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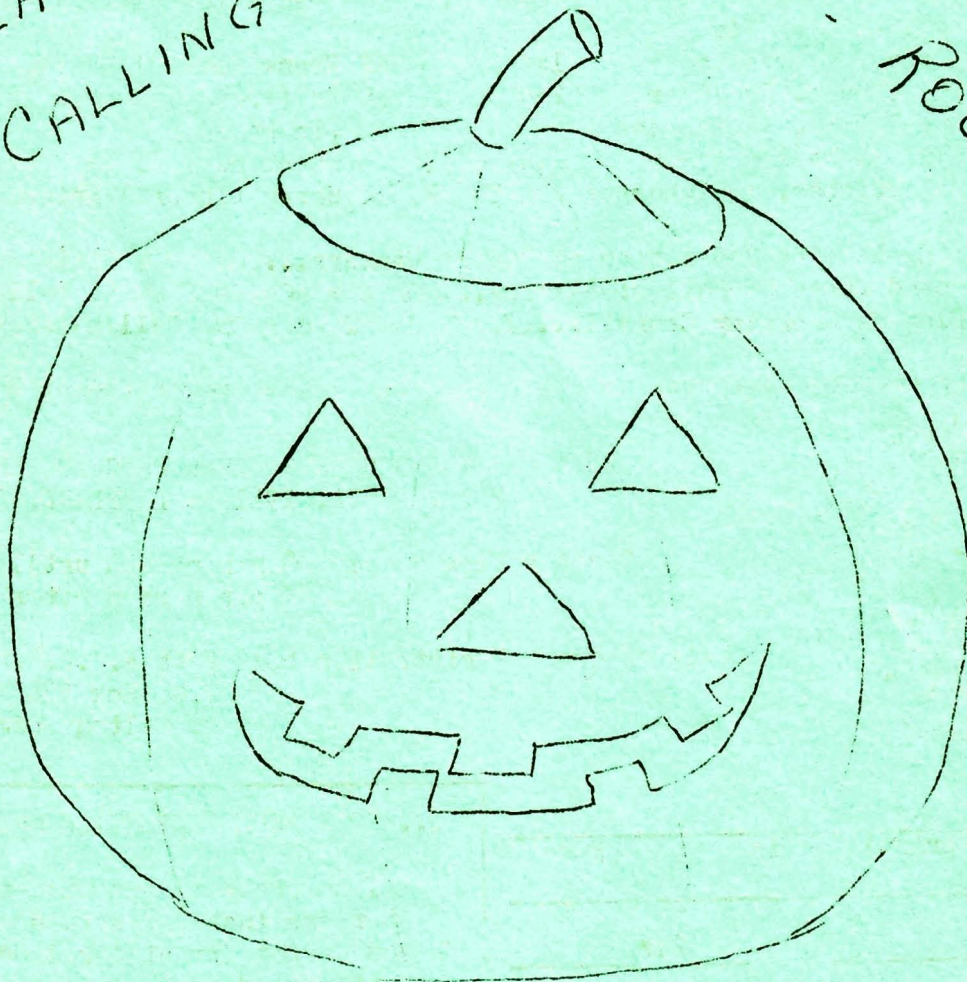
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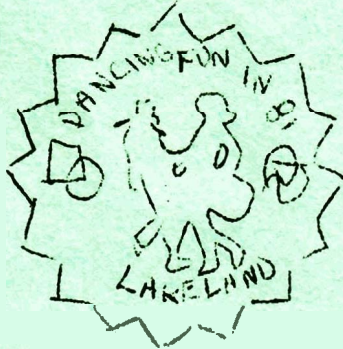
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... NOTE FROM CONVENTION CHAIRMAN...

I am proud to announce that all 44 rooms that I reserved at the Red Carpet Inn at Lakeland for the Northwest dancers in May, 1981 have been filled. I suggest that all other Northwest dancers make reservations at Howard Johnsons or Hilton, both very close to the Red Carpet. Register early - Let's make a big showing.  
Marvin Taylor

LET'S SEE NOW... A CO-EDITORIAL

by John & Marty Lackey

The "MONEY TREE" - Is it going to dry up and lose its leaves? Inflation has hit us all - dancers as well as callers.

Numerous festivals and one night dances have long been the source of income for traveling callers and for clubs and associations that host these dances. Of course, money is not the primary goal, but rather to provide an enjoyable outing for all that attend.

Inflation has reared its ugly head, so that it is no longer profitable to many of the sponsoring organizations, especially when there are conflicts in scheduling dances. (Take our NWFCRDA Roundup today as an example- It's sandwiched between dances in Panama City and Tallahassee.)

To make ends meet, it is necessary that out of town dancers attend. The high prices of motels, food, gas and travel expense has forced these "traveling" dancers to pick and choose when in the past they'd go to them all. Driving 200 or 300 miles to attend was "no big thing", and the admission price was a pittance. Sadly, this is already a thing of the past.

Caller's fees have doubled and tripled. They try to justify the prices they charge by quoting the cost of records, equipment, time involved in preparation, travel time and wear and tear on automobiles. But let's look at the other side of the coin.

The sponsor expenses continue to mount. Costs for the hall, advertisement, furnishing equipment for some callers, refreshments, higher caller fees and in many cases the caller's transportation, food and lodging is paid for by sponsors.

A traveling caller's program preparation time is practically nil if he is scheduled to call a same-level dance one or two days apart. He can call the same dance and be fairly secure. Yet he demands the same price from both groups, his travel expense, food, lodging are paid. And, in many cases the records he uses are complimentary copies from record companies for promotional purposes.

If we're not all very careful, the "Money Tree" may lose its greenback leaves and the festivals and one-night stands dwindle down to a precious few.

THE SQUARE DANCERS' PLEDGE...

With all my ability I will do my best to help keep SQUARE DANCING the enjoyable, wholesome, friendly and inspiring activity I know it to be. This I pledge in the sincere desire that it may grow naturally and unexploited in the coming years and be available to all those who seek the opportunity for FRIENDSHIP, FUN and HARMONY through Square Dancing.

CALLERLAB...

The Quarterly Selection for Mainstream dancers that enjoy something extra the movement COUPLE UP has been chosen for the quarter beginning Oct. 1st. The definition is as follows:

COUPLE UP: From any Box Circulate four-some, ALL BOX CIRCULATE one place and, without stopping, those facing out turn back in the direction of body flow to end in facing pairs. (For right hand boxes, the flow is to the right; for left hand boxes, the flow is to the left.) Timing is 6 steps.

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NATIONAL FOLK DANCE...

The PANHANDLE PRESS has received a letter from the National Folk Dance Committee asking that we spread the word throughout our district and state to work harder than ever this coming year to get Congressional Sponsors for this movement.

They express appreciation to all who have helped finance the project by purchase of badges, for all the letters to Congressmen, etc.

Once again, they request you write your Congressman expressing your appreciation and help in getting H.J.R. #69 out of committee and onto the floor of the 97th Congress.

JOIN THE NORTHWEST ASSOCIATION NOW

*Have a spookly Halloween & Happy New Year!*



CLUB NEWS

DEADLINE NEXT PEG ISSUE  
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CHIPLEY - The PANHANDLE PROMENADE'S have been busy with our new class which meets before our regular club dance on Thursday... Most of our vacationers are back home and our dances are larger and livelier! We are happy to report that Joe Reed has recovered and is "squaring up" again with us. We still look forward to Irene and John Pederson returning from New York - John, who has been ill, plans to be dancing again soon... Oct. 4th we joined the Wheeler-Dealers in square dancing at the Annual Rodeo in Bonifay... Oct. 10th Bill & Barbara Dorman hosted their fall hayride in a fun night to remember... At the Holmes County Fair Oct. 24th we square danced and enjoyed the mid-way... But of course, the gala event of October, the Round-up today has been topic of anticipation.

Arlys Hopper

PANAMA CITY - At a meeting Sept. 4 the SQUARE EIGHTS elected the following officers for the coming year: Pres. Joe Meeks, V. Pres. Jimmy Williams, Sec.-Treas. Jean Woodham... Ron & Rosalyn Fay have been away on vacation and during Ron's absence Foley Wood, Barryl McMillan and Ernie Griffen called for us. Thanks fellows, we really enjoyed having you with us... We've held two open houses in Sept. for prospective class members. We had a full house both nights, with everyone having a good time. Delicious refreshments were served... The Campout in Destin was a great success in spite of the hot weather. If you didn't go this time, start making plans to be with us in the spring when we will be going again.

Jean Woodham

TALLAHASSEE - TALLY ROUND'S sponsored a highly successful round dance clinic with The Lovelaces of Tampa as instructors (See separate article)... We certainly want to say a very special thanks to the Lovelaces and to our own Charlene Doud and Hazel Driscoll who were in charge of the event.

Norma Smoyer

TALLAHASSEE TWIRLERS danced Sept 24th at Governor's Square to help celebrate National Square Dance Week. Our caller, Elmer Sheffield, Jr. and exhibition coordinator Jane Hafely were guests of Nettie Sommers on her TV talk show. Square dancing and the 1981 State Convention were discussed. The 1981 State Convention dress was shown... The exhibition dancers have also made a film for Channel 6 to be shown later in the area... Many thanks to Hoyl & Jane Hafely for their work and to Elmer for calling for us. We enjoyed the Northwest Funfest in Panama City and anticipate a great time at the Northwest Assn Roundup at Chipley today, then its on to the TSAYDA dance.

John & Helen Millikan

FT WALTON BEACH - The SANDPIPER'S have continued to dance thru the summer. We hope to have a new group going in the very near future... If anyone who is interested in learning the Al basics would contact us we would appreciate it.

John Lackey

CIRCLE SQUARES enjoyed a full summer of square dancing fun and ended it with an "Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social". A few broke their diets on that! Everyone is looking forward to the cool weather of fall and dancing to Arch Garlock's calls. The club will be workshopping at 7:30 and dancing at 8:00 P.M. We welcome all visitors to join in the fun.

Frank McCallister

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PAUL W. SMITH


We were saddened to hear of the recent death of Paul Smith of Tallahassee.

Paul and Evalyn, his widow, were Northwest Assoc. delegates to the State from 1975 thru 1977 and represented the Tallahassee Twirler Club.

STATE FEDERATION MEETING...

The next State Federation Meeting is scheduled for November 2, 1980 at the Jamacia Inn, Orlando. Officers for the coming year will be elected at that time.

Representatives from our district are: Grady & Janette Rea, Tallahassee; Conrad & Belle Bishop, Ft Walton; Marvin & Olena Taylor, Pensacola; Roscoe & Charlotte Hall, Panama City. Joe Vaccari is a delicate-at-large as past president of the State Federation. George & Mary Bowie are alternate delegates.



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ROUND DANCE CLINIC...

Thirty couples attended the Round Dance Clinic September 26-27, 1980 at Tallahassee. Charlie and Madeline Lovelace, Tampa and known throughout the nation conducted the Tallay Rounds sponsored event.

Dancers came from Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and Florida to learn techniques of proper dancing including posture, body position, head turns and much more.

In addition, How to properly execute numerous intermediate/international dance steps were explained.

Charlie and Madeline used the following dances as vehicles for teaching proper dancing: "Girl That I Married", "Southern Comfort" and "Easy to Love".

Tally Rounds was host for an After Party where tired dancers immediately became hungry dancers and enjoyed the bountiful goodies provided by members of the club.

Special credits to Charlene Doud and Hazel Driscoll who were "in charge" of the event. Also our thanks to the Lovelaces for an outstanding presentation.

Plans are already in the mill for the second Annual Clinic to be held in the fall of 1981.

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SOMETHING NEW TO OUR AREA...

The Pensacola Square Dancers, Inc. known as the "FIREHOUSE GANG" offers Square and Round Dancing each weekend in Fireman's Hall located at 906 S. J Street, Pensacola. This group has applied for membership in Northwest Asn.

A bit of background follows.

Early in 1980 a small group of dancers saw and felt a need for a place in Pensacola for square and round dances and activities. After many hours of searching for a location, Fireman's Hall was selected, mainly for its location, lease price, its great wood floor and ample space. It had stood vacant for so long that much repair was and is needed.

Plans to incorporate were formed. Investors donated money to pay the beginning expenses and to start capital improvements. First came a new roof, one end of the hall was covered for good sound, the kitchen was painted, outside grounds were spruced up and air conditioning was added, plus many other little chores were completed for our Grand Opening Luau held in September.

We want to thank all those that attended our Luau and Salad Bar. Elmer Sheffield called. Next year's will be held Aug. 8 and Aug. 21 for 1982.

The investors are also the work force, each doing two or more jobs. Our goal is to have square dancing every night of the week.

All monies received will be used for current expenses and improvements. No

one person nor the Corporation will gain anything from this venture except the satisfaction of seeing an activity we all love grow and prosper in Pensacola.

Local and traveling callers and callers are featured with two rounds between tips.

The Firehouse Gang is proud of the improvements to our hall, but there are many more to come. All events are planned to give dancing pleasure to all our friends.

We need your support, and in turn, we will support your events whenever possible.

-Elaine Olberding

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ONE MAN'S VIEW ON... ADVANCED LEVEL...  
SQUARE DANCING

by Elmer Sheffield, Jr.

In the last few years we have seen a big upswing in the Advance level program. With the formation of Callerlab and its approved plateaus of dancing, we now have the A1 and A2 program to be enjoyed by dancers and callers alike. While calling at festivals around the country, I find that included in many is an Advanced level hall as well as the Mainstream program.

No longer do you have to belong to a basement tape group to be able to enjoy a higher level if this is your wish. However, there are a few things that we should try to avoid.

It is my opinion that Advanced level dancing should not replace your Mainstream club dancing. This is the backbone of our square dance activity and we certainly want to keep it strong and keep new people coming in. The Advanced level should be an addition to our program, not a reduction. We want to be sure and remember that both dancers and callers came from the Mainstream level, before they were able to enjoy Advanced.

Another personal opinion of mine is that no dancer or caller should enter into an advanced level program until he is competent at the Mainstream and Plus levels. Too many callers are attempting to organize advanced level groups without enough experience or knowledge.

I hate to see callers who can call Advanced and Challenge but not a good Mainstream dance and the same for dancers. Callers should not teach their dancers a few of their favorite Advanced calls and

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tell them they are Advanced dancers. The first time they step into a hall labeled A1 and A2 and some strange caller clobbers them, they are ready to give up. If a caller plans to start an Advanced group he should be familiar with the Callerlab approved A1 and A2 lists. He should have a teaching order planned and stick with it. Also, one of my complaints is for a caller to ask or be asked to call in a hall labeled A1 and A2 and deviate from the lists. It is unfair to the dancer to do this. Also, I don't feel that dancers should attempt to dance in this hall unless they have been involved in an Advanced program.

It should be kept in mind that Advanced dancing or calling is not for every one. Many dancers as well as callers have no desire to get this involved since it requires a lot more dancing time. In no way should either feel inferior or be influenced by peer pressure unless they have a genuine desire to do so. It takes a lot of time, study and effort to become an Advanced level dancer or caller. It also takes regular attendance, not just when you're in the mood.

Any caller who becomes involved in the Advanced level should plan his dances so that they are just as smooth and just as much fun as his Mainstream dances. Let's not get so involved that we forget it's all for fun. Now that we have established an Advanced level, let's all work together to make it a very welcome addition to our square dance picture.

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## NATIONAL SQUARE DANCERS ASSOC...

A meeting was held during the Memphis convention to determine the feasibility of forming a Nation Square Dance Assoc. This meeting was the result of a recent survey conducted by California.

It was resolved that there is a need for such an organization and that it is to be called the National Square Dancers Organization. Regional representatives were established as surverors to get a broader feeling and to encourage others to attend the next meeting.

It was generally agreed that square dancers would equally include round dancers, cloggers and contra enthusiasts together with all other factins which make up the square dance movement.

Joe Vaccari of Ft. Walton is our representative. Jim & Jan Paczko of Calif. and Ed & Mary Perbes of Texas are serving as chairman and secretary until the Seattle convention.

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### MARGIE & JUNIOR TRAVEL TO JAPAN...

Last summer Elmer & Margie Sheffield traveled to Japan where Elmer called for the 13th Annual Summer Camp at Fuji-Hakone Land sponsored by the Eastern Shizuoka S/D Federation.

Margie says, "I really do not have words to express the experience we had in Japan. The Japanese square dancers are without doubt the most beautiful dancers I have ever seen. Their style of dance is near perfect...Good people, beautiful dancers, beautiful country."

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Wish I had room for Margie's entire story. Read it in SQUARE DANCING or AMERICAN SQUARE DANCE magazine or corner her & I'll betcha she'll tell it to you, right Margie! We love you. ED)

CALENDAR OF SPECIAL EVENTS

NORTHWEST MEETINGS

JAN 31 Panama City City Auditorium  
 MAR  
 MAY 9 Tallahassee Capital Squares Cotillion  
 JUL 11 Ft Walton Annual Bob Poyner Jamboree  
 OCT 31 Chipley '81 NORTHWEST FALL ROUNDUP

OTHER EVENTS

OCT 31 & NOV 1-TALLAHASSEE; Anl TSARDA Fest; Earyl Main & Elmer Sheffield (MS/Al) Pierces on rounds.  
 NOV 7-8 HUNTSVILLE, AL; Rocket City Roundup, Civic Center; Ken Bower, Harry Lackey & Mac Letson; Lovelaces on rounds.  
 7-8 BILOXI, MS; Autumn Holiday; Harold Kelly & Bob Augustin; Pierces.  
 9 PANAMA CITY; "Plus" WS & Dance; Ranch House; Darryl McMillan.  
 11-15 JACKSONVILLE; NEFSRDA Roundup; Civic Auditorium; Marv Linder & Chris Veer; Lovelaces, rounds; Clogging WS.  
 15 CHATTAHOOCHEE; 3 River Twirlers Anniv; Darryl McMillan.  
 21 CANOE, AL; Harvest Fest; Escambia Academy; Bob Augustin; Waldorfs.  
 29 PENSACOLA; "Surprise" Dance; Fireman's Hall; Mystery Caller.  
 DEC 5-6 JEKYLL ISLAND, GA; Anl Holiday Happening (MS/Al+); Darryl McMillan, John Swindle & Elmer Sheffield; Pierces on rounds.  
 5-7 EUPAULA, AL; Lake Point Fun Fest; Horace Newberry & Chris Veer; Nicholsons on rounds.  
 6 FT WALTON; American Squaredance Subscription; Pasarda Hall; Stan Burdick.  
 14 PANAMA CITY; "Plus 2 Dance" (No WS); Ranch House; Darryl McMillan.  
 31 PENSACOLA; New Years Eve Party; Fireman's Hall; Paul Marcum; McGords.

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JAN 2-3 PANAMA CITY; Swinging Fun; Ranch House (MS/Al); Darryl McMillan.  
 30-31 PANAMA CITY FESTIVAL; Bill McVey & Wade Driver; Pierces on rounds.  
 FEB 19-21 LAKELAND; Sunshine Festival (MS/Cl); Sam Mitchell, Roger Chapman, John Saunders, Art Springer, Jack Lasry, Lovelaces  
 21 PENSACOLA Council Valentine Dance; Tony Oxendine  
 MAR 6-7 TALLAHASSEE; Anl Fest; Jerry Story & Elmer Sheffield, Lovelaces.  
 20-21 MOBILE, AL; Azalea Trail Fest; Municipal Aud; Chris Veer, Jon Jones & Darryl McMillan; Easterdays on rounds; Annette Pulley, clogging.  
 28 CHIPLEY; Nat'l Guard Armory; Spring Fling; Darryl McMillan.  
 28 PENSACOLA; Fireman's Hall; Tony DeGeorge.  
 20-21 JACKSON, MS; Anl Sweetheart Fest; Downtown Holiday Inn; Vaughn Parrish & Bob Fisk; Lawsons, rounds.  
 APR 14 PENSACOLA; Fireman's Hall; Damon Coe  
 MAY 9 TALLAHASSEE; Capital Squares Cotillion  
 22-24 LAKELAND; FLORIDA STATE CONVENTION  
 30 PENSACOLA; Fireman's Hall; Ed Feidenburg  
 JUN 6-7 FT WALTON; Billy Bowlegs Fest  
 OCT 30-31 CHIPLEY; ANL NORTHWEST ASSOC FALL ROUND UP; HARRY LACKEY (MS/Al) BLACKFORDS ON ROUNDS

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... A TRIBUTE TO JERRY & THERESA FOWLER...

For the past three years Jerry and Theresa have assisted us in the preparation of this newsletter. It has been a thankless job. We sincerely extend our heartfelt appreciation for a job well done.

WELCOME ABOARD, JOE VACCARI

The pendulum has swung. Joe Vaccari, who along with his late wife, Doris, were the first editors of the PANHANDLE PRESS has once again joined the staff. We know he will do a good job and we look forward to working with him.

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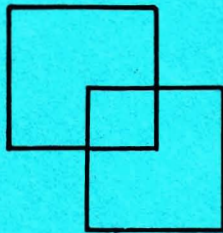
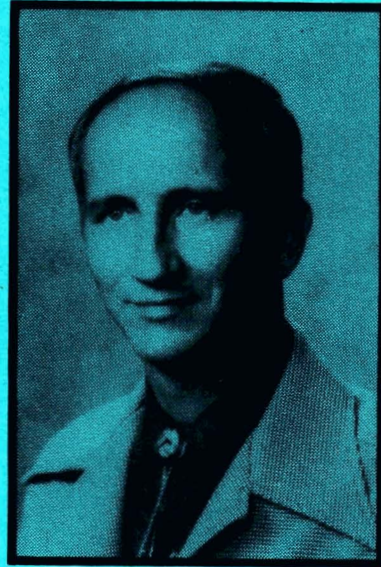
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