thru Aug 5 - Challenge Week - Rainbow Lake Lodge, Brevard, N. C.
- Note: Jim Pearson and Colin Walton the first week at Rainbow Lake. Al Aderente and Jim Pearson the second week.
- July 30 - NORTHEAST FLORIDA SQUARE DANCER'S ASSOCIATION FIFTH SATURDAY DANCE -Mayflower Hotel Ballroom. Callers - Bob Reynolds
- August 7thru 12 - Vacation Square & Round Week - Rainbow Lake Lodge, Al Aderente, Jim Pearson and Russ and Mabel Ayrton. \$75 per person.
- October 14, 15 - St. Augustine Weekend Square Dance - Bob Fisk, Jack Lasry, Ed & Kay Mack, John Saunders and Oscar Erwin.

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