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President's



Message

It's hard to believe that this article is for May and June. It seems like yesterday was January.

We have had some people that have been extremely ill. Joe Hardcastle has had by-pass surgery and we are glad he is on the mend. Val Newsome took a terrible spill at home and she is also now on the mend. She gave us a terrible scare, since she is in charge of the 51st State Convention. We extend our wishes for speedy recoveries to all the other dancers and their families that might be ill at this time.

There have been two more charity dances. One was for the Shriner's Kids, put on by River Ramblers and the other was for the City Rescue Mission, sponsored by Seabreeze Singles. Both did a wonderful job and they are to be congratulated for their unselfish devotion to both groups. Well done! There is another benefit dance coming up in May, the Hospice Dance. NEFSARDA is sponsoring the dance and the organization is in the very capable hands of Kim Keffer. I know she is going to do a splendid job and I hope we will meet her goal of \$5000.00.

The Executive Board have been attending several Class Graduations and Anniversary dances. On March 23rd we attended the Class Graduation for Seabreeze Singles; March 29th we attended the 48th Anniversary for Fun and Frolics; April 1st we attended the 6th Anniversary dance for the River Ramblers; April 13th some of us went to the Class Graduation for the Grand Squares. We had intended for some of us to attend the Class Graduation and 16th Anniversary for Rollaways. However we miscalculated and we did not have a member of the Board to



represent us. We are sorry and hope this will not happen in the future. On April 15th we attended the Class Graduation and the 14th Anniversary dance for the Moose Promenaders. April 22nd will find us at the Mandarin Marauders Class Graduation. On April 23rd we will be at the Silver Fox Class Graduation. The following Thursday, April 29th, we will again be at the Mandarin Marauders for their 19th Anniversary dance.

Our Congratulations to all the clubs on their Anniversaries and we certainly hope they have many more. It is also a great pleasure to welcome new dancers into the wonderful world of square dancing. We are looking forward to more Graduations and Anniversary Dances. The Callers are going to have their Graduation dance on May 15th.

On May 28th - 30th is the 50th Florida State Convention in Lakeland, Florida. This is a very important year for square dancing. Fifty years is no small feat and we all need to support the convention. Next year the Northeast will host the convention and we need all the callers, cuers and dancers support. If people stop attending the Convention, pretty soon there will be no Convention to attend. We need to see that Square Dancing goes on in the future. SEE YOU IN A SQUARE!

Bud & Anita Taylor

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**All proceeds will go to benefit The Hospice Foundation For Caring
at Community Hospice of Northeast Florida.**

We hope you will open up your hearts and your pocket books to this worthy cause.

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From The Editors' Desk...

seal, label and get them to the Bulk Mail Center so that you will have your copy by or before the 1st of the Month. **Please help us make our deadline, by making yours!**

We spend hours calling clubs, dancers, callers, etc. trying to get the right information that NO ONE has sent us, but if we don't get it in we are the first to hear about it from that club, etc. When places and hours of dance change, classes start or end, banner chairman and presidents change, Please let us know. Check your dates before sending it in for the Calendar of Events. We've recently had dates sent in for special theme dances...with the wrong date (the 6th, instead of the 7th). It's time consuming to check every piece of mail that comes in against the calendar, just to see if the Club wrote down the correct date. On one occasion, Charlie even traveled to the printer to make a change that came in too late (5 days too late!)

We are the first to admit that mistakes do happen, and we are certain we make our share. But, we also know that timely inputs help cut down on mistakes as one has plenty of time to proof the material properly.

We are only asking that you help us make your publication, The Grapevine, as timely and accurate as possible so that everyone gets the right information in plenty of time to make that special event or dance. As always -- **we thank you for your cooperation and we invite your comments.**

We hate to bring up the subject, but here goes!

The topic is **ADS and DEADLINES.**

Ads seem to come at us from all sides, big, little, typed, written, too wide, too long, etc. So, we passed out to all Delegates at the last Delegates Meeting a copy of the Ad sizes like the one on the opposite page. If you are typing your AD on your computer, please remember to make sure it will fit in the appropriate size. Flyers sent to us - to be properly reduced - should be in an 11 x 14 size. The 8 x 11 size leaves more space on the bottom than the sides -- because as you reduce a page it reduces a like amount in width as length. If you want us to do the AD, we will continue to do so, BUT we will need all the pertinent information to build the AD by the deadline.

Speaking of DEADLINES, it seems not many know the meaning of the word. The Grapevine deadline is the 10th of the month before publication date. In order to continue to produce a quality product, we need to adhere to meeting the deadline. That gives us time to prepare it, get it to the printer and the printer finish with it, we then pick them up,

If you don't have your ribbon for the 50th Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention May 28th-30th, we can help you. We are still selling ribbons -- \$20.00 each. You don't want to miss this 50th Anniversary Party!

Charlie & Val

A diagram of a page layout with three horizontal sections. The top section is labeled '1/2 PAGE' with a vertical double-headed arrow. The middle section is labeled 'FULL PAGE' with a vertical double-headed arrow. The bottom section is labeled '1/4 PAGE' with a vertical double-headed arrow. The text 'ADVERTISERS - WHEN SUBMITTING AN AD FOR THE GRAPEVINE ----- PLEASE STAY WITHIN THE PARAMETERS SHOWN HERE!' is centered in the top section.

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CALLERS CORNER !!

GATEWAY CALLERS ASSOCIATION REPORT

By Gary Murphy, GCA Secretary

It was a busy afternoon when the Gateway Callers Association held its regular business meeting on March 7. New officers were elected for the coming year. They are, President: Lawton Smith, Secretary: Gary Murphy and Treasurer: John Robbins. Outgoing President Ken Miller was thanked and praised for the work he had accomplished during his tenure.

The members also decided to include Round Dancing at future GCA sponsored dances, beginning with the Graduation Dance on May 15th. All of the callers at the meeting felt this would help recognize the round dance

students and their instructors and show that the GCA understands the importance of Round Dancing in the activity.

Speaking of the Graduation Dance, the GCA hopes all local dancers will come out to Jax Heights Elementary School and support the new dancers in the area as we welcome them to the Northeast Florida Square Dance Family.

Finally, any area callers who want to remain active members of the GCA need to pay their dues as soon as possible. You can send your dues of \$10.00 to John Robbins, 3734 Leewood Lane, Jacksonville FL., 32217.

EDITORS' NOTE

Just before we left for the printer with the May-June issue of The Grapevine, we learned of the death of **Virginia Warren**, former square dancer and president of NEFSARDA (1984). We had no information for a memorial and will run her Memorial in the July-August issue.

A skeptic is a person who, when he sees the handwriting on the wall, claims it's a forgery.

EDITORS' NOTE

We tried to find information or a flyer for an ad for the **PIRATES BALL** which is annually hosted by the Moose Promenaders, and will be held on **Thursday, May 13th, this year**. Knowing that many dancers look forward to this event each year, we placed this notice in The Grapevine. It is also listed in the Calendar of Events.

Cuer's Corner

By Lisa Wall



I am not really sure how or why I let Charlie and Val talk me into doing this. But since they did, here I am. First off I would like to thank all the round dancers in NEFSARDA for their continued support of round dancing. It doesn't matter if you dance with a round dance club several nights a week or just dance rounds at square dances, we all need to work together to keep our fun activity alive and well.

Speaking of fun, it looks like the upcoming State Convention is really going to be a Round Dancers delight. There will be three different round dance options available. They will have one hall for plus square dancing with two rounds between tips, a phase 2/3 hall and a phase 3+/4/5 hall. Dancing will be available in all halls on Friday night from 7:30 to 10:00 PM, then on Saturday from 9:30 AM to 10:00 PM and finally on Sunday from 1:30 PM to 10:00 PM. This will give us all a chance

to dance to the finest cuers in the state of Florida and should satisfy even the die-hard dancers amongst us. So, if you haven't already purchased your ribbon for the State Convention, I recommend you do so soon.

For those of you that were not at the Florida Round Dance Council weekend in Plant City I am sorry to say you missed a great weekend of phase 3/4 dancing. The forty or so couples that participated enjoyed dancing to some of our finer Florida teacher/cuers. In addition to the dancing they had the opportunity to participate in the teaching of four new dances. It really was a great weekend and I am looking forward to the next one in October.

Well that's about it for now. Until next issue, have fun dancing and may the world treat you better than you treat it.

ROUNDS OF THE QUARTER

(2nd Quarter, 2004)

PHASE 2: That Jazz! (TS) by Mike Seurer, STAR 133

PHASE 3: Your Cares (FT) by Peg & John Kincaid, MCA D-2405 or Collectables 3702

PHASE 4: Top Hat & Tails (QS) by John & Dorothy Szabo, SP (flip: Rainbow Connection)

PHASE 5: I Do I Do I Do (FT) by Wayne & Barbara Blackford, STAR 205 or STAR CD 205

PHASE 6: The Way You Do (WC) by Kenji & Nobuko Shibata, MD from Choreo. (same MD as La Mer)

ROUND DANCE CALENDAR

May 1st.....Hospice Dance.....NEFSARDA.....Tynes Elementary
May 15th.....Student Graduation.....Jax Heights elementary
May 28th-30th.....50th Fl. State Sq. & Rd. Dance Conv.Lakeland, FL
June 19th-22nd.....Roundalab Convention.....Denver, CO
June 23rd-26th.....53rd National Square Dance Convention.....Denver, CO

Happy Round Dancing!

He, who loses money, loses much;
He, who loses a friend, loses much more;
He, who loses faith, loses all.

50th Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention

May 28 - 30, 2004

Shirley Knapp, Publicity Chairman

Released 1/4/04

Here we are, May and the convention is finally here. Much work, planning, meetings, travels, phone calls, etc., have gone into making this 50th State Square and Round Dance Convention one to remember. Bruce and Colleen Morgan, Chairman, were in Lakeland again last week meeting with the Convention facility folks to finalize plans and make sure everything is ready.

Here is something you will want to take note of: Parking is \$5 per day. However, if you come in Friday afternoon or evening, you can get the pass for \$12.00. But you MUST ASK FOR IT. Remember: To get your 3-day pass for \$12.00 on Friday, be sure to ASK FOR IT.

Be sure to come to the Opening Ceremonies in the arena on Saturday and Sunday evenings at 7:00. One of the features will be a performance by the Special Steppers from Pensacola at that time. You will remember that dancers from all over the state raised over \$7,500 to bring the Special Steppers, a handicapable group of dancers, to the 50th State Convention. The group did not have the funds to travel here, stay in hotels and buy their

registrations, etc., so Bruce and Colleen spearheaded a drive to raise the funds. You cannot imagine the happiness these dancers displayed when presented with the check enabling them to travel here. Thanks to everyone for your support. Don't miss their performance Saturday and Sunday evenings. It is sure to be delightful.

The Fashion Show is on the schedule for SATURDAY, May 29, at 1:00 p.m. in the arena. Mary Butlak and Donna Hendricks have put this together and we are looking forward to what they have to show us.

ANOTHER NOTE: Watch for the signs in the arena hallways as we will be utilizing a different part of the arena for Opening Ceremonies than for the Fashion Show. The Fashion Show will be at one end of the arena and the Opening Ceremonies on the other end. Sound confusing? Just follow the signs. There should be plenty.

So come on down to Lakeland for a celebration befitting a 50-year anniversary of Florida State Square and Round Dance Conventions. It will need your attendance to be a big success. See you there.

THANK YOU

FIRSTLY, we would like to say THANKS for the many cards, emails, food, visits, and most of all the prayers for healing following Val's freaky accident which required 35 sutures in her scalp.

SECONDLY, we also send heartfelt THANKS for the food, emails, cards, and prayers following the shocking death of our sister-in-law on Easter Sunday. Once she started downhill on Saturday evening, it went swiftly--and we know that it was a blessing.

The last three weeks have not been easy and it is during times like these we fully recognize the friendship and support shown throughout the Square Dance Community. We Love You All!

Charlie & Val Newsome



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how much of memory
is built around things
unnoticed at the time
—Barbara Kingsolver*



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Jax Heights Elementary School

**Square Dancers city wide
are invited to come out and
support our new dancers,
and welcome them to the
Square Dance activity.**

SOPHOMORE HOEDOWN

By Jack Herpy

A good time was had by all our new students, and those not so new students, at the Sophomore Hoedown sponsored by the Gateway Callers on February 21st.

Callers present that contributed to keeping the dancers on their feet and moving were Lawton Smith, John Robbins, Gary Murphy, Ken Miller and Jack Herpy.

There were 20+ students and 30+ supporting dancers, plus the callers

and their laws attending, so at one time or another there were seven to eight squares on the floor.

Fortunately, we have some very enthusiastic new students in our new classes and we can all look forward to them remaining active in our Square Dance Activity for many years to come.

Looking forward to another enthusiastic group of students and dancers at the Graduation Dance coming up on May 15th.



Callers John (Donna) Robbins, Lawton (Eleanor) Smith, Ken Miller, Gary Murphy and (Phyllis) Jack Herpy!



This year's students attending the Annual Sophomore Dance!

THANK YOU

I want to thank all my square dance friends for their phone calls, visits, cards, and prayers during my recent hospitalization. I appreciate the love and concern shown by everyone. Thanks again!

Virginia Cook

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May	8th	Strawberry Shortcake/Mother's Day Dance
June	12th	20th Anniversary Dance (Come help us celebrate this occasion!)
July	10th	Dark-See you at Christmas In July Dance
July	24th	Root Beer Float Dance

For more information, please call:
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51st Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention

"2005"

KICK-OFF PRACTICE Saturday, May 1st, 3:00 PM Tynes Elementary School

This is a most important practice. We need EVERYONE there. We are already short two couples and need your attendance to make this work. We will go through the entire practice, including verbiage. Timing will be worked on and we will have no more practices until 7:00 AM in the Arena on Sunday, May 30th. We are trying to arrange for coffee and doughnuts at that practice since we will be arriving at such an early hour.

Again, we can not stress this enough -- we need everyone there. See you at 3:00 PM on May 1st! Thanks for your participation!!

Charlie & Val Newsome
General Chairman

Anger is only one letter short of danger.
If someone betrays you once, it is his fault;
If he betrays you twice, it is your fault.

ON THE ROAD - - AGAIN!

We didn't make many of our schedule stops due to Val's "freaky fall" which resulted in 35 stitches, and the unexpected death of our sister-in-law on Easter Sunday. But we are off and running again and expect to make the following events during May & June. Hope to see you in a square somewhere along the way!



May 1st.....	Kick-Off Practice.....	Tynes Elementary
May 1st.....	Hospice Charity Dance (NEFSARDA).....	Tynes Elementary
May 2nd.....	Delegates Meeting.....	NEFSARDA
May 6th.....	Class Graduation.....	River Ramblers
May 28-30th	50th Florida State Convention.....	Lakeland, FL
May 30th.....	Florida Federation Meeting	Lakeland, FL
June 4th	19th Anniversary Dance	Silver Fox Squares
June 12th.....	20th Anniversary Dance	Teddy Bears
June 23-26th	53rd NSDC.....	Denver, CO

On or about June 12th we will be leaving for a much-looked-forward-to vacation, and then plan to reach the National Convention in Denver, CO on the 20th of June, were we will attend the USDA Meeting as a Florida Delegate, the Press Breakfast as an Editor, and hopefully will get in some dancing and sightseeing before returning to Jacksonville about June 30th. To all of you who will also be traveling to the Convention and/or elsewhere, we wish you a safe and pleasant journey!

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





IN STEP WITH. . .

Country, Clogging and Line Dancing

Good news for all you Country Western and Line Dancers. The 50th Florida State Convention which will be held in Lakeland May 28th-May 30th, has a full program for you. The Country Western/Lines Hall will be in the Sikes G Hall.

The 53rd National Square Dance

Convention which will be held in Denver, CO June 24th-26th will also have a full program of Country Western and Line Dancing for your dancing enjoyment. There will be open dancing, education clinics, line dancing, fun mixers, review sessions and After Parties.

Hope you'll make plans to attend both Conventions!

The Editors

FLORIDA CAMPING CLUBS

<u>CLUB</u>	<u>CHP #</u>	<u>LOC.</u>	<u>CAMP</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>PHONE</u>
Sunshine State Pioneers	018	Tampa	3rd W/E Odd Months	Phil Bonczek	813 949-5189
Gold Coast Campers	080	Ft Lauderdale	1st W/E Even Months	Bill Moreno	561-792-0262
Tent-N-Trailers	081	Sarasota	1st W/E	Ed & Vi Davis	813-633-7015
Hitch-N-Go	082	Kissimmee	4th W/E Usually	Whitten	352 668-6819
Drift Around Squares	093	Jacksonville	2nd W/E Usually	Moore	386 325-4118
Square Wheels	128	Gainesville	3rd W/E	Martha Zimmerman	352-336-5311
Limonaders	139	Lakeland	1st W/E Not In Summer	Janet Bowen	813-932-7014
Florida Wheelers	143	Brooksville	3rd W/E	Long	352-753-7045
Strawberry Travelers	153	Plant City	2nd W/E Not All Months	Henry	813-949-7539
Gypsy Squares	168	Starke	1st W/E	Fredrickson	904 269-9717

(From The Internet!)

Many people will walk in and out of your life.
But only true friends will leave footprints in your heart.

—————
To handle yourself, use your head;
To handle others, use your heart
—————

Learn from the mistakes of others.
You can't live long enough to make them all yourself.

Camp N' Dance

By Gerry Fredrickson 269-9717

Dale and I have been having a great time visiting all of the Florida Camping Clubs this year. As Presidents of the Florida Association of Square Dance Campers, we have visited the Drift Around Squares, the Square Wheels, and the Strawberry Squares. All of the chapters have distinctive personalities and we have enjoyed each one of them. Ask the Drift Arounds why the men like to wear the ladies' skirts! The Square Wheels camped near the Okefenokee Swamp. It was great fun touring the swamp and listening to the trains go by. The Strawberry Squares camped further south and it was a very warm weekend. They were very helpful when the caller needed help repairing his RV. We are looking forward to visiting the rest of the chapters before October.

The Florida State Convention is getting close. I'm sure you know that NEFSARDA is planning their kick-off for next year's convention. If you'd like to be a part of it, contact Val or Charlie Newsome. As 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.

It's time to make your plans to camp at area campgrounds. Lakeland RV is conveniently located just off the I-4 at exit 19, while Sanlan RV Resort is located on Highway 98 south. Also Tiki Village Campground is located on Highway 98 North at exit 18. They all have plenty of room this time of year and have good facilities. They often tell us that you don't need reservations this time of year.

The International Camp-o-ree on July 13th, 14th, & 15th, 2004, will be held in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. 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' next campout is at Ocala Ranch RV Park on May 7th, 8th, & 9th, 2004. June 4th, 5th, & 6th, 2004, we'll be at Olde Mill Stream in Umatilla, Fl. These are both relatively new places for the Gypsies and we are looking forward to visiting them. They would love to have you join them for any of their campouts. John and Mo Barrett don't miss a beat. You can visit the Gypsy web site and keep up to date with the Gypsy Squares camping schedule, current plans, and campground directions at <http://www.g.ecocities.com/fansdc/gypsy/>.

The Square Wheels will be at Encore RV Park in Reddick, FL on May 21st, 22d, & 23rd, 2004. 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 will also be at Encore RV Park in Reddick, FL on May 14th, 15th, & 16th, 2004. 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 having fun camping and dancing all year round! Join us for a great time.



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CONTRA LINES

By Val Newsome

(The following has been taken from an article written by Paul Moore in his column "Moore on Contra" in the **American Square Dance**, January 2004 issue.)

".....Someone who is truly politically correct is also polite.

Both terms apply to what dance leaders and dancers should be at a dance. I remember very well being told never to discuss or tell jokes about religion and/or politics at a dance. We don't do that because we are sensitive to people's differences, and we do not wish to offend them.

Unfortunately, too many people forget to be political and polite when in a dance hall. We snarl at someone who makes a mistake or does not know how to do all of the figures. Sometimes we even say that so-and-so should not even show up because he/she doesn't know how to dance. Some clubs will tell recently widowed women that they are no longer welcome because they do not have a partner -- even when the couple had belonged to the club for thirty years. Or an elderly person is "politely" asked not to return because he/she cannot keep up with the fast pace.

Callers do it too. I remember one dance where a very sharp young lady who was part of a demonstration group came into the contra hall. She had enough knowledge from her training for the demonstration, but she did not know all of the figures. The caller used star thru in a dance, but the young lady did not know star thru. Rather than giving a quick walk thru, the caller said, over the mike, that she should not be in the hall if she did not know all the figures. The lady left in tears. Ten seconds of instruction would have kept her in the hall, and everyone would have won.

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 sequel 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. 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

CONTRA LINES (Cont'd.)

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."

With Our Recent Sick

Vivian Bennett	illness
Docky Blake	knee problems
Earl Brandt	foot surgery
Morris Davis	accident
Cliff Elliott	illness
Al Golding	illness
Joe Hardcastle	heart surgery
Tom Hidding	illness
Kim Keffer	illness
Monica David	needs kidney transplant
Jean Lee	illness/chemo
Dot Labato	illness/chemo
Ed Main	back problems
Gloria Malin	back problems
Ann Millan	Auto Accident
Val Newsome	accident
Maxine O'Donnell	illness
Cliff Parnell	illness
Bill Schnippert	illness
Oudra Thomas	knee surgery
George Tower	recuperation plane accident
Tom Tripp	illness
Rosemarie Vomachka	broken toe
Marion Whiting	recuperation
Kathy Wiggins	illness
Barbara Winter	accident
Linda Yocum	upcoming surgery 4/22/04



Get Well Soon! We Miss You!

Peggy Ligon's mother, Mary, will be undergoing surgery (breast cancer) soon. Let's all keep her close in heart and prayer.

The Grapevine sends sincerest sympathy to . . .



Maxine Thomas, on the death of her Aunt.
 Charlie & Val Newsome, on the death of their sister-in-law, Barbara.
 Annette Conk, whose son-in-law died recently
 Lawton Smith, on the recent death of his sister in N.C.

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IN MEMORY

Marian Strickland Coe
March 16, 2004

Marian Strickland Coe passed away March 16, 2004 after a brief illness. After a month long stay in the hospital, she was transported home at her request on March 15th. Even with all the newest medicines and methods, she went to be with the Lord on March the 16th while surrounded by her loving family.

A former resident of Jacksonville, Marian and her Husband retired to Satsuma five years ago.

Marian was a dedicated wife and mother who had a gifted voice for gospel songs. She and husband Charles often traveled around singing for the Lord.

"Even through the most trying of times, she never lost her sense of humor, faith or hope which was the anchor that held us all together as we spent her last days with her. Monday night and Tuesday morning she was laughing and enjoying being in "her own bed" (on the wrong side of course) and the never ending request for "Wendy's Frosties."

Survivors are her husband of 48 years, Charles "Chuck" L. Coe of Satsuma, Fl.; 2 daughters & son-in-law, Nita & Bill Newman of Thomasville, Ga., Charlotte Schindler of San Antonio, Tx.; 1 son & daughter-in-law, Carlos & Trisha Coe of San Marcos, Tx.; 1 sister & brother-in-law, Faye & Edwin Warren of Odum, Ga.; 2 brothers & sisters-in-law, "Strick" & Dale Strickland of Jesup, Ga., Rodney & Diane Strickland of Jesup, Ga.

Sympathy goes out to her family and friends who will miss her greatly.



THANK YOU

I want to extend my sincere thanks for all the cards, visits, and prayers during my recent hospitalization and heart surgery. I am getting stronger every day and hope to be back in the swing of things soon.

Joe Hardcastle

WHAT'S COOKING?

By Val Newsome

While attending some special dances during the past two months we had the good fortune to taste some delicious meals or desserts prepared by Square Dancing's great cooks. The first recipe this year comes from **Anne Allen** -- it's not only an **Amazing Coconut Pie**, it's very, very delicious.



AMAZING COCONUT PIE

2 Cups milk	1/4 Cup butter or oleo, melted
3/4 Cup sugar	1 Tsp. vanilla
1/2 Cup Bisquick	1 Small Can coconut (3-1/2 ounce)
4 Eggs	

Combine milk, sugar, Bisquick, eggs, butter and vanilla. Beat three minutes. Pour into greased 10-inch pie pan. Sprinkle with 2/3 cup coconut. Bake at 350 for 40 minutes until top is brown. Garnish with remaining coconut.

The next recipe is a Cole Slaw recipe I got from **Nelda Johnson**. Since there wasn't a name, I've titled it **Nelda's Cole Slaw**.

NEIDA'S COLE SLAW

Chop fine the following: A very green cabbage, carrots, small green bell pepper, and a small sweet onion. Add sweet pickle relish to taste and just enough mayonnaise to blend. Add small pkg of frozen green peas (cook just a little, leave firm). Blend all well and refrigerate.

Barbara Meyers furnished me with the **Lemon Surprise** recipe. I ate more than my share of this dish -- Lemon is a favorite flavor of mine.

LEMON SURPRISE

1 Cup All Purpose Flour	1/2 Cup Nuts, chopped
1 Stick margarine	12 Ounces Cool Whip
1 Cup powdered sugar	8 Ounces Cream Cheese, softened
2-2/3 Cup milk - cold	1 Large pkg Instant Lemon Pudding Mix

Step 1: Crust: Mix well: Flour, nuts and margarine. Spread in pyrex dish 8 x 12. Bake 350 degrees for 25 minutes until light brown.

Step 2: Cream Well: Powdered sugar and cream cheese. Fold in 1/2 of cool whip until smooth. Spread over cool crust.

Step 3: Mix Well: Lemon pudding mix and milk. Spread over cheese mixture. Top with remaining cool whip. Sprinkle with small amount of coconut and/or chopped nuts.

I've been trying to remember who gave me this recipe for **Honey butter Spread**. No name is written on it so I apologize for not giving credit to whoever sent it to me. It sounds like it would be delicious on hot home made bread!

HONEY BUTTER SPREAD

1 Cup sugar	1 Lb. butter, softened
1 Cup heavy cream	1 Tsp. vanilla
1 Cup honey	

In sauce pan combine sugar, cream and honey. Heat on medium high heat stirring until it comes to a boil. Meanwhile, put the butter in a blender, pour hot mixture over butter. Blend on medium speed until mixed well. Turn off blender and stir if needed. Add vanilla, blend until mixed well. Spoon butter into plastic container, cover and let cool in refrigerator and keep cool.

ENJOY! ENJOY! ENJOY!

53rd NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION
Denver, Colorado
June 23, 24, 25, 2004
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OPENING CEREMONY

Events Center, 7:00 PM - 7:45 PM,
Wednesday, June 23rd.

Wednesday afternoon and evening features a genuine western barbecue and a star studded mini-rodeo. With those fills, thrills and spills, you'd think we'd be done, but the 53rd National Square Dance Convention is just getting started! The Opening Ceremony entitled "Amber Waves of Grain" promises to be an eventful, musical and colorful event in its own right.

The Opening Ceremony starts right after the rodeo, but if you've chosen to skip these wonderful events, you can still take in the Opening Ceremony, because it's open for everyone attending the 53rd! Doors will open about fifteen minutes before the ceremony so you can find a good seat and enjoy the going's on.

You'll excuse us if we don't tip our hand too much, but here are some highlights. Since the Katherine Lee Bates poem "Eterna," written after a visit to Pikes Peak summit is the basis for the oft sung "America the Beautiful," we are taking the ceremony themes from that source, and featuring it in different styles in each ceremony. A traditional treatment opens the Convention.

The West was a wild place not so long ago; there might still be some gunslingers lurking about! It wasn't great on formality either so expect the speeches to be short, the music upbeat and the action constant. Don't worry -- we'll get you onto the dance floor on time.

CLOSING CEREMONY

Coliseum, 6:00-8:00 PM
Saturday, June 26th

Even in the West, all good things must eventually end. The Parade of

States will lead into the closing ceremonies, "Sea to Shining Sea," featuring Dave Guille of Cheyenne, Wyoming as Master of Ceremonies. A great singing voice, love of country and a knack for poetry will give just the right touch to this ceremony, while looking ahead to future National Conventions. Even in this look-ahead, the western tradition of surprises around every corner will continue.

Musical friends will drop in to assist Dave, so be there to cheer for the new bidding city and Oregon's 54th National Square Dance Convention!

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** To learn who plans to bid for future Conventions!

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Friday, June 25, 2004

9:00 AM

The Event Center

COUNTRY WESTERN

Line & Partner Dancing

A full program of Country Western dancing is being planned for the 53rd National Square Dance Convention. There will be open dancing, education clinics, line dancing, fun mixers, review sessions and After Parties.

19 and Older?

Are you too old to dance in the Youth Hall? Be sure to check out the dance program page for more information about each hall as the Convention gets closer.

53rd NSDC -- Continued

You will want to check out the "Fast Track" hall, known as the High Energy Hall; it is new this year. This is one of the locations you will find the 19 + crowd that wants to dance fast. Also the program booklet will have more detailed information at the Convention.

This hall will be at the Mainstream Callerlab Program Level and will be directed at dancers who enjoy dancing enthusiastically with a little spirit and a lot of energy. It will be for singles, older than You Hall-aged youth (under 100), bi-dansual dancers (those who can dance either the boy or girl part) and anybody who wants to kick up their heels, make a little noise and raise the roof with their energy.

CONTRA DANCING

"Contra Dancing" is alive and well at the 53rd National Square Dance Convention! Contra Dancing, the "good looking cousin" of Square Dancing, uses classic moves with an emphasis on timing, and will put a smile on your face! Daily/Nightly programs will feature renowned callers Betsy Gotta, Art Harvey and more. Solo dancers welcome! Look for our Live Band activities and come dance with us in the Longs Peak Hall!

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ANNUAL CHARITY BALL

A Benefit Dance for City Rescue Mission

On Saturday evening, April 3rd, the Seabreeze Singles hosted their Annual Charity Ball to benefit the City Rescue Mission.

Club Caller, Jim Cosman, along with caller Gary Murphy, handled the calling for the evening -- and did a super job of keeping the dancing fun. Lisa Wall handled the cueing responsibilities, and she, as always, kept the Round Dancers happy.

Needless to say, as always the cooks in this Club outdid themselves as they prepared and served food for everyone attending the event.

The Singles had a raffle for a \$100.00 Hat (Mexican Style) which was

won by Joe Seelhofer. John Loveland collected the nice 50/50 for the evening, and Diane Stewart was the winning bidder for the huge basket donated by Paul & Cheryl Miller of Northwest. Of course, many of us felt like we were winners as we became the high bidder for items in the Silent Auction.

After all was counted up, the Seabreeze Singles raised \$2,070 which will be donated to the City Rescue Mission.

Hats off to all who **supported** the dance, and to the **Seabreeze Singles** who planned and hosted this dance for such a great Charity!



Jim Cosman, Lisa Wall and Gary Murphy kept the dance lively at the Annual Charity Ball!



Joe Seelhofer wins the \$100 hat!



Diane Stewart made the winning bid for the "huge" basket donated by Paul & Cheryl Miller, Presidents of the Northwest Association!

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THANK YOU

Thank you Jim, Gary, and Lisa for the great calling and cueing at the dance the Seabreeze Singles sponsored for the City Rescue Mission.

Thank you to the dancers who came in support of the cause.

Thanks to you Seabreeze for the time and hard work it took to help make the dance a success. Donations totaling \$2,070.00 will benefit the City Rescue Mission!

It was a fun evening!



Sincerely,
Shirley White, President, and
Smitty Smith, Vice President
Seabreeze Singles

GRAPEVINE DEADLINES

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NEWS FROM FASSRD PRESIDENT

We had a very successful Fuzzy Navel in Jekyll Island, Georgia March 19th & 20th with Joe Fioretti and the Griffins. In our constant quest to improve things, we will be moving to a new host hotel in 2005 - Holiday Inn. We will be able to have our dance at the Holiday Inn. Everyone enjoys this so much more than having to get in the car and drive to a convention center.

The 50th Florida State Convention is fast approaching and I hope singles will be well represented. It's May 28th - 30th in Lakeland at the Lakeland Center. The Singles Host Hotel is the Best Western Diplomat at I-4 and 98 N (north of Lakeland). We will have hospitality suites on Friday and Saturday afternoons and after parties on Friday and Saturday night. We have 2 DJs from Georgia booked; we always have a good time with them. There will be halls for basic to challenge levels of dancing and there will be a singles section in every hall.

Georgia Singles will be holding their annual convention May 14th -15th in Warner-Robbins. This is always a fun weekend. We know many of the Georgia Singles from attending Fuzzy Navel and some of them come to our annual Single Rama.

A motor coach has been chartered

to take us to the 34th National Singles Dance-A-Rama in Atlanta September 2nd - 5th. The trip will start in Davenport at I-4 and Hwy. 27, with a pick up point in Orlando and one in Jacksonville. The cost is \$80 per person round trip. Dancers are responsible for purchasing their own convention ribbons and making hotel and tour reservations. You do not have to be a single or a member of FASSRD to take this bus. Shirley White (who is in your area) has ribbons for the convention.

Our Single-Rama will be October 8th & 9th at the historic Kenilworth Lodge in Sebring. We have changed the weekend this year in an attempt to get more dancers. The last weekend of the month always seemed to have a lot of conflicts. Hope you can join us. Joe Fioretti and Whit Brown will be calling and the Griffins will be cueing. Shirley White and Mary Lou Pelz have ribbons to sell.

For more information on these dances and others, visit our website at floridadancing.com/fassrd. For any specific questions, please email me at sqdnrcfan@aol.com or call 863-967-5004..

See you in a square!

Penny Green

THANK YOU

I would like to thank all my friends for the phone calls, many beautiful cards, your visits, flowers and most especially all your prayers during my recent surgery.

Times like this really help you appreciate the wonderful family of square dancers.

Thanks again.

Phyllis Herpy

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Higher Learning?

By Bill Christman - Grand Squares

We decided after twenty years,

We'd try to dance A-1,

So we connected with a caller,

To find out how it was done.

Those people had been dancing A-1

For more than twenty years,

While we had just stepped in the door.

No calls were recognized by our ears.

"You all just step right out in here."

Those other couples said,

"And before much time will pass you by,
those calls will get there in your head!"

"At first it'll seem like a foreign language,

Then the moves will start to clear,

In no time you'll both be clearly dancing
circles around us all in here."

Well so far it hasn't happened,

But we've decided to hang in there,

And if we can't catch on to the dancing,

We like watching them from our chair.

WEEKEND SQUARE DANCE LESSONS

By Jack McKinney

The following are interviews of students and angels from the NEFSARDA's "crash course" square dance lessons:

Bob Ozenghar: Bob is from Port Orange, FL and was angeled by his partner Irene Knapp, a cuer from the Daytona area. Bob has taken approximately eight lessons that began in January, 2004. Bob heard about this program through the Flagler Ocean Waves where he is taking lessons, and Irene is cueing sometimes. Howard Crowe had passed information to their NEFSARDA delegate. Bob's goals were to gain floor time, be exposed to new calls, and to mainstream into classes that are farther along than the class he is taking. He felt this weekend was very well organized. He thought Art Wilson did a tremendous job teaching. He thought the demonstrations prior to each new call were very helpful. He wanted to stress how helpful the angels were in his square. He felt that the ideal situation would be two angel couples for each square. He taped the program to use as a tool for practice after returning home.

Don McCoy: Don is from New Smyrna, FL. He has been dancing since 1984. He came here to angel his partner, Morrissa Tiner. Don thought the program was done extremely well. He thought Art Wilson did a super job teaching. He liked the demonstrations of the calls prior to the students doing them.

Morrissa Tiner: Morrissa is from the Daytona area too. Morrissa has taken approximately eight lessons that began in January, 2004. She is at the same level as Bob Ozenghar. She also heard about the program through the Flagler Ocean Waves. Morrissa wants to say she thought the program was a GREAT foundation for dancers who are taking lessons at the same time. She wants to thank NEFSARDA for pro-

viding this program. She thought Art Wilson did a fantastic job teaching. She appreciated the angels. And she liked the demonstrations.

Peter and Kathie Suess: Peter and Kathie are recent graduates. They wanted to take this course for review. They felt it was a GREAT review! However, they wanted to say they did not believe that this course would be good for beginners who have never danced. They thought it would be too overwhelming. They wanted to say that Art Wilson did a wonderful job teaching.

Seabreeze Singles' Ladies: A square of ladies came to learn the man's part. The ladies thought they would become an asset to their club by becoming an all position dancer. They felt the program met their goals. They thought this program was great to learn all position and great for review. They thought Saturday's schedule was much too long. Their most desire was to convey to Lucille Wilson their greatest appreciation for dancing with them the entire weekend! They couldn't have done it without her!

Bob Goldston: Bob came from Franklin, NC. He was angeled by Delainey Fant. He has been taking lessons in Franklin for about four months. He began his lessons in the middle of the session so this weekend was a great reinforcement for him. He said Art Wilson was a great instructor.

Delainey Fant: Delainey dances with the Seabreeze Singles. She is a professor at UNF. Being an educator, she knows first hand the skill it takes to teach. She said Art Wilson displayed those skills this weekend. She is thankful that NEFSARDA has offered this program.

Thelma Brown: Thelma Brown came from Santee, SC. Thelma is the mother

WEEKEND SQUARE DANCE LESSONS (Cont'd)

of Betty Smith, one of the ladies from Seabreeze Singles who attended this session. Thelma is 80 years old and this was her first exposure to square dancing. Thelma said she really enjoyed being in this program and meeting so many nice people. She said it was extremely challenging for her mentally and physically. She doubted she could learn the entire program in one weekend. She was very exhausted by Sunday. However, she wants everyone to know she was glad she came and thank you to the angels.

Tom and Pat Herscha: Tom and Pat devoted almost the entire weekend to angeling at this program. They both felt that more angels were needed. They were mostly angeling their club students. They believe with more angels the students would have had more quality floor time. They thought Art did a terrific job. They asked Art if he could continue the demonstrations during classes at their club. They believe that was most helpful.

We didn't get to interview every person who attended this program. However, from this interviewer's perspective, the general consensus was that the program was a huge success for the attendees! This program was great for review, helping current students, all position exposure, and for dancers who haven't danced in a while. However, we don't feel it would be beneficial for

completely "new" dancers who have not had any exposure to square dancing. This would be too overwhelming. Saturday's program definitely needed to be shortened. The schedule was too demanding. Art Wilson was simply outstanding as a teacher. He kept his tips to a five minute period. He demonstrated every call he was going to teach, prior to teaching it. The demos were what the students liked the most! The program would have been a lot easier to grasp for the students if there had been more angels, this was observed as well as spoken by ALL the students.

This program would be a great learning tool for Plus Calls. The dancers would be experienced, and the program shorter. Keep in mind the Saturday schedule needs to be shorter. The program may be more beneficial if it was spread over two or three weekends. However, the main reason this program was successful was the dedication of Howard and Jettie Crowe! They worked untiringly for weeks to make this program a success. They visited all clubs, meetings, and special dances, promoting this program. They obtained the hall, caller, and students. They set the hall up, brought refreshments and saw to all details. They were there early, stayed late, and spent the entire weekend devoted to this program. This program could not have happened without their dedication to square dancing!



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

All locations are Jacksonville unless shown otherwise.

SUNDAY

FIRST COAST ROUNDS: "R" Every Sunday. Cha-Cha/Rumba 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. **Cha-Cha/Rumba class graduates May 2nd**

MONDAY

FUN N FROLICS: "A" Every Monday Class 6:30-8:00 PM. Dance 8:00 - 9:30 PM Balis Community Center, Corner Hendrix Ave & Lasalle St. Caller: Art Wilson 904 225-5674. Contact M.G & Wannette Davis 904 772-1397 or Dale & Gerry Fredrickson, 904 269-9717 No Banner Stealing Please!

JOY SEAS: "M/P/L/R" Every Monday. Class 7:00 - 8:00 PM Club Dance 8:00-9:30 PM. **St. Augustine-** Coquina Crosssing, 195 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. **NOT DANCING MAY 31st**

TUESDAY

BELLES & BEAUX: "M/P" Every Tuesday. Club 7:30-9:30 PM (1st & 3rd - Regular dance -- 2nd & 4th - Workshop).. Jaycee Park Center on Jaycee 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. Dance 7:30 - 9:30 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 7:30 - 9:30 PM. 1910 N W 53rd Ave., Gainesville, (Union Hall). Caller: Lon Ligon 352 377-1828

MANDARIN MARAUDERS: "M/P/L" Every Thursday. 7:30 - 9:30 PM, First Christian Church, 11924 San Jose Blvd. in Mandarin. Caller: Lawton Smith 904 389-3349. Contact: Rob & Jennie Harris 904 731-0795

ROLLAWAYS: "M/P/RL" Every Tuesday. Club Dance 8:00-10:00 PM. Sandalwood High School. Caller: Ken Miller 904 268-4492. Contact: David & mary hamilton 904 744-2083

SEABREEZE SINGLES: "M/P" Every Tuesday. 7:30 - 9:30 PM Peace Presbyterian Church, 2300 Southside Blvd. Caller: Jim Cosman 912 882-4006. Contact: Shirley White, President, 904 388-1463 Banner Chmn, Jerry Kangas, 272-6729 OR Diane Stewart 912 729-3707.

**Brain cells come and brain cells go,
but fat cells live forever!**

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W E D N E S D A Y

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: Stephen & Marie Bigelow 771-7249.

T H U R S D A Y

MOOSE PROMENADERS: "P/L" Every Thursday. + Workshop 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: Jackie Hamlin (731-9181) and Jerry Kangas (272-6729), President Banner Chmn. Harry & Bonnie Drake 737-3974.

RIVER RAMBLERS: "M/P" Every Thursday. Class 6:30 - 8:00 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 - President: Don & Hazel Buron 386 649-4170 - Banner Chmn: Tom & Jean Moore 386 325-4118 **Class Graduation May 7th**

VAGABOND SQUARES: "M/P" Every Thursday. Club Dance 8:00-10 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.

F R I D A Y

FLAGLER OCEAN WAVES: "MP/R" every Friday Class 6:30 - 8:00 PM Club 8:00 - 10:00 PM Wickline Center - Council on Aging, Flagler Beach (Flagler Ave.) Caller: R J Hogan (352) 376-2428 Contact Wendy & Dale Hendrix, Tel. (386) 586-3805

GYPSY SQUARES: "M/P/L" 1st Full Weekend Each Month. Dance 8:00-10:00 PM 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.

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 269-9574 **NO DANCE MAY 28th!**

S A T U R D A Y

TEDDY BEAR SQUARES: "P/R" 2nd & 4th Saturday. 7:30 - 9:30 PM. Peace Presbyterian Church, 2300 Southside Blvd. Caller: Gary Murphy 904 739-1474. Cuer: Lisa Wall 904 241-0384 Contact: Walt & Betty Smith 904 260-8266.

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

**One of life's mysteries is how a two pound box of
candy can make a woman gain five pounds.**

THE SEABAG

(From the Internet - Submitted by Bud German)

There was a time when everything you owned had to fit in your seabag. Remember those nasty rascals? Fully packed, one of the suckers weighed more than the poor devil hauling it.

The darned things weighed a ton and some idiot with an off-center sense of humor sewed a carry handle on it to help you haul it. Heck, you could bolt a handle on a Greyhound bus but it wouldn't make the thing portable.

The Army, Marines and Air Force got footlockers and we got a big ole' canvas bag.

After you warped your spine jacking the goofy thing through a bus or train station, sat on it waiting for connecting transportation and made folks mad because it was too big to fit in any overhead rack on any bus, train and airplane ever made, the contents looked like "you know what". All your gear appeared to have come from bums who slept on park benches.

Traveling with a seabag was something left over from the "Yo-ho-ho and a bottle of rum" sailing ship days. Sailors used to sleep in hammocks. So you stowed your issue in a big canvas bag and lashed your hammock to it, hoisted it on your shoulder and in effect moved your entire home and complete inventory of earthly possessions from ship to ship. I wouldn't say you traveled light because with one strap it was a one-shoulder load that could torque your skeletal frame and bust your ankles. It was like hauling a dead linebacker.

They wasted a lot of time in boot camp telling you how to pack one of the suckers. There was an officially sanctioned method of organization that you forgot after ten minutes on the other side of the gate at Great Lakes or San Diego. You got rid of a lot of issue gear when you went to the SHIP.. Did you ever know a tin-can sailor who had a raincoat? A flat hat? One of those tight

knit swimsuits? How bout those roll your own neckerchiefs... The ones the girls in a good Naval tailor shop would cut down and sew into a 'greasy snake' for two bucks?

Within six months, every fleet sailor was down to one set of dress blues, port and starboard undress blues and whites, a couple of whitehats, boots, shoes, assorted skivvies a peacoat and three sets of bleached out dungarees. The rest of your original issue was either in the pea coat locker, lucky bag or had been reduced to wipe down rags in the engine room. Underway ships were not ships that allowed vast accumulation of private gear.

Hobos who lived in discarded refrigerator crates could amass greater loads of pack rat stuff than fleet sailors. The confines of a canvas back rack, side locker and a couple of bunk bags did not allow one to live a Donald Trump existence. Space and the going pay scale combined to make us envy the lifestyle of a mud hut Ethiopian. We were the global equivalents of nomadic Monguls without ponies to haul our stuff.

And after the rigid routine of boot camp we learned the skill of random compression packing.....known by mother's world-wide as 'cramming'. It is amazing what you can jam into a space no bigger than a breadbox if you pull a watch cap over a boot and push it in with your foot. Of course it looks kinda weird when you pull it out but they never hold fashion shows at sea and wrinkles added character to a salty appearance. There was a four-hundred mile gap between the images on recruiting posters and the actual appearance of sailors at sea. It was not without justifiable reason that we were called the tin-can Navy.

We operated on the premise that if

THE SEABAG (Cont'd)

'Cleanliness was next to Godliness', we must be next to the other end of that spectrum... We looked like our clothing had been pressed with a waffle iron and packed by a bulldozer.

But what in the heck did they expect from a bunch of jerks that lived in the crews hole of a 2100 Fletcher Class tin can. After a while you got used to it... You got used to everything you owned picking up and retaining that distinctive aroma... You got used to old ladies on busses taking a couple of wrinkled nose sniffs of your peacoat then getting up and finding another seat...

Do they still issue seabags? Can you still make five bucks sitting up half the night drawing a ships picture on the side of one of the things with black and white marking pens that drive old master-at-arms into a 'rig for heart attack' frenzy? Make their faces red... The veins on their neck bulge out... And

yell, "What is that all over your seabag?" "Art work, Chief. It's like the work of Michelangelo... My ship... Great huh?" "Looks like some comic book..."

Here was a man with cobras tattooed on his arms... A skull with a dagger through one eye and a ribbon reading 'DEATH BEFORE SHORE DUTY' on his shoulder... Crossed anchors with 'Subic Bay 1945' on the other shoulder... An eagle on his chest and a full blown Chinese dragon peeking out between the cheeks of his rear end. If anyone was an authority on stuff that looked like a comic book, it had to be this E-7 sucker.

Sometimes I look at all the stuff stacked in my garage, close my eyes and smile, remembering a time when everything I owned could be crammed into a canvas bag. Maturity just ain't the same.

SQUARE 'EM UP

A Benefit Dance for Shriner's Children's Hospital

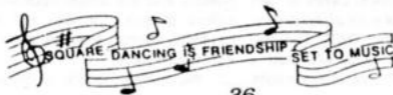
On Saturday evening, March 20th, the River Ramblers sponsored and hosted their annual Square 'Em Up Benefit Dance with all proceeds going to the Shriner's Children's Hospital.

Vice Presidents Rick & Janelle Lashley were Chairman for this year's event which raised \$5,592.24. Since 1999 the River Ramblers have raised a grand total of \$20,393.00 for this charity.

It was a great dance with many callers and cuers donating their time to keep the dancing lively. Thanks to all of you for giving your time and talent to this worthwhile event.

There was more food than could be eaten, silent auctions, Chinese auctions, and a live auction -- so if you weren't dancing, you were eating ... or you were trying to buy something at one of the auctions. There was a nice crowd so that meant that the 50/50 prize was also "healthy." All of this, plus the entrance fee was put in the pot for the Charity.

Hats off to all who supported the dance, and to the **River Ramblers** who organized and hosted this dance for the benefit of the Shriner's and their Children's Hospitals.



STITCHIN' TIME

By Val Newsome



This item was reprinted from the Sewing 101 column written by Donna Ippock in the **American**

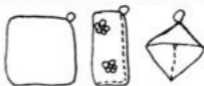
SquareDance, December 2003 issue. Though it may be a bit late for last minute gifts for Christmas, I felt that some of you "crafty ladies" might find some of these ideas helpful for gifts throughout the year.

In Donna's article she says,

"Now for those last minute gifts...

How about an eye glass case made from a pot holder. Pick a colorful but not necessarily a KITCHENY pot holder. Fold in half with the loop at the top and folding right to left. You can stitch with a machine or even use a hand whip stitch to close the bottom edge and side edge. Leave the very top edge open to insert glasses. You can personalize these with some buttons, a small piece of costume jewelry, or even an initial. You can use those iron on appliques again.


You can also make a very handy scissors case using the same technique, but folding the pot holder into a triangle. Fold in the two corners and stitch as shown....remember I am



not an artist... and these drawings are very

simplified. Try to make some of your gifts...the recipient is always so grateful that you took the time to make something special. A little thought goes a long way. Sew Happy!"

Now for the second part of my column this month. I still have not received any patterns for the new Florida Federation Outfits. We ran the instructions last issue, but I've had several calls regarding patterns, material, etc. (Seems our Wal-Marts here don't always have the fabric.) If anyone can help me out with pattern info I will be happy to include it in the July-August issue. Thanks.



SQUARE DANCING IS LIKE LIFE

You're going to make mistakes
along the way.

It's Called EXPERIENCE!

"Borrowed" from Travel On, March, April, May 2003 issue.

RETIREMENT DATES

Gerry Fredrickson has retired from teaching. Her retirement ceremony was held on April 25 at Tynes Elementary School.



**Congratulations and best wishes
for a very Happy Retirement!**



ANNUAL BLUE-GREY DANCE

By Val Newsome

On February 14th, the Dixie Dancers Square Dance Club hosted the Annual Blue-Grey Dance at the American Legion Hall in conjunction with the Olustee Battle Reenactment Festival. The evening before, February 13th, the Square Wheels Camping/Square Dance Club hosted the Trail End dance at the Teen Center in Lake City. Bill Chesnut (Mary) is the caller for both clubs.

This is a much-looked-forward-to weekend by many dancers, including the writer. We left -- IN THE RAIN -- on Friday afternoon and arrived in time to accompany some of the Square Wheels for dinner. The Trails End dance was probably not as well attended as in the past -- which we are sure was because IT WAS STILL RAINING! However, those that were in attendance enjoyed the dancing, and the food, fun, and fellowship.

The next morning, IT WAS STILL RAINING, but the parade went on as usual. So, about noon there we stood under umbrellas watching the parade. And when it was over, we walked under the same umbrellas to view all the rain-soaked vendors and their items for sale. It soon became necessary to seek shelter, which we did -- inside a mall of antique stores, where I was lucky enough to find a cut glass dish I'd been looking for quite some time.

After a stop back at the motel to "dry" out and rest, we met some more dancers for a barbecue dinner, before going to the dance.

After the Grand March, Mayor Kirkland gave his welcome, and Reverend Mabrey gave the invocation.

Several of the dignitaries were introduced.... such as Comander Gen Mike Null and his wife, "Abe Lincoln" (Tad Allen), who has been there 9 years, and "Robert E. Lee" (Dr. Whitehead).

Also coming to the stage was the Miss PreTeen Olustee Queen, Caris Tramel, who was escorted by none other but her very proud grandfather, Tom Tramel, who is a member of Dixie Dancers.

Then the fun got underway...Bill Chesnut introduced the featured caller, Joe Fioritti, and the dancing began. Ralph Beekman and Lisa Wall handled the cueing for the Round Dancers.

We saw several callers and cuers from the area there--Bob Scott, Jack Herpy, Lon Ligon and John Wall. I am sure there were others we did not know, or did not see there.

As usual, the food was very plentiful. Those ladies in Lake City sure know how to cook.

The Dixie Dancers also raffled off a \$100.00 hat which Ouida Taylor modeled for us.

All in all, it was a great weekend; filled with dancing, good food, fun things to do, but topped off with enormous amounts of FUN and FELLOWSHIP! The only thing that would have made it better, would have been to have seen the sun -- before we

left for home on Sunday morning.

If you've never been to a Blue-Grey weekend before, you owe it to yourself to plan to attend next year. You'll be greeted by friendly folks who make a special effort to make you feel welcome!



Would you believe - a \$100 hat?

ANNUAL BLUE-GREY DANCE Cont'd)



Miss Pre-Teen Olustee Queen,
Caris Tramel, with her grandfather!



Bill and Joe Fioretti kept the floor
full as the night wore on!

WE MAY AS WELL DANCE?

(From the Internet - Author unknown!)

Have you ever watched kids playing on a merry go round
Or listened to the rain lapping on the ground?

Ever followed a butterfly's erratic flight
Or gazed at the sun into the fading night?

Do you run through each day on the fly?
When you ask "How are you?" Do you hear the reply?

When the day is done, do you lie in your bed
With the next hundred chores running through your head?

Ever told your child, "We'll do it tomorrow."
And in your haste, not see his sorrow?

Ever lost touch? Let a good friendship die?
Just call to say "Hi"?

When you worry and hurry through your day,
it is like an unopened gift...Thrown away

Life is not a race. Take it slower.
Hear the music before the song is over.

"Life may not be the party we hoped for...
But while we are here we might as well dance!"

Club News!

BELLES & BEAUX

Pauline Brown 229-247-0891

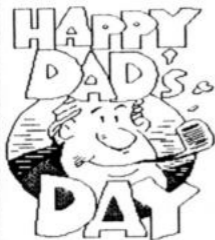
Due to the unexpected surgery of our caller, Bob Bennett, in January, the Belles and Beaux have not danced since their Christmas dance in December. As you know, these articles are written sometime in advance, and, as of this writing, our club is not dancing; therefore, no news of club activities this month. However, we do have good news for all of Bob's friends and fellow callers out there. This evening we spoke on the telephone and he is doing really great and said he feels really good. He sounded just like his old self on the telephone. He plans to start calling again for the Belles and Beaux on April 6th with an open house and classes soon afterwards. Knowing Bob, and his love for Square Dancing, he will feel even better once he has us on the dance floor again. Knowing us, we may need a crash course on the Square Dancing basics after being in a vegetative state on Tuesday nights for several months. In any case, I'm sure

Bob will have us back on our toes in short order. Next time we meet there should be some really good news about our club and activities once again. In the meantime, please continue to keep both Bob's wife, Vivian, and Bob in your prayers. Pray for their complete recovery as Vivian continues to be somewhat under the weather.

As always we will be dancing at the Jaycee Shack on Jaycee Shack Road starting at 7:30 PM every Tuesday night. If you are traveling a distance it would be wise to call in advance to be sure we are dancing that night. We hope you will come and dance with us sometime. If you know Bob, please drop him a line or call to let him know you are glad he is feeling better.

Thought for the Month: The beauty of spring and summer makes us realize how many wonderful things we have to be thankful for...and Square Dancing is one of them.

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.

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From Gainesville, turn left at Friendship Bible Church.

For further information contact:

Mary Chesnut (352) 374-8582

DIXIE DANCERS

Gerri Sanford (386) 755-7327

By the time this article is published we will have had our election of officers for the upcoming year. We will bring you up to date on the new slate of officers in the next newsletter.

A great big THANK YOU to Linda Yocum who has led us though the past year and we have had an absolutely fantastic year. Linda has poured her heart and soul into this Club and the Dixie Dancers appreciate her very much.

We started a new class in March and have had a wonderful turn out. Lots of new faces and it's so much fun meeting new folks. They are an enthusiastic group and really are doing well. We've also had a good turn out of

"Angels" to help them get started. We had an "ICE CREAM SOCIAL" for our new folks to mix and mingle with club members and everyone had a wonderful time. Needless to say, the ice cream, cakes, etc. were wonderful, too.

Our Mardi Gras dance on February 24th, was a great success. Many beautiful costumes and everyone had a great time. See picture below.

May 18th is our MAY POLE DANCE so if you get a chance come join us. We promise you will have a great time.

Come visit with us any Tuesday evening -- we'd love to have you.

This will be my last article for The Grapevine as I will be moving to Middleburg in the very near future.



Mardi Gras' Dancers: King & Queen (1st row) Thelma & Clarence Wilson.
(Second row) Ouida Taylor, Alvin Poynter, Pinky Moore,
Ralph Beekman and Margaret Graham



In the last issue of The Grapevine we ran a picture of one-half of the Editor Team with his feet propped up on the desk while he caught a "snooze". We thought it only fair that in this issue we ran a picture of the "working" half of the team as she frantically tried to get the issue out on time!

FUN 'N FROLICS

Wannette Davis 772-1397

Just want to let everyone know that when a holiday falls on a Monday the Fun 'N Frolics don't dance because the Balis Community Center is closed on holidays. Our next 5th Monday, May 31st, falls on Memorial Day so we won't be dancing that day. Our next 5th Monday will be on August 30th.

WOW! Can you believe that a year has passed since we started dancing at the Balis Community Center behind the San Marco Library at 1565 Hendricks Avenue? Well it has and to celebrate the one year anniversary they had an open house on April 20th. We had a display table set up.

We want to give a very special thanks to Art and Lucille Wilson for the advanced class they had at their house when the community center was closed for a holiday. This enabled the class members to learn some new calls and practice what they had already learned. We really did appreciate it. We all enjoyed the refreshments Lucille served. Thanks again!

We had a good turn out for our 5th Monday Special dance on March 29th. Art taught some advanced calls that our guests were able to dance after a few tips. Mark your calendar and come dance with us on the 5th Mondays.

We understand that the Super Fast Mainstream class that NEFSARDA sponsored and Art taught on March 5th, 6th and 7th was a big success. Art

is planning a Super Plus class on May 21st, 22nd, and 23rd at the Moose Lodge on Collins Road (see flyers for the times). This is the weekend before the State Convention and it would be an ideal time for everyone to review their knowledge of the Plus program. I feel that no matter how long you have danced you can always learn something that makes dancing a little easier. I appreciate the time and effort callers give us in order for us to Square Dance.

We want to send a special prayer for all our sick members and hope they are up, well and back dancing with us soon. We were really happy to see Luther and Debra Delp, and Janet and Lynn Lyons back on March 29th. We hope Lanette Causey is doing better and will be able to resume the class real soon. We also want to send get well wishes to Barbara Winters. We were sorry to hear about Val Newsome's accident. Val, we hope you are doing better. Accidents can happen so quickly. Speaking of accidents, my husband, Morris Davis, had a run in with his table saw on Tuesday, April 6th, and the saw won! We won't be able to dance for a while, but we will be back as soon as possible. Our prayers are with everyone.

That is about all the news we have for now. Keep smiling and we will see you across a square real soon.

GRAND SQUARES

Gerry "Scoop" Jesk 352 493-2842

We had a wonderful graduation on April 13th. Lots of fun and a bunch of new dancers, good food and we had special visitors from NESFSARDA making it an extra special night. So Congratulations to all of the NEW dancers who are: Richard & Rachel Atkinson, Ron Doolen & Janet McCarthy, Jerry Shaw & Melba Adams

Adams, Bill Vineyard & Rheta Driggers, Bob & Rosemarie Vomachka, Dennis & Karen Voyles, H.C. & Ann Williamson, Dick & Glenda Wills, Patti Simons & Judy Williamson (Beau), Georgia Smith & Flo Smith.

Also, a Big Thank You to all the club members for helping with the special events and all the things they do to

GRAND SQUARES (Cont'd)

make it work; food, decorations, skits, clean up, calls, etc.

We are looking forward to our Banner Retrievals in May from the Orange Blossom Squares and River Ramblers. Along with this is our State Convention in Lakeland. We had a wonderful surprise visit from the Wright's, Ralph & Helen of Vermont and sadly we had to say our good bye's to Bud and Sarah Small who returned to Illinois this Month, but we look to see them in December.

On June 18th & 19th the Grand Squares are sponsoring the Watermelon Festival Dance in Chiefland at the School Cafeteria. Call Peggy for any info (352 377-1828). We will have Squares by Lonnie Ligon, R.J. Hogan and Ramsey Hammers and Rounds by Maggie Tripp. Shortly after we will be

supporting the Annual Christmas in July dance on Saturday July 10th. This is a benefit dance for the Shriner's Crippled Childrens' Hospital. On our Sick list is one of the Club's Mascots, Peggy's Mom Mary. She has been diagnosed with breast cancer and is under treatment.

Also Rosemarie Vomachka with a broken toe, and Kathy Wiggins with a heart problem. There may be more we don't know about but these we do and they do love to hear from anyone who knows them, cards or calls but mostly Prayers and you don't have to know them to do that!! By the Way if you want to "Light the Candle Around the World" come out and join us, just ask Lonnie about that.

Well that's it for now folks. Keep Smiling and Keep Dancing!

GYPSY SQUARES

Dale & Gerry Fredrickson 269-9717

We held our campout at Wild Frontier RV Resort in April with John & Virginia Larson and John & Jean Mills as hosts. We had another good crowd and good times. Several people made chili and rice while the chapter provided side dishes. They mixed all the chili together so we had a great feast. Dancing was wonderful as usual, thanks to Gentleman John. We enjoyed squares and lines and even did the Salty Dog Rag. If you haven't joined us for a weekend, you need to make plans to join us soon.

Our March campout was at Lake Oklawaha RV Resort and was combined with the Limonaders so we enjoyed two callers instead of one. Allen Snell joined John Barrett so we had a fantastic dance. The Limonaders made a spaghetti and meatball dinner complete with wine and dessert. The Gypsies held alligator races on Saturday evening and hosted a break-

fast on Sunday. We enjoyed camping with another club and hope to do it again in the future.

We will be at Ocala Ranch RV Resort in May. The Peck and the Longs will be hosting. We know they have a great weekend planned for us.

Also, our June campout will be at Olde Mill Stream in Umatilla. This will be our first time at Olde Mill Stream and we are looking forward to it. It is located south on Highway 19 just north of Eustus.

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.

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JOY SEAS

John & Mary Burzo 904 797-7530

The Joy Seas which should be called the Joy Seas Snow Birds. We went on a raiding and visiting spree for January and February. Went to Flagler Ocean Waves, Mandarin Marauders, River Ramblers, Granada Squares, and the Rollaways. What a wonderful time we all had, enjoyed visiting all the clubs and had fun at then all. In fact we had such a good time we went to visit some of them again. All in all we did seven raids and visitations in the January - February time frame.

Well most of the snowbirds have flown home and we miss them. They always bring many interesting stories to tell us about their clubs in their home State or sometimes their home Country. We do have our Canadian birds. We had visitors from Minnesota, West Virginia and New York this year, they found us on the Florida Dance Web. If any of you dancers didn't know, the Joy Seas have a web - check it out.

Always trying to get new members , we did a demo at the St. Augustine Ocean and Racquet Club. Had a lot of interest, but we were too late because the birds were flying home. Have no fear they will be back and I will have all their

numbers. Guess what? More Snow birds!!! I really think sometime in the future we might be called Joy Seas Snow Birds Club. If we advertised it, maybe all the birds will fly to St Augustine to dance for the winter. What a pleasure that would be!!!

May 10th we are doing a demo at Multrie Oaks, which is an over 50 community and all those people live there, all I need is a net to scoop them up. Mandarin Marauders came to raid March 29th. I'm already getting a list of dancers together to get it back.

Don't feel sorry for us we are a small club but we always have a wonderful time dancing. I'll tell you one thing there is a lot of laughing and I mean really a lot. Some of us have tears in our eyes by the end of the evening.

For all of you who were looking forward to the Easter Parade sorry but we are not having one this year. Fear not next year it will be twice as big. I hope?

We will be going on vacation and if I can't find some wonderful dancer to write this article you may not get any news till October

Happy Dancing!

MANDARIN MARAUDERS

Kitty Fuller 264-2864

Congratulations are in order for our great class! Five students graduated April 22nd.

Our 19th Anniversary Dance and installation of our new officers was held April 29th. Thanks to all our outgoing officers for doing such a good job.

The Mandarin Marauders had a night out at the home of Bill and Snookie Netting and a good time was had by all who attended.

Rob and Jennie Harris continue to keep us busy with banner raids and

visits from other clubs. Thanks everyone for your support!

Our thoughts and prayers are with Joe Hardcastle and all our other ailing members. Hope they will be back dancing with us soon.

We started dancing at a new location on April 8th on Thursday nights. We now dance at the First Christian Church, 11924 San Jose Blvd. in Mandarin. We invite you to come dance with us any Thursday night. See you in a square soon!

Joy Seas Square Dance Club

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Jim Cosman is our caller and he also cues easy Rounds. Our presidents are Marie and Stephen Bigelow. Phone: 771-7249.

Visitors are always welcome!

RIVER RAMBLERS

Cecilia Hodges 692-2136

The month started off with a bang. It seems we are always on the go.

I want to welcome five new members to the River Ramblers. We have Louise and Jackie Baily, Lorie and Larry Ford, along with their son, Matt (Boots). In his past life Larry was a caller. We have had the pleasure of having him call a tip or two for us. He also called at the Catfish Festival in April since Ernie was calling for the Silver Fox that Friday night. A great big glad to meet you and we all hope you will enjoy our fellowship and dancing. If there is anything we can do to help out in any way please let us know.

March was a busy month for the Club. On the 4th we had our strawberry social. The ladies outdid themselves! So many beautiful and good dishes. Ernie had to be away so R.J. Hogan did us the honor of calling for us. As always, he did a super job.

On the March 5th, twenty-six of us went to retrieve our banner from the Flagler Ocean Waves. You can always count on having a good time with these fine folks.

We celebrated St. Patrick's Day on March 11th. Of course everyone wore green and we all took turns dancing with the leprechaun. Bill Davis, from the Grand Squares, came all decked out as a wee little one, green hair and all. We all got to earn our "Dance With the Leprechaun" dangle. Thanks for coming Bill.

On March 16th, twenty-one of us traveled up to visit the Seabreeze

Singles. Had a really good time and as they were celebrating St. Paddy's Day we got a real treat. Someone had made Brunswick stew, along with all the other good eats. It was some lay out.

The Shriner's benefit dance has come and gone and it was the best year yet. I want to thank all the callers for donating their talent to help make this year's benefit so successful. We would also like to give special thanks to our club Vice President, Rick and Janelle Lashley, for the great job they did organizing and coordinating the benefit. This year we were blessed with making \$5,592.24. We are very proud to say that since 1999 we have donated \$20,393.00 to the Shriners for their children's hospitals.

It is with a sad heart I must report that our dear friend and fellow dancer Marian Coe passed away on March 16th. Marian had cancer surgery that left her weak. She fought a good battle but left us for a better place without pain and sickness. Our deepest sympathy to Charles and family - just know she will always be a part of everyone who knew and loved her.

On the March 27th, two squares put on a demonstration at the Putman County Fair. Ernie did a great job. Thanks to all that gave up your afternoon to show others what great fun square dancing can be. A real big THANK YOU to Ernie and Frances for coming from Jacksonville to help out.

Well, I'll be going for this month, see you on the dance floor.

Silver Fox Squares



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June 4th19th Anniversary Dance

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ROLLAWAYS

Holly Godwin 904-247-3605

The Rollaways held a club meeting March 23rd at Sandalwood High School to elect a new board of directors: Hank and Doris Spaulding, Presidents; Eileen Loncle, Vice President; Holly Godwin, Secretary; Harvey and MaryLou Morton, and Jack and Kathy McKinney, Co-Treasurers. We are blessed to have such talented Rollies volunteer their time and effort to serve us in these demanding but essential capacities and wish them a smooth "Promenade" through their terms.

Special thanks to Eileen Loncle, who after completing two years as our President has accepted a back-up post as our Vice President. She's the one with the dangles down to her ankles so maybe she's also a candidate for Dangles Chairman?

Five new members were welcomed into our squares at this meeting: Mary Rozzano, Carole Landrus, Sharon Reilly, and Dave and Mary Hamilton. We wish all these new dancers many years of happy dancing!! It's always a pleasure to add smiling faces to our Club.

Earlier in the month, the March 5th -

7th weekend, one of our former Presidents, Howard and Jettie Crowe, planned a Mainstream crash course based on one designed by Northwest Association caller Patty Ping and it was a tremendous success. Twenty students and a flock of angels from almost every club in the Northeast Florida Square & Round Dance Association danced all three days under the guidance of caller Art Wilson, who came up with a clever teaching program and an incredible performance in a marathon teach covering five dozen (60) moves!! So a big Tip of the Rollie hat to goes to Art Wilson, NEFSARDA Education Chairs Howard and Jettie Crowe, and four Rollie volunteers who worked hard to support this historic effort: Mary Ann & John Lawrence and Kathy & Jack McKinney.

The Rollaways would have been dark on March 16th, due to spring break closing the school, but were graciously hosted by the Seabreeze Singles at Peace Presbyterian Church. Seabreeze, their facility in use as a voting poll increased our

numbers for the 5th Tuesday dance on March 30th for the "Fun with the Funnies" Dance. Eight squares filled the floor, and the Flagler Ocean Waves in club colors Raided in Parade twice for two banners, ours and Seabreeze. A double Header!! Perhaps next issue it can be reported that Rollies and Seabreeze banded together and Raided them back!!



"Marryin' Sam" and spouse (aka: Harvey & MaryLou Morton)



ROLLAWAYS (Cont'd)



"Marryin' Sam" hitched John Burzo to two gals at the Sadie Hawkins Dance!



This was seen at the
5th Tuesday Dance.
Can YOU identify who
OR what it is?



Everyone Loves a
 Yellowrock 

SEABREEZE SINGLES

Jackie Hamlin 731-9181

"Spring is here and the Seabreeze Singles have been extremely busy. Fifteen of our members attended the annual Fuzzy-Navel Dance in Jekyll Island on March 19th and 20th. On March 23rd we graduated 11 students. We appreciate the NEFSARDA officers and The Grapevine Editors who were there to support these new dancers/friends.

On March 9th we were unable to use our dance hall because of voting, so we visited the Rollaways. On March 16th the Rollaways joined us. We were treated to green eggs, ham, and a delicious Irish stew. Our 5th Tuesday dance, also with the Rollaways, on March 30th was a fun and well attended dance.

We were also kept busy planning our annual Charity Dance. It was held April 3rd and was a success. A very special

thanks to everyone who participated. We exceeded last year's effort by raising \$2,070 to donate to a very worthy cause, the City Rescue Mission. A check will be presented to the City Rescue Mission's representative at one of our dances in the very near future. This is one charity who really appreciates efforts made on their behalf.

We extend a special invitation to all new dancers - we dance on the mainstream level (with two announced plus tips). Our dances are held every Tuesday night in the fellowship hall of Peace Presbyterian Church, 2300 Southside Boulevard, from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., caller Jim Cosman. We have lines and some rounds between tips. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Remember: It takes more muscles to frown than to smile!"



Students smiling at their graduation ceremonies for the Seabreeze Singles!



Seabreeze Singles President, Shirley White, accepts the \$100 "graduation" check from NEFSARDA President, Anita Taylor!

First Coast Rounds



Lisa Wall, Cuer

Dancing Phase II, III and IV

The format of the Club is:

EVERY SUNDAY

6:00 - 7:30 PM.....Cha-Cha/Rumba Class ★

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

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

- ★ May 2nd.....Cha-Cha/Rumba Class graduates
- May 9th.....No Dance - Mother's Day
- May 30th.....No Dance - State Convention
- June 6th.....Third Anniversary dance
- June 13th.....Last Club Dance until July 25th

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

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

SILVER FOX SQUARES

Manuel & Lillie Irizarry 266-1083

We hope that everyone had a wonderful Easter with your loved ones.

Who says that young and old don't get along together? We congratulate our graduating class old and young alike. We welcome you to the wonderful world of square dancing. May you have dancing fever and happy feet for years to come.

We wish all you mom's out there a very Happy Mother's Day. And not to forget the dad's a very Happy Father's Day.

Please take note that we will be dark on Friday, May 28th so that everyone may attend the State Convention in Lakeland.

Finally, we have several of our members who are out due to illnesses and medical treatments, i.e. Maxine O'Donnell, Cliff Elliott. Please keep them in your prayers. Also, a phone call or card is always a welcome gesture to let them know that they are loved, missed and thought of often.

SQUARE WHEELS

Martha Zimmerman (352) 336-5311

Our camp out at Okefenokee RV Campground March 19th - 21st was enjoyed by all. The campground owners were delightful and went over and above the call to make us feel welcome. The hall was great and the kitchen area was well equipped. The grounds were very clean and the little deli was especially nice -- we all ate ice cream after the dance on Friday, and some of us on Saturday, too. We had 15 rigs camping and appreciated Bill & Nancy, Dale & Gerry, and Billy & Maxine visiting from Gypsy's for the weekend. We also had other visitors -- Ruth Bow camping, and on Saturday evening the Wilder's and James Bell.

In April we camped at 3 Flags RV Resort in Wildwood on the 16th - 18th of the month. It was a casual dance on Friday - as usual. Then we had a

covered dish dinner and meeting on Saturday with a dance at 8:00 PM. Sunday morning we had a scrumptious pancake breakfast.

May 21st - 23rd we will be camping at Encore RV Park in Reddick, FL.

Let's don't forget the Hospice Dance on May 1st, and the 50th Florida State Convention May 27th - 30th. During the State Convention we usually camp at Lakeland RV Resort. Please remember also the Christmas in July Benefit Dance on July 10th. We have ribbons for the Camp-O-Ree in October.

Please continue to keep Cliff Parnell in your prayers, and add to your prayer list Oudra Thomas who had knee surgery on March 24th.

Hope you'll join us at one of our camp outs real soon!



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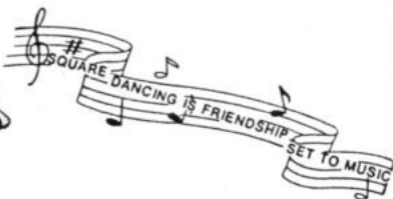
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\$5.00 per person

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TEDDY BEAR SQUARES

Gaye Feuer 743-1087

Teddy Bear Squares is under new management!

Since its inception, Teddy Bears has been a caller club, started by Paul Walker and turned over to Eddie Millan when Paul moved to North Carolina. Eddie and Ann ran the club with the help of staunch members who performed numerous functions to help the club run smoothly. Now that Eddie has retired the club members have voted to be a Member run club and elected officers at the close of the dance on March 27th. Our first dance as a Member club was April 10th, with seven squares (and many round dancers) in attendance and 2 clubs stealing banners. We appreciate all our visitors for the evening and hope that you will come back to dance with us often.

We offer a great big **THANKS** to **Eddie & Ann Millan** for their many years of dedicated service and great calling for the Teddy Bear Squares.

The Club has hired **Gary Murphy** to be our caller; **Lisa Wall** has agreed to cue Round Dances for us. Club officers are: President: Walt &

Betty Smith; Vice President: Bud & Dianne German; Secretary/ Treasurer: Donna Smith and Virginia Cook; Banner Chairman: Jack & Kathy McKinney; Refreshments Chairman: John & Mary Ann Lawrence; NEFSARDA Delegates: Ed and Gloria Malin; Telephone Committee: Rose Walker & Donna Smith; and Grapevine News Reporter: Gaye Feuer.

Prayers and wishes for recovery go to Joe Hardcastle who has had heart surgery, and to Val Newsome who had a bad fall and required 35 stitches on her scalp and forehead. Her stitches have been removed now, her scar is healing, and hopefully soon she won't need her scarf.

We hope many of you will plan now to join us as we celebrate our **20th Anniversary on June 12th**. The Teddy Bears will be dark on **July 10th** so that we may all attend the **Christmas in July Benefit Dance**.

We are looking forward to continuing to dance together and invite all **Square** and **Round** dancers to join us.

Why wait until tomorrow to tell someone you care?

For beyond the dawn tomorrow...

You may not find them there.

The past now lies behind us...

And tomorrow may not come,

We only have today, my friend,

To beat upon life's drum!

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The Editors

YELLOW ROCKERS PLUS

The Yellow Rock Reporter 389-3349

Yellow Rockers are still Rockin'!

We have a great bunch of folks who are still putting up with us after all these years. Family is really important and we are all family.

All that green on the dance floor at our St. Patty's dance was so pretty. God must love green too because He made so much of it.

On the 5th Monday we had Irish Stew. And lots of singing calls!

Who ever heard of an "April Fish" dance? Now I'll explain. In France, instead of saying "April Fool," they say "April Fish." The inference is that they are easily caught. A fish in that country is typical of the day so we did a little decorating with fish things. We did some other things a little differently, too---we began with a closing song---we put the tables down the middle of the floor and one of our door prizes was ... would you believe it?... a cabinet door.

It was fun, but some folks have difficulty when you change things.

We haven't planned a theme dance for May due to some extra dances and the convention on Memorial Day Weekend.

But, we will have a special dance in June --- an "Ice Cream and Cake dance" (it's near somebody's birthday).

Did you ever want to go around the World? In July, on the 19th, we'll have an "Around the World in 80 Days" dance. If you have a costume from another country you may wear it that night.

We really miss some of our folks who have been aillin', taking care of grandkids or traveling. Life doesn't get boring does it?

Hope to see you soon! And remember --

"A grudge is one thing that does not get better when it is nursed."

2004 CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

<u>CLUB</u>	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>ANNIV. #</u>
Belles & Beaux.....			
Dixie Dancers.....	September.....		26th
First Coast Rounds.....	June.....	6th.....	3rd
Flagler Ocean Waves.....			
Fun 'N Frolics.....	Mar.....	29th.....	48th
Grand Squares.....	June.....		29th
Gypsy Squares.....	Dec.....		14th
Joy Seas.....	Apr.....		13th
Mandarin Marauders.....	Apr.....	27th.....	19th
Moose Promenaders.....	Apr.....	15th.....	14th
Plus Fox.....	Jan.....	7th.....	18th
Pogo Squares.....			
River Ramblers.....	Apr.....	1st.....	6th
Rollaways.....	Apr.....	13th.....	16th
Seabreeze Singles.....	Sep.....		28th
Silver Fox.....	Jun.....	4th.....	19th
Square Wheels.....	Sep.....	18th.....	23rd
Teddy Bears.....	Jun.....	12th.....	20th
Vagabond Squares.....	Nov.....		10th
Yellow Rockers +.....	Sep.....	13th.....	13th

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.

Remember our Country's Heroes
on Memorial Day, May 31st!

MEMORIAL DAY!



Once each year on a day in May,
Our nation pauses to honor and pray
For our fallen heroes in their eternal sleep,

Row after row in their graves so deep.
The ultimate sacrifice so we may dwell
In the peace and prosperity we love so well.

On an Arlington hill the eternal flame
and in the valleys they rest all the same.
A Revolutionary War in which they died
And other wars were multiplied.

Our freedom defended at a terrible cost,
What would we be if they had lost...

The haunting sound of taps is here
Where our heroes still have no fear.

Their mission accomplished, their job is done;
Yes, it was your freedom that they won.

And there nearby in a hallowed glen,
An unknown soldier at rest - Amen.

His constant companion the guards who trod
Unknown to all except to God.

Written by Gene Oxley,

Reprinted from Air Force Sergeants Association Magazine

WHAT IS A MOTHER?



A Mother is someone to shelter and guide us, To
love us, whatever we do,
With a warm understanding and infinite patience,
And wonderful gentleness, too.

How often a mother means swift reassurance, In
soothing our small, childish fears,
How tenderly mothers watch over their children,
And treasure them all through the years!

The heart of a mother is full of forgiveness, For
any mistake, big or small,
And generous always in helping her family,
Whose needs she has placed above all.

A mother can utter a word of compassion, And make all our cares fall away,
She can brighten a home with the sound of her laughter, And make life
delightful and gay.

A mother possesses incredible wisdom, And wonderful insight and skill--
In each human heart is that one special corner,
Which only a mother can fill!

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If you are traveling throughout Florida, you can still find a dance somewhere.

Happy Dancing

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NEFSARDA DELEGATES MEETING

January 12, 2004

Meeting called to order and Bob Raymond led delegation in prayer and pledge to the flag. President welcomed guests and new delegates. Joe Hardcastle very sick and President asked everyone to keep him in thoughts and Prayers.

Minutes of last delegates meeting accepted as written.

Treasurers Report: Report accepted as presented and filed for audit.

Committee Reports

Bylaws: Motion made to untable motion regarding Immediate Past President on the Board. Motion regarding status of Immediate Past President passed.

Classes/Clubs: No report

Computers/Web Sites: Charlie working on sites for Association and clubs that do not have sites.

Fifth Saturday Dance: President indicated the last one in 2004 falls on December 31st. Idea of a New Year's Eve Dance was discussed. Callers to be polled to see if and who would be available to call. Shirley White thanked everyone for their support during last 5th Saturday Dance.

Dance Couple of the Year: No report.

Fall Festival: They will be using the 2000 Convention dress for this year's Festival. Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones from Texas — cuer: Tim & Nana Eurn from Washington DC.

Grapevine: Deadline for next issue, April 10th. Next issue deadline will be June 1st due to editors leaving early for the National Convention in

Denver. Shirley Nihart made a motion to reimburse The Grapevine \$100.00 for booklets used for graduating dancers. Seconded by Gerry Fredrickson - motion carried.

Historian: No report

Hospice Dance: Chairman not present. Kathy McKinney reminded everyone to attend the dance at Tynes elementary School and that this years goal was \$6,000.00

Insurance: Shirley Nihart reported that all but two clubs had requested Insurance.

Publicity/Education: The first "fast track" lessons completed. There were 21 dancers attending.

SOS: No Report.

Showcase Of Ideas:

Associations going to folding poster boards depicting what clubs and Associations are doing.

State Convention: Second kickoff practice scheduled for May 1st at Tynes elementary School. The hanging quilt is ready for the raffle after the kickoff in May.

Florida Federation: New committee formed to establish new procedures for planning & conducting State Conventions. Necessary because General Chairmen and workers are getting hard to find. Federation is removing tri-folds from Florida welcome stations.

USDA: No report.

Gateway Callers: No Report.

Rural Callers: No report.

Old Business: none

New Business: None

Next meeting - May 2, 2004
Meeting Adjourned.

Some folks wear their halos much too tight...

Sorrow looks back, worry looks around, and faith looks up...

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CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

MAY 2004

01.... Annual Hospice Dance	NEFSARDA
01.... 51st State Convention Kickoff Practice.....3 PM.....	Tynes Elem. School
02.... ChaCha/Rhumba Class Graduation	First Coast Rounds
02.... Delegates Meeting.....3 PM.....	NEFSARDA
04.... Mother's Day Dance	Rollaways
06.... Cinco de Mayo & Taco Dance	Mandarin Marauders
7,8 & 9. Ocala Ranch RV Park	Gypsy Squares
07.... Class Graduation Dance	River Ramblers
08.... Strawberry Shortcake - Mother's Day Dance.....	Teddy Bears
12.... Honor Our Mothers Dance	Plus Fox
13.... Pirates Ball	Moose Promenaders
14.... ShaNaNa (Ernie's 4th Anniversary).....	Silver Fox
18.... May Pole Dance	Dixie Dancers
21-23.. Encore RV Park, Reddick, FL.....	Square Wheels
28-30. 50th Florida State Convention.....	Lakeland
30.... Florida Federation Meeting.....	Lakeland

JUNE 2004

01.... The Grapevine Input Deadline	NEFSARDA
04.... Anniversary Dance (19th)	Silver Fox
4,5 & 6. Olde Mill Stream, Umatilla	Gypsy Squares
06.... Anniversary dance (3rd)	First Coast Rounds
12.... Anniversary Dance (20th).....	Teddy Bears
15.... Father's Day Dance	Rollaways
17.... Ice Cream Social	Moose Promenades
18-20. Watermelon Festival.....Chiefland, FL.....	Grand Squares
21.... Ice Cream & Cake Dance.....	Yellow Rockers+
23.... Honor Our Fathers Dance.....	Plus Fox
23-26.. 53rd National Convention.....	Denver, CO

JULY 2004

02.... Independence Day Dance....(Ice Cream).....	Silver Fox
2,3 & 4. Ocala Ranch RV Park	Gypsy Square
07.... Bless The USA/Ice Cream Social Dance.....	Plus Fox
10.... Christmas In JulyKeystone Hts	Rural/Gateway Callers
11.... Delegates Meeting.....	NEFSARDA
19.... Around The World in 80 Days Dance	Yellow Rockers+
23-25. Encore RV Park, Reddick.....	Square Wheels
24.... Root Beer Float Nite.....	Teddy Bears
29.... Pink Cadillac Dance	Moose Promenaders
30.... 5th Friday Dance - All Singing Calls.....	Silver Fox
31.... 5th Saturday Dance	NEFSARDA

AUGUST 2004

6,7 &8. Encore RV CmpGrnd, Ocala.....	Gypsy Squares
11.... School Supplies Dance.....	Plus Fox
13.... Black Cat Dance.....	Silver Fox
20-22. Ocala RanchRV Park.....	Square Wheels
30.... 5th Monday Dance.....	Fun N Frolic
30.... 5th Monday - Salad Night & Dance.....	Yellow Rockers+

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CALENDAR OF COMING SPECIAL EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 2004 (Cont'd)

02.... Open House.....	Moose Promenaders
2-5... 34th Nat'l Singles Dance-A-Rama	Atlanta, GA
03.... Sports Night - Classes Start.....	Silver Fox
3,4 & 5. Recreation Plantation, Lady Lake.....	Gypsy Squares
08.... Labor Day/Watermelon Party.....	Plus Fox
13.... Anniversary Dance (13th)	Yellow Rockers+
17-19. Pacetti's Marina, SR 13.....	Square Wheels
18.... Anniversary Dance (23rd)	Square Wheels

OCTOBER 2004

1,2 & 3. Olde Mill Stream, Umatilla.....	Gypsy Squares
22-24 State Camp-O-Ree, Okeechobee	Square Wheels
25.... Pumpkin/Scarecrow Dance.....	Yellow Rockers+
27.... Costume Party Dance.....	Plus Fox
28.... Halloween Dance.....	Moose Promenaders
29.... 5th Friday Costume Dance.....	Silver Fox
29-30. Fall Roundup.....NW Association	DeFuniak Spgs
31.... Florida Federation Meeting.....	DeFuniak Springs

NOVEMBER 2004

1-30. Food Drive All Month	Silver Fox
5-7... Lake Okalawaha RV Resort, Ft McCoy.....	Gypsy Squares
5-7... 51st O'Leno Hoedown	Square Wheels
12-13.. Fall Fun Fest.....WCSARDA	Lakeland
17.... We Are Thankful Dance	Plus Fox
19-20. Fall Festival.....	NEFSARDA
22.... Thanksgiving Dinner Dance.....	Yellow Rockers+
29.... 5th Monday - All Singing Calls.....	Yellow Rockers+

DECEMBER 2004

3,4 & 5. Ocala RV Park	Gypsy Squares
10.... Christmas Dance - Toys For Tots.....	Silver Fox
13.... Winter Wonderland Christmas Dance	Yellow Rockers+
15.... Christmas Dinner Dance.....	Plus Fox
16.... Christmas Dinner Dance.....	Moose Promenaders

***** 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.**

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!

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