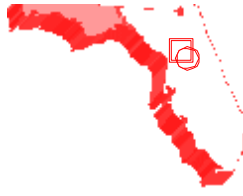


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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hi all,

It's time to get ready for the NWFSRDA 40th Annual Round Up!!! This year's Round Up will be held on October 24th & 25th, 2014 at Lewis School in Valparaiso, FL. Steve Strait & Marla Hogdell, NW Association Vice-Presidents & Round UP Chairmen along with their committee members have worked tirelessly to make this Round Up very special. NW Caller, Bob Poyner from Defuniak Springs will be our Master of Ceremonies for this year's Round Up. Our featured callers for the Round Up are Tom Miller, a well known nationally recognized caller from Chest Springs, PA, and popular NW Caller, Dave Muller, who resides in Enterprise, AL. As a special treat, we have Susan Snider and Mark Fetzer from Jacksonville, FL, cueing rounds this year. On Friday night of the Round Up we will be having a Halloween Costume contest with prizes for the best &/or most unique costume. We hope that you are planning on being there for the whole weekend. We have early Rounds & Square Dancing of Friday and Saturday Evenings and fun workshops during the day on Saturday. We are planning something for everyone. So, whether you dance mainstream, plus, advanced or rounds you will have a great time! I heard there will be a large group of dancers coming from the NE Association to this year's Round Up. Woo Hoo!!

Remember to renew your NW Association 2015 membership this month. As a benefit of your renewal, you will be able to attend the 40th Annual Round Up for half the non-member price. As an added benefit of joining or renewing your NW Association membership, you will receive the Panhandle Press Quarterly and your USDA Dancers insurance premium will be covered as well. There are so many benefits of being a member of the NW Association! So, please join or renew now!!

We have so much going on here in the Panhandle. Agape Squares is starting a square dance class in Niceville. They had nearly two full squares of new dancers at their first open house. Classes will start in about two weeks. Miriam Merriwether is starting a new dance club in Crestview. They held their inaugural meeting on Friday, September 12, 2014. They will dance squares and lines primarily. TNT Rounds is hosting a Cha-Cha class on Sunday afternoons at Ragon Hall. There are round dance classes on Friday evenings at Navarre Senior Center with Brian & Sharon Gerdes as our teachers. There is always something going on at Grand Square Hall in Panama City.

We would like to thank all the dancers from Northwest Florida who traveled to Tallahassee on August 2nd, 2014 to attend the Dog Days of Summer Dance that was sponsored by the Capital Twirlers. As usual, Elmer Sheffield did a great job calling our squares and Sandy Sturgis was awesome as our cuer for rounds!! Some of us traveled to the dance in a bus loaned to us by Niceville United Methodist Church. There were about 18 of us who rode the bus. It was a blast! Our thanks go out to Steve Strait who was our chauffer for the trip over and back. Remember, we need to make every effort to support our brother & sister clubs in the NW Association as much as possible and try to attend their dances and visit their club whenever we can.

Our next NW Association meeting will be held at 0930 AM on Saturday, October 25th at Lewis School in Valparaiso, FL. This meeting will be held in conjunction with our 40th Annual Round Up. At our next meeting, we will be installing NW Association officers for 2015 so we need as many club delegates as can attend. NW Association officers for 2015 are Alec & Kay Schmidt, President, John & Libby Penrod, Vice-President, Dave

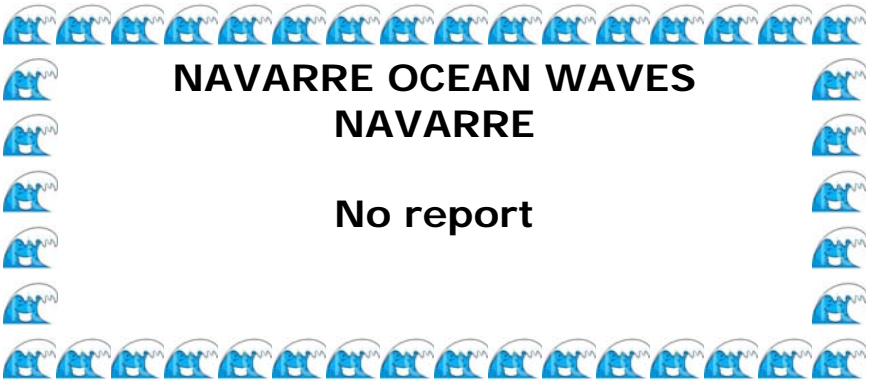
Henn, Treasurer and Barbara McDonald, Secretary.
I will send an e-mail soon with the proposed agenda and last meeting minutes for your review prior to the meeting. We hope to see you there.

Don't forget about the website for the Florida Federation of Square & Round Dancers. You can find it at www.floridasquaredance.com

This website has many useful links including a link to the Northwest Association home page. We invite you to go there to find a calendar of events and join us on Facebook, if you like.

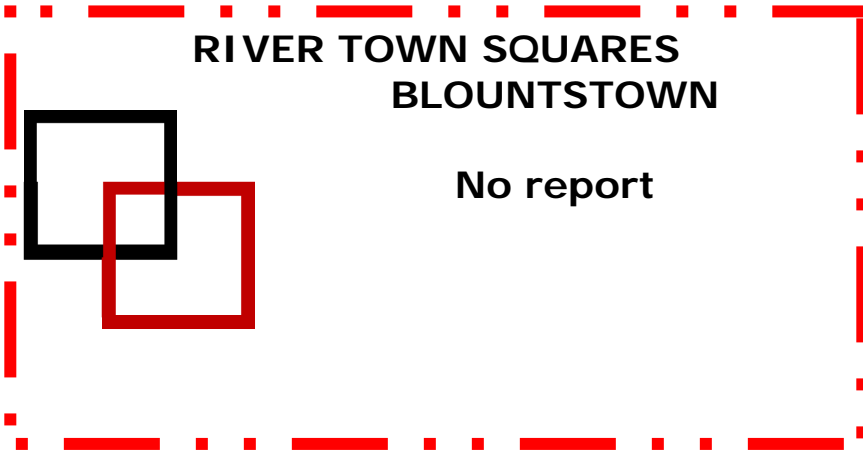
See you in a square soon.

Alec & Kay Schmidt
President, NWFSRDA



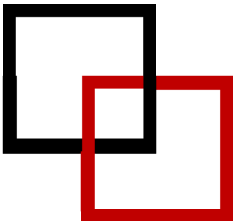
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NAVARRE**

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**RIVER TOWN SQUARES
BLOUNTSTOWN**

No report



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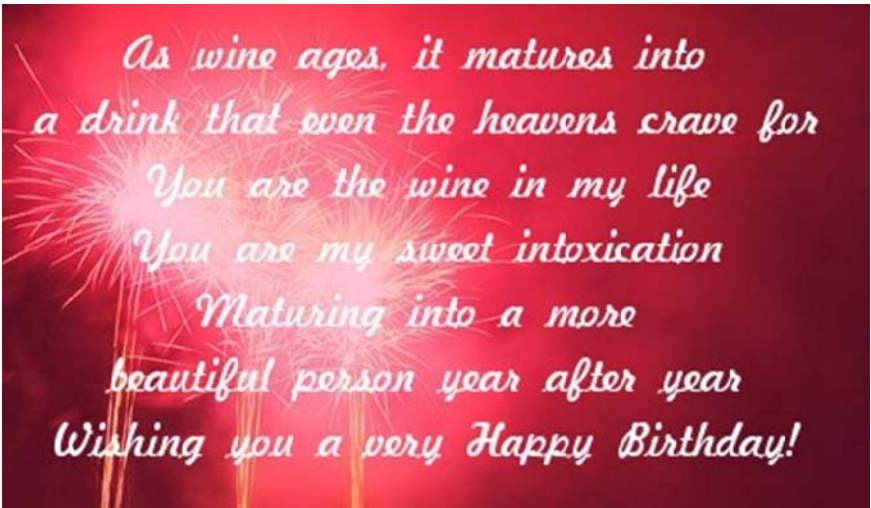
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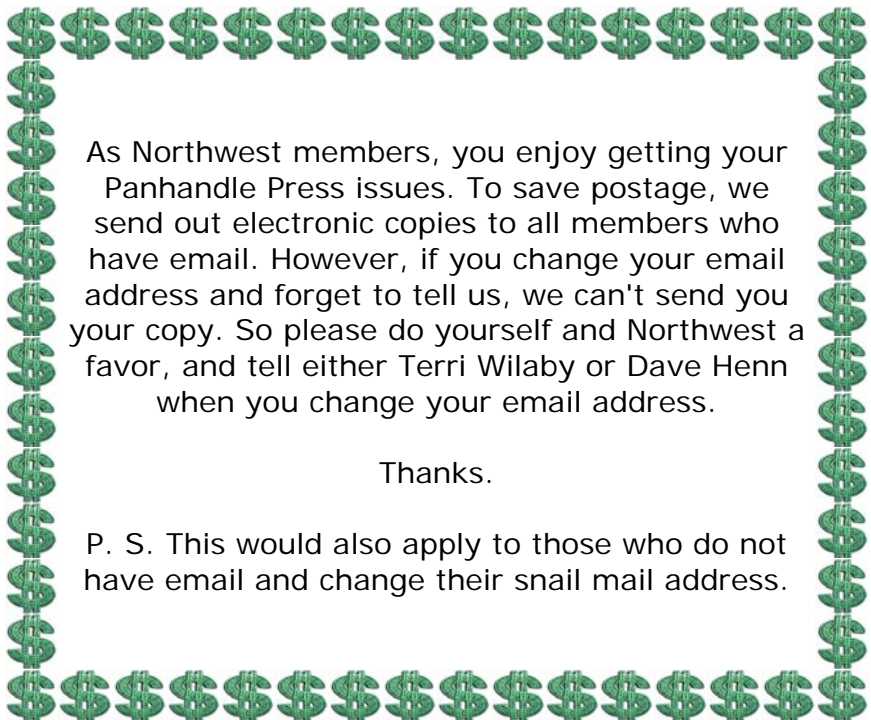
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Thank you!!!

FRAN



Love Always, Carl



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Editor's Note

Oh, my, so many clubs missed this issue. I know it's been a busy summer. Perhaps next issue they'll make up for it with a BIG article.

I would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to Deecee Walters, my proof-reader. You can certainly tell when I have given her enough time to review the issue prior to printing...there are very few errors!

We would also like to thank everyone who has submitted articles, ads, and donated to help make each issue of the Press a success. Although I may mutter and complain at deadline time, seeing the smiles on the faces of readers more than makes up for it.

Have a safe and happy holiday season, everyone!



FLORIDA FEDERATION

Happy October, the weather is changing and so is square & round dancing. Last month I provide our dancers with a little history and this month I am going to keep it "light" and discuss the future of our enjoyment of dancing, dancing and more dancing.

ment of dancing, dancing and more dancing.

As we find ourselves at a dance, the area is decorated, food is available, the Caller & maybe a Cuer is on stage and you find you're having such a great time. Did you help set up for the dance, bring some refreshments, stay to help clean up? Did you help distribute flyers for the dance? Are you the organizer who made sure that this event would happen? I would like to take this time to tell you "THANK YOU".

You are your club's or association's HEROES. There are many dancers who take the time to sell ribbons, 50/50 tickets, collect door fees, greet dancers as they come in, make sure refreshments are available, book Callers, Cuers, the dance hall, etc. You are the future of Square & Round Dancing!

The word "fear" is not in the volcubary of dancing. Enjoyment, fun, laughter, friendship, music and lots of smiles are. You ask "Why are you telling us something we already know?". Heard the saying "Many hands make the load lighter"? Well, in the future of square & round dancing we need "many hands" to bring new ideas to the world of square & round dancing. As our Associations look for leaders to bear the torch, we find that many dancers "fear" the idea of serving on an Association, Club or Federation Executive Board. You would be surprised how many "old" dancers who are now "grazing" on the sidelines, who would be happy to help you with any and all questions to assist you with any endeavor you would like to experience. Ok maybe, you would like to start small before you look at being a leader. Ask, your club what job do you need me to assist with? They may ask, "We need a President". Ok, that is a "big" word or you think it's too big of a job for me, so you can ask them "Who will be able to assist me?" Believe it or not, you would probably have four people say they can help.

How about considering working on a State Convention Committee? There are many small tasks that committees need volunteers for. You could greet dancers at the Convention Center for one hour and meet hundreds of dancers from all over the area. You might make a friend or two in the process. The Convention Advertising Chairman is always looking for dancers who can solicit advertisers for the program book (not a "big" job if more dancers volunteer to work on this committee). How would you like to Chair a State Convention? This is considered a "big" job, but with the assistance of many dancers the job is smaller than you think. Think about it, try a small job and remember you help put smiles on dancer's faces and believe me that is a worthwhile endeavor!

Continuing to look to the future, remember to invite your class graduates to the upcoming 61st Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention "The Hollywood Scene in 2015". Have you purchased your Ribbons for this event? Rumor has it we will have many Florida Celebrities attending this event.

Have you seen the upcoming raffle item for the 61st Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention? The Florida State Convention history is beautifully displayed on the Quilt sewn by Terri Little; tickets are on sale for 7 for \$5.00. Each Association has a photo flyer for the quilt raffle. You can also see the quilt on the Federation website. Check it out! You do not need to be present to win it. Each of the Associations have tickets you can purchase. Email us and we will be happy to direct you to the potential WINNING TICKET!

Remember the upcoming Florida Federation meeting will be hosted by the Northwest Association at their 40th Annual Round Up, on October 24th-26th. Wear a costume for our Friday evening dance and enter the "Costume Contest". Look for the flyer on the Florida Federation website www.floridasquaredance.com. The Federation meeting is welcome to all dancers. It will be held at the Northwest's host hotel in Niceville, FL at the Comfort Suites, on Sunday October 26, 2014. The meeting will be held at 8:30 AM to assist with our many out of town delegates who will be attending the meeting (we'll be able to get you on the road that much faster). We've had a reduction in the hotel rate for the hotel host-

ing for this event, the price will be \$72.10 + tax/per night. Please make your reservations ASAP. The hotel is 850-279-6547. For campers book your campsite at www.floridastatepark.org/rockybayou, all Florida residents receive a discount.

Paul & Cheryl Miller, Presidents
Florida Federation of Square Dancers
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**DANCING DOLPHINS
FORT WALTON BEACH
No report**



FRAN

December 14, 1996



Love, Carl

SAND SPURS FORT WALTON BEACH

Due to vacations, illness, etc., we danced on alternate Thursday evenings during July and August. Three squares enjoyed the calling of Ted Kennedy on the 10th of July. The best part of the evening was the "Hot Hash" tip that Ted called for one square at the end of the evening. It was...sooooo much fun!

On Thursday, the 24th of July, dancers enjoyed a fun filled evening when Miriam Merriwether called for us. She reminisced about the history of dancing in our area. *The Ribbon Stroll* and the *Grand Slide* had us laughing while we attempted to learn these dances from the past. Some recent graduates were among the dancers that evening.



On August the 2nd, a church bus full of dancers enjoyed the trip to Tallahassee for the *Dance Away the Dog Days* dance.

Our driver, Steve Strait, did a great job transporting us to and from the dance. Seven squares filled the Senior Center and enjoyed the great calling of Elmer Sheffield.



An added bonus was renewing old friendships with folks we have danced with since the 1980's, when Terry was a member of Elmer Sheffield's *Capital Twirlers*.

An NWFLA held a meeting prior to the dance, to conduct



their business and to elect new officers for coming year. Jackie and Terry represented the *Sand Spurs*.

On the 14th of August, three squares again filled PASARDA Hall for another Ted Kennedy dance. Ted, once again, entertained us with some great calling. He also reminded us of the reason to keep our squares... "square."

On the 16th of August, Chris called for the *Seaside Square's 51st Anniversary Dance*.

His DBD workshop dance in the afternoon was great fun for everyone. Pictured here, he is teaching us to "Split Coordinate", in addition to other DBD calls.



We welcomed Chris back to PASARDA Hall on the 28th of August. Everyone enjoyed dancing to his great calling.

Please come join us each Thursday evening for some great Plus level dancing.

Some changes are occurring in our club. Our caller, Chris Burchfield, has resigned from calling for the *Sand Spurs*. His

family life and two jobs have made it impossible for Chris to travel to Fort Walton Beach every Thursday evening. The Club would like to thank Chris for his years of dedication to the *Sand Spurs*.

We welcome Miriam Merriwether as our new caller. In the year 2010, Miriam originated the *Sand Spurs* club but had to depart the area when employment called her to Alabama. We are thankful that she has returned to the area and is back calling for the *Sand Spurs*.

Happy Dancing! Jackie and Terry Kramer



**CANOE SQUARES
MILTON**

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In Memoriam

Arch Garlock, caller

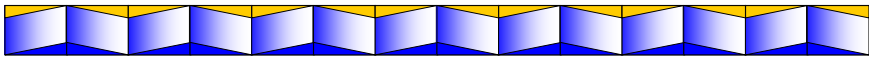
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Carl Wamsley, caller

August 29, 2014

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Squares & Rounds 8:00 - 9:30 PM
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Caller: Chris Burchfield
Cuer: Sandy Sturgis

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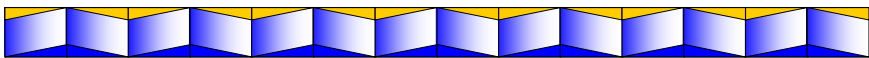
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**THE HOLLYWOOD
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**CASTING CALL #3
HOST HOTEL**

Of course if you want to participate in any of our “Casting Calls” you must have a place to stay. We have chosen a few of the best places in the Lakeland area for you to consider. Here are a few of our suggestions, all are within a 4 to 6 mile radius of the Convention Center and all have great accommodations plus they offer a free breakfast buffet.

We recommend, though, using our Host Hotel – THE RAMADA LAKELAND HOTEL. It is right off the I-4 Highway to the left on Highway 98 then almost an immediate right into its driveway. This Host Hotel is offering us Square Dancers a “*SPECIAL RATE*” again this year. The rate is \$65.00 plus taxes, of course, gotta have them taxes. Randy has been able to block off 75 rooms so don’t delay in making reservation call this number: 863-688-8080, be sure you ask for the “square dancers rate”.

This hotel has really been accommodating to us for our State Conventions in the past in that they allow us to use their conference room as well as their banquet room for our famous after parties of ice cream one night with pizza and beer (the root kind, of course) another night. Then on the third party night the banquet room will be opened for a “Thanks for the Memories” Party given by the Directors of this year’s convention. This is when there is much fun with skits and food and award giving and food etc.

Here are other wonderful hotels in Lakeland with their phone numbers:

Comfort Inn & Suites – 863-595-4500

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Travelodge – Highway 98, N – 863-858-4481

Or check out the others listed on the back of the Registration Form.

Happy Anniversary

To: You know who

Scientists have discovered that the longer people stay married, the more they begin to look alike. You better start putting name tags in your underwear!

From: You know who

Dear Square & Round Dancers

The 2016 Florida Square & Round Dance Convention is preparing to entertain you with their “Kick Off” on Sunday, May 24, 2014 at the upcoming 61st Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention “The Hollywood Scene in 2015”. As the 62nd Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention gears up to make you “sweet” on dancing, they are asking that if you have any unwanted Square or Round dance attire (Men’s or Women’s) you would like to donate for a future fundraiser for this convention to PLEASE bring the clothing to the upcoming 41st NWFSRDA Annual Round Up by Saturday, Oct. 25, 2014.

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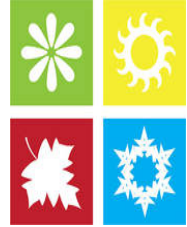


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The 64th National Square Dance Convention is offering many tours for the convention. The most spectacular tour is the five nights/ six day New England Adventure Tour Sunday, June 28 to July 3, 2015. One neat recently added event to this tour is Paul Cote. Paul, who began his calling career in New England, is planning to be on the coach and will call a tip in each state. Those of you working on your USDA Travelers' badge can pick up 6 states in one week. Those of you who do not know about the Travelers' badge should download the form from USDA.org. Six states are halfway to your first bar!

Day One: Sunday, 6/28

The tour starts with an Essex Steam Train and riverboat ride along the Connecticut River with a box lunch. The evening will be spent at the Newport Playhouse with a Buffet dinner, show and Cabaret in Newport, RI. An audio/self-guided tour of the Breakers Mansion is included. Overnight accommodations are at the Best Western Main Stay in Newport.

Day Two: Monday, 6/29

Starts with a Continental Breakfast at the Hotel, then depart for Plimoth Plantation, Plymouth, MA. A two hour self-guided visit at the living museum shows the original settlement of the Plymouth Colony established in the 17th century by English colonists, some of whom later became known as Pilgrims. Visit Plymouth Rock and the Mayflower with free time for lunch. Dinner will be at Phillips Old Colony House followed with an evening performance of Blue Man Group at the Charles Theater in Boston. Overnight is at the Comfort Inn Morrissey Boulevard in Boston.

Day Three: Tuesday, 6/30

A Continental Breakfast starts your day at the hotel followed by admission and free time in the archives of our 35th United States President at the JFK Presidential Library and Museum. A

four hour guided tour of Boston is the afternoon attraction. Dinner will be at Warren's in Kittery, ME. Warren's is a "destination restaurant" known far and wide. The extensive menu includes the "Seacoast's Finest Salad Bar" featuring over 60 fresh and tantalizing items. Overnight is in Portland, Maine.

Day Four: Wednesday, 7/1

Breakfast is at the hotel, followed by a two-hour Guided tour of Portland, Maine which includes a tour of Portland historic areas including) the Old Port waterfront, Easter Prom with sea captain homes overlooking Casco Bay, a drive through historic neighborhoods, past Longfellow's boyhood home and the elegant Victoria Mansion. Enjoy a full course luncheon at Newick's in Portland. We will visit the North Conway shopping outlets; New Hampshire's Tax free shopping plaza with over 60 factory outlet stores. Overnight, dinner and entertainment will be at Indian Head Resort, Lincoln, NH, a family friendly resort located in the heart of the White Mountains.

Day Five: Thursday, 7/2

The day begins with breakfast at Indian Head Resort followed by a ride on the Cannon Mountain Tram, Cannon Mountain, New Hampshire. An 80 passenger cable car brings visitors to the 4080 foot summit of Cannon Mountain in less than ten minutes. On a clear day you can see the mountains of four states and Canada! At the summit you'll find spectacular scenic walking paths, a 360 degree observation deck, a cafeteria, bar and restrooms. Next up is Morse Farm Maple Sugar Works in Montpelier, VT featuring Maple Syrup, Vermont Gifts and cheese. Every square dancer enjoys ice cream so what better place than Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Factory Tour in Waterbury, VT. Included is a tour of the factory at one of the happiest places in Vermont! Next up is the Cold Hollow Cider Mill in Waterbury, VT. The cider mill is located in the heart of the Green Mountains of Vermont; The Cold Hollow Cider Mill is a leading producer of apple cider and distributor of specialty Vermont food products. Lunch is on your own. The day ends with a Murder Mystery Dinner Cruise on Lake Champlain in Burlington, Vermont. Overnight will be at a hotel in Burlington TBD.

Day Six Friday, 7/3

The day starts with breakfast followed by a visit to Shelburne Farms, a nonprofit education center for satiability. It is a 1400 acre working farm and National Historic Landmark on the shores of Lake Champlain in Shelburne, VT. Boxed lunch will be provided. The day continues with a visit and tour of the

Vermont Teddy Bear Factory where the best teddy bears in the universe are born. Hildene, tour the Lincoln family home located in Manchester in the US State of Vermont. It was the summer home of Robert Lincoln and his wife Mary Harlan Lincoln. On the return trip to Springfield we will have a picture stop at Bennington Monument. The monument is a 306 ft stone obelisk located in Bennington, Vermont that commemorates the Battle of Bennington during the Revolutionary War. Our last stop is the Norman Rockwell Museum, the home to the world's largest collection of original Rockwell art, such as the iconic Norman Rockwell painting "The Problem We All Live With" from 1963. You will recognize Rockwell art from the covers of "The Saturday Evening Post" and scouting's "Boy's Life" magazines. The bus returns to Springfield around 7 PM.

Other city and local tours and tours of overnight and multi day will be covered later.

Other notes:

Camping:

We will be camping at Eastern States Exposition Fairground. We have a contract for 100 sites and have been promised more if we need them. All sites are 16 feet wide, lengths vary somewhat. The fairground is updating the electric to 30 amp this year and say that all work will be completed before next year. There will be a very few 50 amp site. They are being reserved for campers with medical needs and will require approval from the General Chairman, Len Houle. The campsites we will be using are at the eastern end of the fairground near the pond. You can find a map on the website www.thebige.com . The convention will be at the Marriott & Sheraton and MassMutual Center about 1.5 miles away. The Transportation Vice-Chairman has promised frequent buses, however I haven't received any schedule yet.

Airport:

It is easiest to fly into Bradley International Airport in Hartford, CT. Boston is an option, although it is further.

Twitter:

We now have a twitter account! @64nsdcmedia #64nsdcmedia



“Silent Auction”

Items needed for NWF Round Up fundraiser.
Help NWFSRDA raise money and do some
early Christmas Shopping.

We need items that will make nice Christmas Gifts
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CAPITAL TWIRLERS TALLAHASSEE

Capital Twirlers (CT) has been working hard since June, continuing instruction for a new beginner's class, hosting dances, and traveling!

The beginner's group, which graduated last spring, has come along nicely, with new members polishing up basic calls and getting introduced to a few plus calls. CT is making plans for a new beginner's class in 2015.

In addition, CT hosted a Dance Away the Dog Days event in August to quell the summer doldrums. With over 70 participants, the event was a grand success. Dancers came from throughout the panhandle and surrounding areas.

Members have also been traveling to dances in the region. CT dancers attended the Peachtree Promenade in Commerce, Georgia, and a Benefit Dance in Navarre, Florida. Members also traveled to Lake City recently to attend the NEFSARDA Appreciation Dance. Most significantly, though, our own Elmer Sheffield was invited to call at the Japanese Square Dance Association festival in Kobe, Japan. The event was attended by 1700 people. This return trip to the festival was a huge success with Sheffield calling to over 170 squares. CT is quite proud of our special caller.





DUES RENEWAL TIME

As Round-up time approaches, I must remind you that, if you have not done so already, it is time to renew your Northwest Association membership. Our annual renewal dues for current members are \$10.00 per person, and new membership dues are \$15.00 per person. Since your dues include insurance, four issues of the Panhandle Press, and half-price admission to the Round-up, Northwest membership is a bargain.

A Membership Application Form is included in this issue of the Panhandle Press. Even if you are a current member, we are asking that you fill it out and submit it with your renewal dues so that we can keep our records current. Please state the primary club to which you belong to accurately account for our insurance.

The admission cost for the Round-up is \$10.00 per person for both nights for NWF members. We will be using ribbons for admission tickets. These can be purchased in advance to save time at the door. You can also help to save time at the door if you have paid your membership renewal, made out to NWFSRDA, in advance.

It is very important that both individual and club memberships be renewed by December 1, so that we can accurately prepare our insurance reports in a timely manner.

Thank you for your cooperation. See you at the Round-up!

Dave Henn
Treasurer

NORTHWEST FLORIDA SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE
ASSOCIATION, INC.

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(As it should appear on the badge, if a new member)

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PLEASE STATE THE PRIMARY CLUB TO WHICH YOU BELONG
(FOR INSURANCE ACCOUNTING)

PLEASE LIST ANY OTHER CLUBS TO WHICH YOU BELONG:

1. _____

2. _____

DUES PER YEAR:

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COUPLE: \$20.00

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31 REDWOOD CIRCLE, PENSACOLA, FL 32506

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E-MAIL: dwhenn@att.net

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3. Half-price admission to the annual Northwest Association Round-up in October.
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6. Participation in Northwest Association functions.

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(850) 944-0322

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Jazzercise 4:15—5:15, 5:30—6:30 pm

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

Tuesdays

Jazzercise 4:15—5:15, 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

Wednesdays

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

Intermediate Rounds 7:00—9:00 pm

Instructor: Bryan/Sharon Gerdes (660) 864-6544, bgerdesrnd@aol.com

Thursdays

Jazzercise 4:15—5:15, 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 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

Ballroom class and dancing

Instructor: Nina Spears



Calendar of Events

2014

October

10-11 Southern Lights Square Dance Weekend
Lakepoint Resort, 104 Old Highway 165, Eufala, AL
Callers: Chris Burchfield, Johnny Jones
Cuer: Carol Ramey

11-12 RDCF Fall Weekend of Rounds, Stardust Dance Center
1405 South Collins Street, Plant City, FL
Cuers: Bob & Sally Nolen

16-19 FANSCD "Camporee", Blueberry Hill RV Resort
6233 County Road 609, Bushnell, FL

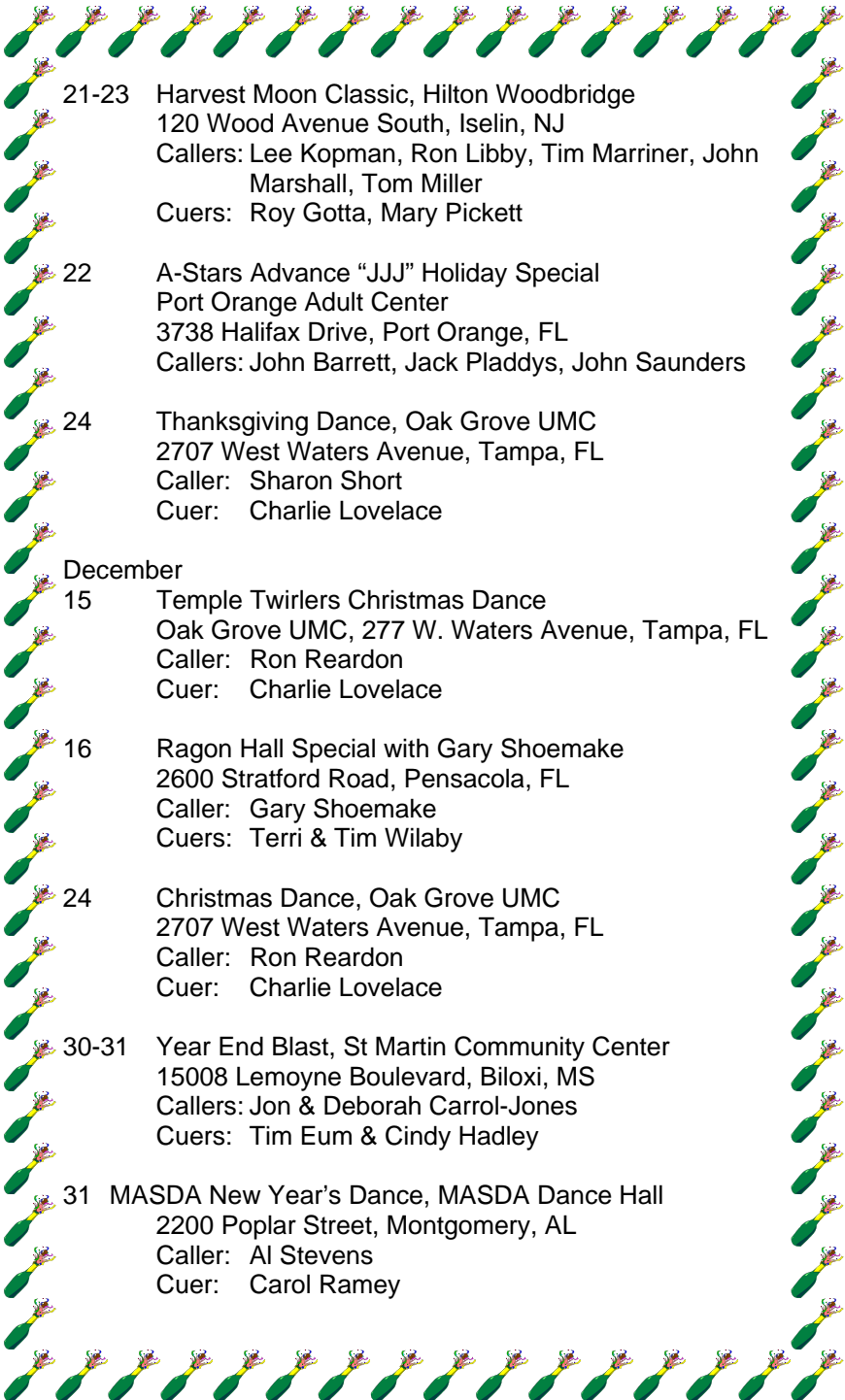
24-25 40th Annual Round Up, Addie R Lewis Middle School
281 Mississippi Avenue, Valparaiso, FL
Callers: Tom Miller, Dave Muller
Cuers: Susan Snider & Mark Fetzer

24-26 55th Annual Harvest Hoedown,
Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds
442 Franklin Avenue, Yuba City, CA
Callers: Wade Drive, Erid Henerlau, Bobby Poyner,
Buddy Weaver
Cuers: Rey & Sherry Garza

November

7-8 Tammany Twirlers 52nd Anniversary
Tammany Twirlers' Clubhouse
35386 Home Estate Drive, Slidell, LA
Callers: Mike Bramlett, Nick Hartley
Cuers: Cathy & Fred Fisher

21-22 NEFSARDA Fall Festival, Palms Presbyterian Church
3410 3rd Street South, Jacksonville Beach, FL
Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones
Cuer: Lisa Wall



21-23 Harvest Moon Classic, Hilton Woodbridge
120 Wood Avenue South, Iselin, NJ
Callers: Lee Kopman, Ron Libby, Tim Marriner, John
Marshall, Tom Miller
Cuers: Roy Gotta, Mary Pickett

22 A-Stars Advance "JJJ" Holiday Special
Port Orange Adult Center
3738 Halifax Drive, Port Orange, FL
Callers: John Barrett, Jack Pladdys, John Saunders

24 Thanksgiving Dance, Oak Grove UMC
2707 West Waters Avenue, Tampa, FL
Caller: Sharon Short
Cuer: Charlie Lovelace

December

15 Temple Twirlers Christmas Dance
Oak Grove UMC, 277 W. Waters Avenue, Tampa, FL
Caller: Ron Reardon
Cuer: Charlie Lovelace

16 Ragon Hall Special with Gary Shoemake
2600 Stratford Road, Pensacola, FL
Caller: Gary Shoemake
Cuers: Terri & Tim Wilaby

24 Christmas Dance, Oak Grove UMC
2707 West Waters Avenue, Tampa, FL
Caller: Ron Reardon
Cuer: Charlie Lovelace

30-31 Year End Blast, St Martin Community Center
15008 Lemoyne Boulevard, Biloxi, MS
Callers: Jon & Deborah Carrol-Jones
Cuers: Tim Eum & Cindy Hadley

31 MASDA New Year's Dance, MASDA Dance Hall
2200 Poplar Street, Montgomery, AL
Caller: Al Stevens
Cuer: Carol Ramey



31 Count Down the New Year, Whirl & Twirl Dance Club
6949 Venture Circle, Orlando, FL
Caller: Scotty Sharrer
Cuers: Jimmy & Carol Griffin

2015

January

17 January Shine, Ragon Hall
2600 Stratford Road, Pensacola, FL
Callers: Ted & Nancy Kennedy
Cuers: Terri & Tim Wilaby

23 Circus Dance, Trinity Lutheran Church
1415 S. McDuff Avenue, Jacksonville, FL
Callers: Mark Fetzer, Gary Murphy, Ernie Rollen
Cuers: Ed Hauck, Susan Snider

February

6-7 37th Mardi Gras Festival
Woolmarket Community Center, 16320 Old
Woolmarket Road, Biloxi, MS
Caller: Hunter Keller
Cuers: Terri & Tim Wilaby

6-7 Florida Winterfestival, Lakeland Civic Center
701 Lime Street, Lakeland, FL
Callers:
Cuers:

7 Sweetheart Swing, Grand Square Hall
1105 Bob Little Road, Panama City, FL
Northwest Callers and Cuers

13-14 Blue-Grey Festival, Richardson Community Center
255 NE Coach Anders Lane, Lake City, FL
Callers: Bill Chesnut, Elmer Sheffield
Cuers: Ralph Beekman, Ann Hadsall

March

5-7 46th Annual LA Square Dance Assoc Convention
921 Tech Drive, Ruston, LA
Caller: Joey Duhamel (Fri), LA Callers (Sat)



Cuer: Frances Stinson (Fri), LA Cuers (Sat)

13-14 60th MS State Festival, Brandon Civic Center
1000 Municipal Drive, Brandon, MS

Caller: Jerry Biggerstaff

Cuers: Tim Eum & Cindy Hadley

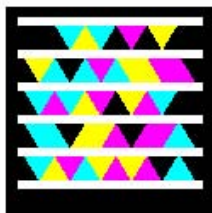
19-21 WASCA 56th Annual Festival

Hilton Mark Center Hotel

5000 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

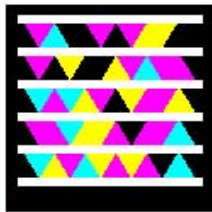
Callers: Scot Byars, Heric Henerlau, Steve Kopman,
Tom Miller, Ken Ritucci, Joe Saltel,
Mike Sikorsky, Dave Walker

Cuers: Barbara & Wayne Blackford, Irene & Steve
Bradt, Mary & Ron Noble, Marie &
Randy Preskitt



For those of you who are computer savvy, here's a treat. This page has what are called "Mobi Tags".

This first one will take you to Northwest Association's website.



This next one will take you to the Florida Federation's website.



Interested in keeping up with the Florida State Convention? Try this one!

Look for them on flyers in the near future!!

January Shine January 17, 2015



**Ted & Nancy Kennedy
Squares**

**Terri & Tim Wilaby
Rounds**



\$5.00 per person
Workshops 12:30–2:30pm Round Dance Workshop

3:00–5:00pm A1/A2 Workshop

\$10.00 per person
**7:00–9:30pm Plus Square Dance
alternating with Rounds**

A1/A2 sets will be offered during the evening dance

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Map on reverse
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SEASIDE SQUARES—RAGON HALL PENSACOLA

Although the summer saw a lot of our dancers out with family visiting or visiting family, we were happy to see dancers come out to support the callers each Friday evening.



The July Jamboree was a fun-tastic dance with Dave Muller calling some wonderful square dancing. His wit is unmatched. However, Carl will give him a run for his money! Fran did a wonderful job of cueing enough rounds so everyone had a chance to dance their tootsies off!

Once the July Jamboree was over it was time to pull together for the 51st Anniversary Dance. We were happy to be able to bring Chris Burchfield in to call squares for us. For the round dancers, Bryan Gerdes did a wonder-



ful job of cueing. We were also quite happy to see Buddy and Mary Andrews out for the first time in a long time. Mr. Bill Jenner was another person we had not



seen in a long time.

And dancers noticed a major change in the hall. Thanks to the hard work of Sharon and Bryan Gerdes, the hall is looking better and better. Once the working party refinished the floor, Sharon has been cleaning the hall and Bryan has been making repairs around the hall. They have also spent many, many hours outside cleaning and pruning the yard. Many, many thanks to the both of you.

Please be sure to put December 16th on your calendar. We are happy to announce Gary Shoemake is passing through and has graciously agreed to stop and call for Ragon Hall on his way through for a very reasonable price. It will be a wonderful dance and a great way to close for the Christmas holiday. Terri Wilaby will be cueing rounds for the round dancers. There is an ad in this issue of the Press with more information.



We still have the Gospel Opry in the hall on the second Saturday and the first and last Saturday has the Riviera Band providing entertainment for everyone. Check out our hall page for days and times of the Jazzercise group working out at the hall.

Stay safe everyone, and have a very, merry Christmas and a happy New Year!

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
PASARDA Hall
17 Industrial Street, Ft. 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

Navarre Ocean Waves

Caller: Miriam Merriwether
Holley-Navarre Senior Center
8476 Gordon Goodin Lane, Navarre, FL
Miriam Merriwether (850) 974-0951

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) 492-1757

Rivertown Squares

Callers: Jack White, Stuart Phinney

Tuesdays, 6—8 PM

Callahan's Restaurant

19900 Florida 20, Blountstown, FL

Glenn & DJ O'Neal (850) 643-6369

Sand Spurs

Caller: Chris Burchfield, Thursdays, 6:30—8:30 PM

PASARDA Hall

17 Industrial Street, Ft. Walton Beach, FL

Jackie Kramer (850) 862-4878

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, Wed, 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

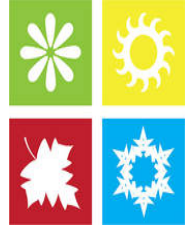
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For any further information, contact Terri Wilaby,
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**64th NATIONAL
SQUARE DANCE
CONVENTION®**
Springfield, Massachusetts
JUNE 24, 25, 26 & 27, 2015



This month's release covers the rest of the tours being offered by the 64th National Square Dance Convention in Springfield, MA. Please submit your registration if you have not already. Hotels are filling up so to get your first choice you should book as soon as you can.

We do want to address a question we keep getting asked while we travel around about camping. **THERE WILL BE 30 AMP SERVICE** at the Campground and a bus exclusively for dancers parked at the Big E to and from the convention. We also need to note that in the 6 day tour on day 4 a full course luncheon was scheduled at Newick's in Portland, Maine. Unfortunately Newick's has closed. An equal or better option will be substituted.

All Tours noted are person rate.

Single day tours:

Maple Sugar Tour – Thursday, June 25, 2015 (half Day Tour) \$64.

Parkers Maple Barn includes a Pancake breakfast with real NH maple syrup and a scenic drive through NH & MA.

Portland Maine Tour - Offered Twice Thursday, June 25 & Friday, June 26 2015 \$94.

Down East Lobster bake at Fosters, York, Maine, a guided tour of Portland, Maine and free time at the old port water front. Guided tour of historic areas includes the old port waterfront, eastern Prom with sea captain homes overlooking Casco Bay. Drive through historic neighborhoods, past Longfellow's boyhood home and the elegant Victorian Mansion. BBQ chicken can be substituted for Lobster.

Newport Mansion & Harbor Cruise – Friday, June 26, 2015
\$106.00

Admission to Breakers Mansion, luncheon at the Atlantic Beach Club, Newport Harbor Cruise, self-guided/Audio tour of the Breakers: the grandest of Newport summer cottages and a symbol of the Vanderbilt family's social and financial pre-eminence at the turn of the century. One hour cruise of Newport Harbor and Narragansett Bay.

Foxwoods Casino - Friday, June 26, 2015 with Bonus Package
\$35.00

Foxwoods is located in Ledyard, CT. Casino Bonus, \$10.00 Meal credit and a keno play voucher. Casino has the right to change the package at any time.

Visit Lexington, Concord and Boston - Offered Twice Monday,
June 22 & Tuesday, June 23, 2015 \$64.00

Eight hour guided tour of Lexington, Concord & Boston. Follow Paul Revere's "Midnight Ride". Lunch and shopping is on your own at Faneuil Hall Marketplace Quincy Market.

Boston Tour – Offered Twice- Wednesday, June 24 & Friday,
June 26, 2015 \$57.00

Four hour guided tour of Boston. Afternoon includes lunch and shopping on your own at Faneuil Hall Marketplace/Quincy Market.

Lobster Bake and Rockport, MA- Offered Twice- Thursday,
June 25th and Friday, June 26, 2015 \$94.00

Lobster Bake "in the Rough" at the Gloucester House Restaurant plus free time in Seaside Village of Rockport, MA. BBQ chicken may be substituted for Lobster.

Old Sturbridge Village- Offered Twice – Wednesday, June 24
and Friday, June 26, 2015 \$90.00

Old Sturbridge Village is a living museum located in Sturbridge MA which re-creates life in rural New England during the 1790's through 1830's. It is the largest living museum in New England, covering more than 200 acres. The Village includes 59 antique buildings, three water powered mills and a working farm. Luncheon will be at the Historic Salem Cross Inn.

John F Kennedy Presidential Museum and Library – Offered Twice – Thursday, June 25 & Friday, June 26, 2015 \$83.00
Luncheon at Phillips Restaurant, visit to Phillips Candy House plus admission to the JFK Presidential Museum and Library Archives of the 25th President of the United States.

Plimoth Plantation – Offered Twice -Thursday, June 25 and Friday, June 26, 2015 \$82.00

The day begins with a tour of the Mayflower, Plimoth Plantation and Plymouth Rock. Lunch is on your own. Plimoth Plantation is a living museum in Plymouth, Massachusetts that shows the original settlement of the Plymouth Colony established in the 17th Century by English colonists, some of whom later became known as the Pilgrims.

Yankee Candle Company – Offered Twice - Wednesday, June 24th & Saturday, June 27, 2015 (half day tour) \$30.00

Shopping and lunch on your own at Yankee Candle Company, South Deerfield, MA. You will have free time to shop at America's Favorite Candle Store. The Flagship Store in South Deerfield is where you'll find 400,000 candles in over 200 different famous Yankee scents. It's a unique, entertaining world of New England charm, fairy tale fantasies and hands-on interactive candle making that's fun for every age.

Norman Rockwell Museum – Offered Twice - Wednesday, June 24th and Saturday, June 27 2015, half day tour \$63.00

The tour starts with admission to the Norman Rockwell Museum, Stockbridge, MA. The Norman Rockwell museum is home to the world's largest collection of original Rockwell art, such as the iconic Norman Rockwell painting "The Problem We All Live With" from 1963.

Mystic Aquarium & Mystic Seaport – Offered Twice -Tuesday, June 23, & Thursday, June 25, 2015 \$84.00

Visit Mystic Aquarium and Mystic Seaport, Mystic, CT. Lunch is on your own. Mystic Aquarium is one of the nation's leading aquariums and home of the famed ocean explorer, DR. Robert Ballard and his Institute for Exploration. Mystic Seaport is a living history museum consisting of a village, ships and 17 acres of exhibits depicting coastal life in New England in the 19th Century.

Mohegan Sun Casino -Tuesday, June 23, 2015 with Bonus Package \$35.00

Mohegan Sun is located in Uncasville, CT. Casino Bonus \$15.00 Meal coupon and \$15.00 free bet. Casino has the right to change the package at any time.

Mark Twain Home / Harriet Beecher Stowe House - Thursday, June 25, 2015 (Half Day Tour) \$62.00

Admission& tour at home of Harriet Beecher Stowe & Mark Twain in Hartford, CT. The Harriet Beecher Stowe House, a National Historic Landmark in Hartford, Connecticut was once home of the author of Uncle Toms' Cabin. Stowe lived in this home for the last 23 years of her life. The Mark Twain House and Museum was the home of Samuel Langhorne Clemens from 1874 to 1891.

Abraham Lincoln's Family Home – Wednesday, June 24, 2015 \$94.00

Tour Hildene, Lincoln Family Home, and luncheon at Equinox, plus free time at Manchester Designer Outlets. Hildene located in Manchester, Vermont was the summer home of Robert Todd Lincoln and his wife Mary Harlan Lincoln. Manchester Designer Outlets offer fashion dresses, shoes and jackets, accessories and more.

Multiday tours

New York City Overnight - Sunday June 21-22 2015 \$365 per person *Double Occupancy.*

Day one- Four hour guided tour of NYC. The Empire State building, Chinatown, Grand Central Terminal the United Nations, the Brooklyn Bridge, South Street Seaport, Washington Square Arch, Little Italy, Rockefeller Center and Times Square. On tour with a private guide, your group will see, hear and explore the city. In some cases you will get out and walk around, experience Gotham, free time shopping and sightseeing in Times Square, full course dinner and show at Westchester Broadway Dinner Theater, overnight accommodations are included

Day Two - Breakfast. Visit to the 9/11 Memorial - you will have time to visit and reflect on your own. Enjoy a box lunch today on the ferry over to the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island. The Statue of Liberty enlightening the world was a gift of friendship from the people of France to the United States and

is a universal symbol of freedom and democracy.

New Hampshire Adventure- Lake Winnepesaukee- Monday, June 22 and 23, 2015 \$355 per person *Double Occupancy*

Day One: Visit the Square Dance Foundation of New England Manchester, NH the New Hampshire State House and Visitors Center located in Concord. The state house made of Concord granite was completed in 1819 with additions in 1866 and 1910. It's the oldest state house in which the legislature still sits in its original chambers. It remains today the heart of New Hampshire state government and is one of the country's more architecturally significant capital buildings. A buffet dinner this evening aboard the sunset cruise on the M/V Mt. Washington on Lake Winnepesaukee. Overnight with breakfast.

Day Two: Tour the Castle in the Clouds, Moultonborough, NH, Castle in the Clouds is a 16 room mansion and 5,500 acre mountaintop estate is owned by the Lakes Region Conservation Trust and operated by Castle Preservation Society. Luncheon is at the famous Harts Turkey Farm Restaurant. After lunch tour the Budweiser plant and see beer crafted. See the Clydesdale horses and enjoy the beautiful grounds and gardens.

Three day Cape Cod, MA, Monday, June 22- Wednesday June 24, 2015 \$399 per person *Double Occupancy*.

Day one: Hyannis Harbor Sightseeing Cruise, free time downtown Hyannis with time at JFK Museum (admission not included). Hyannis boasts the area's largest concentration of businesses, shops, motels, hotels, restaurants and entertainment spots. In the Main Street Waterfront District you will find the JFK Museum and the JFK Memorial and the Hyannis Arts District and more. On the harbor cruise you will learn about the history of Hyannis and local area landmarks on your way to view the historic Kennedy compound. Lobster/Clambake dinner included.

Day two: Free day in Provincetown, MA. Provincetown is a New England town located at the extreme tip of Cape Cod. Stage Stop Candy in Dennisport, MA prides itself on having the highest quality confections on Cape Cod.

Day Three: Heritage Museum and Gardens, The public garden with its nationally significant collections of rhododendrons hybridized by Charles Dexter, over 1000 varieties of daylilies and extensive hosta collection, is complemented by three gal-

lery buildings containing a world class collection of American automobiles, American folk art and a working 1919 carousel and rare carousel figures. Two nights at the Irish village on Cape Cod with one dinner and two breakfasts, nightly entertainment.

Next Month's Release we plan discuss the New England Square Dance Foundation.





**THE HOLLYWOOD
SCENE IN 2015
61ST FLORIDA STATE
CONVENTION
MAY 22-25, 2014**



**CASTING CALL #4
CAMPERS**

For all you campers or wanna-be campers, here is some great information from Vinnie & Lorraine Piccora, our Directors of Camping.

And I quote from their email: "There are 2 campgrounds not far from the Lakeland Convention Center. One is the Carefree Lakeland RV Resort. It is not part of the Carefree RV Resorts which is a nationwide company. They are in the midst of some upgrading to their pool and the main clubhouse which will not affect your stay with them. They have given us a "special" convention rate again this year for only \$20.00 per night. (Their normal rate starts at \$38.00 per night.) This includes full hookups with 30 and 50 Amps. They have 231 sites plus cabins and rental units, many of which are tree shaded and they can accommodate even some super sized rigs. They do not include cable for short term stays. They do have WiFi. For more info www.carefreervresorts.com/rv-parks/florida/lakeland for more complete information. This resort is about 6 to 7 miles from the Convention Center. They are also a Passport America Park.

The second park is Sanlan RV Resort. This is a larger campground with over 500 sites but very little shade. They do include cable and WiFi but charge extra per night for each pet. Their rates start at about \$38.00 per night but they do not offer any discount for the convention goers or for Passport America members. They are about 5 miles from the Convention Center. See www.sanlan.com for more information. Although this park is more modern than the Lakeland RV Resort, the upgrades being done at Lakeland RV Resort will make it comparable to the Sanlan, in my opinion.

“Overall we get a much better deal at the Lakeland RV Resort.” (Unquote)

Here is a phone number for the Lakeland Carefree RV Resort for you to make advance reservations: 863-687-6146. Or you can call Vinnie & Lorraine Picora at 386-427-0174 or email spiceyandspicier@cfl.rr.com for more detailed information.



**AGAPE SQUARES
NICEVILLE
No report**



FLORIDA STATE SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CONVENTION QUILT

Own a piece of "history", this beautiful quilt is 60"x70", displaying each of the 61 State Convention beginning with our 1st State Convention in Tampa, Florida, April 10-11, 1953 through the years to the 61st State Convention, May 22-24, 2015. The quilt is made with the logos from the Convention Shirts of as many Conventions as could be found. The back of the quilt features the interlocking Circle and Square pattern.

Raffle Tickets on Sale Now!
1 for \$1.00 or 7 for \$5.00



The "Winning Ticket" will be drawn on Sunday, May 24, 2015 at the upcoming 2015 Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention. Winner need not be present to win!

All proceeds will benefit the 61st Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention. Thank you for your Support!

SWINGING SQUARES PANAMA CITY

The Swinging Squares hosted a July 4th Dinner/Dance on July 2 at Grand Square Hall. We alternated main-stream & plus tips.

All veterans in attendance were recognized for their service to our country!



The River Town Squares retrieved their banner!



Beware: Weight loss can lead to becoming a stripper, just ask Sandy Sturgis who has lost many pounds recently! While dancing in Commerce, Ga., the heel of her shoe became the catalyst for losing her "too loose" skirt! When asked about the incident, Sandy, with laughter said "it's a good thing I had on a slip."

Oh, gee, no picture of that??

We are planning on starting a Beginners Class in the near future. Bring a friend and discover the benefits of combining fun and exercise!

Submitted by Judy Skipper



**SUMMER WAS A
BALL,
BUT NOW IT'S TIME
FOR FALL!
NEXT THING YOU
KNOW,
WE'LL BE THINKING
OF SNOW!
NOT!**

**KEEP DANCING,
EVERYONE!**

WOO WOO! ARLENE

The Florida Federation of Square & Round Dancers
invites all dancers to



Advanced Registration

May 26, 2014 thru May 21, 2015 \$27.00 pp.
Convention Box Office \$30.00 pp.
Per Person-Includes Tax Cash or Check only

NO CREDIT CARDS

SPECIAL RATES FOR YOUTH

Those youth that have not reached their 16th birthday by June 1st, 2015 will be admitted at HALF PRICE when pre-registering for the full program on or before the May 21st cutoff date.

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

Please Note

Mail in registrations received after May 10, 2015; ribbons must be picked up at the convention center box office.
Service Charge for NSF or returned checks: \$30.00
Cancellation Policy: Refunds will be cheerfully made until the doors open at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 22, 2015.
1 day ribbons sold at the Box Office.
Spectator Ribbon – Free. Pick up at Box Office.
Make checks payable to: 61stFSDC and mail to:

Carol Poole Phone: 386-734-5295
1541 Lakeside Dr. e-mail: cpoole19@cfl.rr.com
Deland, FL 32720 rpoole19@cfl.rr.com

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

61st Convention Executive Board

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May 22, 23, 24, 2015
61st 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 2015 STATE CONVENTION

THE FOLLOWING HOTELS, MOTELS & CAMPGROUND SUPPORTED
THE 2014 CONVENTION WITH ADS

The Host Hotel for 2015 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	863-595-4500
Holiday Inn Express & Suites	863-859-0100
Holiday Inn Express – Bartow	863-533-8070
Stay Inn & Suites – Bartow	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 21, 2015
Early Rounds 7:00 pm – 7:30 pm
Squares 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm

Registration Form

**61st Florida State
Square and Round Dance Convention**



May 22, 23, & 24, 2015
Lakeland Center
Lakeland, FL

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Month	Day	Event
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64th National Square Dance Convention®
“EXPERIENCE NEW ENGLAND 2015”
 Registration Form
 June 24, 25, 26, 27, 2015 - Springfield, MA
 Website: www.64nsdc.com



For Convention Use Only
 Registration # _____
 Date Received _____
 Check # _____

PLEASE PRINT

Last Name: _____ First: _____
 Address: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Country: _____ City: _____
 Phone: _____ Cell: _____
 Email: _____

Registration fees are non-refundable. Registrations for our Registration: Adults \$50.00, Youth born after June 24, 1997 \$30.00
 and \$20.00 for children born before June 24, 1997. All fees are due at the time of registration. All fees are in US dollars. Fees will
 increase May 1, 2015 to: \$75 for Adults, \$37.50 for Youth born after June 24, 1997. After April 20, 2015 e-mail confirmations only.

Solo First Name - In couples - Last Name

Adult: _____ Subtotals _____
 Adult: _____
 Adult/Youth: _____ B/D _____
 Adult/Youth: _____ B/D _____

Program Book w/daily schedules (\$15.00 after 4/30/2015) @ \$ 10.00
 Syllabus: Rounds Clogging Contra @ \$ 9.00
 On CD @ \$ 9.00
 Syllabus and CD @ \$ 15.00
 Save & Save Book: "New England's Nook Notes" CD Book @ \$ 9.00
 Book and CD @ \$ 15.00

Cookbook: "Experience New England" Total # @ \$12.00
 Wednesday Special Event: The Diamond Collection @ \$20.00
 Wednesday Special Event w/Dinner: The Diamond Collection @ \$44.00
 Bus Pass / 4 Day Pass (after 4/30/15 - \$60) @ \$50.00
 Family Pack of 4 @ \$180.00
 RV Camping - Electric/Water/Sewer (4 nights minimum) Total nights @ \$ 30.00

Tours - Please see reverse for payment information and instructions.
 No Returns/Cancellations after April 30, 2015
 Total (U.S. Funds) _____

We will pre-register all campers. You will receive a profile form. To camp together, arrive together.
 Credit Card #: _____
 Expiration Date: _____
 Visa MasterCard

Signature: _____
 Mailing Address w/zip code of Credit Card Statement
 Registration Office: 978-654-1101 / Fax: 978-654-1101 / Email: registration@64nsdc.com

Badges REQUIRED at all times. Dressy Casual until 6pm Proper Square Dance attire REQUIRED for entrance to the 64th National Square Dance Convention*
 Check our website at www.64nsdc.com for updates to this form.

Squares: M P A1 A2 C Rounds: 2 3/4 5/6 Other: Clogging Contra
 Line Dancing/Country Western Handicapped

Adults will dance. (Check all that apply)
 Complete the housing portion of this form.
 Registrations requests for **Shared Rooms or Same Hotel must be mailed together**
 in the same envelope. **WE DO NOT HAVE HOUSING REGISTRATION ONLINE.**

Housing Required? YES NO **Please Check Room Nights Needed:**

June	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun

Hotel Preference (hotel codes on back): 1st _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____ 4th _____
 Please check the appropriate box: One Bed (1-2 people) 2 Beds (2-4 people)
 Preference: Non-Smoking Smoking Wheelchair Accessible Room

Special Hotel Room Needs _____
 Additional Room Occupants _____
 Same Hotel as: _____
For Assignment in Block Housing - Requests are due by September 15, 2015
 Block Housing - 10 or more rooms
 Block Leader Name: _____ Phone: _____

Your Hotel Reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card
 Print Name On Card _____
 Credit Card # _____
 Expiration Date: _____
 Visa MasterCard

Return Form with payment to:
 64th National Square Dance Convention®
 Registration & Housing Committee
 P O Box 335 Bolton, MA 01740
 Use 978-654-1101 for info

Program info for Callers/Contra/Edmenator (of your expertise) Name: _____
 Caller & Level (M P A C) _____
 Caller for Youth Contra Prompter 2/60
 Educator Handicapped CAV Lines Instructor Exhibition Group

*** Fill out your profile on our web site: www.64nsdc.com ***
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Instructions for Registration (left side)

1. **Print legibly** all names, address, city, state, zip code, country, and B/D of youth (age 5-17 by 6/24/15 - 1/2 price) to ensure correct registration.
2. Correctly enter all amounts in the Subtotals including registration fee for each dancer plus quantity and amounts for all other materials and tours.
3. **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.
4. Correctly calculate the Total and include credit card information (with signature), check or money order, payable in U.S. dollars.
5. **RV Camping -** Indicate RV Camping on your Registration Form and enclose the required fees (four-night minimum) as well as the amount for the 20 amp service at the RV sites. If you plan to camp together, you must arrive first come, first served basis. There is a 20 amp service at the RV sites. For more information contact RV-vicechair@64nsdc.com.
6. **Alternate RV Camping -** A list of area campgrounds with higher amps is available upon request. **However, no bus loop will be provided for these campgrounds.** Contact RV-vicechair@64nsdc.com.
7. **Hotel Bus Pass & RV Park Bus Pass** are available only to registered dancers staying at the convention Hotels and Fairgrounds.
8. **Tour Forms and Payments** are to be mailed directly to: 64th National Square Dance Convention®, PO Box 335, Bolton, MA 01740. Include completed Tour Form with this Registration Form.
9. A \$10.00 fee per registrant will be assessed for cancellation or changes.

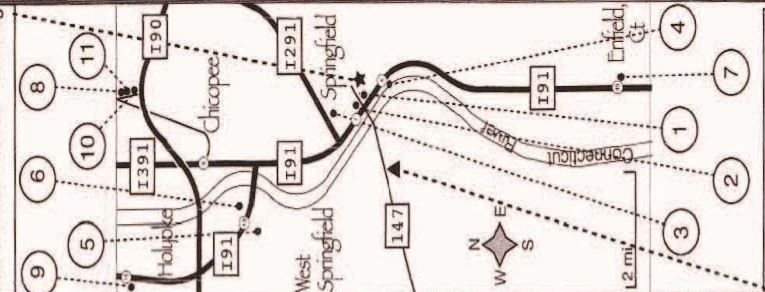
Instructions for Housing (right side)

1. Complete the Housing Section on the right of the front page of the Registration Form. This form must be received by May 1, 2015 to receive the 64th NSDC guaranteed room rates.
2. If you request housing at the Sheraton, Marriott, LaQuinta or the Holiday Inn (Entfeld) you must stay a minimum of 4 nights including Wednesday through Saturday, June 24-27, 2015.
3. 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).
4. **Shared Rooms or Same Hotel Requests** must be mailed in the same envelope to arrive together.
5. All Block Housing requests staying in the same hotel are due by September 15, 2014 submitted with the name and telephone number of the leader.
6. Indicate four (4) choices of housing preference by specifying hotel code number. Be sure to indicate one or two beds as well as preferences. Hotels will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis according to availability.
7. **Hotel Reservation: Your reservation must be guaranteed with a credit card.** Your credit card will not be charged in advance of arrival and an alternate form of payment may be presented at check-in.
8. **Hotel Confirmations:** You will receive a hotel confirmation number via e-mail or mail. If you do not receive your confirmation within 21 days, please contact the 64th NSDC Housing Committee by: (a) registration@64nsdc.com, (b) fax at (978) 634-1101, (c) 64th NSDC Housing Committee, PO Box 335, Bolton MA 01740 by May 15, 2015.
9. **Hotel Changes:** After receiving Hotel Confirmation, if you need to cancel your Hotel reservation you must contact the Hotel directly and give your confirmation number to the Hotel personnel.
10. **Hotel Cancellations:** Your confirmed hotel will assess a one night room/tax charge for cancellations received less than 73 hours prior to arrival. An early departure fee may be charged unless the hotel is notified at check-in or before of a change in the planned length of stay.

The "Four Seasons Board" of the 64th National Square Dance Convention® is committed to making our convention fun and enjoyable for you. Please Call or E-mail us if you have a concern or suggestion. Call: (978) 634-1101, E-mail: registration@64nsdc.com.

Check our website at www.64nsdc.com for updates to this form.

Mass Mutual Center - dancing



Big E Fairgrounds - camping

CODE	Hotel Name	# of People per Room			
		1	2	3	4
The Mass Mutual Center and the Sheraton and Marriott Hotels will be used for convention dancing and functions throughout the convention.					
(** Hotel Codes 1, 2, 3, & 7 require a 4 night minimum stay) (Wed. 6/24/15 through Sat. 6/27/15)					
Both Headquarters Hotels Are Within Walking Distance Prices do not include sales tax					
1	Sheraton Monarch Plaza, 2 Blocks 1 Monarch Plaza, Springfield, MA	\$129	\$135	\$145	\$155
2	Marriott Hotel, 2 Blocks 2 Boland Way, Springfield, MA	\$129	\$139	\$139	\$139
Bus Passes Recommended					
3	LaQuinta Inn & Suites, .02 miles 100 Congress St., Springfield, MA	\$99	\$99	\$99	\$99
4	Hilton Garden Inn, .88 miles 800 West Columbus Ave., Springfield, MA	\$149	\$149	\$149	\$149
Hotel # 4 is adjacent to Basketball Hall of Fame					
5	Hampton Inn, 3.6 miles 1077 Coverdale St., West Springfield, MA	\$119	\$119	\$119	\$119
6	Comfort Inn and Suites, 4.4 miles 101 Capital Drive, West Springfield, MA	\$99	\$99	\$99	\$99
7	Holiday Inn, 6.3 miles 1 Bright Meadow Blvd., Enfield, CT	\$109	\$109	\$109	\$109
8	Hampton Inn, 7.9 miles 600 Memorial Dr., Chicopee, MA	\$129	\$129	\$129	\$129
9	Homewood Suites, 8.0 miles 375 Whitney Ave., Holyoke, MA	\$129	\$129	\$129	\$129
10	Days Inn, 8.3 miles 180 Memorial Dr., Chicopee, MA	\$99	\$99	\$99	\$99
11	Residence Inn, 8.6 miles 500 Memorial Dr., Chicopee, MA	\$139	\$139	\$139	\$139



Here's a little hug for you
To make you smile when you feel blue
To make you happy if you're sad,
To let you know ..life ain't so bad!



Now I've given a hug to you,
Somehow, I feel better too!
Hugs are better when you share,
So pass one on and show you care!

Share A Hug Today!





TNT ROUNDS PENSACOLA

Dancing! Dancing! Dancing! This is what we have been doing~how about you?

I must say I think this has been one of the busiest summers yet. Springtime Rounds in April, Florida State Convention in May, Roundalab and Nationals in June, July Jamboree in July (of course) and Seaside's Anniversary in May! Not to mention the Billy Bowlegs, Fiesta of Five Flags, MSDA's quarterly dance, Navarre's benefit dance, and lastly the Fall Ball. We tried to get to as many of them as we could. How many of these did you attend?

I know attendance has been down lately. Hopefully it will pick up now the summer is over and most of the vacations have happened. I know our club has struggled to compete with others across the summer for dancers.



On a happier note, though, I must say this cha-cha class has surprised just about everyone. Our roster currently stands

at 48 students! Of

course we are only 4 weeks into the class, and a few are apt to drop, but I

sure hope

not! Neat thing is only about 1/3 of the students are returning from the previous class! Now the trick is to turn them into members...



Not a whole will be going on for TNT Rounds across the fall and into the winter. Tim and I will be attending the RDCF Fall weekend to study Jive with Bob and Sally Nolen of New Mexico. It will be a great weekend. It might be too late for you to plan to attend this weekend, but how about the March weekend? I don't know the rhythm yet (we'll vote on it at the meeting) but the dates are March 21/22, 2015. Come join us. The clinicians work the desired rhythm from the tempo and positioning up as far and the attendees can go. It's a lot of fun!

We are looking forward to December though! Have you heard? Gary Shoemake is coming to town (no he doesn't look like Santa)! Tim and I have the pleasure of cueing rounds with him on December 16. Look for the flyer in this issue or on the Florida website.

Remember, when you go to a dance, take friends with you. It makes the trip more fun and helps the club you are visiting. Everyone likes to have visitors. We hope to see you on the dance floor somewhere!



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