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THE PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



The very fact that we are at a loss for words is a good indication that we are in the Summer doldrums, that time of year when it is hard to get started doing anything. When we were in the North such a time was called Spring fever but here in Florida there is no Spring, just the "Season" and Summer.

Now that our "Seasonal Visitors" have departed is a good time to look to our clubs in retrospect to see what we did right during the past year and make plans to repeat and expand on our successes. Also it is the time to analyze our failures to make certain that we can identify our errors and learn from our mistakes.

The off "Season" months are oftimes the most trying for a club because when people are beating the door down to dance with us it is hard to remember that it is not always so and that the seven lean months will surely follow the five fat ones. Living "high on the hog" is easy. It takes a viable, dynamic, friendly and wise group to survive the "Summer Doldrums". More work, friendliness, inspiration, and imagination are required during the slack season than at any other time of the year. Hope to see you all at the State Convention.

Hugh & Jean Fultz

IN A NUTSHELL



1. Blood Bank Donor Discs were presented to those donors present at our April 29th. dance. Those donors not present will be sent their discs to be attached to their W/C/A badge. We have 18 donors who have given 50 units.
2. All blood donors wearing their donor discs will be admitted to the July 29th Association dance free.
3. W/C Willie has a new outfit for the State and National Conventions and he made 11 visits in April for a total of 101.
4. Flyers and ribbons for the FALL FUN FEST are now available from any W/C officer or by mail. Don't miss this great festival.
5. Central Florida Millie reports that there is just not time enough to prepare for a wedding at the State Convention. She indicates a date sometime in the fall will be more acceptable to her.
6. Our membership now stands at 1640, as of May 1. We are still trying for 2000 this year. Please join or renew now.
7. Three more Association dances round out our yearly schedule:

July 7th. at Holiday Lakes Estates	- renewal
July 29th at North Blvd.	- 1/2 & 1/2
Sept 30th at North Blvd	- Election

JOIN THE WEST COAST ASSOCIATION NOW



SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Once a couple has been through the line as officers in the Association, their interest in the well-being of the organization in particular and square dancing in general remains high. This is especially true of our junior past president, Ken and Mae Ford. This year would have been a long, lonely and difficult time for us had it not been for their friendship and counsel. They have always been on hand to travel with us and W. C. Willie, to assume hard and oftentimes thankless tasks, and to just be there as sounding boards to listen and advise. We and the Association have been very fortunate to have had their help, and we feel that Square Dancing in general is better for their having been an active part of the movement. For ourselves and for the Association we want to express our gratitude to this great couple.

OPEN LETTER TO CLUB PRESIDENTS AND CALLERS:

On October 27 & 28, 1978 at Lakeland Civic Center the 3rd Annual Fall Fun Fest takes place. The FFF was started in order to have this festival become the main support of the West Coast Dancer Magazine. At the very beginning of the planning for the FFF all clubs were contacted and asked if they approved of this idea, and would they as a club support this project. The answer was "YES"!!!

Now with the third FFF coming up we remind you of this and ask for your wholehearted support. During the past two years many changes have taken place in the West Coast Dancer, it has only improved. But the operating costs have increased. This magazine fills a great need in our area, for callers and dancers alike. To continue it needs the support at the FFF of both callers and dancers.

The FFF is first class...a top National caller, an excellent round dance leader, two popular area callers for the after-party. In order to gain your support we have tried to give you the best.... we ask only that YOU come and enjoy it.

Al & Isabelle Ratliff
Chairman, Fall Fun Fest.

opinion

Dear Editor:

We are new dancers (less than two years), and after reading all the different views on square dancing, we are getting a little confused on what square dancing is supposed to be. Is it supposed to be a dance or a social club? If we go there to socialize, then why do we pay a good caller to call his heart out while we stand around waiting for a left allemand with a false or pasted smile on our faces? After we graduated from classes and started to dances, we had people to shun us, turn their backs on us and really get upset because we would break the square. We didn't get offended or cry about it; we didn't blame them. They had come and paid their money to dance not to teach, push and shove us around. It made us work harder to be better dancers so they would want to dance with us. Making up squares is done at every dance by a number of people, not just a few. If the people complaining would take a good look at themselves and try to improve their dancing, squares would not have to be made up in order to dance.

Bob & Millie Pfantz

By Chris Vear, San Antonio, Texas

After a year of traveling through and calling in 35 of your United States, I'm left with some observations and some questions as to the true nature of our activity and direction the activity seems to be taking. Before making everyone hostile, I'd like to point out that I am not anti anything, that there is nothing wrong with something new, and that the activity must not be allowed to stagnate.

What was once an activity that relied almost totally on the pleasure the participants derived from their own company and a mutual pleasure in moving together with the music has now evolved into a very complex entertainment industry. Where we used to be able to advertise square dancing as fun and easy to learn, we now only advertise it as fun because it has become far from easy to learn. Unfortunately for many dancers, old and new alike, the emphasis has been shifted from the fun and fellowship that should be an inherent part of the activity to a desire for technical accomplishment. It is becoming more imperative that we cram basic movements into dancers rather than try to teach them to be good club members. A fact we have not heard anyone point out, obvious though it may be, is that the more basic movements we add to the list, the more people we eliminate from participation.

Advantageous as the Challenge movement may be for evaluating new calls and perpetuating those that are not part of the Mainstream program, let us not be persuaded that challenge dancing should be the ultimate goal of every caller and every dancer. It is true that there are some dancers who will enjoy themselves at any level and some callers who can call at any level but, more and more, it is very obvious that challenge square dancing is not what most people start square dancing to achieve. We persuade people to square dance because it is FUN; why then do we proceed, as soon as they graduate, to make it hard work for them?

In my travels around the country, in many cases as an observer as well as a participant, I see more and more emphasis on WHAT WAS PERFORMED as opposed to HOW MUCH ENJOYMENT was had, as if apologies had to be made if the group was having too much fun!

EVERYBODY IS PRESSURED

Callers talk more and more of "technique," "choreography," "basic terminology," etc., and appear to be embarrassed to admit that they have any actual feelings for the activity of the people in it. They are becoming pressured, more and more, into believing that they have to prove to the dancers that they know something the dancers don't. The dancers are being pressured to keep up with it all, despite the fantastic attempts of CALLERLAB to standardize and label each level. Merely using the word "level" puts pressure on the dancer to "achieve" when the emphasis should be on the word "enjoy."

I've been square dancing for 25 years and as a caller, a square dancer, and a round dancer, I love every minute of it. I don't participate in any Challenge dancing and I will not let anyone convince me that I am missing something. I do not deny the rights of the challenge dancers or the advanced round dancers to enjoy their portion of the activity but, however hard they try, they cannot convince me that the appeal of the activity is the same for them as it is for me and the rest of the mostly silent majority of dancers and callers.

It is natural for all of us, at whatever "level" to want our particular segment of the activity to grow. What we MUST realize is that we also have

the RESPONSIBILITY to perpetuate the activity, to let it grow naturally and to let the dancers choose, without pressure, the segment or segments they can enjoy to the utmost.

At whatever "level" we choose to participate, let us strive to emphasize that the actual participation is just as important as the performance and that there really isn't anything to be ashamed of in having a heck of a good time. If a caller or dancer wants to be able to do it all and has the time to devote to it, that's fine. But we are making a grave mistake when we start expecting the majority to follow suit and put pressure on them to do so. That is when they start to drop out and, believe me, they are dropping out. We can keep people in the activity and if we, the callers, would just be more aware of the reasons people really participate, we would all be surprised at how easy it is.

Though not calling regularly for any one club at the moment, I have, before moving to the U.S., called for and kept two clubs going for over 10 years. The secret to doing it was to give the people a release from the pressures of their everyday lives. When they begin to find the same pressures in square dancing, the release value is gone and, when it has, the activity loses part of its unique appeal and starts losing its participants.

Let's teach our dancers to LOVE the activity; they don't have to prove how good they are. Let's have them prove how NICE they can be--you'd be surprised at the sense of well-being you will all be left with.

SQUARE DANCING, Sets in Order, American Square Dance Soc.,
January, 1978, pp. 10-11.

SQUARE DANCING AT CHANNEL MARKERS FOR THE BLIND

Cliff and Lorraine Hendricks taught Square Dance Classes, Round Dancing and had Square Dance Clubs for many years in our area. Then Cliff lost part of his vision. He joined Channel Markers for the Blind and began to learn Braille. He sings in the Choir at Church, the Chorus at Channel Markers and is also learning to play the organ.

Two years ago Cliff and Lorraine started a Square Dance class at Channel Markers. He got in touch with Hank Schmakel, a caller in the area, and his wife Fran to find "Angels". They found enough to start off with 6 squares, an "Angel" for each Channel Marker. In two years they are really doing wonderfully. They do Grand Square, Monday Morning Secretary, Sing-a-long, Blue Ridge Mts., Bad Leroy Brown and most of the easy Basics. Lorraine taught them Left-Footers-One Step which they really enjoy.

They start on Nov. 9th, 1-3 P.M. and go until the last of April, as some of them go North for the summer. Every so often we have a little party, "Punch and Cookies" and visit a while. We had two Exhibition Dances, one at Channel Marker with about 200 spectators, and one at Temple B'nai Israel Church where we were invited for Breakfast. Cliff and Lorraine did a Round Dance for them which everyone enjoyed. We had four squares participating.

It is a wonderful feeling to be of service and giving them the enjoyment of Square Dancing. They dress in Square Dance clothes and look STUNNING. Some of the "Angels" are Hub & Velma Quantrell, Earl & Elsie Hannah, Bill & Eva Fanjoy, John & Ozie Lynn, Reg & Gwen Wolfenden, Slim & Peg Detamore, George Emerson, Harry Welsch, Frank Brodel, Olie Richards, Don & Em Kelloway, Fred Simmonds, Matt Geyer, Lucy Brewer and Fran Schmakel. When they start again in November we hope to have Doc Somers, another area caller, and his wife Adeline, helping us.

Do stop in and see them sometime at Channel Markers - 1610 N. Myrtle Street, Clearwater, Florida.

Fran Schmakel

ROUNDS WORKSHOPS

Mon	Sarasota MH Park-2100 E Laurel-Basics 6:45 EZ 8:15 pm	Copeland
Tue	Ft Myers-2160 San Carlos Blvd-Inter 2-4 pm	Blythe
	Tampa-Grant Park-32 Av 54 St-EZ 8 pm	Lovelace
Thu	" " " " -EZ 8 pm	Lovelace
Sat	Pinellas Park-OxBow-8451 49 St N-Basics 1 pm	Leach
	Dunedin-Stirling Hall-730 Broadway-Basics 10:30 am	Rand
	Brandon-1st United Meth Ch-Basics & WS 8 pm 1,2,3 & 5	Lundberg
	Largo-Oakcrest MH Park-1001 Ulmerton Rd-EZ to EZ/Int 7 pm 2,3,4 & 5	Rand
Mon	Tampa-214 N Blvd-Rec Cent-Inter/Adv 8 pm	Lovelace
	Tarpon Springs-Comm Cent-Lime St-Inter 1-3 pm	Walther

ROUND DANCE CALENDAR

	Pinellas Park-OxBow-8451 49 St N-EZ/Inter 1 pm	Rand
Tue	St Pete-Town Apts Rec Hall-62 Av 19 St N-EZ 1:30 pm	Hicks
	Sarasota-Potter Bldg-2900 Ringling Blvd-Inter/Adv (incl WS) 7:30 pm	Copeland
	Ft Myers-Downtown Teen Club-EZ 6 pm Inter 8 pm	Kastner
Wed	Largo-Comm Cent-65 4th St NW-Adv & Chal 7:30 pm	Gilbert
	New Port Richey-Southgate Apts-Low/Inter 2 pm	Hulin
	Clearwater-Top/World-2410 Sunset Point Rd-EZ/Inter 12:30 pm	Leach
	Lakeland-Downtown Rec Cent-203 Mass Av-EZ 7 pm Inter 8:30 pm	Martin
Thu	New Port Richey-Southgate Apts-High/Inter 2 pm	Hulin
	Pinellas Park-OxBow-8451 49 St N-High/Inter 7:30 pm	Walther
	Sarasota-Potter Bldg-2900 Ringling Blvd-Inter (incl WS) 7:30 pm	Neitzel
	Dunedin-Stirling Hall-730 Broadway-EZ 7 pm	Rand
Fri	Largo-Comm Cent-65 4 St NW-Inter/Adv (incl WS) 7:30 pm	Gilbert
	Sarasota MH Park-2100 E Laurel-EZ/Inter (incl WS) 8:15 pm	Neitzel
	Bonita Springs-Comm Cent-Tamiami Steppers-Inter 7:30 pm	Kastner
	Dunedin-Stirling Hall-730 Broadway-EZ/Inter 3:15 pm	Rand
	Ft Myers-Teen Club-Cleveland Av-Fun level	Heiss
Sun	Pinellas Park-OxBow-8451 49 St N-All levels 2 pm (3rd only)	Leach & Walther
	Plant City-Dort St Cent-Inter Basic (incl WS-2nd only) 7 pm	Martin
	" " " " " -Strawberry Sun-All levels 2 pm (2nd only)	Martin
	Sarasota-Potter Bldg-2900 Ringling Blvd (incl WS-1st only) 2 pm	Gilbert & Copeland

Abbreviations used in Dance Calendars: PDR=Pre-dance rounds WS= Workshop
 Levels of dancing: B=Basics XBa=Extended basics MS=Mainstream +1=Mainstream +1
 +2=Mainstream +2 Adv=Advanced Exp=Experimental APD=All position dancing

 Congratulations are in line for Lee and Earle Kastner of Ft. Myers. What a wonderful picture of them on the cover of the National Round Dance Magazine. They have contributed so much pleasure to round dancing in this area and deserve all the praise that has been given them. Hope that all of you will see their picture.

DANCEMBLERS

The faithful who turned out to assemble the DANCER on April 26th were: Howard & Marion Ridings, Glen & Lorraine Morse, Earle & Betty Williams, Roy & Ruth Pringle, John & Lucille Kelley, Hugh & Jean Fultz, Don & Jean Stunz, John & Estelle O'Connell, Jim Hunter, Darwin & Lil Budnick, Ken & Mae Ford, George & Dena Burcham, Jack & Betty Knox, Jim Osteen, Marshall & Ann Hensley, Hal & Bunk Metcalf and Walter & Esther Stoltz. The Staff, as always, appreciates the loyalty of these and many others from past years who have contributed that most precious of commodities, TIME.



SQUARE DANCE WORKSHOPS

Mon	Hudson-Club Wildwood-US19 2 mi N SR52-Refresher +1 2 pm	Kessler	
	Palmetto-Piney Point Est-Ba 8 pm	R Norton	
	St Pete-Lealman Hall-4255 56 Av N-New Grad +1 & Exp 8 pm	Steele	
	Tampa-Grant Park-32 Ave 54 St-New Grad & Rusty Hinge 8:30	Springer	
Tue	Dunedin-Stirling Hall-730 Broadway-Ba/XBa 12 noon	Kessler	
	" " " " " -MS 2 pm	Kessler	
Wed	" " " " " -+1 & +2 1 pm	Springer	
	Hudson-Beacon Woods Racquet Club-SR52 E of US19 +1 5:30 pm	Kessler	
Thu	Tampa-Oak Park Rec Cent-54 St 14 Av-MS+	Hurst	
	Dunedin-Stirling Hall-730 Broadway-New Grad 1 pm	Mitchell or Prystupa	
Fri	St Pete-Azalea Rec Cent-1400 72 St N-MS+ 7:30	MacDonald	
	Lakeland-Women's Club-Morton Dr-Intro to Adv 8 pm (1&3)	Kessler	
Sun	Ft Myers-Teen Club-Kriss Kross Sqs-XBa/+1 (2&4) +2/Adv (1,3&5) 2:30	Walter	
	Cape Coral-CC Sqs-Yacht Club-PDR Kastner +2 7:30	Walter	
Mon	Clearwater-Y Sqs-YWCA-222S Lincoln-PDR Mack 7:30 +1	Mitchell	
	Dunedin-Stirling Hall-730 Broadway-KC's $\frac{1}{4}$ Mores-PDR Hulin 7:00 Adv	Cucore	
	Odessa-Teacuppers-Keystone Rec Cent-Gunn Hwy 7:30	Phillips	
	Pinellas Park-OxBow-8451 49 St N-Azalea Sqs-MS 7:30	MacDonald	
	Punta Gorda-Alligator MH Park Rec Hall-S Taylor 7:30	Livingston	
	" " -Jr Hi Gym-Char Promenaders (Soft shoes) MS 8 pm	Dillenbeck	
	St Pete-Shootin' Stars-Cong Ch-6315 Central Av-PDR Hicks 7 pm Sqs 7:30	Barnes	
	Sebring-Rainbow Sqs-Pier-Rt A1A-MS & Exp	Bean	
	Tampa-Gandy Dancers-Interbay Rec Cent +Rds (+2 WS) +1 8 pm	Kessler	
	Dunedin-Steeple Stompers-St Ignatius Ch-Tarpon Spr (Start 6/13) 8 pm	Townsend	
	Lakeland-Sanlan Ranch Campground-PDR Runnels 7 pm WS 7:30 +1	Barnes	
	Tue	Largo-Oakcrest Sqs-MH Park-1001 Ulmerton Rd-PDR Rand 7 pm MS+ 7:30	Schmakel
New Port Richey-Dixie Loopers-Gulf Harbors-PDR Walther 7:30		Gray or Prystupa	
North Port-Harbor Cove City Assoc-Taped Rds		1&3 Gray 2&4 Prystupa	
Pinellas Park-OxBow-8451 49 St N-PDR Leach 7:30 +2 (6/13 Dillenbeck)		Springer	
		(6/20 Baker)	
Plant City-Strawberry Strollers-Dort St Rec Cent-PDR 7:30 1,3&5 Hart 2&4 Pettus			
*Sarasota-MH Park-Laurel Av-Tuesday Trippers (WS 7 pm) MS 8 pm		Jabbusch	
Sarasota-Potter Bldg-2900 Ringling Blvd +Rds Copeland 7:30 (1,3&5)		Schneider	
Venice-Comm Cent-326 Nokomis Av S-Noon to 2 pm		Prystupa	
Auburndale-Sunshine Swingers-Municipal Bldg 7:30		Chapman	
Brooksville-Drift Arounds-Brookridge Comm Cent-MS (+1 WS) 7:30		Swain	
Dunedin-Stirling Hall-730 Broadway-Adv 8 pm (6/14 & 21 no dance)		Springer	
Ft Myers-South Rec Cent-Golf Av-MS + 7S 7 pm	Williams		
Hudson-Beacon Woods Racquet Club-SR52 E of US19 +2 7:30	Kessler		
Lehigh Acres-Pairs & Sqs-Masonic Bldg-MS	Logan		
Wed	Pinellas Park-Thunderbirds-OxBow-8451 49 St N-PDR Rand 7:30 +2	Mitchell	
	*Sarasota-Bee Sharp-Potter Bldg-2900 Ringling Blvd +2(WS 7 pm)	Jabbusch	
	Sebring-Ridge Rollaways-New Civ Cent +1 +2 (WS 7:30) Dance 8:30	Tidd	
	Seminole-Lake Seminole N-10245 110 Av N-PDR 7 pm MS	Hicks	
	Tampa-Friendly Sqs-214 N Blvd-PDR Lovelace 7:30 (6/14 Schneider)	Prystupa	
	Tampa-Katydids-Kate Jackson Rec Cent-Rome & Morrison-XBa 8 pm	Cowan	
	Venice-Country Club Estates +Rds +2 8 pm	Cucore	
	Zephyrhills-Hillbillies-Muni Bldg +Rds (WS 7:30)	Barnes	
	Arcadia-Arcadia Sqs-American Legion Bldg 8 pm	Livingston	
	Clearwater-"Y" Knots-YWCA-222 S Lincoln-PDR Mack 7:30	Baker	
	Thu	Dunedin-Stirling Hall-730 Broadway-Stirling Twirlers-PDR DuBois 7:30 +1+2 Gray	
		Ft Myers-Kriss Kross Sqs-Moose Hall-Park Meadows Dr-PDR Kastner 7:30 MS+ guests	
Hudson-Club Wildwood-US19 2 mi N SR52-PDR Rand 7:30 +2 (6/8,15&22 guests)Springer			
" -Comm Cent-US19 N of N Port Richey-MS & Exp(WS 7:30) Starts 6/29	Barnes		

	Palmetto-Piney Point MH Park +Rds J Norton +2 8 pm	R Norton
	Tampa-Love Bug Singles-McGuire Rec Cent-N Rome +1 1&3 Kessler 2&4	guests
Thu	Valrico-Featherrock MH Park-EZ MS 7:30	Nocera
	Venice-Comm Cent-326 S Nokomis Av-Gulfside Sqs-MS (+1 WS) 8 pm 1,2&3	Prystupa
	" -Country Club Estates-MS 8 pm	Cucore
	Brandon-Brandon Sqs-1st United Meth Ch-PDR Lundberg 7:30 2&4	Hinkel
	Brooksville-Brookridge Manor-3rd only	Barnes
	El Jobean-Yellow Rocks-Comm Cent-off SR771 8 pm	Livingston
	High Point-Rec Cent-SR 50 1 1/2 mi E Weekiwachee +1+2 1,2&5	Barnes
	Holiday-Holiday Lake Est Civ Assoc-Welcome Sqs-PDR Hulin 7:30 6/2,16&30	Prystupa
	6/9 Mitchell 6/23 Barnes 7/14 Broeder 7/21 Gray 7/28 guest 7/7 WC Dance	
	Lakeland-Gator Promenaders-Rec Cent-203 Mass Av 8 pm	Pettus
Fri	Pinellas Park-Left Allamanders-OxBow-8451 49 St N-PDR 7:30 +1 1,2&3 6/2	Schneider
	6/9 Barnes 6/16 Mitchell 7/7 Kessler 7/14 Cucore 7/21 Baker	
	Rds Lundberg, Leach or Martin	
	St Pete-Spares 'N Pairs-B 'n B Int'l-1400 72 St N-MS	Hicks
	*Sun City-Swingers-Rec Cent-MS 8 pm 2&4	Jabbusch
	Tampa-Spinning Wheels-214 N Blvd-PDR Martin 7:30 1&3 6/2 & 7/7 Springer	
	6/16 Bishop 7/21 McClary	
	Tampa-Taggers WS Club-214 N Blvd-PDR 7:30 +2 2,4&5	Kessler
	Clearwater-Country Cuzzins-YWCA-222 S Lincoln 8 pm 1&3	Dowell
	Dade City-Square Hoppers-Civ Cent-4 & Meridian-PDR Lundberg 7:30 1&3	guests
	Dunedin-Gator 8's-Stirling Hall-730 Broadway-PDR Rand 7:30 1,3&5	Mitchell
	" -Stirling Hall-730 Broadway-PDR Rand 7:30+1+2 2&4	Prystupa
	Englewood-Buttons & Bows-Lemon Bay Sch-PDR Mitchell 7:30 +1 6/3 Baker	
	7/15 Prystupa 6/10,17,24 7/1,8,22&29 Barnes	
	Ft Myers-Swingers-Teen Club-Cleveland Av 7:30	Sauls
	Hudson-Club Wildwood-US19 2 mi N SR52-MS 2&4	Kessler
	Lehigh Acres-Comm Cent-PDR Foreman 7:30	Livingston
Sat	Mango-Swingin' Yell "O" Rockers-Rec Cent +Rds 8 pm 1&3	Hurst
	Mulberry-Buttons & Bows-Civ Cent-PDR Martin 7:30 2&4 (6/24 Baker/Lundberg)	Hinkel
	Naples-Sunshine Shufflers-Avalon Sch-PDR Kastner 7:30	guests
	Pinellas Park-OxBow-8451 49 St N-PDR Leach or Walther 7pm +1 Sqs @ 8 6/3 Springer	
	6/10&7/22 Mitchell 6/17 Bedell 6/24&7/29 Gray 7/1&8 D Ward 7/15 Barnes	
	*Sarasota-Red Hots-Potter Bldg +2 2&4 Jabbusch 1&3 guests	
	Sarasota-TriPar Estates MH Park +Rds J Norton +2 Exp APD 8 pm	R Norton
	Tampa-Bay Area Twirlers-214 N Blvd-PDR DuBois 7:30 2&4 6/10 Gray 6/24	Prystupa
	7/8 Koning 7/22 Walter	
	Tampa-Villa Curli Q's-214 N Blvd-PDR 7:30 +1 1&3	Kessler
	Largo-Holiday Ranch MH Park-2300 E Bay 7:30	Hart
Sun	Pinellas Park-Flamingo Sqs-OxBow-8451 49 St N +Rds Hicks (WS @ 7)+1 7:30	Steele
	*Sarasota-Friendly Sqs-Potter Bldg-2900 Ringling Blvd(WS @ 7)MS+ 8 pm	Jabbusch
	Spring Hill-Whirlaways-Rec Hall +1 (+2 WS) 7:30	Swain
	*George Jabbusch will be on vacation 6/18 to 7/21	

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NECROLOGY

Sincere sympathy to William Jackson and family for the loss of Grace A. Jackson.

Condolences to Edna Leiner upon the passing of Theodore A. Leiner.

It is with deep regret that we announce that George Anscob did not recover from the heart attack he suffered at North Boulevard on April 29. Our sincere sympathy is extended to his wife Doris and his family.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- May 26-28 Orlando-25 Annual Fla State Conv-Exhib Hall-Fla Callers & Cuers
June 2-3 Ft Walton Bch-Billy Bowlegs Festival-Pasarda Hall-Rds Waldorf-Sqs Lasry & McMillan
2-4 TNT Chapter 081 NSDCA Camporee-Shady Acres Campground-S of Ft Myers
3 Mango-Yell "O"Rockers Luau Dance-Rec Cent-SQS Hurst
3 Zephyrhills-Saunlace Spec-Muni Bldg-Rds Lovelace Sqs Saunders 8 pm
4 Pinellas Park-Suncoast Callers Assoc Freshman Frolic-OxBow 3-5 pm
10 Mulberry-Buttons & Bows Anniv Dance-Civic Cent PDR 7:30 Rds Martin Sqs Hinkel
10 Tampa-Bay Area Twirlers Luau Dance-214 N Blvd-PDR 7:30 DuBois Sqs Gray
22-24 Oklahoma City, Okla-27th National SD Convention
23-25 Okeechobee-Fijan Fling-Fijan Campground-Rds Maynard Sqs Crosby & Walter
24 Clearwater-YWCA-222 S Lincoln-Hosting future Knothead from Maitland-Sqs Schmakel
& MacDonald
26 Tampa-Gandy Dancers Independence Dance-Interbay Rec Cent 8 pm Sqs & Rds Kessler
27 Plant City-Strawberry Strollers Ice Cream Party-Dort St Rec Cent-Sqs Pettus
30-July 3 Lehigh Acres Resort Motel-Star Spangled Holiday-Rds Beattie Sqs Springer &
Sansom
July 1 Mango-Swingin' Yell "O"Rockers 4th or July & Badge Dance-Rec Cent Sqs Hurst
4 Brandon-Brandon Sqs Independence Day Dance-Brandon Hi Sch-PDR Lundberg 7:30
Sqs Chapman
4 Plant City-Strawberry Strollers Watermelon Celebration Dort St Rec Cent-Sqs Hart
7 Holiday-WEST COAST ASSOC Renewal Dance-Holiday Lake Estates-FREE to '78 members
PDR Hulin 7:30 Sqs Prystupa
7 Tampa-Spinning Wheels Firecracker Spec-214 N Blvd-PDR Martin 7:30 Sqs Springer
14-15 Lakeland-Citrusland Squareup-Lake Mirror Aud-Rds Lovelace Sqs Saunders & Chapman
14-16 Sunshine State Chapter 018 NSDCA Camporee-Sanlan Ranch Campground-US98 Lakeland
21-23 Lehigh Acres-3rd Annual Summer Fling-Rds Beattie Sqs Blaum, Bass & Sansom
28-29 " " -Funtime Frolic-Rds Rand Sqs Mitchell & Prystupa
29 Tampa-WEST COAST ASSOC Dance-214 N Blvd-Members 1/2 price-PDR Lundberg 7:30 Sqs Pettus
30 Pinellas Park- Flamingo Sqs Snuffy Smith Jamboree-OxBow 7:30 Rds Hicks Sqs Steele
Sept 1-4 Tampa-Knothead Konvention-Curtis Hixon Conv Cent-Rds Frank & Phyl Lehnert
Sqs Johnny LeClair & Ken Anderson
Oct 13-15 Miami Beach-Rd Dance Council Fall Festival-Konover Hotel-Featuring Proctors
27-28 Lakeland-WEST COAST ASSOC Fall Fun Fest-Civic Cent-Rds Lovelace Sqs Ken Bower
Nov 3-5 Haines City-Central Park Campgrounds-Fla Assoc NSDCA 4th Annual Camporee

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT - anyone who has not been able to make a knothead trip contact Walt Hurst, Ph. 988-3536, as we will go on Saturday, June 24.

BLOOD BANK REPORT

Recently in Pinellas a tornado practically destroyed a school. Three little children died, several were very seriously injured. Just as quick as a flash this destruction took place. If this toronado had touched down in one of our many trailer parks, or struck an apartment building it could have caused complete havoc, as it did at the school. In a situation such as that we would undoubtedly be called upon by many of our West Coast members for blood.

Our account now has 50 units of blood, but this amount would not be enough to fill the requests if a sudden tragedy were to take place. If you have been planning a visit to your blood bank, don't delay any longer. We hope we never have to use any, but if it's needed, we hope it's there! Visit your local blood bank and have them transfer your donation to the West Coast Square and Round Dancers Assn. account at the Community Blood Bank in St. Petersburg.

John & Susie Petrauskas

BAY AREA TWIRLERS of Tampa took a bus and 32 square lancers to Titusville to make Knothead. They danced with the Sun Dancers. A great time was had by all and everyone enjoyed the delicious focu. Thank you Sun Dancers! We are having a Luau June 10 with Doc Gray, and on the 24th we are dancing to Joe Prystupa.

Letha Durling

BEACON WOODS put on square dance demonstrations all day at the State Fair in Tampa with Chuck Kessler our caller. Our attendance has been great in spite of many of our dancers leaving for the north. Our workshop had dwindled to one square, but with the graduation of a recent class it has jumped to 12 squares. We have recently started our workshop at 5:30 and our dance at 7:30.

Fred Martin

BRANDON SQUARES of Brandon are looking forward to our Special Independence Day Dance on Tuesday July 4 at Brandon High School. Early rounds at 7:30 with Wayne Lundberg and square 'em up at 8:00 with Roger Chapman. Special entertainment and refreshments. Tickets are now on sale from any Brandon club member or by calling 689-8422 or 689-0755. Please, if possible, purchase tickets in advance. Admission \$5 per couple.

Bill & Linda Clark

BUTTONS AND BOWS of Englewood celebrated its 17th birthday with a special dance April 22. A large turnout of dancers enjoyed the lively calling of Jim Baker for the squares and Bob Mitchell the rounds. An attractive and delicious birthday cake was served with coffee and lemonade, and the awarding of four door prizes added to the fun. Three lucky couples each won a free dance and the fourth won a beautiful bouquet of roses. These were presented by our president, George Naylor, whose hobby is growing many varieties of roses which have won several awards.

Vera Freeman

BUTTONS AND BOWS of Mulberry -- What a crowd we had for our Strawberry Shortcake Dance at the Lakeland Civic Center! Everybody enjoyed eating and dancing to Hinkel & Martin and seeing Byrdie crowned Strawberry Queen again. She and her workers deserve a lot of credit for this annual event. We'll miss our winter visitors, but now's the time for club visitation. Brandon Squares stole our banner April 22. They beat Art Springer and a big group of Spinning Wheels to the dance. For our anniversary dance in June we'll be dancing to Hinkel & Martin (10th) and Baker & Lundbert (24th), so come dance with us.

Mary & Alton Steele

CAPE CORAL SQUARES of Cape Coral have been dancing weekly, enjoying the calling of Johnny Walter for squares and Earle Kastner for rounds. Though several of the Snowbirds have departed for the North, others are still happily attending. The club will continue to meet as usual during the summer months.

Edith Juhel

CHARLOTTE PROMENADERS of Port Charlotte concluded a most successful dance season in May with Ron Schneider calling. We will be back on the first Thursday of October. New officers elected for '78-'79 are: Ora & Laoma Miller, President; Kermit & Jessie Reynolds, Vice President; Joe & Leora Malone, Treasurer; Earl & Kay Morris, Asst. Treasurer; Marie & Sherman Brownfield, Secretary; and Mildred Stackhouse, Asst. Vice President.

Laoma Miller

DIXIE LOGPERS of New Port Richey -- The new brown and yellow banner will be proudly carried by members attending the Florida State Convention. Summer is coming and we hope you will join us Tuesday nights at the Gulf Harbors Civic Association for a fun dance.

Ginny Burke

FLAMINGO SQUARES of Pinellas Park extends congratulations and a warm welcome to all new dancers. Several of our student dancers shared the privilege of dancing for the fine folks at Jaylene and Swanholm nursing homes. You are all invited to the Snuffy Smith Jamboree July 30. Square up with our Daisy Maes and Lil Abners and ingest (in jest) some Kick-a-poo Joy Juice. The Flamings have changed their feathers and are flocking to Orlando and hope to see you in a square.

Rand Hall

GANDY DANCERS of Tampa are swinging into an exciting new year of activities directed by presidents Emory and Joyce Johnson with an excellent corps of supporting officers and chairmen. Our thanks to Albert and Laura Williams and all their hard working officers for a year of fun and good dancing. Come dance with us this summer. Celebrate early at our Independence Dance June 26. Our welcome mat is out to new graduates. The good workshops on 2-4-5 Mondays are for all interested dancers.

Nancy Sparrow

HILLBILLIES of Zephyrhills were saddened April 29 by the death of one of our dancers. George Anscmb will be missed by all, and our heartfelt condolences to his wife Doris. Of course, as usual, this time of year many of our dancers are leaving for the north, but we will continue to dance all summer. Please note our new time and the workshop before each dance. It is hoped that the workshop will prepare all recent graduate dancers for a fun filled summer. Please come and be with us on Wednesday night. Keep smiling & dancing.

Bob & Dee Barnes

A NEW CLUB IS BORN -- For the past six months we have been having a wonderful class at the Hudson Community Center in Hudson. June 29 has been set as graduation time and also as the first dance of our new club. The format will be a Mainstream plus experimental dance with a plus 1 workshop before each dance. Won't you please come and join us and make these new people welcome to the world of square dancing. Workshop 7:30 Dance 8-10:30 at Hudson Community Center every Thursday starting June 29. We hope you'll all be there to give us a big send-off in the pleasurable world of square dancing.

Bob & Dee Barnes

KATYDIDS of Tampa will be celebrating Kate Taylor's birthday at a special dance Wednesday June 14 at 8 o'clock. She is director of the Kate Jackson Center where we meet and the one for whom our club was named. Anyone who knows Kate is invited to participate in this occasion.

Maude Kiefer

LEFT ALLAMANDERS of St. Petersburg will be well represented at the convention...so great to dance with so many nice folks from all over the State of Florida. Note to our 'Bay Area Twirler' friends---is your "traveling banner" ours to keep forever? Andy's Trout Farm in Georgia will have a square of Left Allamanders for a week of dancing in July with Wilson, Ostheim, Pierson and Fiyalko attending. World travelers Thelma & Frank Witcher have been to the Orient and Australia. Wilsons visited Hawaii and New Orleans earlier this year. Do join us for a lot of good summer dancing at the Oxbow.

Pat Fiyalko

OAKCREST SQUARES of Largo -- Hank Schmakel and Mac MacDonald took 130 people to Maitland to earn their Knothead Badges. All had a wonderful time dancing to Danny Robinson. On June 24 at the Y.W.C.A. Hank & Mac's classes will host a class from Whirl & Twirl club from Maitland, Florida. We invited our new graduates to join us at Oakcrest and they are enjoying the friendship of club members. All are welcomed to the Sophomore Hop the 1st Sunday in June at the Oxbow.

Fran S.

CLUB NEWS FOR JUNE/JULY 1978

SANLAN SQUARES of Lakeland are still enjoying Tuesday night dancing with Bob Barnes and Jim Runnel. Our northern friends have gone home, but we will still dance all summer. Watch for our special activities. Several groups from this club have given exhibition dancing for different organizations, and hope this type of entertainment will promote new members into square dancing and let people know this type of fun can be a family participation. Several of our group will be celebrating anniversaries and birthdays during the summer. We wish for them many happy returns.

Mary Jo McHenry

SHOOTIN' STARS of St. Petersburg celebrated our third anniversary with a lovely dance and a great big cake. Three years old and rearing to go! We look at ourselves and consider how lucky we are to have such a wonderful group of friends. Our officers are to be commended on the great job they have done. We have the same crew at the helm. They have changed jobs here and there, but it's still the same great bunch. George and Dena created lovely plaques and Star awards were given to Bob & Dee Barnes and Elmer & Marie Hicks for their contribution to square and round dancing. A well-deserved Golden Boot award was given to Bob & Marge Lewis, our banner bandits. We look forward to more of the same.

Anne Ellis

SPARES 'N PAIRS of St. Petersburg -- Eric Benson, our banner bandit, has kept us busy lately. We hosted the Shootin' Stars and Flamingo Squares who came to retrieve their banners. Several of our members are taking interesting trips. Doris is leaving for Hawaii and Leroy is taking an extended vacation trip including Fontana, Oklahoma, California and Alaska. Carma is planning a trip to Fontana. We do get around. Plans are under way for our 3rd anniversary dance to be held March 2, 1979 with Dale Eddy from Ohio calling squares.

Thelma M. Pease

SPINNING WHEELS of Tampa wish all who are journeying to the conventions a safe trip and hope to see many of you there. When you return we have Bill Bishop for our dance June 16-- his first time to call for us. The 7th of July is our Firecracker Special featuring Art Springer, and we welcome Dale McClary on the 21st. Club members are reminded that our club business meeting and picnic will be held June 4 at Ballast Point Park. With so many new graduates in the area - please make them feel welcome - be gentle, remembering your first time "out." We're so happy to share our wonderful world of square dancing with others. Please come dance with us the 1st & 3rd Friday of each month.

Isabelle Ratliff

STRAWBERRY STROLLERS of Plant City had a great time at our graduation party April 25. Eighteen new dancers were initiated. We wrapped Freeman Pettus in toilet tissue, but he kept right on calling. There was finger food and a beautiful cake for our graduates. The fourth Tuesday in June we are having an ice cream party. We will be dancing July 4. We're celebrating with watermelon. We'll be here every Tuesday. You all come.

Carol Alderman

SWINGERS of Ft. Myers will be dancing all summer. We have a great workshop and lots of singing calls which are always so much fun. If you want a relaxing evening, come join us. One of our dancers, Inez Sammons, had another fall. We were glad to hear there were no broken bones this time. We miss you, Inez, and hope you'll be back soon. Our Monday night dancing at Orange Harbor is closed for the summer, but come dance with us on Saturday night at the Teen Club. We are always here.

Irene McKown

SWINGIN' YELL-O-ROCKERS of Mango are on the prowl under the capable and enthusiastic leadership of Larry Jones. During the past month they swooped down and ran away with the banners of the Spinning Wheels and the Gandy Dancers without so much as the loss of a single beat of music. We will have a Luau dance June 3, complete with Hawaiian music. On July 1 at our badge dance there will be a prize for the couple having the most square dance badges. Hope to see and dance with you at the convention. Lots of fun and good dancing to one and all, and you all come see us when you can

Walt Hurst

TEACUPPERS of Odessa held their graduation dance May 8, graduating five squares with 70 guests attending. Our thanks to Hugh & Jean Fultz and Al Ratliff from West Coast Square and Round Dance Association who visited with us, along with West Coast Willie. Jan Newton of Jan's Square Dance Shop in Tampa presented awards to our graduates. Thank you, Jan. And our appreciation, girls, for those lovely refreshments. We invite graduate dancers of the area to dance with us on Monday nights at 7:30 at Keystone Recreation Center on Gunn Highway in Odessa. Phil Phillips is our caller.

A. Bareford

T.N.T. SQUARE DANCE CAMPERS Chapter 081 had a canoe trip down the Peace River. We had 28 canoes...great fun. There were 87 people at the pot luck on Saturday night. Several state officers and our national representative were present. Please note that the next camporee is the 1st weekend of June at the Shady Acres Campground south of Ft. Myers.

George Jabbusch

VILLA CURLI Q'S of Tampa -- If you didn't come to our badge dance you just don't know what fun you missed. We all qualified for at least six new fun badges. Come dance with us on July 1. Fun and food for all. See you then. Thanks for coming.

Emma Ketchum

WELCOME SQUARES of Holiday Lake Estates -- Many of our dancers will be traveling during June to weddings, graduations and the National Convention. We wish them all a good time. We will be looking forward to their return in time for the West Coast Dance July 7. We will be hosting this dance at our beautiful hall and will surely welcome all. Joe Prystupa will call the squares and Mildred & Dan Hulin will cue the rounds. We dance every Friday night and we have all good callers.

Marion Ridings & Committee

W. C. WILLIE SEZ, "Cooperation is doing with a smile what you have to do anyway."

A WORD TO ALL CLUBS

Please appoint a club reporter who will function regularly and get your club happenings into print. This is especially important now that the Summe visitors will soon be with us and with the dancing schedule reduced they will be looking more than ever for a friendly club with which to dance. When sending in club news and schedules PLEASE separate the two and don't leave the editors guessing about what is happening. Different people prepare the schedule from those who edit the club news. Murphy's Law states that if given a chance an Editor will make mistakes.

The Editors

AN OPPORTUNITY TO HELP.

THERE IS STILL TIME FOR THOSE WHO ARE ATTENDING THE NATIONAL CONVENTION TO VOLUNTEER TO SERVE THE FLORIDA SHOWCASE OF IDEAS FOR ONE HOUR. YOUR FEDERATION NEEDS YOUR HELP. PLEASE CONTACT KEN & MAE FORD TO BECOME A FLORIDA SQUARE DANCE BOOSTER.

FALL FUN FEST REPORT

A word to the wise.....keep the FALL FUN FEST in mind for October. This festival, in a few short years, has a very good chance of being one of the top festivals in the country! Not just Florida. We are building a reputation for a good down to earth festival, good halls, excellent squares and rounds and FRIENDLY people to dance with. Its all well and good to have a good hall and a good caller, but people make the dance. We have received great comments from local people as well as out of state visitors about the friendliness of the folks who come to share the FFF.

We think that the reason for this is because the FFF is a festival with a "cause". And caring people support this cause. The cause? To build to be a festival that can be the sole support of this magazine. This magazine is the only free square dance magazine in the state. As a past editor of 2½ years experience we can truthfully state that it has never been better than in its present state. But it also has increased in cost, and that is why the FFF needs you.....in Lakeland on October 27,28. 1978. Make the FFF your cause and have yourself a good time too. We're counting on you.

For information: contact any West Coast officer or Cal Heinlen, 5372 58th Ave. North. St. Petersburg, Fla. 33709.

John & Susie Petrauskas



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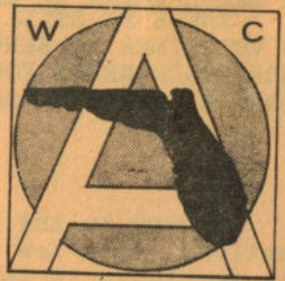
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