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KNOW YOUR CALLER

This is a space reserved for all callers in the Northeast Florida Square Dance Association who are calling for a square dance club at the present time or have called for one. We want to make all square dancers familiar with the many callers, so, please callers, send us your stories of your calling life!

An outdoor dance on the roof of the Clearwater Beach Recreation Center in 1954 proved to be the inspiration for Jack Griffiths and his charming wife, Gladys, to take square dance lessons upon their return from a vacation. But it wasn't until the fall of 1955 that Gladys was able to drag Jack to his first lesson, and there they joined a class at the old Recreation Center on West Duval Street, and where they learned under the watchful eye of Bill Camp. Upon graduation they were invited to join Circle Eight, one of the first clubs formed in Jacksonville. Circle Eight encouraged it's members to become Callers, those who were so inspired, and after a year of dancing, Jack decided to try his hand at it. During his early years, and with the encouragement and advice from many callers and friends, and especially from Ralph O'Neil, who promoted Buttons and Bows in the Arlington Community Center, he soon was encouraged to start a club. Dee Deland, a Navy career man, had been working with four couples in a neighborhood garage and when he was transferred to California, Jack inherited these people who would form the nucleus of the present "Merry Mixers". The going was rough in the beginning and aided by the fact that these couples, plus a few beginners, entered a float in the Christmas parade in Arlington, which won first prize of \$50.00, they were able to keep going, pay the hall rent and eventually build a good club. At this point, due to Gladys' serious operation and long recovery, he relinquished the reins to Herschell Lee.

In the meantime Circle Eight decided to merge with the Jubileers so Jack then shared calling duties with Harold Pillmore until he withdrew after two years. At that time Fun and Frolic, having been organized and led by Edith Ford for several years, and finding that ill health forced Edith to retire, called upon Jack to be their leader, and until this day he has been their Caller. In addition to this club, he is the Caller for Swinging Squares of Jacksonville, a closed club which dances the first Saturday of each month, and a member of the Florida Callers Association.

He and Gladys have taught many classes in square and round dancing in Jacksonville. They are former members of Roundleers and believe that all square dancers should learn to do some round dancing, if only the easy rounds, because rounds and squares make for better all around dancers.

GOLDEN ISLES SWINGERS

2nd & 4th Saturday, City Recreation Building, Brunswick, Georgia.
Caller - Dick Barker
President - Charlie Major (912/268 5067)

We haven't begun stealing banners yet, but our members are visiting. We have had two or more couples visit Jesup, Ga., Glennville, Ga., Jacksonville and Daytona. Our banner was recovered from the Allemandarins on March 22. April 6 twenty three persons enjoyed Rod Blaylock calling at Jesup. Jimmy Moore was guest Caller at Glennville and Claxton, Ga. since our last report.

Lou and Bob Rust were our guests on Jekyll Island March 29. Many of our club members were out of town, but we came up with five squares - including visitors from Michigan and New York. Several class members joined us for this dance. Bob did an outstanding job of providing a dancing level which could be enjoyed by all.

Graduation was April 12. After a 30 lesson course taught by Jimmy Moore, and the April 12 graduation dance, six couples and two singles were voted into club membership at our regular dance April 13. They are: Martha & Abe Saddler, Faustell & Vernon Banks, Mary & Loy Mallard, Jill and Norman Kautz, Patsy & Jim Warren (hope you don't object if we jump the gun -- the wedding is for early June), Jeannette & Charlie Thrower, Jeannette Rhodes and Edie Waldo.

Over the Square Dancing area there has been suggestions that the usual 15 lessons are too few. This is the first class in our area to be exposed to the longer class. There is strong evidence of advantage.

We are trying something different - at least for us - which we pass on here for any interest it might have to others: A questionnaire has been mailed to each club member (which they are to sign and return to the club Secretary) which will provide the club Officers with information as to who is interested, willing, and available to participate in various local, and out of town, dancing activities such as banner stealing, banner recovery, friendly visits to other clubs, help with classes, participate in local and out of town exhibitions and/or demonstrations, etc. The idea here is to give all dancers full opportunity, pester none who are not interested, and promote a wider and more congenial dancing community.

One of our local Callers will be a "one-tip" guest Caller at each of our regular dances. A schedule has been established whereby the club (and the Local Caller) will know which local Caller will call when. Also, at each regular club dance the 5th tip will be a special -- this is the time for "Pat" squares, if desired. Dancers who have agreed to participate in exhibitions and/or demonstrations will choose their partners and

squares for a practice session. Once the tip gets underway it will be non-stop, hot hash. For those who like this it will be their tip - those who do not, are forewarned and can take a rest. If anyone is curious as to how these "things" are going to work -- pay us a visit!!

May 31 will be our Sadie Hawkins Dance. Theresa and Art Martin will produce and direct the show. There will be prizes for costumes.

June 8 will be Rod Blaylock's first visit to call for us at the Recreation Center. Hope our area friends will help us fill the hall for Rod.

August 24 we will be having Johnnie Robbins making a first visit to call for our club. Surely we will have Jacksonville visitors for this one.

Before our next news is forwarded to the Grapevine we will have lost a very valuable couple. Charlene and Phil Wood will be leaving for California sometime in May. We will miss you, Charlene and Phil. It has been a real pleasure to have had you with us. Hurry back our way!

We have a compliment which we would like to pass on. During March and April we have had more out of State visitors than usual. These particular visitors are persons from the North who have spent weeks in Florida, and a few days here in the Golden Isles. None of these persons were acquainted with each other until they met while dancing with us here, but each expressed warmly, and sincerely, a common conviction --- the most enjoyable dancing, the most friendly dancers which they have experienced has been in the Northeast Florida and the Brunswick, Jesup and Savannah area. Doesn't that make you feel good!

Sallie Williams
Reporter.

WESTERN CUTTERS

2nd & 4th Saturday, Mary Hammond Youth Cent.
Club Colors - Purple and White
Special Guest Callers
President: David & Claudia Fitzsimmons (384-4162)

Visiting -- Jim, Buzz, and LaRue Ambersley, Shirley and Al Blackman, Jim and Nell Collins, Lou and Anne Fedelle, along with Harvey and Kaye Gordon, Barney and Sadie Saucer have been dancing A 1 1 over town. The new DieHards are Marcia and Chuck Gross and Mel and Zeda Middlebrooks - congratulations! The 5th Saturday dance was attended by well over 3 squares of Cutters, Kirklands, Doerings, Hedgecoths, Fakes, Saucers, Ambersleys, Donnellys, Parhams, Collins,
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FRIENDLY FROLICS

Gross, Reizens, Hawkinson, and Jerry Russell. Also Cheryl and Ed Chapman who aren't dancing but play the waiting game. Cheryl is expecting in May. Mandarin was visited by square "plus" of Cutters who danced to the fine calling of John Saunders. Enjoying this evening were the Hedgecoths, Robinsons, Donnellys, Kirklans, Collins, and Jerry Russell. Daytona's live music dance crowd, tho it was, was attended by Fitzsimmons, Bogdans, and Robinsons. They say it was a fine dance.

Club Nights - Scotty Thomas has filled our hall on both the nights he has called and we are grateful to all the grand folks who have turned out to make these events such a great success. Danny Robinson is coming on the 27th and we are looking forward to this dance. You'all come!!! Our "come as you are" dance was a wild one with members in all varieties of dress. You should have seen how many of our male members trot around in their under garments, and the ladies who got caught in their evening wear. (You know, that writes a little strange!). All foolin' aside our telephone committee did a super job of catching our members at all times of the day and night, our thanks to all. Refreshments for club night have been beautiful as well as delicious, an Easter nest cake by Joanne Shealy, and a fiddle shape cake by Helen Fake brightened up the snack table. (Speaking of refreshments you'll have to dance every dance and most of the way home, to dance off the delectable goodies at Mandarin. Wadding in the surf and running the beach after midnight will help if you eat too much).

Members in the News - Tom and JoAnn Carrow are moving soon to their new home, and Tom's eye operation was a success. We hope to see them back soon. Larry (Bumble-Bee) Hedgecoth was flying high and came down in a boat on two fingers, yep! he did. He busted them, and will be in a cast for six weeks, but we don't know how long he can stay away from dancing. Sue Robinson is working (away from home that is) and oh, woe is me! your reporter is feeling her absence. She was our great source of club news. Fred and Erma Blado are now honorary members of the Western Cutters; our thanks to you both.

Future Plans - The Western Cutters are planning a knot-head trip to Orlovista on May 18th. Our able program chairman Jim and Lo Donnelly are making the final arrangements to travel by bus with our favorite bus driver Don Hutt. If you want to know more about coming events give Jim a call (388-6188)

"Larriet"
Reporter

1st & 3rd Saturday, Philips Highway Plaza
Caller - John Saunders
President - Joe & Ruth Brandt (724-4716)

Beauties, you bet, we sure had them at our "Miss Friendly Frolics Beauty Contest". It was held on Saturday, April 20th at our 3rd Saturday dance. This year, our 6th annual, we changed the rules a bit and invited contestants from other clubs. The contestants were Elmo Brown of the Dixie Chain Gang, Jim Thomas from Paxon Prancers, Jerry Russell from Orange Park Promenaders, Buzz Ambersley from Western Cutters, Ronney Braasch and Joe Greek both from Allemendarins, Don Smith and Carl Ballasso from Friendly Frolics. The judges had a real hard time coming to a decision as all contestants were excellent. After considerable deliberation they chose Don Smith, Miss Behave, of Friendly Frolics, the Queen, and Buzz Ambersley, Miss Deed, of Western Cutters as first runner up. We want to thank all contestants and visitors for the nice turnout at this event.

Saturday, May 4th, our 1st Saturday dance, will also be our annual nomination of officers. Let's have a good turnout. Frank Clements will call this night.

Friday, May 10th, is the club meeting. Again we ask for a good showing of members as we want to discuss plans for a spring outing. Covered dish supper at 7:00 P.M. Meeting at 8:00 P.M. Usual place across from Patties on Beach Boulevard.

Several couples went to Ancient City Squares and stole their flag on Friday, April 19th at St. Augustine.

Our sick list since last month includes Helen Crout, Barney Davis, Bill and Betty Fish, and as we write this Willie Gray Bowman is in Riverside Hospital. We hope that there won't be any to report for next month. Everybody stay well, eh?

There should be a new regime in command after next month so we, your reporters, are looking forward to turning this column over to some new talent.

Jane and Les Spring
Reporters

BOW ★ SWING
SUBSCRIPTION
DANCE MAY 6

ROUNDLEERS

Wednesdays, Woodstock Community Centre.
Workshop - 7:30, Rounds - 8:00.
President - Carl Graeff, (388-4354)

A new year means new officers, and so on April 3rd an election was held, and being a good democratic group this was taken care of before the ones being nominated realized what was happening, "Yeah Man", those being swept into office on uncontested slates, by their Soul? brothers and sisters, were Carl Graeff, President; Carl Law, Vice President; Lucile Williams, Secretary-Treasurer. With people like these heading up Roundleers, we are looking for a really big year ahead. We would like to express thanks to our retiring officers, and especially Theron Smith for all the work that he did this past year.

Seems like when writing the report last month, we forgot to welcome our newest members, Bud and Edith Reiser, well the welcome mat is all cleaned off now for you, and we are sure happy to have you dancing with us.

On April 3rd we learned the round of the month, which is "Rag Doll". The Russells and the Hiddings come along to learn this with us. We'd sure like to have more of you square dancers come and learn these rounds with us. The first Wednesday in May, which will be the 1st we'll be learning "Jealous Cold Cheating Heart", which is the Round for May, so why don't you plan to be with us. We are still working on "Caprice" and "Siesta in Seville" and Bill is teaching "The Last Waltz", a very pretty dance that is becoming popular nationwide.

Sure is good to have Carl Graeff back with us after his recent surgery, and to know that Helen Crout is well on the way to recovery following her operation. We miss you Helen, Was a lso good to see one of our other members who has been missing this past few weeks, that busy gal, Muriel Luth. Sure hope that you can keep your Wednesdays free for a while now, Muriel.

On April 23rd, Roundleers will be visiting our Sister club, the Rhythmaires, to help celebrate their 3rd anniversary. As Helen will be in charge of the Rounds, and Bobby Keefe calling the squares, we know that we will have a wonderful time.

Remember, to put a little fun in your life, come learn a-round.

Rhona Williams
Reporter

130W AND SWING DANCE
MONDAY MAY 6TH

KAPER KUTTERS

1st & 3rd Saturday, Union Hall, Jax Hiway (U.S. 17), Palatka, Florida.
Caller - Bill Camp
President - Bill Young (473-4609 Keystone Heights, Fla.)

The Kaper Kutters 1st Saturday night dance in April was started off with a covered dish supper. We sure had plenty of good food to eat. After every one finished eating we had our business meeting, and then we had plenty of square dancing for everyone.

We had a new couple to come into our club. They have moved to Palatka from Germany. Their name - Frank and Barbara Smith. In Germany they belonged to the Mannheim Mixers Square Dance Club. We are certainly glad to have them.

After the dance we all wished our caller's wife; Nora, a happy birthday. We hope she has many, many more.

We were very happy to have two couples to visit with us that were camping in Salt Springs. One couple was from Maumee, Ohio and the other one was from Johnson City, N.Y.

Barbara Smith was presented a badge "I should have danced all night"!

Some of our members went and danced with the Allemandarins. Sure had a good time! It seems that on the way home from the dance, Malvin White and Dewitt Hersey thought they were being whistled at. Boys, who was it whistling? Or better yet, what was it?

It was said at our 1st Saturday night dance that Gene Ansley got a surprize when Bill Camp said to hug your corner. It seems as though Clyde Ashton was his corner. What happened Gene?

Frances Tyer
Reporter

Special "Thanks" from the Hidding's -

To those people who helped the Hidding's with the HAYRIDE, PICNIC and BADGE DANCE in Mandarin on March 30th. Special "THANKS" to James Maxey for his help with calling. To Ronnie Flynn for the use of his truck and to Harold Braasch who drove the truck to provide the Hayride. To John Tyson, Mary Jane Hullfish, Vivian Holden, Jim Mollenhour, Mr. McCarty, Vicki Smith, Warren Smith and Mr. Ballasso for providing transportation. To Mike Lightner for his outstanding help with the soft drinks. Also, helping with the meal wvre: Harriet Braasch, Inga Tyson, Shirley Braasch, LaRue Mollenhour, Mary Williams, Helen Maxey and Vivian Holden. Your help was much appreciated to make this affair an outstanding success that the children will long remember. TOM, MARIANN & 'LIL' HIDDING

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THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

The next NEFSDA meeting will be at the Mayflower Hotel at 2:30 P.M., Sunday, May 19.

Hope to see all you dancers at the BOW & SWING subscription dance. Full details are covered on the flyer in this issue.

Some of you missed a good dance by not attending the 5th Saturday dance at Jacksonville Beach Auditorium March 30th. The next 5th Saturday dance will be at the Jacksonville Civic Auditorium Exhibition Hall June 29th. Bill Pridgeon of the Dixie Chain Gang is the chairman for this one and the 5th Saturday in August.

Now's the time to make your reservations for the 15th Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention at Miami Beach, June 13-15 is not far away -- don't let it slip up on you.

Ken Seefried, 4335 Hercules Avenue, Jacksonville, Fla. 32205; and Chet Vetter, 1525 N. E. 14th Terrace, Gainesville, Fla. 32601 have information and reservation forms (available to you) concerning the State Convention. Also, there was one in the April issue of the GRAPEVINE.

Bob Ross, Pres.
NEFSDA

SUNSHINE TWIRLERS

Thursdays, City Recreation Center, Gainesville, Florida.

Caller - Scotty Thomas

May 2nd will be a red letter day for the Sunshine Twirlers. About 8 squares will be celebrating their graduation from class. After dancing with shoe boxes on their feet, yellow rocking their corner (a broom), learning the fine art of the Virginia Reel and a few more hi-jinks they may begin to wonder what the preceeding 16 weeks were all about. Of course, the older members will have to do all of this very diplomatically as they will find themselves suddenly outnumbered.

To prepare for this, the Club on April 25 met at the Chesnut's barn for hot dogs and meditation. Scotty warned that he had killed a snake out there but Bill Chesnut hinted that it might have been a fishing worm, as he grows some 4 to 5 inches long.

On April 6th, Tom and Sue McRorie had a party to open their new room, six squares for dancing. They had heated the pool just in case. But everyone was surefooted and as all were on their best behavior, no one got wet.

SWINGING SQUARES
OF GAINESVILLE

Wednesday, C. W. A. Hall, Gainesville, Fla.

The Swinging Squares will be watching with interest as the Sunshine Twirlers have their graduation. In June they will be graduating about four squares of their own. Theses 12 to 13 squares which will be graduating in the next two months holds a promise of an even larger group of new dancers when classes start next fall.

441 CLUB, GAINESVILLE

2nd & 4th Saturdays, City Recreation Center
Closed Club - Out of town Visitors Welcome.

The callers for 441 will be John Saunders, Bob Rust, Dick Barker and Bobby Keefe in that order before they close down and turn their nights at the City Recreation Center over to the Gainesville Squarer Dance Council for their Summer Program of Workshops and Dancing. April 26th will be election of officers so the new Vice President can start contacting callers for the next dance year.

GAINESVILLE SQUARE DANCE COUNCIL

Meets 1st Tuesday at City Recreation Center

The Summer program should be quite a full house this year for Dick Gonzales and Scotty Thomas. With 12 to 13 squares of new dancers plus old members of the 3 Gainesville clubs the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of July, August, and September should be lively affairs. This will be kicked off on July 6th with Manny Amor.

Bill Russell is the new General Chariman for the SPRING FLING. This again will be held in the Student Center on the campus of the U. of Fla. on March 21 and 22, 1969.

The Summer Program is sponsored by the City Recreation Department and is a small part of the support and interest shown in Square Dancing by Ray Massey, Director and his assistant Lucy Morrison. We in Gainesville are most fortunate for this interest on the part of the Recreation Department.

Chet Vette r
Reporter

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St. Clair Streets.

Caller - Hohn Robbins

President - Bill Bailey (781-4609)

Glad to have so many visitors this past month. A big thanks goes to Rod Blaylock for calling such a swell dance for us on April 5th. We were glad to see so many of our friends dancing with us that night. That Rod can sure call a swell dance. Thanks again Rod, and come back soon.

The 'Slammers current class is progressing right along. We would love to have as many regular club members as possible earn their Square Angel badge by joining us on Monday nights and help with the class.

Congratulations are in order this month! Hugh and Edna Bruce celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary! Best wishes folks and hope you have 30 more.

We also want to extend congratulations to four members who, when you say to them- "we need more class members" they do something about it! Only kidding gang! Seriously though - Best wishes go to Pres and Betty Cannady and Frank and Peggy Rogers on the female additions to their families.

Our favorite bunch of "Kissin Kousins" joined us for Easter Bonnet Dance on April 6th. Along with our bonnets we enjoyed seeing pictures of some of the 'Slammers when we were all young and beautiful! Thanks Nella for doing such a nice job with our pictures - it was something new!

Our banner is back hanging on our wall. Several couples of 'Slammers danced with the Western Cutters on April 13 and brought it back home. Was fun dancing with you folks and hope to see you all real soon.

Well folks, I guess that's about it for this month. Hope to see you all at our next dance.

Wayne and Barbara Blackford
Reporters

Y-KNOTS

Thursdays - Southside Community Center
1541 Hendricks Avenue

Caller - Frank Clements

President - Bill Hancock (398-0903)

Our Tuesday night classes for "beginners" and "repeaters" are now at the half-way mark and moving along fine. Caller Frank Clements sure makes it fun to learn more about Square Dancing, and any Club members are welcome to come help fill-in when needed.

Our Thursday night club dances are always a lot of fun and the refreshments have been superb lately. At this writing we still have the Dixie Chain Gang and Allemandarin Banners, as well as our own, hanging on our wall. We enjoyed having visitors from the Country Cousins at Dinsmore and also from the Starlight Shufflers recently. We just LOVE having company so "you-all" keep coming.

Seven of our couples were among approximately 200 couples on the floor at the Fontana Round-Up in Daytona recently.

It's time to wish Happy Birthdays again to: Irene Brown, Perron Gallup, Bill Hancock, Paul Mills and Olga Paine.

Wedding anniversary congratulations to: Dixie and G.G. Davis; Hattye and Ernest Fulton; Betty and Arthur Herrington; Olga and Henry Paine; Marge and Jim Simpson.

Joe and Georgia Cuppett
Reporters

ANCIENT CITY SQUARES

grieved by the sudden
Fridays (Except 5th Friday), Chamber of
Commerce, St. Augustine, Florida and Dear
Caller - Oscar Erwin
President - Bob and Grace Hall (824-2490)

We are all deeply grieved by the sudden loss of our friend, Harold Hart. Our sympathies go to all his family and dear ones.

Our new officers were installed at the April meeting. The following Committee Chairmen were appointed:- Special Activities Chairman, Jack Shuler and Membership Committee Chairman, Sam Baker. We are looking forward to a busy fun-filled year.

Our April 5th dance was called by Bob Keefe who did an exceptional job as usual and walked us through several new calls.

Three to four squares of us attended the Fontana Ramblers dance in Daytona Beach. The live music and high spirit of this dance is catching and everyone had a wonderful time.

We had the pleasure of the Wally Byam Caravanites at our Square Dance Friday April 12 and also at the annual Easter Week Dance. These people really have a zest for life and we look forward to their visit each year. Hal Ham did the Easter dance for us and is getting to be a familiar face around St. Augustine.

We now have a Round Dance class of 17 couples

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being instructed by Helen Crout. She does such an outstanding job and has a very enthusiastic group. They are progressing rapidly.

Ruth
Your Reporter

DIXIE CHAIN GANG

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

Well Gang looks like the summer months are approaching fast. Sure am glad that we have an air conditioned dance hall. It's time for us to get the Gang back on the ball. At our March 23rd dance we had more visitors than Chain Gangers. On April 5th we had a combination business meeting and covered dish supper. Everyone told me the food was just great. All I had was a bowl of salad!!! We conducted a lot of business for the club and danced a while. All in all a real good time. Don't forget now the next meeting will be election time again.

We were all glad to hear that Ruthie took time out from her busy schedule to have a 9 lb. 12 oz. baby boy, who shall be known to his corner lady as Andrew. Mother and son doing just fine. Father doing as well as can be expected.

I would like to thank George and Lois and their fine committee for a very fine Easter Bunny Dance. There were prizes, dancing, and games. Everyone really seemed to be having a great time. Thanks again.

Our sick include Helen Crout, Tina Green, and Alene Hill. Hope everyone is feeling better soon. Maxine reports that her visits to the Psychiatrist seem to be helping her. We are all glad to hear the good news Maxine. Maxine is such a great little gal to dance with, the club decided to help pay her bill to the head shrinker.

Chain Gang Personality - We will refer to our personality this month as Daly. Daly was born in Birmingham, Ala. on April 13, 1929. Boy, is this kid old. Daly was run out of town when he was just 15, and somehow he made his way down to Jax. Daly, like many of our other personalities felt the call to defend his country. So he joined the air force and requested over-seas duty. For the next few years Daly spent a great deal of time in Japanese Geisha houses acting as good will ambassador. When Daly got out of the Air Force in 1957 he fell in love with a crazy little chick named Ardrey, and on August 23, 1957 Daly put away all memories of his work as good will ambassador, and married this nutty little country girl. Daly and Ardrey now have three children, one girl, one boy, and one Arnie.

I suppose there are only three things in this world that really scare Daly. One, of course, is that nutty little girl he married. Second is that mean old Buger man that goes under the name of "Dentist", and third, the thought that someday Ardrey might find out exactly what the duties of a good will ambassador in a Geisha house really are. Old Daly is a pretty good sort of a guy, but I can tell you from my own experience that he is color blind. You see he helped me paint my house. He also goes about things backward. While Daly and I were helping Huey build a den, everything Daly handed me was either upside down or backward, even the hammer. Daly is also a bit of a stunt driver. One Sunday I helped push a beach buggy 10 miles that Daly had just driven off a cliff. Of course, if you have ever ridden with Daly you can easily see that he is a stunt driver. But despite his many faults and Ardrey tells me there are many, I have eaten some mighty fine fish that he caught, and cheered for him on his home runs on the church ball team. I add these last two compliments in hopes that I have not eaten my last fish at his house. Would you believe Ronnie Yuelles??

Billy and Claudia
Reporters

ALLEMANDARINS

Fridays, Mandarin Athletic Club, Brady Rd.
Caller - 1st, 3rd, and 5th Fridays - John Robbins.
Caller - 2nd & 4th Friday - John Saunders.
President - Ivan McGill (268-9908)

We started April the right way with an April Foolishness Dance co-sponsored by the Grand Slammers. Rod Blaylock's calling was enjoyed by a large group of friends from many clubs. Thanks everyone!

Hope all you square dance campers had a good time down in Orange City! If any of you other campers want to go next time, be sure you contact Joe or Wanda McMath (268-9964) for further details.

We've sure liked seeing all those different club's banners hanging on our wall. Thanks Western Cutters and Friendly Frolics. The Paxon Prancers came and retrieved their banner only to have us steal it again. We also brought our banner home from the Y-Knots. Look out, the rest of you, the Allemandarins Bandits will strike again!

Our class has passed the halfway mark and it's getting harder to tell the difference between club helpers and class members. The rest of our club is in for a pleasant surprise when we graduate this enthusiastic group of dancers. In fact, they are so

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enthusiastic, we have the girl who literally flips her wig over square dancing!!

Did you see our two beautiful (???) contestants in the Miss Friendly Frolics contest? Thanks Ronnie and Joe for being such good sports.

Have fun on Fridays - come dance with the Allemandarins.

Quinton & Louise Tapley
Very Temporary Reporters

PAXON PRANCERS

Thursdays, Mary Hammond Youth Center
Caller - Bob Rust
President - Jackie & Jean Horne (781-4596)

Surprise, surprise - we have news from the Paxon Prancers this month! Please accept my most humble apologies for not making the scene in last month's issue - I shall try to do better. When I was much younger (Bet you thought I couldn't remember that far back!) it seemed the time went by so slowly, but the older I get the faster the days go by and another GRAPEVINE deadline is here catching this procrastinating reporter unprepared.

So much has happened since our last meeting that I am sure we will not have space to mention many things. One of the highlights was the lovely wedding of Katie and Harry Drake's son Harry to Miss Judy Diffenbacher. Many good wishes go to this happy young couple for a long and happy life.

We understand from all who attended the Fontana weekend in Daytona Beach that it was a grand affair. Sorry we had to miss it as we are long time fans of the Fontana Ramblers, but we were not too disappointed since that was also the weekend of the 5th Saturday dance at the beautiful Auditorium in Jax. Beach. It was a very good dance and of course, we had two of the best callers to be found anywhere. Hope we can have a repeat performance on this event.

Our class is doing great - and they have so much enthusiasm. We are looking forward to having them join us in the regular club dances. The Mary Hammond Youth Center is bulging at the seams on Thursday nights and we are truly honored and proud to have so many wonderful visitors. We are honored too to have Bob Rust's Taw, "Lou Baby" with us regularly now each week. We may be a bit prejudiced, but we think Bob and Lou are "the greatest".

Margaret and Curtis Thompson are conspicuous by their absence these days and we are missing them so much. We understand Margaret is doing nicely following her recent surgery, and we will be looking

forward to dancing with them again real soon.

In March we had a combination business meeting and Luau at the home of Jackie and Jean Horne. Sure wish all of our members could have attended for this was a very nice affair. Our party committee did a great job. There was so much food and all of it pretty and delicious.

If you'd like to be "where the action" is on Thursday nights we cordially invite you to join us for a Swinging evening.

Till we meet again -

Margaret Shields
Reporter

RHYTHMAIRES

Tuesdays, 8:00, Early Workshop 7:30
Englewood Home Demonstration Center.
Instructor - Helen Crut
President - Bobby Willis (733-1921)

Officers were installed in April. Thanks to the outgoing officers for a job well done and best wishes to the incoming staff. They are: - President, Bobby Willis; vice president, Lucious Nelson; secretary, Roger Johnson; treasurer, Bobby Keefe.

We're glad to have Helen Crout back with us, apparently feeling fine since her recent surgery. Can't keep that girl down for long!

Bill and Ruth Fleshman helped the club out while Helen was away. They taught the last half of "The Shiek" and called the dances for us. Thanks Ruth and Bill.

"Rag Doll" was taught this month by Lobby and Phyllis Keefe. They did an excellent job and I think this dance will be around for a while.

We also learned "Milica" and the newer members learned "Heartaches".

Anne Willis
Reporter

ORANGE PARK PROMENADERS

Every Friday except 2nd, Doctors Inlet
Civic Center - 2nd Friday, Wesconnett Civic
Center.

Caller - Eddie Millan.
Chairman - Tom & Barbara Holt (388-2703)

Our big news this month was the Jim Brown dance on April 16th. We finally had a hall big enough to dance comfortably. He sure made it a pleasure to dance. We thank all of our visitors that contributed so much to the enjoyment by their enthusiastic
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dancing.

The next special will be the Pirates Ball at our regular hall (Drs. Inlet) on May 21th. At this dance you can be dressed in full Pirates regalia or regular square dance clothes or anything in between, and you'll have a good dance to remember.

We've been doing some banner stealing and have had the Western Cutters, Friendly Frolics and Paxon Prancers visiting to retrieve theirs this past month. As usual we enjoy having you visitors whether it's for a banner or just a visit.

Starting May 1st we plan to adopt a policy that some other clubs now have and invite the presidents or chairmen of other clubs to be our guest at any of our dances. We think this is just one small way we can show appreciation to these folks for their efforts towards all of Square Dancing.

We have enjoyed having our numerous visitors this past month and hope to see you all again on Friday.

The Orange Pickers
Martin & Margaret

COUNTRY COUSINS

Saturdays, Dinsmore Civic Club.
Caller - Walt Knight
Ramrod - Robert Zortea (744-0590)(355-7081)

Hi again! Sorry we missed you last month, but we are going to try now to catch up you all on what has been going on.

Starting back around the 1st part of March-March 9th, we want to thank all clubs that attended our "Get Acquainted" Dance. It seemed like everyone had a grand time. We sure hope so. Come back again. We enjoyed having you all - and many thanks to all the callers that were present. We also enjoyed dancing to you. Prior to the "Get Acquainted" Dance, on March 1st we were privileged to steal our first banner from the Orange Park Promenaders, although, we didn't keep it long, because they retrieved it on Saturday March 23rd. We enjoyed your visit. Please come back.

Also, at the Orange Park Dance, a few of our members started earning bars by making "Grasshopper" and "Road Runner". We started a new class on Saturday, March 23rd with about two squares. We are hoping to pull them through with flying colors.

April has been kind of quiet. Other than having our regular dances and classes we attended the Jim Brower dance sponsored by the Orange Park Promenaders on April 16th.

Some of our members have been visiting the Starlite Shufflers, Paxon Prancers, and Y-Knots dances. We hope to see some of you at our club.

Going back to March, we had a few of the Country Cousins visit the Fun & Frolics at which time they had a National Caller, Jack Livingston. We really enjoyed ourselves.

The club's banner is ahangin' and awaitin' for pick up. So, ya'll come and visit us. Beware, we are also on the prowl for club banners.

Hope to see you across the Square - Till next time,

The Cousins

MANDARIN PROMENADERS

Mondays, Mandarin Athletic Club, Brady Rd.
Callers - Mariann and Tom Hidding
President - Ronnie Braasch

March 30th we had a jamboree at the Mandarin Athletic Club. Mr. Braasch brought the truck for the hayride. We invited the Jacks 'N Jills and the Teen Star Twirlers. It was a beautiful night, and we enjoyed the smell of spring flowers, the hay, and listening to the whip-o-wills. Most of the members earned the following badges: sand flea, hayride, untouchable, teddy bear, crackpot, marathon. How's that for a string of badges to wear?

April 19th we will sing happy birthday to Sheri Braasch. We want to help her have a happy birthday as we think a lot of her.

Gayle Bowman
Reporter

TEEN STAR TWIRLERS

Saturdays, Englewood Home Demonstration Club
Caller - Lil' Tom Hidding
President - Mike Lightner

March and April have been fun as usual. We graduated and initiated a frisky bunch of square dancers.

March 30th we had our jamboree and hayride. We played soft ball, football and we danced to earn nine different shingles; Marathon, sand flea, teddy bear, fire dancer, crackpot and a few others. We had our hay ride in a Purina dog food truck full of hay. We are a growing club, but we haven't had many visitors, but all visitors are more than welcome.

The whole Hidding family calls for us and believe me they're mighty good callers. I can guarantee that. Come on over and have fun square dancing. Ricky Tomlinson, Reporter

MERRY MIXERS

1st & 3rd Fridays, Arlington Presbyterian Church.

Caller - James Maxey
President - Fran Olson (724-9705)

The big news this month is that we are changing our dance nights from Saturdays to Friday nights. We will still dance at the Arlington Presbyterian Church but only on the 1st and 3rd Friday nights.

Beginning in May, our caller will be with us on a regular basis for a few months so I hope we'll have lots of visitors from all the other clubs in town.

We would also like to thank all the callers who filled in for James these last two months. Even though we haven't been having many people at the dances, we do appreciate the help we've had from Johnny Robbins, Frank Clements, Jack Griffith, Harold Pillmore, Lil' Tom and Marianne and Tom Hidding.

We're very sorry that one of our most faithful members, Hill Thompson, has been in the hospital for a major operation. I hear he's home now and I hope he's feeling much better. We miss you, Hill and Mary Etta and hope you'll be back dancing before too long.

I hope everyone will be at the Bow & Swing subscription dance on May 6th at the Brad Tredinnick Youth Center. It should be a good dance with twelve callers calling.

The Substitute Reporter
Helen Maxey

JUBILEERS

2nd & 4th Saturdays, Arlington Congregational Church.

Caller - Harold Pillmore.
President - Harvey & Gloria Chambers
(724-9014)

As you know we cancelled our dance the 2nd Saturday in April because of it being the night to help the Easter bunny. We plan to make up for it by some good dances the 2nd and 4th Saturday in May.

In addition, on May 3rd, a Friday night, the Jubileer's new class is having an open get acquainted dance at their level. All dancers including members of classes who have had ten lessons are invited to come.

Pete Pillmore
Secretary

FROM THE EDITORS DESK

We hope our techniques of publication are

improving month by month. The time and effort that we spend in developing the news and ads are well worth it, if we have renewed and new subscriptions from satisfied subscribers who tell others why the GRAPEVINE appeals to them. Club news also means much in how the GRAPEVINE appeals to square dancers. Reporters should feel they are a part of this enterprise, because others are depending on their reporting accurately and interestingly.

We are looking forward to the Bow & Swing subscription dance this month. That is another fine publication for square dancers and should be supported wholeheartedly by all you fine dancers! We have heard rumors of a possible GRAPEVINE subscription dance at Gainesville. These things are inspiring to us, and we will promote them in every way possible.

Your editors try to visit every club but there are many clubs in this association. However, we may drop in and dance with you anytime. Please get those names and addresses of new graduates or graduates to be to us, and we might drop by personally and deliver the free copy of the GRAPEVINE to them.

Margaret and Ray

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COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

- May 3 - Roger Chapman - Sponsored by Challengers.
- May 6 - NEFSDA Bow and Swing subscription dance, Brad Tredinnick Youth Center - See flyer
- May 11 - Irv Elias - Sponsored by Western Cutters.
- May 11 - Sadie Hawkins Dance - Golden Isles Swingers, Brunswick, Ga.
- May 17 - Tex Brownlee - Sponsored by the Challengers.
- May 18 - Knothead trip to Orlovista, Sponsored by Western Cutters.
- May 26-26 - Swang 'N Sand, Daytona Beach - Caller Danny Robinson.
- May 28 - Anniversary Dance - Sponsored by Fun & Frolic - Caller Oscar Erwin - See flyer.
- June 7 - Louis Calhoun - Sponsored by the Challengers.
- June 8 - Golden Isles Swingers special dance - Caller Rod Blaylock.
- June 13-14-15 - State Convention, Miami Beach, Fla.
- June 21 - Johnny Everett - Sponsored by the Challengers.
- July 5 - Bill Volner - Sponsored by the Challengers.
- July 19 - Manny Amor - Sponsored by the Challengers.
- Aug. 2 - Colin Walton - Sponsored by the Challengers.
- Aug. 16-17-18 - Jekyll Island Jamboree - Callers Bob Bennett, Rod Blaylock, Red Warrick.
- Oct. 11-12 - Ancient City Square Up - St. Augustine, Fla.
- Nov 1-2-3 - Round Dance Council of Florida Fall Festival - George Washington Hotel, Jax.
- Jan 7 - Frankie Lane Dance - Sponsored by Kaper Kutters - Ravine Gardens, Palatka, Fla.
- Jan. 11 - Harper Smith Dance - Sponsored by Lake City Squares - Lake City Armory.

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Third Week-end	July 19th, 20th & 21st.
Fourth Week-end	July 26th, 27th & 28th.

LES WILL HAVE A DIFFERENT CALLER, OR ROUND (tippie-toe) DANCE INSTRUCTOR EACH WEEK. WE DO NOT HAVE ALL CALLERS SET UP YET, BUT YOU CAN BE CERTAIN THAT EACH WEEK WILL PRESENT A REAL GOOD ONE AND ONE THAT YOU WILL ENJOY DANCING TO.

WE DO KNOW THAT BOB BENNETT, VAL-DOSTA, GEORGIA WILL BE THERE ONE WEEK END - AND BOB ARNOLD WILL ALSO BE THERE AND MANY MANY OTHER CALLERS WILL BE THERE.

IF YOU WANT ROUND DANCING INSTRUCTIONS WE WILL MAKE CERTAIN THAT YOU GET THOSE, AND IF YOU WANT TO LEARN TO CALL, OR TO BETTER YOUR CALLING THAT YOU DO NOW, WE WILL MAKE CERTAIN THAT YOU GET EXACTLY WHAT YOU WANT. WE WILL GIVE PERSONAL ATTENTION TO EACH CALLER WHO ATTENDS.

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YOU WILL COME IN ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON, DANCE THAT SAME AFTERNOON, THEN HAVE A WONDERFUL DINNER, AFTER WHICH WE WILL HAVE A 3 HOUR DANCE, ENDING WITH SOME LIGHT SNACK BEFORE YOU RETIRE. SATURDAY YOU WILL HAVE BREAKFAST, THEN WE HAVE A MORNING WORK-SHOP, BY THIS TIME IT WILL BE LUNCH TIME. IN THE AFTERNOON WE WILL HAVE ANOTHER WORK-SHOP, THEN DINNER AND WE DANCE AGAIN THAT NIGHT.....SUNDAY WE WILL HAVE BREAKFAST, THEN WE WILL DANCE FROM 9:00 UNTIL 12:30, HAVE LUNCH, THEN EVERYONE WILL BE ON THEIR WAY.

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WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO REMIND YOU THAT ALL TAPE RECORDERS ARE WELCOME, AND WE ALLOW YOU TO TAPE EVERYTHING WE DO.

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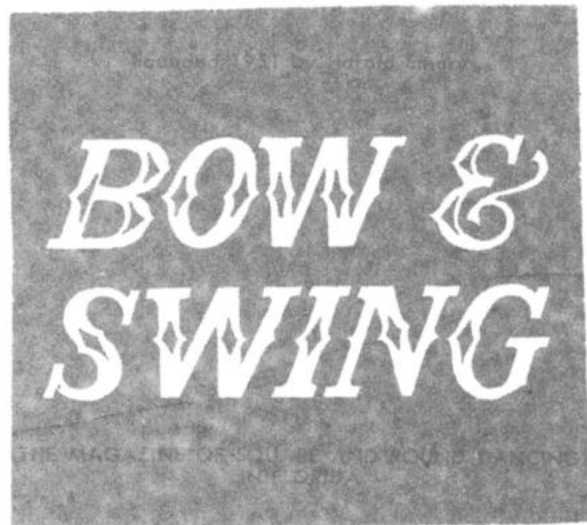
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