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Sunday, May 11th

Happy Mother's Day!

NOTICE !!

In our never ending quest to satisfy ALL of our readers, we have strategically placed errors and typos within the confines of this publication for those who are always looking for them!

If only one person finds a 'goof', then we have accomplished our task.

THANK YOU!

Charlie & Val Newsome,
Editors

President's



Message

The board has been active in visiting most of the clubs in the last few weeks either to participate in the clubs' graduations, their anniversaries or to dance in the special dances such as the Hospice Dance, the City Rescue Mission Dance sponsored by the Seabreeze Singles, the Shriner's Childrens' Hospital Dance in Palatka, the Sophomore Hoedown (sponsored by the GCA), or the 5th Saturday Dance. We are pleased with the enthusiasm of the new dancers and also their ability to keep the squares intact.

We also are pleased that many of the new dancers are taking advantage of learning to dance with many different callers that will help them to enjoy the State Convention and maybe even the National Convention as time goes by.

It is not too early to encourage the clubs to consider securing room reservations for their members at a specific motel in Lakeland where they can all be together to enjoy breakfast and late night snacks etc. together. One may consider this to be kindergarten behavior but would you believe that we've been dancing for 14 years at all levels including Rounds and we never knew that they had a headquarters motel that was open to any dancers to stay where most of the other dancers were staying until we got on the Board and realized that many of the dancers did stay at the same motel; and we say that this is an activity that is based on fun and fellowship. No wonder many of our new dancers fall by the wayside.

We know that we cannot dictate who likes who, but if one cannot stand to stay in the same motel with their other



club members perhaps we should change the name of our activity. We recently read an article in *The GRAPEVINE* about Square dance etiquette which stated that if four couples came to the dance together they should at least split up into two couples so that they would meet at least two other couples. This is the same idea as inviting the new dancers to stay at the same motel as the older dancers at the State and National conventions.

Let us hurriedly say that there are dancers in the Northeast that do a tremendous job in reserving blocks of rooms at these conventions and do their best to let the other dancers know about it. It just happened to take us several years to find out about it and we wonder how many others happen to be in the same position.

That reminds us that the State and National conventions are just around the corner and we hope to see many of our Northeast Dancers participating in these events. Remember that in 2005 it is the Northeast's time to host the State Convention and with the help of Charlie and Val Newsome as the Chairmen we know it will be a rousing success, but it takes each of us to do our part to, make it so and the least of our part is to go and dance. See you there.

Joe & Martha Hardcastle



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.)

Hi Charlie & Val:

The Internet is awesome. I send out e-mails announcing dances, but only when the clubs ask me to do so. As best I can figure over 71% of the dancers in our area have access to the internet. Our Pipestem weekend will be having 216 dancers attending. Over 79% of them have e-mail and it sure does make it easy to get information to the dancers.

An e-mail was received by the Dancers Association asking if we could combine My Area Wide Calendar with the Association Calendar. The dancers association prints a calendar on a quarterly basis. I didn't think this was often enough so I started my own just for the three clubs I call for, then others started asking me to send them copies and the rest is history.

Our area does not have a magazine and sure needs one. I would like to start one but, I'm trying to figure out how to begin to slow down some, not add more work to our schedule.

THE GRAPEVINE still manages to be the BEST ever. Thanks for letting us have a copy.....we really appreciate it and enjoy reading about our dancing friends in Florida.

Have a nice weekend. *Paul & Nita*

(Editors Note: I know many of our readers remember Paul & Nita as a past caller in our area as well as past Editors of The Grapevine. Thought you would like to know what they are up to.)

Val & Charlie:

Miss you guys -- Enjoy **THE GRAPEVINE**. I'm doing fine -- no problems (well maybe some small ones with my ladies). Hope to see y'all soon.

Love to all! *Waldo Cross*

Hi Folks!

I guess you all thought we had died up in the woods, but here we are gaining all the time. Hope soon that things will work out so we can visit once in awhile.

We miss being shut in all the time and not seeing our friends, or anybody...not that our folks have anything wrong, just want to see new faces.

I have to have another operation on 8 April, but after that hope I'm home free.

Here's our check for our subscription renewal. Enjoy **THE GRAPEVINE**, just keep up the good work. *Bob & Vivian Bennett*

Dear Val & Charlie:

I know we are not active square dancers but we like to keep in contact. Needless to say we miss dancing and the fellowship with friends, but health problems keep us from being at dances in person.

Here are two recipes we make at our house that our family really likes. Aaron won't eat the asparagus, it's green and he won't eat anything green, but he does like the salad.

I enjoy **THE GRAPEVINE** and look forward to each issue. Congratulations on your award. Keep up the good work.

Our square dancing friends are always in our minds and hearts.

Love, *Erma Fry*

Editors Note: We thought you might be interested in what's going on in the lives of some of our dancers who have been inactive. Look for at least one of Erma's recipes in the **What's Cooking** column.

LETTERS, WE GET LETTERS..... (Cont'd)

Hi Charlie & Val:

There are some Watermelon Festival flyers along with our check for the ad. If possible, could you pass out the other flyers to any other dancers in your area that may want to go to the Festival. If you need more flyers just let us know

We are looking forward to a wonderful weekend and a chance to

renew friendships and catch up on the news. We also hope to see you at our club graduation next month.

Thanks for a wonderful, award winning, magazine. I don't think that many people realize just how much work it takes to get out a magazine. You both are very special people...

Stay Healthy. *Lon & Peggy*

CIRCLE OF SERVICE AWARDS

In our last issue we published a list of Circle of Service Awards in the Northeast and asked you to advise us if your name was omitted. We have the following persons to add to the list:

Verner & Sue Gregory

Wendell & Doris Spears

AND, while they are not in the Northeast, they did respond that the award had been presented to them.

LaVerne & Barbara Harrelson, Columbia, S.C.

THANKS FOR RESPONDING AND CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ALL!

A NOTE FROM THE EDITORS...

Thanks for all your cards and phone calls regarding the hospitalization and illness of Charlie's mother, Irene Sewell. Many of you have met her at dances and other events, and we do appreciate your concern. Our square dance friends are just an extension of our immediate family and we love you all.

After her fall and hospitalization, she spent three weeks in a rehab program, but made no progress. On April 16th she was moved to a nursing home for long term care. The time since March 20th has been an exhaustive one -- both mentally and physically.

We had friends and dancers who stepped up and volunteered to take pictures, report on events, or anything else they could do to help us. We even had one club say they'd cover their anniversary for us...they wanted us to rest.

To Anita & Bud Taylor, Jack & Kathy McKinney, and John & Mary Burzo...we send our many thanks for your help and support. Without your news & pictures this issue would not have been complete. And, to the Joy Seas, for missing your Club Anniversary and lending support to your Easter Parade, we owe you!!

We say again...there are no better friends anywhere than SQUARE DANCERS!

Charlie & Val



**"REPRINTED FROM THE
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It always makes us, as Editors, feel good when something from THE GRAPEVINE appears in another publication. It says to us that we are doing our job in trying to bring interesting and informative articles to our readers. And, it further makes us feel good when THE GRAPEVINE is given credit for the article used or quoted.

In the April 2003 AMERICAN SQUARE DANCE magazine our article on the "Circle of Service" award program in the Jan-Feb 2003 issue was quoted and referred to on page 24.

In the Jan-Feb 2003 issue of the CLUB LEADERSHIP JOURNAL our "Contra Lines" column was printed in its entirety with an Editor's Note: "This article was discovered in the Jan-Feb 2003 issue of THE GRAPEVINE." We, of course, had discovered it in a 1999 issue of American Square Dance.

The JOURNAL also used, in the same issue, our "Why Programs and Lists" article under our "Callers Corner"

From The Editors' Desk..

column, with the following Editor's Note. "We discovered this article in the Jan-Feb 2003 issue of THE GRAPEVINE, the official publication of the Northeast Florida Square & Round Dancers Association, Inc. Charlie & Val Newsome are the editors." Again, we had discovered the article thru hours of research.

Since we exchange copies with many publications we often see "Reprinted from THE GRAPEVINE" and we thought we'd let you know that THE GRAPEVINE is being read in other States. We sometimes quote from other publications and always give them credit. That's all we ask of anyone who wishes to quote a portion or complete article in THE GRAPEVINE. We send thanks to those publications for giving THE GRAPEVINE the appropriate credit.

If you missed the above articles we referred to, maybe you'd like to go back and reread your issue!

"ANOTHER SUBJECT"

There is no Feature Article in this issue because no information was received. We get so many positive comments on this article and would love to continue it. We **NEED** input from **YOU!**

Don't forget the **Florida State Convention**, May 23rd - 25th. See you **ALL** there!

51st Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention Meeting Notice

Committee Chairmen: Mark your calendar now. There will be a meeting of the full committee on **Saturday** afternoon, **May 31st, at 4:00 PM** at Cedar River Seafood Restaurant in Middleburg, FL. We will meet there, eat, and then go to the 5th Saturday Dance,

at Tynes Elementary School -- which is close to the restaurant. You should have received notification via email by this time giving you more information about the meeting. If you didn't, call us.

Charlie & Val



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During the last several years, the cost of publishing **The Grapevine** has steadily increased, while receipts have decreased. Subscriptions are at their lowest mark in several years. Rates for subscriptions and ads have not been increased since December, 1991.

In order for **The Grapevine** to operate "in the black" and still maintain the quality desired, The Delegates, at the Association Meeting on March 9th, voted to **increase the cost of annual subscriptions to \$9.00.**

This increase will take effect July 1, 2003. Any subscription -- new or renewal -- postmarked by June 15, 2003, will be accepted at the current rate of \$7.50.

At the same time, the Editors announced the new rate schedule for ads.

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We regret the increases, but hope that you will understand they are necessary to keep the quality desired in your NEFSARDA publication -- **The Grapevine.**

Thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,
Charlie & Val Newsome
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August 10, 2003	September-October, 2003 Issue
October 10, 2003	November-December, 2003 Issue
December 10, 2003	January-February, 2004 Issue
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CIRCLE OF SERVICE AWARD PRESENTED



On February 13th, at the Presidents Ball hosted by the Moose Promenaders, Dale & Gerry Fredrickson presented the Circle of Service Award to **Wendell & Doris Spears**. Wendell & Doris currently serve as President of the Moose Promenaders. **Congratulations, Wendell & Doris!**

SOPHOMORE DANCE FOR STUDENTS

By Val Newsome

The fine group of students shown in the picture to the right, attended the Sophomore Dance, sponsored by the Gateway Callers Association. The dance was held



at Jax Heights Elementary School on Saturday evening, March 15th.

Callers who kept the dancing lively are pictured to the right, along with their "laws."



As usual, it was a nice evening for students and "old" dancers alike. Next up for the students will be the Graduation Ball which will be sponsored and called by Gateway Callers on Saturday, May 3, 2003. The dance will be held at Jax Heights Elementary School, from 7:30-9:30 PM.

Make plans to come welcome the new dancers to Square Dancing, and support GCA at the same time.

GRADUATION DANCE



SPONSORED AND CALLED BY
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SATURDAY, MAY 3, 2003

7:30 TILL 9:30 PM

\$3.50 PER PERSON AT THE DOOR

JAX HEIGHTS ELEMENTRY SCHOOL
7750 S. Tempest Street
Jacksonville, FL

Square Dancers citywide are invited to come out
and support our new dancers.

Help WELCOME them to the
Square Dance Community!



CALLERS CORNER

(This item is reprinted from *AMERICAN SQUAREDANCE*, April 2003)

Questions to ponder?????????

Answers to ponder.....

By John & Linda Saunders

Today we are in a frivolous, foolish and fanciful frame of mind. The sun is streaming through the windows, dancing on the wings of a cool breeze, serenaded by a bounty of bird songs. 'Tis a glorious spring day and we are not in the mood to rant, rave or opine. Instead we're going to ponder some of the activities puzzling questions.

1. How come people go through weeks of beginners lessons and then give up dancing and never join your club?
2. How come do we shy away from wearing our activities clothing and being proud of the way we look to others?
3. How did we arrive at the different levels that have resulted in splitting the dancers into separate groups?
4. How can we get dancers to take responsibility by being officers and taking part in running of the organizations?

After careful contemplation of these probing questions, our experienced, knowledgeable answer is simple. We just don't have the right answers. We have some ideas that may help, but the right answer may work in one area and not in another.

1. Make square dancing just one of

your interests. There's such a thing as burning one's self out especially just coming out of beginners lessons. Clubs encourage new dancers to go on banner raids, become officers right away, too much too soon, enjoy the activity.

2. Avoid tunnel-vision dancing -- be a doer and try all the aspects of the activity. Try simple rounds, a mixer, or contra. Try dancing at different clubs and to different callers.

3. Be on a committee by being a giver. Rather than having someone else do all the chores, get involved and take on a simple chore like being Mr. or Mrs. Hospitality.

4. When you're out in public with the activities attire on, wear it with pride.

There are seven steps to stagnation in any activity.

1. We've never done it that way.
2. We're not ready for that.
3. We're doing all right without it.
4. We tried it once before.
5. It costs too much.
6. That's not our responsibility.
7. It just won't work.

We're probably all guilty of using one or more of the above "reasons." But the next time you do, just question yourself as to whether it's really a fact, or just an easy way out.

THANKS !!

Thank you to all of our square dancers for their attendance and support of our April 5th, Annual Charity Dance. As a result of their generosity, we have \$1,800.00 to present to the City Rescue Mission.

Diane Stewart, Shirley White, and all of the members of the Seabreeze Singles

Cuer's Corner

By Val Newsome

(This article is a continuation from the last issue and is reprinted from the Dixie Round Dance Council Newsletter, May 2002.)

WALTZ AND MORE

CHASSE: A few tricks for a good-looking chase include a proper semi-closed position (see earlier discussion), keeping your heads level throughout the figure (after the normal rise on the 1st step there is no rise or fall as the figure continues), and keeping your heads in open position. Often we see couples dancing a beautiful smooth and graceful waltz, only to come to a chasse that looks like the Easter Bunny "hopping down the bunny trail."

WAIT FOR YOUR PARTNER:

One of the tricks to comfortable dancing is that it is very important for both partners to be aware of the action that needs to be accomplished by their partner on each figure. In some cases this involves one of the members of the partnership to momentarily delay the taking of a step, in order to wait for their partner to complete their action(s).

A few examples when the man needs to delay include: Pickup, Double Reverse Spin (see discussion below), Telespin, Split Rhonde. The trick to the Pickup is timing when the woman should be picked up. The turning/folding action of the woman begins just after taking weight on the inside foot (man's right; woman's left) and is completed during the 2nd step. Men, be wary of picking your partner up too abruptly.

Women also have figures that they need to wait. A few of these figures include: Maneuver/Half Natural Turn, Spin Turn, Impetus. In the Maneuver, the woman needs to wait until the man has folded in front of

her before committing her 2nd step. In some figures, e.g. Spin Turn, a woman can make use of a brush on the 3rd

step, prior to weight being taken. This brush helps stabilize the couple and makes her delay stepping on the foot before the man is in position/completed the rotation.

TURNING FIGURES: There are two types of turning figures, those turning to the right (natural) and those turning to the left (reverse). The trick to determining where the turning action occurs can actually be answered by the direction. If you are executing a right turning figure the turn actually begins between the 1st and the 2nd step, early turn. If you are executing a left turning figure, the turn begins between the 2nd and the 3rd step, delayed turn. In both cases, the end of the 3rd step is used to make final body alignment adjustments and gather your feet together for the next figure. A few turning figures include: Left & Right Turning Boxes, Reverse Turn (left), Natural Turn (right), Diamond Turn, Telemarks (though technically a foxtrot figure, they are often seen in waltz), Double Reverse Spin, Telespin.

In the Double Reverse Spin, the key to getting good rotation and ease of motion is for the woman to take a large 3rd forward step (even though she may start out taking a large forward step, her body rotation actually makes this a side step when completed). Her 4th step is forward, but will cross due to the rotation of the couple's bodies. One of the problems with this figure is that the man does not wait for the woman to finish her steps, and therefore pulls her off balance.



Cuer's Corner (cont'd)

So gentlemen, unless you would like to drag/carry your partner around the dance floor, give her time to finish her footwork.

SWAY: Sway is optional, but adds to the beauty of the dance. Sway is the inclination of the body either to the left or right toward the inside/center of a turn. When you ride a bike around a turn or when you see an airplane turning, it sways towards the inside (center) of the turn. This happens because the centrifugal force that tends to throw you "out," has to be balanced by "sway" towards the inside of the turn.

The rider does not need the sway until he/she is in the turn and the sway vanishes as the turn is completed. The same thing occurs in Waltz and other smooth dances during turning figures, not spinning figures (e.g. Double Reverse Spin) because they are done

too quickly to incorporate sway comfortably.

The first part of the 1st step in most waltz figures is a preparatory step taken straightforward or backward with an upright body position. The turn and therefore the sway typically occurs sometime between the end of the 1st step and the end of the 2nd step, depending on the direction the figure turns (on forward moving figures: right sway on natural turning figures and left sway on reverse turning figures, opposite for backward moving figures). The end of the 3rd step of the figure, after the rotation is completed is a straightening of the body and the gathering of the feet to prepare for another figure.

Sway can also be used for effect in picture figures, but we will save this for a future discussion.

ROUND DANCE CALENDAR

May 23rd-25th	49th Florida State Convention	Lakeland, FL
May 31st.....	5th Saturday Dance (NEFSARDA)	Jacksonville, FL
Jun. 25th-28th.....	52nd National Convention.....	Oklahoma City,OK
July 12th	Christmas In July.....	Keystone Hgts,FL
August 22nd-23rd.....	Florida Knothead Konvention	Lakeland, FL
August 30th	5th Saturday Dance(NEFSARDA).....	Jacksonville, FL
October 18th-19th.....	Fall Weekend of Rounds.....	Plant City, FL
October 24th-25th.....	Fall Roundup(Northwest Assn).....	DeFuniak Springs, FL
November 14th-15th ...	Fall Fun Fest(West Coast Assn).....	Lakeland, FL
November 14th-15th ...	Fall Festival (NEFSARDA)	Jacksonville, FL

WHEN HANDS ARE NOT WORKING

The gentlemen have several choices when hands are not "working." They can hook their thumbs in their side pockets, lay the back of their hands on their back (just above the buns) or tuck their elbows in at their sides with hands out to the front and just go with the flow. Try it out and see what's best for you.

Ladies, if you come across a

"yanker" -- letting your wrist go limp will do wonders. Gentlemen, try not to be a "yanker." It not only hurts the ladies -- it makes them pretty upset!
(More from the Styling Seminar at a National Convention, and copied from Hudson Valley Dancer, May-Sept. 1995 issue.)



The Florida Federation of Square Dancers

The Grapevine editor asked for an article concerning what the Federation of Square Dancers is and what it has been up to lately.

First, the Federation is a not-for-profit organization comprised of delegates from the five Florida associations. Its purpose, briefly, is to promote square and round dancing in the state, encourage the formation of clubs, serve as a clearing house of information and to sponsor the annual Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention in conjunction with the Florida Callers Association and the Round Dance Council of Florida.

One member from each of the five associations serves on the executive board. Each year as the president steps down, a new parliamentarian from the retiring president's association is elected. After an election process, the other four members of the executive board move up through the chairs.

The five area associations are defined as the Northwest, Northeast, Central, West Coast and Southeast Associations. Each association provides a maximum of five "couple" representatives to serve as delegates to the Federation. ("Couple" may include two singles.) However, all Past Presidents of the Florida Federation of Square Dancers become permanent delegates as long as they remain active square dancers and attend at least one meeting a year. Three meetings are held each year - one each

in February, May and November. All persons interested in square dancing are invited to attend any of these meetings.

At our meetings we hear reports from the five associations letting all delegates know what has been going on in the state, reports from the publication editors, the state convention chairmen, insurance chairman, etc. The Federation also co-sponsors the Square Dance Hall of Fame, currently housed in Strawberry Squares Dance Hall at Plant City.

We held the February meeting in Orlando this year. It was the "working weekend" meeting where the budget is set for the coming year, Showcase of Ideas is planned for both the State and National Conventions and numerous other committees meet to plan square dance business. Our May meeting is held at the State Convention and generally is a review of what is going on around the state. The November meeting is our annual meeting during which we elect and install new officers. This meeting will be held in Orlando November 23, 2003. A special dance is planned for Saturday night (Nov. 22) at the Whirl & Twirl Square Dance Hall to benefit the 50th State Square and Round Dance Convention. The meeting will also be held in the Whirl & Twirl Hall on Sunday morning.

George & Shirley Knapp
President

(EDITOR'S NOTE: We hope this will be a regular article!)

When the grandson was in the third grade, he got a bad mark for talking too much. The grandmother told him he could get much better marks if he wouldn't talk so much. To which the grandson replied, "Grandma, I think God made my mouth to talk."



NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CAMPERS ASSOCIATION

P. O. Box 224

Little Chute, WI 54140-0224

Press Release #46-3

Camping + Dancing + Horseheads = 46th Internat'l Camporee

Yes, the place to "bee" in 2003 is Horseheads, NY. The National Square Dance Campers Association, Inc. extends a cordial invitation to all who combine the fun and fellowship of camping AND dancing to buzz on in to Mark Twain Country in the Heart of New York's Southern Finger Lakes Region at the Chemung County Fairgrounds in Horseheads, NY July 15-16-17, 2003.

Horseheads, NY is located in the Southern Tier area of New York state less than one mile from the major highway 1-86, or as old timers call it New York 17, between Elmira and Corning. While the International Camporee is really a midweek three day event (Tuesday thru Thursday), campers may arrive as early as Sunday afternoon and stay as late as Friday noon. Campers who come early usually take advantage of sightseeing opportunities and there are plenty in this area. Besides Corning Museum of Glass (Steuben Glass) and the Rockwell Museum, there are winery tours, a National War Plane Museum, the National Soaring Plane Museum, Watkins Glen Gorge and some Mark Twain interests. Some campers may opt for an evening dinner cruise on the paddle wheeler Keuka Maid.

Mornings during the official 3 days of the International are devoted to various sports, games and crafts. Square and round dancing workshops fill the afternoons while evenings offer several halls of square and round dancing opportunities. Evenings always conclude with all gathering in one hall for an after party with skits from various chapters. Being family oriented, our Camporee always offers a full, separate program of dancing, crafts, games and special activities for its youth. The Lucky Strike extra in the camporee setting is the fun & fellowship of seeing old time friends and meeting new dancers from all over the United States and Canada and enjoying pot luck lunches or dinners together.

Guest camper/dancers are always welcome to attend. Plan now to come join us. For more information please write: NSDCA PO Box 224, Little Chute, WI 54240-022", or The 46th International Camporee General Chairman Howard & Pam Loveless 4341 Perry City Road, Trumansburg, NY 14886. Our web site is WWW.NSDCA.org

We hope to see you around the Square Campfire.



First Day of Summer — June 21st

Enjoy the Fun and Sun on your vacation.....
Take your square dance clothes and dance as you travel!
If you need help finding dances, check the National Square Dance Directory. The Editors have a copy of the Directory...if you'd like information, give us a call.

Camp N' Dance

By Gerry Fredrickson 269-9717

The Florida State Convention is getting close. Make your plans to camp at area campgrounds. Lakeland RV is conveniently located just off the I-4 while Sanlan RV Resort is located south of town. They both have plenty of room this time of year and have good facilities. As you already know, the convention is sponsored by dancers so we especially need to support it. Bring your new dancers so they can experience the new friends they will make for all over the state. A new feature this year is really nice in that you can bring friends that haven't square danced before. They can come and try out square dancing in workshop halls just for newcomers. What a fantastic idea.

The International Camp-o-ree on July 15, 16, & 17, 2003, will be held in Horseheads, New York. This is in the heart of New York's Southern Finger Lakes Region and Mark Twain Country. It's also closer to us than usual. What a good year to attend. 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. If you are not a member, give us a call and we'll see that you get the

necessary information.

The Gypsy Squares will enjoy their next campout at Grand Lake RV Resort in Orange Lake on May 2, 3, & 4, 2003. June 6, 7, & 8, 2003, we'll be at Bulow RV Resort near Flagler Beach. They would love for you to join them for any of their campouts. John and Mo Barrett don't miss a beat. Keep up to date with the Gypsy Squares camping schedule, current plans, and campground directions at <http://www.geocities.com/fansdc/gypsy/>.

The Square Wheels will be at Pacetti's Marina and Campground in Orangedale on May 16th, 17th, & 18th. They take the summer off from their regular campouts but will be joining other state chapters whenever possible. Bill and Mary Chesnut keep this group on their toes.

The Drift Arounds did not publish their May campout location but I'm sure Jim Cosman can fill you in. They also take the summer off but will be back in September. Jim and Margaret Cosman enjoy calling for this club.

Even though the summer may get hot in Florida, we keep on have fun camping and dancing all year round! Join us for a great time.



CLUB NEWS

... is FREE to any club in the Northeast Association ... costs \$5.00 per issue for non-member clubs... tells about the fun & fellowship at your club...and helps bring visitors to your upcoming dances and special events. Only 15 clubs submitted Club News for this issue. "WHERE IS YOUR CLUB NEWS?"

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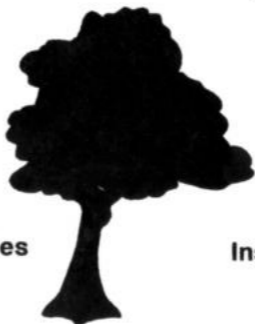
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49th FSSR DC Presents a Benefit

Trail End Dance

to assist the

Special Steppers Handicapable Dancers

in attending the 50th FSSRDC in 2004

MAY 22, 2003

**Strawberry Square
4401 Boot Bay Road, Plant City**

**From 1-4 exit 17 go south to first left
(Beauchamp), follow to the hall.**

Donating their Time & Talents will be:

**Callers: Bob Poyner, Skip Cleland, Mike
Doughty, Patty Ping, Art Springer, John
Swindle, and Ben Williams.**

**Cuers: Janice Coughlin, Sharon Roberts,
and Pat Hagen.**

PDR 7:30 PM

Alt. MS/Plus 8:00 - 10:00 PM

Donation: \$5.00 per person



**49th Florida State Square
and Round Dance Convention
May 23, 24, 25, 2003
Lakeland Center -- Lakeland, Florida
FOLK DANCE THE KEY IN 2003**

Submitted by Bob & Jennie Courter

The Florida State Convention hosted by the West Coast Association will be held May 23rd-25th at the Lakeland Center. Our Chairpersons, Ken & Sue Brown, and their committee have been striving to bring new and innovated programs for the pleasure of all of our dancers. The theme, "Folk Dance the Key in 2003," carries a Renaissance motif which was displayed in our Kickoff in 2002.

A very special program, "Welcome to our World," offers visitors the opportunity to have their own hall which

will provide introductions to square dancing, round dancing, contra, clogging, country western and lines. This is the time to share our great hobby with those friends whom you have been trying to coax for a long time into seeing what you do for fun and exercise. They will also be able to meet people from other areas and ask them what got them interested in dancing. Share with your friends, bring them along for this very special event. Let them see all the smiling, happy faces, and the warm welcome they will receive.

Editors' Note: Remember, this is **YOUR** State Convention. All Callers, Cuers, Instructors, Prompters, Leaders, and Dancers should be there to support the West Coast Association when the **Convention opens Friday, May 23rd. SEE YOU THERE!**

STATE CONVENTION DRESS MATERIAL

(EDITOR'S NOTE: In a previous issue regarding the material for the newly approved Florida State Dress (not to be confused with ANY Florida State CONVENTION dress), we were not given any contact for the Northwest Association. Those contacts are listed below.)

The State Dress can now be seen on line at www.floridadancing.com website! Northwest members please order your dress materials from the following ladies:

Tallahassee – Ann Price (850) 349-2717, apannie@aol.com

Panama City – Patricia McLendon (850) 769-4218, jmcle13354@aol.com

Fort Walton Beach – Jeanie Hancock (850) 678-2105, tomjean@cox.net

Pensacola – Norma Murphy (850) 675-6631, ddlbgmur@msn.com

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Memorial Day,
May 26, 2003





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MAY 8 2003
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DOUBLOONS AS POSSIBLE. BRING THEM
TO THE DANCE FOR A CHANCE TO WIN
TREASURE!



As I promised
in the last issue,
here is the "Las
Vegas Strut"!

IN STEP WITH. . .

Country, Clogging and Line Dancing

By Donna Robbins

Rt Foot Steps Back
Left Foot Steps Back w/Tap

*** Half Turn - 2 Count ***

Left Foot Forward Turning Left
Right Foot Follows

*** Strut - 4 Count ***

Always Heel Then Toe

Rt Foot Heel Then Toe 1
Left Foot Heel Then Toe 2
Rt Foot Heel Then Toe 3
Left Foot Then Toe 4

*** Start With Right Foot - 6 count ***

Rt Foot Forward 1
Rt Heel In 2
Rt Foot Forward 3
Rt Heel Out 4
Rt Foot Forward 5
Rt Foot Back 6

** Change To Left Foot - 6 Count ***

Left Foot Forward 1
Left Heel in 2
Left Foot Forward 3
Left Heel out 4
Left Foot Forward 5
Left Foot All The Way Back 6

*** Charleston Step - 4 Count ***

Left Foot Forward
Rt Foot Forward w/Kick

* 2 Box Steps w/1/4 Turn In Between *

Rt Foot Crosses Over Left 1
Lift Left Foot & Place Back Down... 2
Rt Foot Goes Back Toward Rt, Making
a 1/4 Turn To The Rt..... 3
Bring Left Foot Beside Rt Foot 4
Repeat Box Step But Remain Facing In
The Same Direction

*** END ***

Suggested Music: "Someday We'll
Be Together" - Diana Ross
Happy Dancing!

NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE DIRECTORY

For 2003 Is Now Available

The 25th Edition of **NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE DIRECTORY** is now available. It is used to find dances and other dance related information. The listings are a friendly invitation to dancers around the world to join in the fun and fellowship.

Club listings include type of club, program of dancing, when and where dances are scheduled and a contact's name, address and phone number. The listings include the United States, Canada and over 40 other countries. Sections on festivals, conventions, publications, organizations, callers and leaders are included. Details on square

dance related products and services add to the usefulness of this annual publication.

The **DIRECTORY** is published in January each year with the deadline for information August 15th. It may be ordered directly from N.S.D. for only \$9.95 (plus \$4.00 postage). Life subscriptions are available for only \$50.00. Discounts are available on orders of six or more copies. Inquiries and information should be directed to: **National Square Dance Directory**, P. O. Box 880, Brandon, MS 39043, Phone (601) 825-6831.

FIFTH SATURDAY DANCE

Bud & Anita Taylor, NEFSARDA Vice President

The first 5th Saturday dance of 2003 was held on March 29, 2003 at Sandalwood High. It was well attended and I think it was an excellent dance. The theme of "THE IDES OF MARCH" was well represented by the host clubs, THE ROLLAWAYS AND THE JOYSEAS. Thanks to both clubs for their hard work in decorating with Roman columns and lions and of course some were there wearing togas. The callers, Ken Miller and Lawton Smith did an excellent job and of course the cueing by Lisa Wall was wonderful. Lisa is to be commended for raising the number of Round Dancers in our community. This was the second of two free dances sponsored by NEFSARDA.

Banners were presented to the Rollaways, for first in number (38), the

First Coast Rounds, for second in number (20). 1st in percentage was won by Teddy Bear Squares, 2nd in percentage was Seabreeze Singles. Congratulations to you all and the NEFSARDA Board will be at your clubs soon to retrieve the banners. A great big thanks to Kathy and Jack McKinney for getting Sandalwood for the dance. Thank you to all who helped make this dance a success.

Look for flyers for the next 5th Saturday dance to be held on May 31st at Tynes Elementary. It will be hosted by The Gypsy Squares and the Seabreeze Singles. The theme will be "Celebrate Liberty" - a theme that will reflect our country's involvement in liberating Iraq.

See you soon in a square!



The Board stands behind the Attendance Banner winners at the March 29th 5th Saturday Dance. From front L: Rollaways, Virginia Bornhold; First Coast Rounds, Lisa Wall; Teddy Bears, Kathy McKinney; and Seabreeze Singles, Barbara Walker!

THANK YOU

My sincerest THANKS to all my square dance family for their cards, calls, prayers, and love shown to me during the brief illness and death of my son, Skip. Your kindness has sustained me during this most difficult time. I love you all.

Maxine Thomas

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ON THE ROAD - - AGAIN!

It's been a real pleasure to attend the club graduations and meet and talk with all the "new" dancers. They all seem to be so enthusiastic.

Remember to let us know if there is a special event you'd like us to attend. Keep those pictures coming!



May 3rd	Graduation Ball (GCA)	Jax Heights
May 4th	Delegates Meeting	NEFSARDA
May 8th	Pirates Ball	Moose
May 13th	Class Graduation	Grand Squares
May 15th	Class Graduation	River Ramblers
May 23rd-25th	Florida State Convention	Lakeland, FL
May 25th	Florida Federation Meeting	Lakeland, FL
May 31st	51st FL State Convention Meeting	Middleburg
May 31st	5th Saturday Dance	Tynes Elementary
June 6th	18th Anniversary Dance	Silver Fox
June 14th	19th Anniversary Dance	Teddy Bears
June 17th	28th Anniversary Dance	Grand Squares
June 20th-21st	17th Annual Watermelon Festival	Chieffland, FL

KEEP SMILING

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



CONTRA LINES

By Val Newsome

(The following article is only a portion of an article by the same title, written by Paul Moore in his column "Moore On Contra" which appeared in the December, 2002 issue of the **American SquareDance Magazine**.)

"Falling In Love Again"

"...We keep saying that square (contra) dancing is friendship set to music, and most of the time it is true. However, we hear more and more stories of people being rude or cruel to others because they do not match our expectations of dance or calling level. We really do need to make a conscientious effort to be more polite -- more loving.

And there is my segue to a contra dance called "Falling in love Again." Good contra dances tell a story; they have an introduction, plot, and resolution of the plot. We are always tickled when we can't see how the resolution is going to come about. That is true of this dance. It is in the Beckett formation I have written about before--that is, couple facing couple.

Falling In Love Again

Intro: ----, -- lines forward and back

1-8 ----, with the couple across circle left full around

8-16 ----, as couples slant to the left and two ladies chain

16-24 ----, as couples slant to the right and two ladies chain

24-32 ----, across right and left thru

32-40 ----, across slow square thru two hands

40-48 ----, dosado with the next and step past

48-56 ----, -- swing your partner

56-64 ----, -- forward and back



The introduction is the forward and back with everyone moving in unison. When two couples circle left, the unit has broken into smaller groups. When couples slant to the left, they are on their own, two couples now have become one. Then the two ladies chain to the left, leaving their partners. It becomes even more complex when the ladies chain to the right because they are even further from their original partners. Then everyone does a right and left thru -- two couples working

together, but not with the original partner. The slow square thru even separates those couples. It feels that the dosado should be the resolution, but it isn't. The resolution only comes when dancers leave one more person to finally swing the original partner -- to "fall in love again."

There is a lesson here. All of us will disagree with others and go our own way, but if we persist and work our way through all the complications we can come back together again!."

**MAKE A PLACE
IN YOUR SQUARE
FOR THE NEW DANCERS!**



**THEY'RE
GR-R-R-R-EAT!**

SQUARE 'EM UP FOR THE SHRINER'S KIDS

By Val Newsome

The River Ramblers Square Dance Club again sponsored the Putnam County Shrine Club Benefit Dance. The dance was held March 22nd at the Putnam County Shrine Club in Palatka (the dance home of the River Ramblers).

Callers donating their time were Ernie Rollen, R. J. Hogan, Lon Ligon, Lawton Smith, John Robbins, Jim Cosman, Ellis Lindsey, & Mike Akers.

In addition to entry donations, the funds raised came from Chinese, Silent, and Live Auctions. A total of \$5,101 was raised and presented to the

Putnam Country Shrine Club to be used for their Childrens' Hospital.

The dancing was lively refreshments delicious, and lots of and fellowship during the evening. my memory serves me -- this is about the 4th year the Ramblers have hosted this event and it seems to get bigger every year.

If you like dancing, fun, and a series of helping others, then this is the dance for you. Come out next year for a great time. Watch **The Grapevine** dates.



The Benefit Dance Committee are shown with Caller Ernie Rollen. They were presented certificates for their dedication and hard work. Congrats to all!

50th FALL FESTIVAL

By John & Mary Burzo

Mark your calendars now for November 14th & 15th, 2003, when NEFSARDA hosts its annual Fall Festival

Two New Yorkers (that's us!), are the Chairpersons of the event and we promise you a great weekend of fun and dancing. Our theme is NEW YORK! NEW YORK! FUN CITY! and we hope you'll join us for the fun and help NEFSARDA celebrate their Golden Anniversary Fall Festival.

Our Emcee for the weekend will be Mike Akers, and the talented Northeast Callers and Cuers will provide the dance

program on Friday evening. Of course there will be some special fun just prior to the dancing.

On Saturday afternoon there will be round dancing, contra, and lines. Then on Saturday evening, the calling will be provided by Nasser Shukayr of Lafayette, CA and rounds will be called by Curt & Tammy Worlock of Plant City, FL.

The Fun City of New York awaits you so get your tickets early. You don't want to miss this exciting event!

For information call (904) 797-7531

HOSPICE CHARITY DANCE

Kim Keffer, Chairman

The committee involved with the production of the Hospice Charity dance wishes to thank all involved in making this one of the most successful of our NEFSARDA fund raisers.

Gateway Callers and Rural Callers Association - as our co-hosts - certainly came through for this important event. We had Mike Akers, Jim Cosman, Art Wilson, Ken Miller, Lawton Smith, Bill Chesnut, John Robbins, Eddie Millan, and Jack Herpy sharing the calling duties and Lisa Wall cueing, thus ensuring a great dance. Art Wilson did a wonderful job of "MCing" the dance and we are indeed indebted to you all for your participation.

Thanks to our wonderful dancers. They opened up their hearts and their pocket books to this worthy cause raising \$3,967.00. The clubs came through with the request for refreshments and the response from all concerned was overwhelming. Our thanks to you all.

Community Hospice was overwhelmed with the generosity shown by our organization and the following is an excerpt from a thank you note from Aimee Lally, Events Coordin-

ator. "I appreciate all you and Kathy and the other good people with NEFSARDA have done for Community Hospice. I was pleasantly surprised at how open and giving the group is. My husband and I really enjoyed the dance and are looking forward to learning some dance moves before next year. Again, thank you so much. Your support makes all the difference."

My heartfelt thanks go to all who helped in the production of this dance and its success was indeed due to your efforts. NEFSARDA Presidents - Joe and Martha Hardcastle; Publicity - Jack and Kathy McKinney; Silent Auction - Howard and Jettie Crowe; Raffle - Dee Dee and Bessie Stovall; Memorial table - Harvey and Mary Lou Morton; Refreshments - Shirley White and "Smitty" Smith; Dinner and Setup - Dale and Gerry Fredrickson; Treasurer - Bob and Jane Raymond, ably assisted by Jerry and Faye Wright; MC - Art Wilson.

Remember, your support does make a difference in this and other charity dances held in the Association. Thank you and I am looking forward to an even more successful dance on May 1st, 2004.



The callers and cuer graciously donated their time and talents for this charity event!

HOSPICE CHARITY DANCE (Cont"d)



(L to R): Kim Keffer, Chairman of the Hospice Dance, and Aimee Lally, Hospice Events Coordinator, at the Memorial Table!



Kim Keffer, Chairman; Kathy McKinney, Publicity; Jettie Crowe, Auction; and Lucille Wilson, wife of M.C., Art Wilson, are a happy foursome!



Jack & Kathy McKinney, Publicity (L) and Jane & Bob Raymond (R), Treasurer, present the check for



\$3,967.00 to Aimee Lally, Hospice representative!

24th ANNUAL BLUE-GREY DANCE

By Val Newsome

The Dixie Dancer sponsored Blue-Grey Dance was held February 15th in conjunction with the Olustee Battle Festival weekend.

On Friday evening, a "Trails End" dance was hosted by the Square Wheels NSDCA at Teen Town in Lake City. The Caller for Square Wheels & Dixie Dancers, Bill Chesnut, was the caller for the evening. It was the first time we'd been able to make the Trails End dance and we thoroughly enjoyed it. Hope we can be there next year, too.

On Saturday, there was a parade thru downtown Lake City, then everyone congregated around Olustee Park in downtown Lake City to wait for the entertainment to begin. Many of us ate there and strolled through the many craft stalls hoping to find a souvenir or gift. Then at about 2:00 PM the square dancers started their portion of the entertainment. Callers Bill Chesnut and Ralph Beekman did a great job.

In addition to the food and gift booths, there many historical opportunities available at the library and other places during the afternoon. Then on Sunday, if you weren't too tired from dancing you could attend the Battle Re-Enactment between the Blue-Grey units at the Olustee Battlefield east of Lake City.

Saturday evening was the BIG Dance, of course, and it got off to a lively start as you entered the hall and were greeted by all those very friendly Dixie Dancers at the door. Then came the Grand March and the evening's dance. Many of the Blue or Grey officials were in the Grand March with their appropriate uniforms on. Bill Chesnut served as M.C. and did call a few tips with Mac. However, the dance program was with National Caller Mac McCall, and Maggie Tripp & Ralph Beekman alternated cueing rounds.

On to the food -- this is about the "eatingest" place we've ever been. I'll bet we gained at least 5 lbs - each!!

It was a very nice weekend and we enjoyed sharing fellowship with the Square Wheels and Dixie Dancers, as well as the many other dancers who were there. We especially want to thank Tom Trammel and Ouida Taylor for the invitation to Tom's during Saturday afternoon. We put our feet up and watched them prepare food for the evening, and just generally enjoyed the friendship. Thanks also, Tom, for the invitation to the "fun" time after the dance Saturday.

On Sunday morning, we met with Mac and Phyllis McCall for breakfast. We'd known (and danced to) Mac & Phyllis while we were in the D.C. area. Bill & Mary Chesnut were able to join us and we had a nice breakfast with lots of fellowship to bring the weekend to a close. We all got to our cars just in time to start home before the downpour of rain began. We drove all the way back to Jacksonville in heavy rain and then reflected on the nice weekend just shared with many of you.

We hope to see you there again next year. Watch for details and dates for the 2004 Blue-Grey Weekend!

←

One of the many participants in the Annual Blue-Grey Battle re-enactment!



24th ANNUAL BLUE-GREY DANCE (Cont'd)



President Lincoln, meet Mr. Chesnut!



Saturday's street dance!
Saturday's Grand March leaders!



More Blue-Grey participants!

Saturday night's staff: Ralph Boekman, Bill Chesnut, Maggie Tripp and the feature caller, Mac McCall!



Art & Lucille Wilson...



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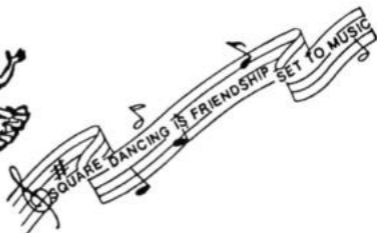
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F A S S R D

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT ...

I would like to take this opportunity to familiarize you with the Florida Association of Single Square and Round Dancers (FASSRD). FASSRD was established 25 years ago in order to promote and stimulate fellowship and interest in square and round dancing among unmarried adults of all ages throughout Florida.

Our officers for 2003 are: President - Penny Green (West Coast Association); Vice President - (Mr.) Carroll Pomplin (Central Association); Secretary - Mary Lou Pelz (Northeast Association); and Treasurer - Marilyn Newton (Central Association). Our area representatives are: Central Lorrie Bernal (407-297-6236 or lorriebernal@yahoo.com); Northeast - Shirley White (904-388-1463); Northwest open; and West Coast Mary Lindsey and Bill Shellman (727-447-1505 or billxshell@ij.net).

We host the annual Single-Rama at the Kenilworth Lodge in Sebring, Florida. Our next Single-Rama is scheduled for October 24th and 25th, with Joe Fioretti (Homosassa Springs) & Whit Brown (Orlando) on squares and

Jimmy & Carol Griffin (St. Petersburg) on rounds. We have dances Friday and Saturday night, a round dance workshop on Saturday morning, a square dance workshop on Saturday afternoon and after parties Friday and Saturday nights with entertainment provided by Anne Oliver and John Dean of AJJ Entertainment from Marietta, Georgia.

We coordinate with the singles chairman for each State Convention to schedule singles activities for that weekend. We also co-host the Fuzzy Navel with Georgia Singles. We meet at Jekyll Island, Georgia, usually the third weekend in March. Florida and Georgia take turns hosting each year.

Visit our website at the Florida Dance Web at <http://floridadancing.com>. Just click on the FASSRD button on the home page and you'll find all this information and more!

Although singles host these activities, everyone is welcome. Marrieds with a non-dancing partner are also welcome to join FASSRD.

Yellowrocks,

Penny Green

(EDITOR'S NOTE: We hope this will be a regular article!)

Fall Fun Fest

By Bob & Jennie Courter

The West Coast Association Fall Fun Fest Committee wishes to invite all of our dancers to this annual event on November 14th & 15th, 2003 at the Lakeland Center. Our chairperson Penny Green has been very actively promoting this event. Our callers are Mike Sikorsky and our very own West Coast Caller, Art Springer. Cuers are Dick and Darlene Chase.

To get ribbons mail \$18.00/person

to Elvin & Delores Mahan, 422 Tropic Drive, Palmetto, Fl, 34221 or ask your county reps, or any West Coast Officer. Please make the check payable to 'Fall Fun Fest.'

The entire committee is planning and looking forward to a wonderful Fest and hope that you will help us make this great event even better. Hope to see you all there.



Make A Lot Of Noise ***"Promenade Act"***

UNITED SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA NEWS RELEASE, 2003-01

Square, Round, Contra, Line, Heritage dancers and Cloggers across the United States are encouraged to contact their congressman and congresswoman asking them to be a Co-sponsor of H.R. 645, also known as the "Promenade Act". The "Promenade Act" will permanently designate the Square Dance as the National Folk Dance of the United States of America.

H.R. 645 was introduced in the 1st Session of the 108th Congress on February 5, 2003, to amend title 36, United States Code, designating the Square Dance as the National Folk Dance by U. S. Representative Ed Whitfield, 1st District, Kentucky. The Square Dance is a traditional form of family recreation and encompasses all age groups, including youth and the handicapped. It is a healthy form of activity that exercises the body, heart and mind, and is a very politically correct activity.

The Square Dance is a great part of our American heritage and history that should be given official recognition by Congress. There are thirty-one states that have passed legislation designating the Square Dance as their State Folk Dance: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Jersey, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington, and West Virginia.

The Square Dance is recognized in all the free world today with many square dance groups in foreign countries as well: Australia, Canada, England, Germany, Japan, Philippines, and many other countries, who, with us, keep alive a heritage and tradition that predates the birth of this great Nation.

Members of the United Square Dancers of America's Executive Committee recently walked the halls of the House and Senate Office Buildings in Washington D.C. discussing this legislation with various Congressional offices and staff members seeking their co-sponsorship of the "Promenade Act". In each case the response was very positive, raising the hopes for success. If Square, Round, Contra, Line, Heritage Dancers and Cloggers from all across the United States **MAKE A LOT OF NOISE** by urging their Representatives to Co-Sponsor this legislation, the Square Dance will finally be permanently designated as the National Folk Dance of the United States of America.

If you have Internet access, go to the USDA home page at <http://www.usda.org> and click on the Folk Dance section. There you can print an individual congressional letter, a group congressional letter and a signature petition form. If You click on the link <http://www.congress.org/congressorg/home/> - enter your own zip code it will connect you with your Congressperson. Telephone calls also are effective and with Congressional mail now taking over a month to arrive, these other methods of communicating may be more effective.

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June 20 & 21, 2003

School Cafeteria, Chiefland, FL

FRIDAY

Early Rounds...7:00-7:45 PM
Dance.....8:00-10:00 PM
Fun Badge After Party
Seed Spitting Contest

SATURDAY

Workshop.....1:30-3:00 PM
Early Rounds...6:30-7:00 PM
Grand March.....7:15 PM
Dance.....7:30-10:00 PM
After Party Skits

SUNDAY

Breakfast.....8:00 AM

SQUARES

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Ellis Lindsey

ROUNDS

Maggie Tripp

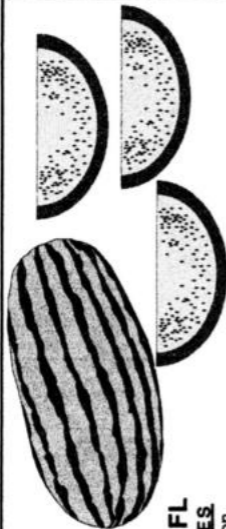
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6:00 - 7:30 PM.....Beginning Waltz Lessons

7:30 - 8:30 PM.....Phase II and III, with a Teach

8:30 - 9:30 PM.....Phase III and IV, with a Teach

**Peace Presbyterian Church
2300 Southside Boulevard
Jacksonville, FL**

**For Information Contact:
Lisa & John Wall, 241-0384**

WHAT'S COOKING?

By Val Newsome

I finally received some recipes for meats and vegetables and want to thank Mary Lou Pelz and Erma Fry for sharing them with us. Below you will find Erma's Cauliflower Salad, and Mary Lou's Chicken Stroganoff and Summer Squash Casserole. Next issue will bring even more to you from these good cooks!



TANGY CAULIFLOWER SALAD

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| 1 large head cauliflower, broken into florets (about 6 cups) | 1 cup mayonnaise or salad dressing |
| *1 cup halved green grapes | 1/3 cup honey |
| 1 cup coarsely chopped walnuts | 1 tablespoon prepared mustard |

In a large bowl, toss cauliflower, grapes and walnuts. Combine the mayonnaise, honey and mustard; pour over cauliflower mixture and stir to coat. Serve immediately. 10 servings.

*Sometimes I use red seedless grapes.

CHICKEN STROGANOFF

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| 2 lbs. frozen boneless skinless chicken tenderloins | 16 oz. carton sour cream* |
| 1 can cream of mushroom soup* | 1 envelope dry onion soup mix |

Place FROZEN chicken in bottom of crock pot. Mix rest of ingredients together and pour over chicken. Cover and cook on low setting for 7 hours. Serve over cooked bow tie pasta. (Delicious left over)

*Substitute low fat sour & sour cream if desired.

SUMMER SQUASH CASSEROLE

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| 2 lbs yellow summer squash, sliced (6 cups) | 1 cup shredded carrot |
| 1/4 cup onion, chopped or sliced | 8 oz. package herb seasoned stuffing mix (not cornbread) |
| 1 can cream chicken or cream celery soup | 1/2 cup melted margarine |
| 1 cup sour cream | |

Cook squash and onion in boiling salted water for 5 minutes; drain well. Combine soup and sour cream. Stir in shredded carrot; fold in drained squash and onion. Combine stuffing mix and butter. Spread one-half of stuffing mixture in bottom of lightly greased 12x7x2" baking dish. Spoon vegetable mixture on top. Sprinkle remaining stuffing over vegetables. Bake, uncovered at 350 degrees for 25-30 minutes (until heated thru).

Since I have some space, here's Carolyn Blymiller's recipe for an Easy Apple Coffee Cake.

EASY APPLE COFFEE CAKE

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| 1 pkg. yellow cake mix | 1/2 cup nuts (optional) |
| 1 pkg instant vanilla pudding | 1/2 cup sugar |
| 4 eggs | 2 teaspoons cinnamon |
| 1 cup sour cream | 2 medium apples sliced thin |
| 1/2 cup oil | |

Combine first five ingredients and beat 5 minutes. Pour 1/2 of this into greased pan. Arrange 1/2 the apples and sprinkle with 1/2 of the sugar & cinnamon. Cover with the remaining batter and the remaining apples, sugar, cinnamon & nuts. Bake @ 350 degrees for 1 hour until done. Cool in pan 30 minutes. Refrigerate for easier cutting. Can be frozen.

With summer coming, I'm interested in cool, summer salad recipes. Send them in right away. Thanks!!

YELLOWROCKS

(Reprinted from TRAVEL ON.)

YELLOWROCKS are good for your health, as well as your morale! Our square dancing contacts provide an excellent opportunity for our daily offering of a hug. It is a well-established fact that it takes twelve hugs a day to make a person happier and healthier.

Learned men of science have determined that the close feelings resulting from a **hug** (yellowrock) will relieve tension, which is good for your well being.

A news story tells of the forming of an organization called, "The Hug Squad." Members of this squad will visit a nursing home (or similar institution) to greet lonely occupants, many of whom never have visitors. Each patient, after their visit, is given a hug by each member of the "Hug (yellowrock) Squad."

Well, we don't need a "Hug Squad."

Are you **giving** or **receiving** your fair share?

Yellowrocks surely can put members and our dance visitors in a happy frame of mind for the evening. **Yellowrocks** can eliminate any uncertainties they may have brought with them. **Yellowrocks** can chase away the blues during the dance!

So **YELLOWROCK** away, even without a caller's command - **IT'S GOOD FOR YOUR HEALTH!!!**

RECENT WEDDINGS IN THE NORTHEAST NOE - WALL

Lisa Noe became Mrs. John Wall on December 14th, 2002. The wedding was held at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Jacksonville Beach. In the photo (right) they smile for the camera as they cut their wedding cake.

After a honeymoon cruise to the Caribbean, Lisa and John returned home at 6 Oaks Drive, Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250.



RIST - SEELHOEFER



Pat Rist and Joe Seelhoefer repeated their wedding vows at 3:00 PM on March 8th, 2003 at St. Paul's Catholic Church. They took a break from the reception to smile for the camera (left).

They returned home at 13740 Crashaw Road, Jacksonville, FL 32224, after a honeymoon cruise to the Bahamas, Nassau, Cocoa Cay & Key West.

ANNUAL CHARITY DANCE

By Val Newsome

The Seabreeze Singles sponsored their Annual Charity Dance with all proceeds to benefit the City Rescue Mission on Saturday, April 5th. This year's theme was a Hawaiian Holiday and was held at Jax Heights Elementary School.

Callers were Jim Cosman & Art Wilson, with Lisa Wall cueing rounds.

The refreshments were plentiful and delicious -- the dancing was lively -- and everyone enjoyed participating in the raffle and silent auction.

Sally Chitko (daughter of Maddy) won the \$100.00 Money Tree. Sally was not there so Maddy accepted it and was to deliver it to her.

The 50/50 Raffle was split -- the first was won by Libby from the City Rescue Mission, and Joe Seelhofer won the second half.

Over 11 squares enjoyed the evening and helped the Seabreeze Singles raise money for this worthwhile charity. A check for \$1,800.00 will be presented to the City Rescue Mission.



Shirley White and "Smitty" Smith present \$100.00 Money Tree to Maddy Chitko for her daughter, Sally.



Joe Seelhofer with his 50/50 winnings.

Jim Cosman, Lisa Wall, and Art Wilson had a lively program for the dancers.

DOUBLE D's FOR GRADUATES

(Reprinted from WHERE N' WHEN, May 1997)

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.

"THE OTHER PROTESTER"

(This one came from the Internet and was submitted by Bob Raymond)

A protest raged on a courthouse lawn, round a makeshift stage they charged on.
Fifteen hundred or more they say, had come to burn the Flag that day.
A boy held up the folded Flag, cursed it and called it a dirty rag.

A man pushed through the angry crowd, with an old gun shouldered proud.
His uniform jacket was old and tight, he had polished each button, shiny and bright.

He crossed the stage with military grace, until he and the boy stood face to face.

Then the old man broke the silence.

"Freedom of speech, is worth dying for, Good men are gone, they live no more.
All so you can stand on this courthouse lawn, and ramble on from dusk to dawn.
But before the Flag gets burned today, this old veteran is going to have his say.

My father died on a foreign shore, in a war they said would end all wars.
Tommy and I weren't even full grown, before we fought in a war of our own.
Tommy died on Iwo Jima's beach, in the shadow of a hill he couldn't reach.
Where five good men raised this Flag so high, that the whole world could see it fly.

I got this bum leg that I still drag, fighting for this same old Flag.

There's but one shot in this old gun, so now it's time to decide which one.
Which one of you will follow our lead, to stand and die for what you believe?"

The boy who had called it a dirty rag, handed the veteran the folded Flag.
The crowd got quiet as they walked away, to talk about what they heard that day.

So the battle for the Flag this day was won, by a loyal veteran with a single gun.
Who for one last time, had to show to some,

That these colors will never, never run.

TODAY

By Ida Mings Clay

I know not what tomorrow may unfold, Or where the roads, as yet untrod, may lead; While time and tide move onward, ever bold, With no cessation in their daily speed.	But now is ever here with much to give. I have today ... a gracious gift, ornate With four and twenty golden hours that shine, Reflecting joyous moments that await Beneath the skies divine. And this is mine To use and cherish as I went my way With thanks to God for giving me today.
The yesterdays I cannot readorn Or bygone years I never can relive; And future happenings are yet unborn,	

(Reprinted from Sunny Day Ideals, May 1973)

**NORTHEAST FLORIDA SQUARE AND ROUND DANCERS
ASSOCIATION**

2002 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: "R" Every Sunday. Beginners Class (Waltz) 6:00 - 7:30 PM; Club Phase II & III, 7:30-8:30 PM; Club Phase III & IV 8:30 - 9:30 PM. Peace Presbyterian Church, 2300 Southside Blvd. Cuer-Instructor: Lisa Wall. Contact: Lisa & John Wall, 904 241-0384.

MONDAY

FUN N FROLICS: "A" Every Monday Dance 7:30-9:30 PM. Jax Heights Elementary School. Caller: Art Wilson 904 225-5674.

JOY SEAS: "M/P/L/R" Every Monday. Class 7:00 - 8:00 PM Club Dance 8:00-9:30 PM. **St. Augustine-** Coquina Crossing, I95 S, exit 94, West on SR207, 1 mile, on the left. You **MUST** be thru the gate prior to 8:00 PM or you **WON'T** get in!! Caller: Mike Akers 904 829-1697. Contact: John & Mary Burzo 904 797-7530.

YELLOW ROCKERS PLUS: "P" Every Monday. Dance 7:30 - 9:30 PM. Trinity Lutheran Church, Park & McDuff St. Caller: Lawton Smith 904 389-3349. Contact: Billy Luper 904 771-7041. **NO DANCE JUNE 2nd OR JUNE 16th!**

TUESDAY

BELLES & BEAUX: "M/P" Every Tuesday. Class 7:00 - 8:15 PM, Club 8:15-10:00 PM (1st & 3rd - Regular dance -- 2nd & 4th - Workshop).. J.C, Park Center on Jee Cee Shack Rd. **Valdosta, GA.** Call Bob & Vivian, 229 242-7321, or Parks & Recreations, 229 259-3507, for directions. Caller: Bob Bennett, 229 242-7321.

DIXIE DANCERS: "P/R" Every Tuesday. Class 7:00 - 8:00 PM Dance 8:00-10:00 PM. Teen Town, 312 N. 6th St., **Lake City.** Caller: Bill Chesnut 352 374-8582; Cuer: Maggie Tripp 352 493-0853 **OR** Ralph Beekman 386 752-2544. Contact: Ouida Taylor 386 752-1469 or Annette Conk 386 935-1548.

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

MANDARIN MARAUDERS: "M/P/L" Every Tuesday. Workshop 7:00-7:30 PM, Club Dance 7:30 - 9:30 PM. Italian-American Club, Westberry Rd. Caller: Lawton Smith 904 389-3349. Contact: Rob & Jennie Harris 904 731-0795

ROLLAWAYS: "M/P/R/L" Every Tuesday. Class 7:00-8:00 PM, Club Dance 8:00-10:00 PM. Sandalwood High School. Caller: Ken Miller 904 268-4492. Contact: Virginia Bornhold 904 744-7181. **Starting May 27th thru July, we will be dancing with Seabreeze Singles at Peace Presbyterian Church.**

SEABREEZE SINGLES: "M/P" Every Tuesday. Club 7:30- 9:30 PM. Peace Presbyterian Church, 2300 Southside Blvd. Caller: Jim Cosman 912 882-4006. Contact: - Shirley White, President, 904 388-1463 OR Freda Story, Banner Chmn, 904 886-2672.

WEDNESDAY

PLUS FOX: "P" Every Wednesday. Club Dance 7:30-9:30 PM. Jax Heights Elementary School, 7750 S. Tempest St. Caller: Jim Cosman 912 882-4006. Contact: Steven & Marie Bigelow 771-7249.

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THURSDAY

MOOSE PROMENADERS: "P/L" Every Thursday. Plus Class 7:00-8:30 PM, Club Dance 8:30-10:00 PM. 5051 Collins Rd., Moose Lodge, Orange Park. Caller: Art Wilson 904 225-5674. Contact: Wendell & Doris Spears, President, 904 264-5524, Pat and Johnny McCabe, Banner Chmn. 904 771-6647. **Plus class starts May 1st**

RIVER RAMBLERS: "M/P" Every Thursday. Class 6:30-8:00 PM Club 8:00-10:00 PM. 112 Yelvington Rd., **East Palatka** (Just off US 17, Approx. 1/2 mile So of SR207) (Putnam County Shrine Club). Caller: Ernie Rollen 904 282-2335.

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

TOUCH OF CLASS "R" Phase III-V Club 7:30 - 9:30 PM. Peace Presbyterian Church, 2300 Southside Blvd. Cuer: Jim Winter 268-1369. Contact Barbara Winter 268-1369.

FRIDAY

GYPSY SQUARES: "M/P/L" 1st Full Weekend Each Month. **Various Campgrounds**. Caller: John Barrett 904 767-7775. Contact: Dale & Gerry Fredrickson 904 269-9717 OR Luther & Debbie Delp 904 642-0392.

SQUARE WHEELS: "M/P/R" Every 3rd Friday & Saturday. **Various Campgrounds**. Caller: Bill Chesnut 352 374-8582. Contact: Chuck & Aleen Breedlove 904 246-9545.

MAINSTREAM SQUARES: **NOT DANCING!!**

POGO SQUARES: "M/P/L" 2nd & 4th Friday. 8:00-10:30 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. Dance 8:00-10:00 PM. Jax Heights elem. School, Caller: Ernie Rollen 904 282-2335. Contact: Dave & Janet Britten 569-9574 **NO DANCE MAY 23rd**

SATURDAY

TEDDY BEAR SQUARES: "P" 2nd & 4th Saturday. 7:30 - 9:30 PM. Peace Presbyterian Church, 2300 Southside Blvd. Caller: Eddie Millan 904 765-0296. Contact: Ed & Helen Williams 285-6289. **No dance May 24th**

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

SQUARE DANCE CLASSES

PLUS LESSONS

Thursday

MOOSE PROMENADERS: Starting May 1st 7:00 - 8:30 PM. 5051 Collins Rd., Moose Lodge, Orange Park. Caller: Art Wilson 904 225-5674. Contact: Wendell & Doris Spears, President, 904 264-5524

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SHAMROCK SWING

By Val Newsome



The weekend of March 14th and 15th brought out bright green dresses, shamrocks, and little leprechauns as the Central Association presented their 3rd Annual SHAMROCK SWING. Randy & Carol Poole were the Chairpersons, and the dance was held at St. John Vianney Church on Orange Blossom Trail in Orlando, FL.

Central Association Caller Whit Brown, joined by National Caller Tim Marriner, kept both halls dancing lively. Rounds were cued by Jimmy & Carol Griffin. As usual, their cueing provided smooth dancing both evenings.

Two vendors were there for the shopping pleasure of everyone.

Several couples from the Jacksonville area were there for the

▲ Randy Poole, Chairman, gets the weekend started!

weekend and we all had a great time. We stayed in the Baymont Inn, just three miles from the dance hall. Did we eat lots of good food? You betcha!

The 50th Florida State Convention, which will be hosted by Central Association, held fund raising Chinese Auctions each evening. This writer was overjoyed on Saturday evening when she won the \$25.00 Gift Certificate from Dancing For Less. Yes, I promptly went shopping and purchased Charlie a shirt!

Highlight on Saturday evening was the presentation of the "Dancer Of The Year" Award to Judy Frye. As Dan Faust, President, read her qualifications you knew why she had

been selected. She greatly deserves this award bestowed upon her by the dancers in the Central Association. **Congratulations, Judy!!**



Central Association Presidents Anna (L) and Dan Faust (R), present the "Dancer of The Year Award" to Judy Frye (C).





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2003 CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations!

<u>CLUB</u>	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>ANNIV.#</u>
Belles & Beaux			
Dixie Dancers.....	Sep	23rd	25th
First Coast Rounds			3rd
Fun 'N Frolics.....	Mar/Apr		47th
Grand Squares.....	Jun	17th	28th
Gypsy Squares.....	Dec	6th	13th
Joy Seas	Apr	14th	12th
Mandarin Marauders.....	Apr	29th	18th
Moose Promenaders	Apr	10th	13th
Plus Fox	Jan	15th	17th
Pogo Squares			
River Ramblers.....	Apr	3rd	5th
Rollaways	Apr	8th	15th
Seabreeze Singles.....	Sep		27th
Silver Fox.....	Jun	6th	18th
Square Wheels.....	Sep	22nd	22nd
Teddy Bears	Jun	14th	19th
Vagabond Squares.....	Nov		9th
Yellow Rockers +.....	Sep	8th	12th

EDITORS' NOTE: If your club's anniversary is not listed, or if it is incorrect, please let us know as soon as possible. Thank you.

With Our Recent Sick

Bob Bennett.....surgery	Dot Lobato.....surgery
Vivian Bennett.....illness	Adele Malkinillness
Earl Brandtleg problems	Fred Malkinillness
Aleen Breedlovesurgery	Preston Mays.....illness
Millard Brown.....accident	Johny McCabeillness
Maddy Chitkoleg problems	Joann McCannaccident
Jettie Crowe.....surgery/illness	John Robbins.....illness
Joe Elliott.....surgery	Esther Roby.....surgery
Hollis Fowler.....illness	Taylor Sams.....illness
Betty Frenchsurgery	Bill Schnippertillness
Joe Graves.....illness	Wendell Spearsillness
Diane Harrison.....illness	Phyllis Stewartillness
Oma Harrisonillness	Barbara Walker.....surgery
Woody Maysleg problems	Marion Whiting.....illness
Tom Hidding.....illness	Helen Williams.....surgery
Marcella Jacobsenback problems	

Get well soon! We miss you!

We hear that Gordon Harkless, a former dancer, is now back home from Heartland Health Care, and doing much better.

Sincere Sympathy Is Extended To . . .

Maxine Thomas, whose son, Skip, died on April 11th. He had recently been diagnosed with cancer and died at the age of 46.

Cards and Prayers are always welcome.

Seabreeze Singles Square Dance Club

Caller: Jim Cosman



We dance every Tuesday.

7:30 - 9:30 PM



Singles, couples, and new dancers are welcome!

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Announced Plus...
Lines between tips...

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NEFSARDA BOARD RETRIEVES THEIR BANNER...

...From the Mandarin Marauders - and advertises the March Fifth Saturday Dance. The Ides of March was the theme -- and they came dressed in their Togas.



THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

If your mind goes blank,
don't forget to turn off the sound!

DANCERS: After the tip is over, and **BEFORE** we take our bows to say our thank you's, let's all remember to **APPLAUD THE CALLER!**

IN MEMORY

THOMAS ALFRED MILLER

4/12/44 - 2/22/03

Tom Miller passed away Saturday, February 22, 2003, after an extended illness.

He was a retired Navy Master Chief and was currently the manager of Bachelor Housing at Kings Bay Naval base.

Tom was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. He was an active Square Dancer and a member of the Plus Fox and

Yellow Rockers Plus clubs.

He is survived by his loving wife, Linda; four daughters, Sonya Miller, Tamera Supan (John), Katie Miller, and Ashley Miller; two step-sons, Mike Petrey (Caroline), and Mark Petrey (Michelle); his mother, Flora Baker; two brothers, Clifford Miller and Perry Miller; two sisters, Lorna Baker (Jim) and Violet Mikkelsen; and nine grandchildren.

Our sympathy and prayers are extended to his family and his many friends.

The Editors

THE STORY OUR SHOES TELL US

Imagine someone taking both shoes off and talking to you. . .

Did you know our shoes have a message for us? This shoe has a sole (turn shoe over and point to it), just like we do. The sole on the shoe is tough and can take a lot of abuse like our souls should. Also, the sole is flexible and the very foundation of the whole shoe, just as our soul should be the very foundation or base of our lives.

At the end of the sole on the shoe, there is a reminder for us -- a heel. It should remind us not to be a heel with whom we work, play and worship or associate.



The top of the shoe, the finish and color, tells us something too. There are black shoes, brown shoes, red, yellow, and white ones, too. And they all walk down the same streets, paths and walks of life. So, too, we are reminded of the black, brown, red, yellow and white people, and we should all walk side by side down the paths of life. Some shoes have a rough finish, as some people are rough; other shoes are smooth, like some people; some shoes are shiny and highly polished, just like some people we know.

No matter how we find the finish of the shoe or the people we meet, we must remember we're all God's children

-- and we can get along together.

The shoe has one tongue and it serves a purpose. We have one tongue and hope it serves a purpose -- not for gossip and slander.

The shoe has many eyes, but yet it cannot see. We have only two eyes and hope that we use them to see all we can and should.

The shoelaces that hang down tell us that even our lives can have loose ends, too. The shoestrings to be beneficial have to be tied -- so our lives need to have the loose ends tied together.



When I put this shoe on, it fits; it's comfortable when worn -- just like we should fit in with the people we work with.

As this shoe is put on my foot, we must remember that it never walks alone. So, too, we never walk alone through life; there is always another to walk with us -- one greater, more powerful who always goes with us and comforts and consoles us.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Reprinted from *USDA NEWS*, July-Dec. 2002, who copied it from 4-H Bulletin, Richard B. Tomkinson, Extension Specialist, Kansas State University.)

HANDS ACROSS THE SQUARE

The more you square dance, the more you realize that hands are more important than we thought. If you are uncertain and a hand is extended to you, it is a quick aid to get you going again. The touch of hands as lines or ocean waves are formed is important. We all must remember, "We don't dance alone -- we are part of a team." It does take "team" effort for all to be successful. TOUCH THOSE HANDS!

Reprinted from Happy Tracks, December 2001

SQUARE DANCING IN THE PROPER SPIRIT

(This article was written by Chuck Durant, Titusville, FL and first appeared in THE SQUARE DANCE BULLETIN. We are reprinting it from HAPPY TRACKS, Dec 1999-Jan-Mar 2000 Issue.)

Dr. Lloyd "Pappy" Shaw, the name and the man, is most likely unknown to most new square dancers today. Shaw is generally recognized as the father of modern square dancing. In Colorado, in the early 1900-s it was Shaw who revived a sagging interest in square dancing that was on the verge of extinction. His "Cowboy Dances," a 1939 collection of almost 100 calls of that time, emphasized "dancing in the proper spirit."

What is the proper spirit? Is it dancing with the corners of our mouths turned down? No! The spirit means smiling - showing the pleasure received from dancing with good friends. Does it mean being critical about our fellow dancers' imperfections when the square falls apart? No! The spirit means laughing together -- accepting the fact that we are human; and being human we will err.

Does it mean ignoring those who we've decided do not dance as well as we? No! The spirit means understanding -- to be tolerant and less judgmental of others. After all, all of us came into square dancing for the same reasons -- fun, fellowship and harmony. These three ingredients have made

square dancing grow into a community of an estimated seven million dancers. The absence of these ingredients could also destroy the community.

Are you still friends with those who invited you to an open house to promote classes? If the proper spirit exits, you are graduated, are dancing regularly, and have become much closer friends. The Proper Spirit is present, if, after having shared a 30-40 week learning experience, you find a special kindredship among the group.

Square dancing without the Proper Spirit would be a cold experience, indeed. No smiles, no laughter, no hand shaking; in fact, no friendly acknowledgements at all. As a new dancer, you have a responsibility to carry on the friendly virtues of square dancing as much as the seasoned dancer does. By your example, you will have many opportunities in square dancing to influence others to dance in the proper spirit.

Show your friendly colors and share your joy for the dance with the other seven dancers in your square. get the Spirit! "Pappy" would have wanted it that way.

"SKIRT WORK"

Have you ever heard a caller say "Ladies, Let's see the skirt work"? Do you know what it means? It's styling. It's that added flair, holding your skirt and crinoline together, out to the side and raised. Skirt work is what ladies do with the hand that isn't doing the "work" in a square. In a Left Hand Star, the right hand does the "skirt work," holding

the skirt and crinoline so the flash of color is seen by the viewers rather than hidden in the middle. The opposite hold true from the Right Hand Star -- make it look pretty with the color on the outside. In a Teacup Chain and Weaving the Ring, alternate hands are doing the "skirt work." It's fun and it looks nice!

(This was part of a Styling Seminar at a National Convention, and has been copied from the HUDSON VALLEY DANCER, May-Sept. 1995 issue.)



STITCHIN' TIME

By Val Newsome

"...Let's talk about waistbands that give a little. Got your interest??

Well, this is worth trying and I do like the look of a smooth waist front with "forgiving" elastic in back.

Measure the upper edge of the garment back between the side seamlines. Do not fold out any darts or pleats before measuring, because you will not be sewing them in this version. (You can also measure the upper edge of the back pattern piece and double it to get the full back measurement, but don't include seam allowances).

Measure garment waistband pattern piece from the side seam to center front. Add these two measurements together and multiply by two. The result should be at least 2" larger than your actual waist measurement.

Add appropriate seam allowance for the closure method used by the pattern. Make a new waistband pattern of the above length and 3 3/4" wide. This will make a finished width of 1 1/4".

Mark the portion of the waistband that will be attached to the front of the garment. Use interface as you normally would (fusible or sewn in). Don't use interface on the rest of the waistband, press waistband in half lengthwise. Press under the seam allowance on one long edge, and trim.

Sew the top edge of the garment to the unpressed waistband edge, adding extra pleating or gathers to the front to fit. The back will not need gathering or easing because the back waistband was cut to equal the garment back measurement.

Turn the waistband to the inside and overlap the pressed under edge of

the back waistband over the previous stitching. On the right side, stitch in the ditch of the previous seam, being sure to catch the folded-under waistband edge. You will stitch the front parts of the waistband after inserting the back elastic.

Measure the original waistband pattern between center back and a side seam. Double this and add 1" to the measurement and cut a piece of elastic this length.

Insert elastic into the casing. Secure elastic at both side seams by pulling it a little, maybe 3/4" beyond the side seams and stitching across it through all layers. Stitch each end of the waistband, right sides together.

Trim, turn, and press. Overlap the pressed edge over the previous seam and stitch in the ditch just as you did on the back of the waistband and voila...a waistband that has a neat flat front but lots of give.

Another easy way to add give.. is to add shorter pieces of elastic at the sides only. This would leave the front and back unchanged from the original. This gives only a little give and take.

One other word to the wise about prewashing and preshrinking fabric...I had a disastrous outcome on a gift I was making...I preshrunk the fabric but never thought about the decorative thread I was using. As I was pressing, some water dropped on the threads. The color ran. I blotted it with my pressing cloth and the color came off onto it. This was cream colored fabric and navy thread. The more I tried to fix it the worse it got. Be careful!"

(Reprinted from American SquareDance, March 2003, article written by Donna Ipock, "Sewing 101".



**52nd National Square Dance Convention
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
June 25, 26, 27, 28, 2003**

"The Heartland is the Place to be in 2003!"

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Now that you are registered for the National Convention, you must be busy planning your trip to Oklahoma City, OK June 25th-28th, 2003. Come to the Heartland.....and visit our beautiful cities, enjoy our fine restaurants, see rich Native American heritage, visit the National Cowboy Hall of Fame and the Oklahoma City National Memorial. Visit Bricktown, our newest entertainment district, take a Water Taxi ride on the Pedestrian Canal, drive through scenic hills or across golden plains, and enjoy our lakes and recreation areas.

To help you pack, here are some tips on the weather. Oklahoma City is at the crossroads of America: by air, by highway, and by weather, too! And in Oklahoma City in June, most of the time, it's pleasant & warmish, somewhat humid, but not really hot -- low to mid 70's or so. Sometimes we have showers (& being at the crossroads, sometimes - not very often, we do have storms). Normally our stormy season is in the spring and mid-fall). Occasionally, it IS hot -- mid to high 90's up to 100! (Fortunately, not every June or every summer!) And about 50 years ago most of the month of June, the temperature

was about 40 at night and in the upper 40's and lower 50's during the days!!! This particular cold snap happened in the first year of a seven-year drought. As you can see, the weather is variable -- that much is guaranteed.

We have petitioned the weather gurus for soft favorable, gentle winds, partial cloudiness, and mild temperatures. If it must rain, we have asked for slow showers at night, all done by sun-up. We do hope this meets with your approval, and as the time approaches, we will be addressing our petitions directly to the Almighty.

It's probably a good idea for you to pack an umbrella, and maybe a sweater, but bulky foul-weather gear likely won't be needed. All transportation and tour buses are air-conditioned -- so are the City buses. We are planning a few outdoor activities -- more regarding this at a later date, when plans are more complete.

As our favorite caller says, "We'll treat you good so many different ways, you are bound to like one of them!" Y'all come, y'hear?

FUTURE NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

June 25-28, 2003Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
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Caller - Mike Akers



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MORE "GREAT IDEAS" - SOME TIPS THAT WORK!

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Reprinted from USDA News, July-December, 2002 issue)

- 1) When a cake recipe calls for flouring the baking pan, use a bit of the dry cake mix instead and there won't be any white mess on the outside of the cake.
- 2) Wrap celery in aluminum foil when putting in the refrigerator and it will keep for weeks.
- 3) When boiling corn on the cob, add a pinch of sugar to help bring out the corn's natural sweetness.
- 4) Cure for headaches: Take a lime, cut it in half and rub it on your forehead. The throbbing will go away.
- 5) Don't throw out all that leftover wine: Freeze into ice cubes for future use in casseroles and sauces.
- 6) To get rid of itch from mosquito bites, try applying soap on the area and you will experience instant relief.
- 7) Ants, ants, ants everywhere...Well, they are said to never cross a chalk line. So get your chalk out and draw a line on the floor or wherever ants tend to march. See for yourself.
- 8) Use air-freshener to clean mirrors. It does a good job and better still, leaves a lovely smell to the shine.
- 9) When you get a splinter, reach for the scotch tape before resorting to tweezers or a needle. Simply put the scotch tape over the splinter, then pull it off. Scotch tape removes most splinters painlessly and easily.
- 10) Now look what you can do with Alka Seltzer**Clean a toilet. Drop in two Alka Seltzer tablets, wait twenty minutes, brush and flush. The citric acid and effervescent action clean vitreous China.**Clean a vase. To remove a stain from the bottom of a glass or cruet, fill with water and drop in two Alka Seltzer tablets.**Polish jewelry. Drop two Alka Seltzer tablets into a glass of water and immerse the jewelry for two minutes.**Clean a thermos bottle. Fill the bottle with water, drop in four Alka Seltzer tablets, and let soak for an hour (or longer, if necessary).**Unclog a drain. Clear the sink drain by dropping three Alka Seltzer tablets down the drain followed by a cup of Heinz White Vinegar. Wait a few minutes, then run the hot water.

RECIPE FOR A SQUARE DANCE CLUB SUPREME

To 3 cups of music, 2 cups of callers and 2 cups of cuers, add 4 teaspoons of interest and 2 teaspoons of enthusiasm. Sift together thoroughly then stir in an equal amount of activity and relaxation. Add 3 teaspoons of courtesy. Season to taste with learning, then fold in a generous amount of concentration. Place in a pan well greased with thoughtfulness and lined with respect for personalities. Sprinkle lightly with a sense of humor. Allow to set in an atmosphere of democratic planning and mutual responsibilities. Bake in a moderate cool oven. When well done, remove and top with a thick coating of good grooming, served on a platter of friendliness garnished with smiles.

Result: One complete club that will serve any size community.

(Reprinted from Around The Squares, Sept-Oct 1996)

A beautiful day is a mixture of
work -- play -- joy -- and love!



Club News! **BELLES & BEAUX**

Pauline Brown 229-247-0891

Greetings from your square dancing neighbors north of the border, the Belles and Beaux in Valdosta, Georgia and their caller Bob Bennett and his wife Vivian. We are currently a small but dedicated group of dancers. However, our enthusiasm makes up for our size. A new beginners class is currently underway and we recently graduated three new dancers from our last class. The new dancers received their diplomas from Bob after they demonstrated that square dancing is now "their bag" by dancing in a square with brown paper grocery bags on their feet. Congratulations were offered by all dancers present.

Several members of the Belles and Beaux attended the Blue-Grey Square Dance in Lake City and the recent fifth Saturday dances in Tifton, Georgia sponsored by the Dixie Federation Caller's Association. We are happy that our caller, Bob, was able to attend and Participate as one of the callers at the Tifton dance as he has been somewhat "under the weather". Speaking of Bob and Vivian - we offer them special congratulations on their 56th wedding anniversary which they will celebrate on June 20, 2003. That's a long time to be

squaring up together.

The Belles and Beaux offer their sympathy to the family of Clara Lowe. Though unable to dance recently because of illness, Clara was a long time member of our group. She was the widow of Audie Lowe, a square dance caller in our area for many years. Clara is survived by her daughter, Janice Lowe, of Quitman, Georgia. Janice is a square dancer and also a clogging instructor. At this time Clara and Audie must be dancing together in heaven.

A reminder from the Belles and Beaux - we always enjoy having visitors at our dances and would love to meet you. The Belles and Beaux dance every Tuesday night beginning at 7:30 P.M. at the Jaycee Shack on Jaycee Shack Road in Valdosta, Georgia and Valdosta is right on 1-75. Keep our telephone number handy, 229-242-7321. If you are in the area give us a call to be sure we are dancing and for directions to our dancing place. The third Tuesday of each month we try to schedule a special theme dance and it usually includes food. Casual clothes are acceptable at most of our dances so feel free to come on any Tuesday evening if you find yourself on 1-75 near Valdosta.

In the mean-
time, Happy
dancing.



Graduating students Joyce & Charlie Frush and Joyce Miller show off their diplomas!

BELLES & BEAUX (Cont'd)



Caller Bob Bennett was their favorite "Leprechaun" at the St. Patrick's Day Dance!



DIXIE DANCERS

Linda Yocum (386) 752-2970

Spring is in the air, and the Dixie Dancers are stepping high with our new dancers, who started lessons on March 4th, and are having a great time learning the "Great American Folk Dance." What fun it is seeing our new dancers enjoying themselves. PLUS, we get the added benefit of making wonderful new friends.

Our Western Hoe Down brought out some of the local cowboys and cowgirls wearing their best outfits. We had a rip

roaring good time!

Since the election of new officers was just April 1st, there have been immediate plans made for special dances at this time. However, keep your eye out for the next issue of "THE GRAPEVINE" to see what we have planned!

In the meantime, we will be dancing through the summer at Teen To. Come join us some Tuesday evening

GRAND SQUARES

Gerry "Scoop" Jesk 352 493-2842

We just celebrated Easter with a big party night held right after the elections here in Gainesville, we are a polling place as well...We look forward to our party night in May which will be a Mothers Day Dance and going to our State Convention in Lakeland on Memorial Day Weekend. Grand Squares will be hosting the Watermelon Festival Dance on June 20th & 21st in Chiefland, Florida, for information please call Lonnie or Peggy Ligon at 352 377-1828 or you can now keep in closer touch with updates on line at our new web site at: randsquares@hotmail.

com.

In our circle of concerns are Orms Diane Harrison, Fred & Adele Ma and Joe Graves.

Don and Lois Norden are heading north and Sarah & Bud Small will be heading home to Illinois before long and will be settled back home by the time you read this but we will miss our northern dancers over the next few months and look for their return in fall and winter months. Our prayers are out to all our armed forces all around the world, may they come home safe and sound!

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GYPSY SQUARES #168

Dale and Gerry Fredrickson 269-9717

We camped at Lake Oklawaha RV Resort in March with Docky & Linda Blake and Luther and Debra Delp as hosts. We had another good crowd and good times. Our hosts made chicken and rice while the chapter provided side dishes. Of course we had a feast. Dancing was great as usual, thanks to Gentleman John. If you haven't joined us for a weekend, you need to make plans to join us soon.

The Fredricksons and the Humbles hosted the April campout at Thunder Gulch. It is a new campground in Bunnel. We had a great time dancing at John's OK Coral. Actually we really were in a saloon. We were pleased to have the Flagler Ocean Waves join us on Saturday evening. The weather was perfect and we enjoyed square dancing and line dancing. As the facilities were new and somewhat different from what we are use to, we enjoyed dining out at La Hacienda in Palm Coast. Sunday

morning we gathered for warm muffins and coffee before heading home.

We will be at Grand Lake RV Resort in May. The Brittinghams and Dietricks from Daytona will be hosting. We know they have a great weekend planned for us. Also, our June campout will be at Bulow RV Resort, which is conveniently located south of Palm Coast just a few miles off of I-95. You all know Maxine Thomas, Billy Luper, and Sue and Verner Gregory. They will be hosting the June campout. It is sure to be fun. We hope you will join us. For the current schedule, check out our web site at <http://geocities.com/fansdc/gypsy/> for directions to the campouts. The current campout is usually updated around the middle of the month. If you can't find the answers to your questions, go to the officers' page and email one of us. We'd love to hear from you. Happy Dancing!

JOY SEAS

John & Mary Burzo 904 797-7530

We got our class and dancers together and raided the Mandarin Marauders and the Moose Promenaders all in one week. That was quite an effort because we dance on Mondays, which means we were out there three times that week. Our club is small but very busy. Next week we gathered them all again and went to the Rollaways - what a good time. They were serving all the chocolate you can eat thanks to St. Valentine. I think we all came home with a belly ache.

The Hospice Dance was great. Everyone had a good time and is looking forward to having one next year.

Every night at our class we have

more and more Snow Birds come visit. It's always a pleasure to have them. Our Students are getting a good education on how dancing is done in the rest of the country. To their surprise they dance the same there as here. It's good to see the students realize that fact so early in their dancing.

The Flagler Ocean Waves also got a visit from us. We took their banner and had a wonderful time doing it - they are great people.

The Joy Seas are going to have their annual Easter Parade and will let you know how it turns out next month

THE SOLDIER'S PRAYER

Dear Lord, You know what I must do this day. If I forget Thee do not forget me.

Amen.

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MANDARIN MARAUDERS

Sergei & Karen Zelenkov 268-0369

Congratulations to a great class! 15 students in our 2003 class graduated on April 15th. Pictured below: Sam and Mary Starling, Larry and Charlene Bennett, Frank and Maggie Garri, Steve and Katja Palmer, Tom and Eleanor Doyle, John Loveland. Missing from photo: Kimberly and Jens Lorenzen, Ronald and Barbara Gemell.

Lawton Smith is starting a Plus workshop on Tuesday, April 22nd, at 7:00 PM before club dances for the next few months. Thank you, Lawton for making square dancing fun and including Plus calls with club dance tips!

The Mandarin Marauders Club celebrated its 18th anniversary on April 15th. Thanks to all who made it a fun and special celebration with a picnic dinner and cake for dessert. During March, we wore our "green" and ate corned beef and cabbage at our St. Patrick's Day dinner and dance. Our April Fools Day scavenger hunt showed the great creativity and resourcefulness of the three teams and generated much laughter at the

antics of some members.

We exchanged banners and visits with a number of clubs over the last few months. Thank you for your hospitality and your visits... Teddy Bear Squares, Yellow Rockers, Moose Promenaders, Silver Fox Squares, and Joy Seas. See you again soon!

Congratulations to the new officers elected on April 8th for 2003-2004; they will be installed on the last Tuesday of April. President - Ben & Joy Caldwell ; Vice President - Sergei & Karen Zelenkov; Treasurer - James & Jean Kindred; Assistant Treasurer - Ron & Judy Rodriguez; Secretary - Kitty Boyce

We had a great year, thanks to our outgoing officers and all the committee chairpersons. President - Joe & Barbara Fitzmayer; Vice President - Ron & Judy Rodriguez; Secretary - Sergei & Karen Zelenkov; Treasurer - Ken & Janet Vincent; Asst. Treasurer - Jerry & Karen Sullivan

We invite you to come dance with us any Tuesday at the Italian American Club on Westberry Road in Mandarin.



Mandarin Marauders graduates on "Their Night"!

MOOSE PROMENADERS

Kim Keffer 771-5775

Here it is almost May. Where did the year go? This reporter spent a month "down under" (this could account for some "lost time") and is still "jetlagged". Maybe Charlie and Val will forgive me for this article being turned in a little late.

The President's Ball was a huge success with Art Wilson doing the MC honors. Art, several area callers and Jim and Barbara Winter were there to help honor our club presidents. Mel Henderson from Touch of Class was named as President of the Year. We are proud of all our club presidents. They take the time to see that all runs smoothly and effectively within our clubs to help support our dance form. Where would we be without them. The Moose Promenaders donated their share of the 50/50 - \$88 - to the Hospice Dance. As NEFSARDA's Charity Chair, I do thank you.

On April 6th, the members of LOOM 2020 cooked a fried chicken dinner for our group in appreciation of the support we give to the Lodge. It was absolutely great! I think probably it should be the other way around. We should be thanking them for allowing us to have the pleasure of one of the best dance venues around. Our thanks to all who

worked so that the Moose Promenaders could have a wonderful time featuring good food and fellowship. We appreciate you.

Then came our Graduation and Anniversary Dance. We graduated 11 dancers: Ruby Horne, Tim & Sandy Matthews, Mary Mreen, Robert Padgett, Betty Smith, Janette Sparrow, Sam & Mary Starling, Mike & Jessica Young. Congratulations to our Class of 2003 and welcome to the wonderful world of square dancing. Yellow rocks to our new class coordinators, Tom and Pat Hersha for getting our class to this point and doing a great job of conducting the impressive candlelight ceremony.

Our annual Pirates Ball will be held on May 8th with Art Wilson calling and Lisa Wall cueing. Watch out for our pirates visiting your clubs to advertise the event and, if you feel so inclined, join in the fun and dress as pirates that evening. Our jailer and his crew will be out looking for some landlubbers to throw in the brig. Hope you have some friends to bail you out. Come join in the revelry.

We start our Plus Class on May 1st so if you wish to brush up on your plus skills come join us on Thursday evenings at the Moose Lodge on Collins Road. Class is at 7.00 PM and club starts dancing at 8.30 PM with Art Wilson calling.



Mel Henderson, President of Touch Of Class, is presented with this years "President Of The Year" plaque!

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MOOSE PROMENADERS (Cont'd)



Charter Members Doris Spears (Wendell wasn't feeling well this night) and Gerry & Dale Fredrickson with Lucille & Art Wilson at their 13th Anniversary!

PLUS FOX

Stephen & Marie Bigelow 771-7249

Plus Fox sends our condolences, our love and our prayers to Linda Miller for the loss of Tom. Joe Elliott has been having problems with adhesions and scar tissue after surgery. Millard Brown has a broken leg after falling off of a ladder. Marcella Jacobson has been having back problems. Please keep them all in your thoughts and prayers.

We had a wonderful St. Patrick's Day dance with 5 squares and Moose, Silver Fox, Yellow Rockers and Gypsy

Squares visiting. Jim was on a cruise so Art Wilson called for us. Our April Fool's dance didn't have any fools or gags, but we had lots of flower seeds—that we hope will bloom in May.

We have been visiting again ... Mandarin Marauders, Silver Fox and Yellow Rockers. Maybe we will see you next time.

Come visit us. We have a superb caller/cuer and we love visitors. We dance every Wednesday 7:30-9:30 PM at Jax Heights Elementary School.

RIVER RAMBLERS

George Tower 904 284-5706

The River Rambler's would like to thank everyone who helped make the Square-Em-Up Shriner's Benefit Dance a great success; we raised \$5,151 for the Shriner's Kids this year, Thank you again.

Well our class is tearing up the dance floor, we expect to graduate two squares this year.

On Wednesday, March 26th, several of the dancers went to the Putnam County Fair to spread the word

on square dancing by mingling with the crowd and wearing their blue T-shirts which read "Add quality to your life" on the front and on the back reads "Learn to Square Dance".

On the following Saturday, the River Ramblers performed for two hours at the Putnam County Fair. Ernie called for us and entertained the crowd with some songs while we recovered from the heat. Ernie - you're the best.

April was a busy month with our grad-

RIVER RAMBLERS (Cont'd)

uation picnic followed by our graduation. There was also the Easter Parade in St Augustine as well as entertaining the folks at the Cabbage and Potato Festival in Hastings.

We will be starting our Plus workshop in June and continue through the summer; Thursday nights from 7:00 to 9:30 PM at the East Palatka Shriner's Club. Come join us!



River Ramblers Charter Members at their 5th Anniversary Dance!



"President Jay Seifert" presides over most of the activities!



Jean & Dick Lee helped start the River Ramblers.

Top 10 Things Your Mother Would NEVER Say!

10. How on earth can you see the TV sitting so far back?
9. Yeah, I used to skip school a lot, too.
8. Just leave all the lights on...it makes the house look more cheery.
7. Let me smell that shirt. Yeah, it's good for another week.
6. Go ahead and keep that stray dog, honey. I'll be glad to feed and walk him every day.
5. Well, if Timmy's mom says it's OK,, that's good enough for me.
4. The curfew is just a general time to shoot for. It's not like I'm running a prison around here.
3. I don't have a tissue with me...just use your sleeve.
2. Don't bother wearing a jacket, the wind chill is bound to improve.
1. That's OK dear, we don't have any clean glasses right now, so go ahead and drink out of the milk bottle.

The Rollaways

Every Tuesday

Workshop: 7:00 - 8:00 PM

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Rounds/Lines Between Tips.

CALLER: Ken Miller

CUER: Lisa Wall

LINES: Pat Seelhofer

SQUARE DANCING

ROUND DANCING



LINE DANCING

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From May 27th through the end of July we will be dancing at Peace Presbyterian Church with the Seabreeze Singles.

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744-7181

ROLLAWAYS

Ruth Harper & Ed Johnson 744-3452

On April 8th the Rollaways combined our student graduation ceremony with our Fifteenth Anniversary celebration, marking fifteen years of great dancing with the same great caller, Ken Miller. It hasn't always been easy, from a humble beginning dancing in Ken's carpet store after business hours, but he's managed to keep us smiling all the way. Thank you, Ken and Ginger Miller!

The Rollaways' 38 dancers edged out tough competition from the First Coast Rounds at the March 30th Fifth Saturday dance -- a freebie -- and took home NEFSARDA's first-place banner.

We were dark March 18th due to a school closing so our unstoppable Banner Chairlady, Virginia Bomhold, rounded up a dozen Rollies and hustled us down to St. Augustine to share some joy with the Joy Seas on St. Patrick's Day, the 17th, and rip off their banner. 'Twas a busy night for the Joy Seas as the Teddy Bears raided them too. The Joy Seas were also celebrating several of their members' birthdays, including that of our good old Joy Seas buddy, Bill Loyd, 88.

New Rollies: Kathy and Ed Seuss, Arlington residents since 1970, hung up their sixshooters after years of blazing away with a western-style pistol club and in search of something a bit tamer, joined the Rollaways. Tamer? Have they faced Ken's quick-quicker-quickest "Shortnin' Bread" tip yet? Not exactly new, but rejoining the Black-and-Yellow after an absence of a dozen years, is Jan Castle, one of the Rollaways earliest Presidents (1989-1990). And you'll be finding two bright new happy faces in Rollaway squares, Virginia and Dave Hunt, who have good old Rollies spirit plus great dance

potential!

And a brand new Rollaways badge is in order for one of our finest dancers, Pat Rist, after she walked down the aisle on March 8th to change her name to Mrs. Joe Seelhofer. Joe, our former President, and line-dance leader Pat have brought much fun to the club and all Rollaways wish them great happiness.

Year 2003 board members were introduced March 4th by President Eileen Loncle, our gracious leader who is staying on for another year herself. The slate was approved by all members. Doris and Hank Spaulding are the new VP's, the byliners above are new Secretaries and new Co-Treasurers Kathy and Jack McKinney will be sharing the workload with Co-Treasurers MaryLou and Harvey Morton, who are serving another year. Last but far from least on the board is our Banner Chairlady Virginia Bomhold, who will lead us another banner-winning year.

Kathy and Jack also serve as Treasurers of the Florida Federation, so they are handling a big job for all Florida dancers but still giving much time and effort to help their own local club. Way to go!

Beginning May 27th, the Rollaways will dance with the Seabreeze Singles at Peace Presbyterian Church. Since both clubs dance Tuesday nights we'll also continue dancing together on any fifth Tuesday of any month. With the Seabreezers and their jolly caller Jim Cosman and our own cut-up Ken Miller, we'll keep on enjoying the true spirit of Friendship Set To Music. So y'all come soon and share some friendship with us.

As you go through life, the first thing you reach are the bridges you weren't going to cross until you came to them!

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ROLLAWAYS (Cont'd)



Charter Members Hollis & Mary Fowler with "Charter Caller", Ken Miller, at their 15th Anniversary Dance!

SEABREEZE SINGLES

Jackie Hamlin 731-9181

The Sadie Hawkins Dance was a big success this year. We had fun decorating with a still and old fashioned outhouse.

Our Graduation of ten new dancers this year was rewarded by a check of \$100.00 from NEFSARDA.

It was a good Sophomore Dance, sponsored by GCA, at Jax Heights in March.

We have had several banner raids since our last report.

Twelve of our members attended the Fuzzy Naval Dance weekend in Georgia, March 21st-22nd.

Our Charity Dance for the benefit of

the City Rescue Mission was the most successful ever. We appreciate all the help we had and thank the Callers who donated their time.

On April 15th we danced with the Rollaways since our hall is used for a voting precinct.

We will continue to dance with the Rollaways on any 5th Tuesday of any month.

The next 5th Saturday Dance will be at Tynes Elementary in May, a week after the State Convention.

Remember: Every Cloud Doesn't Mean A Storm!

SILVER FOX SQUARES

Manuel O. Irizarry, Jr. 266-1083

Welcome to spring everyone. Hope you remembered to set your clocks ahead. We must admit we forgot!

We had our graduation ceremony on April 25th with sixteen new dancers graduating. Congratulations to all our new square dancers and welcome to the wonderful world of square dancing.

We are pleased to announce the return of Lisa Wall, cuer. Lisa will be cueing for us on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Fridays of each month. Mark your calendars and come join us. Of course,

Ernie would not mind if you come to square dance as well.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery go out to Millard Brown who is recovering from a broken leg. We hope to see you back on the dance floor soon.

In closing we would like to ask each of you to say a prayer for all the coalition troops, their families, the leaders, the Iraqi people and a speedy end to the war.

Silver Fox Squares



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SQUARE WHEELS

Martha Zimmerman 352 336-5311

March 14th-16th we camped at Lake Oklawaha RV Resort in Ft. McCoy. We only had 8 rigs camping, but those who were there had a great time. A group of young people joined us for a little dancing on Saturday evening. They all seemed to have a wonderful time and thanked us for including them.

Plans are to camp Easter Weekend, April 18th-20th, at Three Flags Resort in Wildwood. We need to have 10 rigs confirmed for the campout and hope we will be able to make this number. It will include a trails end dance on Friday night (casual attire); Saturday covered dish dinner and club meeting, with dance following at 8:00 PM (square dance attire). Will report on this next issue.

May 16th-18th we will camp at Encore RV Park in Reddick, FL. Then,

we hope to see many of you at the Florida State Convention May 23rd-25th. Remember, no camp out is scheduled in June since many of us will attend the National Convention in Oklahoma City.

We do have Camp-O-Ree ribbons available. We hope you are planning to attend the event which will be held at the KOA in Okeechobee, October 24th-26th.

We wish Aleen Breedlove a speedy recovery from her surgery, and continued well wishes for Joann McCann. We have just learned that Marion Whiting is in the hospital, following a stroke. Let's keep them all in our prayers.

Hope you'll visit us at one of our campouts soon!

TEDDY BEARS

Virginia Cook 744-4443

Spring is finally here. My Pecan trees have green leaves coming out, and several of those little four-legged, bushy-tailed things (squirrels) are arriving to stake their claims for the next few months. Maybe I should feel a bit more thankful to the little creatures, they do put on a show each morning in the back yard -- chasing one another up and down and around the trees, jumping from tree to tree, etc. Then they must feel the yard needs a lot of air the way they are always digging holes all over the yard, and to top it off they pull every Pecan off the tree before they leave, cracking a hole in one end and taking a bite before they throw it down for me to pick up. They know I could never climb those trees to get those nuts down, so thank you! However, that wasn't my idea when I planted those trees.

I'm sure the above is of little interest to you, but please read on as there is more that will be. Spring is not only going to bring more squirrels to your

neighborhood, but also more Teddy Bears to your dances. Kathy & Jack (Banner Chairmen) are planning these fun trips far in advance. Please sing up and join the fun group.

We recently visited the Joy Seas and stole their banner and retrieved our banner from the Mandarin Marauders. Then at the 5th Saturday dance we brought home one of the NEFSARDA Attendance Banners (for percentage of members present). Our Club is not growing so fast, but we have some strong, faithful members. They do need more support from the rest of the Club.

John & Mary Ann Lawrence are doing a fantastic job planning our special dances and keeping the dancers happy. On April 12th we had our Easter Dance - a real Bunny Hop!! Lots of good dancing to Ken Miller who called for Eddie as they were at the hospital with Ann's mother. Thanks Ken! We had plenty of good eats, a hat contest, and a few other cute games during the evening. Helen Williams won

TEDDY BEARS

Virginia Cook 744-4443

the "Most Original Hat".

On May 10th we will honor all our mothers with a "Mothers Are Special" Dance. Please don't forget our 19th Anniversary Dance on June 14th. Hope you'll plan to come help us celebrate both occasions. Remember, we will be dark on the 24th of May so everyone can attend the State Convention.

Please remember the following names in your prayers: Charlie

Newsome's mother, Irene Sewell, is in rehab and will probably be entering a nursing home soon; Ann Millan's mother, Margaret Bowie, is in the hospital; and Jettie Crowe still recuperating from her surgery. (It was nice to see Jettie visiting us at the Easter Dance!)

And, let us never forget our true hero's in the service of their Country!

See ya!

YELLOW ROCKERS PLUS

The Grapevine Reporter 389-3349

Boy! are we excited! Our Yellow Rocker Plus family has recently grown by five. Circumstances cause some folks to have to drop out at times, so its great to have new folks to join with us.

We truly miss those who have had surgery-like Taylor Sams and some who have been ill or had close family members with serious illnesses. Sometimes we lose folks who return to their home states like Victor and Marsha Cymbalski. They are moving back to Rhode Island and we will miss them.

Monday June 30th is a 5th Monday

and we will have all singing calls and hot dogs with all the trimmings.

May 3rd is the graduation Ball and May 23rd-25th is the State convention so we can still get in lots of dancing in May.

Please take note of the following:
MONDAY, JUNE 2ND - NO DANCE AS CHURCH IS USING HALL. MONDAY, JUNE 16th - NO DANCE - WE WILL BE ON VACATION!

Hope to see you on the dance floor. We love to have visitors



FATHER'S DAY HISTORY

The idea for creating a day for children to honor their fathers began in Spokane, Washington. Sonora Smart Dodd thought of the idea for Father's Day, while listening to a Mother's Day sermon in 1909. Having been raised by her father, Henry Jackson Smart, after her mother died, Sonora wanted her father to know how special he was to her. It

was her father that made all the parental sacrifices and was, in the eyes of his daughter, a courageous, selfless, and loving man. Sonora's father was born in June, so she chose to hold the first Father's Day celebration in Spokane, Washington, on June 19, 1910.

In 1924 President Calvin Coolidge proclaimed the third Sunday in June as Father's Day. Roses are the Father's Day flowers; red to be worn for a living father and white if the father has died.

"A SIMPLE THANK YOU"



A simple thank you is all it takes,
To bring a smile to a veteran's face.

They have been to hell for me and you,
Some are still there, what can we do?

A shake of their hand is a very small price,
As you say, 'Thank you so much for your sacrifice.'

Give them your heart for just a moment or two,
As they step back and take a good look at you.

As their surprise fades away and they start to speak,
You may feel your knees go a little weak.

'I was on the Astoria when she went down,
Five hours in water with sharks all around.'

'I was on a ship used as a still,
While our battleship fired o're us at the Korean's hill.'

'In Vietnam, death was everywhere,
When new guys arrived, I tried not to care.

The worst was friends killed, an arm's length away,
There was nothing I could do, it was their last day.'

'Desert Storm was the war we fought on TV,
The Star Spangled Banner gained new meaning for me.

The desert, dehydration, the tension, and heat,
The Iraqis thought we'd be easy to beat.

The world woke up to our military might,
When we showed them all we know how to fight.'

One nation, under God, indivisible we stand,
For liberty and justice throughout any land.

Wo when you have the chance to show you care,
Shake a hand and say thank for going over there.

(The above was submitted by "Smitty Smith" who received permission to reprint. The poem was written by Marci L. Crawford, April 2001)

NEFSARDA DELEGATES MEETING

March 9, 2003

Meeting called to order and President led delegation in prayer and pledge to the flag. President welcomed new delegates and visitors.

Minutes of last delegates meeting accepted as written.

President announced the Nominating Committee - Jack & Kathy McKinney, Charlie & Val Newsome and Kim Keffer.

President reported Jettie Crowe having hip surgery and Tom Miller passed away. No decision yet on participation in World of Nations.

Treasurers report filed for audit.

Committee Reports

Hospice Dance: Report given by Bob Raymond. A check for \$4,007.00 was presented to Hospice.

Fifth Saturday Dance: March 29th dance to be held at Sandalwood Hi School. Callers Lawton Smith & Ken Miller with Lisa Wall on rounds. Theme is Ides of March and is a free dance.

Bylaws: Joe Fitzmayer proposed several grammatical changes to be voted on next meeting.

Club Visitation: No Report.

Dance Couple of the Year: No report.

Education: Chairman not present. Val Newsome reported Dixie Dancers started a new class with 23 new dancers. Board to visit each graduating class.

Fall Festival: First meeting last week. Buttons & flyers ready for distribution at later date. Chance on Brooklyn Bridge will be available.

Grapevine: Deadline for next issue, April 10th. Annual financial report given. Recommended increase in subscription rates to \$8.00. Delegates approved rate increase to \$9.00 per year, effective July 1, 2003. Motion made by Dick Lee and

seconded by Manny Gonzales.

Historian: Circle of Service information sought for history files.

Insurance: Insurance for special dances MUST be requested well in advance. Typewriter needed. Question asked as to location of typewriters that belong to NEFSARDA. Val & Charlie Newsome offered to donate used electronic typewriter to NEFSARDA.

Publicity: Jack McKinney reminded delegates of World of Nations April 26th. Need to start thinking of classes in the fall. Fun N Frolic moving to Jax Heights Elementary School.

SOS: Keep people informed.

Showcase Of Ideas: Theme for the State and the National is "Education Is The Key". Northeast responsible for Community Service. Volunteers needed to help at the National. Motion made by Dave Nihart and seconded by Stephen Bigelow to donate \$50.00 to Florida Federation to be used for give aways at the National. Motion carried. Federations dues to be paid up to date.

State Convention: First meeting in February was productive, Next meeting scheduled in August. Theme & attire to be presented at the May delegates meeting. Fund raising raffles on going. Please help.

Florida Federation: Material for new State dress ordered. Petition for the National Folk Dance bill presented. People asked to sign.

Gateway & Rural Callers: No representative present.

NO OLD BUSINESS:

New Business: Jack McKinney requested that old copies of the new National SD Publication be given to him & not thrown out.

Next meeting - May 4th, 2003. Meeting Adjourned.

Planning For The Future!!!

CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

MAY 2003

01.... Plus Classes Start.....	Moose Promenaders
01.... Ice Cream Social Dance.....	River Ramblers
2-4... Grand Lake Resort...Orange Lake	Gypsy Squares
03.... Graduation Ball	(Jax Hts) Gateway Callers
04.... Delegates Meeting.....	NEFSARDA
08.... Pirates Ball	Moose Promenaders
10.... Mothers Are Special Dance.....	Teddy Bears
14.... Mother's Day Dance.....	Plus Fox
15.... Class Graduation Dance	River Ramblers
16.... Ernie's 3rd Anniversary Dance.....	Silver Fox
16-18.. Encore RV Park - CR 225 - Reddick, FL.....	Square Wheels
23-25. FL State Convention	Lakeland
25.... Florida Federation Meeting.....	Lakeland
31.... 5th Saturday Dance	Tynes Elem. Sch. NEFSARDA

JUNE 2003

06.... Anniversary Dance (18th).....	Silver Fox
6-8...Bulow RV Resort...Flagler Beach	Gypsy Squares
14.... Anniversary Dance (19th).....	Teddy Bears
17.... Anniversary Dance (28th).....	Grand Squares
18.... Father's Day Dance	Plus Fox
20-21.. Watermelon Festival	(Grand Squares) Chiefland FL
22-24. 27th ROUNDALAB Convention ... 1-877-Y-I-Dance (943-2623) ..	Tulsa, OK
25-28. National Convention	Oklahoma City, OK
30.... All Singing Calls	Yellow Rockers +

JULY 2003

02.... 4th Of July/Ice Cream Dance	Plus Fox
4-6...Grand Lake Resort...Orange Lake	Gypsy Squares
07.... Watermelon Feast.....	Yellow Rockers +
13.... Delegates Meeting.....	NEFSARDA
25-27. Grand Lakes RV...Orange Lake.....	Square Wheels
31.... Pink Cadillac Dance.....	Moose Promenaders

AUGUST 2003

1-3....Bulow RV Resort...Flagler Beach	Gypsy Squares
11.... Ice Cream & Cake Nite	Yellow Rockers +
13.... Watermelon Dance	Plus Fox
15-17. SunCoast RV Resort...Lake Park, GA.....	Square Wheels
29-31. Recreation Plantation...Lady Lake	Gypsy Squares
30.... 5th Saturday Dance	NEFSARDA

SEPTEMBER 2003

03.... Labor Day Dance.....	Plus Fox
08.... Anniversary Dance (12th).....	Yellow Rockers +
14.... Delegates Meeting.....	NEFSARDA
18.... Larry Letson Dance	Moose Promenaders
19-21. Pacetti's MarinaAnniversary Dance (22nd).....	Square Wheels

OCTOBER 2003

3-5....Bulow RV Resort...Flagler Beach	Gypsy Squares
24-25.. NWSRDA 29 Annual Roundup	DeFuniak Spgs, FL

Planning For The Future!!!

CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

OCTOBER 2003 (Cont'd)

24-26.State Camporee	Okeechobee
27.... Halloween Dance.....	Yellow Rockers +
29.... Halloween Dance.....	Plus Fox
31.... O'Leon Hoedown (50th).....	Square Wheels

NOVEMBER 2003

1-2...O'Leno Hoedown	Square Wheels
7-9...Lake Okalawaha RV Resort...Ft McCoy.....	Gypsy Squares
09.... Delegates Meeting.....	NEFSARDA
12.... Honor Our Veterans Dance	Plus Fox
14-15.Fall Festival	NEFSARDA
14-15.Fall Fun Fest.....(WCSARDA).....	Lakeland
24.... Thanksgiving Dinner Dance	Yellow Rockers +

DECEMBER 2003

5-7...Grand Lake RV Resort....Orange Lake (13th Anniv).....	Gypsy Squares
15....Christmas Party & Dance.....	Yellow Rockers +
17.... Christmas Dinner Dance.....	Plus Fox

***** When planning for your special dances - - plan ahead and check this Calendar Of Events, AND call the Grapevine editors at (904)683-3512 for the most current information, in order to avoid conflicting dates. Thanks!! — NEFSARDA.**

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!! Get your 2003 schedules to us as soon as possible! - The Editors.

NOTICE !!

In our never ending quest to satisfy ALL of our readers, we have strategically placed errors and typos within the confines of this publication for those who are always looking for them!

If only one person finds a 'goof', then we have accomplished our task.

THANK YOU!

Charlie & Val Newsome, Editors

BEFORE YOU SCHEDULE
THAT SPECIAL DANCE



CHECK THE CALENDAR
OF EVENTS



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