

The Grapevine

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Tuesday Clubs

JACKSONVILLE

Rollaways

Round Dancing, Mainstream & Plus
Square Dancing
Round Dance Lessons – 6 – 7 PM
Square Dance Lessons - 7 - 8:30 PM
Club Dance - 8:30 - 9:30 PM

2750 John Prom Blvd
(Sandalwood High School Cafeteria)
Jacksonville, FL

Caller, Mark Fetzer
Cuer, Susan Snider
Presidents, Patrick & Joan Amarino
(904) 629-4560
inorve@netzero.com

Banner chairs, Walt & Dianne
Syphard
(904) 221-1368
wlsyphard@aol.com
diannehall6@aol.com

JACKSONVILLE

Mandarin Marauders

Line Dancing, Mainstream & Plus
Square Dancing
Lessons - 7 - 7:30 PM
Club Dance 7:30 - 9:30 PM

3848 Hartley Road
(Mandarin Senior Center)
Jacksonville, FL

Caller, Ernie Rollen

Contact, Tom Porwoll
(904) 268-5368
tporwoll@yahoo.com

Banner chair, David Smith
(904) 655-1791
opdaves@comcast.net

JACKSONVILLE

Seabreeze Singles

Mainstream and Pus Square
Dancing
Lessons - 7 - 8:30 PM
Club Dance - 8:30 - 9:30 PM

1300 Sprinkle Drive
(Arlington Presbyterian Church)
Jacksonville, FL

Caller, Jim Cosman

Contact, Jane Johnson
(904) 564-2062
msij18@bellsouth.net

Banner chair, Betty Smith
(904) 610-2675
bettybsmith2002@yahoo.com

LAKE CITY

Dixie Dancers

Round Dancing and Plus Square
Dancing
Square Dance Lessons 7:00 - 8:15
PM
Club Dance 8:15 - 9:30 PM

533 NW Desoto St
(Teen Town)
Lake City, FL

Caller, Bill Chesnut
Cuer, Ralph Beekman

Contact, Barbara Rosenthal
(386) 466-2984
rar123@comcast.net

Banner chairs,

ST. AUGUSTINE

Joy Seas

Mainstream and Plus Square
Dancing
Every Tuesday except 2nd Tuesday
Square Dance Lessons - 7 - 8 PM
Club Dance 8 - 9:30 PM

Coquina Crossing Clubhouse
St. Augustine, FL

Take I-95 to exit 311
West on SR 207 1 mile on the left
You MUST be through the gate by
8:00 PM

Caller, Mike Akers

Contact, John & Mary Burso
(904) 797-7530
burzom@bellsouth.net
call to verify dance availability
Banner chairs,

GAINESVILLE

Grand Squares

Basic, Mainstream and Plus Square
Dancing
6:30 - 9 PM

1001 NW 34st Street
(Westside Park Recreation Bldg)
Gainesville, FL

Caller, Lon Ligon

President, Susie Moon
(352) 283-1296
susiemoon@cox.net

grandsquares@bellsouth.net

Banner chairs,

Wednesday Clubs

WILLISTON

Clover Squares

Mainstream & Plus Square Dancing
Square Dance Lessons - 6:30 - 7:30
PM
Club Dance - 7:30 - 9:30 PM

410 NE 5th Street
(Williston Crossings RV Resort)
Williston, FL

Various Callers

Contact, Mignon Craig
(352) 528-3323

mignoncraig@yahoo.com
[Facebook](#)

Banner chairs,

JACKSONVILLE

Fun n' Frolic

Advanced Square Dancing
6:30 - 8:30 PM
(dark June, July & August)

7750 S. Tempest Street
(Jacksonville Heights Elementary
School)
Jacksonville, FL

Caller, Jim Cosman

Contact, Russ & Carolyn Ueber
(904) 223-9347

carolynu9@gmail.com

Banner chairs,

Thursday Club

JACKSONVILLE

Moose Promenaders

Round Dancing, Mainstream & Plus
Square Dancing
Advanced Square Dance 6:30 - 7
PM
Square Dance Lessons - 7 - 8:30 PM
Club Dance - 8:30 - 9:30 PM

5051 Collins Road
(Moose Lodge 2020)
Orange Park, FL

Caller, Bill Chesnut

Contact, Wayne & Debbie Miller
(904) 891-7016

dmliller0331@yahoo.com

Banner chairs, Chuck & Mary Giera
(904) 262-9907

maryvmusic@comcast.net

Friday Club

STARKE

Silver Fox Squares

Mainstream with Announced Plus
Club Dance - 7:00 - 9:00 PM

1805 N Temple Ave (Senior
Center)
Starke, FL

Caller, Ken Perez
Co-Caller, Shane Perez
(904) 964-2917

dogcat@centurylink.net

Banner chairs,

Weekend Camping Clubs

VARIOUS CAMPGROUNDS

Gypsy Squares

Mainstream / Plus / Lines
3rd Full Weekend of
Each Month (normally)

Caller, Bill Chesnut

President, Gail LaRue
(352) 861-1583

glarue2775@gmail.com

Banner chairs,

VARIOUS CAMPGROUNDS

Square Wheels

Mainstream / Plus / Rounds
3rd Full Weekend of
Each Month (normally)
2:30-4:30PM MS Workshop

Caller, Bill Chesnut

President, Don MacGregor
(904) 375-1252

dmacgr@comcast.net

Banner chairs,

Round Dance

JACKSONVILLE

First Coast Rounds

Round Dancing
Round Dance Lessons 5 - 6 PM
Special Teaches 6 - 6:30 PM
Phase II-IV Dance from 6:30 - 8:30 PM

4758 Shelby Ave
(St. Catherine's Episcopal Church)
Jacksonville, FL

Cuer, Susan Snider
(904) 908-5184
frausbs@aol.com

Currently Dark

Saturday Dances

VARIOUS LOCATIONS

NEFSARDA 5th Saturday dances

Contact, Walt & Dianne Syphard
(904) 221-1368
wlsyphard@aol.com
diannehall6@aol.com

Monday Club

GAINESVILLE

Mixed Nuts/BAD Dancers

Advanced Square Dancing
7 - 9 PM

Grace Presbyterian Church
3146 NW 13th St.
Gainesville, FL

Caller, Bill Chesnut

Contact
sparkandme@bellsouth.net
or
Bill Chesnut
(352) 256-8628

Special Dances and Events

(See Dance Flyers at the end of this issue)

NEFSARDA Dances

- November 17-18 NEFSARDA Fall Festival at Palms Presbyterian Church, 3410 3rd Street South, Jacksonville Beach, Florida
\$20 at door or \$15 in advance – buy tickets at your local club

Special Dances in Northeast Florida

2017

- November 3-5 Ghosts of O'Leno Past, Wild Frontier Campground, hosted by Gypsy Squares and Square Wheels, 3101 NW 16th Ave., Ocala, Fl.
Mary Chesnut (352-214-5880) – Campground (352-629-3540)
- November 24 Black Friday Dangle Dance, Silver Fox Squares
- November 26 Kay Walker Memorial Toy Drive Dance, St. Catherine's Episcopal Church, 4758 Shelby Ave. Jacksonville, 2:00-4:00 pm, 904-908-5184 (admission is free with a child's toy for the Orange Park Clothes Closet)
- December 1-3 Gypsy Squares and Square Wheels Combined Christmas Party, Lake Oklawaha RV Park, 15991 243rd Place Road, Fort McCoy, Fl. 352-646-5500
- December 2 The Big Barn Dance hosted by Bill & Debbie Cassidy at The Party Barn in Fort White, Florida – Callers Ken & Shane Perez
Suzie Kirby 386-438-9224
- December 15 Christmas Dance, **Free Admission**, Silver Fox Squares
- December 21 Christmas Dance, Potluck Dinner, Moose Promenaders

2018

- January 19-20 1st of the Year Camping Weekend in Lake Park, Georgia, Square Wheels (with Gypsy Squares)
Don MacGregor (904-375-1252) or Gail & Gary LaRue (352-861-1583)
- January 26 Circus Dance (benefit for Dreams Come True) at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1415 South McDuff Ave., Jacksonville, 7:00 to 9:30 pm
Susan Snider 904-908-5184
- February 17 Olustee Battlefield Festival Square Dance in Lake City, Florida
Bob & Barbara Rosenthal (386-365-7136)

Florida State Square and Round Dance Conventions

2018

- February 23-24 64th Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention at the Daytona Ocean Center, 101 N. Atlantic Ave., Daytona Beach, Florida
floridasquaredance.com/convention - (purchase tickets at your local club)

October 25-28 43rd Florida State Camporee in Eustis, Florida
Ron & Linda Imus (574-370-8525)

Square and Round Dance Cruises

2018

February 4-11 Grand Square 7th Annual Florida Winter Fest Cruise with Tony Oxendine & Jack Pladdys from Port Canaveral to Haiti, Jamaica & Mexico on the Royal Caribbean Oasis of the Seas
John Manning (877-822-2009)

April 7-15 Fourth Annual "Cruisen" for Bob 4 with Bill Chesnut from Jacksonville to the Bahamas & Bermuda on the Carnival Elation
Marilyn Scott (904-264-9392) scottymjane@gmail.com

July 21-28 Square Dancer's Cruise with Tony Oxendine, Jack Pladdys & Mac O'Jima from Honolulu to Maui, Hilo, Kona & Kauai on the Norwegian Price of America
CI Azumano Travel (800-888-7025)

National Square and Round Dance Conventions

2018

June 22-24 61st International NSCDA Camp-O-Ree in Sedalia, Missouri,
www.nsdca.org
John & Dolly Ide (352-208-5980) or Gary & Gail LaRue (352-861-1583)

June 27-30 67th National Square Dance Convention in Kansas City, Missouri
www.67nsdc.com
Jim & Edythe Weber (816-781-3598), registration@67nsdc.com

2019

June 26-29 68th National Square Dance Convention in Atlanta, Georgia,
www.68nsdc.com Bob & Virginia Walker (828-349-0905),
registration@68nsdc.org

2020

June 17-20 69th National Square Dance Convention in Spokane, Washington
www.69nsdc.org
reg2020@comcast.net

Special Dances Outside of Northeast Florida

2017

November 3-4 55th Tammany Twirler's Square & Round Dance Festival in Slidell, Louisiana
Frances & Richard Matthews, frmatthews4@aol.com

November 10-11 West Coast Association's 43rd Annual Fall Fun Fest at the Bartow Civic Center, Bartow, Florida
Dan & Ann Slocum, sailaway@tampabay.rr.com

2018

- January 4-6 Grand Square Whale of a Dance in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina
Heath Tinsley (704-502-8097) Heath@GSInternational.org
- February 2-3 Bells & Bouys 40th Annual Mardi Gras Festival in Biloxi, Mississippi
Neil Knot (228-831-3127)
- February 2-3 Grand Square Space Coast Winter Festival in Titusville, Florida
(704-502-8097)
- March 8-10 28th All Western Smoky Mountain Ball in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee
Johnny Chambers (931-248-2839)
- March 9-10 63rd Mississippi State Square & Round Dance Festival in Pearl,
Mississippi
Huggy Gaines (228-369-9523)
- March 15-17 59th Washington Area (WASCA) Square & Round Dance Festival in
Alexandria, Virginia
Tom & Nancy Stafford (301-351-7790),
festivalregistration@wascaclubs.com
- April 6-7 65th Alabama Jubilee (Square & Round Dance) in Gardendale, Alabama
Marie Rogala (205-525-5128)
- April 26-28 43rd South Carolina Square & Round Dancers Convention in Columbia,
South Carolina
Ken & Darlene Padgett (843-334-8357), D.Goley@yahoo.com
- May 18-19 57th Derby City (Square Dance only) Festival in Shepherdsville, Kentucky
Bob & Geri Jeffers (812-945-6374)
- August 2-4 44th Annual Square Dance Convention in Gatlinburg, Tennessee
Shea Meincke (843-816-4061), meincke_us@yahoo.com
- August 23-25 40th Alabama Square & Round Dance Convention in Oxford, Alabama
Jim Purvis (251-653-5442), asardanews@gmail.com
- September 23-26 Autumn Holiday of Rounds (round dancing) in Fontana Village, North
Carolina
Carol Cooke (678-708-6223)
- October 12-13 Grand Square Daytona Beach Ball in Ormond Beach, Florida
Judi Corbett (386-679-5020), LadybirdDB@gmail.com

NEFSARDA (Northeast Florida Square & Round Dance Association)

President's Message for November 2017

Keeping it short this month so you can read ALL the wonderful information in your Grapevine.

PLEASE make your plans NOW for the Fall Festival! If you have ANY questions...contact Erik & Robin Burton or me, or Jim Maroldo and someone will get your questions answered!

The following officers were elected for 2018 at the October NEFSARDA Meeting on October 8th. Their term will begin on January 1, 2018.

Presidents – Jack and Kathy McKinney

Vice President – Jane Johnson

Recording Secretaries – Wayne and Debbie Miller

Corresponding Secretaries – Chuck and Mary Giera

Treasurers – Patrick and Joan Amarino



NEFSARDA Officers for 2018 - Jane Johnson, Chuck and Mary Giera, Joan Amarino, Kathy and Jack McKinney, Debbie and Wayne Miller

Several subjects were discussed at the meeting.

- Many toys were collected the 5th Saturday Dance on September 30th for the Basketball Cop (see Silver Fox Squares under Club News for more information).
- It was decided that the Grapevine will be published monthly.

- Mayor Lenny Curry proclaimed September 2017 as Jacksonville Square Dance Month. The next NEFSARDA meeting will be held on January 7, 2018.
- . Kathy McKinney

Notes from the Grapevine Editors

These publications are sent exclusively via email at the beginning of each month to square and round dancers in the NEFSARDA community. There are many dancers who do not have access to email. Therefore, it is recommended that each dance club print "The Grapevine," and share it with their dancers who don't have access to email.

We welcome all news about your club activities, so please send us your club notes, flyers, pictures and news. It is best to send us your input at your earliest convenience. Several submissions a month is encouraged. Your final input is due four days before the end of the month. Scanned dance flyers are especially useful. These flyers are published in "The Grapevine Addendum" that is sent in a separate email to all recipients of "The Grapevine." The inclusion of these flyers with "The Grapevine" publication would result in a file that would be too large to send as a single email.

We prefer that your input be in Word, as an email, or as an attachment to an email (not PDF).

We welcome suggestions to make this a better and more useful publication. Please let us know of email address changes, additions and deletions – especially new members to your club. Use squaredancejax@gmail.com for all communication related to the Grapevine. You can also contact Laura on 941-928-8994 or Jim on 904-215-7922.

Laura Martin and Jim Maroldo

Dance Club News

Clay Allemanders held their last dance on August 21, 2017

Clover Squares

Bill Chesnut and Ellis Lindsey called for the Clover Squares booth at the gazebo and demonstration in the pavilion at the Williston Peanut Festival on October 7th. We had more than a square of the elementary school safety patrol members learn the basics, and they danced with us several times during the day.

Several of our snow bird members have returned this month including Donna and Jerry Robey who were dressed as a magician and rabbit at our Halloween dance on the 25th. The winner of the costume contest was "Old Man Time" Dick Callander and his wife, Karen, won the Halloween word search game. Interesting refreshments included a veggie skeleton and a spider with web cake.

If you want to visit our club, be sure to check our Facebook page or call 352-208-1450 because we might be changing the time from evening to afternoon. For now, the class remains at 6:30 pm and dance at 7:00 pm on Wednesdays at the Williston Crossings RV Resort community center.

Mignon Craig 352-528-3323



Safety Patrol Members Learning to Dance



Donna & Jerry Robey



Dick Callendar



Clover Squares with many in Halloween Costumes

Dixie Dancers

The Dixie Dancers are dancing on Tuesday nights at their temporary location at the Richardson Center.

First Coast Rounds

Susan Snider will keep everyone posted on future dances. Beginning Waltz classes are being taught on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 to 7:00 pm at Sandalwood High School before the Rollaway's dance.

Fun n' Frolic

The Fun 'n Frolics started a new Advanced Class in October. We have three students, Virginia Bomhold and Mary and Chuck Giera. They are doing very well and it's a delight to have them dancing with us. In between the class tips, Jim Cosman, our caller, is calling Advanced tips for the club members. This keeps us sharp and shows the class how they'll eventually be able to dance. This will be our last advance dance class for a while. We won't have a class next year so that we can concentrate on increasing our proficiency and enjoyment of dancing Advanced.

On Wednesday, October 18th, we had a visit from Lewis & Linda Wasserman, the Head Wizards of the 2018 Florida State Square Dance Convention. They're very good Advanced dancers, and we enjoyed having them with us. They also brought lots of goodies with them, and we were able to buy "magically" soft t-shirts and raffle tickets among other things.

The Fun 'n Frolics dance from 6:15 to 8:15 pm on Wednesdays at Jacksonville Heights Elementary School, 7750 S. Tempest St., Jacksonville.
Carolyn Ueber 904-223-9347

Grand Squares

We were excited to start a new class on October 3rd with nine students.
Susie Moon 352-283-1296.

Gypsy Squares and Square Wheels – Combined Camping Weekends

Unfortunately, we had to cancel our September camp out at International RV Park in Daytona because Hurricane Irma interrupted our plans. We'll have to reschedule this location at another time.

Don MacGregor

Report from the 42nd Annual State Camp-O-Ree in Eustis, Florida – October 26-29, 2017

The "Up, Up and Away" weekend was an unqualified success. People began arriving early in the week, so there was impromptu dancing on Tuesday and Wednesday night. The official festivities began early Thursday. Seven Florida camping groups were represented - Square Wheels, Gypsy Squares, Strawberry Travelers, Sunshine State Pioneers, Hitch-N-Go, Florida Wheelers and Road Runners. We had about 65 RV campers plus many non-camping dancers who lived in the nearby area. There were 11 squares on the floor on Friday night for the first tip. Ann Hadsall was one of the Cuers, and the Callers included Bill Chesnut, Ron Reardon, Ted Hughes, Dick DeMeritt, Charlie Pergrossi, Sonny McCartney, and Chuck Ryall. Our member Dave Seay even led line dancing lessons! We danced from 7:00 until after 10:00 pm Thursday through Saturday evenings. We enjoyed our catered dinner Saturday, and our Sunday breakfast which was prepared by Hitch-N-Go.



Some of the Square Dance Campers

Jim Maroldo rejoined the Gypsy Squares along with his dance partner Laura Martin - welcome aboard!! We continue to miss Vinny and Lorraine (his illness) and Arnold and Gloria (her recovery from surgery). We stopped during the business meeting on Saturday

to mourn those who died in the past year, including Square Wheels' Ellie Koerner and Henry Britton, Hitch -N-Go's Clayton Allen and Road Runner's Mel Marshall.

The State Camping Board for 2017-18 was elected - Presidents, Bob and Janet Frechette; Vice-Presidents, Gary and Gail LaRue; Secretary, Debbie Miller; and Treasurers, Tom and Pat Herscha. Three awards were given during the meeting- well actually 4. Hitch-N-Go was recognized for having the highest percentage of members at the International Camporee at Pride, NC; the camporee participation award for the most members present went to the Square Wheels; and the Florida Camporee Gypsy Squares had 24 of their 28 group in attendance! Gail and Gary LaRue were recognized for the numerous ways that they support the Florida Association of National Square Dance Campers (FANSDC). Golf Trophies were awarded to the winning team of Bill Chesnut, Ron Imus, Bill Brock and John Shepherd. Game awards were presented to Dan and Anna Foust for corn hole and shuffleboard, and to Joe and Wendy Kakolowski for bocce ball.

Our fashion show presented balloon inspired regalia from Barbara Rosenthal, Terry Wallace and Dee Casteel plus a specially designed outfit by Gail LaRue. These beautiful outfits were complimented by five super models who each wore a "unique" designer dress.



Dee Casteel & Jim Weismore



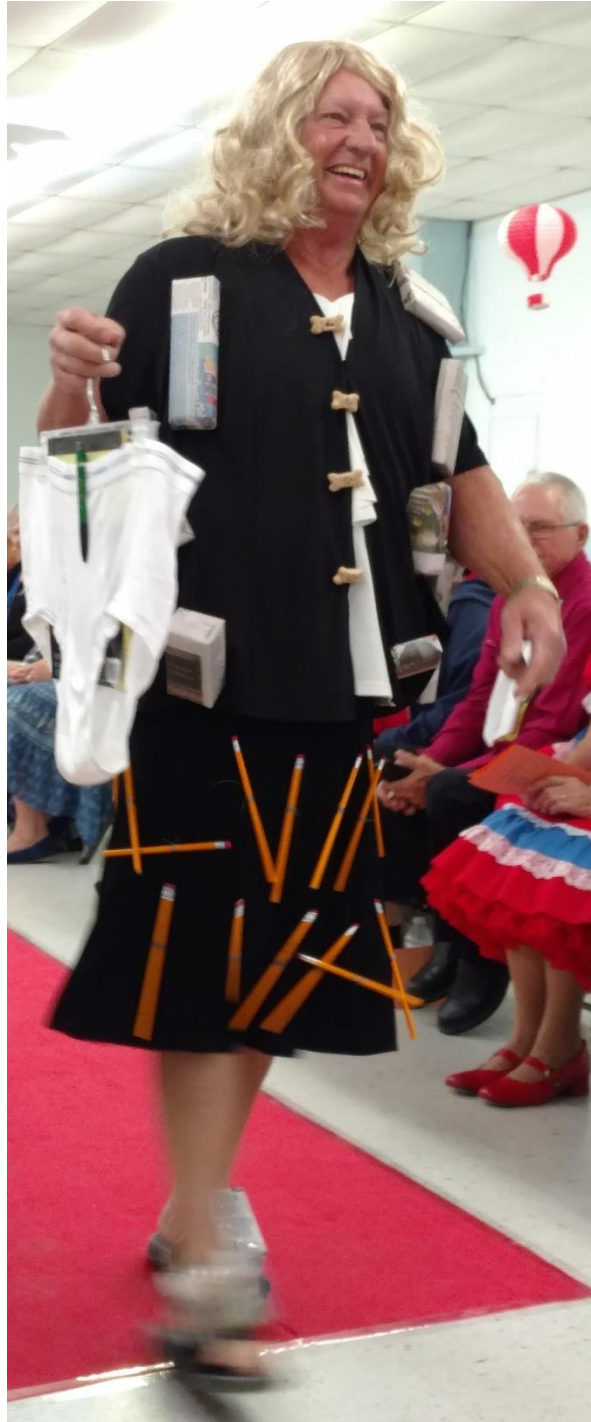
Bill Chesnut



Allen Byland



Paul Scott



Tom Herscha



John Burzo



Gary & Gail LaRue

Next year's Camp-O- Ree theme is the Wild West. It will be held at the same RV resort, Southern Palms in Eustis. On the weekend of December 1-3, we will have our traditional Christmas party and Campout at Lake Oklawaha RV. We have such a goofy good time attending the Hog Valley Christmas Parade and patronizing the Thrift Shop and the little diner next door on Saturday afternoon. Don't forget about the white elephant gift exchange!

Laura Ramsey

Gypsy Squares - See Gypsy Squares & Square Wheels – Combined Camping Weekends

Joy Seas

Joy Seas will return to dancing on January 16, 2018.

Mary Burzo

Mandarin Marauders

Beginner square dance lessons are in full swing, and we have five new students. They are doing very well under the excellent tutelage of our caller Ernie Rollen. We are so happy to have them with us - Marcia, Dee, Tom, Jim and Arlene!

State Convention chairs Linda and Lewis Wasserman visited the Mandarin Marauders on 10/17 and we had a great visit. Quite a few members of our club are planning to go to the convention this year. Speaking of the convention, we have a female member who is looking for a roommate for the state convention in February. She's willing to do the driving, but she is looking for someone to share the cost of the hotel. If anyone is interested, contact the Mandarin Marauders Secretary Pat Chidester at patchidester@comcast.net, and she will put you in touch with her.

We have a dangle theme dance on the third Tuesday of the month. We had a fantastic time with our October **pink lace and polka dot** dangle dance (see pics below)!

Pat Chidester



Caller Ernie Rollen has tan shoes & pink shoe laces, a polka dot vest & man, oh, man - a big panama with a purple hat band! Chuck Giera in his pink shirt & pink shoelaces!



Our dancers were rewarded with a special “dangle” of our Caller Ernie Rollen

Mixed Nuts/BAD Dancers

A square dance club that dances on Monday nights in Gainesville at the Advance Level. Their caller is Bill Chesnut.

Moose Promenaders

Greetings from the Moose Promenaders. September started out with a bang, and we are very excited to announce that we have five new students.

Even though the holidays are coming up and everyone gets so busy...please remember to keep dancing. It's a great way to work off those holiday goodies... and speaking of holiday goodies, please pencil in December 21st on your calendar for our annual Christmas and pot luck dinner dance. Festivities will begin at 6:00 pm. We will be having a Valentine Dance on February 8th, and we will be hosting the annual President's Ball on February 15th.



Scene from an October Moose Promenader Meeting

We dance every Thursday. Advanced lessons are from 6:30 to 7:00 pm, Mainstream lessons are from 7:00 to 8:15 pm, and the regular club dance is from 8:30 to 9:30 pm. We recently raised our dance admission from \$4 to \$5. See you all on the dance floor.

Wayne & Debbie Miller

QuarterMores

Caller Bobby O'Keefe has announced his retirement and the closing of his Advance club, the QuarterMores. He will call dances in November (the 7th and 14th) and in December (the 5th and 12th). The dance on December 12th will be a Christmas party and a celebration of Bobby's birthday. If you are an advance dancer, plan to attend the Christmas party dance. Please bring finger food. A cake and paper products (cups, plastics, etc.) will be provided. Dances are 7:00 to 9:00 pm. at St. Catherine's Episcopal Church, 4758 Shelby Avenue, Jacksonville, Florida. Call Sandy Huble on 904-721-3738 or 904-472-6636 for more information. Bobby is a past president of the Florida Callers Association. If you would like to send a card to him, his address is PO Box 215, Raiford, FL 32083-0215.

Rollaways



Mark Fetzer & Susan Snider



Young Square Dancers





Octoberfest Dance at the Rollaways on October 24th



Moose Promenaders retrieving their banner on October 24th
Suzanne & George Tower, Mary & Chuck Giera, Marilyn & Paul Scott, Jane & Bill Dando

Upcoming Rollaways Dances
November 21 – Thanksgiving Dinner
December 5 – Craft Fair
December 12 – Cookie Exchange

Seabreeze Singles



Seabreeze & Moose Promenaders dancers at the Fall Festival at the Holiday Hill Baptist Church



Fall Festival - Margaret Cahan's daughter, Stacie Butts, face painting - Belinda & Bill Barker



Barry Wolfgang captures a loose University of Florida Gator (Jeremy Hoblit)



Seabreeze Singles retrieving their banner from the Moose Promenaders - Gay Feuer, Ron Senior, Pat Everett, Betty Smith, Maxine Thomas, Margaret Cahan, Christine Wilder & David Dodson
Bill Chesnut, the Moose Promenader caller, is in the background

Silver Fox Squares

The Silver Fox Squares are now dancing at the First United Methodist Church located at 200 N. Walnut St. in Starke in October from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. Our special dances are:

November 24: Black Friday Dangle Dance (part of a special 'Double Header Dangle')

December 15: Christmas Dance - Free Admission!

We also encourage you to RSVP for The Big Barn Dance ASAP.



October 27th "Pretty in Pink Dance" to support Breast Cancer Awareness
Max Wilson, Linda Caldwell, Lola Lastinger-Wingate, Lou Boehlin, Gloria Smith, Jan Besso,
Asoa Whiting, & Jim Fleming with caller Ken 'Silver Fox' Perez.

Please sign up for our emails and follow our website and/or Facebook page for updates on dances and locations. Most of our dances end with a trip for a quick bite to eat, and/or ice cream, and lively conversations. A special thanks to everyone who has visited our club and supported us. Be sure to sign up for our email list if you haven't already done so. Also, a big 'Thank You' to our club members for their teamwork and dedication to helping our club grow and prosper. We will be announcing new class dates soon so be sure to keep checking in with us!

The Silver Fox conducted a toy drive for the Basketball Cop charity at the NEFSARDA Dance on September 30th. Some of the toys collected are displayed below.



The toys were presented to Becki Holcomb and Bobby White of the Gainesville Basketball Cop program at the October 8th Silver Fox Dance

Kathy McKinney, Joan & Ken Perez, Susie Kirby, Evan & Shane Perez with Becki & Bobby

Be sure to “like” and follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#). Check our webpage, <https://silverfoxsquares.wordpress.com/> for club news and upcoming events. We are working on some very exciting events and will post more information as it comes available.

Susie Kirby

Silver Stars Squares

This is a new club that is in the early stages of forming in Fort White, Florida which is 20 miles south of Lake City at the intersection of US Highway 27 and Florida Highway 47. Square Dance activity is already beginning in the area. The Big Barn Dance (see the flyer in the Grapevine Addendum) is an independent activity that will be hosted by Bill and Debbie Cassidy at The Party Barn, 2989 SW Old Bellamy Road in Fort White on December 2nd. Ken and Shane Perez will be calling squares from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. Call Susie Kirby on 386-438-9224 by November 26th for reservations.

Square Wheels - See Gypsy Squares & Square Wheels – Combined Camping Weekends

News and Happenings

NEFSARDA Fall Festival – November 17-18

Palms Presbyterian Church, 3410 3rd Street South, Jacksonville Beach, Florida
Tickets can be purchased in advance through dance club representatives or at the dance - \$15 in advance or \$10 per night at the dances. Snacks are encouraged. There will be a table for snacks near the kitchen or snacks can be placed on the tables of the individual clubs.

Friday Schedule

Main Hall

7:00-7:45 pm - Early Rounds with Jimmy and Carol Griffin

7:45-10:00 pm – Mainstream, Rounds & Announced Plus with Matt Worley & Jimmy and Carol Griffin

9:45-10:00 pm Last Dance

Advanced Hall

7:45-9:45 pm – Advanced with local callers

Square Dance attire is preferred during evening dances
After Party at the Hampton Inn Oceanfront (everyone invited - breakfast bar area)

Saturday Schedule

Main Hall

10:00 am -12:00 noon - Round Dance Workshop with Jimmy and Carol Griffin

1:00-4:00 pm - Mainstream with announced Plus with local callers

4:30 pm – Catered Dinner (see below for details)

7:00-7:45 pm - Early Rounds with Jimmy and Carol Griffin

7:45-8:00 pm - Welcome, Invocation, Pledge, and Grand March

8:00-10:00 pm - Mainstream, Rounds & Announced Plus - Matt Worley & Jimmy & Carol Griffin

9:00 pm – Presentation of Dance Couple of the Year

Advanced Hall

1:00-4:00 pm – Advanced with local callers

8:15-9:45 pm – Advanced with local callers

After Party at the Hampton Inn Oceanfront (everyone invited - breakfast bar area)
Square Dance attire is preferred during evening dances

We have a last-time opportunity to purchase some square and round dance clothes on November 17 and 18 at the Fall Festival. Many of these clothes have not yet been seen. We've had more contributions to the Dreams Come True project started by Mary Starling. Much has been weeded out from the previous viewed (but not purchased) clothing, so be sure to stop during the Fall Festival to see the refreshed square and round dance clothes. Blouses, skirts, shirts and pants are only \$5.00 each, petticoats are \$7.00 each and ties are only \$1.00 each. And we have lots of belts (mostly for women) for \$1.00 each. There are other things as well, like 3 pair of ladies dancing western boots - pink, white and black! Very pretty for the right-sized feet. After the Fall Festival what doesn't sell will be donated to Margaret Cahan to benefit the Jacksonville City Rescue Mission. Margaret sells items on Ebay. This will be the last local viewing of these items. Thus far we have made \$1,600. Please stop by the "store" and remember that Dreams Come True benefits 100% from the donations.

Mary Giera

The food pantry donations at last year's Fall Festival were a great success. We would like to remind everyone that we are again collecting food for the food pantry this year. If you could bring non-perishable food items on November 17 or 18, it would be much appreciated.

Eric and Robin Burton, Fall Festival Chairmen

A catered dinner will be served at Palms Presbyterian Church beginning 4:30 pm. on Saturday, November 18th. This is a prepaid dinner with turkey, dressing and all the fixin's including dessert and drink. Payment and reservations are required by November 5th as we need to give the caterer a final count. The cost of the dinner is \$15.00 per person. Callers, Cuers and their spouses are free. Please send your reservation and payment to Linda Tester, 22 Sandra Drive, Jacksonville Beach 32250.

Linda Tester

News about the Florida State Convention

The state convention will be February 23 and 24, 2018 in Daytona Beach. There are already over 420 people from across the state signed up for this event! Three hotels are recommended. In all cases, ask for the square dance convention rate.

- The Host Hotel is Homewood Suites, 165 Bill France Blvd., Daytona - 386-258-2828.
- The Hilton Hotel, 100 N. Atlantic Ave., Daytona - 386-254-8200. The convention is across the street from the Hilton.
- Fairfield Inn & Suites Daytona Beach Speedway/Airport, 1820 Checkered Flag Boulevard, Daytona - 386-254-4700. The discount is valid from Feb 22 to Feb 25, so you can stay an extra day or two to enjoy the many attractions that Daytona Beach has to offer. The discounted rate is \$109, and you must book before January 22nd to get this discount.

The state convention is having a BLAST CLASS at the convention for all people wanting to learn to square dance and all beginners wanting to hone their skills. The cost is \$35 for two days of classes. Call 321-453-3438 to register or visit floridasquaredance.com/convention

Lewis Wasserman

Dance Couple of the Year for 2017 and for 2018

A deserving couple is honored each year by NEFSARDA as the Square Dance Couple of the Year. This award was established in 1990. Nominations for 2017 were completed by September 30, 2017. The selection and a plaque for 2017 will be presented at the Fall Festival in November 2017. We all should be thinking about deserving couples for 2018, and be ready to nominate our choice next summer by contacting our club president.

Nominations can be originated by anyone with submissions made through each dance club's delegate. It will include a written narrative about the Nominees and about their contributions to dancing. These contributions should not be restricted to the current year, but should encompass all of their dancing years. Nominations are normally due on September 30th. The format and general requirements for this award for 2018 will be published in the Grapevine next summer.

Bud & Anita Taylor

67th National Square Dance Convention (NSDC) in Kansas City, Missouri

CAMPERS: January 1, 2018, is quickly approaching!

The 67th NSDC has an early deadline for camping reservations and profiles. We understand this is atypical; however, it is what it is! *The Clay County Park Officials, owners of the camp grounds, have granted us exclusive use of reserving a camp site in Area C, E, and F for registered guests of the 67th NSDC until January 1, 2018. After January 1, we cannot guarantee you a camp site.* Camping Profiles are due no later than January 5, 2018. *On January 8, 2018, all unreserved sites will be returned to Clay County as per our agreement.* So please make your reservations before this deadline. Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation.

We are so excited to be a part of the 67th NSDC and welcome you to Kansas City, MO in June 2018!

Jim and Edythe Weber, registration@67NSDC.com

Quartermores Square Dance Club

December 12th will be the last dance for the Quartermores. This will be our Christmas party and we will also be celebrating our caller's birthday, Bobbie Keefe. Please plan to attend this dance and if you want, please bring finger food. The cake and paper products (cups, plastics etc.) will be provided. If you are still in touch with former QuarterMores' dancers, please invite them to come with you to say good-bye to our club and our wonderful caller too.

Linda Tester

Kay Walker Memorial Toy Drive Dance

Kay Walker was an active member of the Moose Promenaders and the Seabreeze Singles. She personally organized a toy drive each year to collect toys within the square dance community that were given to the Orange Park Clothes Closet, a charitable organization run by the Church Women's Christian Ministries. The toys were distributed to less-fortunate children at Christmas.

Kay died in an automobile accident a couple of years ago. Her memory is being kept alive by Mark Fetzer, Bill Chesnut and Susan Snider who are hosting the Kay Walker Memorial Toy Drive Dance on Sunday, November 26th from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at St. Catherine's Episcopal Church, 4758 Shelby Avenue in Jacksonville. Admission to the dance is an unwrapped toy that

will be given to a deserving child by the Clothes Closet. It would be great to see a very large turnout from the dance community for this worthwhile event.

Florida Federation

The Florida Federation is the parent organizational body of the five dancing associations (NEFSARDA in one) and the many dance clubs in Florida. Linda Tester is the Federation Treasurer. NEFSARDA delegates are Kathy and Jack McKinney, Walt and Diane Syphard, Wayne and Debbie Miller, and Don and Sherry MacGregor. Alternate Delegates are Bill and Paula Dion and Paul and Marilyn Scott.

The Florida Federation will be holding a meeting at 9:00 am on Sunday, November 19th at the Hampton Inn, Jacksonville Beach. This meeting will have an installation of officers for the coming year. Anyone wanting to attend to see how YOUR Florida Federation of Square and Round Dancers Association operates...please come! This meeting will be very informative about square dancing around the state of Florida!

Kathy McKinney

Dance Classes

The following clubs have dance classes. Please contact them directly to obtain information on their classes - Fun n' Frolic, Grand Squares, Clover Squares, Mandarin Marauders, Moose Promenaders, Rollaways (Square and Round Dancing), and the Seabreeze Singles.

Etiquette and Tips

Appreciate your caller

It sometimes looks like square dance callers just "make it up as they go along" without any preparation or effort. Nothing could be further from the truth. Calling requires a lot of preparation beginning with choosing the appropriate songs and ending with assuring that the planned activities are fun and challenging --- but not too difficult. We have all been exposed to callers who call too difficult for the dancers which makes break-downs frequent and frustration for all. On the other hand, some callers make it so easy that you feel no challenge and boredom sets in. That is why it is so much fun when the caller "gets it right." In Northeast Florida, we have many of callers who "get it right." These callers consistently spend a lot of time in their preparation to make that happen.

How can we show our appreciation for our great callers? One of the easiest ways is to personally thank them for making your dancing experience fun. There are many other things that you can do to make your caller feel appreciated and to make the caller's evening just as fun as yours. These include...

- Dance as often as you can each evening rather than just watching.
- Forms squares quickly.
- Smile, laugh, and let people (including the caller) know that you are having a good time.
- Don't be afraid to make some noise and Girls – swish those skirts while dancing.
- If your square breaks down, quickly get into lines so that you will be ready to rejoin the other squares.
- If you particularly like some calls, songs or tips, tell your caller.
- Unless it is impossible, stay at the square dance until the end of the evening.

Farewells

Donald (Don) Richard Barta danced locally with the Fun n' Frolic and the Quartermore advance square dance clubs while he spent his winter months in the Lake City area. He died on Friday, September 29, 2017 at the Abbott Northwestern Hospital, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Funeral services were held in Faribault, Minnesota on Wednesday, October 4, 2017. Interment and military rites were held at the Fort Snelling National Cemetery in Minneapolis. Don was born on December 4, 1932 in Faribault. He served in the U. S. Air Force for 20 years as an aircraft crew chief. Don married Karen Taylor in 1988. She preceded him in death in 1994. He was also formerly employed by Daikin Applied (McQuay's) for ten years. Don enjoyed hunting, fishing, square dancing and gardening. Don is survived by three children, Terrell Barta of Suwanee, Georgia, Adrian Barta of North Pole, Alaska and Tracy Barta of Owatonna, Minnesota. Don also had five grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren.



Russell Collier died on October 14, 2017. Russell and his wife, Wilma, were cuers in the Punta Gorda area. They began cueing many years ago in Indiana. Russell and Wilma moved to Punta Gorda in 1990. Wilma died recently - on August 9, 2017.

Naomi Joyce Durant died Saturday July 22, 2017 surrounded by her family at home. She was 87 years old. Naomi leaves her husband of 67 years, Chuck Durant (a central Florida caller) plus children and grandchildren. Naomi was born in Daytona Beach in 1930.

Clayton Allen died on Thursday, Oct. 26, 2017, from a heart attack at the Brandon Hospital. He and his wife Kathy were packing so that they could go to the Camporee this past weekend when he became short of breath and confused. They were unable to get his heart restarted. Clayton was a member of Temple Twirlers, as well as a member of square dance campers.

Helpful Web Sites and Email Addresses

Grapevine Editors, Jim Maroldo and Laura Martin

email – squaredancejax@gmail.com

National Square Dance Campers Association

email (John Ide) – johnide2016@outlook.com

web site – www.nsdca.org

Florida Federation of Square Dancers

web site – floridasquaredance.com

Florida Callers Association

web site – www.flcallersassoc.org

67th National Square Dance Convention in June 2018

web site – www.67nsdc.com

List of Club and Dance Flyers

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2017

- November 3-5 Ghosts of O'Leno Hoedown, Ocala, Florida
- November 10-11 WCSRDA 43rd Annual Fall Fun Fest, Bartow, Florida
- November 17-18 NEFSARDA Fall Festival, Jacksonville Beach, Florida
- November 24 Black Friday Dangle Dance, Silver Fox Squares
- November 26 Kay Walker Memorial Toy Drive Dance, Jacksonville, Florida
- December 2 The Big Barn Dance, Fort White, Florida
- December 15 Christmas Dance, Silver Fox Squares

2018

- January-December Square Wheels & Gypsy Squares Annual Camping and Dance Schedule
- January 4-6 Grand Square Whale of a Dance, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina
- January 26 Circus Dance, Jacksonville, Florida
- February 2-3 Bells & Buoys 40th Annual Mardi Gras Festival, Biloxi, Mississippi
- February 2-3 Grand Squares Space Coast Winter Festival, Titusville, Florida
- February 4-11 Grand Squares 7th Annual Florida Winter Fest Cruise, Port Canaveral-Haiti-Jamaica-Cozumel
- February 17 2018 Olustee Battle Festival Square Dance, Dixie Dancers, Lake City Florida
- February 22-25 The Florida State Dance Convention, Daytona Beach, Florida (plus information for new dancers and for RV campers)
- March 8-10 28th Annual Smoky Mountain Ball, Pigeon Forge, Tennessee
- March 9-10 63rd Mississippi Square and Round Dance Festival, Mississippi
- March 15-17 59th WASCA Square & Round Dance Festival, Alexandria, Virginia
- April 6-7 65th Alabama Jubilee, Fultondale (near Birmingham), Alabama
- April 7-15 4th Square Dance Cruise, Jacksonville-Bahamas-Bermuda-Jacksonville
- May 18-19 57th Derby City Festival, Louisville area, Kentucky
- June 22-24 61st International NSCDA Camporee, Sedalia, Missouri
- June 27 Wednesday Event before the National Convention, Kansas City, Missouri

- June 27-30 67th National Square Dance Convention (2 pages plus information for RV campers), Kansas City, Missouri
- July 21-28 Square Dancer's Cruise, Honolulu, Maui, Hilo, Kona & Kauai
- August 2-4 44th Annual Square & Round Dance Convention, Gatlinburg, Tennessee
- September 23-26 Autumn Holiday of Rounds (Round Dancing), Fontana Village, North Carolina
- October 12-13 Grand Square Daytona Beach Ball, Ormond Beach, Florida
- October 25-28 43rd Florida State Camporee, Eustis, Florida
- 2019
- June 26-29 68th National Square Dance Convention, Atlanta, Georgia
- 2020
- June 17-20 67th National Square Dance Convention, Spokane, Washington