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FROM THE LOFT



This is the July and August issue of the BARN OWL. Much is happening in the Square Dancing World. Some of it is good and some of it bad. On the "bad" side there is the continuing decline in the number of people in square dancing and, more alarming, the reduced numbers entering the activity by taking lessons. It is exasperated by the decisions of many clubs not to hold les-

sons at all. Even adding one couple to a club would be a great help.

On the positive side, we had a great convention with 1182 paid dancers enjoying the fun and friendship set to music. We have another convention set for next year and will be hosted by the Northwest Association. They have offered a deal that can not be beat. They would like for the dancers to register early (there were less than 800 pre-registered dancers at the 2001 convention) and to encourage dancers to do that, they are offering a money back guarantee. Register now and if for any reason what-so-ever you want your money back, you will receive a FULL refund up to two weeks before the convention. ANY REASON WHATSOEVER! Please take the Northwest up on their offer and enable them to plan for a fantastic convention. You have nothing to lose.

The Callerlab Foundation is working on a marketing plan that will help all clubs in their recruitment of new dancers. The American Callers Association (ACA) is also working to develop methods to bring new dancers into the activity. It is up to us, the dancers, to work the plans that these organizations develop. The United Square Dancers Association is also working to help local clubs to continue offering dances for us. Callers should also work harder in making certain that each and every dance is a fun filled event where the dancers want to come back and bring their friends.

The BARN DANCERS are continuing to work hard to see that all our dances are fun filled. Our latest effort, on May 30th, saw the Sailfish Squares from Stuart bring three squares from their club to THE BARN. Their caller, Mike and Shirley Doughty, came with their club and called for the combined clubs. Did we have fun? Well, the dance is scheduled to run from 7 to 9:30 and the dancers asked us to continue to call till 10:00. It

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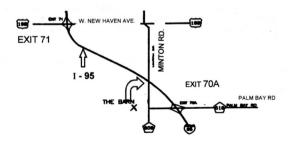
was after 10:30 when the dancers finally left for their trip back to Stuart. The BARN DANCERS will be traveling on their Wednesday dance night on the 27 of June, to dance with the Sailfish Squares. This is another way to get to meet more dancers and also to have a great deal of fun and help each other financially.

The Youth Group did an outstanding job at the State Convention. We thank the Florida Dance Web for their display on their web site. They have many pictures and we thank them for the coverage. We hope to go to the National Convention in MN next year. We need to raise a LOT of money for this trip. If you would allow us we would like to come and dance at your club and take a free will offering to raise money for the trip. The youth are very good and I know the dancers will enjoy seeing their routine. We are a 501 C 3 club and all gifts are tax deductible. Please consider this request. A lot of people could be invited to watch the kids perform and maybe you could use it in getting folks to your club for new lessons.

SusanElaine Packer will be the caller for the Wednesday Night Barn Dancers Club the month of July and the first two weeks of August. Susan Elaine is a well known recording artist and a National Caller. We invite all dancers in the area to come and dance with the BARN DANCERS and SusanElaine on Wednesdays.

We are selling tickets to the NEW YEARS PARTY. It is going to be more than dancing – it is going to be great entertainment, dancing, eating and fun. Please get your ticket early so we can make the necessary plans to make this the best New Years Party yet at THE BARN. There will be something for everyone.

The next FREE 10 WEEK LESSONS at THE BARN starts August 21st at 7:00 PM.



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Hello From the Barn Dancers



JOE & BETTY
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Congratulations to the Barn Dancers Youth Group for an excellent presentation at the state square dance convention. They worked hard in preparation for the convention, including several fundraisers to help pay their way to Lakeland. Linda Lutz designed and made the beautiful outfits they wore during their presentation. Great job boys and girls!

The Stuart Sailfish stopped by for a visit last week. We certainly enjoyed dancing with this energetic, friendly group from down south. They

brought their caller with them and he called several very entertaining tips. We look forward to traveling down to Stuart on the 27^{th} for our trade dance with the Sailfish. We would like to invite all other dancers who would like to travel with us to meet at THE BARN on June 27th at 4:30 PM to travel with us for a fun evening out and some really great dancing.

On the 20th of June, SusanElaine Packer will come to call for our dance and will fill in for Otis while he and Linda are on vacation. We will miss them and wish them a safe and enjoyable trip. We invite everyone to come dance with SusanElaine while she is here in July and August.

There are several birthdays and anniversaries this month. Happy birthday to Midge Upson (7/24) and Mort Lee (7/25). Happy anniversary to Terry and Jude Zrutskie (7/20), Joe and Betty Mann (7/22), and John and Mary Thomas (7/31).

To all Brevard square dancers we say "BEST WISHES AND HAPPY DANCING."

Joe Mann

FROM THE BARN HITCHEN

A HAPPY MARRIAGE

Take two people – one male and one female – Separate them from their parents Add the following ingredients in generous proportions:

Love Acceptance Respect Communication Patience Kindness Gentleness Commitment



Hope Truth

Mix together, then thoroughly sift in daily life. Strain out jealously, arrogance, selfishness, provocation and accounting of wrongs. Bake in the trials and tribulation of life for 50 years, then celebrate when golden.

Contributed by: LINDA LUTZ

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ALASKA CRUISE

There is a cruise that will be going to Alaska in September of 2002. This is a fantastic opportunity to not only see the wonderful sights on a great ship-board cruise but to travel the heartland of Alaska and see some of the wonderful sights that can be seen while riding the Alaskan Railroad.

SAMPLE ITINERARY

DAY 1 - Arrive in Anchorage. Overnight in hotel

DAY 2 – Board a private railcar and roll along the Alaska Railroad. ..past raging rivers, lofty mountains, awe-aspiring gorges, abundant wildlife. ..'till suddenly you find yourself gazing 20,320 feet up at Alaska's stunning mountain centerpiece: Mt McKinley. The train is bound for Denali National Park., a vast pristine wilderness that rolls on as far as the eye can see. Unspoiled. Unpeopled. Unadorned with billboards, fast food chains or traffic. Unbelievable until you see it yourself. Overnight in the park.

DAY 3 — Tundra Wildlife tour. in Denali National Park. home to over 40 species of mammals, including Alaska's Big five: moose, caribou, wolf Dall sheep and grizzly bear. Re-board the train for Fairbanks. Overnight in Fairbanks.

DAY 4 – Visit the Gold Dredge #8 an authentic gold camp where you can pan for some nuggets of your own. Fly to Anchorage. Transfer to Seward for your Glacier Discovery cruise.

DAY 5 - Scenic cruise College Fjord

DAY 6 - Scenic Cruising Glacier Bay National Park.

DAY 7 - Sitka, step back to the days of Russian Alaska.

DAY 8 – Juneau, Alaska's capital Taste salmon baked over an alderwood fire.

DAY 9 – Ketchjkan, where much of the town is built on docks at water's edge.

DAY 10 - Cruising the Inside Passage, view an island dotted sound or a glacier cut fjord

DAY 11 Disembark in Vancouver. Transfer to Seattle for return flight home.

Pricing is not yet available but we are striving for \$2500 per person – including your airfare. Packages available soon. See Otis or Linda

GOSPEL SINGS

Starting June 9th at 7:00 THE BARN will host Doug Clark for our first Gospel Sing. Doug has scheduled some very impressive groups into THE BARN for great Gospel Singing.

The first group coming is THE FLORIDIANS from Kissimmee, Florida. This quartet is well known in gospel singing and will start their performance at 7:00 PM at THE BARN.

The Southern Song Boys The Singing Messengers The Fellowship Quartet The Gibbs Family Three Times Blessed Rayz of the Son The Pickerings June 23rd July 7th August 4th August 18th September 1st September 15th October 6th

October 13th there will be an all day Gospel Concert in the Earnest and Dallas Lutz Park.

COMING EVENTS

June 27th the BARN DANCERS SQUARE DANCE CLUB is traveling to the Sailfish Squares Dance Club in Stuart, FI for its regular Wednesday dance. We invite all dancers to join us. We are investigating the possibility of using a bus or limo to make a real fun evening for all. Call Joe or Betty Mann for particulars @ 729-8503.

July and August for the Wednesday Night dances SusanElaine Packer will be the caller. The dance has a 7:00 workshop with the dance from 8:00 to 9:30. Susan is a nationally known caller and will provide a great time for all dancers.

The Florida Knothead Konvention is in Lakeland over the Labor Day weekend. Linda and I find this to be the most fun event we attend. If you have never been, we are sure that you would be really surprised at this really fun weekend. We have a guest caller this year that is a real entertainer. Make your plans now.

August 21st is the next free 10 week lessons. Invite all to attend.

WHERE TO SQUARE, ROUND

TUESDAY WEDN SUNDAY MONDAY MELBOURNE BAREFOOT BAY MELB MELBOURNE BAREFOOT BAY SILVER SQUARES 7:15-7:45 Early Roman 8:00-10:00 Pilot Dance 1300 S. Airport Blvd. 7:30 - 10:00 Plus (10:00)

Jerry Read Caller

John Swindle Caller "THE BARN" CAMPFIRE DANCERS Line Dancing Chapter 082 BEGINNER I 4th weekend Sylvia Schel Wace Furtado, Cuer (STARTS ON A FRIDAY 777-3649 Information 768-2217 EVENING) FUN WORKS THE BARN "THE BARN" 7:00 - 8:00 Class - Phase II & III ROCKLEDGE Otis Lutz Ins Rounds 4:00 - 9:00 PM SPACE TRACKERS Line Dancing Bey Landwher McLarty Rec. Center 10:00 - 11:30 AM FUN DANCE Glenda Ortiz Harney BARN DANC Barton Blvd Info 253-1564 8:00 - 9:30 7:30 - 10:00 Class Whit Brown, Caller Otis Lutz BARN DANCERS Information 452-2679 Caller New classes 722-1664 **MELBOURNE** 7:00-8:30 Class 8:30 - 10:00 Mainstream Otis Lutz, caller YELLOW ROCKERS Information 722-1664 "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 1-3 Ed Ortiz Information 253-1564 THE BARN SWING LESSONS 6:30 - 7:30John & Laura Beers 727-2457

New square dance lessons start every 10 weeks on Tuesday at 7:00 PM.

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	Dale McClary, Caller Information 254-0150	8:00 - 10:00 Plus/Rounds	Whit Brown, Caller
Y	miormation 254-0150	Callers	Guest Caller 2nd & 4th
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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 Promenader	Bill & Pat Ludwick	321-723-7090			
Pirates (Apopka)	Tony Brownell	321-568-6254			
Saturday Night Steppers	Steve Ekin	561-567-2803			
Silver Squares	Ed & Mary Litwhiler	321-676-9535			
Space Trackers	Mary Lou Coyle	321-452-3323			
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	Connie Plummer	321-253-1186			
Please supply your E-Mail Address to include here.					

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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	s Bill & Pat Ludwick	321-723-7090
Silver Squares	Don & Ada Guinn	321-725-4463
Space Trackers	Judy Frye	321-268-4450
Yellow Rockers	Ben and Sue Johnson	321-452-4176
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have a change for the summer, please call us with the information. We will gladly make the changes.

A Day of New Beginnings (A New Alliance Concept) July 2001



The article below was written by Jim Hensley, Marketing director for the CALLERLAB Foundation. The Foundation is an IRS approved 501 (c) (3) tax exempt corporation. The Foundation was created to provide an entity through which people could make tax deductible donations for the preservation and promotion of square dancing. During the past year the Foundation has conducted extensive market research in an effort to determine the best strat-

egy to improve square dancing. Part of this research has shown a very diverse collection of organizations, clubs, associations, and others with like goals but working independently. Over the past couple of years there have been more and more cooperation among some of the various organizations. The idea of an alliance among these various groups has been presented by Jim Hensley and is explained in more detail below.

Please read the following proposal and send any comments you may have to the CALLERLAB Foundation, 467 Forrest Avenue, Suite 118, Cocoa. Fl. 32922.

Here is the article from Jim Hensley:

An old Methodist hymn bearing that title and often sung around Independence Day, encourages us to, "step from the past and leave behind our disappointments, guilt and blame to seek a new path, and a New Beginning." No less is today's task facing the square dance community, even as new research data is providing additional insight about who and where are our new students, and how best to persuade them to join our dance.

As the Phoenix Plan began to emerge as an effective guidance tool this past year, new realizations became evident. Clearly we had underestimated just how diverse and alienated our dance organizations had become, while paradoxically we were also gaining new insight into how fundamentally essential it is to HAVE an effective working alliance between

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Time has also helped us recognize the value of jointly affirming a comprehensive 'overview concept' as a first step prior to major marketing. Of equal importance will be the development of a dance program (product line) compatible with that concept and long-range plan. The new program must not only reflect an accord among dancer/caller group leadership, but its content should be flexible enough to address the needs of the next generation dancers. Software companies seem able to work out new program glitches, even after they have been sold to the public, but square dancing doesn't appear to enjoy that luxury. It needs agreement on a common 'vision' for marketing, as well as for its dance program. The 'teaching process' must blend proven techniques with new applications for an old activity that is being "research adjusted" for new dancers with new lifestyles. Yes, it still must offer the same fun-filled experience as always.

As a first step toward building an environment conducive to solving these issues, a new entity is required for creating consensus support. We propose establishing an advisory coalition, the Alliance for Round, Traditional and Square Dance (the ARTS), formed with representatives from appropriate national, regional and international dance organizations. Included under the "Traditional" in this title will be Contra, Clogging, Line and any other dance forms associated directly or indirectly with contemporary square dancing.

The ARTS will operate as a new "umbrella" advocacy group, that from the beginning provides a shared platform assuring individual groups that their unique approach and format will not be lost, but will receive equal recognition, support and promotion. Unattached and professionally managed, this alliance can speak with a strong central voice to represent the collective interests of diverse dance groups that share common purposes and goals. It offers a unique structure and program that could complete the best concepts, intentions and goals of both LEGACY and the National Council of Square Dance Organizations, while providing a non-aligned and central 'home base' for all dance groups.

The ARTS can create the consensus necessary for effective marketing, public relations and sponsorship programs, while not diminishing any of the qualities, traditions, and programs of an individual group. It will create a clearer, more attractive presentation of our dance "property" for institutional and corporate partners, as we ask them to join us in the work of the Phoenix Plan. At the same time, as a 'name', the ARTS provides a unique and attractive acronym for advertising, publicity and public re-

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NEWS FROM THE ALLEMANDERS

The Allemanders will be hosting some "cool" dances in July. Please join us on the 14th for "Melon Night" and on the 21st for "Christmas in July." On Melon Night, cold watermelon will be served. I have heard rumors that certain folks are already honing their seed-spitting skills for the traditional contest! Look for dancers wearing red and green, "winter" music, and holiday goodies on the 21st. You are invited to bring a nonperishable food item to the dance to benefit the South Brevard Sharing Center.

Visitors from Canaveral Squares are expected on the 14th and from the Yellow Rockers on the 21st. The Allemanders will visit the Barn Dancers on July 25. It is always fun to dance with folks from these clubs.

Our summer schedule is in effect now: dancing on the 2nd and 3rd Saturdays only. We dance at 8:00 at the Satellite Beach Civic Center. John Saunders is the caller and Vince Furtado cues the rounds. For information, call Tom Brown at 777-6081.

Submitted by: Donna Noeske, 777-1696

The first Southern Gospel Sing was held at THE BARN on Saturday, the 9th of June. The Floridians from Kissimmee were the excellent group that entertained us from 7 to 9. It was an evening to remember. They are an excellent group that travel in their really large bus all over the southern United States. This group will be back on the 13th of October for our ALL DAY GOSPEL SING at the Earnest and Dallas Lutz Family Park. There will be hamburgers, hotdogs and drinks available for a donation. A free



will offering will be taken for the expenses of the many singing groups that will be attending.

At left are the Floridians performing at THE BARN.

We are bringing excellent family groups to THE BARN. Come and enjoy them.



51" NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA JUNE 26, 27, 28, 29, 2002 "STAR THRU TO SAINT PAUL IN 2002"

Tours offered by the 51st

The 51st National Square Dance Convention need not only be dance, dance, and dance. Many of those who attend National Conventions are traveling to a part of the country that they have never seen before. Take the opportunity to get to know more about the area of the Convention. Tours are a great way to add to the enjoyment of the Convention.

Come Early and stay late to enjoy all the great tours planned for you beginning with two three-day before Convention tours.

The Minnesota Northwoods tour includes the Hinckley Fire Memorial, Duluth, the Northwoods to Ely and the Wolf Center, a mining tour and train ride at Iron World USA, the Forest History Center, Judy Garland Museum, Itasca State Park with the beginning of the Mississippi River and also a visit to the fabulous Munsinger and Clements Gardens in Saint Cloud.

The second three-day before Convention tour travels along Lake Pepin to Wisconsin Dells for an Upper Dells boat cruise, an evening Native American dance performance, a visit to Circus World Museum with full circus performance and Tommy Bartlett's Water & Thrill Show. Mineral Point, Grand View Rock Estate and House on the Rock.

The eleven daily during Convention tours include The Twin Cities Highlights, Three Casino tours, Stillwater Minnesota, Historic Minnesota, Gangster tour, Fort Snelling/Air Guard Museum, Capitol/Governor's Mansion, Mississippi Riverboat Cruises and Rochester Minnesota to tour Mayo Clinic and Mayowood Mansion.

After all the dancing at the Convention, you can join in one of two three-day after Convention tours. The tour to Door County Wisconsin includes a tour of Door County, with the shipyards in Sturgeon Bay, winery tour, The Boynton Chapel, and a fascinating antitude museum. There will also be a cheese stop on the journey back. The tour of Lake Superior Northshore has a cruise of the Apostle Islands, tour of Madeline Island with lunch at the Old Rittenhouse Inn. A tour and dinner at Glensheen Mansion after a tour of Duluth and time to enjoy Canal Park before returning to Saint Paul.

For more details, visit the 51st Website at: www.51nsdc.com

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lations programs. With this alliance in place, all groups can truly begin to experience that, "day of new beginnings."

We hope you find this article informative, Please let us know what you think.

See You In A Square,

Jerry & Del Reed

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YOUTH GROUP

Please check out the Florida Dancing Web for pictures of the Youth Club at the 2001 Convention. The club did a great job and were given a standing ovation by the dancers. They also performed at THE BARN for the Barn Dancers on Wednesday, the 30th, to thank them for all their contributions and support. The dancers from Stuart were here along with other visitors so the place was packed. The folks there also gave them a standing ovation.

The club had their party on June 2nd and this was their last gathering for the summer. It was a very successful year and we are really proud of their performance both on and off the dance floor. We begin again on the first Saturday in September.

We are losing a number of our dancers so the club members have taken it upon themselves to get new kids in the club. We are ready to commit to going to the National Convention in 2002. This is a really big undertaking and requires a big commitment from the kids and their parents. If you have any contact with youth and know of grandkids or neighbors who would like to join us have them at THE BARN on August 21st for the free lessons. The only requirement to join the youth club is to be in school and to finish a free 10 week course or any other course in square dancing.

Our last outing was a fun filled meeting. We first had a fun dance and then a cook out and swim party. The kids also used the golf cart to drive around the park. They really had a ball even though it was quite hot.

We wish to thank the parents and the kids for a successful year for the club. We are now a 501 C 3 organization.

NEW YEARS PARTY



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DECEMBER 31, 2001 8:00 - ???

FEATURING:

IN CONCERT

JANET MCBRIDE AND JOHN INGRAM

FROM MESQUITE, TEXAS
(Janet was WMA entertainer of the year)



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