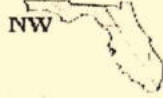


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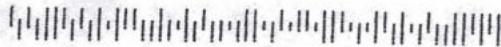
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**Fashion Show Models Needed !**

We have several openings for "Models" for our "2007 Exotic Bird Fashion Show" to be held at the 2007 Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention in Mya.

Pick your bird and strut your stuff! We will have fun and the audience will be "Crowing in their seats".

Contact Cheryl Miller @850-939-6688 or emial pe\_miller@bellsought.net

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Again, I would like to remind you that Northwest is hosting the 53rd state convention in 2007. Our theme is "Follow the Bird to the 53rd". We really need your help to make this a success. When Tim and Terri Wilaby ask you to help out, please say yes. We are getting some much-needed help from the other associations, and we are making some progress toward a true state-wide convention. Also, please make plans to attend the 52nd convention next May 26, 27, & 28. If you have not registered to attend, please do so. It would be great if we could have a good representation from Northwest. This time it is very important, because our association's kickoff will be Sunday night the 28th. Tim and Terri would like to have at least three squares for our kickoff activity. This kickoff will be very interesting, with two special guests, Ralph and Pinky, our flamingos.

Cheryl Miller and others on the Convention Committee are doing a great job fund raising. So far we have raised \$11,154, but we still have a long way to go. Please support our efforts.

I am asking that each club keep me informed of your activities. I need material for my Bow & Swing articles. Speaking of which, it would be great if more of our clubs would submit articles to both this Panhandle Press and the Bow & Swing magazine. Let the world know that we are still here! Swinging Squares in Panama City has been doing a really good job of sending in articles to the Bow & Swing (Thanks, Betty), and we also get Panhandle Press articles from them and some other clubs. How about the rest of you?

Speaking of the Panhandle Press, we are barely meeting expenses to print and mail it out. At our last meeting on February 4, it was voted to ask the Northwest members to act as "boosters" and contribute \$5.00 a year to the NW treasury to help finance the Panhandle Press. This is a fine idea. I have sent my check in. Please send your checks, made out to NWFSRDA and noted as Panhandle Press Booster, directly to Patricia and Joe McLendon. If you send them to Frank and June, they will have to forward them on to the McLendons. When you send in a check, your name will be listed as a Booster.

At the Florida Federation meeting on March 11, an idea was presented which may help to get us some new dancers. Whenever you prepare a flyer for one of your dances, add a line which says: Spectators Welcome! No admission charge! Then put some of the flyers in more public places, such as churches, businesses, libraries, etc. to advertise your dance to more people.

Have a happy and blessed Easter.  
See you in a square.  
Dave Henn

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## SWINGING SQUARES - Panama City, FL

This is a big year for Grand Square Hall because it marks our beautiful facilities twentieth year. We are looking at improvements and upgrades to make dancing here even more enjoyable. The Association is planning an anniversary celebration and you are invited. Look for your invitation. Come join the fun!

Spring cleaning took on special meaning for us this year. Our "recycled" clothing rack was full to overflowing so, when we received word that the Gulf Coast Western Variety Dancers in Gulfport, Ms. needed square dance clothing, Patricia McLendon thought we could help. This handicapped dance club lost almost everything in hurricane Katrina and needed outfits to wear at the Handicapped Spring Fling in Mobile. Patricia packed and sent two large boxes of dance clothing with our best wishes.

By the time you read this, our class will be well on their way to graduation. Jack White has been guiding beginning dancers, and a few couples looking for "refresher" lessons, through basic and mainstream moves. Regular club members Sherry and Dave Richards, Robert and Gwen Doyle, Sandy and David Sturgis, Faye Myers as well as Joe and Patricia McLendon have been on hand to "Angel" the group.

Swinging Squares dancers look forward to special event nights so our Sweetheart Supper for Valentines Day, Mardi Gras night and St. Paddy's Day Leprechaun's Leap were a big success. Who knows what Easter will bring?

On our regular Club nights, Jack, Ernie Griffin and Bob Poyner continue to take turns on the mike for square dancing. Bill Bovard cues rounds with newcomer Sandy Sturgis filling in when Bill and Madelyn are out of town.

You are always welcome to join us at Grand Square Hall, 11th and Bob Little Road. Call Sherry and Dave for information at 784-6983 or visit our web site at [www.floridasqauredancing.com](http://www.floridasqauredancing.com)

Betty Kearney, PR



## Recycled Clothing Sale

Bring your un-wanted Square Dance / Western Wear and donate them to for the sale. Bargain shoppers come out and pick your bargain.

Where: Seaside Square  
Anniversary Dance  
Ragon Hall, Pensacola, FL

When: 7:00 PM  
August 19, 2006

For more information: Paul or Cheryl 850-939-6688 or E-mail: [pe\\_miller@bellsouth.net](mailto:pe_miller@bellsouth.net)

All proceeds will benefit the

**"2007 FLORIDA STATE SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE CONVENTION"**

### **DANCE-A-ROUND ROUND DANCE CLUB - Panama City, FL**

We had a great spring. Our Margi-Gras dance with Ted Kennedy was a good dance, as always. Our regular dances have gone well although the numbers haven't been as good as we hoped. We still have some good times, and that's what counts.

We have been "dark" most of March because Madelyn's son, Don, had a tripple heart bypass operation in Lincoln Nebraska and we wanted to be there for him and to assist in his recovery. The operation went well and he is getting better every day, so we have a lot to be thankful for.

We will probably be back to our regular schedule by the time you read this. We dance every Wednesday. 6:30 for easy level rounds and we do EZ-INT from 8 to 9:30, taking time to work on figures as requested. No contracts, no commitments and visitors are always welcome.

Bill & Madelyn

## CAPITAL TWIRLERS - Tallahassee, FL

Greetings again from the Capital Twirlers here in Tallahassee. Our dances and dancers continue to keep us "on our toes"...or is that feet?

The new officers for this year are working hard to see that we have another great year of dancing fun. Harry and Retta Rudy (President); Norman and Ann Booth (Vice President); Enid and Jim Meyers (Treasurer); Rita and Jesse Hodson (Secretary); Georgeann and Cecil Hartsfield (Social Secretary) and Leila Doolittle and Elsa Fernandez are inviting us all to help them in any way.

Our annual picnic this year will be Sunday, April 30 at the home of Retta and Harry. Plan on eating at 4 p.m. There will be a charge of \$2.50 per person to cover meat costs. Naturally, the other food will be supplied by all club members. This is where the cooks really do a terrific job! It is always great to have other friends join us so as Bob Barker says "Come on down."

Sherry and Tom Mahan have been dancing with us for awhile and have now joined our club. They are very supportive of any kind of dancing plus they are helpful in any way needed. That's the kind of people we have in this club. Welcome, Tom and Sherry.

Our "mascot" Mary Jo Wade is in Broadview Assisted Living and it looks like she will not be able to do her "walker exercise dancing" with us anytime soon. She still has her jokes to tell us so why not visit her?

Our dancing schedule continues to be the 1st, 3rd and 4th Mondays of each month. Elmer has been challenging us with "new old moves" and some of his latest records. As usual, he is great. Fran and Jim do the cueing on the 1st and 3rd dates. Fran says she appreciates requests. She has hundreds of dances at her fingertips and on her computer. Andy has been doing some cueing on the 4th Monday. So, as usual, we hope to have you come visit us at the Tallahassee Senior Center, 1400 N. Monroe. We dance and visit from 7:30 till 9:30. Please come join us.

Till next time, keep healthy, keep dancing and have fun.

Rose Blackburn

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## FLORIDA SINGLES ASSOCIATION

By the time you read this article, we will have come back from the 15th Annual Fuzzy Navel in Jekyll Island, GA. I will report on the weekend in the next issue.

I hope solos will be well represented at the 52nd Florida State Convention at the Lakeland Center in Lakeland. This convention is for all dancers and your support by attending is much appreciated. You can either mail in your registration or there are several people throughout the state who are selling ribbons. It's Memorial Day Weekend May 26th & 28th. The ribbons are \$25 per person until April 30th; then the price increases.

National Singles Dance-A-Rama will be in Rochester, NY, Labor Day weekend August 31st to September 3rd. This is always a fun weekend dancing with dancers from all over the country, renewing friendships and making new friends.

We are pleased to let you know we have booked Sam Dunn and Phyllis Williams for the 27th Annual Single Rama at the historic Kenilworth Lodge in Sebring on October 20th and 21st. DJ's John Dean and Anne Oliver will be returning for the after parties on Friday and Saturday nights. Flyers and ribbons will be available shortly.

Keep dancing and stay safe!

Penny Green, President



**Publicity Chairman Note - 2007 Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention**

The Northwest Association will host the 2007 Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention and they are excited to bring you a first-class, extraordinary, full of beautiful "birds" invitational show on Sunday evening, May 28th, 2006. This gala Kick-Off will take wing in the Ceremonies Hall immediately following the evening entertainment. You don't want to miss this feather-filled fantastic, colorful show because, not one but two remote controlled flamingoes, Ralph & Pinky, will be there to steal the show!! If for no other reason, you should be there to satisfy your curiosity and observe these "beautiful birds" strut their stuff!! We promise you'll enjoy the show and want to come back in 2007 to see more of these "beautiful birds" at the fun-filled Convention we are planning for your dancing pleasure. Now, our lips are sealed, you will just have to come and see for yourselves!!

We will have Discount Ribbons and Polo Shirts for sale, as well as you'll be able to purchase tickets for the Quilt Raffle. Convention outfit kits will also be available.

Whatever you plan to do, we cordially invite you to be in your seats on Sunday evening, May 28, 2007 and get ready to take wing and "FOLLOW THE BIRD TO THE 53rd!"

Charlie & Val Newsome  
Publicity Chairman, 53rd FSSRDC

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**Ways & Means - 2007 Florida State Square and Round Dance**

The Ways & Means have been very active for raising funds for the 2007 Florida State Convention. You have seen our tables at various dances throughout Northwest Florida. We have very nice pocketed polo shirts with our 2007 Convention logo. The shirts are \$25.00 each. We have adult small, medium, large, extra-large, and double extra-large. We have a shirt in your size! We will have a table at every dance we can find to attend. Also available are various Arts & Crafts made by some very talented Northwest Dancers. Currently, we are selling a "Grand 50/50" tickets for sale \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00. The drawing for the winner will be on Saturday, June 3, 2006 at the Billy Bowlegs dance in Fort Walton Beach, you do not need to be present to WIN!! However, we look forward to seeing you on Friday, June 2nd for a "Rounds Benefit Dance" with June Leverette.

Upcoming planned activities will include 50/50 Drawings, Recycled Clothing Sale, Chinese & Silent Auctions and another White Elephant Sale. Please look for our ads at your clubs & in the Panhandle Press. Any new ideas are welcome and we can always use help!

Please show your support for the 2007 Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention Chairman & Committees by attending our "Benefit Dances". Remember "Follow the Bird to the 53rd".

**Northwest Florida  
2007 State Convention Fundraiser  
Evening of Round Dancing**

Featuring :June & Frank Leverette, Tallahassee, FL

When: Friday, June 2, 2006

Cost: Donation at Door

Where: PASARDA Hall

17 Industrial Street

Ft. Walton Beach, FL



Phase 2 to 4 Rounds: 7:30 to 9:30 PM

For more information: Paul or Cheryl 850-939-6688 or E-mail: [pe\\_miller@bellsouth.net](mailto:pe_miller@bellsouth.net)

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**Calendar of Events**

**May**

26-28 Florida State Convention: Lakeland Civic Center, Lakeland, FL.

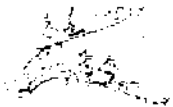
**June**

2 **2007 FSSRD Convention Benefit Round Dance:** PASARDA Hall, Fort Walton Beach, FL.  
Cuers: June & Frank Leverette

3 **Billy Bowlegs:** PASARDA Hall, Fort Walton Beach, FL.  
Callers: Bob Poyner & Ted Kennedy Cuers: June & Frank Leverette

**August**

19 **2007 FSSRD Convention Benefit Recycle Sale, Saturday :** Ragon Hall, Pensacola, FL.



47<sup>th</sup>

# Annual BILLY BOWLEGS Festival Dance



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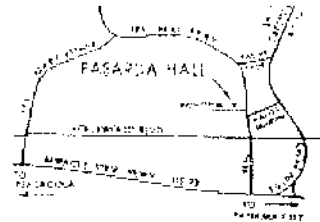
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Caller: **Bob Poyner**  
DeFuniak Springs, FL



Cuer: **June & Frank  
Leverette**  
Tallahassee, FL



**Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
Round Workshop 10:00 – 12:00  
A1 - A2 Dance 3:00 - 5:00 PM  
Early Rounds 7:00 - 7:45 PM  
Square Dance 8:00 - 10:30 PM

### PRICES PER COUPLE

Round Dance Workshop	\$ 8.00
A1 - A2 DANCE	\$ 8.00
SATURDAY NIGHT	\$20.00
All Events	\$25.00



• Dance Attire Requested • Mainstream - Plus • 2 Rounds Between Tips  
• Refreshments Served • R/V Electrical Hook-Up Available

**Participating Motels for the 2006 State Convention**

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**All Rates Plus Tax**

**For convention rates, make reservations early and be sure to identify yourself as being with the Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention.  
For Camper Information - See inside the brochure.**

Registration Form

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May 26, 27, & 28, 2006  
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Lakeland, Florida

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Andalusia, AL

April 29, 2006

**Willis Simmons**

And

**Bob Poyner**

On Squares

**John Williford**

On Rounds

**Admission \$7.00**

**7:00 to 7:45**

**Early Rounds alternating with Plus Squares**

**8:00 - 10:00**

**Squares alternating with Rounds**

**For info call Pres. Jim Wilcox 222-5839**