

# OCTOBER 2000







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The trophy at the left was won by the BARN DANCERS at the 2000 Florida Knothead Konvention!

#### FROM THE LOFT



We went and we won! No second place or honorable mention - 1st PLACE -We got the number one IDIOT AWARD for the year 2000! We are very proud of the eight dancers that went to the Knothead Konvention from the BARN DANCERS Wednesday Night Club and

Below and on the next page are a few pictures of the KNOTHEAD KONVEN-TION party group. As you can see, we all went dressed as babies dressed for bed. During the Idiot Party, the caller called something that sent the group into a tantrum and they all sat down and pitched a fit. We had a really fun time. Names of those shown are: Joe and Betty Mann. Linda and Otis Lutz. Beverly Renyolds.

Paul Drimmel. Jane Riddle and Zidi Gleman. All were good sports and made for a great party. Below is a group picture in our club dress with Tim Marriner. Some parties are perfect and this was one of those occasions. We expect the same fun on our mystery trip. We still have some room left. Come and join us.









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# BARN DANCERS #1 IDIOTS



JOE & BETTY
MANN

Boy did we have fun! Thanks to Betty Mann and Zidi Gleman the Barn Dancers were the bestdressed idiots at the Knothead Konvention over Labor Day weekend. We took a square of dancers to Lakeland and brought home the trophy for # 1 Idiotthe first time this prestigious (?) award has been given to a group. The dancing was great and the after parties were really super at the convention. Thanks to Otis and Linda Lutz for organizing this trip for us. Otis also was instrumental in keeping the

mainstream hall going during the convention and deserves special recogni-



On October 14th the Barn Dancers are sponsoring a mystery bus trip. I expect this to be as much fun as the Knothead Kon-Connie vention Plummer is in charge of activities during the bus trip and I expect she is going to keep us entertained until we reach our destination, wherever it is. Once we get there,

we will have good food, great dancing, and a fun after party. We still have some seats available, and, if you are up for some fun, call 722-1664 or 676-0927 for more information

As you enter the Barn please look up at the new cover over the entrance.

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#### THE BARN DANCERS YOUTH CLUB

We remain busy with demos and practicing new routines and moves. BUT – we also have time for parties. Our latest party was a cookout and swim party at Otis & Linda Lutz's house. Good food and good fun. Tell your friends that there is a place to have fun, meet new people, travel and learn new things. This place is at THE BARN on Saturday morning.

Exciting news is that we are incorporating as a 501(C) 3 non-profit corporation. This will enable us to raise money to take our trip to Canada and compete in the only competitive square dance anywhere in the world! We have also joined with NET4U.NET to provide internet access for everyone. It is a win — win situation as users get great service and the Youth Group gets \$20.00 for every customer we sign up.

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Special arrangements are made for the snowbirds. All necessary forms are available at THE BARN or from any of the members of the Youth Club. Please consider this fund raiser as you save money and the youth win too. You also receive one month FREE! Everyone wins!

On the 21st of Oct. we travel to the Orlando Whirl & Twirl Square Dance Center where there will be 200 girl scouts and their fathers. We certainly hope to get them interested in square dancing. We will take 2 squares of youth with us to demonstrate what they can learn in only 10 weeks.

### PROMENADERS OCTOBER REPORT



Hello Everyone from the Palm Bay Promenaders. Happy Days are here again Our snowbirds are starting to return, also we are ending the hot humid days of summer, and we are going into our exciting time of year. We invite everyone to join us at our new location located at Trailer Haven Hall - 1105 Eddie Allen Rd. Melbourne, between Hibiscus & Nasa Blvd. every Thursday night beginning at 8:00 PM, Caller Dale McClary, Cuer - Wayne Guice Come join us for lots of fun dancing. Below is a listing Of Our upcoming dances for the remainder of this year: October 26 - Halloween Dance. Now is the time to dress in your ghoulish costume or come as you are.

November 10 - Anniversary Dinner Dance. Dress - State/National attire. A sign up sheet will be provided. So please bring your favorite covered dish, with some extra to share. This is always a very special dance, so contact as many former Presidents & former members as you possibly can and come join the fun.

December 21 - Christmas Dance & Party. This is a festive affair. Bring your favorite holiday goodies and join US in this special holiday dance.

The Promenaders will be starting a Beginners Square Dance Class on Oct. 5th Caller Dale McClary. Come join us on Thursday at 7:00 PM. 2 FREE INTRODUCTORY CLASSES. Be an Angel and help our new beginners get into the fun of Square Dancing.

Adriana & Frans Suykerbuyk came by to visit the Promenaders a couple of weeks ago Adriana looked as beautiful as ever, but is still too dizzy to dance. She went back for another CATS scan and thank God it was o.k, so hopefully in time she will be all right.

BANNER RAIDS FOR OCTOBER WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER. PROMENADERS OCTOBER BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES

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Oct. 10 Andy & Gerry Musante

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- 14 Ken Tafel
- 18 DeLoris Gaffney
- 22 Jerry Aubrey

Until next month, Happy Dancing and Yellow Rocks to each of you!

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Last month Otis Lutz, Fred Collins, Mel Grenier, and I, along with some supervisory assistance from Les Lebas, replaced the cover. The new one is larger and will provide greater protection to dancers as they enter the Barn. While construction was underway on the cover Linda Lutz, Betty Mann, Edie Collins, Bev Reynolds, and Janet Bader were inside doing some deep cleaning. Thanks everyone for the hard work!

On a sad note one of our members passed away September 2<sup>nd</sup>. Les Linn had been a member of the Barn Dancers since our inception. We will miss him in our square. Ed Howard, our President, has passed away.

I would also like to send best wishes to several members of the club. Joe Mann (9/9), Otis Lutz (9/20), Connie Plummer (10/25), and Betty Mann (10/27) celebrated birthdays. Also, Betty and Dan Matthews celebrated their anniversary September 2<sup>nd</sup>. We would also like to wish everyone BEST WISHES AND HAPPY DANCING.

#### SWING

Floorplay Dance Club of Brevard's monthly dance will be Sept. 30th Sat. at The Barn in W. Melbourne from 7-12 PM. Special Salsa Casino lesson from 7-7:45. Dance starts at 7:45 to West Coast Swing, Two Step and other dances mixed in. Come out to the best party of the month!

We have great music, the biggest floor in Brevard, non-smoking, non- alcohol, door prizes, etc. For more info. call Laura Beers 321-727-2457 or email at Max10well@iuno.com

Also: The Floorplay DCOB hosts every Friday night at The County Line. Mark Traynor's class is continuing from 6:30-8 PM. Open West Coast Swing dancing from 8-8:30 PM. Afterwards, Line dance lessons and couples music mixed in all night. Drink special \$5 for all you can drink of beer or soda! For more info. call Laura Beers 321-727-2457 or email at Max10well@juno.com

The BARN DANCERS are negotiating to bring a famous Yodeler to THE BARN in January, 2001. We will have a concert and dance. Two events will be held. One on Saturday night and the other on Sunday afternoon when the public will be invited to hear a nationally known yodeler. We are currently talking to the Yodeling Queen, Janet McBride of Texas. This lady has won many awards, including "World Class Champion Yodeler". Janet has performed with many Grand Ole Opry Stars, including George Jones, Ferlin Husky and LeAnn Rimes (who she taught to yodel). Tickets will be available as soon as a firm date is set.

# WHERE TO SQUARE, ROUND A

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNE
MELBOURNE  CAMPFIRE DANCERS Chapter 082 4th weekend (STARTS ON A FRIDAY EVENING)  THE BARN	BAREFOOT BAY BAREFOOT BAY TWIRLERS 7:15-7:45 Early Rounds 8:00-10:00 Plus Dance Dale McClary, Caller Jim Runnels, Cuer Information 254-0150	MELBOURNE SILVER SQUARES 1300 S. Airport Blvd. 130 - 1000 Plus und of Jerry Reed, Waller Johnson Miller Johnson 168-2217 "THE BARN"	MELBO "THE BARN" Line Dancing 1 Glenda Ortiz H Information 25
Class – Phase II & III Rounds 5:00 - 7:00 PM Phyllis Williams	ROCKLEDGE SPACE TRACKERS MCLarty Rec. Center Barton Blvd. 7:30 - 10:00 Class Whit Brown, Caller Information 452-2679  MELBOURNE  YELLOW ROCKERS "THE BARN" 3820 Minton Road 6:30 - 8:00 class 8:00 - 10:00 Plus Dance Jerry Reed, Caller Vince Furtado, Cuer Information 722-1664  LINE DANCING GPBSC 10 -11:30 AM Glenda Ortiz Harney, Instructor Information 253-1564	Line Dancing 10:00 - 11:30 AM Glenda Ortiz Harney Info 253-1564  BARN DANCERS New classes 7:00-8:00 Class 8:00 - 9:30 Fun Dance Otis Lutz, caller Information 722-1664  Swing Lessons John and Laura Beers 321-727-2457 6:30 - 7:00 PM 7:00 - 8:30 PM  THE BARN Class - Phase IV & V Rounds 4:45 - 6:45 PM Phyllis Williams	FUN DANCE BARN DANCE BARN DANCE B.00 – 9:30 Otis Lutz Caller 722-1664
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New square dance lessons start every 10 weeks on Tuesday at 7:00 PM.

# ND LINE DANCE IN BREVARD

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JRNE 0:00-11:30 armey -1564 IOP uctor	BAREFOOT BAY BAREFOOT BAY BAREFOOT BAY SPINNERS Community Center 12:45 - 2:45 Mainstream Dale McClary, Caller Information 254-0150  ROCKLEDGE Canaveral Squares McLarty Rec. Center Barton Blvd. Round Dance Class 7:00 - 9:00 PM Vera Smith, Cuer  MELBOURNE  PALM BAY PROMENADERS "Trailer Haven 7:30 rounds 8:00 - 10:00 Plus Dance Dale McClary, Caller Wayne Guice, Cluer Information 984-9393  THE BARN SWING LESSONS 6:30 - 7:30 John & Laura Beers 727-2457	ROCKLEDGE CANAVERAL SQUARES McLarty Rec. Center 790 Barton Blvd. Plus Dance/Rounds Lessons 7 - 8:30 PM 8:00 - 10:00 Plus/Rounds Callers Skip Cleland, Jennifer harmonizing Vince Furtado, Cuer Information 635-8125  MELBOURNE "THE BARN" 3820 Minton Road AZ FUNSHOP/DANCE 7:30 - 9:30 PM Jerry Reed, Caller Information 633-1306  ROCKLEDGE COUNTRY WESTERN DANCING KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL 3435 S FISKE BLVD. Line and Couples Dancing MC and Instructor Curt Wiysel Teach 7:30 to 9:00 PM Requests 9:00 to 11:30 PM Phone 631-5759	ROCKLEDGE SPACE TRACKERS McLarty Rec. Center Barton Blud. 7:30 - 8:00 Rounds 8:00 - 10:30 Plus Whit Brown, Caller Guest Caller 2nd & 4th Information 452-2679  SATELLITE BEACH ALLEMANDERS Satellite Beach Civic Center 8:00 - 10:30 Plus 1,2 & 3rd Saturdays John Saunders, Caller Vince Furtado, Cuer Information 676-5741  MELBOURNE SATURDAY NITE LIVE Special as set up by callers/cuers Call for Information 722-1664  Last Saturday of the month is SWING NIGHT 7:00 to -

#### **BANNER RAID CONTACTS**

Allemanders	Bob & Pat Earl	321-676-5741		
Barefoot Bay Spinners	John & Terry Kavorkian	561-664-5534		
Barefoot Bay Twirlers	Georgia Gallo	561-664-6402		
Buckles & Bows	Jean Gaskins	321-892-6420		
Barn Dancers	Paul Drimmel & Jane Riddle	321-751-9848		
Canaveral Squares	Asa Clark/Rosalie Turner	321-633-4447		
Kiss-A-Me Squares	Paul & Thelma Marx	321-933-4787		
Palm Bay Promenaders	George & Carolyn McCollough	321-726-9874		
Pirates (Apopka)	Tony Brownell	321-568-6254		
Saturday Night Steppers	Steve Ekin	561-567-2803		
Silver Squares	Richard & Doris Lukens	321-242-1953		
Space Trackers	Henry & Linda King	321-635-9814		
Sunshine Strollers	George Springer	561-466-7923		
Treas. Coast Squares	Charles & Joyce Sweeny	321-664-5221		
Wagon Wheels	Phyllis & Bob Randall	321-892-9792		
Yellow Rockers	Candice Klein	321-724-5174		
Please supply your E-Mail Address to include here.				

### **BREVARD COUNTY CLUB PRESIDENTS**

Club	President	Telephone
Allemanders	Dick & Eleanor Beck	321-638-2380
<b>Barefoot Bay Spinners</b>	Hal & Marge Brooks	561-664-8372
<b>Barefoot Bay Twirlers</b>	Fred & Joan Clement	561-664-4705
Canaveral Squares	Jean & Cecil Faulk	321-635-8125
Dixie Diamonds	Jerry & Del Reed	321-633-1306
Barn Dancers	Joe & Betty Mann	321-729-8503
Orange Blossom Sqs	Betty Weckerle	561-562-5966
Palm Bay Promenaders	D.J. Mitchell	321-984-9393
Silver Squares	Russel & Eileen Miller	
Space Trackers Yellow Rockers	Judy Frye Paul Taylor	321-268-4450

Please help us keep this information correct. When you change officers, or have a change for the summer, please call us with the information. We will gladly make the changes.

# **JANET McBRIDE**



### THE YODELING QUEEN

You may already know Janet McBride as the one who taught LeAnn Rimes to yodel. Now she is coming to Melbourne, FL for three appearances at THE BARN!

THE BARN 3820 Minton Road Melbourne, FL 32904 321-722-1664

## In 1991 Janet received the title "World Class Champion Female Yodeler"

Now you can enjoy this great performer in person on January 20th and 21st, 2001 in three outstanding performances.

January 20, 2001 at 2-3 afternoon concert, 3-4 Lessons January 20, 2001 at 7-8 evening concert 8-9 square dance January 21, 2001 at 2-3 afternoon concert -3-4 Lessons

Tickets are \$5 donation advanced - \$6 at the door afternoon

\$6.00 donation advanced - \$7.00 at the door Saturday evening

All performances are limited to 200 seats so get your tickets early

All profits from these performances will go to the YOUTH SQUARE DANCE CLUB

### FROM THE BARN HITCHEN

# NANCY'S CAKE

- 1 box chocolate cake mix
- 1 box instant chocolate pudding
- 4 eggs
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1/2 cup oil
- 1 cup chocolate chips

Place all items in a large bowl. Hand mix until smooth, Put in a greased bread or spring pan.



Heat oven to 350°.

Bake 60 minutes.

Can serve plain or cover with cool whip.

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## **Barn Owl Round Dance Report**



The Sunday night Round Dancers at The Barn have been very involved with "classics." Spaghetti Rag has been a great favorite along with the lovely waltzes, Alice Blue Gown and Feelin'. There is really nothing more pleasing than cueing to a nice circle of round dancers who are floating through the classics. Of course, classics are definitely OLD; choreographed long before Roundalab or phase ratings or whatever. So they incorporate many rare figures which do require practice to accomplish. But what a great feeling it is to work them up and have such fun dancing them

The Tuesday Round Dance group will reconvene very soon and Patricia Cha a lively and

active cha cha, is first on the agenda. Well --- it will be first AFTER we have some warm up sessions. Since approximately four months or so have flown by since we were meeting on a regular basis, there will have to be some practice to "get up to speed" at the Phase IV and V levels. Sweet Ida Foxtrot is a classic we have all enjoyed in the past with the flip side - which is Bye Bye Blues Foxtrot - now designated the prestigious Hall of Fame Dance for '99. Also coming to mind are Power of Love (rumba), It's Alright (jive), and Liebestraum (waltz.). We certainly do look forward to the new dance season of the year 2000 and we are most grateful to be dancing at The Barn.

I hope you all are enjoying your dancing along with good feelings of accomplishment at whatever level you choose to take pairs.

Phyllis



You KNOW what this means!! We are in the really fun time of the year with MANY special dances being planned by all the clubs. Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years are all right around the corner. Many happy occasions to everyone.



### **Bowling Alone**

A book report by Jim Mayo July 2000 (Reprinted from DIRECTION - CALLERLAB newsletter)

We found this article to be very informative. It explains why the number of square dancers has been declining over the past several years. The CAL-LERLAB Foundation has implemented a new strategy to improve this wonderful activity. This strategy involves a new marketing plan. "The Phoenix Plan" is a long range three phase which is intended to bring all facets of the activity together, to gather market research data, and to gain sponsorship for an effective marketing and public relations campaign to attract more dancers.

We hope you find this article as informative as we did.....

Here is the review by Jim Mayo -

Social capital is the central topic of a book published early in the year 2000. The book, Bowling Alone, was written by Robert D. Putnam who is a Professor of Public Policy at Harvard University. The core idea of social capital is that social networks have value. Physical capital is the facilities and equipment that improve productivity. Human capital is the education and training that make people more effective. Social capital has that same kind of value. It refers to the "connections among individuals – social networks and the norms of reciprocity and trustworthiness that arise from them." Strong connections and trust allow people to resolve collective problems more easily. Social capital also "greases the wheels that allow communities to advance smoothly. Where people are trusting and trustworthy ---- everyday business and social transactions are less costly."

In the book Prof. Putnam presents information that answers many of the questions that square dance leaders have been asking for the last fifteen or twenty years. We have wondered why the participation in square dance clubs has been dropping steadily throughout that period. The book presents astoundingly detailed and thorough research with explanations and examples that make it easy to understand. Although square dancing is not specifically included in any of the research, it is clear that square dancing is no different from any of the other social activities that are discussed in detail. The course of membership in square dance clubs has followed a pattern over the last fifty years that is very closely duplicated by every participatory membership organization in the United States.

World War II resulted in a massive outpouring of patriotism and collective

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solidarity. At war's end those energies were redirected into community life. The two decades following the war saw a vigorous growth in membership which included every type of organization from the Grange and Elks to 4-H, Boy Scouts and PTA's. By the late 1950's, on average, these membership rates began to plateau. They peaked in the late 1960's or early 1970's and then began a decline that, again on average, cut the membership in half by the end of the century. This is a membership pattern familiar to all of us. After establishing that the pattern was, indeed, universal, Prof. Putnam asks "Why, beginning in the 1960's and 1970's and accelerating in the 1980's and 1990's, did the fabric of American community life begin to unravel?

With careful and meticulous analysis the book explores many of the "obvious" candidates for the cause of this shrinkage in participation. These include time and money pressures, mobility and urban sprawl, technology and mass media and an additional category called generational differences. Although each of these elements contributes a share, the most striking factor is the last. By reassessing a huge body of research conducted over the past half century the impact of differences between generations can be separated. In the professor's words:

"By any standard, these intergenerational differences are extraordinary. Controlling for educational disparities, members of the generation born in the 1920's belong to almost twice as many civic associations as do members of the generation of their grandchildren born in the late 1960's. — The grandparents are more than twice as likely to trust other people as the grandchildren are. — They vote at nearly double the rate of the most recent [generation of adults.] — And well-established life cycle patterns give little reason to expect that the youngest generation will ever come to match their grandparents' levels of civic engagement."

We, in square dancing, began to detect signs of slow-down in our recruiting success sometime in the early 1980's. Bill Peters, at about that time, was the first that I heard voice the view that "We have been recruiting from the same generation since the beginning of Modern Western Square Dancing." In my experience this book is the very first "outside" confirmation of the truth of that observation. By far the majority of square dance club members were born before WWII. Bowling Alone makes it perfectly clear that the pattern of joining and belonging to groups like our square dance clubs changes substantially as we move from that generation to the baby boomers and the X generation.

The remainder of this article will be printed in the November Issue.

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