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FLORIDA FEDERATION

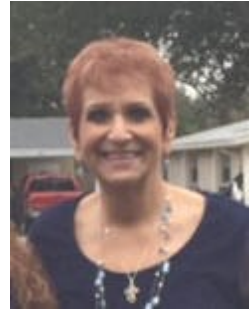


Presidents' Message

May 2020

What a Month! All Dancing has been cancelled as has most of everything else in our day to day

lives. Thirty days of stay at home orders. When you do have to go out, you wear a mask and gloves and stay six feet from other people. No paper goods on the shelves. Limits to how much of a product you can buy. At the time of this writing, future guidelines are changing day to day. Please follow all guidelines and stay safe and well.



Now that the 2020, 66th State Convention is in the books, we can take a big breath and a little vacation. NOT! The 2021 67th State Convention chairs Richard and Carole Douget are nailing down the final details of their convention. And the 2022, 68th Convention chairs are in a tizzy to get started. Who are the Convention chairs for 2022 you ask? None other than the current Florida Federation of Square and Round Dance Association Board, Linda Tester, Ed Drexel and Terry Wetherby, Terry Little, Cal and Ann Maki and Barbara and Brian McDonald. More to come soon.

www.floridasquaredance.com do you know what this website is all about? This is our official website for the Florida Federation of Square Dancers and has EVERYTHING (almost) regarding information for Florida square dancing. Please check us out.

I hope you are making your plans to join us at the 67th FSSRDC to be held in Daytona Beach on February 20 & 21, 2021 at the Daytona Beach Ocean Center. Have you booked your hotel room? The Convention Host Hotel is the Homewood Suites, 165 Bill France Blvd., Daytona Beach, FL. Please see the convention website for more information and make your plans now! **www.floridasquaredance.com/convention**

I would like to thank YOU our Square and Round Dancers for all the work and support you give to our activity. I look forward to

seeing you at the 67th Florida State Square Dance Convention in 2021.

Linda Tester, President
lindactester@bellsouth.net

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FLORIDA FEDERATION NEWS



Kathleen E. McKinney, 74, died peacefully in her home on June 6, 2020. She was born March 12, 1946 in Columbus, OH, the daughter of Willard Charles and Margaret Ruth (Hansen) Gibson.

Kathy spent her formative years in Willoughby, OH, before moving to Florida. She met the love of her life, Jack McKinney, while working at CSX Transportation. Together they square danced through the years with all of their friends at NEFSARDA. When she did not have a house full of grandchildren, she was being chauffeured by her love through many vacation adventures or playing a slick game of Hand & Foot with her friends. She celebrated 31 loving years of marriage with the man who meant the world to her.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her sister, Cynthia Gibson Wright and her brother, John W. Gibson. Surviving in addition to her husband, Jack McKinney, are her sister, Barbara A. Gibson; sons, James A. Janson (Jeneice) and Daniel A. Janson (Rebecca); daughters, Jerri Janson Closson (Michael) and Wendy Heinzerling Dennis (Scott); many grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Kathy was a remarkable woman. She touched many lives and had a wealth of family and friends who will miss her dearly. For this reason, a celebration of her life will be held at a future date, when all her friends and loved ones are able to gather unrestricted to honor her.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the charity closest to your heart in her name. Please visit her Tribute online at www.quinn-shalz.com. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz Family Funeral Home.

If you would like to send a condolence card to Jack, his address is:
709 6th Ave N
Jacksonville Beach FL 32250-4605

As of 2012 Kathy and Jack had earned the coveted Bicentennial Pin, indicating they had danced to more than 200 different square dance callers.

Below is a list of their accomplishments:

Florida Federation of Square & Round Dancers

2016-2019 – Florida Federation of Square Dancers delegate

2001-2006 – Florida Federation of Square Dancers (5 years on the board serving as Parliamentarian to President)

1998-1999 – Florida Federation of Square Dancers (alternate Delegate)

Florida State Square & Round Dancers Convention (FSSRDC)

2016 – Chairman (w/Linda Tester & Diane Syphard)

2009 – Started the Convention Corporate Sponsorship Program

2005-2012 – Advertising Chairman

2012 – Induction into Florida State Square Dance Hall of Fame

Northeast Florida Square and Round Dance Association (NEFSARDA)

Board. Positions: Blood Bank Chairman (1996), Showcase of Ideas Chairman (1996), Vice President (1996), President (1997-1998) (2015-2018), Club Visitation Chairman (1999), Publicity Chairman (2003), Recording Secretary (2007-2010) (2011-2012)

Dance Chairman:

Fall Festival Chairman

1999, 2007, 2011, 2019

50th Anniversary Dance Chairman
(2007)

Awards:

Dance Couple of the Year (1999)

Circle of Service Award (1997)



2021 Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention

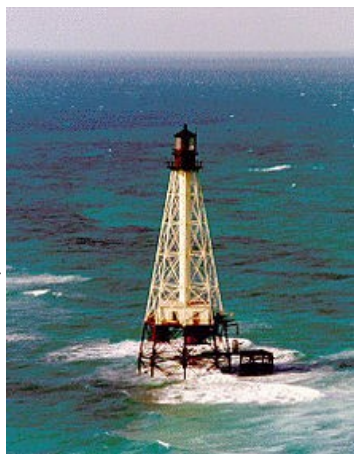


LIGHTHOUSE #3 ALLIGATOR REEF LIGHTHOUSE

Interesting facts I will share as we travel around the State of Florida about our Fabulous Lighthouses will be distances between, where they are located, historical information and just curious things to know. For instance: our last stop was Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse, there is only one other lighthouse between Jupiter and Miami – Hillsboro Inlet Lighthouse. The next lighthouse is not until we reach Miami, the Cape Florida Lighthouse but from there to Key West there are 17 structures. Not all are on land, some were built on reefs, some on sand bars and some on piles of rocks.

Traveling south on US #1 from Miami to my next write-up, Alligator Reef Lighthouse, there are 7 lighthouses – most of which are built on reefs, (Alligator being one), 2 on land and 1 on rocks. There are names like Fowey Rocks, Bobo Chila, Molasses Reef, Hen and Chickens. But Alligator Reef sounded interesting to me. There are no alligators there and the reef is not shaped like one either. It was named for a ship, the *USS ALLIGATOR*. This ship successfully conducted missions against pirates in the early 1800s but, sadly, was lost when it ran on the reef in 1822. However, the crew was so dedicated to keep the ship from falling into pirates' hands, they actually destroyed it. It is said the ship still lies on the shallow bottom near the reef.

This lighthouse is 150 feet, top to bottom, with a focal plane of 136 feet of light, per official Coast Guard viewings. Built in 1873 at a cost of \$135,000, an almost unheard of amount of money in those days, it is extremely structurally sound as it weathered the infamous Labor Day Hurricane of 1935 with winds gusting from 200 to 250 miles per hour



and with seas surging 30 or more feet above normal. It has been reported that over the years some brave lighthouse keepers even lashed themselves to the structure to avoid being washed away by hurricanes. Now that's dedication.

And it is with this same dedication that Carol and Richard Douget are going ahead with their plans for the 2021 State Convention, *Lighting the Way to Friendship & Fun*. It will still take place in Dayton Beach at the Daytona Ocean Center, same place as last year, on February 19 & 20, 2021. We all pray and hope this nasty virus will be gone long before then and that square and round dancing will once again be the high-light of our fun. There will be more news about the activities being planned as well as the "how-to's" in the upcoming months. In the meantime-----please bump elbows, keep social distancing and smile behind your masks!

Judy Anderson,
Publicity



LIGHTHOUSE #4 KEY WEST LIGHTHOUSE

Here's an interesting little tidbit I read about: Ponce de Leon sailed to the Keys in 1521 and named them "The Martyrs" because he thought they looked like "long suffering human beings". Fortunately, that name did not last.

The original Key West Lighthouse was built in 1825, by the Federal Government, a short four years after Spain ceded it to the United States. The waters off the Florida Keys were so perilous that salvaging goods from the many wrecked ships was the major lively hood of its people. In 1825 Congress authorized the building of a lighthouse in Key West. The original lighthouse, sitting on nothing but sand, was destroyed in the Great Hurricane of 1846, many lives were lost as some of the residences took shelter in the lighthouse.

Work on the current tower was started in 1847 but funding was so slow

that the lighthouse didn't get finished until 1849, even though at that time it was considered "state of the art" in design. The people thought it was so beautiful they were anxious to see it completed. This new lighthouse was built on one of the highest points in Key West, Whitehead Point, and stood 60 feet tall. It was powered by 15 oil lamps. The initial focal plane was 67 feet above sea level. An additional 26 feet was added to the lighthouse in 1894 thus raising the focal plane to 91 feet.

At that time the Key West Lighthouse was one of the few lighthouses in the South that remained in the hands of the U.S. Government throughout the Civil War. Thus, during the war it served to help the Union warships navigate the waters around Key West as they came and went from the naval station there.

The Key West Lighthouse remained in operation until 1969 when it was declared obsolete and was deactivated. The tower was transferred to Monroe County in 1972 and subsequently leased to the Key West Art & Historical Society.

Here's another little tidbit of information: U.S. Highway #1 STARTS in Key West, Florida and ENDS in Fort Kent, Maine, not the other way around, a distance of 2,369 miles. U.S. #1 does continue into Canada.

There is not much to report this month about the upcoming 2021 Florida State Convention because our Chairman, Carol Douget, had been restricted from flying back to Florida from Maryland. She had flown up there the beginning of March to be with her sister, who was hospitalized (non-Virus related) but when it was time to fly back the airlines were shut down (that WAS Virus related) so she could not return – HOWEVER – that ban has just been lifted and she may be home now. I do know that the two (2) Big Lighthouses that are being raffled at the convention have been completed. (There was an unfinished one at this years convention.) Richard said they are both painted and ready to grace the lucky winners' yards. There will be pictures in upcoming magazines/flyers so be on the look-out for them. I know you will want one at your home for sure.

Judy Anderson, Publicity

LIGHTHOUSE #5 SANIBEL ISLAND LIGHT

Sanibel Island Light is located on the eastern end of the small 12-mile-long island across the mainland of Florida's Gulf coast from Punta Rassa. It is now connected to the mainland by a causeway bridge built in the 1960's.

As early as 1833 the residents of Sanibel petitioned for a lighthouse to be built but Congress took no action at that time. And again, in 1856, the Lighthouse Board requested a lighthouse be built, again, Congress took no action. Then in 1877 a group of government workers surveyed the eastern end of the island. This time these government workers "reserved" a section of the land for the lighthouse project – but – again no action. It was not until after the Civil War that yet another petition was submitted to Congress stating that a lighthouse would cause a big increase in trade and that boaters and travelers would be able to visit the island more easily. Finally, in 1883 Congress appropriated \$50,000 for the project and the lighthouse was finally started in February 1884. It was lit for the first time in August of 1884.



The lighthouse is built 112 feet above sea level using an iron skeleton-type tower. It has a focal plane of 98 feet. There is an external spiral staircase which the lighthouse keeper had to *climb* to service the lamps when needed. There were no provisions made for the keeper to live inside the structure, however, a small home was built beside the lighthouse for his needs.

There have been two recorded big hurricanes that struck the lighthouse but fortunately there was minimal damage either time. The first recorded one was in 1944 where it is said that several residents and the keeper clung to the outside spiral staircase after the keepers' home was destroyed – all did survive. The second hurricane recorded was Charley in 2004. The predicted forecasted storm surge of 13 feet never materialized

so nothing was lost.

The State Convention is still being planned for Friday and Saturday, February 19 & 20 at the Daytona Beach Convention Center. There are several great different money making ideas being planned. Of course, there is the usual souvenir shirt, red, with the convention lighthouse logo. Then there will be the two 5-foot-tall wooden Lighthouses to be raffled off. Pictures and tickets of these will be distributed to each area soon along with more raffle tickets for the beautiful handmade quilt featuring 10 of “Florida’s Fabulous Lighthouses”. “Florida’s Fabulous Lighthouses” is the title of the coffee-table book where I have taken excerpts for these articles, there are some for sale also.

Stay safe, wash your hands, practice social distancing and PRAY – PRAY – PRAY

Judy Anderson, Publicity

2021 Kickoff !!





LIGHTING THE WAY TO FRIENDSHIP & FUN!

LIGHTHOUSE RAFFLE

2 WINNERS

1 FOR \$ 2.00

TICKETS: or

6 FOR \$10.00

Donated by Tom Leaf and Richard
Douget.

5-feet 5-inches tall; made of Marine
Plywood, pressure treated, and painted red
and white strips.

**Drawing to be held Saturday
February 20, 2021 at the
“2021 FSRDC”**

*All proceeds will benefit the 2021 67th Florida
Square and Round Dance Convention. Lighting the
way to Friendship & Fun in '21 to be held at the
Ocean Center, Daytona Beach, Fl February 19-20,
2021.*



Quilt Raffle



TICKETS:
1 FOR \$1.00
Or
6 FOR \$5.00

This beautiful 65" x 74" Quilt was
sewn by Terri Little and quilted by
Peggy Huston. All of their time
and materials were donated to
benefit the 2021 Convention.

**Drawing to be held at the
"2021 FSSRDC" on Saturday
February 20, 2021**

Need not be present to win!



*All proceeds from this fundraiser will benefit
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"Lighting The Way To Friendship & Fun in 2021"
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February 19-20 2021.*



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Prices will increase May 1, 2021 to \$75 for adults, \$37.50 for Youth born after June 26, 2003.

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Mail-in Registrations must be sent by June 5, 2021 or email by June 12, 2021.

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Cookbook "WORLD OF MEALS"	_____	#	_____	@ \$15.00	_____	_____	_____
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Magnet for Badge, pins are provided Free of charge	_____	#	_____	@ \$ 2.00	_____	_____	_____

RV Camping (4 night minimum). All campers MUST register. You will receive a profile form when your payment is received. To camp together, arrive together

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*TOURS - Please complete separate Tours Order Form and submit separate payment.

☐ Check Enclosed # _____ ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover

Name on Card: _____

Credit Card No.: _____

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Dance Leader Name to be programmed *Go to www.70nsdc.com to update your profile

Name: _____ ☐ Caller ☐ C/Clerk ☐ Contra ☐ Clogging ☐ C/W Lines

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Convention badges required for entrance to all convention activities; Dressy Casual attire allowed until 6:00pm. PROPER DANCE ATTIRE is required after 6:00pm for all dancers.

Registration: Mary Ann Walker E-mail: regchair@70nsdc.com



Please mark which dance program you will be attending the most:
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Other: ☐ Clogging ☐ Contra ☐ C/W Lines ☐ Handicapable
☐ Will you be participating in the Education Leadership Certification Program?

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I have selected my Hotel On-line. ☐ YES ☐ NO
I need Housing Reservations for the dates and selected Hotel below:

Please Circle Room Nights Needed:

Sa	S	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa	S
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27

3 Hotel Preference required (hotel codes on back): 1st _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____
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☐ Wheelchair Accessible Room ☐ Special Needs Room: _____
Shared Rooms or Same Hotel, registrations must be mailed together in the same envelope.

Same Hotel as: _____
Block Housing Requests are due by Jan 2, 2021.
Block Housing (10-25 rooms) E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____
Block Leader Name: _____ Group Name: _____

To guarantee your room reservations, you must provide a credit card number and pay a \$3.50 processing fee. Deposit may be charged in advance, balance for your room will be charged by hotel at check in.

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Registration: Mary Ann Walker E-mail: regchair@70nsdc.com

INSTRUCTIONS FOR REGISTRATION (LEFT FRONT SIDE OF FORM)

1. Print legibly all names, address, city, state, zip code, country, and B/D of youth (age 5-17 by June 26, 2021 discounted price) to ensure correct registration.
2. Correctly enter all amounts in the Subtotals, including registration fee for each dancer plus quantity and amounts for all other materials. Calculate the total and include credit card information, check or money order payable in U.S. funds to the 70th National Square Dance Convention® and return it with the Registration Form. **Do Not Send Cash. No Single Day Registrations.**
3. A \$10.00 fee per registrant will be assessed for cancellation. No refunds after April 30, 2021.
4. **Important! Daily schedules are only available with the purchase of a Program Book. Daily schedules will not be available separately at the Convention. Most dancers will want to purchase the Program Book.**
5. **TOUR FORM AND PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS:** Please complete the Tour Order Form and mail directly to: Dream Vacations (70th NSDC), 8538 Lotticks Corner Rd SE, Elizabeth NJ 07117. For any questions call 812-969-2307 or email to cschoen@dreamvacations.com. For Tour information and Order Form go to www.70thnsdc.com and click "TOURS"

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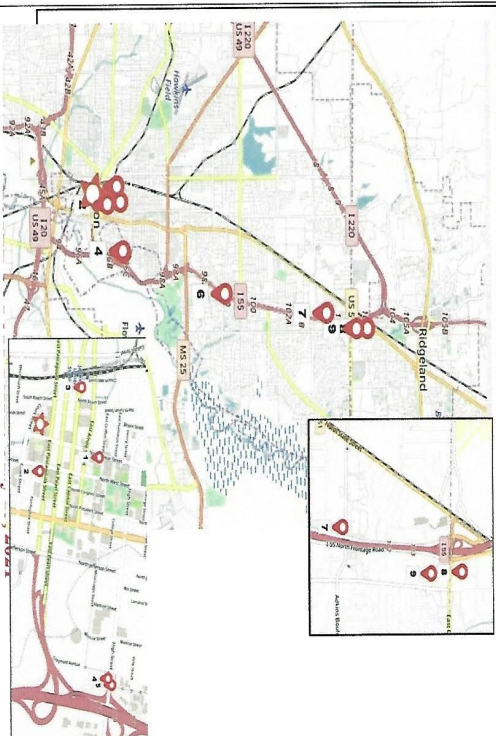
Indicate RV camping on your registration form and enclose the required fees (4-night minimum) to cover the nights that you intend to stay, 30 or 50 Amp and water available at all sites with sewer at most sites. Free dump station on site. If you plan to camp together, you must arrive together. For more information contact RV Vice-Chairman, John & Dolly De Fregate at RV@70thnsdc.com.

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1. The 70th NSDC Housing Committee is pleased to offer website online access for housing reservations available after March 1, 2020. If you book your room online, check the box provided on front side of this form; otherwise complete the entire housing portion on the right side of the front of this form. This form must be received by May 15, 2021 to guarantee the 70th NSDC pricing.
2. Indicate three (3) choices of hotel preference by specifying hotel code number. Also, be sure to indicate 1 bed (Standard King) or 2 beds (Queen). Hotels will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis according to availability.
3. Only one person per room should complete a hotel reservation request on the front of this form. Please list all room occupants. (The Housing Committee does not find or assign roommates.)
4. Shared Room or Same Hotel Requests can be made through the online site OR forward registrations together in the same envelope.
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6. Hotel Reservations: Your reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card and a \$3.50 non-refundable processing fee. The hotel may require an advance deposit for 1st night. The balance will be paid at the hotel. An alternative form of payment may be presented at check in. Ensure expiration date is after July 2021.
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Map of Hotels



Code	Hotel Name	1	2	3	4	Distance
	** 1 night deposit at time of reservation					
1	Jackson Downtown Convention Center Hotel	\$139	\$139	\$149	\$159	.3 miles
2	Westin Downtown **	\$159	\$159	\$169	\$179	.2 miles
3	Hilton Garden Inn (Calle/Cur)	\$139	\$139	\$149	\$159	1.4 mile
4	Hampton Inn & Suites **	\$102	\$102	\$102	\$102	1.4 mile
5	Holiday Inn Express **	\$129	\$129	\$129	\$129	3.7 miles
6	Residence Inn	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150	7.7 miles
7	Oyo Townhouse	\$80	\$80	\$80	\$80	
8	Hilton Jackson	\$119	\$124	\$129	\$134	7 miles
9	Courtyard Jackson/Ridgeland	\$129	\$129	\$129	\$139	



Jackson Convention Complex 105 E Pascagoula St, Jackson, MS 39201

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Any questions, please call 901-628-4356

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 Dan and Ghinda Torvik, General Chairman, generalchair@70thnsdc.com

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Registration only at this time.
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 Evansville, Indiana

Pre-Registration
71st National Square Dance Convention*
 "Join Us Down By the River"
 Evansville, Indiana
 June 22-25, 2022



Register now for the 71st National Square Dance Convention* in Evansville, Indiana. Your early registration helps to defray preparation cost and gives you free admittance to the Saturday evening dance at the Pre-Convention on March 13, 2021.

This form does not include selection of hotel, tours, meals, and additional convention choices.
 In early 2021 you will receive information about these offerings with instructions for making those selections.

Please complete the form below and send it along with your check or credit card info to:

71st National Square Dance Convention*
 2820 Alexandria Pike, Anderson, Indiana 46012
 Email: registration@71nsdc.org Online at: 71nsdc.org
 Registration Information: (765) 662-2553
 Please Print Clearly

Primary Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
 Partner's (if different) _____ First Name: _____
 Youth: _____ DOB: _____ Youth: _____ DOB: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Country: _____
 Phone: _____ Mobile: _____
 Email: _____ (Partner's) Email: _____

☐ Check if you do not want your email shared. (Email addresses to be shared only with the NEC for upcoming convention information.)

Amount Paid (US Currency Only) \$50.00 each x _____ = \$ _____

Youth born after June 22, 2004 \$25.00 each x _____ = \$ _____

\$10 cancellation fee per registration. No refund after April 30, 2022. This form and registration rate is void after March 13, 2021.

Payment (check one) Check ☐ MasterCard ☐ Visa ☐ Discover ☐

Name on Card: _____ Signature: _____

Credit Card No.: _____ Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Statement Mailing Address: _____

If you are a dance leader please circle all that apply: Caller ☐ Cues ☐ Contra ☐ Clogging ☐ C/W Lines ☐

Convention Badges required for entrance to all Convention Activities.

Dressy casual attire allowed until 6:00 pm. Proper square dance attire is required after 6:00 pm for all dancers.

Internal Use Only Accepted by _____ Date _____ Registration # _____ 71st NSDC Short Form 070915

Dino Martino Says:
"Make tracks to the 71st NSDC In Evansville, IN. June 22-25, 2022.
I'm ready to process your registration."

FLORIDA HALL OF FAME



Nominees must have a minimum of 10 years statewide involvement in the Florida Square and Round Dance activity. Their contributions must encompass the entire state of Florida, not just 1 or 2 areas. This should require unselfish dedication of time and labor. Being an area president, Federation president, Caller/Cuer Association president and/or State Convention chairman is not enough. The Hall of Fame is seeking individuals or couples whose efforts have affected the majority of the State of Florida.

Preparing a nominating resume will take some time and investigation to make it complete. Talk to other dancers, callers and/or cuers for dates, places and times the nominee was involved in statewide participation. Follow the who, what, when and where rule as you investigate and prepare the resume. The more information submitted, the better.

Once the resume is finished there are two ways in which to present the information to the Hall of Fame Committee. The resume may be submitted to the board of directors of any of the five area associations, Callers Association or Cuers Association. The area or association board of directors will review the resume and vote to reject or pass it on to the Hall of Fame Committee. The resume may also be sent to the Hall of Fame committee chairman. Resumes must be received by the Hall of Fame committee by November 1st of each year. It is suggested that any association not submit more than 2 resumes for consideration per year. The Hall of Fame Committee shall meet and review all resumes presented and vote by secret ballot to forward such resumes to the Selection Committee for the final vote.

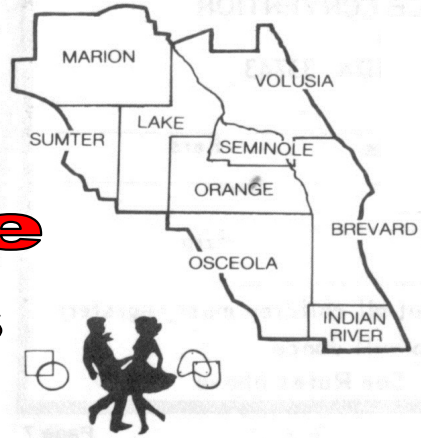
All resumes should be submitted to the Hall of Fame Committee on or before **November 1st**.

Ailene Picheco
345 hula Circle
Merritt Island, FL 32952
321-652-0680 **apicheco@att.net**

<http://floridasquaredance.com/halloffame/index.php>

CLUB NEWS

**There are
no clubs
dancing
at this
time.**



**SPACE
TRACKERS** →

May 2020 - The Space Trackers, like so many other clubs, have been dark since mid-March and, like all other clubs, are anxious to get going---BUT---only when the coast is clear. In the interim I thought it might be fun to let people know how some of us Trackers are coping.

For instance: Charles Sheaffer recently had back surgery and had to go into Melbourne Terrace, a rehab center, which promptly went into lock down, no visitors. Well, that's bad enough but Charles celebrated his 92nd birthday on May 15th while in the rehab center.

Our fearless leaders, Bill and Linda Reid, (Presidents) have been taking advantage of the extra time at home to catch up on neglected yard work and other neglected house work. Don't we all relate to that! Bill had minor cyst surgery (everything's ok) and

daughter, Sheila, has been working and doing the shopping for them. Of course, with Linda's sewing ability, she made several masks for the family and themselves.

Helen Bray had been hospitalized for about 8 days but is getting peppier every day. She also has been sewing book bags for her daughter to put into shoeboxes at Christmas time. A project she has been doing now for several years. Helen just does not know how to slow down.

Woody & Mary Lou Coyle have been doing crosswords, circle words, cryptoquips and reading. Woody rides his bike almost daily while Mary Lou likes to play Mahjong on the computer. Occasionally they will jump into their nephews' pool to cool off. Lucky them.

Dennis and Nancy Taylor moved lock, stock and barrel, to Massachusetts in mid-December. They wanted to be closer to their kids. When they arrived, they found out their apartment would not be ready until mid-January. Finally got moved in but after only one day of unpacking Nancy got sick and spent the next month or so in the hospital or in rehab. She was very weak when she did get released she did her therapy in their apartment. Of course, by then they were in lock-down (Covid 19) so they haven't had time to be neighborly. Meals are sent in 3 times a day and the facility furnishes rides to doctor appointments. Their new address is: 88 Masonic Home Road, P409, Charlton, MA 01507. (no visitors)

Jim and Jan McConnaha have also moved into a place called Solaris Senior Living on Merritt Island. Jim says it is a really nice facility, not a nursing home but ASSISTED LIVING. One of the activities they got to enjoy (before the lock-down that is) was BINGO which they played often. They did retain their phone number: 321-636-6841, give them a jingle, they would enjoy talking to friends and acquaintances. (no visitors)

So what are your Club members doing to pass the time---I'll have more next month.

Judy Anderson

June 2020 - Of course, like most other clubs, the Space Trackers are not dancing as of yet. And at this time plans have not been discussed as to the when, where and how. There are a few more things that must be talked about before any dancing can be considered. Number 1 on the list is the matter of insurance both for the dancers and the caller/cuer. Violation of local laws will prevail over square dance insurance. This has not been finalized by any “powers that be” as of yet but will be by the time dancing starts again.

In the meantime, here is what some of the Trackers have been doing to while away this forced time of distancing – social or otherwise.

There is some bad news to report – we lost one of our staunch club members. Dick Taylor passed away in mid-June. No services were held locally for obvious reasons but some will be later up north where they are from. He had not danced for long, long time because of leg and foot problems that developed into other serious medical problems, he will be missed greatly. His wife, Maureen, did continue to occasionally dance and always brought us delicious homemade goodies.

Clyde & Karen Smith are very involved with their church and church family. Back the end of May Clyde said their church attendance had diminished greatly, now has come to a stop. Hoping to get restarted soon, of course, but they are keeping in contact with their “family” either by phone or computer. (Haven’t we all??) He asked that we continue to pray not only for Karen but our friends and family and for everyone all over the world who have been subject to this pandemic. AMEN to that!!

Bob and Mary Gibson have been doing “picnic social distancing” with some of their friends and neighbors at local parks close to where they live. Individually Bob is golfing, riding solo from hole to hole in a golf cart while Mary is playing “social distancing SINGLES tennis”. Trying to keep actively busy.

Last month I mentioned Helen Bray being hospitalized for a period of time, well it seems she had diverticulitis, not fun!! And I found

out the school book bags she has been sewing for many years for her daughter's Christmas shoeboxes are for none other than Franklin Graham! He does such marvelous work following in his father's footsteps. Father being Billy Graham. Helen has been doing a lot of reading too, trying to tackle a 17-volume set of books that belonged to her Mother – she didn't give me the authors name.

- Elbow bump
- Social distancing
- Make a call
- Let us know what your Club is doing next time.

Judy Anderson



May 19, 2017 • 🌐

5/17/2017 Whirl & Twirl Square Dance Club supporting Red Nose Day to end child poverty! <http://www.whirlandtwirl.org>





**NOTICE - PLEASE
CHECK WITH CLUBS
BEFORE VISITING.
ALL CLUBS IN
CENTRAL FLORIDA
ARE CLOSED UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE.**

WHERE TO DANCE IN CENTRAL FLORIDA

Sunday

CASSELBERRY – HOEDOWNERS

Casselberry Recreation Center

200 N Triplet Lake Drive

2:00 - 3:00 Class

3:00-4:30 Mainstream / Plus Dance

Line and round dancing between tips

Caller: Rod Barngrover

Cuer: Earle Collins

Phone: 407-339-2359 (Julia Parker)

Email:

Hoedowners@centurylink.net

Webpage: www.hoedowners.net

[http://www.squaredancesites.com/
casselberry_hoedowners/](http://www.squaredancesites.com/casselberry_hoedowners/)

DAYTONA BEACH – YELLOW ROCK SQUARES

ARC Bldg, 100 Jimmy Huger Circle
Off Jimmy Ann Drive and 5th Street

(call to verify schedule)

2:30-4:30

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

Email: reyates.deland@gmail.com

**SQUARE DANCING
ROCKS**

**MELBOURNE -
Dancin' Diamonds**

Wickham Park Community Center
2815 Leisure Way
(Entrance off Wickham Road north
of Parkway Drive)

**(Closed mid-May to mid-
September)**

1:30-2:00 Workshop
2:00-4:00 Mainstream/Plus Dance
Caller: John Swindle
Phone: 321-636-2997
Email: johncaller@bellsouth.net

**OKLAWAHA -
ROUND DANCE**

L & R Studio
13151 SE 120th Street
2:00-4:00 Phase III, IV & V Dance
Cuers: Lloyd & Ruth McKenrick
Phone: 352-288-4973
Email: dancewith-
lloydandruth@centurylink.net
Private lessons by appointment.

**ROCKLEDGE -
ROUND DANCE**

Hope United Church of Christ
2555 S Fiske Blvd
6:00-7:30 Round Dance Teach
7:30-9:00 Round Dance
Cuer: Earle & Carol Collins
Phone: 407-354-0229
Email: Collins.cbd@gmail.com



**THE VILLAGES -
ORANGE BLOSSOM
SQUARES**

La Hacienda Recreation Center
1200 Avenida Central
7:00-9:00 Plus Dance w/ Rounds
Callers: Local and National Guests
Cuers: Loretta Hanhurst /
Lloyd & Ruth McKenrick
Phone: 352-633-1098
Banner Raids: 317.403.9302
email sue.brown2256@gmail.com
Email:
sue.brown2256@gmail.com
Website:

www.orangeblossomsquares.org

Monday

**BELLVIEW -
STERN WHEELERS**

United Methodist Church
5640 SE Brown Rd
12:30-2:30 Advance Class
3:00-5:00 Advance Dance
Caller: Bob Stern
Phone: 352-323-1295
Email: rpstern@aol.com



**CASSELBERRY -
WHIRL & TWIRL**

Lake Howell Square
1241 State Rd 436, Suite 171
7:30 Beginners Round Dance
Cuer: Earle & Carol Collins
Phone: (407) 375-5351
Email: collinscbd@gmail.com
Website: www.whirlandtwirl.org

**OCALA –
The OCALA TWIRLERS**

Ocala West United Methodist Church
Stanford Hall
9330 SW 105th Street, off SR 200
12:45-2:00 Plus Workshop (Class
starting in Oct)
2:00-2:15 Early Rounds
2:00-4:15 Plus Dance w/Rounds
Caller: Whit Brown
Cuer: Bev Landwehr
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
(Call to confirm)
7:00–9:00 Alternating MS & Plus
Caller: Bill Boyd
Phone: 407-931-1688
Email: BillBoydCaller@gmail.com
Website:
www.floridasquaredance.com/
heelandtoe

Tuesday

**OKLAWAHA -
ROUND DANCE**

L & R Studio
13151 SE 120th Street
12:30-2:30 Phase IV Class
3:00-5:00 Phase III Class
Cuers: Lloyd & Ruth McKenrick
Phone: 352-288-4973
Email: dancewith-
lloydandruth@centurylink.net
Private lessons by appointment.

**ORMOND BEACH -
GRANADA SQUARES
DENIM AND LACE**

Ormond Beach Senior Center
351 Andrews Street
6:00 Workshop/Lessons
7:00-9:00 pm Mainstream and Plus with
Lines and Rounds
Caller: Rod Barngrover
Pamela Kelley 386-671-6223
Website:
www.granadasquaresdenimandlace.com
Email:
denimandlacedanceclub@yahoo.com

**EAT SLEEP
SQUARE DANCE**

ROCKLEDGE –

Dix-C Diamonds

C-1 Workshop/Dance

Hope United Church of Christ

2555 S Fiske Blvd

Call to confirm

6:30 – 8:30 C-1 Workshop/Dance

Caller: Jerry Reed

321-633-1306

Website: www.JReedSDC.com

Email: JReedSDC@aol.com

Wednesday

CASSELBERRY -

WHIRL & TWIRL

Lake Howell Square

1241 State Rd 436, Suite 171

7:15—8:00 Plus Workshop

8:00-10:00 Mainstream w/Lines

Caller: Whit Brown

Phone: 407-375-5351

Email: whirlandtwirl@gmail.com

Website: www.whirlandtwirl.org

MELBOURNE –

DIXIE DIAMONDS

Eau Gallie Civic Center

1550 Highland Ave

6:30 – 8:30 A1 – A2 Dance

Caller: Jerry Reed

Website: www.JReedSDC.com

Email: JReedSDC@aol.com

OCALA -

The New Circle Squares

On Top of the World

10070 SW 94th Street

1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the
month

5:30 –6:30 Beginner Class

6:30-8:30 Club Dance

Caller: Rod Barngrover

Contact: Dotty Huston

Phone: 352-502-6789

dh4042@icloud.com

defenddot@aol.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

SUMMERFIELD -

FUN SEEKERS

Hope Lutheran Church

Lake Weir Campus

10945 Sunset Harbor Road

2:00-4:00 Plus level w/workshop

Rounds: Level II, IV

Dress Casual or

Square Dance Attire!!

Caller: Don Hanhurst

Cuer: Loretta Hanhurst

Phone: 352-245-8855

Email: donh1022@yahoo.com

Thursday

ANTHONY – CELEBRITY SQUARES

Anthony United Methodist Church
2396 NE 97th Street
(8 miles north of Ocala)
Activities building behind church
Large Recycle Shop on Premises
(September thru May)
7:00-9:00 Plus Dance
Caller: Rod Barngrover
Banner: 352-817-6961
Email: Cyrinfla@gmail.com
Website:
www.ocalasquaredance.com

MELBOURNE – PALM BAY PROMENADERS

American Legion Post # 81
2909 S Harbor City Blvd
7:30 Early Rounds
8:00-10:00 Plus Dance w/Rounds
Caller: John Swindle
Cuer: Scott Vallee
Email: llandsv@gmail.com

MERRITT ISLAND – SPACE TRACKERS

Merritt Island Presbyterian Church
155 Cone Road
(1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Thursdays)
6:45-8:00 Square Dance Class
8:00–10:00 Mainstream/Plus
Squares w/Rounds
Caller: Whit Brown
Cuer: Earle & Carol Collins
Phone: 321-255-4738
Email: reid20@bellsouth.net
Banner Raids: 321-452-3941
Website: www.spacetrackers.com

FT PIERCE - TREASURE COAST SQUARES

: River Walk Center
600 North Indian River Drive
6:30 Early Rounds
7:00-9:00 Plus/Mainstream
Rounds between tips
Caller: Mike Doughty
Phone: 772-631-2184
Email:
mikedoughty55@yahoo.com

I just watched a Psychologist on T V who says everyone in the USA is suffering from some form of PTSD ! REALLY ? I wasn't aware that so many people were affected by Post Tramatic Square Dancing. !!!

Checking my temperature lately...



Friday

BARBERVILLE – WRANGLER COUNTRY SQUARES

Pioneer Art Settlement,
1776 Lightfoot Lane

6:00-7:30 Beginner class

7:30-9:30 MS/Plus with Lines and
Rounds

Caller: Rod Barngrover

Phone: 386-749-4767

Email:

rbarngrovercaller@gmail.com

CASSELBERRY - WHIRL & TWIRL

Lake Howell Square

1241 State Rd 436, Suite 171

7:30 Early Rounds

8:00-10:00 Plus Dance w/Rounds

Caller: Whit Brown

Cuer: Earle Collins

Phone: 407-375-5351

Email: whirlandtwirl@gmail.com

Website: www.whirlandtwirl.org

GENEVA – ROUND DANCE

Little Red Schoolhouse

101 E Main St

(Corner of First & Main Street,
Entrance on Main)

8:00-10:00 Phase II, III and IV

Cuer: Mike Hollenbeck

(cues pre-recorded by the cuer)

Email: Mike or Linde

mikelinde@brighthouse.com

NOTE: All proceeds are donated to
the Rural Heritage Center.

LADY LAKE – PLANTATION SQUARES

Route 466 & Recreation Blvd

(Winter - Nov thru April)

7:00-9:00 Plus Dance w/Rounds

Caller: Bob Stern

Cuer: Loretta Hanhurst

Phone: 352-323-1295

Email: rpstern@aol.com

OCOEE – GARDEN PATCH SQUARES

Vignetti Rec Center,

1910 Adair St

7:00-8:15 Class or Workshop

8:15-9:45 Plus Dance

Caller: Bill Boyd

Phone: 407-889-8558 or

407-886-7151

Banner Raids: RoyAnne Martin

Phone: 407-282-8341

Saturday

GENEVA – ROUND DANCE

Little Red Schoolhouse

101 E Main St

(Corner of First & Main Street,
Entrance on Main)

(First Saturday of each month)

7:30-8:00 Phases IV & V

8:00-10:00 Phase II, III and IV

Cuer: Mike Hollenbeck

(cues are recorded)

Email: Mike or Linde

mikelinde@brighthouse.com

NOTE: All proceeds are donated to
the Rural Heritage Center.

PORT ORANGE – SPINDRIFTERS

Port Orange Adult Center

4790 Ridgewood Ave

(Call to confirm)

7:00-9:00 Plus Dance

Caller: Darrell Cevasco

Contact: 980-581-1795

Email:

spindrifTERSfuntimesquares

@gmail.com



Question:

**How Many
Square Dancers
Does it Take
to Replace a
Lightbulb?**

Answer:

**Eight,
But You Have
to Walk Them
Through It First.**

USA National Square Dance Convention

70th NSDC	June 23-26, 2021	Jackson, MS
71st NSDC	June 22-25, 2022	Evansville, IN
72nd NSDC	June 21-24, 2023	Mobile, AL
73rd NSDC	June 26-29, 2024	Milwaukee, WI

<http://www.nsdcnec.com/index.php/nsdc-conventions>

Intl Association of LGBT SD Clubs

July 2-4, 2021 Houston, TX

US Handicapable Square Dance Convention

July 19-21, 2021 Gatlinburg TN

Tennessee State Convention

August 5-7, 2021 Gatlinburg TN

Planning Ahead!

2020

JULY 10-11 - **FLORIDA** - 46th Annual Roundup, Tallahassee Senior Center, 1400 N Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL, Keyline7@comcast.net

JULY 18-20 - **MARYLAND** - 56th Star Spangled Banner Festival "Lands on the Moon", Delta Baltimore Hunt Valley, 245 Shawan Road, Hunt Valley, Md. featuring several callers and cuers - www.marylandsquaredancing.com Carol Hyre 410-751-6382 vjcalum45@gmail.com

AUGUST 6-7 - **TENNESSEE** - 46th Annual Tennessee Square & Round Dance Convention, W.L. Mills Conference Center, 234 Historic Nature Trail, Gatlinburg, TN 37738, R. G. Pratt 865-964-2091, www.TNSquareDance.org

AUGUST 28-29 - **ALABAMA** - 42nd Alabama Square & Round Dance Convention, Oxford Civic Center, Oxford AL , Register Online: www.alabamasquaredance.com

SEPTEMBER 4-6 - **OHIO** - 50th Annual Dance-A-Rama, Cherry Valley Hotel, 2299 Cherry Valley Road SE, Newark, OH 43055, www.SSDUSA.org

SEPTEMBER 18-19 - **GEORGIA** - 49th Annual Georgia State Square Dance Convention, Gainesville Civic Center, 830 Green St, NE, Gainesville, GA 30601, www.GSSDA.org

OCTOBER 22-25 - **FLORIDA** - FANSDC 45th Annual Camporee, Southern Palms RV Resort, 1 Avocado Lane, Eustis, FL 386-356-7136, rarl123@comcast.net

NOVEMBER 13-14 - **FLORIDA** - 46th Annual Fall Fun Fest, Carver Recreation Center, 520 Idlewood Ave S, Bartow, FL 33830, ad-sloc8@gmail.com

NOVEMBER 20-21 - **FLORIDA** - NEFSARDA Fall Festival, Palm Presbyterian Church, 34103rd Street South, Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250, 904-652-6002, jjuzjane@gmail.com

DECEMBER 5-12 - **FLORIDA** - Western Caribbean Square Dance Cruise, 561-731-3119, lewisjsquare@yahoo.com

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JANUARY 16 - **FLORIDA** - 29th Annual Snowflake Frolic, Briny Breezes Auditorium, Behind 5000 N. Ocean Blvd, Briny Breezes, FL 33435, Steve Adler: 781-771-2322, steve.adler35@yahoo.com

FEBRUARY 18 - **FLORIDA** - Trail in Dance for the 67th Florida Square and Round Dance Convention, Nova Community Park, 440 North Nova Road, Ormond Beach, FL 32174, cldcpa@yahoo.com

FEBRUARY 19-20 - **FLORIDA** - 67th Florida Square and Round Dance Convention, Daytona Beach Ocean Center, 101 N Atlantic Ave, Daytona Beach, FL 32118, 321-255-4738, reid20@bellsouth.net

Re-Starting Square Dancing

UNITED SQUARE DANCERS INSURANCE PROGRAM

Our insurance is for accident medical benefits and liability. The accident medical benefit does not cover viruses and the liability benefit protects the club and its officers from lawsuits. Our insurance company's lawyers handle all lawsuits for the clubs. The clubs do not have to be involved. Even though viruses are not covered by our insurance any lawsuit against the club for a virus would still be handled by the insurance company. Some have suggested having dancers sign a waiver when they attend a dance. You have insurance to cover lawsuits. Is signing a waiver really going to keep some people from suing the club.

There has been no word from the insurance company about the fee for 2021 nor if they will credit 2021 with 2020 premiums or issue refunds.

Answers to Your Insurance Questions

1. Will our insurance cover dancers who have contracted the COVID-19 virus?
No. Our insurance is for medical benefits associated with an accident at any regularly scheduled and sponsored activity. The USDA insurance has never covered any type of virus.
2. If our state has said no public gatherings will our insurance cover our dances?
No. If your state says no public gatherings and your club meets then the law has been broken and there is no coverage.
If your state is opened up for public gatherings and allowing groups to gather and the clubs are following CDC guidelines, then your club would be covered.
3. If someone sues?
When a dancer sues the club and/or club officers, that dancer will have to complete a claim. The claim will be submitted to the insurance company. The insurance company will then be in charge of the claim. NO LONGER will the club have any involvement with the lawsuit. The insurance company and their team of lawyers will handle it.
4. Are visitors insured?
Yes and No. If the visitor is a member of another club which is a member of the USDA Insurance program the answer is Yes. If the visitor is not a member of any club or is a member of a club that does not participate in the USDA Insurance program the answer is No. The club should still complete an accident form and keep it on file.

5. Are Students covered by our insurance?

Students are covered for nine months of instruction. After nine (9) months they are no longer insured. When they join the club the insurance fee must be submitted to your insurance chairperson. The rate is not prorated. If they join in December then they still pay the full amount.

NOTE: Due to the COVID-19 virus the insurance company will acknowledge that there is a break in the 9-month instruction period. The total combined number of weeks of instruction should not exceed 9 months.

6. Accident Claims:

Please have accident forms at all dances. Complete the form for all accidents and submit to your insurance chairperson. Complete the accident form on all dancers whether they are a member of your club or not.

How will it work? Who will return? Can we start over?
Thoughts and comments from Callers, Dancers, Cuers, and
others from various areas of the USA on Facebook .
Just ideas and thoughts - nothing to argue about.
Clubs will have to figure out for themselves
what will work for them.



Yesterday at 9:50 PM · 🌐

We had a great time at the club
"cookout" this evening...even did some
two couple dancing. It was really good to
see everyone.

Hopefully we can do it again maybe next
month. We are kinda shooting for a
restart date in mid-September.

A church in Texas is using these to allow people to
indicate their comfort level in approaching people.
What color would you be?



Lisa Minton (Pennsylvania)

Having been back to dancing for over a month now we can see some real
change on the horizon for clubs that do survive the shutdown.

We have not called a single plus tip since we went back. Even our plus
dancers have agreed that there is no reason for it from here out AND have

decided to remove it completely from all of our future programs and dances. Plus will have no venue in our area for a long time to come and there will be no place to dance it. All clubs expected to survive in a 100 mile radius will be mainstream or SSD.

GOOD NEWS!

With the news reporting covid infection again on the rise and widespread civil unrest it looks like our community will be down for longer than we first expected. Or at least until November 4th. This will decimate the preexisting MWSD community and provide a path for SSD Social Square Dancing to replace it

Our calling community needs to come on this with a defined strategy for reemergence that includes selling the new stand alone program to both the public and whatever preexisting dancers are recovered.

We have developed multiple symbols, banners, slogans, advertising ideas, promotion tactics, and videos for this purpose. And would love to hear about other ideas.

Rod Shuping (California)

I read where some of the areas are starting back (or trying to) to square dancing and they get blasted by others that think that it is too early. This is peer pressure in its worst form! If you are in poor health or have underlying symptoms them stay at home! But let those that want to take a chance!

Why do we insist on forcing our beliefs on others? We are seeing it more and more every day in everything we do!

Just like wearing the masks; all of the experts disagree as to whether or not they are effective or even possibly harmful yet the media and government has pushed them on us in many areas to the point that if you don't wear one people say that you are selfish(and worse). Hey if the experts can't agree who are we to say who is correct? We must all make our own decisions and stick by them BUT don't put down others for making a different choice!

Note that I did not say what I support or don't support I am just saying that EVERYONE has the FREEDOM OF CHOICE!!!

Rod Shuping Too many club run groups spend more time in meetings

than on the dance floor. There is not that much work to do if you don't have to decide on the club outfit and how to decorate the hall. Show up leave the money in a bowl and dance! I have done it that way many times over the years and have never been cheated! Some groups I made coffee for some I just said bring your own and people are always happy to bring refreshments if it is NOT required!

Garland Smith (Texas)

Peer pressure only works if you acquiesce. If you believe in what you're doing, the way to overcome peer pressure is to persevere. We are living in a time where people seem to believe that they not only have a right but a duty to speak out against things they don't agree with. There is not so much mind your own business anymore. Maybe it's always been that way but, of late, people seem to be emboldened.

Sue Gardner (California)

We have choices. If you feel threatened by others not wearing masks then stay home. You can get everything you need delivered to you. The experts certainly DONT agree on the effectiveness of masks or the harmfulness to the wearers. I'm tired of being guilted for my opinions. Selfish? Nope. I'm taking care of myself. Leave me alone. Do I wear a mask? None of your

Rick Gittelman (Arizona)

It is unfortunate that this whole thing has now divided the Square Dance Community. Some have decided it is ok to restart while others think it is too soon. I am not expressing my opinion on the subject because either way some will bash me. What I do hope is that we can somehow as a community come together and unite and move forward in a positive direction when we do get fully back into the swing. What really upsets me is the way some are being totally disrespectful to people who are supposed to be our friends.

Joetta Russell-Wilson (Montana)

If someone is diagnosed with COVID-19, they only notify and test those who were in close contact for at least 10 minutes, therefore if you pass someone in the store or anywhere else, you will never know it. They have now said it doesn't live on surface so you don't have to spray your groceries down before you bring them into your house. They are changing the rules all the time. And if it is so contagious, why hasn't every Walmart and Target not been close down because all the employees have COVID-19? No need to be critical of my observations. Just something I wonder. And

yes, we in Montana and Idaho are dancing again, taking normal precautions, like hand sanitizer and hand washing. We danced 2 weeks ago, not one person reported sick. We also as states have had very few cases compared to population. A lot depends on where you are.

Lisa Minton (Pennsylvania)

Thought some might find this interesting, these guidelines were just released for the Dayton Ohio area.

Miami Valley Dance Council

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COVID 19 Procedures for Pavilion Use

1. MVDC Dancer Log Protocol:

a) MVDC Dancer Log - CDC and Montgomery Health Department require a log to have on hand for contact purposes if the MVDC is alerted about a sickness by any person attending the dance.

b) Place the MVDC Dancer Log; Dancer Sickness Alert Sign on a table separate from the Club's Sign In Table.

c) Dancer Sickness Alert Sign states: "Dancers are not to attend if they are ill with any contagious infections, have been in contact with any person who has COVID-19 or have been experiencing any COVID symptoms such as fever or chills, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, congestion or runny nose, or nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, or sneezing."

d) Please have each person sign the waiver on the MVDC Dancer Log releasing the MVDC if the person contracts COVID-19, providing full name, phone number, and email, legibly.

e) In order to stay compliant, everyone must sign this form, or they are not allowed to enter the building.

f) Once a page is filled, please sign and date it at the bottom of the sheet.

g) It is imperative that an attendant stay at this table during the beginning of the dance until the crowd thins out. Please be certain to catch any late comers.

h) Once sign ins are complete, place binder and sign back in bin and place on MSP counter.

i) Sanitize bin after use with spray and towels in kitchen.

2. Clubs need to plan in advance of the event:

a) No food to share at the dance. Encourage each dancer to bring their own water bottle and any necessary snacks. (The water fountain has been

turned off.)

b) Bring to the dance an abundance of hand sanitizer for everyone to use at the function, near the door, the kitchen, and at each separate dance floor section.

c) Wearing a mask and using gloves is optional. Each club in MVDC is to make the final decision for their club on whether the masks and/or gloves are mandatory or optional. It would be advisable for the clubs to have gloves and masks on hand in case a dancer requests such items. (The Montgomery County Board of Health has strongly advised the use of masks and gloves due to square dancing being hand to hand contact.)

3. Social distance to accommodate separate dance floor sections and have individuals form groups of 8 dancers. Each group should try to remain the same for the entire dance (try not to switch dancers between groups). Each group will remain in one section for dancing. All dance sections will be 6 feet apart. Round dancers will maintain 6 feet of distance between couples and same two dancers stay together the entire time.

4. Wash hands frequently/use hand sanitizer often, this includes right before and immediately after a tip. Place a bottle of hand sanitizer near each separated 8 foot section to ensure that this action happens in order to stay compliant.

5. Limit to approximately 50 people in attendance, including the caller and cuer and any individuals who accompany them.

6. Clean all surfaces after a dance with disinfectant spray bottles provided in kitchen including but not limited to:

a) Tables, chairs

b) Counter tops

c) Bathrooms -an occasional wiping of highly used surfaces in the bathroom is strongly recommended during the dance itself as well as after the dance.

d) Kitchen surfaces - reminder: do not put out food or water.

e) Caller station

f) All door handles

7 DO NOT USE FANS. Open a few windows or prop open the door for air circulation. Air conditioning may be used. Remember to close all windows and lock doors at conclusion of event.

8. Each club sponsoring a dance is expected to notify the Montgomery County Board of Health if anyone who has attended the dance is diagnosed with COVID-19.

Lisa Minton (Pennsylvania)

After monitoring posts over the last couple of days I now believe that the greatest obstacle we face moving forward to rebuild, is a community divided against itself. Many are being attacked for their decisions to hold dances by those who feel it is too soon, unsafe, reckless, or selfish. This division will only help to bury what is left of MWSD. A house divided cannot stand! If we are ever to rebuild we need to do it from a position of solidarity not division and contempt.

Barbara Ruffner (Colorado)

Why can't we just let people decide for themselves if they want to go? If a club opens or a dance is held just shut up and either go or stay home. Is the whole judging thing that tears a community apart!

Lynn Corwin Nelson (Kansas)

In my opinion (and we all know that and \$1 will get you a drink at McDonalds), no decision will be right for everyone. Even within the Kansas City metro, which is considered to be a 50 mile radius, there are varying degrees of COVID. Some areas have steady decline, while others are having spikes. Our country is so vast that what might be quite safe in one area, would be ludicrous to even consider in another. Everyone needs to stop judging others by what is happening in their area alone..

Jan Pearson (California)

Thank you, Rick! The problem is most transmission is from breathing. Thousands of tiny droplets are expelled with every breath we take. In the Fresno area, we are still on the upward trajectory in terms of number of cases, hospitalizations, and deaths. With so much return to normal activities, my friends in the medical field say they are reaching hospital capacity already and are very, very worried. Face shields for all would be best. There is one hand sanitizer that tests showed had effectiveness for 15 minutes. I will get the name. Some will not return to dancing until there is a vaccine. Maybe we have a chance for a restart with fewer calls and shorter lessons?

The hand sanitizer is Omega Industrial Supply Foam Magic Instant Hand Sanitizer.

Dave Magee (Michigan)

My Florida clubs are set to open in November, so far the halls say yes!

Mike Gormley (Florida)

Jacksonville, Fl club started in June. You have to be a member of the club or a member of the Elks, Moose or what ever it was, where they dance. If not, you can join the club for \$10. Just guessing, but I think it has to do with a liability issue requiring "members only" for exemption.

Larry Marchese (Colorado)

Something worth checking out are the AtmosAir purification systems. This system destroys Covid and other viruses. At home, this can be added to your duck work. The commercial version is being adopted by cruise ships (Virgin), hotels (Hilton, Loews, etc) , performance centers, NFL Football teams, The Army, Colleges, Casinos and more. There is a stand alone version designed 1,000 sq ft rooms that may work in SD halls. It may require multiple stand alone units. I'm going to talk to our local senior center about this product.

Circles and Squares Square Dancing Club (Quebec)

We are nowhere close to starting up again, because there is too much community spread where we live. But wondering about borrowing styling from English Country dancing when we do start up, because of the wide distances kept between people in English Country dancing, and the slower pace of the dancing. People breathe more deeply when they are exercising, so reducing the pace to that of a sedate walk might work to reduce aerosols from breathing. It certainly would make wearing masks easier, and it might make sense to add evening gloves to what we are wearing.

Connie Graham (Missouri)

Going to ask everyone to have correct change and will write for people to sign in so everyone is not handling the pen and not let everyone bunch up at the door. Will serve bottled water, no coffee and have prepackaged snacks like chips, Little Debbie's or stuff like that.

Tim Aho (Minnesota)

Long sleeve shirts for both female and male

Joni Micals (New Mexico)

Tim Aho why? Is arm/skin contact a problem? Hand contact I can see if I then touch my eyes, nose, or mouth.

Tim Aho

Joni Micals well where I'm from people say sneeze in there elbows, right were you grab for left allemande was what I was thinking

Rhonda Nelson Enlund (California)

I've been attending some of the two couple Zoom Dances recently. They aren't nearly as much fun as dancing with a club (and 7 others in a square), but at least I get to hear the calls and see some familiar faces during the event. It is making me concentrate on the calls, rather than the social aspects of dancing. Hopefully by the time we are ready to get on the floor with a full square, I will still remember some of the calls and how to execute them. I'm incredibly grateful to the callers that have given their time, energy and professionalism to provide us with some semblance of continuity for this activity that we all love and miss so very much. I'd love to be on the floor soon.

Marianne King (Ohio)

Realistically speaking I doubt it will be safe to return to dancing this year. We are the very demographic needing the most protection as most of us have something or other wrong health-wise. With some states opening up now or in the next few weeks there is bound to be a surge of people getting sick so it starts all over again. I agree more than likely without a vaccine it probably is not a good idea to dance.

Lee Ann Vojvoda (California)

For a while... no food spread, bring your own beverage/water. Have plenty of hand sanitizer. And yes, if you feel ill or even a bit "under the weather," For Goodness Sake: Stay Home!

Gail Weigand McCall (California)

Temperature checks at door and hand sanitizing upon entry and between tips. No food during dances and bottle water.

Lynn Corwin Nelson (Kansas)

You can say what you want about the virus, but when it effects someone you love, it gets very real, very fast. We need to be cautious and abide by CDC guidelines as we are allowed. If dancers are not comfortable they should wait a bit longer, We should all take responsibility for our own actions.

Lynn Corwin Nelson (Kansas)

Gloves give a false sense of security. Unless you change them between every tip, they would be useless because you would be cross contaminating. It would be just like not washing your hands. Hand washing or sanitizer between tips would be much more effective.

Deborah Carroll-Jones (Texas)

I am so upset. A square dance weekend happening now in Coer d'Alene. It's TOO SOON!!! If anyone gets infected with COVID from being there, our activity very well may be murdered in its tracks.

There is no way I, as a caller - even as badly as I'd like to be employed - could participate in drawing people from areas where the virus is multiplying and risk having someone get this illness. I just couldn't. No matter what "safety protocols" the sponsoring organization has in place ... I could/would not do it

This just breaks my heart. Feel free to share this post.

The author of this square dance poem is Russ Booz.

Square dance caller out of Pennsylvania.

To all dancers,

I hope during this bad time all stay safe.

I don't mean to arm turn or spin your top, but please, be careful

If you circulate outside and try to separate from a safe place.

Keep your travel short and Scoot back home but don't zoom..

Sashay back as to a safe place. You don't know what you could

pass thru before you scoot back home. You could sashay past the wrong person or lead right toward some sort of wrong way thar,

Do a U-turn back. No matter how you swing it, there isn't anyway to wheel and deal with this. You can not slide thru any loophole. If

you touch a quarter not cleaned, no cloverleaf is going to bring you luck. Just be safe cause we can't recycle loved ones.

and Round Dancers when you waltz away from home, watch how you maneuver. You don't know what cha could pickup. Whether

your a New Yorker or have Spanish arms, you also need to cutback some of your activities so your life doesn't fishtail out of control,

Stay safe in your personal box. This ain't no Jive.



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Dancers Who Have Returned Home

Joan E. Cleland



Joan Eileen (Redner) Cleland, 83, passed away on May 2, 2020 in Melbourne, FL. She was born on December 2, 1933 in Wanaque Boro, Haskell, NJ.

She met her husband, Ulmer Cleland, Jr, while stationed at Carswell AFB, TX. They were married in 1953. She was honorably discharged on March 19, 1955.

While in the service they lived in Covington, LA, Biloxi, MS, Chanute AFB, IL, Merritt

Island, FL, Ankara, Turkey, and finally Port St John, FL.

She is survived by three children, Ulmer "Skip" Cleland, III, Karen E Siler and Kathy A Breeden; eleven grand-children; 17 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-great-grandchild.

Joan was a member of all the square dance clubs in Brevard County, FL, at one time or another. She also served as an officer in many. Joan loved the dance and even more, the friendships that could never be equaled.

Eulogy delivered at funeral:

You all know Joan Cleland. I could never stand here today and tell you who she was. She was so much more than what I know but my sister, Karen, is sure that I can tell you all about her and her life. So for the rest of this story about Joan Cleland, I will tell it from her Favorite Son's perspective in a conversation to celebrate her, my Mom. It may seem a bit disconnected at times, but then again, so am I. And for those of you now wondering, yes, I'm her only son, so I have to be her favorite one also. Mom and I spoke of that often.



Why is it we wait until a parent has moved on before we can find the words that we need to say to them, instead of while they are still with us? We go through life believing that they receive our message through our words, our choices, and the person we turn out to be. I believe Mom understood that and she never felt the need for objective evidence to validate her life as a guiding light for her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

I miss the time when I would pick Mom up three or four times a week to go to a square dance. It was so heartwarming to watch her enjoy herself, putting all her cares away for a couple of hours and just living in the moment. Many square dancers actually called Mom, Mom, because she was just that kind of an unconditionally accepting person.

I'm so thankful for my sisters, Karen and Kathy, for helping Mom stay as much as possible the vibrant social butterfly that she was for as long as she could. Mom was never boisterous or seeking the center of attention, but always lighting up the room with her quiet and unassuming presence, enjoying whatever the moment provided.

Mom was a reluctant participant in the digital age other than her games that she could play on her tablet and the books she could read without a trip to the library or book store. She refused to use a cell phone until only the last few years. When she finally did, I think she really just thought of it as a wireless house phone, which kind of made it OK. Living so far apart, Mom's and my time together became mostly virtual. We talked about using FaceTime or Skype, but she thought all of that was too much trouble. She knew what I looked like so all she needed was to hear my voice because the words were the important part. I remember the story she told about my father's grandmother, and that in her later years was introduced to the television. Mom shared that his grandmother got dressed in her best Sunday go-to-meetin' clothes to watch the first show on the new television with all the family. When asked about getting all dressed up, she said that if I can see them through the window of that thing, then they can see me, and I'm not meetin' a bunch of strangers in my house in my every-days! Do you think she was just ahead of her time? So, I think Mom just didn't want me to see her in her house coat and her hair not ready for company, even though I was no stranger and had seen her many times just that way. Each call was as if we had spoken just the day before while it could have been weeks. That is again why I'm so grateful to my two sisters, Karen and

Kathy, for filling in the gaps between those calls and always showing her our love.

Many of my most recent conversations with Mom were about what she and Karen, or Kathy were doing in their day-to-day lives. Whether it was practice bowling with the fun bunch or some serious hands playing cards, the next holiday gathering, it wasn't about her but more about my sisters and their lives. And, I was sure to always get an update on Kathy and what her family was up to, including the status of all her pets, the last time they were together and what was for dinner at her house. That's just the kind of person she was. Let's talk about my family and friends because that's the good stuff.

Mom was a traveler and adventurer. When I would call and say, "Mom, would you like to go...", I couldn't finish the question because she would interrupt with, "How many days do I need to pack for, and do I need anything fancy? Is Linda going too, she's so much fun, and do I need a Square Dance outfit? The destination was unimportant. I even got in trouble with my baby sister, Kathy, over one of our excursions as I was taking her mother away for Thanksgiving to go visit Linda's parents across the state. I assured her I wouldn't make a habit of it.

I know that this is going to be a surprise for many of you and you're going to think, No Way, but Mom had a dark side. At least she thought so. She traveled with Linda and I to Las Vegas twice and she ventured out on her own, at my prodding, to Atlantic City. She was always concerned about appearances, and it wasn't about her. She didn't want to do something to embarrass her kids, and gambling wasn't on the nice list when she grew up. We resolved that by having a family outing with friends on one of the gambling boats. By the way, her favorite game was the penny and nickel slot machines.

Mom always encouraged us to move forward with our lives, chase the opportunities as they come and in return to let her do the same. Whether we lived across town or across the country, we were still together because we were only a phone call away, and no matter the time between the calls, we could usually catch up on the important things in about an hour or two.

Mom's greatest inspiration to me was her independence and drive. Her

desire to live life to the fullest, doing the things she enjoyed with all the friends she acquired in her life and pretty much looking back and not saying “I wish I had done...”. It was her message that the joys of today may not have been realized if we changed anything from before, so always enjoy the success of your choices, they were the right ones.

Mom, the pain has stopped and the fog has cleared, may you find the time to dance with all of the partners and corners that left before you, catch up with the child that left much too soon, continue what you started with the love of your life and don’t worry about the ones you leave behind because you did a wonderful job ... and while we will miss you, we all will be just fine.

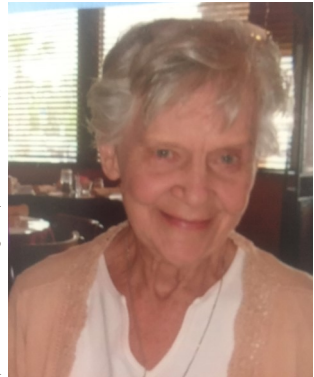
Ulmer “Skip” Cleland, III
May 8, 2020



Esther E. Folley

Esther Ernestine Folley, 99, died Monday, June 1, 2020 of natural causes in Brevard County, FL. Born on June 26, 1920, in Ross Township, Wood County, Ohio, she lived many years in Toledo, Ohio before moving to Brevard County, Florida.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Walden Eugene DuPuis (1974) and her second husband Andrew George Folley (2016).



Her first husband was employed at Franklin Ice Cream Company and DuPuis Insurance Agency while she raised three children. She was active in the Cub Scouts, DeVeaux Grade School and Reformation Lutheran Church in many, varied activities and events. She was devoted to her yard/flowers, piano and her grandchildren.

Before moving to Florida, she and her second husband lived in York, PA where he was a salesman for Morse Controls. On his retirement they

moved to Rockledge, FL where they were very active in military organizations at PAFB, the Space Trackers Square Dance club, multiple cruise adventures and Grace Brethern Church. She was devoted to her grandchildren and her great-grandchildren. She continued her love of music on the piano/organ and caring for her yard and flowers.

A loving and devoted mother and grandmother, her family includes daughter Patricia (Don) Simms of Viera, son Barry DuPuis (Lynn) of Cocoa Beach and son Frank DuPuis (Chris) of Memphis, TN, four stepchildren, 20 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

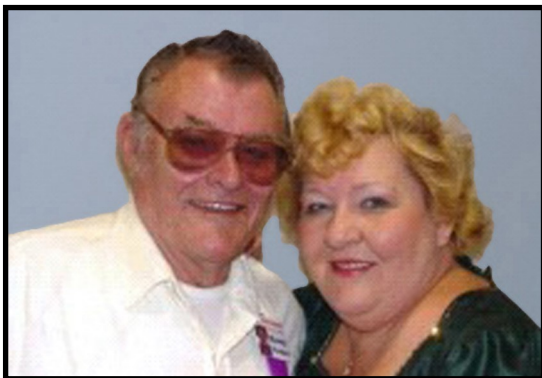
Her cremated remains were present at her memorial service and celebration of life event at Grace Brethern Church in Melbourne, on Saturday, June 27, (her 100th birthday). Her internment was at Florida Memorial Gardens on S. US 1 in Rockledge.

Donations may be made in Florida to Pregnancy Resources, Inc. (321.752.5540) or The Children's Hunger Project (321.610.1900).



Harry Hunter Packer Jr., 93, husband of Susan Elaine Packer (Suzie Q Creations and National Square Dance Caller) passed away on June 27, 2020. He suffered a stroke on June 20, and was hospitalized for a week.

Harry was born Aug. 16, 1926 in Philadelphia, Pa. He was a



US Navy veteran of World War 2, serving in the Philippines. After his service, he worked for his father at the A.S. Packer Lumber Co., then later bought an orange grove in Deland, Florida. He then became an

electrician, and, in 1956 he went to work for General Dynamics as an electrician at Cape Canaveral. He worked there for 57 years until retiring.

Harry was called "Mr. First" because he was there from the beginning of the space race and either saw or did things for the first time at the Cape.

He and Susan Elaine Adams were married in 1982 at a square dance wedding with over 300 people in attendance.

After retiring, Harry was a co-owner of Suzie Q Creations who worked and traveled with Susan Elaine all over the US to square dance conventions and festivals. Harry was a very likeable and honorable man to all, and he will be missed by many. God Bless.

SusanElaine's brother, Bob Adams has set up a GoFundMe page in an effort to help Suzie with her medical and burial financial burdens which I know are going to be astronomical. Any and all donations and contributions will be very much appreciated.

I'm sure that Suzie would like a card from you, here's her address:

Suzie Packer
740 South Hampton Ave
Orlando, Florida 32803



The GoFundMe page is here: [gf.me/u/ydk43x](https://www.gofundme.com/u/ydk43x)



History of the Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention

by Chet Vetter

The first Florida State Convention (Square and Folk Dance Festival) was held on April 10-12, 1953, in Tampa. Several national and international figures were present including Lloyd "Pappy" Shaw, Doc Alumbaugh (founder of Winsor Records), the Chans of New York, Collettes of Atlanta, Ed Durlacher, Jimmy Clossin and Don & Marie Armstrong who were general chairman of the event.

The first six State Conventions were staged by the callers, however, as with the dancers of Florida, their common interest was to bring a National Square Dance Convention to Florida. So the callers turned the convention over to the Florida Federation so they could gain the necessary experience to quality to bid for a national convention.

One of the reasons for the formation of the Florida Federation of Square Dancers was to have a dancer run organization to be eligible to bid for a National. The first move in this direction was in May of 1958 when the seventh Florida State Convention at Miami Beach was a joint effort of the Florida Callers and the Florida Federation. The first bid at Denver in 1959 was not successful, but the

next year at Des Moines, Harry Moore and his host of friends and fellow workers were awarded the bid for 1962.

For the next nine years, several different formats for conducting the state convention was tried and in 1972 a plan came into operation that has proved very successful since that time. This was done by forming a Convention Coordinating Committee in which the three sponsors of the convention were represented: the Florida Callers Association, the Florida Federation of Square Dancers, and the Round Dance Council of Florida. These organizations provide the seed money, as needed, to fund each convention and the Coordinating Committee provides the guidelines for conducting each convention.

Prior to the late 60's the Associations bid for the state convention, then the format for awarding the convention changed and it was awarded on a rotating basis for each Association. That Association appoints a general chairman who must be a member of the presenting association and he, in turn, appoints all committee chairmen to help plan and run the convention. He also appoints a

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caller and cuer to chair their particular function. All must operate within the guidelines as set by the Coordinating Committee.

The vendors have formed their State Association and have worked with the Convention and

Coordinating Committees so that over the years since the early 70's the State Convention has been a very successful and well run part of the State Square and Round Dance activity.



How Friendly Are We?

A couple (or single), looking for a square dance club to join, devised the following point system—

If someone smiled at them	10 points
If someone sitting near them, greeted them	10 points
If someone told them their name	100 points
If someone asked them to come back	200 points
If someone introduced them to another couple	1,000 points
If someone introduced them to the caller	2,000 points

They visited eighteen clubs. Using the point scale, none of the clubs had more than 100 points! Their conclusion

The club may be meaningful, do great things for their community, and be active and friendly, but when a visitor finds no one cares whether or not he/she is there, that visitor is not likely to come back, let alone join your club.

If a visitor came to your next square dance, what rating would they give your club?

At the beginning of each new year we may see many new faces at club dances and clubs we are visiting. Everyone has the responsibility to make sure that these new faces are made to feel welcome. It takes at least two years to understand the finer points of square dancing; even longer sometimes to understand club organization and member/officer responsibilities and realize the true benefits of being part of the program. In the meantime, we need to make sure new faces are made to feel a part of the group.

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EXPERIENCING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

BREAKING NEWS :
Due to the ongoing
crisis . . .
" SWEET CAROLINE " is
now banned from use !
There will be no :
" TOUCHING HANDS ,
REACHING OUT ,
TOUCHING ME ,
TOUCHING YOU !
THANK YOU.

My new social
distancing shoes
have arrived



I told my suitcases
that there will be no
vacation this year.
Now I'm dealing with
emotional baggage.

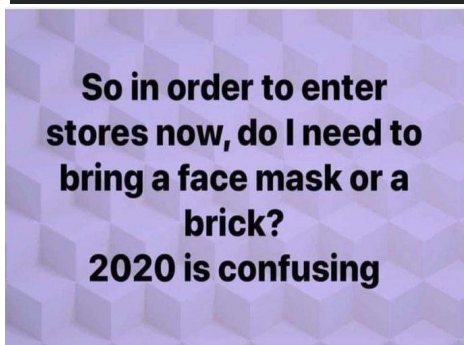
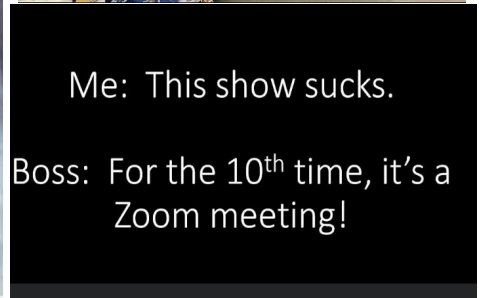
I got pulled over in the HOV
lane for driving alone.
I said that due to social
distancing, my passenger was
in the car behind me!

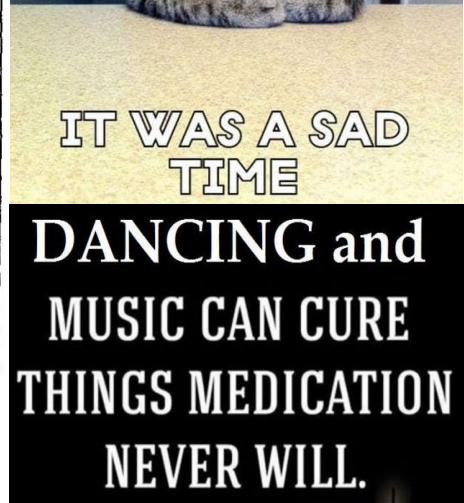
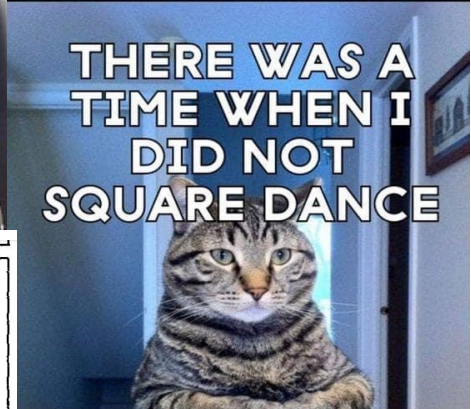
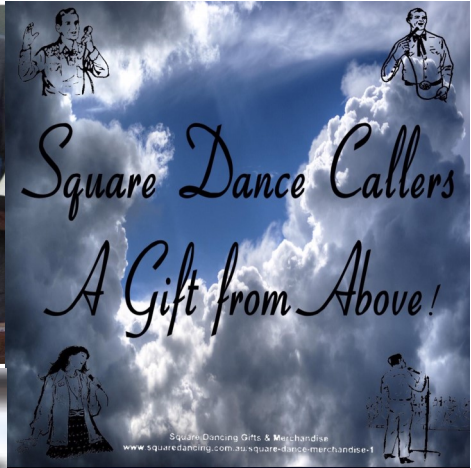
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For more than eleven score years the flag has been the banner of hope and freedom for generation after generation of Americans.

Today, we seldom think about freedom. We think about what we are going to wear, our mortgage, making plans to spend time with family and friends, and credit card bills, but freedom? I have never received a bill for freedom. Have you? Someone else must have paid for it.

We cannot feel freedom with our hands, but it touches the spirit of people everywhere.

We cannot see freedom, but we can envision it every time Old Glory is unfurled.

We cannot listen to freedom, but it rings throughout the land.

We cannot smell freedom, but it is always a privilege to breathe deeply of its invigoration.

Freedom has no flavor, but its slightest taste leaves all wanting more.

Americans have always been willing to share this gift of freedom just as others have been willing to keep it safe. Our only obligation is to obey the laws and be willing to defend our country's freedom. Freedom is precious. Freedom is American's spirit. Celebrate your freedom!!

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They'll choose your nursing home.**



PONCE INLET LIGHTHOUSE

Trail-End Dance

Nova Community Park
440 North Nova Road
Ormond Beach, FL 32174

Thursday, February 18, 2021

Early Rounds 7:00 - 7:30
Squares and Rounds 7:30 - 9:30

February 19 & 20, 2021

Daytona Ocean Center
101 N Atlantic Avenue,
Daytona Beach, FL 32118



Ask for Square Dance rates
at the following hotels:

Host hotel: Homewood Suites (4.9 miles)
165 Bill France Blvd., Daytona Beach, FL 32114
(386) 258-2828 www.homewoodsuites3.hilton.com

Everyone staying at the host hotel is invited
to the After-Party on Saturday.

Hilton

(across the street from the Ocean Center)
100 N. Atlantic Ave., Daytona Beach, FL 32118
(386) 254-8200 www.daytonahilton.com
We are still negotiating with Daytona hotels.

Remember that February is snow-bird season,
so be sure to make those reservations early.

For Up-to-Date Information and Registration, go to:
www.FloridaSquareDance.com/Convention