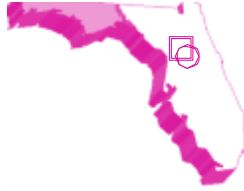


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January Shine January 21, 2017



Ted & Nancy Kennedy
 Squares



Terri & Tim Wilaby
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\$5.00 per person
 Workshops 12:30—2:30pm AI/A2 Workshop
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Map on reverse



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

HELP!!!!!!!

To all of the members of the NW Association of Square & Round Dancers:

We have a serious predicament that will confront the NW Association in 2017. Our current Vice President(s) and Treasurer will be retiring from the Board at the end of 2016. I will be running for Treasurer since Dave Henn, our current Treasurer, will be going off the Board at the end of 2016. Barbara & Brian McDonald, Association Secretaries have agreed to serve through 2017. The bottom line is we are in need of candidate(s) for President and Vice-President starting in January 2017.

Our nominating committee is busy searching for willing candidates to hold the office of President & Vice-President. Thanks to Brian & Barbara McDonald, JR & Wendy Smith, John & Libby Penrod & Joe & Patricia McLendon for volunteering to serve on the nominating committee whose purpose is to recruit willing candidates for officer positions on the NW Association Board commencing in 2017. I have included the pertinent sections of the NW Association By Laws that are relevant to Officer positions in general, election of officers and specific duties of officers.

To summarize, we need to have our candidates for Board positions in time for the 3rd Quarter Panhandle Press. The deadline for the 3rd Quarter Panhandle Press is June 15th. The election of Officers will take place at our 3rd Quarter Association meeting on July 30, 2016 at the Senior Center in Tallahassee. This meeting is in conjunction with our 2016 Roundup. By the way, this will be our 42nd Roundup. That means our Association has been in existence for at least 42 years.

Being a Board Member for the NW Association need not be intimidating. It is actually quite rewarding. For anyone who is considering volunteering to run for a Board position, you can count on any of the current and/or prior Board members to help with your transition. If you are interested and wish to get more information about becoming a NW Association Board

member please contact me or any of the aforementioned Nominating Committee members for additional information.

Our 2nd Quarter NW Association Meeting will be held on April 2nd at Grand Square Hall in Panama City immediately following the afternoon square dance workshop. Start time will be approximately 4:30 PM. This meeting is being held in conjunction with the Blue & White Ball/Swinging Squares Anniversary Dance. I hope everyone is planning to attend because this will be one fun dance!

Alec & Kay Schmidt
Presidents, NW Association



**DANCING DOLPHINS
FORT WALTON BEACH**

No report



**SWINGING SQUARES
PANAMA CITY**

No report

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Thank you!!!



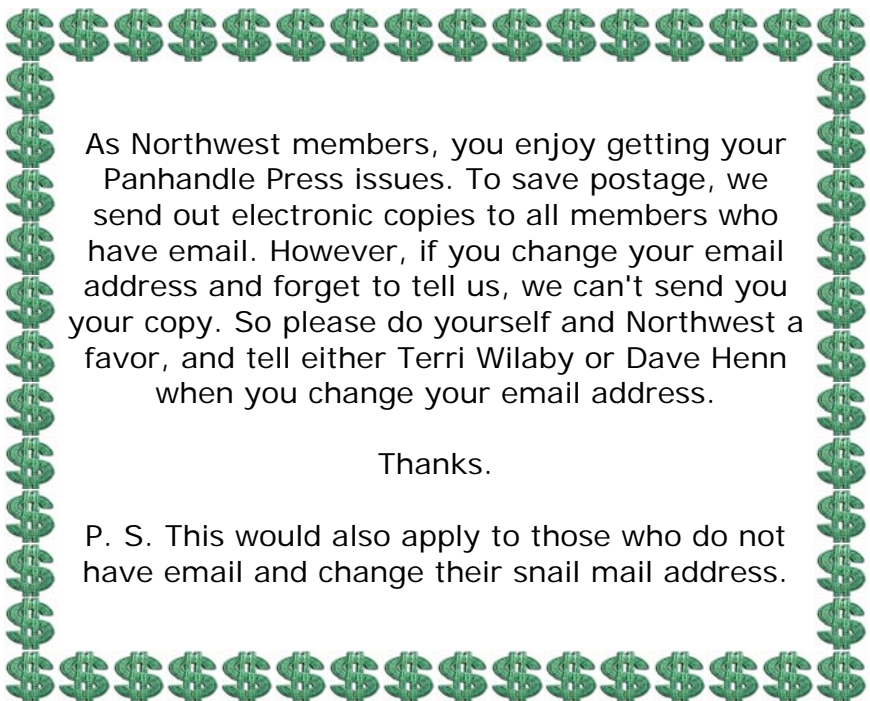
In Memoriam

Bob Huffmaster, dancer

March 14, 2016

June Walker, dancer

March 19, 2016



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Thanks.

P. S. This would also apply to those who do not have email and change their snail mail address.

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Libby & John Penrod, Dave Henn,
Barb & Brian McDonald, Kay & Alec Schmidt



Editor's Note

Spring is here and it's time to open up and clean out from...winter? Or did I miss it?? I know our snowbirds were complaining about it being cold, so we must have had a winter.

Spring means it's also time to get out and start visiting. Dances are starting to pop up around our area. Have you made plans to attend? If you make plans with another couple it's so much more fun. Conversations in the carpool can get quite interesting. If it's an overnight event, you can share a room to save expenses. Then it can get even crazier. I still remember the after parties after the after parties.

I know there are plans to have several clubs graduate new students. Now would be a great time to attend these graduations and welcome new dancers. Do you remember how nervous you were at graduation? Let's make them feel welcome. After graduation is when they can really learn how to dance better. They can start to relax and have a good time if they are among friends.

Summer is approaching fast. This means vacations and family visits, both here and at home. I wish everyone safe travels. And remember, before you leave, check to see if there are dances along the way or at your destination. Simply "Google" square dancing and the city you are traveling to or stopping in.

NWFSRDA MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 23, 2016
Ragon Hall
2600 Stratford Lane
Pensacola, Florida 1200 noon

Call to Order- Alec & Kay Schmidt

Invocation- Dave Henn

Pledge of Allegiance- Alec Schmidt

Roll Call- 6 clubs were represented with 13 in attendance.

Welcome- Visitors and guests- Alec Schmidt

Correspondence- Barbara McDonald- No cards but had other correspondence with Terri and officers.

Minutes- October 31, 2015 minutes approved as written with a motion made and seconded.

Treasurer's Report- Dave Henn NWF Roundup Report on Income of \$2555.00. Expenses total were \$2562.46 with a net loss of \$7.46. Total amount in the checking account was \$4090.72; Certificate of deposit \$7612.09; and Money market account \$1009.14 for total assets as of 1/19/2016 \$10,172.53. It was moved and seconded to accept the report.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Public Relations- Miriam Merriwether not present. No report.

Panhandle Press- Tim and Terri Wilaby. Cartridges are \$125.00. Terri would like the clubs to turn in articles as early as possible. The next due date is March 15th.

2016 Roundup report- Alec read what he received from John and Libby. He asked that all adds and money go to John Penrod for the Roundup in July, electronically. Please get the personal "adds" in as soon as possible to John. A live band called Southern Satisfaction will be playing Saturday night. The Capital Twirlers are paying for the band as a donation to the Association. The insurance has been applied for the Hall. The theme is Celebrate America and encourage dancers to wear patriotic colors. Ribbons are available and registration form is on the fliers. They are organizing committees at the club level for the food, auction, decorations, check in and local adds. Alec said they did a great job of organizing the Roundup for 2015.

NW Callers and Cuers- Bob Poyner said the next dance is the Sweetheart Swing in Panama City at the Grand Square Hall. It will be an all day dance starting 1400 and food.

USDA Insurance- Tom Hancock not present. One issue regarding Hobs middle school insurance. It was being taken care of by Carol. The Federation Web page explains the insurance coverage. There was a delay in coverage because not all the clubs had turned in the paper work for insurance.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2017 Roundup John and Libby Penrod. It will be October 27 and 28, 2017. We are looking at a different location in Niceville, maybe Edge Elementary School. It has a stage and Alec will make appointment with school. We could still be at Lewis school and Alec will be looking into venue.

Florida Federation- The dance today is to support the State convention. Sign up fliers, candy gram to purchase, and all are encourage to attend. The length of the convention has been cut down to Friday and Saturday will be over Memorial day weekend. Cheryl Miller gave report on the Federation. Gingerbread aprons you can wear Friday. The Trail End dance is Thursday night. T-shirts are available for \$12.00 to wear. There is a raffle and a vacation suitcase. The next Federation working weekend is February 27, 2016. There are business cards for the clubs to pass out to tell others about square dancing. Cheryl is collecting recycled clothing for the state convention, EB sales and door prizes for the benefit dance for 2017 so please call Cheryl.

OLD BUSINESS:

Status of DOY for 2016. Alec read the ballot, and then said each club was suppose to discuss and give him their one vote on one of the options. Last year we had less than 50% participation with 4 clubs submitting.

Ballot DOY

1. Do you want to:
 - a. Continue the DOY program as it has traditionally been?
 - b. Discontinue the Program all together?
2. If we continue the program, should we have the 2016/2017 DOY presentation at a NWFSRDA's Benefit Dance in October 2016 instead of at the round up in July 2016?
3. Should we not have a DOY for 2016/2017 since the Roundup is in July but, then have a DOY at the 2017 Roundup?
 - a. Skip the DOY for 2016?
 - b. Have a 2017 DOY and continue the program?

A vote was taken and included a written vote which had been turned in. Number One Choice was the majority with 5 clubs voting for it. We will suspend the DOY program indefinitely until we have sufficient interest and numbers to reinstate the program. We will not need a chairman for next year. Grand Square Hall offered to keep the Travel plaque on display. It was repaired. It will be delivered at the next meeting. Terry will shred old DOY materials. Alec thanked Terry and Jackie for revising and up dating the DOY program last year.

Cheryl Miller stated we have no motions in the minutes back to 2001 to change our Bylaws. Standing Rules regarding DOY must be voted on.

Cheryl also researched the past By Laws and minutes back to 2004 regarding the Money market fund and how it originated to help the square dance community. Federal ID for NW is "not for profit" and we are only exempt from Federal income tax. We are not exempt from state taxes. We have apply for

it. Do we want to put it in the Bylaws for yearly additions to the Money market account? The Money Market account is in name only and not in a separate account.

NEW BUSINESS

Nominating Chairman. Alec said the future of NW depends on our leadership and there is no intent to have the same people hold offices. We need to have new people and ideas. Three people on the board have exceeded their term limit and who will be going off next year. We need a president, vice president and treasurer. Alec is willing to be treasurer so Dave can retire. Alec has the duties of the officers. Nominating committee will consists of members from different areas are: Kira Story, Brian McDonald, and Terry Kramer.

New Club Applications: None. The Highsteppers was taken off the roll because they did not pay their dues or insurance for this year. Dave sent them several renewal notices.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Febr. 20, 2016 NW Callers & Cuers Sweetheart Swing dance, at Grand Square Hall in Panama City

Febr. 27, 2016 Canoe Squares Anniversary dance, Ragon Hall

April 2, 2016 Blue and White Ball at Grand Square Hall in Panama City. (44th anniversary).

NEXT MEETING: 4:30 April 2, 2016 Immediately following the square dance workshop.

ADJOURNMENT AT 1320 PM.





Northwest Florida Callers & Cuers Association

On behalf of all the Northwest Callers & Cuers, I would like to thank everyone who supported our Sweet Heart Swing this year in Panama City, not only with your attendance but a special thank you to all the dancers who helped us provide the dinner between the afternoon and evening session. The food was great and the fellowship was tremendous. We are truly blessed with the amount of talent we have in the Northwest Florida Callers and Cuers Association, thank you so much for your attendance and support.

I would encourage all dancers to support all the clubs and in particular the wonderful halls we have available to us to dance in. Those clubs who are fortunate enough to have the wonderful hardwood floors to dance on, and we have 3 in the Northwest area, Two of these are supported solely by square dance clubs/associations. It is a very expensive endeavor and requires dedication and hard work to keep these facilities going, with the support of the callers/cuers and the area dancers we will be able to continue to have these facilities available for our dancing pleasure.

Happy Dancing Everyone
Ted Kennedy

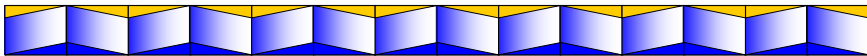


CAPITAL TWIRLERS TALLAHASSEE

We are happy to announce the officers of Capital Twirlers for 2016. President-Chuck Davis, VP-Ellen Guthrie, Secretary-Georgeann Hartsfield, Treasurer-Marilyn Lick, Member at Large-Phyllis Treadway.

We began a new series of classes, conducted by Elmer Sheffield, our wonderful and talented caller, on January 25th. We had a great response to our vigorous advertising campaign chaired by Ellen Guthrie. As of our 6th class, we have 12 new couples learning to dance!

Capital Twirlers are very excited to be hosting the 42nd Annual NWFSRDA Roundup in July. The date has been moved up to July in order to avoid the football weekend hotel prices. THE THEME OF THE DANCE WILL BE "CELEBRATE AMERICA" and the live band, "Southern Satisfaction" will be playing for your dancing pleasure on Saturday night! So, dust off your Betsy Ross dresses and your Uncle Sam's hats and come dressed in patriotic colors.



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1105 Bob Little Road, Panama City, Florida 32401

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SUNDAY---GRAND SQUARE ROUNDS

Easy/Intermediate Dance 1:30 - 3:00 PM
Intermediate Dance 3:30 - 5:30 PM
Cuer: Sandy Sturgis----- (850) 265-9488

MONDAY---BOP & SHAG DANCE CLUB

Doors Open & Lessons 6:30 - 7:30 PM
Dance 7:30 - 9:00 PM
Contact: Pam Wiggins----- (850) 532-4130

TUESDAY---SLICK KICKERS

Country & Line Dance 6:30 - 8:30 PM
Contact: Joe & Julie Gray----- (850) 258-9847

WEDNESDAY---OPEN

THURSDAY---SWINGING SQUARES

Early Rounds 6:30 - 7:00 PM
Class 7:00 - 8:15PM
Squares & Rounds 8:15 - 9:30 PM
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Caller: Chris Burchfield
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FRIDAY---BALLROOM DANCING

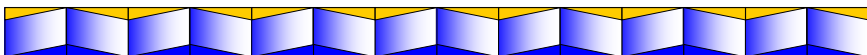
Ballroom with Basic Lesson 6:30 - 8:30 PM
Instructors: Dirk & Trisha----- (850) 277-0566

SATURDAY---OPEN FOR SPECIAL DANCES

Contact: Joe McLendon----- (850) 769-4218

IMPORTANT NOTES:

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AGAPE SQUARES NICEVILLE

Hi from the Agape Squares:
We graduated a new class of 12 dancers from Basic on January 25th. We welcome our new members and encourage other dancers to join us on Monday evenings.



Agape Squares had a free Open House on February 15th from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm. We are starting a new class of Basic on Monday, February 22nd, with our famous caller, Berlin Graham.

The Agape Squares meet at Crosspoint United Methodist Church, in the Fellowship Hall, on Partin Drive, Niceville Florida. We now have a wood floor. No more tripping on or getting stuck on the carpet when you dance. We are also working on the acoustics in the hall.

Please come and join us for Dancing, Food, Fellowship, and Fun every Monday evening. Class starts at 6:00 pm and Club Dancing starts at 7:00 pm.





62nd Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention “Sweet 16” May 27-28, 2016

Babies, Duds, Ranchers, Daddys, Bears, and even Jacks will be attending the 62nd Florida State Square and Round Dance Sweet 16 Convention May 27-28. (That is Sugar Babies, Milk Duds, Jolly Ranchers, Sugar Daddys, Gummi Bears, and Cracker Jacks.) Will you be there? Do you have your ribbon yet? As soon as PayDay is here, mail in your money to buy your ribbon. Make checks payable to: 62nd FSSRDC and mail to: Jack McKinney, 709 6th Avenue North, Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250 Phone: 904-249-3224 e-mail: jacknonemckinney@bellsouth.net

The Sweet 16 Convention will be a Marathon of great dancing for an entire weekend called by a Powerhouse of world famous callers. A lady named Godiva and another named Mary Jane are Snicker –ing over S'More information about how we'll all have Mounds of fun at the Convention. Word is out that it's going to be the best state convention in the Milky Way – or at least in the Southeast.

This is the only State Convention with a FUN HALL with a CandyGram Dance on Saturday night. You don't want to miss it! Take my word for it – I wouldn't Fudge about it. You'll want to be there to see who sent you a CandyGram and to see your friends get their CandyGrams. CandyGrams can be purchased in the next few months from various dancers carrying purple canvas bags with the word CandyGram on it. They cost only \$2 each (that's slightly more than Zero), so they won't break the bank. Your special someone will receive some candy with your own personal message.



Don't forget to buy your Road Trip raffle tickets. They cost \$5 for five tickets or \$2 for one ticket, and can be purchased from the association presidents. They can also be

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<http://www.floridasquaredance.com/convention/62/T-Shirts.html>

The Sweet 16 Convention committee has set the goal of 1,000 dancers attending the convention. YOU can help make this happen. Get a group of your friends and plan to go together. Carpool and eat meals together while in Lakeland. Life is short. Dance and have fun!

Susie Moon, Publicity



CANOE SQUARES MILTON

We appreciate all those who attended our Anniversary Dance. Dave Muller and Bob Pointer called a good dance. Terri Wilaby cued our dance. It was great to have the new square dancers participate.

Canoes would ask that all dancers keep Sandy Williamson, Patti Lewis, Harry Edwards, and Clariece Smith in their prayers.

A special thanks to the Snowbirds for joining us this winter. Have a safe trip home.

Canoes dance Mondays at 7:30pm at Hobbs Middle School, Milton, FL. Keep dancing everyone!

65th National Square Dance Convention Des Moines, Iowa June 2016

Press Release #3



Catch Des Moines. A city full of excitement and ease.



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Connect with nature at the Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden. Browse 15,000 exotic plants in the interactive display greenhouse. Enjoy lunch inside at Trellis Café. See why the botanical garden is among the best examples of American Victorian Second Empire architecture.



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PENSACOLA TWIRLERS
PENSACOLA

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GRAND SQUARE ROUNDS

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The Convention Chairpersons (Linda Tester, Dianne Syphard, Kathy McKinney) have been seen all over Florida dancing and promoting the Convention. When they're not at a dance, they're busy ironing out all the details to make this the best Convention ever.

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The SAND SPURS

FORT WALTON BEACH - by Jackie and Terry Kramer

As we rang in the New Year, Miriam held a special dance to help us celebrate the end of 2015. Four squares of dancers, including visitors, had a great time dancing to mainstream and plus level calls. Line dances were also enjoyed during the breaks between each square dance. This special dance was attended by families, along with their young children...all enjoying the festivities. Everyone also enjoyed the special treats that were provided by the *Sand Spurs*.

New "Square" and "Line" dance classes began in January with three squares attending on most Tuesday evenings, and the "Two Step Cued Ballroom" classes on Wednesday evenings are also being well attended. The participation rate in these classes has been great!

On the 11th of February, the *Sand Spurs* celebrated ***Saint Valentine's Day***.

Pictured below are Diane and Ann, two of our most enthusiastic *Sand Spurs* dancers, enjoying a short break in the decorated kitchen where many special treats were served.



They helped make up over three squares of fun loving dancers

which included our loyal locals and several "Snow Bird" visitors from the mid-west, all of whom enjoyed an evening of "Line", "Square", and "Ballroom" dancing provided by our diversified Caller...Miriam Merriwether.

I think David Parker (below) was very surprised to find a special celebration in honor of his (???) birthday on the 18th of February.

Everyone seemed to enjoy the evening, and especially sharing David's ice cream and cake.

Many *Sand Spurs* attended the *Sweetheart Swing* dance in Panama City on the February 20th and the *Canoe Squares' Anniversary Dance* in Pensacola on the 27th. Everyone said they had a great time at both!

The *Fort Walton Beach Chamber's* "Business EXPO" had the pleasure of seeing a square of *Sand Spurs* dancers performing at the Chambers' 1st monthly breakfast in March. Miriam said it was well received by the Chamber members. Hopefully, many of them and their friends will be



in the next class.

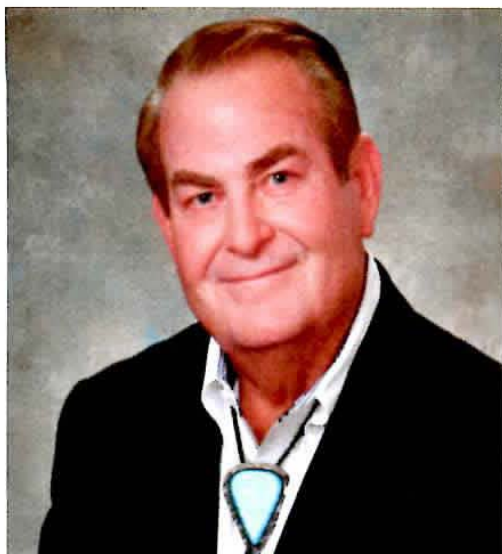
Miriam conducted a 3 hour workshop for “Plus” level instruction on Sunday afternoon, the 13th of March. Two squares of enthusiastic dancers enjoyed this session.



We invite and welcome everyone to come and enjoy each of our Thursday evening dances so they can experience the fun, fellowship and great exercise of square dancing (and maybe a little “Line” and “Round” dancing as well).



The SAND SPURS



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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, Mondays, 7:00—9:30 PM
Tallahassee Senior Center
1400 North Monroe, Tallahassee, FL
Jack Taylor (850) 877-2459

Dancing Dolphins

Caller: Roy Bernier, Tuesdays, 7—9 PM
Saint Simon's Parish Hall
28 Miracle Strip Parkway SW, Fort Walton Beach, FL
Roy Bernier (850) 651-6356

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 East Lloyd Street, Pensacola, FL
Patty Ping (850) 206-5084

Sand Spurs

Round Dance class, Tuesdays, 7:00—9:00 PM
Square & Line Dance class, Wednesdays, 7:00—9:00 PM
Mainstream/Plus club, Thursdays, 7:00—9:00PM
Caller/Cuer/Prompter: Miriam Merriwether
PASARDA Hall
17 Industrial Street, Ft. Walton Beach, FL
Miriam Merriwether (850) 974-0091

Seaside Squares

Caller: Various, Fridays, 7:30—9:30 PM
Cuer: Terri Wilaby
Ragon Hall
2600 Stratford Road, Pensacola, FL
Tim Wilaby (850) 512-5600

Swinging Squares

Caller: Chris Burchfield, Thursdays, 7—9:30 PM
Cuer: Sandy Sturgis
Grand Square Hall
1105 Bob Little Road, Panama City, FL
Joe McLendon (850) 769-4218

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) 712-5230 or panhandlepress@hotmail.com.

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PLEASE PRINT. THANK YOU.

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INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP ENTITLES YOU TO:

1. A Northwest Florida Association badge.
2. Four (4) issues of the Panhandle Press Newsletter.
3. Half-price admission to the annual Northwest Association Round-up in October.
4. Accident medical insurance (fee included in dues).
5. Representation at state and national levels.
6. Participation in Northwest Association functions.



Calendar of Events

April

1-2

63rd Alabama Jubilee, BSDA Hall
1024 Old Wlaker Chapel Road, Fultondale, AL
Caller: Mike Seastrom
Cuers: Huey & Heloise Dufrene
Lines: Diane Martin

2

Blue & White Ball, Grand Square Hall
1105 Bob Little Road, Panama City, FL
Caller: Darryl McMillan
Cuers: Sandy & Dave Sturgis

7

2016 Azaela Trail Trail-In Dance, Azalea Hall
5949 Bourne Road, Theodore, AL
Caller: Nick Hartley
Cuers: Terri & Tim Wilaby

8-9

2016 Azalea Trail Dance, Azalea Hall
5949 Bourne Road, Theodore, AL
Caller: Tom Miller
Cuer: Pauline Angress

22-23

Spring Fling, Grand Square Hall
1105 Bob Little Road, Panama City, FL
Callers: Larry Belcher, Willis Simmons
Cuers: Sandy & Dave Sturgis

22-24

Party Weekend, Deerhaven Retreat & Conference
47924 NFS 540-2, Paisley, FL
Caller: Mark Fetzer
Cuer: Susan Snider

29-30

On The Road Again, Rayne Civic Center
210 Frog Festival Drive, Rayne, LA
Callers: Ted & Nancy Kennedy
Cuers: Martin & Doris Philyaw



May

20-21 GA State Singles Association of Square & Round Dancers 34th Anniversary Dance, Howard Community Club, 5645 Forsyth Road, Macon, GA
Caller: Nick Hartley
Cuers: Jackie & Gene Tyre

26 Trail In to FL State Square & Round Dance Convention Strawberry Squares, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL
Callers: Dave Muller, Charlie Pergrossi
Cuers: Joanne & Ken Helton, Susan Snider & Mark Fetzer

27-28 Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention Lakeland Civic Center, 701 Lime Street, Lakeland, FL
Florida Callers and Cuers

June

18 Darryl & Darryl Dance, Central Hall Activity Center 1931 Central Parkway SW, Suite A, Decatur, AL
Callers: Darryl Lipscomb, Darryl McMillan
Cuer: Darryl McMillan

19-22 Roundalab Convention, Ames, IA
<http://www.roundalab.org/>

22-25 NSDC, Des Moines, IA
<http://www.65nsdc.org/>

July

9 Ice Cream Social, St. John Lutheran Church 2001 Hardy Street, Hattiesburg, MS
Caller: Rob Baird
Lines: TBD

16 July Jamboree, Ragon Hall 2600 Stratford Road, Pensacola, FL
Caller: Rob Baird
Cuers: Fran & Carl Keller



22-23 Mississippi Madness, Pearl Senior Center
110 Valentour Road, Pearl, MS
Callers: Rob Baird, Tony Oxendine
Cuer: Pauline Angress

22-23 Peachtree Promenade, Commerce Civic Center
110 State Street, Commerce, GA
Callers: Jerry Biggerstaff, Ken Bower, Steve Kopman,
Darryl McMillan, Gary Shoemake
Cuers: Sandy & David Sturgis

29-30 NWFSRDA Round Up, Tallahassee Senior Center
1400 North Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL
Callers: David Muller, Elmer Sheffield
Cuers: Susan Snider & Mark Fetzer

August

4-6 Tennessee State Convention, W. L. Mills Convention
Center, 234 Historic Nature Trail, Gatlinburg, TN
Squares, Rounds, Lines
<http://www.tnsquaredance.org/convention/>

20 Seaside Squares Anniversary, Ragon Hall
2600 Stratford Road, Pensacola, FL
Caller: Kevin Cozad
Cuers: Richard & Frances Matthews

25 Alabama State Convention Trail-In, Pell City Civic
Center, 2801 Stemley Bridge Road, Pell City, AL

26-27 Alabama State Convention, Pell City Civic Center
2801 Stemley Bridge Road, Pell City, AL

September

9-10 Southeastern Swing, BSDA Friendship Hall
1024 Old Walker's Chapel Road, Fultondale, AL
Callers: Ted Kennedy, Darryl McMillan,
Robert Townsend
Cuers: Sandy & David Sturgis



65th National Square Dance Convention Des Moines, Iowa June 2016

Is this your First National Convention?
First of all, if this is your first National
Square Dance Convention – GREAT!

We know it is a big deal and we have
some tips for you from other first-timers.

Second, we have a website that is full of information that will
help you get comfortable with what happens at a NSDC. The
address is www.65nsdc.org.

Third, once you get to Des Moines, the Iowa Events Center is
located at 730 3rd Street, very close to Interstate 235. De-
pending on which direction you approach the building you will
see a variety of names: original Veterans Memorial Building,
Community Choice Credit Union Convention Center, HyVee
Hall, Iowa Hall of Pride. There is a lot of parking: on the
street, parking lots, and parking ramps/garages. We under-
stand that the Skywalk will be interrupted by construction of a
new hotel closer to the Iowa Events Center. There are clear
directions for you to follow and it is safe.

Fourth, you may have noticed on the registration form that
there are other kinds of dancing going on besides square
dancing: rounds, lines, contra, and clogging. If you look at
the schedule in the Program Book, some of those types have
“intros” so you can go check them out and try a few new
styles.

Fifth, speaking of the Program Book, it is very important that
you order one. It has the schedules of what is happening

throughout the Convention Center. With it also comes 3 smaller daily schedules that you can carry with you. The Program Book is ordered through Registration. It costs \$10. If you did not already order one on the Registration form, you can send the money with contact information to the Registration & Housing Committee at P.O. Box 18, Preston, IA 52069. They will update your registration form. If we have extra Program Books [a few from overruns] they will be for sale at the Ways & Means table across from the Registration Booths for \$15. But do not count on getting one there because we do not order extra and the few quickly get purchased.

Sixth, once in the building you should make your way to the third level, west side of the building, Memorial Hall. There you will check in at Registration and pick up your packet. The Registration booths will be opened at 1:00 on Tuesday, June 21 and 9-9 on Wednesday-Friday. They will have limited hours on Saturday because almost everyone that is going should be there. In your packet you will find your badge, the Program Book, the 3 daily schedules and any other items you ordered. Wear your badge day & night!

Seventh, some other items you may have ordered might be Tours. We have some great tours of attractions in Des Moines and Iowa. There is a Tour tri-fold that has all the information on ordering tours. This is also done through Registration. Plus there is information on the website. The tours that you ordered will be available in your packet at Registration. You need to order early. Some tours will be cancelled because of low numbers. Other tours may have buses that are partially full so they can be ordered at the Convention. There will also be a Tour & Special Event table on the third level, near Registration. All tours will leave the Iowa Events Center so you need to get to that location at least 15 minutes before the tour leaves.

Eighth, the 65th NSDC will have shuttle bus passes - \$50 for 4 days [\$60 starting May 1]. There will be at least 3 routes: campground, downtown hotels, and 2 airport hotels. Depending upon which hotels have the most guests may increase the number of routes. Buses are expected to pick up/drop off every 30 minutes. There is even a bus starting at 7:00 a.m. and at 8:00 a.m. to get all the volunteer workers to the IEC. Generally buses will run from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 p.m. A Bus Pass is recommended!

Ninth, there will be a Special Event Wednesday evening from 6:45-7:45. Vocal Trash is a high-energy exciting music group. When you order this event through Registration, you will receive a green wrist band in your packet.

Tenth, there will be a Pork Be Inspired™ luncheon available Saturday from 11:30-1:00. For \$12 per person you will receive a delicious pork luncheon, a chance at many prizes and a Keynote Speaker who will engage and entertain you. Further information is on the website, through E-magazine and in confirmation materials. When you order this luncheon through Registration, you will receive a pink wrist band in your packet.

Eleventh, the 65th NSDC has the greatest collection of Vendors selling all kinds of dance wear, inner and outer. So if you left something behind or want to refresh what you have you should check them out.

Opening Ceremony for Convention

You are invited to attend the 65th National Square Dance Convention ® Opening Ceremony on June 22, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in HyVee Hall C. Before the opening you will be entertained by a drill and drum corp. from Des Moines. The Isis-ettes are a non-profit group organized in 1980 to give Des

Moines area youth something exciting and positive to do. The Isiserettes are composed of both males and females ranging from the ages of 7 to 18 years old. Two of the major goals set for the youth are to build character and social skills. They pride themselves on the ability to expose the group to other diverse communities and environments different from their own. The Isiserettes have traveled throughout the State of Iowa as well as the United States serving as ambassadors for the Black Community, City of Des Moines and the State of Iowa. They have marched in both of President Obama's presidential parades in Washington, D.C., as well as local parades, sporting events and other occasions. The team has been awarded numerous trophies and awards for their performances. The drill and drum corp is an exciting group of young people you won't want to miss.

The opening ceremony is a great way to kick off your 65th National Convention®. Greg Edwards, from the Des Moines Convention and Visitors Bureau, will be sure to get you ready to explore Des Moines with its many attractions. Mike Hogan will serve as the MC for the opening ceremonies. A special ribbon cutting is also planned.

There will be plenty of seating and the opening will get you ready for fun filled days of dancing, renewing friendships, and meeting new dancers.

Be sure to sign up for a great time in Des Moines.



SEASIDE SQUARES—RAGON HALL PENSACOLA

My Goodness! Have you ever seen such rain? And the snowbirds were complaining about it being cold!! Well, you sure couldn't tell at Ragon Hall! We certainly enjoyed having between 2 and 3 squares of dancers. And a big THANK YOU to all who danced with our class to help their confidence. I have heard several times from the students how wonderful it was to dance at the Canoe Squares Anniversary with everyone.



Did you get to help with the children from the Corry Recreation Day Care Center? The children came in dressed in their cowboy hats and a couple of the girls even came in a mock petticoat! It was a joy to watch them circle left and right, go into the middle and patti-cake and work a right and left grand. Of course, they had to show us their dances as well.



We are anticipating the graduation of the class on April 29th. Won't you come join us? It is also our pot luck night, so dinner and festivities begin at 6pm. Caller Ted Kennedy (along with their teachers Terri & Tim Wilaby) will have a wonderful time for anyone who would like to come. The class will be graduating Mainstream, so anyone can come.

As summer draws near, please keep up with our calendar. We have the Riviera Band and the Gospel Opry taking turns on Saturdays at the hall. Jazzercise will continue their schedule through the summer. They have their workouts on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 4:30-5:30pm. Terri and Tim Wilaby will be restarting the intermediate rounds on Wednesdays from 7:00-9:00pm. We also have a "wood turning" group which meets on the third Saturday of each month from 9:00am-12:00pm.

Please join us for both our July Jamboree on July 16 and our Anniversary Dance on August 20. Flyers are available on the Federation calendar located at

<http://floridasquaredance.com/>

Simply click on the appropriate month. See you soon!

*Spring has
sprung,*



*summer is
almost here*

*Now is the time to
dance, laugh and spread
some cheer!!*



*Arlene
Wool Woo!*



62nd Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention “Sweet 16” May 27-28, 2016

Bits o’ Honey and Reese’s Pieces!

Don’t be a big SOUR BALL! Be one of those SWEET TARTS or SUGAR DADDIES who will be at the 2016 convention. Buy your ribbons NOW! Now is definitely the time. Make checks payable to: 62nd FSSRDC and mail to: (Cracker) Jack McKinney, 709 6th Avenue North, Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250 Phone: 904-249-3224 e-mail: jacknonemckinney@bellsouth.net. Here is a link to a downloadable convention registration form:

<http://floridasquaredance.com/convention/62/62nd%20Registration.pdf>

If you buy your ribbon now, it’s only \$27, but if you buy it at the convention, it’s \$30. You’ll see Dianne Syphard, Linda Tester, and Kathy McKinney at various dances selling the ribbons.

If you purchase ribbons and can’t come to the convention, you can get a full refund, right up until the day before the convention. So you can’t go wrong. With a money-back guarantee, that’s a no-brainer. What a deal!

Where to stay during the convention? The Ramada Inn Hotel, 3260 US Highway 98 North (I-4 and Hwy 98, exit 32), Lakeland, FL 33805. Contact the hotel directly – 863-688-8080. Ask for the SQUARE DANCE RATE. Get your reservations in early. The hotel will fill up fast. (\$65.00 + taxes per night). Those who stay at the Ramada are invited to an ice cream after-party Friday night!! If you wish to stay at another hotel, this link has lots of options for you:

<http://floridasquaredance.com/convention/62/housing.html>

Maybe you want to camp? Check out Lakeland Carefree RV

Resorts, 900 Old Combee Road, Passport America Accepted, 863-687-6146. There are fifty sites reserved for square dancers at Lakeland RV. Ask for the square dancer rate of \$20. It's about a twenty minute ride to the Lakeland Center. Or check out SanLan Ranch Campground, 3929 US 98 South, Good Sam's and AAA accepted at 10% off. 863-524-5044

Don't forget to buy your Road Trip raffle tickets. They cost \$5 for five tickets or \$2 for one ticket, and can be purchased from the association presidents. They can also be purchased from Joan Amarino jnorve@netzero.com, Cheryl Miller pe.miller@mchsi.com, Dianne Syphard diannehall6@aol.com, Linda Tester lindactester@bellsouth.net, and Kathy McKinney jacknkathy1@bellsouth.net. For more information about the Road Trip Raffle and the Convention, visit this webpage - <http://floridasquaredance.com/convention/index.html>

The Sweet 16 Convention Committee met in Orlando on Feb. 27 as part of the Florida Federation "Working Weekend." All the convention plans are falling into place sweetly – decorations, callers, cuers, Fun Hall, vendors, registrations, program book, etc., etc. You will not be disappointed. The time to buy your ribbons is NOW.



Susie Moon
Publicity



65th National Square Dance Convention

Des Moines, Iowa



June 22-25, 2016

“Do the Iowa Scene in 2016”

65th National Square Dance Convention Des Moines, Iowa June 2016

The Vendor Committee is a very important function at any National Square Dance Convention. It contributes greatly to the financial success of the convention and is quite important to the dancers as fewer and fewer communities have square dance shops where one can shop close to home. With this in mind, when Barry & Anita Johnson, Chairmen of the Business Committee, asked us to chair this function, we thought long and hard before accepting the position of Vice-Chairmen of Vendors. We finally did in 2012, almost 4 full years before our 2016 convention. You can check with Barry & Anita as to why they pursued us but we guess the fact that we both will have attended 30 or more nationals by next June and were Vendor and Facilities Chairmen of Illinois State Square Dance Conventions for more than 20 years had something to do with it. We in turn when seeking out our committee members have sought experienced people who have been around the national and state convention scene, have had experience with vendors and are fast learners and good workers. We now have such a team and we'd like to share a little of their background with you. Our Directors of Vendor Security are Art & Wanda Kruse. They live in the St. Louis, Missouri, area. Art began dancing in 1973 and Wanda in 1981. They were the Assistant General Chairman of the 42nd National Square Dance Convention (St. Louis in 1993) and have danced at most nationals since then. They have also chaired two St. Louis area Jamborees and will be serving as the Services Chairman for the 67th NSDC to be held in Kansas City in 2018. As Directors of Vendor Security their responsibility is to help keep the Vendor area safe and secure from the time Vendors begin to arrive until they're on their way back home.

Another of the Vendor Committee's big jobs is to help the Vendors move in, park their rigs and move out of the IEC in a safe, orderly and efficient manner. Therefore, our move-in and move-out committee is another key function. Our Directors of this committee are Bob Dahnert and June Mycklebust; they hale from DeForest, Wisconsin. Bob and June have been dancing together since they met when Bob took lessons 27 years ago and June was one of his Angels. They have attended most national and state conventions since Bob graduated. Bob assisted on the Anaheim (1988) vendor committee and with security at Minnesota. At many Nationals they have been models in the style show and June has worked at the Sewing Clinic. They served as General Chairmen for the 2011 Wisconsin State convention. They have also worked with vendors at several state conventions. In their current role they have attended the last 3 nationals, our Pre-Convention meeting in Des Moines and several other important meetings as well as site visits in Des Moines so that we can become as knowledgeable as possible about the IEC facility.

Working with them are Scott & Brenda Deal of Iron Ridge, Wisconsin. Scott's been square dancing for 36 years, Brenda for 4 ½ years. After marrying and moving back to Wisconsin from California, Scott convinced Brenda to take square dance lessons. Following graduation, they became quite active at the club level as well as state and national level (currently the USDA Secretary). They are the webmasters for their area association, Wisconsin state and the WI State Square Dance Convention. This year they will be the Registration Chairman for the WI State Convention.

They have also really gotten into their Vendor jobs quickly. Since accepting their positions, they have attended the last two nationals spending many hours learning the ropes in the Vendor Hall, earning their club leadership certification at the Little Rock National and assisting with the sign-up of 2016 vendors while attending the 2015 National in Springfield. They also attended our 3-day Pre-Convention meeting as well as other meetings held in Des Moines.

More recently recruited to work with Bob, June, Scott and Brenda are Paul and Gloria Van Rooy. They live and dance in Madison, Wisconsin. They have been dancing for about 12

years and have attended every state convention since they graduated. They've been part of the state convention management team for three of those conventions and have attended three National Conventions—Des Moines will be their fourth.

In case you haven't noticed, our entire Vendor Committee lives outside of the State of Iowa (calling Illinois, Missouri and Wisconsin home) but in June we'll all be Iowans. Three of our five couples met through square dancing. If you add all of our national square dance convention attendance together, you'll come up with something close to 175 years amongst the ten of us! We feel honored to have some of the best and experienced committee members we could possibly have to help us with this important responsibility.

On the more personal side, Art and Wanda met in 1991, when she was cueing a dance that Art attended. They struck up a conversation and discovered that Wanda has just recently moved into an apartment four blocks away from Art's house. The following week they attended their first dance together and were married 11 months later. Bob and June met on the square dance lessons floor. Once Bob graduated they began attending more and more square dance events together and have just never stopped—that was about 27 years ago—and it happily continues on. Bob and Donna met while attending organizational meetings (1982) of the State Council of Illinois Square Dance Associations (SCISDA). After a long, long-distance courtship they were married in 1990. They are still active in SCISDA with Bob serving as the current Historian and Donna as the Chairman of the Hall of Fame Committee. Scott & Brenda met in Southern California. Their first date was at Downtown Disneyland in Anaheim. Brenda loved to dance but "no one square dances in California" and it took a relocation move to Wisconsin to convince her that she should try square dancing.

But enough about us, what will the Vendors have to offer you? We have worked hard to bring you as many vendors as possible, offering a wide selection of apparel, shoes, jewelry, badges and engraving, square dance publications, audio equipment, records, tapes, CD/DVDs, and other novelties we hope you will find interesting. Closer to convention time when our



vendor list is finalized, we hope to provide a list of specific vendors you can patronize while in Des Moines. For now, just plan to bring plastic and start saving your cash! The Vendors will love you.

The Vendors will open their doors on Thursday morning at 10:00 AM in Hall A of the Iowa Event Center and will remain open all day and into the evening Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Come visit early and often!

If you have any favorite vendors you are in contact with, please ask if they are signed up to be a vendor at the 65th National. We still have room for a few more and would love to fill all our spaces. Vendor prospects should contact Bob & Donna Carpenter, Vice-Chairmen of Vendors, at email: donna.matson@hollister.com.

Looking forward to seeing you at the largest square dance party in the world, the 65th National Square Dance Convention in Des Moines, Iowa, next June!



TNT ROUNDS PENSACOLA

January Shine 2016 was such a wonderful time! Thanks to Ted & Nancy Kennedy. We look forward to doing it again on 1/21/17.



Our swing class will be graduating on April 24 at 2:30 pm. Why not come join the revelry? We dance at Ragon Hall in Pensacola. Yes, we will do a lot of swing, however other rhythms will be danced as well.

After polling some of the dancers, the intermediate rounds will begin April 13 at 7:00 pm. The rhythm of choice is West Coast Swing. Such fun is in store for everyone!

We will be busy across the summer with the Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention in May and Roundalab and National Square and Round Dance Conventions in June. Florida's convention will be in Lakeland, FL across Memorial Day weekend. The other two conventions will be in Iowa. It's not too late to join any of these.

August and September are busy months for our dancers as they travel and visit family or family comes in to visit them. As such, we have nothing special planned other than our last Sunday cookouts. These follow the club finishes dancing at 5:30 pm.

Fall will bring the new class. Foxtrot will complete the sequence for some, having been with us for a couple years. Bring some friends and learn a great new activity. Check our website for details.

Ragon Hall
2600 Stratford Road, Pensacola, FL 32526
(850) 944-0322

Mondays

Jazzercise 4:30—5:30 pm

Instructor: Cindy Till (850) 232-0243, donaldhoffay@cox.net

Tuesdays

Jazzercise 5:30—6:30 pm

Instructor: Cindy Till (850) 232-0243, donaldhoffay@cox.net

Beginner Rounds 7:00—9:00 pm

Instructor: Tim/Terri Wilaby (850) 712-5230, terriwilaby@hotmail.com

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Jazzercise 4:30—5:30

Instructor: Cindy Till (850) 232-0243, donaldhoffay@cox.net

Intermediate Rounds 7:00—9:00 pm

Instructor: Tim/Terri Wilaby (850) 712-5230, terriwilaby@hotmail.com

Thursdays

Jazzercise 5:30—6:30 pm

Instructor: Cindy Till (850) 232-0243, donaldhoffay@cox.net

Gulf Coast A's A1/A2 Square Dance Club 7:00—9:00 pm

Caller: Bob Poyner (850) 834-3548, bnapoy@gtcom.net

Fridays

Seaside Squares Mainstream/Plus Squares with Rounds 7:30—9:30 pm

Various callers, President Tim Wilaby (850) 512-5600,

timwilaby@hotmail.com

Saturdays

Assorted activities, see our calendar @

<http://www.floridasquaredance.com/ragonhall/index.html>

Sundays

T-N-T Rounds 3:30—5:30 pm

Cuer: Tim/Terri Wilaby (850) 712-5230, terriwilaby@hotmail.com



Caller
Rob Baird
Houston, MS

**Seaside
Squares
July
Jamboree
July 16, 2016**



Cuers
Fran & Carl Keller
Pensacola, FL

DBD/Plus Workshop

3:00pm—5:00pm, \$5.00 per person

Evening Dance

Alternating Mainstream/Plus Squares and
Rounds

7:00pm—9:30pm, \$10.00 per person

Ragon Hall, 2600 Stratford Road, Pensacola, FL

(850) 944-0322 terriwilaby@hotmail.com

Officers

The officers consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Nominations and election of officers are conducted in the manner provided by the Bylaws. The term of office for each officer is one (1) year and shall run from the date of the Annual Roundup meeting in October to the following Annual Roundup meeting. No person may hold the same office for more than four (4) consecutive years. The Northwest Association fiscal year will run from November 1 through October 31 of each year.

The duties of the officers are provided in the Bylaws. No caller, cuer, and/or his/her spouse shall be eligible to serve as a Northwest Association Officer.

A person shall be a current individual member of the Northwest Association and/or be a member of a Northwest club at least one (1) year prior to being nominated for an office position.

Duties of Officers

The President shall:

Preside at all meetings of the Northwest Association;

Serve as ex-officio member of all committees;

Appoint and/or remove chairpersons of committees subject to approval of the Board of Delegates;

Follow up on all action taken on behalf of the Northwest Association;
Prepare agenda for all Northwest Association meetings;

Appoint an audit committee to audit all financial records of the Northwest Association;

Provide a current individual Northwest Association membership roster to the nominating committee;

Write, (or cause to be written) as often as practical, articles for publication in the Panhandle Press, Bow & Swing and other similar publications reporting events in the Northwest Association;

Submit a list of new officers to the Treasurer, Panhandle Press, and Bow & Swing with their names, addresses, e-mail addresses, and telephone numbers as soon as possible after election.

The Vice President shall:

Assume the duties of the President in his/her absence. Perform all other duties the President may appoint him/her to do.

Be a member of the Program and Insurance/Membership Committees. As a member of the Program Committee this includes acting as Chairman for the Annual NW Association Round Up.

The Treasurer shall:

Be Custodian of all funds and accounts of NWFSRDA;
Receive all dues, fees, or other monies collected; Pay all Northwest Association bills;

Prepare a written report of Northwest Association finances for each quarterly meeting and at the close of his/her term of office;
Furnish all Board of Delegate members a roster listing members whose dues are 45 days in arrears;

Maintain a current registry of Northwest Association clubs and individual memberships;

Furnish a copy of current registry of Northwest Association clubs and individual memberships to the Executive Board and the Newsletter Committee;

Order badges for new members; □ Order the ribbons/dangles for the Roundup and any other dance sponsored by NWFSRDA;
Notify clubs and individual members of dues owed; Submit IRS report, if required;

Complete and send the Northwest Association Annual Report to the Florida Secretary of State;

The Secretary shall:

Keep a record of proceedings of all Northwest Association business;
Keep and maintain a Northwest Association attendance record; □ Keep and maintain a list of all Northwest Association committees; Send cards to members who are sick or have a death in the family; Prepare a brief of the minutes of each Northwest Association meeting;

Deliver or mail minutes of each Northwest Association meeting to each Executive Board member, Delegate. Delegate-at-Large, Past Presidents who maintain NWFSRDA membership, Committee Chairpersons,

and the Callers Association Liaison no later than three (3) weeks following each meeting;

Conduct all the necessary correspondence of the Northwest Association;

Notify Executive Board members, Delegates, Delegates-at-Large, Committee Chairperson, and the Callers Association Liaison of all Northwest Association meetings at least one calendar week prior to each regular meeting and as far in advance as possible of each special meeting;

Retain an electronic current copy of the Constitution, By-Laws, and Standing Rules to facilitate the re-issue of these amended documents.

Election of Officers

Section I . The President of the Northwest Association shall appoint a nominating committee no later than the second quarter meeting of each year. No member of the current Executive Committee shall serve on the nominating committee. A current individual Northwest Association membership roster shall be furnished to the nominating committee chairperson at the time of their appointment.

The nominating committee shall select a slate of nominees to fill the offices of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

B. Every effort shall be made to fill the offices from all areas of the Northwest Association. Preferably no two officers will be from within a 40-mile radius of each other.

C. The nominee slate selected will be reported to member clubs in the third quarter newsletter (if list of slate is available in time) or by other means no later than the third quarter meeting of each year.

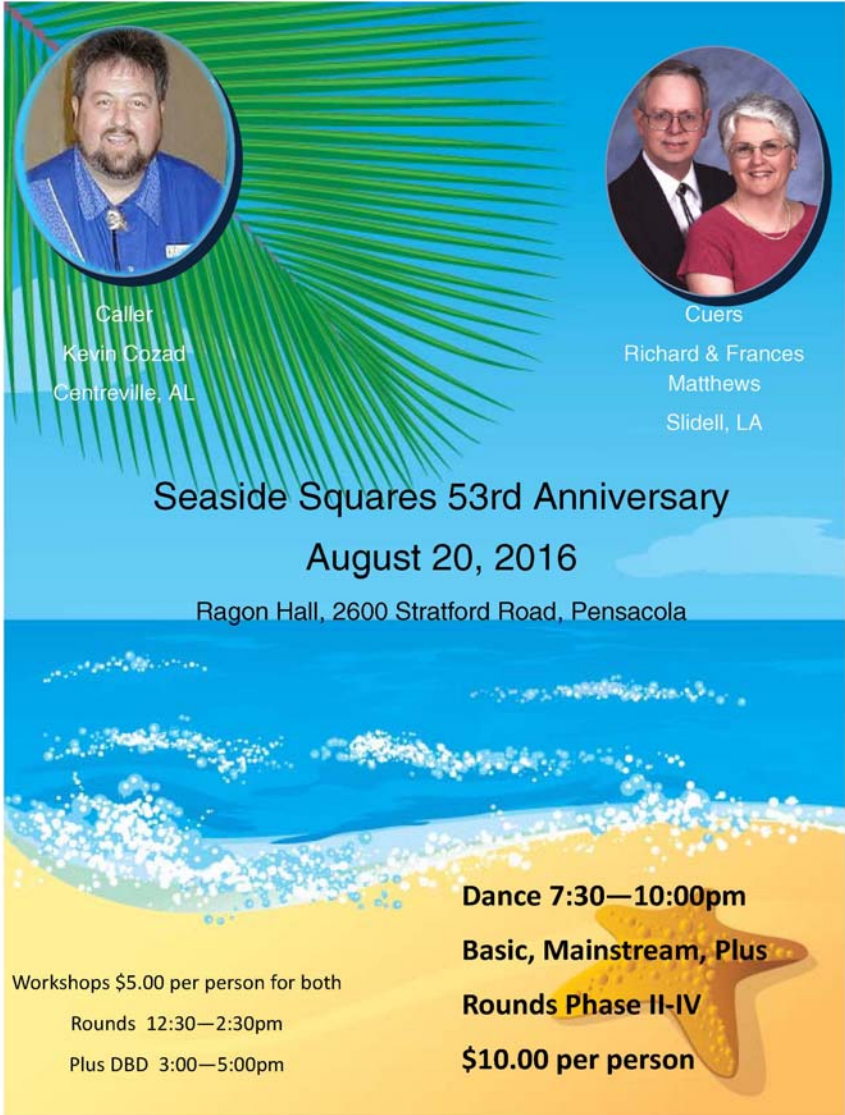
D. The last item of old business at the third quarter meeting shall be the report of the nominating committee, at which time additional nominations (if any) shall be accepted from the floor. No one shall nominate an individual who has not previously consented to having his/her name place in nomination.

E. After the nominations have been closed, the delegates present shall vote for one nominated candidate, for each office.

F. Voting shall be by secret ballot and the candidate receiving the majority of votes for the office will be elected.

G. Balloting may be dispensed with when there is but one candidate for the office.

H. The officers shall be installed at the Roundup meeting in October of each year. The outgoing officer shall assist the incoming officer during the remainder of the Roundup to facilitate the transition.



The poster features a blue sky background with a large green palm frond on the left. At the bottom, there is a stylized illustration of ocean waves crashing onto a sandy beach. Two circular portraits are positioned at the top: one of a man on the left and one of a man and a woman on the right. Text is arranged in columns and centered sections.

Caller
Kevin Cozad
Centreville, AL

Cuers
Richard & Frances
Matthews
Slidell, LA

Seaside Squares 53rd Anniversary
August 20, 2016
Ragon Hall, 2600 Stratford Road, Pensacola

Workshops \$5.00 per person for both
Rounds 12:30—2:30pm
Plus DBD 3:00—5:00pm

Dance 7:30—10:00pm
Basic, Mainstream, Plus
Rounds Phase II-IV
\$10.00 per person

Advanced Registration

May 23, 2015 thru May 24, 2016
Convention Box Office
Per Person-Includes Tax

\$27.00 pp.

\$30.00 pp.

Cash or Check only

NO CREDIT CARDS

SPECIAL RATES FOR YOUTH

Those youth that have not reached their 16th birthday by June 1st, 2016 will be admitted at HALF PRICE when pre-registering for the full program on or before the May 24th cutoff date

Please indicate "YOUTH" by the name on your registration form!

Please Note

Mail in registrations received after May 10, 2016; ribbons must be picked up at the convention center box office
Service Charge for NSF on returned checks: \$30.00
Cancellation Policy: Refunds will be cheerfully made until the doors open at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 27, 2016
1 day ribbons sold at the Box Office

Make checks payable to: 62nd FSDC and mail to:

Jack McKinney Phone: 904-249-3224
709 6th Avenue North e-mail: jacknmemckinney@bellsouth.net
Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250

The Florida Federation of Square & Round Dancers
invite 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 for 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 requested at all Evening Sessions

62nd Convention Executive Board

General Chairman Kathy McKinney
Assistant Dianne Syphard
Assistant Linda Tester
Assistant Ray & Elsa Huddleston
Caller Chairman Charlie & Sara Beth Pergrossi
Cuer Chairman Susan Snider & Mark Feizer
Treasurer Jack & Barbara Hofman
Registrar Jack McKinney

May 27 & 28, 2016 62nd Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention Registration Form

Last Name: _____ (Please Print)
First Name _____ (His) _____ (Hers)
Address _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____
County _____ Phone: (____) _____
E-mail: _____
Primary Dance Club _____

For Registration Only: Ribbon # _____ Ribbon # _____

MOTELS FOR THE 2016 STATE CONVENTION

THE FOLLOWING HOTELS, MOTELS & CAMPGROUND SUPPORTED
THE 2015 CONVENTION WITH ADS

The Host Hotel for 2016 is:

Ramada Lakeland Hotel

3260 US Hwy 98 North
Lakeland, Florida 33805
(863) 688-8080

\$65.00 + tax. Ask for Square Dance Rate
(Price includes 2 free breakfasts each morning)

Comfort Inn & Suites	863-859-0100
Holiday Inn & Suites	863-595-4500
Imperial Swan Hotel & Suites	863-647-3000
Stay Inn & Suites – Barrow	863-533-0711
Travelodge – Hwy 98 N	863-858-4481
Lakeland Carefree RV Resorts	863-687-6146

Trail-End Dance

Strawberry Squares Hall
4401 Promenade Blvd
Plant City, FL 33563
Thursday, May 26, 2016
Early Rounds 7:00 pm – 7:30 pm
Squares 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm

Registration Form

**62nd Florida State
Square and Round Dance Convention**



May 27 & 28, 2016
Lakeland Center
Lakeland, FL

Sponsored by:
Florida Federation of Square Dancers
Florida Callers Association
Round Dance Council of Florida

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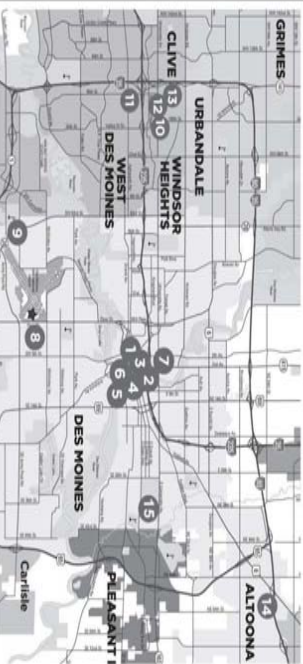
Instructions for Registration (left side)

- Print highly all names, address, city, state, zip code, country, and 810 of youth (age 5-17 by 4/27/2016 -1/2 period) to ensure correct registration.
- Send to the center correct registration. Schoolwork including registration fee for each dancer plus quantity and amounts for all other materials and costs.
- Important Daily schedules are only available with the purchase of a Program Book. Daily schedules will not be available separately at the Convention. Most dancers will want to purchase the Program Book.
- Correctly calculate the local and include credit card information (with signature), check or money order payable in U.S. funds to the 65th National Square Dance Convention® and return it with the Registration form.
- Use Best Send Card. No Single Day Registrations Sold.
- By Camping, indicate BY Camping on your Registration form, and enclose the required fees (one-night minimum) for the camp. Registration fee for campers is \$20.00. Campers must arrive at the camp station in a first come, first serve basis. There are 30 camp & 50 camp sheltered units with water, some full hookups. No dump station - pumping services for a fee. If you plan to camp together, you must arrive together. For more information contact RV Chairman.
- Letter & Mary Ann Smith, Rhythm2016@hotmail.com, home phone 641-342-9448 cell phone 366-941-7469
- Bus Pass bus will stop at Convention sponsored hotels 1, 3-9 and the State Fair Campground.
- Bus forms and Payments are to be mailed directly to 65th National Square Dance Convention®, PO Box 18, Pleasant Hill, IA 50159. For our information and form go to www.65nsdc.org and click on: include completed bus A \$10.00 fee per registrant; will be assessed for cancellation. No refund after April 30, 2016.

Instructions for Housing (right side)

- The 65th NSDC Housing Committee is partnering with Greater Des Moines Convention & Visitors Bureau (GDMCVB) Housing Bureau to provide access website access for housing reservations. Dancers can make reservations online by going to www.65nsdc.org. The GDMCVB Housing website can be accessed to view the hotels, see photos of rooms and make reservations. Dancers who choose, may make housing reservations using the printed registration form, the same way dancers have made housing reservations for past Conventions.
- Complete the housing portion of this form only if you choose not to make your hotel reservations online at www.65nsdc.org. This form must be received by May 15, 2016 to reserve the 65th NSDC contracted room rates. If you request housing at hotel codes 1-7, you must bring a minimum of four (4) nights, including Wednesday through Saturday, for a total of 28 nights. For hotel codes 8-15, you must bring a minimum of 3 nights, including Wednesday through Saturday, for a total of 9 nights. All requests must include a hotel reservation request. Please list all room occupants. (The Housing Committee does not find or assign roommates.)
- Only one person per room should complete a hotel reservation request. Please list all room occupants. (The Housing Committee does not find or assign roommates.)
- Shared Rooms or Same Hotel Requests: Online requests should be made by one person per room to guarantee that you will be in the same room. To guarantee reservations at the same hotel one person from the group should make the reservations. Please list all room occupants. Mailed reservations must be in the same envelope and mailed to arrive together.
- All Booked Housing requests staying in same hotel are due by **January 2, 2016** submitted with name and telephone number.
- Indicate for (4) doctors of housing preference, by specifying hotel code number. 8= sure to include 1 or 2 hotel as well as preferences. Hotels will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis according to availability.
- Hotel Reservations must be guaranteed with a valid credit card, expiration date and the arrival date. Your credit card will not be charged in advance of arrival and an alternative form of payment may be presented at check-in.
- Hotel Confirmation: You will receive a hotel confirmation via email or mail. If you do not receive your confirmation within 30 days, please contact the 65th NSDC Housing Committee by: (a) email: registrar@65nsdc.org (b) phone 565-954-0117; (c) mail: Registration/Housing 65NSDC, PO Box 18, Pleasant Hill, IA 50159 through June 15, 2016. Please note hotel codes 1-7 are mail registration/housing 65NSDC, PO Box 18, Pleasant Hill, IA 50159. Mail requests that do not include a confirmation email will follow in July.
- Address/Registration email: Confirmation email will follow in July.
- Hotel Change/Cancellation: After receiving Hotel Confirmation, if you need to cancel/change your Hotel reservation you must use the link provided in your hotel confirmation email or contact the 65th NSDC Housing Committee until June 15, 2016. As of June 16, 2016 contact the hotel directly for change/cancellation. The policies vary for each hotel and will be noted in the room reservation agreement.
- Hotel Early Departure: You must contact your hotel as the policies vary for each hotel.

Map of Hotels and Campground



Hotel Code	Hotel Name	1 Person	2 People	3 People	4 People	Distance
1	Des Moines Marriott Downtown (SOLD OUT)* #	\$134	\$134	\$134	\$134	.4 Miles
2	Country Inn & Suites Event Center/Center	\$125	\$125	\$125	\$125	.22 Miles
3	Renascence Des Moines Sawney Hotel #	\$138	\$138	\$148	\$158	.45 Miles
4	Embassy Suites Des Moines Downtown # #	\$165	\$175	\$185	\$185	.52 Miles
5	Residence Inn Des Moines Downtown # #	\$149	\$149	\$149	\$149	.64 Miles
6	Hampton Inn & Suites Des Moines Downtown #	\$169	\$169	\$169	\$169	.67 Miles
7	Holiday Inn Downtown at Mercy Campus* (Vendor Hotel)	\$140	\$140	\$140	\$140	.81 Miles
8	Holiday Inn Airport & Conference Center*	\$109	\$109	\$109	\$109	6 Miles
9	Baymont Inn & Suites Airport Conference Ctr *	\$129	1 King - \$139			9 Miles
	No bus service to hotels 10-14					
10	Valley West Inn	\$95	\$95	\$95	\$95	8 Miles
11	Sherraton West Des Moines	\$149	\$149	\$149	\$149	9 Miles
12	Wildwood Lodge	\$139	\$149	\$159	\$159	9 Miles
13	Starling Hotel & Suites	Single Queen - \$99	Single Double/Queen - \$119			9 Miles
14	Prairie Meadows	1 King - \$119	2 Queens - \$119			11 Miles
15	Iowa State Fair Campground*		\$35 Per Camp Site			3 Miles

* Bus Service Available - if Parking Fees Apply
 Hotels 1 - 7 Require a Night Minimum Stay Wed. - Sat.
 The "Together Team" of the 65th National Square Dance Convention® is committed to making our convention fun and enjoyable for you! Call or Email us if you have a concern or suggestion. Call (563) 594-0117 or Email regchair@65nsdc.org

Northwest Florida Square & Round Dance Association 42nd Annual Round Up



July 29-30, 2016

Tallahassee Senior Center
1400 N. Monroe St., Tallahassee, FL 32303



Northwest Caller
Dave Muller



Featured Caller
Elmer Sheffield, Tallahassee, FL



Featured Cuers
Susan Snider/Mark Fetzer

Friday Evening:

7:00-7:45 pm Early Rounds & Fun Level Squares
8:00-10:00 pm Squares w/Rounds between tips
Squares dance levels: Mainstream/Plus/DBD/A1-A2
10:00-10:30 "Musical Highlights"

Saturday Morning & Afternoon:

NWFSRDA Meeting 9:45 am
Afternoon Workshops:
Rounds Workshop 1:30-3:30 pm
Squares Workshop 1:30-3:30 pm

Separate Dance Halls

Mainstream/Plus/Rounds
Advanced



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7:00-7:30 pm Early Rounds & Squares
8:00-10:00 pm Squares w/Rounds between tips
Dance levels: Mainstream/Plus/DBD/A1-A2
10:00-10:30 "Musical Highlights"

Weekend - \$10.00 Per Person NWFSRDA Member / \$20.00 Non-Member

Split Ticket-Non Member Friday Night \$10.00 Per Person / Saturday Workshop & Dance \$15.00 Per Person

Information contacts: John or Libby Penrod (850) 566-2130 Email: penrod.jp@comcast.net
Alec or Kay Schmidt (850) 678-8711 Email: aschmidtmd@aol.com

Purchase "Advance Ribbons", Make check payable to NWFSRDA: Mail to: John Penrod, 2786 Pecan Rd., Tallahassee, FL 32303
Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope for return of your ribbons.

Name: _____ Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Number of Ribbons # _____ Member per person \$10.00 _____ Non Member per person \$20.00 Check Enclosed: \$ _____

Request of Pre-Register ribbons received after: July 12, 2016 will be held at the door for pickup. Thank you for your support!

DIRECTIONS TO HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS

West of Tallahassee

Traveling East on I-10 towards Tallahassee
Take Exit 199 (US-27-Fairgrounds-Civic Center)
Turn Left on US-27 (N. Monroe St.) Stay in left lane.
Pass through one traffic signal and move to far Left turn lane.
In .1 mile turn Left and Left again after entering hotel area.
Best Western Plus is straight ahead.

Accommodations

Best Western Plus -- 2727 Graves Road
850-562-7200
Ask for NW Square Dance rate: \$89.00/night
Includes complimentary hot breakfast
Reservation Deadline: July 1, 2016

East of Tallahassee

Traveling West on I-10
Take Exit 199 (US-27-Fairgrounds-Civic Center)
Turn Right on US-27 (N. Monroe St.)
Immediately move to far Left turn lane
In .1 mile turn Left and Left again after entering hotel area. Best Western Plus is straight ahead.

South of Tallahassee

Traveling North on US-27
Turn Right onto North Monroe Street in front of the Capital
Continue North on Monroe Street moving to the left lane before you cross over I-10; about 4 miles.
After crossing I-10 pass through one traffic signal and move to the far Left turn lane.
In .1 mile turn Left and Left again after entering hotel area. Best Western Plus is straight ahead.

North of Tallahassee

Traveling South on US-27.
Makenzie Gas station on right and Wal-Mart on the left hand side, move to the far Right lane.
Turn Right into hotel area just after passing Baymont Inn & Suites on your right
Turn Left and the Best Western Plus is straight ahead.

Directions to Dance

From the Best Western Plus: Turn Right onto US-27 (North Monroe Street)
Continue approximately 2.8 miles on North Monroe St.
Sr. Center is on the corner of 7th Avenue & N. Monroe St. on your right just after the SONIC Drive-in.

NWFSRDA 42nd Annual Roundup
Tallahassee Senior Center
1400 North Monroe Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32303

Information: John or Libby Penrod (Voice or Text: John: 850-566-2130 or Libby: 850-566-2117)
Email: penrod.jp@comcast.net or libbypenrod@comcast.net



*Seaside Squares cordially
invites you to our class
graduation on Friday,
April 29, 2016 from
7:30pm–9:30pm. Pot luck dinner be-
gins at 6:00pm. All are
welcome! Join us in
welcoming new dancers to our
wonderful activity.
Ragon Hall, 2600 Stratford Road
FNT (850) 944-0322*



SWINGING SQUARES PANAMA CITY

Swinging Squares have new officers and the club also started new square dance lessons in January. The officers for the 2016 year are:

President: Mary and Jim Riley

Vice President: Cherie and Bill Mullins

Treasurer: Joe and Patricia McLendon



January was an exciting month because 16 new couples began square dancing. The club agreed that an advertisement in the News Herald brought several new faces to the club. There are also some dancers who are taking lessons again to refresh their skills. It is great to see so many smiling faces on the dance floor and everyone seems to be having such a good time. We have angels that help the class and we even have some men who will put on a skirt and dance the woman's part. What great sports!

The Swinging Squares are also enjoying having Hugh Gibbs as their new caller. Although Hugh has called before, he did take some time off in 1982 while he continued his career in the military. Hugh started square dancing in Oklahoma in 1969 and then a year later, he began calling. He also started a square dance club in Germany. After 28 years, Hugh came back to square dancing while he was living in Dothan,



Alabama, in 2010. During this time, he met De-de, his wife, and she also comes to the Swinging Squares. We are so elated to have Hugh calling for the club. Hugh also offered the new dancers a workshop on Saturday, February 27th, and many students attended this workshop and they enjoyed dancing with calls they have already learned. It was a great review.



In February, "Introduction to Plus", continued on Saturdays, (February 5th and February 12th). The caller, Bob Poyner, is doing a terrific job instructing those who want to learn or just brush up on PLUS square dance calls. The workshops are on Saturdays from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and afterwards, many get together and go for dinner at various restaurants in the Panama City area. In March, the Swinging Squares had 2 more of these workshops and Bob was so kind to extend the workshop for an extra hour. Friends brought salads, desserts, and the club ordered pizzas for everyone to enjoy after the workshop. Bob's wife, Ann, also comes and when an extra gent is needed or an extra lady, she is ready to step in and help. She actually met Bob while square dancing 51 years ago! The next Swinging Squares Plus workshop will be from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m., on April 16th.



The Sweet Heart Swing on February 20th at the Grand Square Hall, was attended by several dancers from the surrounding areas in the Panhandle. The Northwest callers and cuers hosted this fabulous day and they offered square dancing, (Mainstream, Plus, and Hot Hash), rounds, and line dancing. They served delicious soups, salads, and desserts. There were 6 squares and everyone had a great time.



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c/o 1614 Galvin Avenue
Pensacola, FL 32526-8423

Mail to:

Robert & Gwen Doyle
3735 E. 9th Street
Panama City, FL 32401

POSTMASTER: Dated material, please deliver by Apr 5, 2016.