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Message

The NEFSARDA Board wants to thank all the people who have contributed to square dancing and NEFSARDA in the past and especially to those who have already given us a great boost this year. We are so very pleased with the numbers of dancers out visiting with their caller or cuer! Remember who is NEFSARDA – YOU! We want to build on what has been accomplished. Getting new dancers and retaining the ones we have is top priority to this board.

We wish that everyone would become involved, dancers, callers, cuers and instructors. We need to unite our efforts to make square dancing fun! Our belief is that much more can be accomplished when there is unity and a foundation to build on. We hear on TV, read in newspapers, and publications of all sort, that America has lost its core citizens and our values have been eroded. Not so in Square Dancing. We may be losing some people in our activity but not for those reasons! We may lose people but believe that it is because they are not having fun or that the time to learn to dance can be too long. And some time we are requiring them to spend too much money to dress in a fashion that we think is proper! In some of our square dance publications, many in fact, they are predicting doom and gloom about the future of Square Dancing. We feel that it is their purpose to warn us to wake up before it is too late. We do listen to them and try to heed their warning but we



agree with some who think it is time to meet the challenge of change. We hope their crystal ball is only a little dusty and we can wipe it off and see the things that must be done to fix it! Here in the Northeast we already see renewed enthusiasm among our dancers, callers and cuers alike. We know that it takes a lot of effort and hard work to reach our goal of getting new dancers, contacting and getting former dancers back (or at least find out why they left us). Don't leave it to someone else do something drastic – Invite them back!

Fun and Friendship must be the format in our efforts to promote square dancing. We urge each dancer to take an active part in your club. Support your caller and cuer and give your ideas to the board to share with others. We never underestimate your values, your ideas, and your right to govern your activity. Plan to visit other clubs and show dancers that this is a fun and friendly activity.

Thanks to all of you for your support and see you in a square!

Howard and Jettie Crowe

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MEET YOUR 2001 NEFSARDA EXECUTIVE BOARD

We finally caught up with all the board at a dance and here they are: (L to R) Howard & Jettie Crowe, President; Lonnie & Linda Aldridge, Recording Secretary; Jack & Phyllis Herpy, Vice President; Joe & Martha Hardcastle, Treasurer; Leroy & June Blalock, Corresponding Secretary; and Manny & Sherry Gonzales, Immediate Past President.



FROM THE EDITORS DESKS

Look at your calendar -- do you have the dates May 25th-27th circled? If not, you should think about making plans now!!! That's the date of YOUR State Convention. By YOUR, we mean DANCERS, CALLERS, AND CUERS. There are many people who have been working very hard for several years to make sure this year's convention is a fun-filled, great dancing weekend for you. All you are asked to do is get registered and then show up to have a GREAT TIME!

But, you say, I haven't registered so I can't go. WRONG! All you have to do is purchase your ticket at the door and enjoy yourself. Someone else has done all the work getting things organized for you. It's the best \$20.00 per person you'll spend anytime soon.

Then we hear, I'd rather support the XYZ Festival, or the ABC Dance Weekend. Good...go to as many as you

want to...that's what square dancing is all about. Having fun, enjoying fellowship of other dancers and at the same time dancing all weekend.

BUT, if you live in Florida you should SUPPORT-- BY YOUR ATTENDANCE-- your own State Convention.

The Florida Federation of Dancers, Callers Association, and Round Dance Council go together to make the Florida State Convention a Fantastic Weekend. One of the five Associations in the Federation of Dancers hosts the Convention each year and each of these Associations must support one another. Don't just go when "your" Association is the host. This is the FLORIDA STATE SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CONVENTION. Make your plans now to meet all your dancing friends in Lakeland May 25th - 27th this year. We guarantee you'll have a great time and want to return every year for more great dancing!





LETTERS, WE GET LETTERS.....

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

Dear Editors: I've just read my current Grapevine and find two articles extremely interesting. I heartily agree with these articles that not everyone has the same skills, mobility and mental alertness to react accordingly to each call. A case in point is our Singles club. Most of our members are retired. This is their best entertainment of the week. They are older and it's hard for them to hear the calls correctly, yet they have been good productive members and want to stay active. Not everyone keeps this in mind knowing that one day they too will be in the same boat. I mention this because many times I hear people don't want to visit some clubs because "oh well, their members can't dance" or "boy the squares always break down". Well, so what! They are still fellow dancers and are there to "have fun". Or what about the clubs that come to visit always dance with just their own members. It's good that some clubs are still dancing mainstream. Manuel & Lillie's last paragraphs reminds us that many dancers have forgotten that square dancing is suppose to be fun and to make new friends and more important to dance without competition. Dancing in a pat square seems just a little bit competitive to me. Also the Focus Group finds items #3, 4 & 5 are all true. We talk up friendliness and we are, among ourselves, but new people do experience the club culture as inflexible, cliquish and hard to mix in. Many other clubs don't understand singles either. Many singles are older, on a strict budget, less outside contacts, sometimes don't drive far, are shy and hesitate to visit other clubs on their own, and never cook for a family so are less apt to bring "good refreshments". They are also many times excluded from

couples plans and ideas. Let me say that I'm not criticizing anyone, I'm just explaining my thoughts on words I've heard or read. I agree with many that we should stop criticizing, work together and bring people together for the same common purpose - fun.

Thanks for listening

Linda Aldridge

Dear Editor: (Open letter to all smokers)

Tuesday, April 10, 2001, I attended the Rollaways' class graduation at Sandalwood High School. After a short while I was forced to leave because I couldn't breathe. I had used my inhaler four times, but I was still having problems. I finally smelled cigarette smoke and realized that both side doors were open and cigarette smokers were standing in the door way and just outside the door smoking cigarettes. The air conditioner was pulling the smoke into the dance hall and the only thing I could do at this point was to leave. We were there to steal a banner, but I couldn't stay and was forced to miss a really good dance.

My plea all smokers is to think about where the smoke from your cigarette is going. Please don't stand just outside an open door smoking, because the smoke doesn't go the other way. The smoke is usually drawn back inside the building because of the draft. By this point everyone should know the effects of second hand smoke and I am an example of just how bad it can effect some people. Again all I am asking for is your consideration, because I would hate to know I could never return to Sandalwood High School to dance.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR (Cont'd)

Thank you for reading this and please keep me, and others like me, in mind when you are smoking. Hope to see you all across a square soon.

Respectfully submitted,

Wannette Davis

Dear Editor: We are all different. Each of us has our strong points and our weak points. Equally some people learn to square dance faster and more easily than other. I have noticed that many people who start taking square dancing lessons drop out. Often they feel like they have fallen behind for one reason or another. Wouldn't it be great if they had a tutor to help them catch up or team something they missed in class.

Having been a teacher for several years and having written several instructional manuals, even a Greek Grammar book in Spanish (which is still being used after more than 30 years), I decided to invest some of my time and skills in preparing a video to help students and new square dancers.

With the encouragement of Lawton Smith from the Yellow Rockers and the help of many of my friends we have made the two little instruction books on square dancing into a movie. Indeed, a picture is worth a thousand words and more when it comes to learning to square dance.

The tape begins with an introduction to square dancing including general rules about no drinking, no smoking, and

matters of square dancing courtesy, etc. Starting from the beginning instructions are given on labels and positions, like who is a Head and who is a Side, etc. Then each call is explained first on a printed slide followed by a demonstration of that call using live dancers and background music.

All Mainstream and Plus calls are included as well as the dropped calls Partner Tag, Remake the Thar, Triple Trade and Triple Scoot, which are still called occasionally by some callers. Whenever possible a minimum number of dancers are used. Too many people moving at the same time can be confusing. If anyone has difficulty with any call they can rewind the tape and watch it in slow motion as many times as they wish. Each video comes with two printed lists. One list gives all of the Basic, Mainstream, and Plus calls in the order they appear on the tape along with the location on the tape as indicated by VCR counter. The second list gives all of the calls in alphabetical order along with their location on the VCR counter. I would like to give the videos away free, but I need to recover a fraction of the expenses I have incurred in preparing and shipping the tapes. (See my ad for "Learning to Square Dance" on another page). There are no shipping or handling charges. Another set of videos to teach you to square dance is available from California for **much more** than my offer.

Bon Steiner

THANK YOU

We would like to thank our many friends who called, sent cards, and said a prayer or two during Lonnie's recent surgeries. We are so blessed to have such thoughtful friends. Hope to be dancing with you soon.

Lonnie & Linda Aldridge



FEATURE ARTICLE

"A Senior's View

on Square Dancing & Retirement"

By Bob Raymond

Editor's Note: This article was written and submitted by Bob Raymond. We couldn't have said it any better and have, therefore, published it as he submitted it.

Someone once said that "Age is a matter of the mind--If you don't mind, it don't (age) matter." My wife and I are members of Yellow Rockers Plus, but dance regularly with the other great Square Dance clubs in and around Jacksonville. When we square up, our powers of observation tell us that it has been a long time since most of our Square Dance friends have attended a high school prom.

In this time of awareness about health and physical fitness, recent surveys tell us that **Square Dancing adds years of enjoyment to our already advancing years.** Square dancing seems to be the best-kept secret in the world. It's fun, the whole family can do it, it's healthy, **BUT** it takes **commitment** -- 12 weeks. Big deal, what's 12 weeks to a senior citizen.

Jane and I tried to retire in 1992. We sold all our worldly possessions and began a five-year odyssey traveling full time in a 5th wheel travel trailer. Our travels took us to many towns and cities in America. **We noticed how many fellow travelers were Square Dancers.** While in Gulfport, Mississippi, **the opportunity to learn to Square Dance was available. We took it!!**

Even though we visited many states in our travels, deep down Florida seemed to beckon us. In 1997, we moved to Brunswick, Georgia. Unfortunately, there was little opportunity to dance -- one small club that danced every other week. That left us with one option -- drive 100 miles round trip to dance in Yulee with the

Sweet Arts. When that club closed, we then drove 150 miles round-trip every Monday to dance with Lawton Smith and the Yellow Rockers.

I was once again working full-time, but Jane and I planned to retire at the end of 2000. **Our most important consideration was there had to be an active Square Dance club in the community -- Jacksonville met the requirement.** Jane and I had long standing roots in the community. Prior to our marriage, Jane had lived in the area for many years, graduating from Lee High School in 1956. I arrived in 1963 on orders from the U. S. Navy and retired here in 1970 after 22 years of service.

The final piece of the puzzle was where to live. At our age, (Cont'd)



Bob & Jane are all dressed up with "somewhere to go"...to their favorite pastime-- SQUARE DANCING!

FEATURE ARTICLE (cont'd)

we did not want a house to care for and most apartment complexes were out of the question. One California based company who specializes in senior housing was in the process of renovating the military housing at the former Naval Air Station Cecil Field. It is called **Cecil Pines Adult Living Community** and is a gated community

that contains 92 units. Our rent includes all maintenance -- inside and out -- plus a "First Alert" medical emergency system.

Life has been very good to us -- we are close to family and friends. We love **Cecil Pines**, and best of all we are an active part of a **wonderful Square Dance community**. For us, it doesn't get any better than that.

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To enjoy three days of uproarious **fun, fellowship, and great dancing** to Florida callers and cuers, be at the Lakeland Center in Lakeland, Florida on **Friday evening, May 25th, when the Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention** gets underway.

You'll meet all your dancing friends from around the state, and meet and make new friends that will form **lasting friendships!**

You'll find many places to **dine and party** with your fellow dancers and many "after the dance" parties all over the city.

If you are a **new dancer**, this is your opportunity to attend your **FIRST State Convention...**and we know you'll return year after year!!

Everyone can attend the **exhibitions and special entertainment** in the Arena Hall, and join your friends in the **Grand March** on Saturday evening!

Don't forget to take in the **Sewing Clinic**. There's always something there for everyone! Including Door Prizes!

You'll surely want to be present when the **Fashion Show** gets underway on Sunday afternoon. And, then be sure you are in the Arena for the special **Kick-Off** of next year's Convention.

It's a fun-filled three-day weekend that no **Florida dancer, caller or cuer** should miss. The **Florida Federation of Square Dancers, the Florida Callers Association, and the Florida Round Dance Council** have all worked hard together to bring you this Convention for 47 years. This year the **Southeast Association is the host and they've been working hard for the last four years to provide you with this quality weekend. Show them your appreciation by attending this convention.**

This is **YOUR STATE CONVENTION. SUPPORT IT!!**

WE GUARANTEE YOU'LL HAVE FUN!

The Editors

CALLERS CORNER

With Kenny Farris

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Taken from *CALLS 'n' CUES*, a publication of the Washington DC area, January 2001 issue. First paragraph edited to fit this page.)

Did you know ... a Swat the Flea was a lefthand Box the Gnat but the call was dropped from MAINSTREAM almost 22 years ago?

Have you ever heard of a Beer Mug Chain? Even some folks who have heard of it are under the misconception that it is a Men's Teacup Chain. To set the record straight, a Teacup Chain starts with the right hand and has the active dancers' visitation sequence going to the right or counter-clockwise around the square. This is true whether we have the ladies or the men or any combination thereof doing the chaining. A Beer Mug Chain is just the opposite. All the action starts with left hands and moves to the left or clockwise around the square. I don't believe the Beer Mug Chain has ever been officially on any CALLERLAB list (Okay, maybe some Challenge 3 or 4 list with which I am not familiar) but it is a nice variation to have some fun with on occasion. And if that's not enough, try a Revolving Beer Mug Chain!

Once in a while your caller will throw you a change-up and call Heads Face Grand Square. But what if he calls Men Face Grand Square? Or Ladies Face Grand Square? I made the mistake of trying this at the second night of the Class Level series this year! Whoops! (The list of available calls for that evening was small and I was stretching!) It's a little funky even for experienced dancers but it's fun when you get it. On a Men Face Grand Square each man will turn 1/4 to face his partner, who is still facing the center of the square. Men then begin by backing up three steps, while the ladies begin by walking forward three steps. The action continues like a normal Grand Square, it's just that you don't have the support of another dancer moving along with you or of a dancer on the other side to mirror. You're just

hanging out there, every man and woman for his/her self!

Try Sides Face Grand Square "just six steps!" Can you envision where that would leave you? You'd be in facing lines! And the same with two, ten, or fourteen steps. It does make you have to stop the rush and count properly!

Here's one I pulled out for a weekend a short time ago. It's called Perk Up! From parallel waves, All 8 Circulate, then Extend. Now those in the wave Single Hinge, Box Circulate, and Trade. Meanwhile those facing out (not in the wave) face right and Circulate two positions. This all ends in parallel two-faced lines. Did that perk you up?

I'm going to leave the choreography behind for a moment and bring up something that has been on my mind for a long time. Once upon a time, when a tip ended, dancers would give a nice round of applause and then thank each other with handshakes and hugs. Nowadays when a tip ends, it's Clap, Clap, "Thaaank You!" (sometimes even before the music has faded). The hand shakes and hugs then ensue. Don't get me wrong, the "Thaaank You!" thing and the hugs are great. It's the Clap, Clap that bothers me.

Can you even conceive of being at a concert where when the performer finishes a piece the audience goes Clap, Clap?! And that's it! I can't. And yet I have attended square dances where the caller has sung his/her heart out or wowed the dancers with terrific choreography and all he/she gets for the effort is Clap, Clap. If you enjoy the patter call, show it. If you enjoy the singing call, show it. If the performance only rates a Clap, Clap, so be it. But if it deserves more, give it. The caller is a part of your square every tip. Your applause is his/her handshakes and hugs - until he/she can collect real ones later! Thanks.

BLOOD BANK BENEFIT DANCE

ANNUAL BLOOD BANK BENEFIT DANCE - Sponsored by NEFSARDA

Saturday, May 5th, 2001

Jacksonville Heights Elementary School
7750 South Tempest Street, Jacksonville, Florida

Callers:

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ART WILSON

Cuer:

LARRY DUNN



Early Rounds

7:30-8:00 PM

Dance

8:00-10:00PM

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Cuer's Corner

By Val Newsome



Jim & Barbara German wrote the following article for the Dixie Round Dance Council Newsletter, April 2000, and we thought it would be of interest to our many Round Dancers in the area. Hope you enjoy it.

THE ICING ON THE CAKE

Closed dance position for the smooth dances (waltz, fox trot and quickstep. Yes, we have heard about it and practiced this position many times. We know what closed dance position is and we have just completed another workshop involving closed dance position. Well, not really. That was part of the discussion but the practice concentrated on wing and sidecar positions. Some thoughts were presented on wing and sidecar positions which were different from how we have thought of them in the past. Thoughts on dancing are forever changing and incorporating new ideas on body movement. We listened well and practiced under the watchful eye of the leadership. It was okay for the workshop material, however, come the evening program of rounds and we forgot to incorporate the workshop material into our dancing. Muscle memory and familiarity with the routine caused a short circuit from our new learning experience to our dancing habits.

Do you sense a possibility of a continuing problem here? Did the material discussed and practiced during the workshop only apply to the workshop material and dance or did it also apply to other dances? Well, let's go back and take a quick look at that workshop material and see.

The workshop was presented by national clinicians with exceptional knowledge of dance. The review of closed dance position consisted of emphasizing the head placement for the man and lady. The man's head was to the left of the partners his and the lady's head was to her left or to the man's right side. Each person had his own "window". This was not new information and everybody was looking great. Now the clinicians began to move from the known to something a little different. They introduced wing indicating that wing ended in sidecar position and that sidecar position is a form of closed dance position with the lady offset to the man's left side. Slow down now for this sentence was the heart of the next half-hour of instruction. We have closed position and offset to the left in the same sentence. How is this possible?

The clinicians took the time to say that years ago we did not know as much as we do today about dance and body positioning. Also,, dance has changed since we first started standardizing round dancing. Our interpretation of how to do a figure from the printed material we were researching and how the figure is actually danced was not always accurate. It seemed right based on what we knew then, however, we know more today and have refined our thoughts. For example, sidecar is still a closed dance position with the lady offset to the man's left side. Both the man and lady will retain their own closed dance window at the top line (both looking to their left) and the lady's feet will be outside the man's left side. To achieve this position the bodies must turn or twist at the waist turning toward each other. This action is called contra and at one time we had the term contra-sidecar. We have now dropped the term contra-sidecar and have returned to sidecar because we know now to keep our upper bodies in closed dance position looking out our (cont'd.)

Cuer's Corner (Cont'd.)

own window while the lady's feet are offset to the left.

The clinicians were skillful in teaching the large group and the group looked great. Everybody executed great wings with nice top lines with the man and lady looking out their own window and feet slightly offset. Guess what happened to sidecar that evening? That's right! Short circuit! Back to the same old familiar way with the man and lady looking out the wrong window. What happened between the afternoon workshop and the evening dance? It is difficult to change what is familiar but the challenge is to not only understand the workshop material but to be able to apply the material with familiar dances.

The challenge of incorporating the how and why of figures into body mechanics to use to improve dance appearance is one of the joys of round dancing. Familiar routines should allow the concentration to take place. And a further step would be the ability to take workshop material and apply the knowledge to other figures. Think about sidecar position in the Natural Hover Cross -- where are you looking? Maybe the ability to apply new knowledge to familiar dances is the icing on the cake. It is not easy to get all of the swirls of the icing just right, but when you do the cake looks great!!

Happy Dancing. Remember: A smile can do as much to make the couple look good as proper footwork and execution!

ROUNDS CALENDAR

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|-------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| May 6..... | Blood Bank Dance (NEFSARDA) | Jacksonville, FL |
| May 25-27..... | Florida State Square Dance Conv. | Lakeland, FL |
| July 14 | Christmas In July | Keystone Hgts, FL |
| Aug 31-Sep 1..... | Florida Knothead Konvention..... | Lakeland, FL |
| Sep 13-15 | Myrtle Beach Ball..... | Myrtle Bch, SC |
| Oct 18-21 | State Camp-O-Ree..... | Okeechobee, FL |
| Nov 9-10..... | Fall Fun Fest | Lakeland, FL |
| Nov 16-17 | 48th Ann. Fall Festival(NEFSARDA). .. | Jacksonville, FL |
| Dec 8-10..... | Gatlinburg Christmas Ball | Gatlinburg, TN |

CHILDREN IN CHURCH CAN WARM OUR HEARTS

- Our son, 3, was playing quietly in the church pew when the girl next to him started talking loudly. "Sshh...We're in church," he whispered. Then he added emphatically, "Besides, people are sleeping."
- After the church service a little boy told the pastor, "When I grow up, I'm going to give you some money." "Well, thank you," the pastor replied, "but why?" "Because my daddy says you're one of the poorest preachers we've ever had."
- A five-year-old, who was burdened down with a number of challenges at home, was invited by her Sunday School teacher to pray. With her hands folded tight and her eyes scrunched closed, the child poured out her heart before the Lord. She prayed for her parents, her brothers and her extended family each by name. At the close of her prayer, with somewhat of a sigh of relief, she declared, "In Jesus name, two men." Gently, her teacher encouraged her by saying, "No dear, it's said, Amen." The little one replied, "I thought that since I was praying for such big things, I needed more than just one!"

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GCA SOPHOMORE HOEDOWN

By Val Newsome

The Gateway Callers Association sponsored their Sophomore Hoedown on March 3rd, 2001. The dance was held at Jax Heights Elementary School with approximately 10 squares of students and dancers attending.

Calling tips during the evening were John Robbins, President of the Gateway Callers; Lawton Smith; John Wall; Mike Akers, Secretary of the Gateway Callers; Ken Miller; and Ernie Rollen. Taws Donna Robbins and Frances Rollen were there to lend support; and since Mike's wife was unable to attend, he brought his nine year old daughter, Brianna, who graduated from classes last year. She's ready to dance anytime! (see picture below)



It was a lively dance enjoyed by both the students and experienced dancers. Thanks to the Gateway Callers for providing this "Sophomore Hoedown" for the students. They will hold their Annual Graduation Dance on Saturday, April 28th, at Sandalwood High School (information and/or pictures will be included in the next issue of The Grapevine).



Students line up for a "Photo Shoot" at the Gateway Callers Sophomore Hoedown.



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CALLER — JOHN WALL
KEEP SQUARE DANCING FUN FOR EVERYONE

NEFSARDA CLUB VISITATION REPORT

By Chuck & Aleen Breedlove, Visitation Chairmen

Club Visitation winners for 1999-2000

The following clubs have handed in
visitation cards for 2000-2001:

were:

GOLD Medal (36 or more visits)

Rollaways 44 visits

SILVER Medal (24-35 visits)

Yellow Rockers 24 visits

Plus Fox 24 visits

BRONZE Medal (12-23 visits)

Moose Promenaders 21 visits

Teddy Bears 12 visits

**CONGRATULATIONS to all these
clubs for this achievement.**

Rollaways 17 visits

Yellow Rockers 12 visits

Joy Seas 9 visits

Mainstream Squares 8 visits

Plus Fox 6 visits

Teddy Bears 5 visits

Moose Promenaders 2 visits

Silver Fox 2 visits

Remember, only five (5) visits to any
one club throughout the year will count
toward a medal.



Happy Dancing



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Caller: Jim Cosman



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7:30 - 9:30 PM

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Ernie Perrin - 645-3938
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IN STEP WITH. . .

Country, Clogging and Line Dancing

By Donna Robbins

I have agreed to again chair the Clogging program for the State Convention. If you have previously missed coming into our hall, which is located behind the arena this year, please come over for the experience! We will have a full Clogging program this year, including evenings.

In the beginning--before we split off (the Cloggers now have their own convention), the Clogging hall was the most crowded! Ironically, that's partly the reason we left and organized our own -- we simply needed more room for our growing numbers, so we moved to Orlando, where it is currently held. Hopefully, sometime in the near future, we'll all be back together, as I feel it should be.

For your information, there will be Line Dancing and 2-Step halls with very competent instructors available; once again a full dancing program.

The following is an easy Line Dance to a popular country song and I think you'll like it.

See you in Lakeland!!

"I JUST WANT TO DANCE WITH YOU"

(By George Strait)

Wait 32 beats to begin.

Start on right foot (shuffle or polka step, moving forward).

(R) - 1 - 2 - 3 -- step, close, step (L) - 1 - 2 - 3 -- step, close, step

Repeat right and left ...

(R) - grapevine, step - cross behind - step

(L) - grapevine, step - cross behind - step

Turn 1/4 L, then repeat grapevine right, and repeat grapevine L, then turn 1/4 L and start all over with the polka steps.

(Note: you will only do polka steps front & back, always 4 x's, always 5 grapevines, turning on the 2nd and 4th grapevine)

HAVE FUN!!

ATTITUDE

Submitted by Rose Walker

Here is what Charles Swindoll has to say about ATTITUDE:

Attitude is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness or skill. It will make or break a company, a church, a home.

The remarkable thing is, we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we embrace for that day. We cannot change our past. We cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one thing we have, and that is our attitude.



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| | | | Usually | | |
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BE KIND TO THE BEGINNERS

Be kind to the beginners even though they often flub,
 With courtesy, let's greet 'em, they're the new blood of the club,
 And when we see them struggling let us lend a willing hand,
 To guide them o'er the rough spots and to help them understand.
 Be good to the beginners when they join you in a square,
 And introduce your partner to the gent and his lady fair,
 And though they may be strangers when you walk into the set,
 Remember that a stranger is a friend you haven't met.

Author Unknown

(Reprinted from National Squares)

Camp N' Dance

By Gerry Fredrickson 269-9717

We're getting close to this year's Summer Jamboree. It will be on June 15, 16, & 17, 2001, at Grand Lake RV Resort in Orange Lake, Florida. It's a fantastic weekend where we all get together and enjoy the calling of three of the states best callers. Yes, John Barrett, Bill Chesnut, and Jim Cosman will all be there again this year. If you camp and dance, join us for the weekend! It's a great way to check us out and have a fantastic time. Some dancers that don't camp, take advantage of the rental units or just drive down for the evening. No excuses. Be there! Call the campground for site reservations at 1-800-435-2291 or 1-352-591-3473

Also I'd like to remind you of the National Camp-o-ree on July 10, 11, & 12, 2001, in Spencer, Iowa. This is the yearly event held by the National Square Dance Campers. You do need to be a member of NSDCA to attend this event. Best prices are available before June 24, 2001. The International Camp-o-ree is followed up by the Michigan Camp-o-ree on July 12, 13, & 14, 2001. It will be held on the Midland County Fairgrounds in

Midland, MI. You need to be registered by June 30, 2001

The Gypsy Squares will enjoy their May campout at Grand Lake near Ocala on May 4, 5, & 6. On June 1, 2, & 3, we'll be at Bulow RV Resort near Flagler Beach. Visitors are always welcome! John and Mo Barrett can't be beat. Keep up to date with the Gypsy Squares schedule and monthly details at <http://members.nbcl.com/fredrig>.

The Square Wheels will be at Pacetti's Marina and Campground in Orangedale on May 18, 19, & 20, 2001. They enjoy the summer off and will not be camping until August but you can join many of them at the Summer Jamboree in June. Bill and Mary Chesnut keep this group on their toes.

The Drift Arounds will enjoy a campout at Bulow RV Resort near Flagler Beach on May 11, 12, & 13, 2001. They also take the summer off but Jim is planning an event in August at Grand Lake. Jim and Margaret Cosman enjoy calling for this club.

See you dancing at a campground real soon!



KIDS LETTERS TO GOD

Dear God: I didn't think orange went with purple until I saw the sunset you made on Tuesday. That was cool! -- Eugene.

Dear God: Did you mean the giraffe to look like that or was it an accident? -- Jan.

Dear God: Thank you for my baby brother, but what I prayed for was a puppy. -- Joyce.

(Reprinted from THE CHURCHMOUSE, January 2001)

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SPECIAL FUN DANCES

May 4th.....Plus Classes Start

May 18th.....Ernie's 1st Anniversary Dance
Ernie's been calling for the Foxes 1 year...Come help us celebrate!

May 25th.....DARK

Meet you in Lakeland at the State Convention!

June 8th.....Sweet 16th Anniversary Dance
Come share a Potluck Dinner and GREAT DANCING with us.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
Stephen & Dorothy Gilliland, President
264-3248

AMERICAN SQUARE DANCE

(EDITORS NOTE: The following was received from Paul & Nita Walker of Kannapolis, NC. We are passing it the news on to you, the readers!!)

Hello Square Dancers:

We have been dancing 27 years and have been subscribing to the American Square Dance Magazine for 25 of those years. It is the "only" national square dance magazine in the nation.

As we all are aware that our numbers of dancers have been declining over the past several years. Hopefully, this will stop and later on in another e-mail we will try to explain what CALLERLAB has on board to begin to increase the numbers of dancers.

The American Square Dance Magazine is published monthly and covers "every" aspect of our recreation. Round Dance, Contra, Traditional, Sewing, Trends, etc, many articles are written by the giants of our hobby. National organizations such as, USDA, Legacy, CALLERLAB, Contralab, Roundalab, National Teachers Association, and on and on, contribute articles of interest.

We have learned that this magazine is beginning to experience a decline in subscriptions and is now facing some financial difficulties. The magazine has nowhere to advertise their services except through us....the people. This is why we are writing to you.

There is one "BIG" reason to subscribe now. Not only do you receive a great publication, but the Publisher will be donating \$2.50 from each subscription to "THE FOUNDATION." And now you say, "What is THE FOUNDATION?" To keep this brief, THE FOUNDATION is a tax exempt organization which is dedicated to the preservation and promotion of square dancing. This was formed by CALLERLAB and THE FOUNDATION is just now getting off the ground. You will be hearing more on this later.

So now you have the opportunity to keep up with what is going on. Take our word for it, you will be happy that you subscribed to this magazine.

If you have any questions give us a call on 704-782-2616 or e-mail us at Goo627@cs.com. Or when you see us at a dance we will be happy to tell you more about this magazine.

Let us know, we will be glad to mail you a subscription form. Let's all get behind this great publication and keep it in print for years to come.

Let us hear from you!!!

Paul & Nita Walker

DOUBLE D's FOR GRADUATES

- DO** dance around the hall, try not to stay in a square of your fellow grads.
- DON'T** apologize for being a new dancer. You are needed and we welcome you.
- DO** concentrate on having fun, meeting new people, laughing at yourself and enjoy!
- DO** be a constant advertisement for Square Dancing -- tell all who will listen how much fun you are having.
- DON'T** be afraid to ask the caller at a club dance to walk you through a difficult or misunderstood call.
- DO** concentrate on your "listening" it is a valuable asset.

(Reprinted from "Where n' When, May '97)

WHAT'S COOKING?

By Val Newsome

Last issue we promised you recipes for Meat Balls and for an Apple Dessert. The Meat Ball recipe comes from a friend of mine, **Penny Petty**. The Apple Dessert recipe comes from **Debbie Delp**. Hope you enjoy them both!



COCKTAIL MEAT BALLS

| | |
|-----------------------------|--|
| 1 Lb. ground beef | 1 egg, slightly beaten |
| 2 Tbs fine dry bread crumbs | 1/2 Tsp salt |
| 12 Cup finely chopped onion | 1/3 Cup finely chopped green pepper |
| 2 Tbs butter or margarine | 1 (10 3/4 oz) Can Campbells condensed tomato soup |
| 2 Tbs brown sugar | 1 Tbs Worcestershire sauce |
| 1 Tbs vinegar | Dash of hot pepper sauce |
| 1 Tsp prepared mustard | |

Mix thoroughly the beef, egg, bread crumbs and salt. Add remaining ingredients and mix well. Shape into 50 small meat balls. Arrange in shallow baking dish (12x8x2) and broil 4 inches from heat until brown (turn once). Pour off fat.

Place in crock pot and cover with your favorite Sweet & Sour Sauce. Cook for approximately 30 minutes.

APPLE TATIN

| | |
|---|---|
| 9 inch round puff pastry | 3 Tbs soft unsalted butter, cut into small pieces |
| 2 Granny Smith apples, peeled, cored, and sliced thin | |
| 1 tsp grated lemon peel and 1 Tsp grated lemon peel | |
| 1 Tbs fresh lemon juice | 1 Cup sugar |

Sifted Confectioner's sugar, as desired

Preheat oven to 425 degrees. With fork tines, lightly prick the pastry. Butter a ten inch round skillet or cake pan and arrange the pastry to fit. Spread with one Tbs butter. In a bowl, toss the apples with 1 Tbs lemon juice and 1 Tbs lemon peel. Arrange the apple slices in a single layer on the pastry in a circle, overlapping slightly. Sprinkle with the 1/4 cup sugar and dot with the remaining butter. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes until golden brown. Sprinkle remaining lemon peel and the confectioners sugar on top. Enjoy!

Since I have some space left over, I'll tell you about a note I received from a reader. In the last issue one of the recipes was for a delicious milk shake made with frozen blueberries. **Roscoe Gootee** wrote: "Hello Val, I enjoyed the Blueberry Milk Shake. Try this recipe -- it is also delicious." Thanks, Roscoe, for sharing this recipe with us.

MULTI-FRUIT JUICE

| | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| 8 ounces pineapple chunks | 2 oranges (peeled) |
| 1 apple (cored) | 1 1/3 banana |
| 6 Tbs Honey | 1 Cup ice cubes |

Blend well in your blender until smooth. Makes 4 servings.

Coming next issue: A cobbler recipe you don't want to miss. It was served at a recent dance and I tracked down the "cook" since so many were asking for the recipe. Look for it in the July-August issue.



**50th NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION
ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA
JUNE 27, 28, 29, 30, 2001**

SQUARE DANCE PROGRAM

Our Square Dance program will feature all levels from Mainstream to Challenge. There will be over five acres of dance halls devoted to square dancing. We will have two Mainstream Halls; one will feature the Ghost Riders Band performing live music each evening, and one will offer Rounds. There will be two Round Dances twice each hour in the evening. Having the live band in the Mainstream Hall will give all the dancers at the Convention the opportunity to dance to live music. If you have never danced to the Ghost Riders Band, you are in for a real treat.

We will have two Plus Halls, one with two round dances each hour all day and evening, and one offering continuous Plus level squares. In addition, we will have a hall featuring only Singing Calls, which will be mostly Plus level. There will be two Advanced Halls; A1 and A2. There will also be two Challenge Halls.

There will be a Singles Hall, which will be a place for solo dancers to meet. The level of dance in the Singles Hall will be Plus, with two round dances each hour in the evening. There will also be a Country Western/Line Dancing hall with a full program.

Handicapable dancers will have an 8,000 square foot hall dedicated

entirely to them. It will be on the ground floor, near the main entrance, and will be easily accessible by all. We are planning a full Handicapable program.

Dancing will begin at 10:00 AM each day, and run until 10:00 PM. At least one Mainstream and one Plus Hall will offer continuous dancing for that entire period. Other halls may close for lunch and/or dinner breaks. If you haven't had enough dancing by 10:00 PM, there will be square dance after parties each evening.

We are expecting some of the finest calling talent in the country to be part of our program. There will be callers from every part of the country, as well as from a number of countries around the world. Along with the spectacular Ghost Riders Band from California, this great caller lineup should produce one of the finest National Square Dance Conventions ever.

For those wishing to improve their dancing skills, or learn new ones, we will offer workshops for all Square Dance levels, as well as Country Western.

Make your plans now to be part of the world's greatest Square Dance event in 2001. For more information about the 50th, check out the Web site at: http://home.earthlink.net/~zebrow/NSDC_50th/ or write to 50th NSDC, P O. Box 1237, Lomita, Ca 90717.

ROUND DANCE PROGRAM

The Round Dance Committee for the 50th Convention-2001 is happy to report that the committee is working hard to ensure a smooth running program for all who attend. We are looking forward to hosting dancers and teachers from all over the world for this wonderful "Celebration".

The General Chairman has provided four Round Dance Halls for this conven-

tion. The halls will be located on the third floor of the New Anaheim Convention Center. The halls are very large and will provide ample room for dancing.

A "Kick Off" for the Round Dance Program for the 50th will be an all level TRAIL END dance Wednesday evening at the Convention Center in the designated Round Dance Halls.



**50th NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION
ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA
JUNE 27, 28, 29, 30, 2001**

ROUND DANCE PROGRAM (Cont'd)

California Round Dance Teachers will host and cue the Trail End Dance.

For your dancing pleasure, the Round Dance Committee will provide:

Four Halls for dancing - Phases II through VI.

Showcase of dances Phase I - VI will be presented each day -- Thursday thru Saturday. All dancers are invited to attend and view the dances being shown and then attend the teaches of their choice.

Afternoon teaches of the dances showcased each day will be taught from 1:00 - 5:00 PM.

Programmed Round Dance Party for all levels, in the respective halls, will

be conducted every evening 7:30 - 10:30 PM.

After Parties every evening - 10:30 PM to Midnight.

A "GALA BALL" Saturday night to celebrate 50 years in this wonderful activity. A 'Spectacular Round Dance Party' for all levels (Phase II - VI).

Round Dance Syllabus of all the dances showcased will be available for purchase.

WE INVITE EVERYONE TO ATTEND THE BIGGEST ROUND DANCE PARTY- STARTING ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT AND CONTINUING THROUGH SATURDAY MIDNIGHT. LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING ALL OF YOU IN THE CIRCLE.

REMINDER FOR RVers

You'll be camping at the ARROWHEAD POND, the home of the Mighty Ducks. This site is less than 3 miles from the convention center. There will be a Wagon Master at the location with your REGISTRATION PACKETS along with HOSPITALITY people to make you feel at home. There will also be coffee for your pleasure and security for your safety.

This fenced Dry Camping "Community" will have a Honey Wagon (for a small fee)

and we are working on having a water truck available. Sorry, but electric power is not available.

Don't forget to order a BUS PASS so you will have transportation to and from the convention center. Also, when you indicate you need a RV spot at the POND you will receive a map and information by mail. The site will be open from Wednesday until Sunday during the convention.

FUTURE NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

**2001
2002
2003
2004**

**Anaheim, California
St. Paul, Minnesota
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Denver, Colorado**



Legacy

International Assembly Of "Trustees" Of The Square Dance Activity

Two years ago Rep. Jim Saxton, of New Jersey, introduced into the 106th Congress the Square Dance Bill HJR #60. Since no action was taken on this bill before Congress adjourned in January of 2001, that bill has died. In discussions with Rep. Jim Saxton's experienced staff it was learned if Rep. Saxton resubmitted the SD bill very few, if any, cosponsors of the bill HJR #60 submitted last session, would be lost. On February 8, 2001, he reintroduced the SQUARE DANCE bill into the 107th Congress. HJR #15 (as it is now known) has been referred to the Committee on Government Reform.

Although square dancers responded positively to the news of HJR #60 in contacting their Congressmen to support this bill, there was not enough time for the 106th Congress to act. Rep. Saxton's staff has received a number of inquiries from other Congressional offices about this legislation due to the correspondence they have received from square dancing enthusiasts in their districts. Rep. Saxton is sending a letter to all of his colleagues in the House about this new legislation and encouraging them to become cosponsors. But he also suggests it would be most beneficial for dancers to continue encouraging their Congressman to support HJ.Res #15. The majority of Members of Congress decide to cosponsor legislation after they receive letters, phone calls and/or email of support from constituents.

Frank & Helen Cavanaugh of New Jersey chair LEGACY's American Folk Dance Committee and Jack & Zonie Taylor of Florida chair United Square Dancers of America's Folk Dance Committee. The Cavanaugh's can be reached at 20 Wooton Drive, South-

ampton, NJ 08088-1041 or phone 609-8591937 and the Taylors at 4235 N Indian River Drive, Cocoa, FL 32927 or phone 407-631-1892.

Rep. Saxton's staff is setting up appointments with key Congressional personnel in D/C. The Cavanaugh's will be spending time during the week of April 2 - 6 in D/C at such meetings and have extended an invitation to Jack & Zonie Taylor and other SD leaders from surrounding states to join them to meet with their Congressmen during the time they spend in the Capitol.

How can you help? One easy and very important way is to tell dancers and other interested people to continue to keep their letters, phone calls & e-mail flowing to their Congressmen to cosponsor and support HJR #15. If your state is one of the 32 states that already has designated the Square Dance its American Folk Dance, it is still important to remind them of this fact. If your state is one of the remaining 18 still in the works, remind them that Public Law 97-188, signed by President Ronald Reagan made Square Dance the National Folk Dance of the U.S.A. for 1982-1983. We are now asking that it be in perpetuity. Please ask your Congressman to support this effort.

Please pass the word along to your local organization and clubs. Teamwork gets strength from one another. **LET'S CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE THIS DREAM COME TRUE.**

Thank you for helping get this very important update out to your readers. HJR #15 needs everybody's help to succeed.

**THE RURAL CALLERS ASSN.
and
THE GATEWAY CALLERS ASSN.**

CHRISTMAS IN JULY



**SATURDAY JULY 14, 2001
7:30-10:30 PM**

**KEYSTONE HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL
700 Orchid Ave. Keystone Heights, FL**



Keystone Hts. is located at intersection of SR 21 and SR 100, East of Starke. From Ocala area, take 301 North to Starke and take SR 100 East to Keystone Heights. Orchid Ave. is one block south of 100 on 21. Turn west on Orchid (Shell station on corner) and go to blinking light. School is on right.

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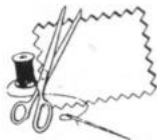
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By Janett Verwey 352 3373-9776

VARIATIONS OF THE GORED SKIRT

Scalloped Gores: The gores are easy to scallop. Fold in half and round the corners. You may want to put binding around the bottom instead of hemming (figure 4). This accentuates the effect of the scallops and is very

attractive. I prefer using a plate, bowl, or platter, and make a cardboard pattern when cutting scallops. Marcella Jacobsen, Jacksonville, is the queen of making scallops. Her technique is excellent and was featured in the 1997 National Convention sewing book.

Embroidered Gores: (Put those new embroidery machines to work!) Make an 8 gore skirt of a heavier fabric such as kettle cloth in a neutral color or light shade. Select a design and machine embroider flowers or butterflies on each gore. By using different sizes of your design on some gores, you have "an original" (fig 5). One of the prettiest embroidered skirts I've seen was made by Lois Tenny from Belleview. She used 8 gores, and alternated gores with a print and solid color. Lois scanned flowers from the print into her computerized (fig 5) sewing machine, and embroidered the scanned flowers on the solid gores.

If you're not the owner of an embroidery machine, hand embroider the designs or use liquid embroidery. Lynne Hill, Stuart, used silk ribbon Brizillian embroidery on a couple of her outfits. Some of you may recall them—a different carousel (which she had researched) on each gore, and her husband's vest; another outfit was embroidered in a floral design.

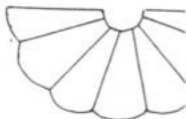
There are books as well as educational channel TV programs on silk ribbon embroidery using a zig-zag stitch. Also, fabric painting is very beautiful on skirts, blouses, and men's vests and shirts.

Interrupted 8 Gore: How do you interrupt a gore? Easy! Cut a new

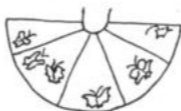
pattern exactly as you would for a regular 8 gore skirt. Measure up from the bottom edge 6 1/2 inches, and make a line across the pattern (fig 6). It will be curved exactly like the bottom edge of the gore pattern. Measure up another 6 inches and make another line. Cut the pattern on these two lines. When cutting the fabric, allow 1/2 inch for seams on TOP side of BOTTOM TIER, BOTTOM side of GORE, and BOTH sides of MIDDLE TIER (fig 7).

Cut upper portion of gores from plain fabric, cutting one on the selvage (allow 1/2" seam allowance) for center back gore. Cut 4 (half) of the No. 1 tiers from one contrasting fabric, and the other 4 from the second fabric. Do the same for the No. 2 tiers. (fig 8) Sew together, alternating tiers on each gore. Pin across width of gore before sewing to keep seam even and true. If you have trouble fitting the curved lines together, run a staystitching line along the seam allowance on the top of the tier, pull thread just a little, then stretch out all you can. This will allow tier to sew on easily without tucks. This same idea works with the interruption diagonally across the gore as shown (fig 9). Start with the gore, add 1 inch for each seam, and cut whatever width you wish. Then sew it back in. **Note:** If you use the diagonal cut, you will need to cut half the pieces one way and half the opposite direction. The interrupted gore with curved inserts (fig 10) also works well. Remember each time you cut the gore, allow for seams. Trim the bodice or blouse in whatever style you wish using the contrasting fabric. This is an excellent scrap-user-upper.

STITCHIN' TIME (Cont'd)



Scalloped Gores
(Figure 4)



Gored Skirt With Machine
Embroidered Butterflies (can
be made with liquid
embroidery)
(Figure 5)



Draw Two Lines And Cut
Pattern On Lines
(Figure 6)



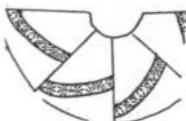
Add Seam
Allowances
(Figure 7)



Interrupted Gores
Using Three Fabrics.
(Figure 8)



(Figure 9)



Interrupted Gores with Curved Insert
(Figure 10)



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ANNUAL BLUE-GREY DANCE

By Val Newsome

This event takes place each year in Lake City and is sponsored by the **Dixie Dancers Square Dance Club**. If you haven't been to one of these dances you need to put it on your schedule for next February (watch for flyers!). There is a Trails Dance on Friday evening sponsored by the **Square Wheels Camping Club**. **Bill & Mary Chesnut** keep both clubs going strong. They say a picture is worth a thousand words, so take a look at the pictures which follow to see just how much goes on at this event.

The parade

←
starts off Saturday's
events, followed by a
street parade.



Saturday evenings dance starts off with the "GRAND MARCH" complete with Blue & Grey soldiers and their ladies.

ANNUAL BLUE-GREY DANCE (cont'd)



Bill Chesnut, caller of Dixie Dancers, introduces the featured caller, Tom Roper. Tom is an excellent caller and we try to dance with him whenever we can. Bill joined him in a couple of tips and if you've never danced to Tom and Bill you've missed some good dancing.



Abraham Lincoln usually always stop by the dance and this year was no exception. He paused long enough to welcome Fred & Carolyn Chatos to the dance. Fred & Carolyn are Chairmen of the 47th Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention to be held May 25-27, 2001.

SEE YOU THERE!!



FRESH BREAD

Submitted By Ann Millan

A friend sent this to me and I thought you might find it interesting. Who knows if there's any truth to it, but I like fresh bread just as much as the next person does.

When you go to buy bread in the grocery store, have you ever wondered which is the freshest, so you "squeeze" for freshness or softness. Did you know that bread is delivered fresh to the stores five days a week? Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday...and each day has a different color twist tie. They are:

| | |
|----------------|--------|
| Monday | Blue |
| Tuesday | Green |
| Thursday | Red |
| Friday | White |
| Saturday | Yellow |

So, today being Thursday, I wanted a red twist tie--not white which was Friday (almost a week old?). The colors go alphabetically by color---blue, green, red, white, yellow --- Monday thru Saturday. Very easy to remember. I put a post-it note in my wallet when I first found out about this so I would not forget.

Enjoy fresh bread when you buy bread with the right color twist tie on the day you are shopping!

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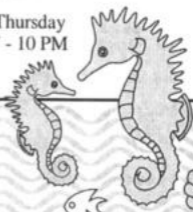
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ON THE ROAD - - AGAIN

The Editors will be traveling to several Graduations and Club Anniversaries, as well as other events, during the next two months. Hope to see you somewhere and maybe join you in a square!



| | | |
|---------------------|--|--------------------|
| May 5th..... | Annual Blood Bank Dance(NEFSARDA)..... | Jax Heights School |
| May 10th..... | Annual Pirates Ball..... | Moose Promenaders |
| May 18th..... | Class Graduation..... | Mainstream Squares |
| May 24th..... | Class Graduation..... | River Ramblers |
| May 25th-27th..... | 47th Florida State Convention..... | Lakeland, FL |
| June 8th..... | Sweet 16th Anniversary Dance..... | Silver Fox |
| June 9th..... | 17th Anniversary Dance..... | Teddy Bears |
| June 15th-17th..... | Summer Jamboree (3 camping clubs)..... | Grand Lake Resort |
| June 30th..... | 5th Saturday Dance (NEFSARDA)..... | Tynes Elem. School |

We noticed a few Ice Cream Socials listed--hope we can make one or two of them. Give us a call if there is a special dance you'd like us to attend. Remember, we need as much notice as possible...our calendar has been filling up fast.



KEEP SMILING
YOU NEVER KNOW WHEN THE
GRAPEVINE CAMERA WILL CATCH UP WITH YOU!!

Memorial Day

Once each year on a day in May
Our nation pauses to honor and pray
For our fallen heroes in their eternal sleep
Row after row in their graves so deep
The ultimate sacrifice so we may dwell
In the peace and prosperity we love so well
On an Arlington hill the eternal flame
and in the valleys they rest all the same
A revolutionary War in which they died
And other wars were multiplied
Our freedom defended at a terrible cost
What would we be if they had lost...
The haunting sound of taps is here
Where our heroes still have no fear
Their mission accomplished, their job is done
Yes, it was your freedom that they won
And there nearby in a hallowed glen
An unknown soldier at rest - Amen
His constant companion the guards who tread
Unknown to all except to God.

Written by Gene Oxley,

Reprinted from Air Force Sergeants Association Magazine

CHARITY DANCES RAISE DOLLARS

The **Silver Fox Squares** raised a total of \$3,594.89 for the Dreams Come True Foundation; the **Seabreeze Singles** raised \$1,050.00 for the City Rescue Mission; and the **River Ramblers** raised \$2,940.00 for the Shriner's Childrens Hospital at recent benefit dances. That amounts to a grand total of **\$7,584.89**. Thanks to everyone who donated to these worthy charities.

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2000 CLUB MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

DANCE PROGRAM CODE:

A = ADVANCED B = BASIC C = CHALLENGE

M = MAINSTREAM P = PLUS R = ROUNDS L = LINES

All locations are Jacksonville unless shown otherwise.

SUNDAY

FIRST COAST ROUNDS: **STARTING JUNE 3rd** - Beginners class starting 5:30 - 7:30 PM - - - Intermediate classes 7:30 - 9:30 PM Peace Presbyterian Church - 2300 Southside Blvd Instructor - Lisa Noe 642-3194 Contact - Barbara Walker 318-7779

MONDAY

FUN N FROLICS: "A" Every Monday: Class 7 - 8:30 PM Dance 8:30 - 10:00 PM 2839 W. Beaver St. Woodstock Park-Caller: Art Wilson 904 225-5674

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YELLOW ROCKERS PLUS: "P" Every Monday Class 7:00 - 8:00 PM Dance 8:00 - 10:00 PM - Trinity Lutheran Church - Park & McDuff St -- Caller: Lawton Smith 904 389-3349 -- Contact: Billy Luper 771-7041.

TUESDAY

BELLES & BEAUX: "M/P" Every Tuesday Class 7 - 8:15 PM 8:15 - 10:00 PM (1st & 3rd - Regular dance -- 2nd & 4th - Workshop) First Presbyterian Church (red brick building across from Post Office parking lot), Valdosta, GA Caller: Bob Bennett 912 242-7321

DIXIE DANCERS: "P/R" Every Tues. Class 7 - 8:30 PM Dance 8:30-10:00 PM - Teen Town - 312 N. 6th St., Lake City -- Caller: Bill Chesnut 352 374-8582: -- Cuer: Maggie Tripp 352 493-0853 OR Ralph Beekman 904 752-2544 Contact: Ouida Taylor 904 755-7248

FIRST COAST ROUNDS: 1st & 3rd Tuesday 7:30 - 9:00 PM Jax Heights Elemenatry School Cuer: Larry Dunn 912 285-4842, Contact Lisa Noe 642-3194 Workshops every week.

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

MANDARIN MARAUDERS: "M/P/L" Every Tuesday Dance 7:30-9:30 PM Italian-American Club Westberry Rd.-- Caller: Lawton Smith 904 389-3349 -- Contact: Rob & Jennie Harris 731-0795.

ROLLAWAYS: "M/P/R/L" Every Tuesday Class 7-8:30 PM Club Dance 8:30-10 PM Sandalwood High School -- Caller: Ken Miller 904 268-4492 -- Contact: Virginia Bomhold 744-7181 Lines - 1st & 3rd Rounds - 2nd & 4th **Starting in June, dancing will be at Arlington Presbyterian Church until August 7th.**

SEABREEZE SINGLES: "M/P" Every Tuesday Dance 7:30 - 9:30 PM - Peace Presbyterian Church 2300 Southside Blvd. -- Caller: Jim Cosman 912 882-4006 Contact: Ernie Perrin 645-3938 OR Shirley White 388-1463

WEDNESDAY

PLUS FOX: "P" Every Wednesday 7:30-9:30 PM Jax Heights Elem - 7750 S. Tempest St.- Caller: Jim Cosman 912 882-4006; Contact: Manuel & Lillie Irizarry 266-1083 **NO DANCE JULY 4th**

FIRST COAST ROUNDS: Every Wednesday 7:00 - 7:45 PM Class - 7:45 - 9:30 PM Club Dance Ft. Caroline Middle School Cafeteria, 3787 University Blvd. Cuer: Larry Dunn 912 285-4842, Contact Lisa Noe 642-3194

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T H U R S D A Y

FRIENDSHIP SQUARES: "M/P" Every Thursday **Keystone Hts.** Hi School, 900 Orchard St., Caller: Bill Chesnut (352) 374-8582 Contact: Sandra Pennell (352) 473-4347 **TEMPORARILY NOT DANCING!!**

JOY SEAS: "M/P/L/R" Every Thursday Dance 8:00 - 10:00 PM **St. Augustine Beach #2** Ocean Trace Blvd. (AIA So to Ocean Trace, go East on Ocean Trace - last bldg on left) Caller: Mike Akers 904 829-1697- Contact John & Mary Burzo - 904 797-7530

MOOSE PROMENADERS: "P/L" Every Thursday Class 7 - 8 PM Dance 8:00 - 10:00 PM 5051 Collins Rd. Moose Lodge Orange Park -- Caller: Art Wilson 904 225-5674--Contact: President Kim Keffer 771-5775 -- Banner Chairman Pat and Johnny McCabe: 262-5228

RIVER RAMBLERS: M/P Every Thursday PM Dance 8 - 10:00 PM 112 Yelvington Rd **East Palatka** (Just off US 17, Approx. 1/2 mile So of SR207) Putnam County Shrine Club Caller: Ernie Rollen 282-2335

VAGABOND SQUARES: "M/P" Every Thursday - Class 7:00-8:30 PM Dance 8:30-10 PM- St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Parish Hall, 1391 SW 11th St. - **Live Oak** - Caller: Ralph Beekman 904 752-2544 - Contact: Loyce Harrell 386 963-3225.

F R I D A Y

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

SQUARE WHEELS: "M/P/R" Every 3rd Friday & Saturday --**Various Cmpgnds** Caller: Bill Chesnut 352 374-8582 Contact Chuck & Aleen Breedlove 246-9545

JEKYLL ISLAND SQUARES: "M/P/R 2nd, 4th Friday 8:00 - 10:00 PM - Taylors Methodist Church, 766 Old Jesup Rd. - **Brunswick, GA** Caller: Don Heins 912 265-1504 Cuer: Donna Heins.

MAINSTREAM SQUARES: M/B Every Friday Workshop/ Review 7:00 - 8:00 PM -- Dance 8:00 - 10:00 PM - Peace Presbyterian Church - 2300 Southside Blvd Caller: John Wall 241-0384 **Do Dance May 25th or June 23rd**

POGO SQUARES: "M/P/L" 2nd & 4th Friday 8-10:30 PM - Wacoma School, U.S. 1 N. **Waycross, GA** -- Caller: David Drake -- Contact Bob Farnham 912 283-9107 or Arthur Murray 912 283-8886

SILVER FOX SQUARES: "P/R" Every Friday Class 7 - 8:30 PM Dance 8:30 - 10 PM Rounds every 1st & 3rd Fridays Jax Heights Elementary School -- Caller: Ernie Rollen 282-2335 Contact: Dorothy & Stephen Gilliland 264-3248 **NO DANCE MAY 25TH**

S A T U R D A Y

TEDDY BEAR SQUARES: "P" 2nd & 4th Saturday Dance 8-10 PM - Peace Presbyterian Church - 2300 Southside Blvd -- Caller: Eddie Millan 904 765-0296 -- Contact: Walt & Betty Smith 904 260-8266 **NO DANCE MAY 26TH**

NEFSARDA 5th SATURDAY DANCE: Every 5th Saturday at various locations - Please consult Special Events Calendar in the back of this publication.

HAPPINESS IS SQUARE DANCING!!!

5TH SATURDAY DANCE

The 5th Saturday Dance "SPRING FEVER" on Saturday, March 31st was a great one! It was hosted by the **Teddy Bear Squares** and the **Yellow Rockers Plus**. Callers were **Eddie Millan** and **Lawton Smith**, with **Larry Dunn** cueing the rounds. Winners of the Attendance Banners were **Rollaways**, **Yellow Rockers**, **First Coast Rounds**, and **Mainstream Squares**.



Eddie, Lawton, & Larry kept the dancers dancing!



Reps from clubs pick up their winning banner.



The NEFSARDA Board leads off the Grand March.

Maxine & Billy take a break at the "camping" table, complete with NEFSARDA Tent!



5TH SATURDAY DANCE (cont'd)



At the 5th Saturday dance, Bud & Anita Taylor from Moose Promenaders presented Joe Seelhoefer his plaque for being selected as the President of the Year at the Presidents Ball In February.

At the time The Grapevine went to press we did not have complete details or a flyer for the 5th Saturday Dance to be held on **June 30th**. The dance is scheduled to be held at **Tynes Elementary School** at **7:30 PM** with the **Host Clubs** being **Silver Fox** and **Fun 'N Frolics**. **MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!** Look for flyers, or call The Grapevine for further information.

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2000-2001 ROUNDALAB GOLDEN CLASSIC LIST

The following dances have the distinction of having been on the ROUNDALAB Classic List for five years and are considered ROUNDALAB Golden Classics since the years listed. The current Phase Ratings of these Golden Classic Dances have been determined by the ROUNDALAB Standardization of Classic Dance Cues Committee. Phases II and VI were published in the last issue.

PHASE III

| | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Alice Blue Gown +1(Utley, 89/90) | Elaine +1(Highburger 88/89) |
| Answer Me +1 (Palmquist, 89/90) | Folsom Prison Blues(Peterman 89/90) |
| Apres L'entriente +1 (Dahl, 92/93) | Hallelujah (Reeder 92/93) |
| Autumn Leaves +2 (moss, 89/90) | I Wanna Quickstep +1(Palmquist 92/93) |
| Axel-F +2 (Mathewson, 99/00) | In The Arms Of Love+1(Morrison 92/93) |
| Beautiful River (morrison, 92/93) | Lisbon Antiqua (Demaine 92/93) |
| Beau.Time (A)(Dollar/Gilbreath,96/97) | Moon Over Naples (Brownyard 87/88) |
| Begin The Beguine +1 (Wolcott, 96/97) | New York, New York +1(Cooper 89/90) |
| Butterfly (Proctor 92/93) | Night Train (Lawson 00/01) |
| Caress (Roberts 93/94) | Pop Goes The Movies +2(Raye 91/92) |
| Carmen +1 (Wal ker 94/95) | Sheik of Araby (Roberts 92/93) |
| Conti.G'night(A)+1(Murbach 989/90) | Tango Mannita (Smithy 87/88) |
| Crazy eye (Eddins, 91/92) | Taste Of The Wind (A)(Eddins 92/93) |
| Dance (Merola 89/90) | Three AM +1(Moss 92/93) |
| Die Lorelie +1(Bendewald, 97/98) | Woodchoppers Ball +1(Lawson 00/01) |
| Dream Awhile (Ellis, 89/88) | |

PHASE IV

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| Adios+1+1up(Kullip/Norman 92/93) | Manuela (Rumble 99/00)arilyn, |
| Biloxi Lady +1(Eddins 92/93) | Marilyn+1+1Up(Palmquist 90/91) |
| De Ja-Vu +2(Eddins 99/00) | Para Esto +2 (Roberts 89/90) |
| Desert Song (Leach 91/92) | Rainbow Connection (Childers 99/00) |
| Fascination (Crapo 00/01) | Rainbow Foxtrot +2 (Blackford 92/93) |
| Fascination Waltz (Moss 94/95) | Send Her Rose+2+1Up(Palmquist 89/90) |
| Gazpacho Cha +1 (Lawson 93/94) | Til Tomorrow +1Up (Palmquist 91/92) |
| Hooked On Swing (Windhorst 93/94) | White Sport Coat(A)+1(Lefeavers 96/97) |
| Lazy Sugarfoot +1(Proctor 91/92) | Years May Come +1Up (Rother 98/99) |

PHASE V

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|---|---|
| Hawaiian Wedding Song+1 (Lovelace 91/92) | Sunflower +2+1Up(Tonks 99/00) |
| LaPura +1Up (Goss 00/01) | Sweet Ida Foxtrot (Palmquist) |
| Lovely Lady +2 (Palmquist 89/90) | Tango Capriccioso+1+1Up(Ward 00/01) |
| Marla Elena (Ward 91/92) | Tampa Jive +2+1Up (Macuci 93/94) |
| Riviere De Lune +1 (Palmquist 88/89) | Waltz Tramonte +1(Britton 88/89) |
| Singing Piano Waltz (The) (Marx 88/89) | Wyoming Lullaby +1+1Up (Palmquist 88/89) |
| Sugarfoot Stomp +1+1Up (Easterday 91/92) | |

THANK YOU

Thanks to all my Square Dance "family" for all your cards, calls and prayers during my surgery and radiation treatments.

God Bless You and I Love You All!

Kate McCaul

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(THIS WILL BE A COMBINED DANCE
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MAY 29 - LAST DANCE AT SANDALWOOD UNTIL 8/7

(WE WILL BE DANCING AT
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FOR THE SUMMER)

JUNE 12 - FATHERS DAY DANCE

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With Our Recent Sick

| | |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Betty Ball | compression fractures |
| Madrene Ballard | knee surgery |
| Bob Bennett | back surgery |
| Gene Bice | illness |
| Docky Blake | illness |
| Lee Busby | fractured wrist |
| Marion Carr | illness |
| Lou Cartwright | illness |
| Jim Cole | foot problems |
| Ted Courtney | illness |
| Bud German | knee & foot problems |
| Kim Keffer | surgery |
| Marian Kegley | illness |
| Monica Knierim | illness |
| Don & Judy Largent | illness |
| Eileen Loncle | illness |
| Marti Long | illness |
| Flex & Kate McCaul | illness |
| Jim Morgan | illness |
| Charlie Newsome | foot problems |
| Bill Schnippert | illness |
| Linda Snow | illness |
| Tom Thornton | surgery |
| Viola Wright | broken ribs |



Get Well Soon!

SINCERE SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO.....

Ruth Harper, on the death of her twin sister on April 10th.
Ann Millan, on the death of her nephew on April 10th.



Cards and prayers are always welcome!

Square Dance Etiquette

Square dancers pride themselves on being friendly and courteous on and off the dance floor to both dancers and non-dancers alike. It is good square dance manners to join the nearest square needing a couple. Introduce yourself (a stranger is just a friend whom you haven't yet met). Listen to the caller. After a tip, applaud the caller and thank your fellow dancers. And most important, "Have Fun and Smile".





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2001 CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

| CLUB | MONTH | DATE | ANNIV. # |
|-----------------------|-------|------|----------|
| Belles & Beaux | | | |
| Dixie Dancers | Sep | | 23rd |
| Friendship Squares | | | |
| First Coast Rounds | | | 1st |
| Fun 'N Frolics | Mar | | 45th |
| Grand Squares | Jun | | 26th |
| Gypsy Squares | Dec | 8th | 11th |
| Jekyll Island Squares | Jan | | 13th |
| Joy Seas | Apr | | 10th |
| Mandarin Marauders | Apr | 24th | 16th |
| Moose Promenaders | Apr | 12th | 11th |
| Plus Fox | Jan | 10th | 15th |
| Pogo Squares | | | |
| River Ramblers | Apr | 5th | 3rd |
| Rollaways | Apr | 10th | 13th |
| Seabreeze Singles | Sep | | 25th |
| Silver Fox | Jun | 8th | 16th |
| Square Wheels | Sep | | 20th |
| Teddy Bears | Jun | 9th | 17th |
| Vagabond Squares | Nov | 9th | 7th |
| Yellow Rockers + | Sep | 10th | 10th |

Congratulations!

If your club isn't listed above, please let us know the DATE and NUMBER OF YEARS. We'll update this list and run it in each issue.



25th Anniversary

Myrtle Beach Ball

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Club News!

BELLES & BEAUX

Bob Bennett (912) 242-7321

The Belles and Beaux were having a lot of fun and planning on a new class. BUT, ill health caught up with the caller. Bob had to go to the VA Hospital in Gainesville, FL on February 5th for a very serious back operation and is just beginning to go again. Bob still has some healing to do and a ways to go, but doing well.

If you came by to visit and found us not dancing, we are sorry. The caller to fill in was Gene Geohagan, and he had to have a heart operation that took him out of circulation. He is now recovering from his problem.

The club started dancing again on April 9th. Hopefully, we can now keep going. Come on over and visit us!

FUN N' FROLIC

Morris and Wannette Davis 772-1397

Well, the Fun N' Frolics have been busy stealing banners again. By the time this goes to press we will have stolen banners from The Seabreeze Singles, Plus Fox, Silver Fox Squares and Rollaways. They will all come to retrieve their banners at our fifth Monday night dance on April 30th. We will dance from 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM on the fifth Monday night dances. All plus dancers are welcome and invited to come and dance with us on these fifth Monday nights. Needless to say we know this will be a wonderful dance, as was our last fifth Monday night dance. We are all privileged to have some of the most wonderful callers in Jacksonville, especially our caller, Art Wilson, and we are honored that they continue to call for us all.

Our students have finished A-1 classes and are ready to start A-2 classes. We need our club members to come and support the students because a little help can go a long way. Sometimes all it takes is just knowing a helping hand is there.

We attended the Silver Fox Squares graduation Friday night, April 6, 2001, and it was so rewarding to see new people committed to the fun of Square Dancing. We are pleased to welcome them to Square Dancing and look forward to dancing with them in the future.

We would like to remind everyone to mark their calendars and make reservations for the "CHANGING OF THE LEAVES" Square Dance retreat at Kanuga in Hendersonville, North Carolina on Oct 21- 23, 2001 with Art and Lucille Wilson. If you have never attended one of these retreats you don't know what you are missing. There are a limited number of squares so register early.

We were happy to see Linda Snow at the Silver Fox Square Dance Friday night. She isn't dancing yet, but she is happy she can walk around some now. She still has a way to go, and is looking forward to dancing with us again. We heard Eileen Loncle has been having some health problems also. Hope to see her up and dancing again real soon. If we missed anyone please let us know.

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GRAND SQUARES

"Scoop" Gesk 352 493-2842

Wanted More Rain Dancers, We still need RAIN!!!!.....

On March 13th, we had a great St Pattys Day party nite for our student dancers as well as the regulars--Irish ones and non-Irish ones--and imported from all around. We had guitars, mandolins and a keyboard--manned by Lonnie Ligon, Burton Riggs, Slim Scroggins, and yours truly Gerry Jesk--playing a few of our favorites.

We next supported the "Putnam Shrine Club Benefit Dance" on March 24th in Palatka, with Ernie Rollen calling and Larry Dunn cueing.

We were saddened to see some of our Northern Friends go back home, but we did have some of our Vermont friends come and visit with us. Helen & Ralph Wright from Woodstock and Ernie & Carol DeMers, from Lyndon, VT.

We did some spring cleaning and had a great Yard Sale on April 7th,

at the Carpenters Union Hall. Then on April 10th another party night (for Easter) with an Easter Hat Contest. This was followed by a banner raid on April 12th, to Steinhatchee at the Sunset Squares. This is why we cleaned our closets-- we're going for a stash on "Banners" in our Banner Pantry, so LOOK OUT!

We had a "Night to Remember" dance held by the Rural Callers Association on Saturday, April 14th in Anthony. A lot of fun badges were earned.

Now we are looking forward to the "Blood Bank Benefit Dance" on May 5th, at the Jacksonville Heights Elementary School, 7750 S. Tempest St., Jax, FL, from 8:00-10:00 pm, with early rounds at 7:30 PM. Callers are Lon Ligon and Art Wilson, with rounds cued by Larry Dunn.

Finally, our 47th Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention will be held May 25, 26, & 27 in Lakeland. Hope to see you there!

GYPSY SQUARES

Dale and Gerry Fredrickson 269-9717

In March, we were squeezed in tight at Wild Frontier in Ocala, but it didn't dampen our spirits at all so we had a fantastic weekend. Stan and Alice Brittingham from Daytona were our hosts. We enjoyed a delicious potluck dinner featuring corned beef, ham, cabbage, and vegetables. We always enjoy exploring the new RV's at the dealership next to the park. We never tire of watching for what's new out there in the world of RV's! In the afternoon, the "Salty Dog Rag" is still a favorite challenge. Of course John keeps us on our toes at our evening dances too. After the dance, Stan led us in some favorite Irish songs along with his comical Irish jokes.

April found us at White Springs at the Suwannee Valley Campground. They have new ownership, and we found the campground bustling with activity. We were still able to hold two

wonderful dances. We had the pleasure of hosting with Sandy and John Humble. We thank the visitors that came as far away as Canada! John and Sandy joined us in their new 5th wheel! We were all becoming skeptical as to whether they would ever get one, but they have a very nice one indeed. I'm sure they will use it a lot between square dance camping and family camping. Congratulations, John and Sandy!

We continued our tradition of walking into town for breakfast on Saturday. It's a great way to start the day in the peaceful country. The Country Café serves a great breakfast so no one left hungry. John led us back through the woods along the beautiful Suwannee River. The grilled chicken and steaks served by the campground for supper were delicious. If you like to camp you might enjoy a weekend at Suwannee Valley Campground.

GYPSY SQUARES (Cont'd)

Our thoughts are with Bill Schnippert who is recovering from quadruple bypass surgery and with Marti Long and Docky Blake who are under treatment for cancer. We miss these members and wish them speedy recovery.

Our next campout is at Grand Lake near Ocala with Luther and Debra Delp hosting along with Butch and Cindy Davis from the Tampa area. Both couples are known for hosting an extra special weekend so plan to visit us if you can. That will be on May 4, 5, and 6.

June will find us at Bulow RV Resort. It's an easy drive down I-95 to the

south. John and Mary Burzo along with Jack and Cheryl Gano will be the super hosts for that campout. If you can't camp with us, you are still welcome to drive down for the dance. We often have several visitors from Daytona which makes for a really nice dance. Also, remember that we dance casual both evenings during the summer!

Check our website at <http://members.nbc.com/fredrig> for more details when it gets closer to the date of our campout. I try to update the site as soon as I get the details.

Until next time, happy dancing from the Gypsy Squares of Florida!

JEKYLL ISLAND SQUARES



Jekyll Island Squares graduates and their instructor, Don Heins, at their graduation, March 22, 2001.

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Pat O'Reilly



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JOY SEAS

John & Mary Burzo (904)-797-7530

All our Snow Birds have flown home. We'll be looking forward for their return next year.

Thank you NEFSARDA for coming to our Graduation. We were glad to see you and especially the Hardcastle's because we graduated a full square. Thanks for the \$100.00 check. Charlie we hope you got our good side when you were taking all those wonderful pictures. On the same night the Rollaways came to retrieve their banner. That was a wonderful night for the Joy Seas.

The Easter Parade went well. Thank you all for your help, and the dangles will

be here soon. Don't forget we will deliver. Hope everyone had a good time, and if we get new dancers it will be all worth it.

We are starting a summer class MAY 3rd. Maybe we can get all the KIDS that have nothing to do when they are out of school. Now that would be really something.

Remember the Joy Seas dance all summer and we have a lot of banners just waiting to be retrieved.

Hope to see ya all at the State Convention



Joy Seas graduates at their graduation dance!



MAINSTREAM SQUARES

Harvey & Marylou Morton 221-9519

The new kids on the block have been in existence for seven months now and things are really looking good. You will be hearing about our plans for the club's first anniversary soon.

One square of our members enjoyed a good dance at the Moose Promenaders on March 1st. Guess what! One or two members of the Mainstream Squares are pretty good "Plus Level" square dancers. Well, what are they doing in a Mainstream club then? Are you ready for the answer? It is because they want to become even better dancers and have fun at the same time. There is an unconfirmed rumor floating around to the effect that not all "high level" square dancers are good Mainstream Level dancers. We don't know -- we just work here!

There were 22 members and students from our club at the GCA Sophomore hoedown on March 3rd. We are proud of our students (from all of the clubs) and we thank the callers for showing them a good time.

Bob Poyner from DeFuniak Springs, Florida was our Guest Caller for March 9th. Bob has a great singing voice and he called an excellent Mainstream Level dance. Five squares of dancers enjoyed the round dancing, line dancing, and the singing call duets that were performed by Bob and Jack Herpy (Yellow Rockers). They were having so much fun that they wouldn't even let our regular caller, John

Wall, get into the act!

Bill Chesnut, a real live Florida native from Gainesville, was our Guest Caller for April 6th. He is the Club Caller for the Dixie Dancers and the Square Wheels Camping Club. He started his hobby as a Square Dance Caller in 1966. He is Past President of the Florida Callers Association and has served on two National Square Dance Convention Education Committees. As usual he called a flawless dance and can now add a few more names to his fan club. We had a surprise visit from Don Heins, Caller, and Donna Heins, Cuer, from Georgia. It was really good to see them again. We thank Lisa Noe for cueing our round dances. She did a very good job.

John Saunders from New Smyrna Beach, Florida will be our Guest Caller (all Mainstream Level) on June 8th. You will hate yourself if you miss this one!

We have one final thought to leave with you. There seems to be a regular ritual these days of dancers leaving the dances before they are finished. It has been said, "It ain't over until the plump lady sings." Well, we especially noticed that we started our last dance on April 6th with five squares and when the dance ended -- we still had five squares. Strange things are happening? Are they still waiting for the plump lady to sing? We are trying to find the answer. What do you think?

MANDARIN MARAUDERS

By Joe and Barbara Fitzmayer

As we enjoy the wonderful spring weather, we are welcoming back two of our members who have been on the mend. It is good to see Joe Fitzmayer and James Kindred dancing again, though not at the point where they can dance every tip.

On March 27th we welcomed our new class members, Bill George, Robyn Masters, June Yon, Karen and Sergel

Zelenkov into our club. We held the election of officers for the coming year on April 10th. Our new board is as follows: President - Ron and Judy Rodriguez, Vice-president - Joe and Barbara Fitzmayer, Secretary - Ken and Janet Vincent, Treasurer - Larry and Jo Ann Ramsey, Assistant Treasurer - Joe and Martha Hardcastle. They will assume their duties on April 24th.

MANDARIN MARAUDERS

By Joe and Barbara Fitzmayer

The Marauders have been visiting clubs around Jacksonville the past few months. We now have three banners! We hope to see you as you come to retrieve

them. Our dance schedule has changed from now until September. The hours are from 7:30-9:30 PM. Come join us!

Caller Lawton Smith is proud of the graduates of 2001!



MOOSE PROMENADERS

Tom Thorton and Kim Keffer 771-5775

What a busy month or so. First we had a special dance to celebrate Anita and Bud Taylor's 25th wedding anniversary. It was great to have her parents visit from Kentucky and to see Betty Ball again. Betty has been recovering from compression fractures and we hope that her recovery will complete and we see her back with us soon. We hope you have many more happy years together, Anita and Bud!!

Then came graduation on April 5th with the entire NEFSARDA Board and the Grapevine Editors in attendance. Thanks for taking time out of your busy schedule to visit our club. After the "Four Corners" candlelight ceremony, we welcomed five new dancers to the wonderful world of square dancing - Norma Bowen, Ed Dubray, Randy McLean, Bernie Stangel and Milli Whipple. Congratulations all!!!

On April 12th we celebrated our 11th Anniversary with Al and Dot Lobato as hosts. We had over six squares in attendance. And on April 19th, Dot organized a visit to the Life Square Center at Wells Crossing to dance for the seniors in residence there. Our dancers were warmly received and were invited

back to a part the center was hosting later in the month.

Plus classes start on the 26th of April and we invite all new mainstream graduates to join us as we learn all the intricacies of the plus program. Classes start at 7.00 on Thursday evenings.

The Moose Promenaders will be hosting the annual Pirates Ball as the Sweet Arts are no longer in existence. This has traditionally been the first big weekend that our new graduates could attend and although, this year, the event will be a one night affair, we hope that the new graduates will come join us on May 10th. With Gerry Fredrickson as Chair this is bound to be a fun dance. Watch for our pirates as we go on banner raids throughout the area.

Tom and I wish to thank all the Moose members for their support during our trials and tribulations through the last month. Your cards and phone calls were very much appreciated and we will be elated to be back in the swing of things on Thursday nights.

Come dance with us on Thursday evenings at the Moose Lodge on Collins Road. Class starts at 7 and the dance at 8:30 PM. We hope to see you in a square!

MOOSE PROMENADERS (Cont'd)



Moose Promenaders graduates and caller Art Wilson!

PLUS FOX

Lillie Brugh-Irizarry 266-1083

I'm happy to announce that we have continued with the banner raiding. On March 7th the Fun N Frolics came to steal our banner. Everyone had a great time. Remember we love having visitors so you don't have to wait for a banner raid - just come join us anytime. Also, on that date we had a wonderful surprise - Norbert & Gaye Feuer were back dancing with us. We are glad to report that Norbert has recovered quite well from his bout with pneumonia. A big Welcome Back to both of them.

Please try to attend the Blood Bank Dance on May 5th at Jax Heights

Elementary. Not only is it a worthy cause but the life you save may be one of a fellow Square Dancers. Remember to take the time to give the gift of life - give blood.

Please keep the Largents in your prayers as they recover from their illnesses. Additionally, Jeannie Jobb's daughter as she recovers from her recent surgery.

Thanks to all of our visitors during the past months. We appreciate each and everyone one of you. Until next time - remember to "Yellow Rock" your partner daily.

RIVER RAMBLERS

Earl Cunio 386-328-5302

For a small club we seem to have more than our share of sickness. We send them "get well" wishes to Marion Carr, Lou Cartwright and Marti Long and hope to see them soon.

Lou Cartwright has a big garage where the gang goes to hold a square dance workshop on Monday nights. (Maybe some of you have even danced there.) He calls his place the "Little Ponderosa" and has had some

dances for people with motorhomes. If it wasn't for Lou and the gang, a lot of slow learners like me would be in trouble. Margueritte Bryan provides the equipment and records and Lou provides the garage and refreshments. Oldtimers, like Jean and Dick Lee, Joe McCartin, Clayton Harrison, as well as Margueritte and Lou provide the instruction. Keep up the good work gang!

Come dance with us soon!



Dick & Jean Lee present a check in the amount of \$2,940.00 for the Childrens Hospital, to the Shrine Club representative at their recent benefit dance.

RIVER RAMBLERS (Cont'd)



Dancers "whoop it up" in the Plus hall!



Silver Fox Squares on a "banner raid" during a recent visit to the River Ramblers.



ROLLAWAYS

Harvey & Mary Lou Morton 221-9519

Do you know what makes the world go around? No, there is not a large motor installed in the center of the earth (no one likes a smart alec!). For your information, love makes the world go 'round. Haven't you ever heard that song? If not, you should stop listening to all of that Rap music (?) and tune in to some of the real classy stuff.

We love to have fun at our own club and especially enjoy visiting some of the others. For example, two squares of Rollaways slipped into the woods on March 1st and retrieved our banner from the Moose Promenaders. That's one less banner they won't be promenading around with! Come on back "Moosies," we'll let you borrow it again, for a little while. By the way, we showed them our newest banner dance routine. You could tell that they were really envious! Have you ever heard a Moose laugh?

Thirty-Five Rollaways went to the GCA Sophomore Hoedown on March 3rd. It was a good dance. The six callers maintained a non-stop pace of dancing. We heard that the sales for sore muscle horse liniment were up the next day.

We were foot-sore and weary but you couldn't have kept us away from the Bob Poyner dance at the Mainstream Squares on March 9th. Twenty-Six Rollaways showed up for this one and enjoyed an outstanding dance. The real treat of the evening came when Jack Herpy, a student Caller from the yellow Rockers, and Bob Poyner teamed up for two singing calls. They were "After The Loving" and "My Love For You Will Never Die". One thing is for sure, the crowd loved their performance. And, they hadn't even had one rehearsal! As we said at the beginning, "Love makes the world go 'round." Now you know.

We decided to celebrate St. Patrick's Day and pay tribute to our many Irish friends on April 13th at Sandalwood High School, our home base. Seven squares of dancers were having a good time looking for leprechauns and trying to find their pot of gold. We even had a Blarney Stone. Do you remember the legend, "Close your eyes and make a wish, Kiss the Blarney Stone and your wish will come true"? If you believe that one, we have a mountain chalet nestled away in

ROLLAWAYS (Cont'd)

the Florida Everglades for sale -- cheap! Some of our friends from the Yellow Rockers joined in the fun so we felt compelled to return their banner to them. Someone suggested that we paint the banner green, as a joke, but we decided against it. Our "Irish Party Time Choral Group," led by Eunice Johnson and Mary Ann Lawrence, sang "Danny Boy" and "I'm Looking Over A Four Leaf Clover." This little group is sounding better all the time. Jack Herpy and Lisa Noe helped out by volunteering their talents. We

thank both of them. It was a good dance.

Preparations are being made for our Graduation and Anniversary Dance on April 10th. We are working on some plans for more fun dances and some other future events. Watch "THE GRAPEVINE."

We will close with a variation of an old-Irish Blessing, "May you already be in a square and dancing the first tip before the Treasurer knows that you didn't pay to get in."



The Rollaways' "Queen & King of Hearts" at their Valentines Dance.



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To all our readers:

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great summer!**

The Editors



SILVER FOX SQUARES

Dorothy Gilliland 264-3248

Silver Fox Squares have been keeping busy this spring. First of all, we want to thank all of you that have come to dance with us and have supported us in our dances. Our caller, Ernie Rollen, has done a great job to make our dances fun and friendly.

On March 16th we had "Luck of the Irish" dance with some delicious homemade stews and desserts. We had a visit from the 4th graders of Jax Heights Elementary School who did a demo on Square Dancing and then joined us in a tip. They were great and we had a lot of fun with them. They are our future square dancers and what a treat it was having them with us.

On March 23rd we presented our check of \$3594.89 to Laine Silverfield, Executive Director, of Dreams Come True. This was the total of our proceeds from our Circus Dance in January. All of this money will go to Zack and Isaiah, who have lifethreatening illnesses, for their dreams. Thank you to all who made this possible.

For our Spring Fling on March 30th we danced to all singing calls with six squares on the floor. Larry Dunn cued our Round Dances also that evening. Since it was spring we decided to make it more interesting by inviting all to bring a spring to the dance. We had awards for the biggest, smallest and most unusual spring. Our winners were: Shirley White for the biggest (an exerciser spring); Jim Hal won the smallest (a spring from a lighter); and Skip Blymiller won the most

unusual spring (it was a spring man made up of many springs).

April 6th was our graduation of our seven new square dancers. Congratulations go to Randy McLean, Phillip Cowan, Joe & Bernie Crawford, Melissa Trescot, Sharon King and Ed Deboy. We are very proud of you all and welcome you to the fun of Square Dancing.

April 13th was dark because of school closure and Holy Friday. Our "April Shower" dance on April 20th showered us with welcomed personal care items for us to take to the homeless shelter. Thank you to all those who contributed.

For all of you who haven't come in a while, we want to say, We miss you and would love to have you visit us in the coming months. In May, we will begin at 7 PM with Plus workshop/class, so anyone who wants to learn Plus calls or needs to brush up on them come join us in "Learning Plus Together". It will last for one hour and the cost is for the dance that will begin at 8 PM from May 4th until we begin mainstream in September.

Our caller Ernie Rollen will be celebrating his 1st Anniversary with the Silver Fox Squares on the 18th of May.

We will be dark on May 25th to support our State Convention.

On June 8th we will be celebrating our "Sweet 16th Anniversary". We will have a potluck starting at 6:30 pm, so come join us that evening. Bring a dish to share and celebrate with us.

SILVER FOX SQUARES (Cont'd)



Fourth graders from Jax Hts demonstrated their skills at Square Dancing and later joined club members in a tip or two!

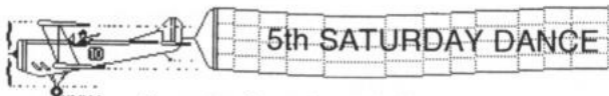


President Dorothy Gilliland, presents a check for \$3,594.89 to Laine Silverfield of Dreams Come True.



Shirley White and Skip Blymiller, winners in the "Spring" contest!

Graduates of the 'Class of 2001'!



Your attendance is needed!

SEABREEZE SINGLES

Jackie Hamlin 731-9181

On February 24th, the Seabreeze Singles held their Annual Charity Dance to benefit the City Rescue Mission. As usual it was a great dance at the KC Hall with many prizes. The \$100.00 grand cash prize was won by a student from FJC. The ticket was sold by Harry Mellen. The tickets to the Alhambra Dinner Theatre were won by Marcella and Grover Jacobsen.

We certainly want to thank our wonderful callers, Art Wilson and Lawton Smith, for a great dance. These benefit dances could not be a success if these callers did not contribute their time and talents. Our cuer had an automobile problem and did not make the dance. Line dances were lead by Maxine and Billy from the Yellow Rockers. Thanks again folks.

This year's theme dance was a Jungle with all kinds of birds and animals in the trees all over the place. We had a good turn out on Saturday morning to help decorate. Also, a good group stayed and cleaned up after the dance.

A total of \$1,050.00 has been raised to benefit the Rescue Mission. A group of our Singles attended the Fuzzy Naval dance in Georgia again this year, as well as the Shriners Charity Dance in Palatka. A good time was had by all.

Be sure and make plans to attend the Florida State Convention in May in Lakeland, FL.

We welcome all dancers to come and dance with us starting at 7:30 PM every Tuesday night. Jim Cosman is our caller.

Think about this, "Give help rather than advice."

SQUARE WHEELS

Martha Zimmerman 352-336-5311

If you missed the Blue-Grey Festival you missed a really great time, and especially great weather. We had about 12 rigs at Casey Jones and were joined by at least 5 or 6 rigs from the Gypsies'. The Trail Dance at Teen Town on Friday night, the afternoon street dance, and the Saturday evening dance at the American Legion Hall were all well attended. Tom Roper called a great dance, and Maggie Trip & Ralph Beekman cued rounds. Bill did a great job calling Friday night, and joined Tom for a couple of tips on Saturday. Thanks to all who gave of their time & efforts.

We wish Chuck & Joan Donaldson a very Happy 50th Anniversary!

March 16th-18th we camped at Eagles Roost in Lake Park, GA. It was a great success. Even tho it rained most of the weekend, it didn't stop the delicious covered dish dinner, and the great dancing.

We have ribbons and flyers for Camp-O-Ree which will be in Okeechobee on

October 19th-21st, 2001. Call if you need more information.

In April we danced at Colby Woods RV Park in Ocala. Friday night was a casual dance with snacks. Saturday included a covered dish dinner at 5:00 PM with a short club meeting following and dancing at 8:00 PM. Sunday morning brought a pancake breakfast cooked by the men. Slate of New Officers is: President, Gary & Diane Harrell; Vice President, Jerry & Faye Wright; Secretary, Martha Zimmerman; Treasurer, Bobby & Hazel Wasson; and Wagon Master, Chuck & Aileen Breedlove.

Please take notice of our June 15th-17th square dance weekend with the Gypsies and the Drift Arouds, and the July 20th-22nd square dance weekend with the Sunshine State Pioneers. Both weekends will be at Grand Lakes RV Resort.

We will be at Pacetti's Marina May 17th-19th. Come join us!!

TEDDY BEAR SQUARES

Dave & Shirley Nihart 641-5218

March 10th was the Teddy Bears' St. Patrick's Day Dance and the NEFSARDA Board came to retrieve their 5th Saturday banner. The hall looked so nice and most all of the dancers were in green. On our last tip the guys danced in a square and the girls in another one. Believe it or not, neither one broke down, but there was a lot of laughter through the tip. We shocked Eddie that we were able to do that. The door prize was won by John Lawrence.

The Teddy Bears and the Yellow Rockers Plus hosted the 5th Saturday dance with callers Eddie Millan and Lawton Smith. The decorations were outstanding and so were the refreshments. The dancers keep coming up with so many nice ideas.

John and Mary Ann Lawrence held a Bunco party with 21 Teddy Bears attending. We had a great time and also

celebrated Ed Williams' birthday. Thank you for your hospitality John and Mary Ann.

It was good to see the Feuers back and to all our under-the-weather dancers, we hope you have a speedy recovery and will be back dancing soon.

Congratulations to Howard and Jettie Crowe on their 50th Wedding Anniversary on April 8th, and to Charlie and Val Newsome on their 25th Wedding Anniversary on May 14th.

We did not dance in April due to the Easter holidays and also the Graduation Ball, sponsored by the Gateway Callers, that was held on our dance night the end of April. Please come visit us on **May 12th** and at our **Anniversary Dance on June 9th**. We will not be dancing May 26th due to the Florida State Convention.



You have never seen such a mess as this last tip. Can you guess who is dancing the girl's part in the all male square? All-in-all, I think the ladies did better than the "others"!



VAGABOND SQUARES

Your NEFSARDA Board at "work" (?) retrieving the banner from the Vagabond Squares in Live Oak.



YELLOW ROCKERS PLUS

Karen Elysbeth Walsh 733 2921

Hello one and all!

Gosh, can you believe that it's already been two months since I last spoke to you? There is so much news that I hardly know where to start.

These last two months, we've really been making our presence felt by stealing and retrieving banners from all over the shop. It's always such fun dancing at other clubs, and being made to feel so much a part of things. Of course, we love those return visits too.

We had a great Peter Cottontail dance but who was that strange person in the yellow, and those ears!! Sadly, due to prior commitments at the church, our St Patrick's Day bash had to be postponed until March 2002 - do hope you'll all come and join us then. We will be ordering great snacks, good calling and dances to wear you out, so mark your calendars now.

Two great theme dances to look forward to are our "Somewhere over the Rainbow" on May 14th and the Flower dance on June 11th. I guarantee there will be no wallflowers.

Many of our singles attended the yearly Fuzzy Naval in Jekyll Island but it wouldn't be appropriate to tell you what really went on, so suffice it to say, that a good time was had by all.

We are also very happy to announce an increase in club numbers as several of our graduating class decided to make us their permanent dancing home - Welcome!!

Co-hosting the 5th Saturday dance with Teddy Bears was a real treat, and not to brag, but Yellow Rockers also got the NEFSARDA banner for having the second most members at the dance. Are we good or what??

Enough for now - Yellow Rocks to all!

HOW TRUE IT IS!

When a garage man makes a mistake, he adds it to your bill.

When a preacher makes a mistake, nobody knows the difference.

When a lawyer makes a mistake, it was just what he wanted, because he has chance to try the case all over again.

When a judge makes a mistake, it becomes the law of the land.

When a doctor makes a mistake, he buries it.

**BUT, when the EDITOR makes a mistake ...Good Night!
The whole world knows it!**



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SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA
JUNE 26 - 29, 2002

TO ALL EARLY BIRD PURCHASERS

Thank you for purchasing your Star of the North Earlybird. We appreciate your support of the 51st National Square Dance Convention (NSDC). Does this mean that you are officially registered with us? Yes and No. Yes, we have your name and address in our database as having paid for your Registration; but, no, you have not completed your registration for the convention. How does one convert an Earlybird to a Registration?

You should have received your personalized 51st NSDC Registration Form. Your next step will be to fill out the form with your current address, etc. Also on the form are places to fill in the name you want us to print on the official badge that you will receive when you get to the convention in June of 2002. In the place for the "registration fee" we have stamped "PAID" because your Earlybird price is the complete price for all dancing at the convention.

You will want to consider purchasing a program book, which, along with daily pocket-sized booklets, gives the entire program for the convention - who is calling, in what hall, at what time, on which day; and all the various seminars, clinics, exhibitions, and special programs. Perhaps you want to purchase tickets to our Wednesday night special program Steve Hall/Shotgun Red and the Shotgun Red Band, a 7 piece Country Comedy Show Band. The 51st NSDC has many interesting tours for our attendees.

Use the enclosed tour brochure form to register and include it when you return your registration form. Also available are the 51st Cookbook, and syllabi for round dancing, clogging, and contra. All items ordered will be ready for pickup at the convention registration booth. If you would like hotel/motel housing, please give us your preferences in the "Housing Required?" section. The maps and charts will help you decide. If you need camping information, please check off the "RV info" box. Earlybird holders will have first priority on housing reservations until June 30, 2001, based on the date the form is received at the Registration & Housing office. After June 30, 2001, all housing will be on a first come first served basis.

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When you return your Registration form, we will send you a confirmation of registration and an "I Am Registered" ribbon to wear to show that you have registered. Please keep your Star of the North Certificate as your souvenir.

We look forward to receiving your completed Registration form and to seeing you at our convention in 2002.

Ask yourself ...
not what square dancing
can do for you — what do you
do to promote
square dancing...

NEFSARDA DELEGATES MEETING

March 11, 2001

Meeting called to order at 3:15 PM
President presented a message on recruiting and retaining dancers and asked for everyone's support. He then welcomed the delegates and visitors.

Minutes of last delegates meeting approved.

Treasurers report approved as presented.

Committee Reports

5th Saturday Dance: Next dance March 31st will be at Sandalwood. The June 30th dance will be at Tynes Elementary with Silver Fox and Fun N' Frolic hosting. Theme still needed. September dance still being planned. Need location for December 30th dance.

Blood Bank: Dance to be held at Jax Heights Elementary on May 5th with Lawton Smith, Lon Ligon and Larry Dunn. Theme is "Give Blood - Save A Life".

Grapevine: Deadline for next issue, April 10th. Subscription renewals are down. Increase in subscription rates not planned as yet.

Fall Festival: Caller for 2001 will be Dee Dee Dougherty. Theme is "Festival Derby". Buttons being made and flyers are ready. Meeting scheduled for March 25th. Volunteers needed.

SOS: One club has asked for help with bylaws.

Education & Classes: Chairman asked everyone to encourage new dancers to get out and visit other clubs.

Historian: No report.

Bylaws: President reported committee has been chosen.

Club Visitation: No Report.

Insurance: Chairman distributed envelopes with contracts. Delegates asked to get club info in as early as possible next year.

Publicity: Don't forget to relabel your old Grapevines and drop off in offices you visit. One-on-one contact still the best.

Dance Couple of the Year: No Report.

Florida Federation: Dee Dee Stovall reported the Central Florida Association's Festival had good attendance. Budget for this year will exceed income for the year and that increased attendance at the State Convention will go far in alleviating the short-fall

Showcase: We'll use the same backdrop as last year. Volunteers ready to take backdrop to California and back.

Gateway Callers: No Report.

Rural Callers: No report.

Old Business: After discussion, Anita Taylor made a motion to change bylaws to guarantee callers at 5th Saturday Dances a minimum of \$75.00 - seconded by Gerry Fredrickson. Motion passed. Delegates are to take proposal to clubs and report at next meeting for bylaws change. — Proposal for special couple award at 5th Saturday Dances was voted down by delegates.

New Business: Dee Dee Stovall asked delegates to consider having meeting minutes distributed via email. Talk about at next meeting. — Delegates reminded about possibly scheduling of special dances on regular dance nights. — President asked delegates to bring advertising suggestions to the next meeting.

Next Meeting: May 6, 2001, Piccadilly.

Meeting adjourned. at 5:30 PM.

WHAT'S MISSING?

SQ_A_E DANCING

Planning For The Future!!!

CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

MAY 2001

| | | |
|---------|---|--|
| 03.... | Ice Cream Social | River Ramblers |
| 04.... | Plus Classes Start | Silver Fox |
| 05.... | Annual Blood Bank Dance | Jax Hits Elem.....NEFSARDA |
| 07.... | May Dance | Fun 'N Frolic |
| 08.... | Mother's Day Dance | (Sandalwood).....Rollaways & Seabreeze Singles |
| 09.... | Mothers Day Dance | Plus Fox |
| 10.... | Pirates Ball | (Moose Lodge).....Moose Promenaders |
| 14.... | "Somewhere Over The Rainbow"..... | Yellow Rocker Plus |
| 18.... | Class Graduation | Mainstream Sq |
| 18.... | "Ernie's 1st Anniversary" Dance | Silver Fox |
| 18-20.. | Derby City Festival | Louisville, KY |
| 24.... | Class Graduation..... | River Ramblers |
| 25-27.. | FL State Convention (47th)..... | Lakeland |
| 29.... | Last Dance at Sandalwood For The Summer | Rollaways |
| 29.... | Memorial Dance | Wear Red, White & Blue |
| 30.... | Memorial Day dance | Plus Fox |

JUNE 2001

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| 04.... | Dairy Month | Fun 'N Frolic |
| 05.... | Ice Cream Social | Seabreeze Singles |
| 07.... | Recycle Dance | River Ramblers |
| 08.... | Guest caller | John Saunders |
| 08.... | Sweet 16th Anniversary Dance(Potluck Dinner) | Silver Fox |
| 09.... | Anniversary Dance (17th) | Teddy Bears |
| 11.... | Flower Dance | Yellow Rocker Plus |
| 12.... | Fathers Day Dance | Rollaways |
| 15.... | Father's Day Dance | Gifts.....Seabreeze Singles |
| 12.... | Fathers Day Dance/Flag Day Dance | Plus Fox |
| 15-17.. | Summer Jamboree (3 Camping Clubs) | Grand Lake C/Ground |
| 30.... | 5th Saturday Dance | NEFSARDA |

JULY 2001

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| 02.... | Red/White/Blue Dance | Yellow Rocker Plus |
| 03.... | 4th of July Dance..... | Wear Colors.....Seabreeze Singles |
| 04.... | Independance Day Dance | Plus Fox |
| 10-12.. | National Camp-O-Ree | Spencer, IA |
| 14.... | Christmas in July Dance | Friendship Squares |
| 20.... | Hot Diggity Dog Dance | Silver Fox |
| 24.... | Crazy T-Shirt Dance..... | Prizes.....Seabreeze Singles |
| 30.... | Fifth Monday Ice Cream Social | Fun 'N Frolic |
| 31.... | Fifth Tuesday Dance ... | Hawaiian Luau (Peace Pres.) |
| | | Rollaways/S. Singles |

AUGUST 2001

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| ?.... | Knot Head/Mystery Trip | Silver Fox |
| 01.... | Dangle Dance | Plus Fox |
| 06.... | Tacky Dance | Yellow Rocker Plus |
| 14.... | Root Beer Float Nite | Seabreeze Singles |
| 22.... | Ice Cream Social | Plus Fox |
| 28.... | Jaguars Nite | Wear Colors.....Seabreeze Singles |
| 31.... | Knothead Konvention..... | Lakeland |

Planning For The Future!!!

CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 2001

- 01...Knothead Konvention (Cont'd).....Lakeland
04... Hot Dog Nite Open House.....Seabreeze Singles
07... Mexican Fiesta NightSilver Fox
10... Advanced Lessons beginFun 'N Frolic
10... **Anniversary Dance (10th)** Yellow Rocker Plus
12... Watermelon Dance Plus Fox
13-15.. Myrtle Beach Ball Myrtle Beach, SC
29... 5th Saturday Dance.....NEFSARDA

OCTOBER 2001

- 02... Soup NiteBring Crackers.....Seabreeze Singles
5-6... Mid-America Jamboree.....Louisville, KY
12... Columbus Day DanceSilver Fox
18-21. State Camp-O-Ree ...Okeechobee, FLFI Campers
23... Goblins NitePrizes.....Seabreeze Singles
29... 5th Monday Halloween DanceFun 'N Frolic
29... Trick or Treat Dance Yellow Rocker Plus
30... Fifth Tuesday Dance - Halloween(Sandalwood HS).....Rollaways'S. Singles
31... Halloween Dance Plus Fox

NOVEMBER 2001

- 2-4... O'Leno Hoedown O'Leno State ParkSquare Wheels
06... Chili Nite.....Seabreeze Singles
09... **Anniversary Dance (7th)**Vagabond Sq
9-10.. Fall Fun Fest West Coast AssociationLakeland
14... Thanksgiving Dance Plus Fox
16-17.. Fall Festival.....NEFSARDA
16... Turkey Trot DanceSilver Fox
19... Turkey In The Straw DanceFun 'N Frolic
19... Pilgrim/Indian Thanksgiving Dinner Dance Yellow Rocker Plus
20... Happy ThanksgivingBring food for needy.....Seabreeze Singles
27... Fall of The YearWear Colors.....Seabreeze Singles

DECEMBER 2001

- 6-8... Gatlinburg Christmas BallGatlinburg, TN
14... Christmas Dance (Toys For Tots)Silver Fox
17... Christmas DanceFun 'N Frolic
17... Winter Wonderland Dance Yellow Rocker Plus
18... Christmas danceSeabreeze Singles
19... Christmas Dance Plus Fox
29... 5th Saturday / Year End DanceNEFSARDA
31... New Year's Eve Dance Yellow Rockers

JANUARY 2002

- 24-26.. Florida Sunshine FestivalLakeland

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



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