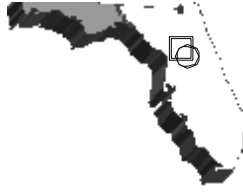


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## President's Corner



Welcome to the new members joining the Northwest Association.

Congratulations to Patricia & Joe McLendon who received a "Circle Service Award" presented by Jim & Betty Kearney at the January Blue & White Ball in Panama City.

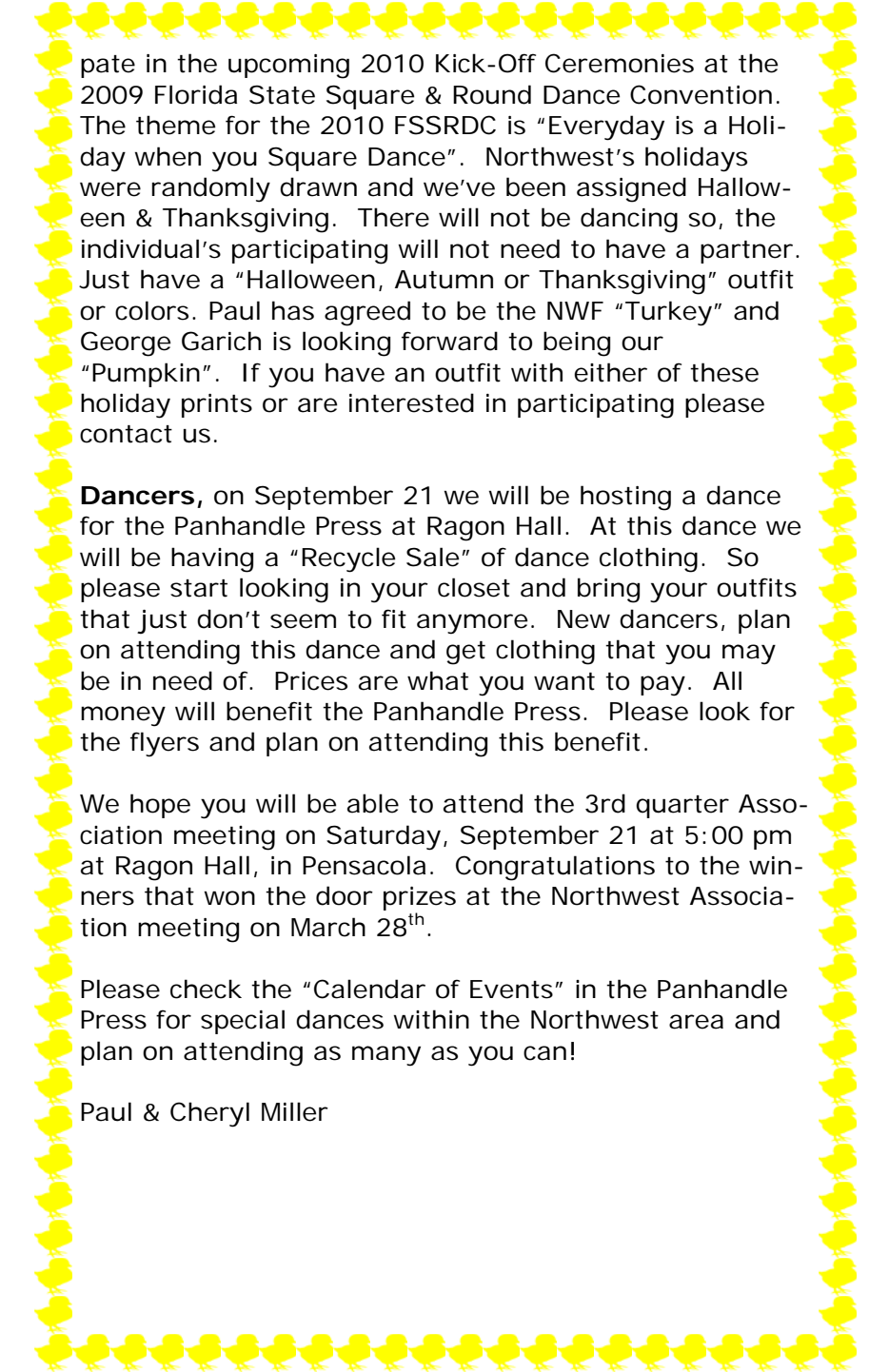
At the NWF Callers "Sweetheart Swing" we raised \$50.00 for the 2010 FSSRDC with our "Kisses & Hugs Booth". Thank you to all the individuals whom shared their hugs & kisses to raise money for this cause.

The "2010 FSSRDC Benefit Dance" in Plant City on March 1 was a success.

Beginning in 2010 the Florida State Square & Round Dance will become a "Statewide Convention" sponsored by all five Florida Associations. Northwest Square & Round Dance Association will receive one-fifth of the profit the host Association would normally receive. So Northwest has to begin raising funds for the upcoming convention. We have a five- or six-day cruise in the Caribbean as the fundraiser. The cruise is worth approximately \$1,700.00 and you have up to eighteen months to select your cruise. The winner will be drawn on Sunday evening at the 2009 Florida State Convention.

Special thanks to Callers & Cuers; Bob Poyner, Jack White, Bill VanHoesen and Miriam Merriwether, Sandy Sturgis and Terri Wilaby for donating their talents to the 2010 Benefit Dance held at PASARDA Hall on March 28. We would like to thank all the dancers who brought finger food and attended this dance.

Northwest Association is looking for 8 dancers to partici-

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pate in the upcoming 2010 Kick-Off Ceremonies at the 2009 Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention. The theme for the 2010 FSSRDC is "Everyday is a Holiday when you Square Dance". Northwest's holidays were randomly drawn and we've been assigned Halloween & Thanksgiving. There will not be dancing so, the individual's participating will not need to have a partner. Just have a "Halloween, Autumn or Thanksgiving" outfit or colors. Paul has agreed to be the NWF "Turkey" and George Garich is looking forward to being our "Pumpkin". If you have an outfit with either of these holiday prints or are interested in participating please contact us.

**Dancers,** on September 21 we will be hosting a dance for the Panhandle Press at Ragon Hall. At this dance we will be having a "Recycle Sale" of dance clothing. So please start looking in your closet and bring your outfits that just don't seem to fit anymore. New dancers, plan on attending this dance and get clothing that you may be in need of. Prices are what you want to pay. All money will benefit the Panhandle Press. Please look for the flyers and plan on attending this benefit.

We hope you will be able to attend the 3rd quarter Association meeting on Saturday, September 21 at 5:00 pm at Ragon Hall, in Pensacola. Congratulations to the winners that won the door prizes at the Northwest Association meeting on March 28<sup>th</sup>.

Please check the "Calendar of Events" in the Panhandle Press for special dances within the Northwest area and plan on attending as many as you can!

Paul & Cheryl Miller

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## Editor's Note



This issue has been printed in black and white per the minutes of the last NWF Assoc meeting to help cut costs. As you will see, there are very few paid advertisements this time around. In order to bring color back, we need more paid ads.

It looks like the new year has seen new officers and contact people moving around in the clubs. There are a few more clubs in the Doghouse, and quite a few callers. Remember that your club articles (provided your club is a Northwest Florida Association club) are free, as are submissions to the calendar of events. Callers/cuers, your schedules are also a free way to publicize where you are during the quarter.

As we move forward and join the rest of the economy in trying to find ways to cut expenses, remember that you can receive the Panhandle Press via email. We have gotten this procedure down pretty well. We now have about 40 members that are receiving the Panhandle Press electronically.

Have a happy spring!

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| Arlene Somerville (9/08) | Dave Henn (6/09)      |
| Joe Vaccari (6/09)       | Joy Vaccari (6/09)    |
| Sandy Sturgis (6/09)     | Dave Sturgis (6/09)   |
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| Buddy Koile (1/09)       | Joe McLendon (6/09)   |
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This month's USDA Article covers a subject the Northwest Association is actually pursuing right now. The article is contained in USDA NEWS Volume XX, Issue 1 Jan - Mar 2009.

**Friendship set to Music**  
by Dee Scott, Minnesota square  
dancer



Have you ever asked your square-dance friends, "How can we share the fun we have at a dance with our other friends?" Minnesota's answer is a cable TV show appropriately named "Friendship Set to Music." The All-Volunteer, non-profit show began in 2004 and continues today; 90 hour-long shows have been produced. This series is truly a not-for-profit effort to promote our all-American pastime. Everyone involved with the show is a volunteer, including the callers, cuers, dancers, and staff. Tapes are distributed at no cost to cable stations that are willing to air them. Costs for the show are covered by donations from dancers, clubs, regions and the state's federation. The use of the LMCC TV Studio is also free to anyone living in their area who takes the classes and becomes certified to use the studio.

Currently each show has a special "theme" such as hats, patriotism, summer, gospel, rock and roll, trucking, Christmas, Halloween, etc. Clubs or regions volunteer to be on the show and to bring their callers and cuers to do a guest tune or two on a show. Square dancers from Iowa and Missouri with their callers made bus trips to the LMCC Studio to tape shows. Square dancers come to the studio one Saturday morning a month to tape two shows.

The shows are timeless, meaning there are no references made to the month or year, thus stations can air them in any order at any time. The show's content is mostly square and round dancing with some interviews sprinkled between tips. Public-access cable TV stations serve the local subscribers, either by playing what viewers request or by airing what the local folks create. Most stations (but not all) eagerly accept good, clean entertaining programs. Many have enthusiastic station managers (like our Jim Lundberg) who will be more

than willing to help an individual or club make shows for the local station to air. The big advantage to making your own show is that the local viewers will often recognize their neighbors or friends on the show.

Two phone numbers are flashed on the screen during the show: one is a viewer-response line dedicated to "Friendship Set to Music"; the other is the State Federation phone number. Many viewers call to say "We love the show. Keep it coming." Others have called and requested dances for beginners: one viewer wanted to dedicate a new pole barn before it was filled with hay; one wanted to host a 40th birthday party for the spouse; one wanted a dance to be part of the son's graduation party, etc. Many want to attend a "live" dance which we accommodate by sending them complimentary passes to a local dance.

Over the past three years, hundreds of viewers have called to learn which clubs are near them so they can return to square dancing or to learn where they can join square dancing classes. The show also has a website:

[www.friendshipsettomusic.com](http://www.friendshipsettomusic.com)

which gets hundreds of hits every month.

A local bank teller innocently commented recently, "Square dancing is big in this town. It's on TV everyday and I see the signs by the school for the local dances." Because this TV show is aired on cable, many viewers often find it only when flipping channels. Thus it is important that the show air at least weekly--some channels play it several times a week, some daily. Most stations appreciate receiving a "series" show where they know that each month they will get two new shows to air. Many stations then give the show a "series" spot, which means that the show will air regularly in that time slot, making it much easier for viewers to know when to watch. "Prime-time" slots (between 7 and 10 p.m.) yield the most "viewer-response" calls.

"Friendship Set to Music" shares the best-kept secret in this nation: square dance and round dancing offers "fun, fitness, and friendship." Viewers can "see" all the fun and fitness and

“hear” all the great music and stories. Even if they don’t join, many love the show and consider all the dancers on it their new friends.

Paul & Cheryl Miller, Florida USDA Representatives

## WIN A “5 DAY OR 6 DAY CRUISE”



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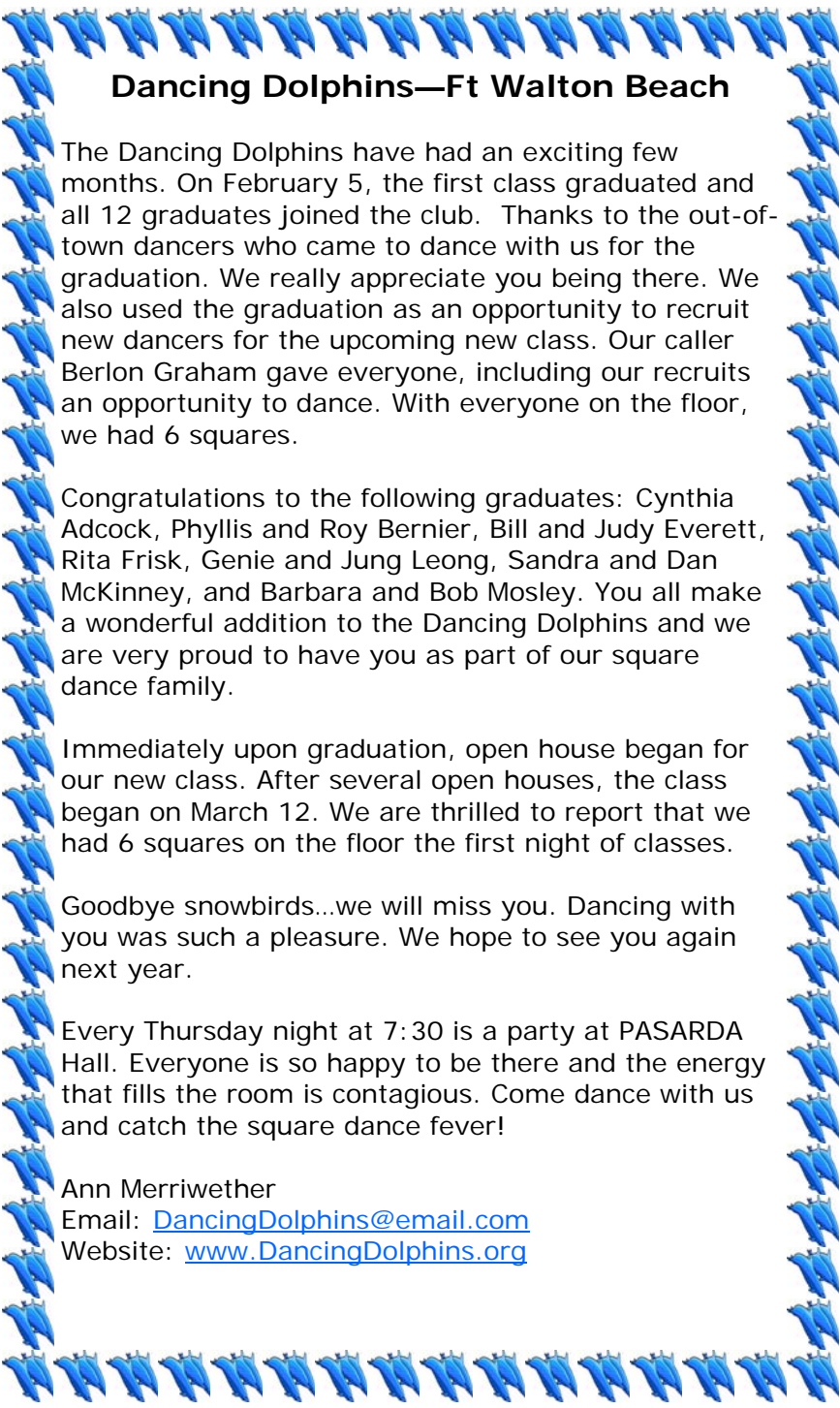
Every Florida Association has tickets for the drawing. The winning Cruise ticket will be drawn on Sunday, May 24, 2009 at the Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention in Lakeland, Florida.

The Cruise Certificate is for 2 people, Interior room, all government fees and taxes are included. Total value \$1720.00. The certificate is upgradeable at full value...It’s transferable.

**Quadruple your chances and purchase (4) tickets for \$20.00! *Need not be present at drawing to win.***

**All proceeds of ticket sales will benefit the  
2010 Florida State Square Dance Convention.**

If you can’t find tickets contact Cheryl at  
[pe.miller@mchsi.com](mailto:pe.miller@mchsi.com) or 850-939-6688.



## Dancing Dolphins—Ft Walton Beach

The Dancing Dolphins have had an exciting few months. On February 5, the first class graduated and all 12 graduates joined the club. Thanks to the out-of-town dancers who came to dance with us for the graduation. We really appreciate you being there. We also used the graduation as an opportunity to recruit new dancers for the upcoming new class. Our caller Berlon Graham gave everyone, including our recruits an opportunity to dance. With everyone on the floor, we had 6 squares.

Congratulations to the following graduates: Cynthia Adcock, Phyllis and Roy Bernier, Bill and Judy Everett, Rita Frisk, Genie and Jung Leong, Sandra and Dan McKinney, and Barbara and Bob Mosley. You all make a wonderful addition to the Dancing Dolphins and we are very proud to have you as part of our square dance family.

Immediately upon graduation, open house began for our new class. After several open houses, the class began on March 12. We are thrilled to report that we had 6 squares on the floor the first night of classes.

Goodbye snowbirds...we will miss you. Dancing with you was such a pleasure. We hope to see you again next year.

Every Thursday night at 7:30 is a party at PASARDA Hall. Everyone is so happy to be there and the energy that fills the room is contagious. Come dance with us and catch the square dance fever!

Ann Merriwether

Email: [DancingDolphins@email.com](mailto:DancingDolphins@email.com)

Website: [www.DancingDolphins.org](http://www.DancingDolphins.org)



58<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION®  
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### Ceremonies at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC

The 58<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention® Ceremonies Committee has put together four ceremonies for your enjoyment at the Long Beach convention. In the prior press release, we told you about two of the four special ceremonies. The Opening Ceremony on Wednesday, which features the "Beach Buoys," a quartet of Nationally-known callers (Mike Seastrom, Ken Bower, Tony Oxendine plus ??), will be singing *Beach Boy*' tunes and honoring America. The tree dedication ceremony on Thursday, which will be the last in a series of tree dedications, was begun in Riverside in 2001 as part of the 50<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention®.

Now for the other two ceremonies. The Friday ceremony is the opportunity for the 59<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention® to shine, as they invite everyone to attend their convention in Louisville, Kentucky in 2010. The ceremony will begin at 5:45PM in the Arena. This free event will open with a very special square dance exhibition that alone is worth the "price of admission." This ceremony will include nationally-known caller Pat Carnathan with a stirring tribute to America, and will feature the presentation of Louisville's invitation.

The premier ceremony at the 58<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention® is the Parade of States and Closing Ceremony. It will be held on Saturday evening in the Arena. This ceremony will feature an impressive and rousing parade of dancers marching into the Arena by state or country. As the dancers enter, each state or country will be recognized for its contribution to the success of the 58<sup>th</sup> National. The Closing Ceremony will then culminate with the announcement of the winner of the bid to host the 62<sup>nd</sup> National Square Dance Convention® in 2013. Lineup for the Parade will begin at 4:30PM, with the Parade stepping off at 5:00PM. The Closing Ceremony will start immediately after the Parade.

Make your plans now to include the 58<sup>th</sup> National's ceremonies in your convention schedule.

### Raffle at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC

Would you like a new Chevrolet HHR? It's that mod/retro vehicle that you see other folks driving around town. It could be yours if you win the great raffle that the 58<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention® is holding. The winner need not be present to win. The grand prize is a 2009 Chevrolet HHR vehicle or \$15,000 cash. The other prizes are a Panama Canal Cruise (or \$5,000 cash), a 58-inch flat panel HD television (or \$4,000 cash) and a digital camera and accessories (or \$500 cash). Tickets are \$20 each. The drawing for the winners will be held during our closing ceremonies on June 27, 9009. Contact anyone on the 58<sup>th</sup> Board (the "Surf Board") to purchase tickets.

### Wednesday Night Show at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC

COME ONE, COME ALL to the Wednesday night show, where you will enjoy the differences in the two groups we are presenting for your entertainment. Jann Brown, with her sultry rich country voice, who has sung with Emmy Lou Harris and Dolly Parton among others, will sing songs which you will recognize from her own collection as well as others. Jann has performed everywhere from "Farm Aid" with Willie Nelson and Kris Kristofferson, to the "Grand Ole Opry" with everyone from Dolly Parton to Vince Gill. Jan will be accompanied by her band, "The Dangerous Neighbors." Amanda Shaw is a teen-age fiddle-playing sensation who brings a youth-oriented modern sensibility to traditional Cajun music with her sassy vocals and enchanting smile. You'll also love her band, the "Cute Guys." There will be two performances, one at 6:00 & and one at 8:30PM. Both performances include both performers. Tickets pre-purchased via the "registration form" will be \$20 for Orchestra and \$15 for Loge, VIP & Floor. We will be selling tickets at the door, for \$20 cash only for any seat.

### 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC Registration Update

At press time, there are 2,632 registered for the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC. Dancers from almost every state and 12 foreign countries are planning to come to Long Beach. Don't you miss out on this fun, fellowship and fitness, all set to music! REGISTER NOW!



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### Ways & Means at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC

The 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC has gathered several great items that will make wonderful gifts for this holiday season. Visit [www.58nsdc.org](http://www.58nsdc.org) and click on Ways & Means to view the catalog and do your shopping with us. Some of the items we have for sale are: Shirts (denim, polo & T's), Belt Buckles, Ties, Caps, Backpacks, Clocks, Coolers, Executive Jotter, Woody Car (very cute: replicas as well as keychain sizes), Key Chains, Travel Mugs, and a beautiful Christmas Ornament. All are very reasonably priced. There is a downloadable order form so you can order now and get your good stuff before Christmas or Hanukkah (which overlap this year... thought you'd like to know). Happy Holidays!!

### Tour Opportunities While at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC

The Social & Special Events Chairman and all their wonderful helpers have scoured the "southland" looking for great tours to make your "*California Dreamin' adventure*" more enjoyable. They have found many wonderful tour opportunities. You can see them online at [www.58nsdc.org](http://www.58nsdc.org). Some of the tours: Disneyland® Park & Disney's California Adventure® Park; Knott's Berry Farm; LA Fashion & Jewelry Districts; The Getty Museum; Catalina Island; Dolphin & Whale Watching; Harbor Cruise. And, of course, the big one: The Post-Convention Mexican Riviera Cruise. Learn all about the many tours by logging onto the website.

### 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC Program Book

The Program Book only costs \$6, but contains valuable information about the convention. It also contains interesting information about the Long Beach area as well as southern California. It makes a great keepsake of this great event. Remember, you "Can't tell the players without a program." Along with the Program Book comes three separate "Daily Pocket- Size Programs," one for each day. These will provide you information on all activities of the convention. Price is \$6, but goes up to \$10 after May 31, 2009; so reserve yours early via the "registration form". If you've already sent in your form, you may use another one to order the Program Book, as well the following items: lodging request, dance syllabi, Sew & Save book, *National Squares* magazine, Wednesday night event tickets, Route 66 Passport, camping needs. Supplies at the door will be very limited, so we recommend ordering in advance to ensure you get one.

### Tony Oxendine Benefit Dance – January 18, 2009

If you're in Southern California, you can begin your *California Dreamin'* experience early. Save the date: Sunday, January 18, 2009, 7:30 to 10:30PM, and come to the Cedarbrook Dance Center in Garden Grove. Tony Oxendine will be calling squares and Eileen Silvia will be cueing rounds for this exciting event. There will be a \$10 donation. All proceeds of the dance go to support the 58<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention®.

### Emergency Phone Number at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC

(562-628-8400) Give this number to your family in case they need to reach you for an emergency. This phone number is a direct line to the "main" Convention Security Personnel. The Convention Security will have direct contact with the Square Dance Security Force using 2-way radios. This number will be active beginning Monday, June 22, 2009. This is not a convention information phone number; it's an emergency number. Hopefully, you will never need these folks, but if you do, they are only a call away.

**Make plans now to come to Long Beach, California, in June, 2009  
for the "Greatest Square Dance Event In The World."**

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8:00 - 10:30 Plus with Rounds (Hall 1)
- Saturday** 9:30 - 11:00 Plus Funshop (Hall 1)  
11:00 - 12:30 Round Funshop (Hall 1)  
12:30 - 7:00 Play On The Beach  
7:00 - 8:00 Callerama (Featuring Guest Callers)  
8:00 - 8:30 Early Rounds  
8:30 - 11:00 Plus with Rounds (Hall 1)



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Please list all of the clubs to which you belong:

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

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Dues per year:

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## Swinging Squares—Panama City

It's exciting to have three squares on the floor almost every Wednesday night since we have a square of new dancers! Our graduates are doing well, getting lots of "floor" time and, we're all having a great time getting to really dance together.

Our second Saturday afternoon plus workshop in March proved to be a very successful project again. New graduates, more experienced dancers and some couples from Fort Walton and Niceville came to spend the afternoon learning plus calls with Chris Burchfield. The day ended with a "practice" dance.

Grand Square Hall evolved from gaudy purple, green and gold decorations for Bill Bovard's Mardi Gras dance to the bright green of St. Patrick's Day in time for "Step Up Florida." For the second year, we partnered with the Bay County Health Department for the event. It's a night featuring every club dancing at Grand Square Hall. Swinging Squares members Joe and Julie Gray, Sherry and Dave Richards and Mary and Jim Riley with Cuer Sandy Sturgis helped publicize the night with a round dancing demo on WMBB. Channel 13's early morning news and events program is on the air at 5:30 A.M., so these couples deserve special thanks for getting up in time to be at the studio for the early morning appearance.

Last year a large number of "visitors" came to try square dancing as well as Bop and Shag, Rounds, Ballroom and Line Dancing. Door prizes included free nights of dancing at the hall. As always, we're at Grand Square Hall, 11<sup>th</sup> and Bob Little Road, every Wednesday night with Sandy Sturgis cueing early rounds from 7 to 7:30 and Bill Bovard with rounds between squares from 7:30-9:30. Our square dance callers rotate Wednesday's during the month from 7:30-9:30. Call Joe and Patricia McLendon to find out who is on the podium or email [squaredancepc@bellsouth.net](mailto:squaredancepc@bellsouth.net) or access [www.floridasquaredance.com](http://www.floridasquaredance.com)

Betty Kearney, PR

## Northwest Association Clubs

### Agape Squares

Caller: Berlon Graham, Mondays, 7—9 PM  
Niceville First UMC Life Center, 214 South Partin  
Drive, Niceville, FL  
Berlon Graham (850) 609-3241

### Canoe Squares

Caller: Bob Poyner, Mondays, 7:30—9:30 PM  
Hobbs Middle School, 5371 Glover Lane,  
Milton, FL  
Bob Poyner (850) 834-3548

### Capital Twirlers

Caller: Elmer Sheffield  
Cuer: Fran Soos  
1st, 3rd, & 4th Mondays, 7:30 PM  
Tallahassee Senior Center, 1400 North Monroe,  
Tallahassee, FL  
Bill Bovard (850) 784-7780

### Dance-A-Rounds Round Dance Club

Cuer: Bill Bovard, Thursdays, 7—9 PM  
Grand Square Hall, 1105 Bob Little Road,  
Panama City, FL  
Bill Bovard (850) 784-7780

### Dancing Dolphins

Caller: Berlon Graham, Thursdays, 7:30—9 PM  
PASARDA Hall, 17 Industrial Street, Ft. Walton  
Beach, FL  
Berlon Graham (850) 609-3241

### Grand Square Rounds

Cuer: Sandy Sturgis, Sundays, 3:30—5:30 PM  
Grand Square Hall, 1105 Bob Little Road,  
Panama City, FL  
Sandy Sturgis (850) 265-9488

Pensacola Twirlers Square & Round Dance Club  
Caller: Patty Ping, Tuesdays, 7—9 PM  
Bayview Senior Center, 2000 Lloyd Street,  
Pensacola, FL  
Patty Ping (850) 492-1757

Sandpipers Square Dance Club  
Tape Leader: Jerry Fowler, Mondays, 7—9 PM  
Dancing to tapes with occasional visiting callers  
PASARDA Hall, 17 Industrial Boulevard,  
Fort Walton, FL  
Jerry Fowler (850) 243-2338

Seaside Squares  
Caller: Various, Fridays, 7—9 PM  
Ragon Hall, 2600 Stratford Road, Pensacola, FL  
Bill Jenner (850) 375-1749

Swinging Squares  
Caller: Jack White, Bob Poyner, Dave Muller,  
Wednesdays, 7—9:30 PM  
Cuer: Early rounds—Sandy Sturgis,  
between squares—Bill Bovard  
Grand Square Hall, 1105 Bob Little Road,  
Panama City, FL  
Jack White (850) 871-0277

T—N—T Rounds  
Cuer: Terri Wilaby  
Sundays, 3:30—5:30 PM  
Ragon Hall, 2600 Stratford Road, Pensacola, FL  
Terri Wilaby, (850) 712-5230

For any further information, contact Terri Wilaby, (850)  
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PRESIDENT: BETTY KEARNEY--- (850) 763-4100

BUILDING MANAGER: WES FORBES-- (850) 265-5673

**SUNDAY--GRAND SQUARE ROUNDS**

Beginner Class 1:30 - 3:30 PM

Easy/Intermediate Dance 3:30 - 5:30 PM

Cuer: Sandy Sturgis-----265-9488

**MONDAY--BOP & SHAG DANCE CLUB**

Lessons 7:00 - 7:30 PM

Dance 7:30 - 9:00 PM

Contact: Debby Wuest----- (513)532-3043

**TUESDAY--DANCE-A-ROUND R/D CLUB**

Easy/Intermediate Rounds 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Cuer: Bill Bovard-----784-7780

**WEDNESDAY--SWINGING SQUARES**

Early Rounds 7:00 - 7:30 PM

Squares & Rounds 7:30 - 9:30 PM

Contact: Joe McLendon-----769-4218

Callers: Chris Burchfield 1st

Dave Muller 2<sup>nd</sup>

Jack White 3rd

Bob Poyner 4<sup>th</sup>

Cuer: Bill Bovard/Sandy Sturgis

**FRIDAY--BALLROOM DANCING**

Dance to Big Band Music 6:30 - 8:30 PM

With Basic Lesson

Instructors: Bill & Madelyn-----784-7780

**FRIDAY--LINE DANCING**

Line Dances with Basic Instructions 8:30 - 9:45 PM

Prompter: Bill Bovard-----784-7780

**SATURDAY--SATURDAY BALLROOM DANCE**

Lessons 6:30 - 7:00 PM

Dancing 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Contact: Dick Lovejoy-----769-9503

**IMPORTANT NOTES:**

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

ALSO: ALL CLUBS OCCASIONALLY CANCEL--PLEASE VERIFY WITH CONTACT, CUER OR CALLER. GRAND SQUARE HALL IS OWNED & OPERATED BY DANCERS OF THE PANAMA CITY SQUARE & ROUND DANCE ASSOCIATION, A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION DEDICATED TO PRESERVING OUR SQUARE & ROUND DANCE HERITAGE.

This month's USDA Article is about the USDA USA Traveler Program. It's taken from the USDA NEWS Volume XX, Issue 1 Jan - Mar 2009

## **USDA USA Traveler Program Goes International**



Hi there!

Our vacation in the United States is over. We had a ball and danced a lot.

Before we came to the United States we thought about dancing in five or six states and a maximum of 11 dances in the whole vacation.

Now we look back and can say we danced 13 times in 9 different states. We danced two times in Kansas, two times in Missouri, one time in Illinois, one time in Tennessee, two times in Indiana (although on the Indiana State Convention) one time in West Virginia, one time in Michigan, two times in Kentucky and one time in Ohio. We met very nice people and had a lot of fun. We enjoyed dancing with all of you.

Our goal for the next ten year is to dance in every 50 states of the United States. We think that was a good start.

During our vacation (four weeks) we stayed some time in Kansas City, St. Louis, Clarksville, Indianapolis and Cincinnati. We visited the zoo in Kansas City and St. Louis had a lot of fun in three different theme parks, made some sightseeing in each of the cities, a segway tour in Indianapolis and also a lot of shopping.

Now we are back home in Germany almost two weeks. Many people think we are crazy and maybe they are right. We come back on Thursday and start dancing again on Friday and Sunday. On Monday we went back to work and visited another square dance club on Tuesday, went to our class on Wednesday, and our club evening on Friday, and a private square dance party on Saturday. The last two days we visited other clubs and today evening is class again. Since our graduation (two and a half months) we visited 26 different clubs and had a lot of new experience. We enjoy very much to dance and

spend so much free time together with nice people.

Because we have now visited many of the nearest clubs we plan to visit the next 26 clubs maybe in the next five months, and back in the States because we will go to Hawaii in March. When we are not dancing Oliver is working a lot and working at our webpage. We are thinking about how to translate the whole page in English but that is a lot of work so maybe you would like to watch the pictures.

<http://squaredancesuechtige.lima-city.de>

In our free time we meet friends and family and I spend some time with the homework, visit my godchild and teach aquarobics (aerobic in the water).

Now we are looking forward to hear some news from you, Andrea and Oliver Kuester from Germany

Submitted by: Paul & Cheryl Miller, FL USDA Representatives

## Sudoku #1

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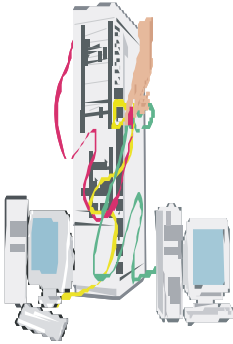
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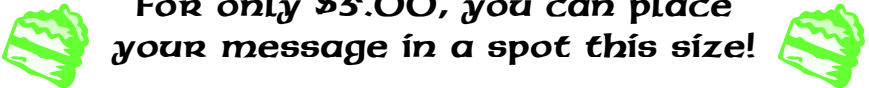
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Lines with Teresa Jones

Registration form for Smoky Mountain Memories – 2009.  
\$35/person in advance of September 10, 2009; \$40/person at the door.

If you must cancel, there is a \$10/cancellation fee prior to September 10, 2009.

No refund for cancellations after September 10, 2009.

Rollover to 2010 permitted if notified prior to September 15, 2009.

Make checks payable to Kit Brown, 1924 Owl Creek Road, Murphy, NC 28906 For more info, call 828-837-0966 or e-mail: [sandra.c.brown@mindspring.com](mailto:sandra.c.brown@mindspring.com)

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## **IF YOU FIND MISTAKES**



**ANY MISTAKES YOU MAY FIND IN  
THIS PUBLICATION ARE THERE FOR  
A PURPOSE. WE TRY TO PUBLISH  
SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE AND  
SOME PEOPLE  
ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR  
MISTAKES!!!!!!**

Please remember to keep us in mind....should you change your mailing address or email. We need to keep you informed, so please keep us informed of changes to your contact information.

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**This session will be Phase 2 Two Step and Waltz**

Instruction sessions begin on Wednesday, May, 2009

Ragon Hall

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## 7 Day Mexican Riviera Cruise from the Port of Los Angeles, Long Beach

**Sailing:** Sunday, June 28, 2009

**Ship:** Carnival Splendor

**Time:** 4:00 pm

This special 7-day cruise, on their newest ship features stops in three ports of call. Boarding the Carnival Splendor will be next to the Queen Mary. Check our website for more details and pictures of the staterooms. [www.58nsdc.org](http://www.58nsdc.org)

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Please Indicate Stateroom Choice & Number of Guests

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 8A Balcony, Twin/King    | \$1,070* per guest |
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#### Deposit

A \$250 deposit per guest is required when making your reservation. Make checks payable to the Goldrush Getaways with 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC in the memo line or complete the credit card information below.

Deposit Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
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Dining: Early / Late \_\_\_\_\_ Gratuities: Y / N \$70.00 per person Insurance: Y / N \$129.00 per person

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Send your reservations to:  
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## ROCK AND ROLL TIME IN 2009 May 22, 23 and 24

Hey all you bobby socks'ers...don't forget we have a date for April 17th, 18th and 19th in Paisley Florida for the 3rd Annual Party Weekend. It is sponsored by the 55th and 56th Square and Round Dance Convention Committees and with all the special events planned it will definitely be a "rockin" time! Bingo, card games and other fun activities are planned throughout the weekend with a "big" square dance on Saturday after the 5:30 p.m. dinner. Whit Brown, Bill Chesnut and Charlie Pergrossi will be calling and Lisa Wall cuing, guaranteeing a great evening of dancing! There are 24 hotel-type rooms available, or if you have your own camper or motor home bring it along for a super camping weekend. There is room for everyone, tents as well. Visit the web site at

[www.floridasquadredance.com/central/convention/deerhaven](http://www.floridasquadredance.com/central/convention/deerhaven)

for the location, map, cost and additional information including pictures. Download a copy of the registration form, fill it out and send it, along with your check, to Randy and Carol Poole ASAP to insure your choice of facilities. The cost for the weekend is all inclusive, with camping and non-camping packages available. As I have said all along, everyone needs to support the Convention as much as possible, and this fundraiser is one excellent way to do so.

Randy and Carol report that the fundraisers thus far have gone well. We are just now earning a profit on the laptop computer. Make sure you purchase raffle tickets, the laptop computer and the quilt are excellent prizes. The golf shirts are paid for and there are a few left for purchase. The committee must sell about 50 more calendars to break even, the price has been reduced to \$8.00. Buy one and circle May 22, 23, and 24.....one of the best square dance weekends in 2009.....Rock and Roll Time! See you in Paisley and on the dance floor at the Convention.

Yellow Rocks  
Joanne Engum, Publicity Chairman



## FLORIDA ASSOCIATION of SINGLE SQUARE and ROUND DANCERS

Dancers Without Partners, it's time to start planning for your attendance at the 55th Florida State Convention in Lakeland on May 22nd - 24th!

There will be a solo section in each hall marked as "Dancers Without Partners", so don't stay away because you don't have a partner. Take advantage of these solo sections and sit with the other solos so you will get a chance to meet them and dance.

If you can't make it for the entire weekend (Friday night through Sunday night), there are one day ribbons which can only be purchased at the door. If you purchase your ribbon now for the entire weekend at the discounted price and you are unable to attend, you can receive a refund up until the doors open on Friday night at 5:00 p.m.

Ribbons and flyers are now available for our 30th Annual Single-Rama in Sebring on October 23rd & 24th with Sam Dunn calling and Lisa Wall cueing. This is always a fun weekend at the Kenilworth Lodge where we stay and dance at the same location. We dance in a lovely ballroom with a wood floor, and we have after parties on Friday and Saturday nights. Please bring finger foods for the refreshment tables both nights. We will have different entertainment this year at the after parties, so you'll want to come and see what is planned.

Membership in the Florida Association of Single Square and Round Dancers is open to any square and or round dancer 18 years or older who has graduated from a class. For more information or any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Penny Green  
President  
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[sqdncfan@aol.com](mailto:sqdncfan@aol.com)

## Panhandle Press Doghouse

The following clubs and halls are in our doghouse for not submitting an article in time for this publication:

Dance-a-Rounds  
Highsteppers  
Sandpipers

Grand Square Rounds  
Pensacola Twirlers

Don't let your club miss out on having their say in our Association press. Get your articles in early. *Don't forget the pictures!!!!*

**Callers & Cuers: Send us your dance cards or wind up here! All of you are listed on the callers roster!**

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Bill Bovard  
Berlon Graham  
Henry Marshall  
Chuck Myers  
Bob Poyner  
Willis Simmons  
Bill Van Hoeson  
Jack White**

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Frank Cherry  
Ted Kennedy  
Dave Muller  
Patti Ping  
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Sandy Sturgis  
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# 2009 NWF S R D A



## 35TH ANNUAL ROUNDUP

### OCTOBER 30-31, 2009

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NWF Callers  
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Cuer  
Sandy Sturgis

Friday Evening

Saturday

Saturday Evening

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| <b>Costume Contest</b><br>7:00- 7:45 Early Rounds & Squares<br>8:00-10:30 Squares & Rounds<br>Mainstream / Plus / Advanced | 9:45 AM - NWF S R D A meeting<br>12:00 - 1:30 Roundup cookout<br>1:50 - 3:30 Workshops - Rounds<br>Mainstream / Plus / Intro Advanced | 7:00-7:45 Early Rounds & Squares<br>8:00-10:30 Squares & Rounds<br>Mainstream / Plus / Advanced |
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## Canoe Squares—Milton

Canoes were absolutely thrilled to have the support from our fellow square and round dancers for our 25th Anniversary Dance on February 28th. There was a head count of one hundred five dancers. Jerry Williamson, speaking for the



Club, dedicated the dance to Fred and Joyce Collum. Their support for square dancing through the years has been unequalled. Ted Kennedy did an excellent job calling. He certainly called an energy-charged dance. Ted even applauded his floor of dancers. Sandy Sturgis cued rounds. She had a circle within a circle of round dancers. Nancy Kennedy and David Sturgis danced with some of our singles. It appeared that the only time the dance floor was not packed, was during the initial rush to eat all the food-AND THOSE DESSERTS! Thank you again to everyone. The evening was all the better because we danced at home-Hobbs Middle School in Milton.

Canoes did a square dance demonstration at the Santa Rosa Arts Festival on March 15th. We danced by the gazebo at the Milton Riverwalk. Muriel Jones organized this for us. Bob Poyner was our caller. We hope to create an interest in square dancing and show that its fun and provides a health benefit as well. Canoes would love to get a class started. Any takers?

Canoes have selected their new officers for the 2009/2010 year. Patti Lewis is AGAIN President. Maye Burgess will be Vice President. Our Secretary, Sandy Williamson, and our Treasurer, Ron Corns, are also repeat servers. Muriel Jones is our new Sunshine Chair-

man. Canoes, these officers need all our support.


Once again, several of our members have been faced with illness and or surgery. Jerry Barbee and Pauline Dazey have had knee surgery. Gene Hamilton has had back surgery. Mary Hamilton is also recuperating from surgery. Hurry back. You are all missed.

On a happier note, March has five Mondays. Canoes did not have a pot luck in December, so its been awhile. And we get to have another pot luck in June. We encourage everyone to bring a dish and come dance with Canoes-not just pot luck Mondays but every Monday. We dance at Hobbs Middle School from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm. Bob Poyner will keep us moving on the dance floor.

Til next time-Wendy

## Sudoku #5

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## Calendar of Events

April

17-18

18th Annual Spring Fling, Ragon Hall,  
Pensacola, FL

Caller: Larry Belcher, Willis Simmons  
Cuer: John Williford

25-26

Weekend of Rounds, Ragon Hall, Pensacola, FL  
Cuer: Sandy Sturgis, Terri Wilaby

May

7-9

Panama City Beach Ball, Panama City Beach  
Senior Center, Panama City Beach, FL

Caller: Tony Oxendine, Darryl Mcmillan, Bill  
Terrell  
Cuer: Sandy Sturgis

22-24

Florida State Square & Round Dance  
Convention, Lakeland Civic Center, Lakeland,  
FL

Caller: Florida Callers  
Cuer: Florida Cuers

June

13

Fiesta of Five Flags, Bayview Senior Center,  
Pensacola, FL NWFSARDA Meeting

Caller: Ted Kennedy  
Cuer: Sandy Sturgis

24-27

National Square & Round Dance Convention,  
Long Beach, CA

July

18-19

July Jamboree, Ragon Hall, Pensacola, FL  
Caller: Charlie Pergrossi

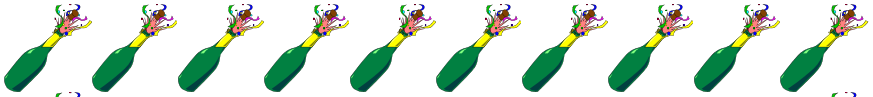
Cuer: Terri Wilaby

August

16-17

Seaside Squares Anniversary Dance, Ragon  
Hall, Pensacola, FL

Caller: Darryl McMillan



Cuer Sandy Sturgis

September

12 Panhandle Press Benefit Dance, Ragon Hall,  
Pensacola, FL

30-31 Smokey Mountain Memories, Fontana, NC  
Caller: Ted Kennedy, John Norris, Bill Jones,  
Paul Marcum

Cuer: Kit & Sandy Brown

Lines: Teresa Jones

October

30-31 NWFSARDA 35th Annual Round-up, Defuniak  
Springs Senior Center, Defuniak Springs, FL

Caller: Tom Miller, Berlon Graham, Ted  
Kennedy, Bob Poyner

Cuer: Sandy Sturgis

November

13-14 West Coast Association Fall Fun Fest

December

New Year's Eve Dance, Ragon Hall, Pensacola, FL

2010

January

9 January Shine, Ragon Hall Pensacola, FL

Caller: Ted Kennedy

Cuer: Terri Wilaby

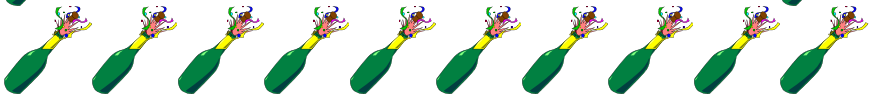
21-23 Winter Festival, Lakeland Civic Center,  
Lakeland, FL

February

12-13 Blue-Grey Square Dance, Rountree-Moore  
Toyota Indoor Showroom

Caller: Bill Chesnut, Jack Lewis

Cuer: Lisa Wall





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### Fashion Show at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC

Fashion Pick's on Route 66" is going to be a fashion show that you won't want to miss. We have the latest in square dance fashion coming your way and all you have to do is sit back and relax in our fabulous Terrace Theatre. The view and acoustics are wonderful from all of our 3,000 seats. Would you like to have a preferred seating pass? Just contact us to find out how..... We can be found at the 58<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention Web Site [www.58nsdc.org](http://www.58nsdc.org) under Fashion Show or [Social FashionShow@58NSDC.org](mailto:SocialFashionShow@58NSDC.org). Limit one per customer. So, take a break Saturday morning and pick out what you'll want for that special dance date you have on your personal calendar. Don't forget to bring that partner who just might want to pick out a special surprise for you. We are so looking forward to seeing you there, we have gathered more door prizes than you can imagine. Don't forget, Saturday June 27, 2009 at 11:00 A.M. in the Terrace Theatre. We're saving a really comfy seat for you. Be sure to mark your calendar.

### Raffle at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC

Would you like a new Chevrolet HHR? It's that mod/retro vehicle that you see other folks driving around town. It could be yours if you win the great raffle that the 58<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention® is holding. The winner need not be present to win. The grand prize is a 2009 Chevrolet HHR vehicle (or \$15,000 cash). The other prizes are a Panama Canal Cruise (or \$5,000 cash), a 58-inch flat panel HD television (or \$4,000 cash) and a digital camera and accessories (or \$500 cash). Tickets are \$20 each. The drawing for the winners will be held during our closing ceremonies on June 27, 9009. Contact anyone on the 58<sup>th</sup> Board (the "Surf Board") to purchase tickets.

### Exhibitions at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC

The 2009 Exhibition Committee wants you to be prepared to be entertained! Fifteen dynamic groups have been assembled for the 58<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention. Two groups absent for a while—the River City Cloggers and the River City Riders (complete with HORSES!) from Oregon—are returning to the line up. Gold Rush, a youthful group from the Sacramento area, is making its debut at a National Convention. Contra, square, and round dancers and cloggers from Texas, Colorado, Oklahoma, Washington, New Jersey, and, of course, California complete the assembly. Watch tap square dancers, dancing dolls, old-time performances, and history repeated. All of this is free as part of your admission to the Convention!

Look for the exhibitions in the Arena on Thursday, Friday and Saturday afternoons, as well as during the Ghost Rider Band breaks. One of our returning groups will also take part in the Friday evening ceremony. As usual, the complete schedule with all times and any venue changes will be in your daily program schedule. But, wait! Pocket-sized, yellow card stock schedules will also be available so you can quickly and easily locate your favorite groups. Look for them throughout the convention center. So, plan to come to the National Convention, rest those tired feet and be entertained!

### Tree Dedication Ceremony at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC

On Thursday, June 25, 2009 the 58<sup>th</sup> National will honor Carl & Varena Anderson, the General Chairman of the 1<sup>st</sup> National Square Dance Convention® which was held in Riverside, California 58 years ago. A tree will be dedicated to their memory. This ceremony will be a special one. It will be the last in a series of tree dedications which was begun in Riverside in 2001 as part of the 50<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention®. The ceremony will be held at 10:00 a.m., on the Terrace Theater Patio. The tree dedication ceremony is always very special. This one will be extra special as it will be the very last tree dedication ever. The General Chairman from the 13<sup>th</sup> NSDC (1964) will be present as the Triplets and Hutchisons unveil the tree dedication plaque. You won't want to miss it.

### Ya Shoulda Been There

The benefit dance that was held on January 18<sup>th</sup> was "vintage Oxendine." Thanks, Tony, for a fantastic dance. The turnout was tremendous... filled the hall and the overflow hall. Wonderful calling, beautiful singing, and lots of fun. You will get a chance to dance to Tony Oxendine and several hundred other callers at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC... be there!!!



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### Tour Opportunities While at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC

The Social & Special Events Chairman and all their wonderful helpers have scoured the "southland" looking for great tours to make your "California Dreamin' adventure" more enjoyable. They have found many wonderful tour opportunities. You can see them online at [www.58nsdc.org](http://www.58nsdc.org). Some of the tours: Disneyland® Park & Disney's California Adventure® Park; Knott's Berry Farm; LA Fashion & Jewelry Districts; The Getty Museum; Catalina Island; Dolphin & Whale Watching Harbor Cruise. And, of course, the big one: The Post-Convention Mexican Riviera Cruise. Learn all about the many tours by logging onto the website.

### 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC Program Book

The Convention Program Book is one item that you want to leave the convention with. It will have information on when and where to dance Square, Round, country western, clog or contra dancing and also where the callers, callers or instructors will be. You will find a schedule for the wonderful Educational program we have planned. Also included is a layout of the Convention Center showing who and where the vendors will be for your shopping pleasure; the committees that put this convention together; exhibitions and fashion show; planned ceremonies; plus information on the 59<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention® in Louisville, KY in 2010. You are encouraged to place your order for the Program Book, which includes the three (3) dailies ASAP. Simply use a registration form to order your Program Book; you save money and you are guaranteed a copy. Very few will be available at Ways & Means so, order it now. At the same time, you may also order other items that you have not previously ordered.

### 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC Registration Update

At press time, there are 3,205 registered for the 58th NSDC. Dancers from almost every state and 12 foreign countries are planning to come to Long Beach. Don't you miss out on this fun, fellowship and fitness, all set to music! It's only \$50 for the entire convention. But the price goes up to \$60 on June 1<sup>st</sup>. REGISTER NOW!

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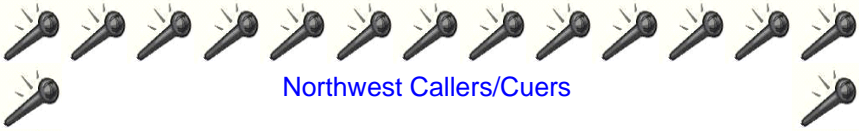
**(562-628-8400)**

Give this number to your family in case they need to reach you for an emergency. This phone number is a direct line to the "main" Convention Security Personnel. The Convention Security will have direct contact with the Square Dance Security Force using 2-way radios. This number will be active beginning Monday, June 22, 2009. This is not a convention information phone number; it's an emergency number. Hopefully, you will never need these folks, but if you do, they are only a call away.

### The "Beach Buoys" at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC

At long last the 58<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention® can identify the members of its infamous "Beach Buoys" quartet. The group, which will perform at the 58<sup>th</sup>'s Opening Ceremony, will feature nationally-known callers Mike Seastrom, Ken Bower, Tony Oxendine, and Wade Driver. Their appearance will definitely be the highlight of the ceremony and worth the price of admission, which, of course, is free, as it's included in your admission price!

**Make plans now to come to Long Beach, California, in June, 2009  
for the "Greatest Square Dance Event In The World."**



Northwest Callers/Cuers



**Larry Belcher**

April 17, 18 - 18th Annual Spring Fling, Ragon Hall, Larry Belcher & Willis Simmons -squares; John Williford - rounds.



May 2 - Belles & Buoys, Gulf Port MS



May 30 - The last Linda Belcher Memorial Dance - MASDA Center, Free Dance, Donations accepted for the Linda Belcher Memorial Fund for the Nursing School at AUM.



June 25 - Singing River Swingers, Moss Point



**Terri Wilaby**



Fridays—Ragon Hall 7-9pm

Sundays—Ragon Hall 3:30-5:30pm



April 25, 26—Weekend of Rounds with Sandy Sturgis, Ragon Hall



May 22, 23, 24—Florida State Convention, Lakeland Civic Center, Lakeland, FL



***T—N—T Rounds***

***Sundays from 3:30—5:30 pm***

***Ragon Hall, Pensacola, FL***

***Cuer: Terri Wilaby***

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**Volunteer Opportunities While at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC**

When your feet are tired and you need to take a break (remember you cannot dance every minute) we ask you to volunteer and help make this Convention a great success. We can use volunteers in many areas. We could use help as Hall Monitors, Security, Hospitality, Ways and Means and Registration. This is a chance for you to meet other dancers from around the world. Won't you lend a helping hand and become part of making the 58<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention® a huge success? You can volunteer before the Convention starts by visiting the Convention's website at [www.58nsdc.org](http://www.58nsdc.org), click on the Volunteers Needed and fill out the Volunteer Sign Up sheet. Or you can sign up to help during the Convention by visiting the Services Office. The Services Office will be located in the Pine Street Lobby to the left of the escalators near the Tours Booth. Signs, posted throughout the Convention Center, will lead you to the Services Office. We look forward to seeing you in June.

**Take the Passport Bus while at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC**

Long Beach Transit is looking forward to welcoming square dancers to the 58<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention® in Long Beach, California on June 24-27, 2009. They provide three shuttle services for your convenience: the Passport (free), the AquaBus, and the AquaLink.

The Passport is a red bus that provides FREE SERVICE in the downtown area, which includes many of our hotels. It consists of four routes, which meet near the Convention Center. It operates from 5am to 1am. The Passport buses meet next to the Transit Mall, which connects with 34 of the regular bus routes serving the area. This is where you can catch the light rail system traveling to downtown Los Angeles. All buses at Long Beach Transit are wheelchair accessible. Fares outside the downtown area are 90 cents, or 45 cents for seniors (62 and older).

We will have Shuttle Guides available at the Convention. They include maps of the routes of the shuttles. However, if you want more information before arriving, go online to [www.lbrtransit.com](http://www.lbrtransit.com). We hope to see you at the 58<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention® in Long Beach, June 24-27, 2009.

**SuperShuttle Special at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC**

An easy way to get from the airport to the convention center is the SuperShuttle, which is an on-demand airport shuttle that provides service 24 hours a day to/from LAX and during all operational hours at John Wayne Airport. SuperShuttle would like to extend a discount coupon to be used by attendees of the 58<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention. Attendees are invited to experience quality transportation at a budget price. The online discount link is: [www.supershuttle.com/default.aspx?GC=VJDXS](http://www.supershuttle.com/default.aspx?GC=VJDXS) (for square dancers only). The discount is good for the following: \$2 off the first passenger rate/per direction-Long Beach Airport (normal rate: \$18; any additional passengers in the party pay \$9); \$2 off shared ride/per direction-LAX (normal rate: \$16); \$3 off shared ride/per direction-SNA/John Wayne-Orange County (normal rate: \$35; any additional passengers in the party pay \$9).

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### The Bid Session at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC

The Bid Session of the 58th National Square Dance Convention® will take place in the beautiful Terrace Theater of the Long Beach Convention Center at 9:00 AM on Friday, June 26, 2009. The city of Oklahoma City, OK, has advised us that they are bidding for the 62nd National Convention that will take place in June, 2013. There is still time for another city to make a bid for that 2013 Convention. Come to the Bid Session on June 26th to see if any other city will be bidding, and also evaluate the presentation or presentations that are made. Following the Bid Session, the National Executive Committee will present an informal seminar on "Why Host a National Convention" and the many advantages and opportunities available to cities that do have a National Convention. Be sure to stay in the Theater, as our inspirational Keynote Speaker, Adrienne Omansky, will make her address immediately following the seminar.

### Knott's Berry Farm Tour

Just one of the "*California Dreamin'*" adventures is Knott's Berry Farm. This event will be on Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, for those of you arriving in Long Beach a little early. Tickets are cheaper thru the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC (transportation not included) than buying them on your own. Also, we've arranged for registered dancers to square dance for about an hour while at this tour. You will get a food voucher, and have a great time at Knott's. Log onto the web site, [www.58nsdc.org](http://www.58nsdc.org) to see all the great tours we've arranged for you.

### Competitions & Medals at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC

A new event to the National Square Dance Convention® will be introduced at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC: **Competition**. The **Open Competition** will be a fast-paced dance-off for dancers of all ages on Thursday evening. Check out our web site for full details on how it works and how to register a square. (Your square must be registered in advance to participate.) Medals will be awarded for the last four squares standing, so get your dancing shoes ready. Or just come to the arena and watch. This should be an exciting event. Friday evening brings round two: the **Youth Competition**. Come to the Arena and watch this high energy event as the Youth dancers compete. This is a timed event and awards will be given to the four squares who danced the most cumulative time during the event. The Youth of California have been enjoying this competition for several years and are excited to have it a part of the National Square Dance Convention®.

### Register Early for the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC

Dancers from almost every state, as well as 12 foreign countries, are planning to come to Long Beach. Don't you miss out on this fun, fellowship and fitness, all set to music! You'll dance to callers & cuers from around the world. There are tours, dozens of vendors, dancing clinics, panels & seminars, fashion show, Sew & Save, and so much more. We have separate halls for square dancing, round dancing, clogging, contra, country-western, line dancing, youth dancing, and so much more. It's only \$50 for the entire convention. But the price goes up to \$60 on June 1<sup>st</sup>. **REGISTER NOW!** For registration form, log onto the web site, [www.58nsdc.org](http://www.58nsdc.org).

### Hotel Update

We have received an addendum to our Hilton Hotel contract increasing our room block. We have an additional 30 rooms and the rate has been lowered to \$119.00 per night even for those who have already been assigned to the Hilton. At this time, the Hilton is no longer "sold out", so if you want the Hilton, register now!



The Woody is our second logo. You will find it on our polo shirts, tee shirts, denim shirts, baseball caps, attaché cases, Christmas ornaments and on our Belt Buckles and Bolo.

# Seaside Hosting

## The Weekend of Rounds

Saturday & Sunday April 25 & 26, 2009



**Sandy Sturgis**  
Panama City, FL

**Cuers**



**Terri Wilaby**  
Pensacola, FL

**Saturday Clinic 10:00 am until 12:00 noon**

**Sandy, Waltz /Foxtrot**

**Afternoon Clinic 2:00 pm until 4:00 pm**

**Terri, Cha/Rumba**

**Saturday Night 8:00 - 10:30 pm**

**Sunday 1:00 - 4:00 pm**

**Admission, \$50.00 per couple**

**Location, RAGON HALL**

**2600 Stratford Rd. Pensacola, FL 32526**

**Phone 850-944-0322**

**1/2 Mi. South of Exit 7, I-10 @ Pine Forest Road  
to Stratford Rd.**

**12 RV Hookups Elect. Water**



## AGAPE SQUARES NICEVILLE, FL

I've been thinking a lot about **FAMILY** lately. Probably because this winter we've welcomed back so many of our northern visitors and seeing them getting ready to return home is like having to say goodbye to beloved **FAMILY** members. It puts a lump in my throat.

Here are a couple of the Merriam Webster Dictionary alternative definitions of **FAMILY**: "A group of people united by certain convictions or a common affiliation: fellowship. Any of various social units differing from but regarded as equivalent to the traditional family".

Does belonging to your square dance club make you feel like you're part of a **FAMILY**? Does knowing you can go to *any* square dance club in the world and be welcomed make you feel like you're part of a **FAMILY**? It certainly does for me. I know I keep going on and on about the square dancers who have been part of my life since I was a young teenager. But, they help illustrate my point about the square dance **FAMILY**. I've known ever since I met them that I could rely on my square dancing **FAMILY** members for anything, even when we weren't active as square dancers. That has really impacted my life.

Right now may be a time in many people's lives when a **FAMILY** such as ours could really help them. Joining my square dance **FAMILY** each week for Fellowship, Activities, Memories, Intense Laughter and many, many Yellow rocks just makes it easier to get through the stress of these tough times. I often get caught at work with a silly look on my face while remembering something one of my square dance **FAMILY** did or said. And many times throughout the day I'm sitting at my desk tapping my foot a little too loudly to one of the square dance tunes running

through my head.

It's so wonderful to have a **FAMILY** I can't wait to join each week. If you feel that way, please invite someone to join our square dance **FAMILY**! Our **FAMILY** can never be too large.

---Miriam

\*\*\*If you'd like to dance with the Agape Squares **FAMILY**, please come on over any Monday night (except Federal holidays) at 7PM to the Family Life Center of Niceville First United Methodist Church (214 S. Partin Drive). If you need further info please send an email to [singermimi@gmail.com](mailto:singermimi@gmail.com) or telephone (850) 974-0091.\*\*\*



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## **SEASIDE SQUARES PENSACOLA, FL**

Well, we did it. Every Friday, with the exception of a couple for rounds only, we DANCED. We were dark to help support Azalea Hall's annual Azalea Trail dance, but that was the only one that we were actually dark. Next quarter we will only be dark once, the Friday of Memorial Day weekend. This is so that dancers can support the Florida State Square and Round Dance convention.

Callers for the club have been Ben Williams, Bob Poyner, and Berlon Graham. Next quarter Chuck Myers as agreed to come and call for us also. For the rounds, Terri has been doing a wonderful job.

As you may have noticed, we are starting to have more dances at Ragon Hall. January saw the January Shine with Ted Kennedy and Terri Wilaby. The dance was very enjoyable, so we have them scheduled for next January.

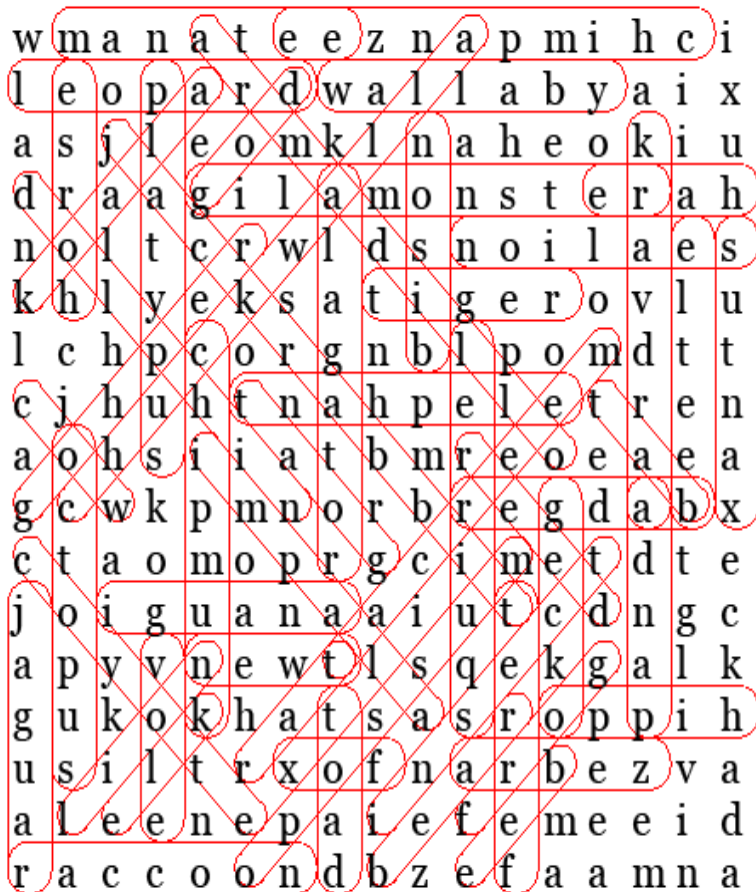
March saw a round dance for St. Patrick's Day. Although attendance was not as high as hoped, those that came had an enjoyable time. Terri even had green carnations for the ladies to take home!

April will see Ragon Hall hosting the Spring Fling with Larry Belcher and Willis Simmons doing squares and John Wolliford as cuer. The following weekend is the Weekend of Rounds with Sandy Sturgis and Terri Wilaby.

May and June will be a little quiet with the State Convention and then the Fiesta of Five Flags.

Come join us for a relaxing evening of dancing on Fridays. Our doors are open for business and our arms are ready for the hugs to be handed out!

## Animals A-Z



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|--------------|----------|------------|-------------|--------|
| alligator    | aardvark | armadillo  | bear        | badger |
| bat          | bee      | beetle     | bison       | cow    |
| coyote       | chipmunk | chuckwalla | chimpanzee  | deer   |
| dolphin      | dog      | elephant   | elk         | frog   |
| ferret       | fox      | gecko      | goat        | gopher |
| gila monster | horse    | hare       | hippo       | iguana |
| insect       | impala   | jaguar     | jack rabbit | koala  |
| lion         | leopard  | meercat    | manatee     | newt   |
| opossum      | octopus  | panda      | platypus    | rat    |
| raccoon      | sea lion | squirrel   | tiger       | toad   |
| vole         | wallaby  | xantus     | zebra       |        |



## ROCK AND ROLL TIME IN 2009 May 22, 23 and 24

The 55th Florida State Convention is less than 2 months away, and Randy and Carol and all of the Committees hope you have your ribbons, lots of raffle tickets, and your poodle skirts and saddle shoes all ready to go!! This promises to be one fun, rockin' good time and we don't want you to miss it.

The 17th, 18th and 19th are the important dates for this month. The Annual Party Weekend in Paisley Florida will be held for the benefit of the 55th & 56th Florida State Square & Round Dance Conventions. Bingo, card games and other fun activities are planned throughout the weekend with a "big" square dance on Saturday after the 5:30 p.m. dinner. Whit Brown, Bill Chesnut and Charlie Pergrossi will be calling and Lisa Wall cuing. There are 24 hotel-type rooms available, or if you have your own camper or motor home bring it along for a super camping weekend. There is room for everyone, tents as well. Visit the web site at

[www.floridasquadredance.com/central/convention/deerhaven](http://www.floridasquadredance.com/central/convention/deerhaven)

for the location, map, cost and additional information including pictures. Download a copy of the registration form, fill it out and send it, along with your check, to Randy and Carol Poole ASAP to insure your choice of facilities. The cost for the weekend is all inclusive, with camping and non-camping packages available. The fundraiser for the 2010 convention at Plant City on the 28th of February was not as well attended as expected so lets show our support by attending the Party Weekend in Paisley. These events are very important...and very enjoyable as well. Dancing, what a good way to support anything! Once again, check the brochure tables at all the dances and remind your caller to "talk up" the state convention and to encourage their newly graduated students to attend. This is a great way for them to get their feet wet and to see what dancing fun is all about. Spread the word and we look forward to seeing you at Paisley and in Lakeland in May.

Yellow Rocks,  
Joanne Engum, Publicity Chr.



It's getting to be travel-time. We've got an upcoming State Convention in Lakeland, Florida and just several weeks later we have a National Convention in Long Beach, California. Guess what? The USDA website has the perfect answer to your travel concerns.



Fire up your computer. Start your favorite web browser and go to <http://www.usda.org> and select the ARTS online travel website link at the bottom of the USDA home page.

When you get to the travel site go through the list and select the USDA as your organization from the list of organizations. From there, just arrange your total travel package. You get your travel reservations taken care of the easy way and the USDA gets a reward for you booking your travel. You benefit and the USDA benefits. What could be easier?

If you need to purchase some items for your upcoming trips, the USDA has an answer for that, too. Use the on-line shopping mall at <http://usda.fundlinkllc.com>

Paul & Cheryl Miller  
Florida USDA Representatives



## CAPITAL TWIRLERS TALLAHASSEE

January: Since our last article left us in the doghouse and is probably floating around in cyber-space somewhere still, I certainly hope we catch up on everything this time!

Our new officers, the board and the club were met with a challenge at our very first dance of the new year.....should we do away with our fifth Monday dances.....how could expenses be kept down.....when and where would be the annual picnic. It was voted that we keep the fifth Monday dances and make them special nights and all members would bring food following the theme for that month. We decided to cut expenses by making our Christmas party a complete pot-luck rather than having club furnish meat, etc. We also voted to skip dance between Christmas and New Year due to so many outside activities. Picnic will be in April if possible to reserve place and date.

Only two dances this month due to the center being closed for New Year's day and Martin Luther King day.

February: This month we had a visitor all the way from Jacksonville. We hope to see him again as he has family in Tallahassee.

March: Only two regular dances this month as center had a special event on one of our nights. However March had a fifth Monday and our theme was pie night. Every dancer knows that good food only adds to our dancing enjoyment! Yum Yum!

Elmer continues to challenge us by putting us through new moves and calling old ones that seem like new to us again. He also called March 13th and 14th at the Sweetheart Festival in Jackson, Mississippi. We believe those dancers really had a great time.

Fran and Jim have also been busy teaching a rumba at the Georgia Round Dance Council and attending weekend dance in Plant City.

Yes, visitors are always welcome so please come dance with us anytime at the Tallahassee Senior Center, 7:30 till 9:30. Great caller, cuer and great wooden floor.

Submitted by Rose Blackburn

## T-N-T ROUNDS—PENSACOLA



A full year has come and gone since I first started cueing. I am glad to see the dancers coming to Ragon Hall to support me. Your time and help has been a tremendous boon as I have tried to improve my cueing ability. Thank you, ALL!!!

As a result, T-N-T Rounds is now officially a member of Northwest Florida Association as a cuer's club. It seems pretty obvious that we are not going away any time soon.

I would like to say a special thanks to Jim and Deecee for the wonderful support they have provided. They have travelled with Tim and me as we went to Louisiana for the LRDTA weekend for my first dance cueing in front of other cuers. They came along with me again as I cued for the Montgomery Association's monthly dance, the Opp Spring Dance, and the Florida Round Dance Council's Spring Weekend of Rounds.

Congratulations to the students that have just graduated Phase II Waltz. The graduates are Vern & Sybil, Seb & Lois, Wayne & Geraldine, Don & Alice, Jack & Joyce, Margaret, Pauline, Teka and Ron. I look forward to seeing you in the Phase III class.

Speaking of which, Phase III waltz class begins on April 6 and will run for 6 weeks. Classes will be held from 1:30-3:30pm at Ragon Hall. Completion of a Phase II waltz class is required (the class can be by any cuer). The fee is \$30.00 per person.



Terri at Montgomery Association Square Dance

Photo submitted by Jim & Deecee Walters




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# Motels for the 2009 State Convention

Registration Form

## 55<sup>th</sup> Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention

The Host Motel: Holiday Inn Lakeland - North  
Rate: \$75.00 plus tax 3260 Highway 98 North  
386-734-5295  
Lakeland FL

Best Motel 863-583-5691  
Comfort Inn 863-859-0100  
Howard Johnson 863-688-7972  
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Online Reservation Services:

<http://www.ytbtravel.com/artsdance?subid=010>  
(USDA/Arts Travel Site)

<http://usda.fundlinkllc.com>  
(USDA Shopping Mall - Travel sites)

<http://hotel-guides.us/florida/Lakeland/FL/USA/>



**May 22, 23, & 24, 2009**  
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## Advanced Registration

May 26, 2008 thru April 30, 2009 ----- \$27.00

Convention Box Office----- \$30.00

Per Person-Includes Tax

### Please Note

No mail in registration after April 30, 2009

Service Charge for NSF or returned checks: \$30.00

Cancellation Policy: Refunds will be cheerfully made until the doors

Open at 5:00 PM Friday, May 22, 2009

Cash or Checks only accepted at the Box Office

1 day ribbons sold at the Box Office

Spectator Ribbon – Free, Pick up at Box Office

Make checks payable to: 55FSDC and mail to:

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Deltona FL 32725

**May 22, 23, 24, 2009**

## 55<sup>th</sup> Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention Registration Form

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

First Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(His) \_\_\_\_\_ (Hers)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Dance Level:

Mainstream \_\_\_ Plus \_\_\_ A-1 \_\_\_ A-2 \_\_\_ C \_\_\_

Rounds: II \_\_\_ III \_\_\_ IV \_\_\_ V \_\_\_

For Registration Only: Ribbon # \_\_\_\_\_ Ribbon # \_\_\_\_\_

The Central Florida Square & Round Dancers' Association  
Invites all Dancers to



A dancer who is not an Association Member will be a Provisional Member of the Florida Federation of Square Dancers for the duration of the Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention after acceptance of the registration form.

The application of the Registration signifies that the Dancer will abide by the rules of the Convention, local Regulations and Laws.

Donations to the Florida Federation, the Florida Callers' Association, the Round Dance Council of Florida or their Conventions are not tax deductible for income tax purposes.

### *Square Dance Attire required at all Evening Sessions*

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