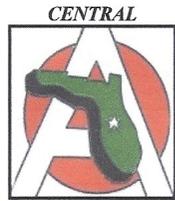


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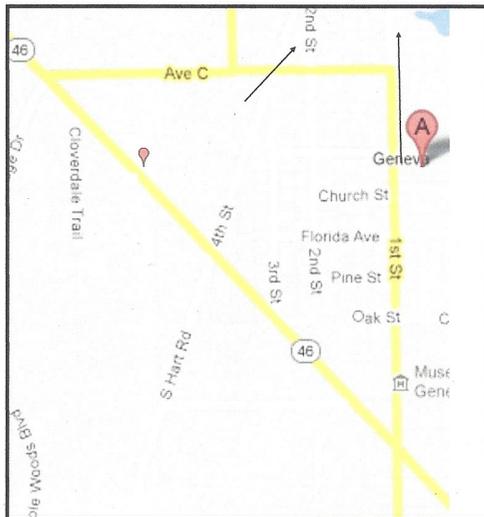


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Next Board Meeting:

The next board meeting will be held on Saturday, March 22, during the Shamrock Swing. It will be held at the hotel at 9 am. The room number will be announced.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 pm.



We need to iron out some details before the 2014 Shamrock Swing for our pre-sales. We also need to try to get away from the Advanced and the Round-a-Lab weekends.

Party Weekend (Randy & Carol Poole):

2014:

The 2014 Party Weekend will be held April 11-13. This will benefit the 2015 state convention. There are a limited number of hotel rooms. It's only \$100 per person for the entire weekend (dance and meals included). You can also choose to pay extra fees for bedding and clean-up.

2015:

The 2015 Party Weekend will benefit the 2016 state convention. No details available yet.

5th Saturday Dances (Terri Little):

March 29, 2014 at Brendon Squares. Dick Nordine will cue. Flyers are available.

May 31, 2014 – After much discussion, it was decided that Terri will contact Bob Stern to get some suggestions for a location to dance in The Villages area. We are willing to pay the \$89/hour price that Sharon Paul was able to get, but would prefer to pay less. Several different locations were suggested.

August 30, 2014 – This dance will be the President's Ball. Barbara Hoffman suggested Our Savior's Catholic Church in Cocoa Beach. Ailene Picheco will check into it.

November 29, 2014 – Possibly Apopka or Clermont. Terri will talk to Bill Boyd about a location on the west side of Orlando.

New Business:

Historically, as the CFA representatives on the Federation Board move through the offices and ultimately become Past President, CFA makes them Honorary Members of CFA. This entails free membership renewals and no entrance fee at the CFA dances. *Ailene Picheco made a motion that Jack and Barbara Hoffman should be made Honorary Members of CFA since they are past presidents of Federation; Nancy Taylor seconded. Motion carried.* Terri Little will let Gail Morris (Membership Vice President) know.

CFA Membership Application

Name _____ His _____ Hers _____
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Please make checks payable to: **CFA**
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I will need ads for the program book. The rates are the same as *Keepin' Posted*.

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There was some discussion about the possibility of getting some group (Girl Scouts, Red Hats, etc.) to come in and run Finnegan's Place as community service. Something to consider for future dances. Jack and Barbara Hoffman volunteered to work 50/50 sales and Terri Little volunteered to coordinate the Basket Raffle.

2015 (Richard & Carol Douget):

Carol talked to Randy Poole at the Poinsettia Ball and he said he doesn't know if we can even afford to have it at The Villages. I can't contract a caller if we don't know where or when we're holding the dance.

Sharon Paul was contacted for information about dance venues in The Villages area. The information Sharon was able to get was that the basic charge is \$89 per hour. A deal could possibly be negotiated for a weekend rate. There are other locations in The Villages area other than La Hacienda that can be looked into. Other areas can also be looked into. There was some discussion regarding raising the prices (and comparing our prices to other Association prices), finding other facilities and even moving the dance to another area of Central Florida. We must have at least 2 halls.

The cuers and callers are also expecting to be provided a hotel room. Randy will negotiate next year's hotels at this year's dance and may be able to negotiate a comp room for the callers/cuers if we book a certain number of rooms. Barbara Hoffman suggested checking into the church in Ormond Beach where Fay Baker's funeral was held.

Barbara Hoffman will locate some old Shamrock Swing reports to provide to Carol and Richard for information purposes.

go through the historian boxes since we received it. With everything that's been going on, Federation, holidays, etc., time has not permitted. After the first of the year, we should be able to make some progress.

Florida Federation (Dennis & Nancy Taylor):

On November 17th, the board meeting was held in Jacksonville and all the officers moved to the next position on the board. Jack and Barbara Hoffman were "kicked off" the board and Ray and Elsa Huddleston (Southeast) were brought on as Parliamentarian. The Federation was happy to welcome the Southeast back onto the board. March 1 and 2 will be the Working Weekend and will be held in Orlando at the Comfort Inn (old La Quinta) on Lee Road. Ailene asked Dennis and Nancy to forward her any information from the Federation for inclusion in *Keepin' Posted*. The 61st FSDC Benefit Dance on Saturday night (March 2) will be held at Whirl & Twirl.

Shamrock Swing:

2014 (Ailene Picheco):

There were 46 pre-registrations sold at the reduced price during the 2013 Shamrock Swing. There have been 12 more registrations sold. Ribbons for 28 squares out to other sellers.

I need help with the following committees: Greeters, 50/50 tickets, and Finnegan's Place. Everyone is welcome to help decorate. We can get in at 6:00 pm on Friday night.

There will be a raffle and all clubs are invited to donate a basket. I will need someone to coordinate that also. I have everything you'll need. Everyone will also need to bring finger foods for the dance.

I will be making up bags for all those who stay at the hotel. If you have any giveaways, please let me know. Need to get some information from the area on coupons, etc. to put in also. Jack Hoffman said he can check with the Space Center for giveaways. Barbara Hoffman suggested checking with State Farm for giveaways (pencils, calendars, Kleenex, etc.)

Does anyone want to be MC?

HISTORY of KEEPIN' POSTED

It is my GREAT pleasure to announce that *Keepin' Posted* has a new Editor! Ailene Picheco has volunteered to fill this position.

Ailene is also our Area Vice President, which means she's in charge of getting news from all the clubs around Central Florida and keeping our records up to date. Please be sure to forward ALL club information updates and any articles or flyers to Ailene at apicheco@att.net.

I figured this would be a good time to recap some of the history of *Keepin' Posted* and the folks who have kept it going.

Keepin' Posted was first published in November 1981 and was edited by Betty Bruce, with assistance in design layout and art by Curtis McDowell. Due to various situations, the publication has missed a few deadlines...even went without publication for over a year at one point.

Keepin' Posted has proven to be a wealth of information about the Square Dance Happenings around central Florida.

Here's a list of who was in charge of what and for how long since the first issue of *Keepin' Posted* as released back in 1981...

November 1981 – May 1983

Betty Bruce, Editor

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March 1984

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April 1999

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 Jim & Jan McConnaha, Circulation
 Jack & Barbara Hoffman, Circulation

July 1999 – January 2000

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 Jack & Barbara Hoffman, Circulation

April 2000 – July 2008

Tom & Eivor Brown, Editor
 Jack & Barbara Hoffman, Circulation

January 2009 – July 2009

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 Jack & Barbara Hoffman, Circulation

October 2009 – April 2010

Richard & Jeanne Lysobey, Editor
 Terri Little, Circulation

July 2010 – July 2012

Jess & Fay Baker, Editor
 Terri Little, Circulation

October 2012 – October 2013

Jess & Fay Baker, Editor
 Rick & Gail Morris, Circulation

January 2014

Ailene Picheco, Editor
 Rick & Gail Morris, Circulation



So, as you can see, we've had many folks working on the *Keepin' Posted*, making it the quality magazine it is today. You can help us keep it that way by making sure your club information is correct. We have also asked that each club have someone assigned as a point of contact for Ailene. This will make her job much easier and keep all of our CFA clubs "in the loop".

Make sure the rest of CFA knows what your club has been up to. All clubs are encouraged to submit a report on what your club has been doing for each issue of

Whirl & Twirl in Orlando with caller Chris Phillips and cuers Jimmy & Carol Griffin

Pilot Squares in Oklawaha with caller Ron Libby and cuer Joanne Helton

Pre-New Year's Eve Round Dance in Ft Pierce, Sunday, December 29, from 2:00 to 5:30; cuers are Chuck & Mary Ryall and Joanne & Ken Helton

Membership VP Report (Gail & Rick Morris):

As of November 29, there are 42 renewals and 2 new members. They will be at tonight's dance and hopefully will get more renewals and maybe even some new members. It will depend mostly on the number of dancers who attend.

Insurance Report (Keith & Angie Olds):

There are 764 dancers insured through CFA this year (up from 718 last year). Seventeen CFA clubs are insured through USDA in 2012 (same as last year). We expect to send out insurance letters for 2014 in December as soon as we receive the premium information from the Federation.

Keepin' Posted Editor (Ailene Picheco):

I am working on the next edition due out January 1. I need articles, pictures and corrections by Dec 5. I sent a letter to all the clubs. Some have responded. The official deadline is December 5.

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Terri Little reported that Jess Baker is forwarding articles and e-mail from various sources. If Ailene's name is on the e-mail, Terri is trying to not forward it again to eliminate duplication. Terri will send the 5th Saturday Flyer, an article on *Keepin' Posted* history, Party Weekend flyer and the President's article to Ailene in time for January publication.

Historian (Jack & Barbara Hoffman):

We've been taking pictures, but we have not had an opportunity to

The Canaveral Squares (Cocoa) are still dancing at the Elks Lodge in Cocoa Village on Friday nights with Jerry Reed. They have missed several Fridays because the Elks will schedule other activities. (They can pay more than the club can). They are having a Christmas Party on Friday December 13, before they are cancelled again.

The Celebrity Squares/Prestige 55 (Anthony) has a new caller – Rod Barngrover.

Space Trackers (Merritt Island) have a few new students that started in September. They had a recycle sale in November and are planning a Christmas party in December.

The Spindrifters (or Happy Time Squares, as it is now called), dance in Port Orange on Monday nights. They had a good class going this summer. I don't know how many are still dancing.

Rick Yates wants to get a club started in the Deland area. He is looking for an inexpensive hall.

The Honey Bees are not dancing. Their building is being torn down or renovated. There's not much going on in the Orlando area any more.

Bev Landwehr held her St. Jude Benefit dance at the Whirl & Twirl last week.

The Palm Bay Promenaders are hosting a Toys for Tots dance on Saturday, December 7 with various Callers and Cuers. Doors open at 12:30 pm.

New Year's Eve Dances

The Dixie Squares in Daytona Beach with caller Bill Chesnut and cuer Dick Nordine

The Celebrity Squares in Anthony with caller Rod Barngrover and cuer Ed Hauck

Keepin' Posted. The deadline for these articles is the 5th of the month prior to publication...which deciphers to March 5 for the April issue, June 5 for the July issue, September 5 for the October issue and December 5 for the January issue.

Again, join me in congratulating Ailene and wishing her luck in her new duties.

Terri Little
President



George & Shirley Knapp



Tom & Eivor Brown



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The holidays are behind us once again. If yours were anything like mine, you were surrounded by family and friends. Hope your New Year is prosperous!

Have you renewed your CFA membership for 2014? It was due on October 1, 2013. Please be sure to support CFA by renewing as soon as you can. The next 5th Saturday dance would be an ideal opportunity...

Our 5th Saturday dance in November was a lot of fun. We didn't have a lot of dancers attend because of the holidays, but the 4 squares in attendance had a wonderful time. Many thanks go out to Rod Barngrover, Bill Boyd, and Whit Brown for the wonderful calling. And a special thanks to Dick Nordine for filling in at the last minute. Jan Shankle was ill and unable to cue for us.

Be sure to get your Shamrock Swing ribbons soon! The 14th Annual Shamrock Swing will be held in The Villages on March 21-22, 2014. Tony Oxendine and Chris Phillips will be calling with Joanne and Ken Helton on the rounds. You can get tickets now for only \$20 per dancer for the WHOLE weekend! And the host hotel is Comfort Suites (352-259-6578). Be sure to make your reservations now. Rooms will fill quickly!

Our next 5th Saturday dance will be held on March 29th at Brendon Squares in Geneva. We'll have Central Florida Caller's Association's BEST callers and our cuer will be Dick Nordine. Early rounds will start at 7 pm with squares from 7:30 to 9:30. You can check out our website for more details.

And it's BAAAAAACK!!! The Party Weekend is happening once more! Our fun camping, eating and dancing weekend at Deer Haven Retreat in Paisley will be held on April 11-13, 2014.

As usual, there will be a pot luck dinner on Friday night followed by Bingo. Then breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday, followed by

Absent:

Ian and Sandy Ogilvie (in New York City), Keith and Angie Olds, Rick and Gail Morris (Rick was injured in a fall while hunting), and Randy and Carol Poole (company at home).

Jan Shankle has been sick for the past few weeks. She found out yesterday that she has brain cancer and is currently at ORMC. A card will be purchased for all to sign. Because of this illness, she had to cancel cueing for the dance this evening. Dick Nordine has agreed to cue in her place.

Jack Hoffman moved that the minutes from the last meeting be accepted as received; Ailene Pichecco seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer (Dennis & Nancy Taylor):

Dennis provided the following reports:

Balance Sheet as of 9/30/2013
Income & Expense Report for 8/1/2013 through 9/30/2013
Income & Expense Report for 10/1/2012 through 9/30/2013
Balance Sheet as of 11/29/2013
Income & Expense Report for 10/1/2013 through 11/29/2013

These reports will be filed for audit.

Terri Little appointed an Audit Committee of Jack Hoffman and Ailene Pichecco to audit the records for the past year (10/1/2012 through 9/30/2013).

Correspondence: None

Area Reports (Ailene Pichecco):

The Allemanders (Satellite Beach) celebrated John Swindle's birthday. It was also Elmer Sheffield's birthday and he was there also. It was a pretty good turnout (4-5 squares).

The A Stars (Port Orange) dance Advance every Saturday. John Saunders and John Barrett are the callers. They have a class from 6:00 to 7:30 and a dance from 7:30 to 9:00.

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CFA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

November 30, 2013
Whirl & Twirl, Orlando

The meeting was called to order by President, Terri Little at 3 pm. Dennis Taylor said the invocation and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Terri Little welcomed everyone to the meeting.

In attendance:

Jack & Barbara Hoffman, Ailene Picheco, Richard & Carol Douget, Judy Anderson, Dennis & Nancy Taylor, Terri Little

Mainstream/Plus dance with **Bill Chesnut** and rounds with **Susan Snider**. Then Sunday morning breakfast and clean-up. Be sure to get your reservations. There are more details on our website.

Just a reminder...if you need information about any dance around the state, be sure to check out our website (listed below). There are links to all 5 associations and most clubs. And check out your club's information to make sure everything is current. If you need some changes, e-mail Ailene Picheco (apicheco@att.net). She's the Area Vice President (AND our new Keepin' Posted editor!) and will make sure the updates get submitted.

See you in a square! Yellow Rocks...

Terri Little

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FLORIDA FEDERATION PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy 2014 Year!

Clubs, did you know our Florida Federation of Square Dancers website can benefit your club this year? Is your club information available on the website? If not, please send the information to our webmaster and get your club information available (your Club's website can be linked to this information). Don't forget to submit



your club's upcoming special dances to the Calendar of Events. Many dancers are utilizing the internet to get information on places to dance as they travel or move to a new location. Improvements, additions and information are being updated daily by our webmaster Bruce Morgan. Did you know you can post upcoming classes at the website and utilize this as an advertising tool Check out the Northwest

Association's website for some ideas. They are utilizing their website to promote Square & Round Dance classes by advertising; www.floridasquaredance.com/northwest/classes. A similar page can be designed for your clubs on your Association's web site with all of the classes listed.

We have been invited to attend several class graduations this year, so if your club is graduating a class; please email us the date and we will do our best to attend or have a Federation Board member there to "welcome" the new dancers. In the upcoming year we hope to see more new dancers dancing! Remember to invite the new dancers to the upcoming 60th Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention for a fun-filled weekend of dancing, where they will get to dance to other Florida Callers/Cuers, enjoy some workshops and meet many new friends!

Important! Important! Do you have a Caller or Cuer in your area that just can't find enough to do for your organization? Why not submit them for an award to be presented at the upcoming 60th Florida State Convention? Deadlines for the "Extra Mile Award" is February 1st, the form is available at the Federation website, as well as each Association has a link to the form. The nomination should be forwarded to any BOARD MEMBER OF THE FLORIDA FEDERATION OF SQUARE DANCERS or you can email them to us. Also, if you would like to submit that Caller or Cuer (or dancer) to the "Florida State Square & Round Dance Hall of Fame" the deadline is January 15, 2014.

The form is located on the Federation website at:
<http://www.floridasquaredance.com/halloffame/index.html>.

We continue to look to the future of dancing, so join us at the upcoming Florida Federation of Square Dancers "Working Weekend" to be held at the Comfort Inn & Suites, 626 Lee Road, Orlando, FL., on March 1st & 2nd. The "Square Dancer" hotel rate is \$49.00 per night. This meeting sounds like work, but it really isn't. On Saturday, you can join a committee that interests you and spend an hour or so discussing ideas and your committee reports back on Sunday. Everyone is welcome to attend, new ideas make square & round dancing better! For more information please do not hesitate to contact us. A dance has been planned for Saturday to benefit the 61st FSSRDC on March 1, 2014. Many dances throughout Florida are advertised on our website including our upcoming 60th Florida State Convention, May 23-25. You can find flyers for each of these dances at the Federation website. We encourage dancers to get involved in their organizations, to dance, meet new friends

Phone: 407-542-3799
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LADY LAKE – PLANTATION SQUARES
Route 466 & Recreation Blvd
(Nov thru April)
7:00-9:30 Plus Dance w/Rounds
Caller: Bob Stern
Cuer: Loretta Hanhurst
Phone: 352-323-1295
Email: rpstern@aol.com

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Vogmetto Rec Center, 1910 Adair St
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8:15-9:45 Plus Dance
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Phone: 407-889-8558 or 407-886-7151
Banner Raids: RoyAnne 407-282-8341

ORLANDO – WHIRL & TWIRL Whirl & Twirl Square and Round Dance Center
6949 Venture Circle
7:30-8:00 Early Rounds
8:00-10:00 Plus Dance with Rounds
Caller: Whit Brown
Cuer: Jan Shankle
Phone: 407-679-2882
Email: email@whirlandtwirl.org
Banner Raids: Bill & Lisa
407-448-7384
bill@rigsbybrothers.com
Website: www.whirlandtwirl.org

SATURDAY

GENEVA – BRENDON SQUARES ROUNDS
Little Red Schoolhouse, 101 E Main St
(Corner of First & Main Street, Entrance on Main)
7:30-8:00 Phases III & IV
8:00-10:00 Phase II, III and IV
Cuer: Tapes
Email: Mike or Linde

mikelinde@bellsouth.net
NOTE: All proceeds from the dance are donated to the Rural Heritage Center.

PORT ORANGE – A STARS
Port Orange Adult Annex
3738 Halifax Drive
6:00-9:00 Advance Teach and Dance
Callers: John Saunders & John Barrett
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SATELLITE BEACH – ALLEMANDERS
565 Cassia Blvd
1st & 3rd Saturdays
7:30 – 9:30 Plus / DBD Workshop Tip
Caller: John Swindle
Cuer: Gail Swindle
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Email: johncaller@bellsouth.net or tiggerghs@bellsouth.net
Banner raids: Richard 321-956-2012
Website: squaredancesites.com/allemanders



THURSDAY

MELBOURNE – PALM BAY PROMENADERS

Tropical Haven, 1205 Eddie Allen Road
(between W. Nasa Blvd and West
Hibiscus Blvd)
7:30-8:00 Early Rounds
8:00-10:00 Plus Dance with Rounds
Caller: Dale McClary
Cuer: Gail Swindle
Website: www.promenaders.org

MERRITT ISLAND – SPACE TRACKERS

Merritt Island Presbyterian Church
155 Cone Road
(First, Second, Third & Fifth Thursdays)
6:30-8:00 Square Dance Class
8:00-10:00 Plus Squares
Caller: Whit Brown
Phone: 321-427-7950
Email: islandmom74@att.net
Banner Raids: Woody & Mary Lou
321-452-3323 (Oct thru April)
Judy 321-268-4450 (May thru Sept)
Website: www.spacetrackers.com

SUMMERFIELD – FOUNTAIN SQUARES

Del Webb Spruce Creek Golf & Country
Club
Community Center Ballroom
Hwy US 27 & US 441
7:00-9:00 Plus Dance
Caller: Ron Libby
Phone: 352-347-9025 or 352-233-9991
Email: lockcom1@netzero.net

FRIDAY

BARBERVILLE – WRANGLER
COUNTRY SQUARES
Pioneer Art Settlement, 1776 Lightfoot Lane
7:30-9:45 MS/Plus with Lines and Rounds
Caller: Rod Barngrover
Phone: 386-749-4767

BELLVIEW – DBD
Dancing Shadows Hall
13405 SE Hwy 484
(April thru October)
7:00-9:00 Dance by Definition (DBD)
Caller: Bob Stern
Phone: 352-323-1295
Email: rpstern@aol.com

COCOA – CANAVERAL SQUARES
Cocoa Elks Lodge, 315 Florida Ave
Just South of SR 520
7:30-9:30 Mainstream & Plus Dance
Caller: Jerry Reed
Phone: 321-652-0680
Banner Raids: 321-604-1085
Email: apicheco@att.net
Website: www.canaveralsquares.com

FLAGLER BEACH – FLAGLER OCEAN WAVES

Wickliffe Center, 800 S Daytona Ave
(Closed July thru August)
7:00-7:30 Workshop
7:30-9:30 Dance
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Phone: 386-446-2642
Website: www.floridadancing.com/fow

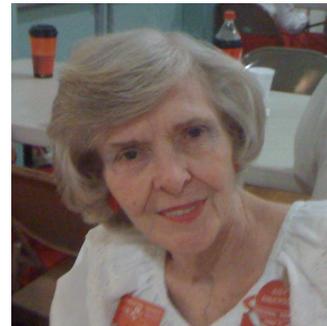
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Little Red Schoolhouse, 101 E Main St
(Corner of First & Main Street, Entrance on
Main)

4:30-6:30 Mainstream Dance
Caller: Don Whitaker

and remember to just have FUN!
We look forward to dancing with you soon!

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FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF SINGLE SQUARE & ROUND DANCERS



In my last article I wrote about our wonderful PARTY-RAMA DANCE held over the week-end of October 25th & 26th, 2013 and it truly was a wonderful week-end. The article ended with “THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES” and now that statement is truer more than ever.

That article was written just after our dance on those dates so now here is “THE REST OF THE STORY”. At our annual FASSRD meeting on October 26th a new Board of Officers was elected except for the Presidency. There were no nominations from the floor and no one at the meeting volunteered for the position. That evening, at the dance, an announcement was made to this effect, no volunteers, and it was also mentioned at the Seabreeze Singles Club (Jacksonville), no volunteers. At the annual meeting it was decided that if no one came forth by November 22nd (2013) the Florida Singles would disband.

Email letters were sent to all FASSRD members asking for someone to step forward, even indicated that 2 people could share the



Presidency. There were no responses by the mentioned date so as of November 23rd, the FASSRD Organization has been disbanded and we have withdrawn from the Florida Federation as well.

This was a sad hard thing to do after 34 years in existence. However all of our history books and photo albums will be given to Bruce Morgan, our webmaster, to put on the web so everything will not be lost and maybe someday someone will want to resurrect the Florida Singles.

We were fortunate to have Chuck Johnson attend our last dance. Chuck was one of the Charter Founding Members and also was FASSRD second President. I'm sure it was a bitter sweet note, when he left, to know that the organization he and several others strived to make possible had ended. Our many thanks go to him for all his support thru the years and – again

“THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES”

Judy Anderson, Past President



BELLVIEW – FRIENDLY SQUARES
 Dancing Shadows Hall
 13405 SE Hwy 484
 Oct thru April
 2:00-4:00 Plus w/Rounds
 Caller: Bob Stern
 Cuer: Loretta Hanhurst
 Phone: 352-750-2098
 Banner Raids: 352-347-3363

MELBOURNE – DIXIE DIAMONDS
 Eau Gallie Civic Center
 1550 Highland Ave
 7:00 – 9:00 A1 – A2 Dance
 Caller: Jerry Reed
 Website: www.JReedSDC.com

OKLAWAHA – PILOT SQUARES
 Lake Weir Chamber of Commerce
 13125 East Hwy 25
 2:00-4:00 Advance Dance
 4:00-5:00 C-1 Dance
 Caller: Ron Libby
 Phone: 352-409-1369
 Email: ronlibby@aol.com

ORLANDO – ROUND DANCE
 Beardall Senior Center
 Gore Street
 Noon – 2:00 pm Round Dance
 (No Charge)
 Cuer: Jan Shankle
 Phone: 407-855-3300

ORLANDO – WHIRL & TWIRL
 Whirl & Twirl Square and Round
 Dance Center
 6949 Venture Circle
 8:00-10:00 Mainstream with Line Dancing
 Caller: Whit Brown
 Phone: 407-679-2882
 Banner Raids: Bill & Lisa Rigsby,
 407-448-7384
 bill@rigsbybrothers.com
 Email: email@whirlandtwirl.org
 Website: www.whirlandtwirl.org

THURSDAY

ANTHONY – CELEBRITY SQUARES / PRESTIGE 55
 Anthony United Methodist Church
 2396 NE 97th Street
 (8 miles north of Ocala)
 Activities building behind church
 7:00-9:00 Plus Dance
 Caller: Red Barngrover
 Banner: 352-629-0437
 Email: Cyrinfla@gmail.com
 Website: www.ocalasquaredance.com

DAYTONA BEACH – DIXIE SQUARES
 City Island Recreation Center
 108 East Orange Ave
 6:30-7:30 Class/Workshop
 7:30-9:30 Plus Dance with Rounds
 Caller: John Swindle
 Cuer: Dick Nordine
 Banner Chair: Mary Lynn 386-767-2568
 MaryLynn@MaryLynnRealty.com
 Club Info: Mary Lynn 386-767-2568
 Website:
 www.floridasquaredance/dixiesquares

MELBOURNE – PALM BAY PROMENADERS
 Tropical Haven
 1205 Eddie Allen Road
 (between W. Nasa Blvd and W. Hibiscus Blvd)
 7:30-8:00 Early Rounds
 8:00-10:00 Plus Dance with Rounds
 Caller: Dale McClary
 Cuer: Gail Swindle
 Website: www.promenaders.org



Caller: Bob Stern
Phone: 352-323-1295
Email: rpstern@aol.com

LEESBURG – ROYAL SQUARES
Royal Highlands Community Hall
5350 Monarch Blvd (Off Hwy 27)
2nd & 4th Monday (Oct to May)
7:00-7:30 Early Rounds
7:30-9:30 Mainstream/Plus Dance with Rounds
Caller: Ron Libby
Cuer: Loretta Hanhurst
Phone: 352-205-1388
Email: monzo86442@aol.com
Website: www.royalsquares.com

OCALA – The TWIRLERS
Ocala West United Methodist Church
9330 SW 105th Street, off SR 200
12:45-2:00 Plus Workshop (Class starting in Oct)
2:00-4:15 Plus Dance w/rounds
Caller: Whit Brown
Phone: 352-237-6416 or 352-854-9378
Email: twarren6@cfl.rr.com
Website: www.squaredancesites.com/oak_run_twirlers

ST CLOUD – HEEL & TOE
Annex Bldg Senior Center
702 Indiana Ave
7:00-9:00 Alternating MS & Plus
Caller: Bill Boyd
Phone: 407-931-1688
Email: BillBoydCaller@gmail.com
Website: www.floridasquaredance.com/heelandtoe

TITUSVILLE – TGO SQUARES
The Manor in the Great Outdoors RV Golf Resort
(Entrance South of Rt 50 West of I-95)
145 Plantation Drive, (October to April)
7:00-9:00 Mainstream Dance
Caller: John Swindle
Phone: 607-316-4910
(call to make certain we are dancing)

VERO BEACH – TREASURE COAST SQUARES
Bethel Creek House, 4401 North A1A
Across from JC Park
6:30-7:00 Early Rounds
7:00-9:00 Plus Dance
Caller/Cuer: Gib Mattson
Phone: 772-532-3225
Website: www.treasurcoastsquares.com

TUESDAY

OCALA – ON TOP OF THE WORLD CIRCLE SQUARES
Arbor Club, 10060 SW 94th Street
6:30-8:30 Plus Dance w/Rounds
8:30-9:00 A1 Tips
Caller: Don Hanhurst
Cuer: Loretta Hanhurst
Phone: 352-208-1546
Email: skip6156@aol.com

ORMOND BEACH – GRANADA SQUARES
Ormond Beach Senior Center
351 Andrews Street
7:00-7:30 Workshop
7:30-9:30 Plus Dance with Lines/Rounds
Caller: John Saunders
Cuer: Dick Nordine
Email: bondsnf@bellsouth.net (put Granada Squares in Subject line)
Phone: 386-679-6700 or 386-308-6621
Website: www.granadasquares.com

UMATILLA – OLDE MILL STREAM STRUTTERS
Old Mill Stream RV Park
1000 North Central Ave
(December thru April)
12:30-2:00 Lessons
2:00-4:30 Dance
Caller: Bob Stern
Phone: 352-323-1295
Email: rpstern@aol.com

WEDNESDAY

60th FLORIDA STATE SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CONVENTION



Our Convention Chairmen, the mother-daughter team of Penny & Jenny Green have advised the following: There will be dangle dances at the **convention** this year. Since these dances are quite popular, we want you to be sure and look at the program when you arrive at the convention so you won't miss these events. The caller scheduling meeting was a success and we believe everyone will enjoy the new programming layout. Along with this, we can report we have at least 5 vendors so far.

Now to registration: If you have not registered yet send in your \$27.00 per person now to Mary Lee Van Valkenburg, 4237 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL 33563. And, don't forget to make those reservations for your hotel room. Host hotel is the Ramada Lakeland Center (863) 688-8080. For you campers, the host campground is Lakeland RV at \$18.50 per night with after parties every night. They are asking that reservations be made no later than 15 days prior to the convention.

The winner of the Jared's Galleria Raffle was Shirley Bonvisuto. Congratulations! Now in the works is a new raffle for a \$500 prepaid Visa Gift Card to be given away at the Convention.

Here is some information for the Honor Guard for the State Convention. On Saturday night an Honor Guard posts the colors to start the ceremonies. This Honor Guard is chosen from dancers who have served in the U.S, Armed Forces. They are not required to wear a uniform--red, white and/or blue square dance attire is okay. One veteran from each branch of the service will be selected to carry their service flag. And another veteran will be chosen to carry the U.S. Flag. The Convention Chairmen selects from a master list each year. If you

are interested in participating, please contact Ailene Picheco by email apicheco@att.net or call 321-652-0680. She will need your name, address, phone number, email address and branch of service.

The Committees continue to work hard to make this a real Diamond Delight for the whole weekend. You don't want to miss it. PLEASE get registered now.

Charlie & Val Newsome
Publicity Chairman, 60th Florida State Convention

Information and Registration Form
is on the Florida Website:



[www.floridasquaredance.com/
convention](http://www.floridasquaredance.com/convention)

May 23, 24 & 25, 2014 60th Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention Registration Form— DONATION ONLY	
I will NOT be able to attend the Convention, but would like to make a donation. \$10.00 per Person.	
_____ Last Name ,	_____ First Name
For my donation, I will be listed as a “Convention Supporter” in the Program Book.	

WHERE TO DANCE IN CENTRAL FLORIDA

SUNDAY

CASSELBERRY – HOEDOWNERS
Casselberry Senior Citizen Center
200 N Triplet Lake Drive
1:30-2:30 Plus Workshop
2:30-4:00 Plus and Mainstream Tips
Caller: Gene McCullough
Cuer: Dick Nordine
Phone: 407-273-2561 (Norma Newton)
Email: hoedownerscaller@cfl.rr.com
Email: hoedowners@earthlink.net
Banner raids: 386-749-4767
Webpage: www.hoedowners.net

DAYTONA BCH – YELLOW ROCK
SQUARES
ARC Bldg, 100 Jimmy Huger Circle
Off Jimmy Ann Drive and 5th Street
2:00-4:00
We need Angels. We are a Handicapable
club which loves to have all dancers join
us for fun.
Caller: Rick Yates
Cuer: Marilyn Yates
Phone: 386-734-2110
(call to verify schedule)
Email: reyates.deland@gmail.com

GENEVA – BRENDON SQUARES
Little Red Schoolhouse, 101 E Main St
(Corner of First & Main Street, Entrance
on Main)
4:30-6:30 Mainstream Dance
Caller: Don Whitaker
Phone: 407-542-3799
Email: don@brendonsquares.com
Website: www.brendonsquares.com

SATELLITE BCH – RUN AROUNDS
ROUND DANCE CLUB

David Schechter Community Center
1089 South Patrick Drive
1st & 3rd Sundays
7:30-9:30 Phase II - IV with teach
Teacher/Cuer: Bev Landwehr
Phone: 352-241-8645
Email: clermontbev@gmail.com

ST CLOUD – MOTIVATORS
St Cloud Senior Center
3101 17th Street
First & Third Sundays Nov thru April
2:00 – 4:00 A2
C1 Tip at 4:00 pm
Phone: 407-344-9260
Email: apepkie@cfl.rr.com

THE VILLAGES – ORANGE
BLOSSOM SQUARES
La Hacienda Recreation Center
1200 Avenida Central
7:00-9:30 Plus Dance with Rounds
Callers: Local and National Guests
Cuer: Loretta Hanhurst & Irene Smith
Phone: 352-753-2931 or 352-259-5404
Banner Raids: 352-753-2931
Email: floridagrany5@comcast.net
Website: www.obsquares.org

MONDAY

BAREFOOT BAY – BAREFOOT BAY
TWIRLERS
Barefoot Bay Community Center
625 Barefoot Blvd
(Nov thru April)
7:30-9:30 Plus Dance with Rounds
Caller/Cuer: Steve Ekin
Phone: 772-664-3207
Email: geoseney@comcast.net

BELLVIEW – STERN WHEELERS
Dancing Shadows Hall
13405 SE Hwy 484
Rt 484 east of SE 47
12:30-2:30 Lessons
3:00-5:00 A2 Dance



Dick's deceased wife (Jean) and he learned to square dance at the Space Trackers in 1991 so they could dance with Dick's mother (Esther Lee) at her 80th birthday. They became square dance callers and formed clubs in Palatka (River Ramblers) and Brevard County (TGO Squares and Americana Squares). They have enjoyed being an active part of the square dance community by joining the 093 Drift Around Squares (camping club), serving as club officers, acting on state convention committees and calling at National conventions.

Sarah's parents were dancers in the day when, if a square was short, any warm body would do. Hence, she learned to dance by osmosis. Later she took formal classes with her husband "for something to do without the kids". That has served her a good stead to dance all position, so basically she said she has danced all her life, off and on.

Since Dick and Sarah married in 2011, they have enjoyed square dance activities on the local, state and national level. They say they are blessed to have 3 families to enjoy. Sarah said their calendar is a direct competition of activity.



**BENEFIT DANCE FOR 61ST FSDC
THE HOLLYWOOD SCENE IN 2015**



In Memory of
James Michael "Jim" Gallagher
July 15, 1936 - September 24, 2013

James Michael Gallagher, 77, of Altamonte Springs, Florida passed away on September 24, 2013. Jim was born on July 15, 1936 in Bayonne, New Jersey to the late James and Rose Gallagher. He was a veteran of the United States Army. Jim was a bus driver for Westminster Towers for 8 years, driving the seniors shopping every Thursday. He enjoyed square dancing at many clubs and around the world. Jim traveled and went on numerous cruises. He loved people and will be missed by many. He is survived by

MARCH 1, 2014
Early Rounds 7:30 Squares 8:00
WHIRL AND TWIRL
6949 VENTURE CIRCLE
ORLANDO, FL

CALLER BILL CHESNUT
CUER SUSAN SNIDER
ADMISSION BY DONATION





Rock- N -Little Rock Arkansas, June, 25-28, 2014

We would like to invite everyone to come and “Rock N Little Rock” Arkansas in June 2014. There is something for everyone in our State. We have beautiful amazing scenery to drive through, such as our Ozark Mountains. Beautiful streams, lakes and rivers. We have great fishing and hunting. We have the famous bathhouse row in Hot Springs. Historical houses, a highway named Rock N Roll Highway in honor of famous people like Elvis Presley, Roy Orbison, Conway Twitty, Billy Lee Riley, Sunny Burgess and the famous Pacers. We have the world famous Razorbacks.

We are known to call the Hogs ever chance that we get. **“Woo, Pig! Sooiie”** We have beautiful trails to hike and streams and rivers for canoeing. Driving in our Natural State is one of the best experiences that one can have. Fall color in our beautiful forests with all the hiking trails, scenic hills and forests, streams, rivers and lakes will take your breath away.

We have a diamond mine that you can dig for diamonds. While here you can enjoy water skiing, camping and golf. Golfing in the beautiful Ozarks, if not square dancing is there a better way to spend the day. There are numerous water parks to enjoy.

Space Tracker Profile



Dick & Sarah Lee
Members since 1991/2010

Dick & Sarah Lee are dancers who get involved. Dick and Sarah are on the Tracker Board. Dick has been President of Trackers and they are also involved with Palm Bay Promenaders as Treasurers.

Dick was born and raised in Mims and has been in the area since 1940. Sarah was born and raised in Jensen – both are native Floridians. Dick took lessons and joined Trackers in 1991 and Sarah joined in 2010. Dick worked in the Aerospace industry and retired in 1998. And Sarah retired in 2010.

Besides Square Dancing, they both like motorcycle riding, boating, bowling, traveling, camping, hunting, reading, crossword puzzles and she is into sewing, gardening, cooking, birding and music. Dick says his talents are all gone and Sarah tries keeping up with him.

Dick is a proud 5th generation Floridian, active in the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Titusville High School Old Dogs, Rockwell Retirees, the R.O.M.E.O. (Retired Old Men Eating Out) group, Cancer Survivor, Space Tracker & Promenaders Square Dance Clubs, Spyder Riders, Mechanized Calvary, River Lanes Shooting, Bowling League and probably more...whew! Isn't that enough?

Sarah grew up in Martin County and raised a family of 3 boys (2 Eagle Scouts) in St. Lucie County before moving to Brevard. While a “homemaker” has always been listed as an occupation, various jobs over the years have filled in between community involvements, be it church, school, scouts, clubs or family.



PARTY WEEKEND



April 11-12, 2014

Deerhaven Retreat & Conference Center
47924 NFS 540-2 Paisley, FL 32767

Friday Night Potluck & Bingo



Relax Saturday Morning & Afternoon

Saturday Night Dinner and Square & Round Dance



Caller: Bill Chesnut

Cuer: Susan Snider



Sunday Morning Breakfast & Cleanup



**Proceeds Benefit
2015 Fl State Convention**



Dinner & Dance Only - \$15.00 per Person

FULL Weekend Packages Available

For Registration Form, Pictures and More info:
www.floridasquaredance.com/convention/partyweekend/deerhaven.html

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Come to Arkansas for the time of your life. Join us and make history by being here for our first ever National Square Dance Convention ®.

Come and dance with us and we'll Rock- N -Little Rock AR in June, 25-28, 2014.

Be sure and register your e-mail address at www.nsdcnec.com to receive your free issue of National Squares E-Magazine.

“Getting to Know Us” is our way of telling you more about our tours and a few side trips of must see sights for you while in Little Rock. These will be in the National Squares E-Magazine. Look for these articles about Arkansas. Naturally Arkansas, Friday Night Fiddlin Around are two current articles. Don't forget our web site www.63nsdc.com , for current information.

We've got you covered while in Little Rock. All of the carpeted ball rooms will have temporary floating wood flooring during the convention. All big hall floors will be polished concrete. Just bring several pairs of comfortable dancing shoes or boots. Another area we have had several comments about is the Advance Hall. It will be in the Governors Hall 1 and we have expanded the floor space used by the last two conventions which we were told didn't allocate enough space for this venue.

Dance Advance with Lee Kopman. He is a well known advance caller and choreographer that hasn't attended a National Square Dance Convention® in several years. He has registered for the 63rd NSDC and will be conducting intro to advance in the plus hall daily.

The program committee needs caller profiles. All Callers, Cuers, Prompters, and Country Western/Line Dance leaders must have a profile filled out and returned to them. The National Executive Committee maintains these profiles and anyone with a computer can see your information. World Wide Web, what better way to advertise? Click the link from www.63nsdc.com .

Deadline for profiles, 12/31/2013

Like us on Facebook. Our address is 63rd National Square Dance Convention®.
Ask questions if you like. There will be someone from the 63rd to answer them.

Contra Dancing in Little Rock

The contra hall will have dancing classes and workshops each day from 10-12, 1:30-5:00, and an evening dance from 7:00-10:00.

The Little Rock contra room is comparable to the Oklahoma room with a hard surface floor over the carpet that is currently in the room.

We will have live music for the evening dance programs on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, featuring the "Old 78's" from Fayetteville on Saturday night, and the all women Arkansas Country Dance Band on the other nights.

Contra Dancers will have live music each evening. Not a contra dancer? Stop by each day for the workshops. Then come back Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings for the live music. You'll find this to be a pleasant dance experience.

You came early, hit a Tuesday tour. Dance Tuesday night. Pre-order your Wednesday night special with Ronnie McDowell and dinner tickets. Dinner will be immediately after the ribbon cutting ceremonies on the Portico of Robinson Music Hall. There will be catfish and bar-b-que with baked beans, coleslaw, corn-on the cob, yeast rolls and drinks of coffee, tea, or water. Then at 6:30pm, there will be a line for those who have not eaten to enter and obtain a seat for the Ronnie McDowell show. Showtime is 7pm! Free dancing after the show.

Wednesday Night Special

We would like to invite everyone to the Wednesday Night Special we have planned for the dancers. Making you feel "at home" with our "Southern Hospitality" is the goal of the Social & Special Events Committee. Most of you won't know your way around Little Rock yet...So, this is a nice way to start your 63rd National Square Dance Convention®. There will be Dinner, Fellowship and Entertainment. You will

"BLAST FROM THE PAST"

**Bow & Swing,
January 1994**



Phyllis & K.O. Williams



Jim & Jan McConnaha

CENTRAL FLORIDA ASSOCIATION

Here it is, 1994 already!! We hope each of you had a wonderful holiday season and are ready to get back into the regular swing of dancing. Our clubs and classes desperately need our support now. It seems that square dancing is on a decline in some parts of the country. In Florida, however, we are blessed with many dancers and potential dancers. We need to make a special effort now to interest these potential dancers (our nondancing friends) in our activity so they will be ready to get into the next beginning class. Also, pay particular attention to those dancers who have stopped dancing for one reason or another. They need to be brought back into the fellowship of a club. As we all know, dancing in a club environment is a wonderful recreation: affordable, healthful, friendly - what more could anyone ask?

Our big event for this month is coming on the 5th Saturday. We want to see all of you at the Ed Foote and Roy Brown Special. This dance will be held at the AG Center in Kissimmee (see our ad on page 42 for all the details). This will be a repeat of Ed's dance last year in Daytona Beach in which the hall was filled wall to wall. This year we have booked a larger hall and we hope to see all of you there.

Until next month, we look forward to seeing you in a square

George and Shirley Knapp, President

What Else Can I do to Support the Lesson Class?

By Tom Rudebock

The several thoughts/suggestions below are not listed in any order of importance. You are encouraged to take these and adapt them to your local class/club programs.

- Greet each new dancer when they arrive like you are really glad to see them.**
- Use lots of encouraging words like “You’re doing well”. Notice what’s right.**
- Class coordinator keep individual list of missed calls if a new dancer is absent – give it to them when they arrive.**
- Offer “pre class” session for those who miss a week and/or are struggling with a call(s).**
- Provide a permanent name tag early in the season. Make them feel like they belong.**
- Offer the opportunity to buy, or give, the booklet with call definitions.**
- Provide a listing of web sites with information**
- Provide a list of calls weekly or a complete list**
- User other types of handouts. Styling tips, 10 square dance commandments, positive quotes.**
- The same angel for new dancers all year.**
- Split couples – with their permission – maybe only on a night by night if they are struggling.**
- Be quick to fill squares where needed.**
- Enthusiastic caller/teacher.**
- Put dance in the class – not close order drill. Treat every class as a dance.**

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have an opportunity to see old friends, just relax and enjoy .

This is the way it works:

There will be signs in the halls to give clear directions.

We will recognize Wednesday Night Special participants by the armbands they will be wearing. They will receive these armbands in their packets at registration.

We will also have a list of those who have paid for tickets to cover any “human error”.

Wednesday Night Dinner; catfish and bar-b-que with baked beans, coleslaw, corn on the cob, yeast rolls and drinks of coffee, tea, or water.

Both events are conveniently located in the Robinson Music Hall. We will start serving dinner immediately following the Opening Ceremony. Special Entertainment with Ronnie McDowell.

The theatre for the Ronnie McDowell Show will be open for seating at 6:30 Show entertainment starts at 7:00. You will want to be back in the Robinson Building for the “The Fashion Show” at 1:00 on Saturday.

John & Alitia Becker
Social & Special Events Chairman
63rd National Square Dance Convention®

Sponsored by TONY OXENDINE (GSI) & 63rd NSDC

Callers did you know there will be a *Callers School* at the National Convention in Little Rock?

Now is the time to enroll for the *8th Annual Callers School* to be held at the 63rd National Convention in Little Rock. It is co-sponsored by Grand Squares International, Inc. (Tony Oxendine) and the 63rd National Square Dance Convention®. Callers who are **registered** for the National Convention may attend the Callers School *free of charge*.

Callers are responsible for their own lodging and meals. The Caller/Cuer hotel is filling quickly. Contact the 63rd Registration & Housing Chairman by email at registration@63nsdc.com and they can help you locate current housing options.

The *Callers School* will take place in the Marriott. It begins the afternoon of Sunday, June 22 and ends at approximately 2:00 pm on Wednesday, June 25.

GSI believes in education and training for square dance callers worldwide. This organization sponsors regular callers schools and clinics, staffed by both nationally known caller coaches and local callers with an interest and aptitude to mentor new and experienced callers.

Register early - this school covers all experience levels. The *8th Annual Callers School* will be using CALLERLAB approved curriculum and accredited caller-coaches on staff. The school will highlight the following topics: modules, singing call techniques, sight calling, showmanship, and much more.

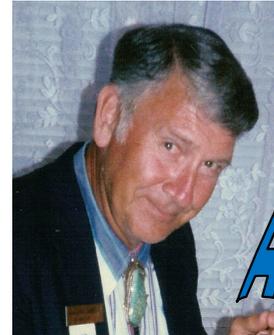
Send registration information to Tony Oxendine at tony@tonyoxendine.com or call 803-840-0746. **Be sure to include your 63rd NSDC registration number.** More information will be on the GSI website at www.gsinternational.org. **Completed Caller profiles must be returned to the Program Committee before December 31st, 2013.** Forms can be found at www.63nsdc.com.



Square Dance Club

Merritt Island Presbyterian Church
Fellowship Hall
155 Cone Road
Merritt Island, Florida 32952

7:30 Early Rounds
8:00 - 10:00 Squares w/Rounds



Mac McCall

(321) 427-7950

www.spacetrackers.com

APRIL 3, 2014



Bev Landwehr

USA National Square Dance Conventions

- June 24-28, 2014 Little Rock, AR
- June 24-27, 2015 Springfield, MA
- June 22-25, 2016 Des Moines, IA
- June 21-24, 2017 Cincinnati, OH



A balanced diet is
Chocolate
in both hands.



It's the beginning of a New Year and now is the time for you other clubs to make plans to join us for an evening of fun and banner stealing. Contact Woody & Mary Lou at 321-452-3323 to make arrangements for a Thursday evening of fun with Whit Brown and the whole Space Tracker Gang. The WELCOME mat is always out for you.

Judy Anderson

JOHN SAUNDERS CELEBRATES 50 YEARS OF CALLING



Tony Oxendine



John & Linda Saunders



December 8, 2013

INSTRUCTORS & COACHES, as of May 2013

Tony Oxendine, Charlotte, North Carolina

Ken Ritucci, West Springfield, Massachusetts

Jerry Story

CLUB NEWS

ALLEMANDERS

After much thought John and I have made the decision to close the Allemanders. The hall rent has increased this year, as we thought it may after all the renovations. With that increase and only having a few dues paying members and having two squares, but mostly only one, it will be difficult to pay the rent. Also, keeping in mind some of our dancers are experiencing health issues. With all the issues looming we have decided to make **January 18, 2014** our last dance. Hopefully by that time all will be back from the Christmas Holiday. We will not dance on January 4th as John and I will be away.

So mark your calendars for January 18 and help celebrate a good run for the Allemanders Square Dance Club.

John and I thank all the dancers who have supported and tried to keep the Allemanders Alive. We hope you will not give up square dancing and will dance with the other clubs in our area.

Thanks again for your support.

Gail and John Swindle

HOEDOWNERS

On Sunday, club spirit was alive and well with members dressed in country blue and white attire! Gene, Rod & Dick kept the dancers stepping lively in the squares and rounds. Gene led the Silver Sands Mixer and Norma led the line dancers in Country As Can Be. The class members are very enthusiastic and having a good time learning the basics. The HDs are supportive and excited about how well the new dancers are progressing.

Jerry gave a warm welcome to members, special guests and students and thanked the dance leaders. The Thanksgiving dinner was a big success; special thanks to Martha, Tim & Julia for roasting the delicious turkeys and to all the great cooks and workers. Tim did a super job on decorations! To view Michael's photos, go to www.hoedowners.net and click on the camera. Sign up now for our annual Christmas Dinner on Dec. 22nd! Gene & Marty will be furnishing the main entrée again this year. Thank you for your generous donations to Ms. Kitty! Check out the publicity table for square dance information and fliers on upcoming dances and cruises.

Happy anniversary to Jerry & Marlene Cagney on Dec. 13th! Happy December birthdays to: Eileen Charest, Dick Nordine, Joyce Guyett, Jean Havey, Barbara Morley, Joan Shore, Tim Parker, Lauren Havey, Dan Knapp, Allen Moree and Gene McCullough!!!! Meredith furnished a special birthday cake, decorated with our cuer's photo, to share with all.

Pray for Paul. He is scheduled for surgery at ORMC this Tuesday. Jan Shankle is also in ORMC for tests. Buzz & Eileen, accompanied by Eileen's daughter Bev, are in Maryland visiting with family. If you have any news of members or dancing friends (health, travel or other), please contact Bev, our Sunshine Lady.

Come and sing along with Gene. If you would like to help "angel" the class, come at 1:30 pm. Everyone welcome! See you Sunday!

SPACE TRACKERS

The Holidays are behind us, oh darn, and mine were really great ones, I'm sure yours were the same. The people I have talked with were all in agreement with me Christmas was beautiful. So many bright cheery lighted trees, some with twinkle lights some not but all very pretty. Kinda sad to take them down. Then there was the ringing of the bells on New Years Eve. Many of our club members traveled to other area clubs that held festivities for that occasion. Midnight smooches and Champaign (the kool-aid kind) at midnight; fun, fun, fun.

For the December Holidays our Space Trackers hall was decked out with huge Snowflakes and Christmas Balls hanging from the rafters. Lighted garland surrounded the hall above the doorways and around our refreshment table. And we certainly had lots of refreshments. For our Christmas Party Dance, held on the 19th, we invited our class members to spend the entire evening dancing with the club. Some in square dance clothes for the first time.

Earlier in the month we were invited to a luncheon at the Moose Club on Merritt Island where we also presented a demonstration of our activity. The people were very enthusiastic. We even managed to get a few brave souls on the floor to try square dancing. Who knows, maybe some future dancers???

Some of us Trackers ventured to City Island Rec Center in Daytona Beach to help John Saunders celebrate his 50 years of calling. What a grand party this was. It was like a who's who at a Callers convention but the featured caller was Tony "O" who has known John for over 40 of his 50 years. What an hysterical afternoon. Lots of story telling (on John, of course) by such callers as Skip Cleland, who came in from Alabama just for this party. He said he taught John the whys and wherefores of operating a computer from pushing "that little red button to turn it on to pushing the same little red button to turn it off". Many other stories were also told, all f-u-n-n-y!

Plans are being made to have a "Chile Night" for our January Friendship Dinner. It's been a year or so since we have had one. I've said it before - we do have some great cooks whatever to menu. As for Chili, some like it hot, others mild but most somewhere in-between. That and corn bread, can't you just smell it?

participating in raids during the last quarter alone. During this past quarter alone, Orange Blossom Squares awarded two dancers danglers for completing five raids, four dancers recognized for completing ten raids, two dancers recognized for completing 35 raids and two dancers recognized for completing 50 raids. Special recognition for completing 60 raids was given to five dancers. Congratulations to all of you! We anticipate 2014 being a “banner year” for raids!

Orange Blossom Squares were honored to receive many new members in 2013 and look forward to adding many more in 2014. We are so fortunate to live in an area that is growing rapidly and offers our club many opportunities to attract new members as well as students.

January, February, and March promise some great dancing with several special dances. Nick Hartley will call our January 19th dance, and Ron Libby will be on hand for our 50 Year Anniversary Dance on January 26th. We have many members who have achieved that “50 years of wedded bliss” milestone and honor each of them during this special dance. Since the Super Bowl will be played on February 2nd, we will not be dancing. Jack Lewis will do the honor of calling our Sweetheart Dance on February 9th, and our President’s Day Dance will be called by Mac McCall on February 16th. Ron Libby and Johnny Preston will tag team and call our March 9th dance. This is always a wild night! Our St. Patrick’s Day Dance will be called by Red Bates on March 16th. Orange Blossom Squares will not host a dance on March 23rd, as our hall will be a sea of green during the Shamrock Swing Weekend.

We look forward to seeing you across the square in the near future. Visitors are our honored guests, so please come dance with us on Sunday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00pm with Rounds between tips.

Yellow Rocks,
Buddy & Cindy Johnson



Hoe Downers Enjoying Thanksgiving Dinner

ORANGE BLOSSOM SQUARES

The busy holiday season has come and gone, and now it is time to welcome 2014 with open arms. We hope everyone enjoyed their family and friends during the holidays and wish one and all a very happy and healthy New Year.

Orange Blossom Squares has been blessed with one of the largest beginner square dance classes in recent history. The students are grasping the figures and moving along nicely thanks to the efforts and instruction of Duane Rodgers. They are looking forward to mastering their mainstream calls and beginning plus moves by Spring.

Entertaining our local nursing home residents continues to be one of our favorite afternoon outings. It is such a joy to watch the residents tap their feet and sing along to many old favorites. They are enamored with the costumes and petticoats twirling around the floor.

Banner Raids have been successful thus far with well over 100

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For further information, contact Ailene Picheco 321-652-0680 apicheco@att.net

Shamrock Swing Dance Registration - March 21-22, 2014

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Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Ribbon Qty: _____ @ \$20.00 Per Person Ribbon Numbers: _____

Date: _____ Total Amount: \$ _____ Check # _____

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