



# FLORIDA FEDERATION of SQUARE DANCERS

The regular meeting of the Florida Federation of Square Dancers was called to order by President Joe Vaccari at 10:00 A.M. Sept. 2 in Tampa, Fla.

Invocation was given by John Layne.

Roll call was taken by Secretary Frank Smith. There were four officers present. There were twelve delegates and nine permanent delegates present. James Maxey is here representing the Florida Callers.

There were two guest from the Orlando singles, Ann Goodemote and Mildred Linten.

Reading of Minutes: Virgil Green moved that the reading of previous minutes be dispensed with since all members had received the minutes by mail. Pee Wee introduced Ray and Barbara Holt as President of Central Association. This notice was omitted from the meeting in May.

Treasurers Report: Ken Ford.

Balance forward May 27, 1979	\$
Receipts:	
Refund Show case deposit	_____
	\$
Disbursements	_____
Bank balance	
Assets:	
Bank balance	\$
Contingent fund (state convention)	_____
Net Worth	\$

Joe Vaccari stated that the treasurers report speaks for itself. He said it is obvious that we would be in an austerity program for a period of time. The Executive Board met yesterday, it has indicated its position as follows (1) The Federation will dis-continue paying for delegates to attend dances associated with Federation meetings. (2) There will be a limitation for refreshments at Federation meetings, Ken & Mae Ford donated the coffee rolls and the only thing we had to buy was coffee.

Area Reports:

Central : Ray Holt



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## New Officers:

Ray and Barbara Holt, President. John and Madeline Doyle, Vice-President Ann Goodnote, Secretary. Hank and Betty Bruce, Treasurer. Delegates to Federation John Best, Harry Cassar and Ray Holt- associate delegates John Doyle and Don Lutz. In trying to reach all of our nine counties we will be developing a new format which will consist of a dance a month, spread throughout all nine counties, using local clubs as host and local callers and cuers. Our next dance is a renewal dance held at Slovok Gardens in Casselberry on Sept. 29th. Larry Ford calling and Joe Augenblick on rounds. On December 29th we will be in Mt. Dora, American Legion Hall. Area cloggers held a clog-a-thon at Winter Park Mall for Muscular Distrophy with more than 200 cloggers attending and 50 or more on the floor most of the time from 9:00 AM till 9:00 PM. They raised over \$2400.00 with pledges still coming in. Our next meeting is set for Sept. 16th at 2:00 PM at Ben White Recreation in Orlando.

West Coast : George and Dena Burcham

As our year as President of the West Coast Association begins to wind down, I am proud to announce we have exceeded the only goal we set. A goal of 2,000 paid up members. As of August 29th we have 2150, 1979 members. Our Fall Fun Fest is shaping up nicely. As you know we have expanded it to include a round dance room and advanced 1&2 room. Our blood bank is in great shape. We have 164 units donated, issued 22 units and have 142 units on hand. Thanks to a great staff the West Coast Dancer is doing fine. We wish to thank all the Callers and Cuers who have made all our West Coast Dances a great succes. We have one more free dance for 1979 members Sept.29th 7:30 P.M. Tampa North Blvd. Rec. Center. Chuck Kessler squares, the Lundbergs rounds. This is the annual Presidents Ball. The election of Officers for 1979-1980 will be held before this dance. We have one 1980 renewal dance set up. This will be in Gulfport Nov.25th 1:30 to 4:00 P.M. Singing Sam Mitchel on squares and Elmer Hicks on rounds.

## Northwest: George Bowie

We are now working hard to promote our annual North West Fla. Fall Roundup. Nov. 16&17th to be held in the old National Guard Armory in Tallahassee. Callers will be Elmer Sheffield and Wade Driver, with Roger and Kelley Bagwell on rounds, Friday night. Howard and Norma Smoyer on Saturday night.



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We are pushing the sale of buttons for the 1980 State Convention. We still have plenty of Square Dance license plates. The fine article on Cloggers in the Panhandle Press by Bill McMahon of the Capitol City Cloggers brought to my attention the increased interest in clogging in the N.W. area. We hope this will continue and new clubs will be formed.

Northeast: Jim Stone.

All plans for 1979 Fall Roundup to be held Nov. 2&3 are complete. We hope to see everyone there. Flyers and ribbons are available. In September there will be 10 square dance classes, two clogging classes, one advanced level workshop class and two plus 1&2 workshop classes starting in the Northeast area. The 5th Saturday dance held in June was attended by 14 squares. The next 5th Saturday dance will be Sept. 29 called by Gateway Callers. We have 47 pints of blood in our blood bank. Our next meeting will be on Sept. 9, at 2:30 P.M. Times Union Bldg. Election of officers.

Southeast: No report

### Publications-

Bow & Swing- Jack Person- No problems. Where to Dance folders to go in in Nov 1st. and again in April. Flyers will go in stations located on I-10, I-75, I-95 and on #231. Jack was questioned as to why no pictures of the '79 Convention have not been in Bow&Swing. He reported it would be in the next two issues. There was more discussion as to placement of Where to dance folders and it was decided each small Welcome Station would receive 1000 folders. West Coast Dancer- Hugh Fultz- West Coast Dancer continues to publish an informative and topical magazine the press run averaging 3100 a month. You are all aware that they are without advertising and proud of their record as a publication by dancers for dancers over a twelve year period. We have copies available help yourself.

Panhandle Press- No report

4-W's- No report

Grapevine- No report

Showcase of Ideas- John Layne

All associations provided displays and handout material for the Florida display. Some members, notably from the West Coast carried many of the items



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for display. This enabled us to pack everything (including 3000 bags of sand) in our car, after removing the back seat so that renting a trailer was not necessary. We arrived in Milwaukee on Tuesday the 26th. We were allowed to set up on Wednesday. The Florida display was large, covering three tables. The host state of Wisconsin and coming host state of Tennessee also had large displays, but Florida had the attention of the dancers, largely due to the warm and charming personalities of the many Fla. dancers who served as hosts and hostesses at the display area. The chairman of the National Showcase of ideas complemented the continued outstanding displays from Florida and promised to provide a much better location next year. A locator listing of the Florida dancers was maintained at the Florida display. This listing was helpful and convenient and the procedure is recommended for use at future national conventions. The one area that Florida could participate in more effectively is in the parade of States. Esther and I strongly recommend the adoption of a state square dance costume to be worn in Memphis next year, especially in the parade of states. We would like to thank all of the marvelous dancers who represented Florida and presented the showcase in Milwaukee.

1980 Convention-Memphis- Make reservations now rooms going fast. Florida is expected to really turn out in force for this convention. Conrad Bishop has volunteered to organize Florida in the parade of states at the 1980 convention. 1979 State Convention- George Garland George said this was a convention to please every dancer. Callerlab concept was followed to a "T". Each hall was labeled as to the level to be called in that hall. George thanked the dancers for making this a rewarding experience for all the committee members, callers, round dance leaders and clogging instructors. We enjoyed bringing you the convention in Orlando, Florida, May 25,26,27, 1979. Hosted by Northeast Fla.Sq. Dancers Assoc.

## Financial Report- Sunshine '79'

### Receipts

Total Receipts	17,498.57
Total Expenses	<u>15,121.98</u>
Gross Receipts	2,376.59
Badges & decals to be remitted to NESFDA	<u>411.40</u>
	1,965.19



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State tax

411.40

1,477.95 Net

Geo. & Judy were given a standing round of applause for their efforts of this State Convention.

1980- State Convention- No report Alan had to leave because of storm warning in south Fla. Reservation forms are needed in all areas.

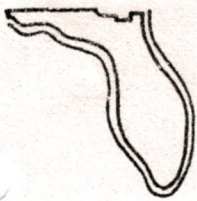
1981- State Convention- Marvin Taylor - All committees formed and everything is going well. Contract for hall to be signed soon. Badges are ordered. Dress is designed. Interest is growing fast. Conrad & Belle Bishop and Olena Taylor introduced the dress for the 81 convention. Conrad Bishop proposed that their dress be adopted by all areas of the state to be used as a state costume. Marvin has extra decals if any are wanted.

1982 Convention- Hugh Eultz.

We are busy putting together the very best convention committee possible. The complex at Lakeland has been put under contract for 1982 and we are looking forward to a grand happening. However, we cannot do this alone. We need the cooperation of all square dance organizations through-out the state and are confident that we will get it.

Coordinating Committee Report- John Layne.

Meeting held Sept.1,1979 at 1:00P.M. The meeting was called by James Maxey the previous evening. There were two items of business discussed. (1) The committee is undertaking a study to review the current convention guidelines. Inputs from callers, cuers, and dancers are scheduled for the next meeting on February 23 at the Sunshine Festival. (2) The Committee is recommending that the host association for the Fla. State Convention be given a share of profits of their convention equal to 25% of the net profit before the 3 way split is made. This percentage would be listed as an expense in the convention financial statement. Effective date to be 1980. John Layne made a motion that the last proposal be passed now. Motion seconded. Motion carried. George Garland asked that the minutes show when this coordinating committee meeting was called, by whom and how members were notified. James Maxey stated the meeting was called by him Friday. Most all of the members were contacted except Geo. Garland, Elmer Sheffield and Marvin Taylor.



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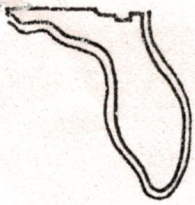
Legacy- Geo. Garland. Next meeting Denver, May 14-17th. Main two things from this meeting- (1) Be it resolved that Legacy go on record as offering a mandate to callers and dance leaders to de-emphasize the complexity and the number of basics involved in general dancing and produce a more realistic mainstream plateau. (2) There is a grievance committee in Legacy and anything that you cannot resolve locally you can go to Legacy.

Education and Service Report- In absences of Jack Lascola. Joe Vaccari made report. There has been some preliminary planning More of this will be seen at S.O.S. There has been some discussion of a working week-end for January of 1980. This meeting is proposed for Central Florida. John Layne is looking into meeting place. Meet early Saturday & appoint committees and sub-committees- meet Saturday and have discussions- Dance Saturday night and meet Sunday early, maybe 9:00 AM and put it all together- Some things to think about, what can Federation do besides sponsor a state convention? What are our long and short term goals? This is what the working week-end should be. Joe stated that the Jan. 80 meeting will be a working week-end to come up with short and long term goals of the Federation. Adgenda will be available in the Oct. meeting.

Joe announced Bunny Whiteman will look into State-promotion attire for the future. Federation Banner. Geo. Garland will look into this.

Old Business- Ron Van Valkenburg- Ron said no one in the state really knows where the center of the state of Fla. is located. Florida facts has a handbook that says the center is 12 miles west of north of Brooksville in Citrus County. This puts it through Orlando, maybe close to Lakeland but not Tampa. Our guidelines does not say Center of Florida but says a 50 mile belt running across central Florida. If you use a 50 mile belt this would include Orlando, Tampa, and Lakeland. If he can obtain anymore information he will pass it on at the next meeting. Virgil Green suggested this information be passed to the coordinating committee as they are in process of reviewing guidelines now. This is what will be done.

New Business- At this time Joe Vaccari appointed a nominating committee. Our next meeting will be our annual election. The members of this committee will be Jack Tucker chairman, Geo. Bowie and Harry Taylor. They will give us a report at our next meeting. Marvin Taylor suggested we have all our meetings



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in Central Florida instead of traveling all over the state. He said it is too far from Tallahassee to Miami and from Tampa to Tallahassee and also Jacksonville. He said this was not a motion but just something to think about. Mori reported Round Dance Council happy and anxious to hear State convention report. Joe introduced Mildred Linton from Fla. Assoc of Singles Sq. & Rd. dancers. She asked singles to join this group and membership forms are in Bow&Swing. She can be contacted in Orlando. First State Singles Convention in Orlando Oct. 26 & 27th. She ask all singles to come and enjoy this week-end. Judy Graves from the Cloggers was introduced to the delegates. Walter Stokes announced the first Mini-Legacy for the State of Florida Feb.9 Strawberry Square-Plant City. Everyone invited. Dance Sat. night. Dick Buckam calling

Ken Ford stated that a check was due to West Coast Association from the 1978 convention for a bill that was submitted late on expenses. At a previous meeting it was decided to pay this bill, it will be paid before the split is made. Joe Vaccari asked Mori if the Round Dance Council approved the recommendation of the Coordinating Committee on the split of convention funds for the host association and he said it was not even brought up.

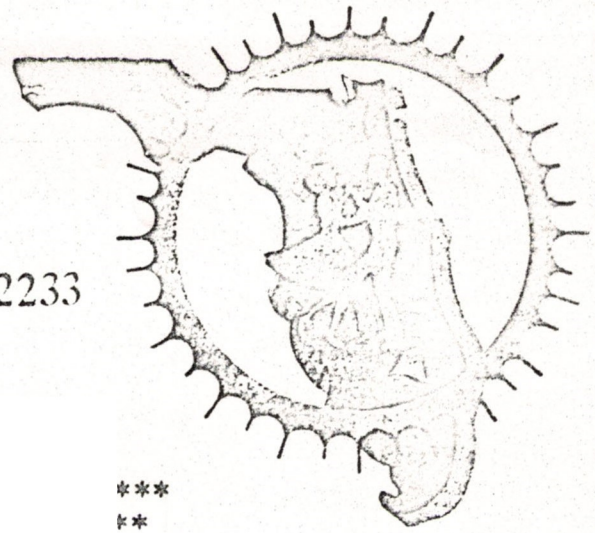
Next meeting Sun. 21st Oct. S.O.S.Dance. get reservation in early- Dance and meeting at Sherton Hotel Miami Beach 61.00 per couple .

Geo. Garland asked to add to his Legacy report about Placemats that can be used to help promote Square Dancing in eating places. North West is using some of these now. Cost 500 mats \$13.10 Black & White only.

Dues due at next meeting.

Motion to adjourn- Meeting adjourned.

# SunShine 79



P.O. BOX 241, ATLANTIC BEACH, FLA. 32233  
FINANCIAL REPORT - AUGUST 18, 1979

**RECEIPTS:**

Vendors	
Program	
Ribbon Sales	***
Badges & Decals	**
Advance from Federation	
Reimbursement-	*
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	_____*

**EXPENSES:**

Advertising	
Badges	**
Phone	
Postage	
Rent-City of Orlando	
Rent-Harley Motel	
Equipment-Chairs-Tables-Fans & Water	
Vendor Refunds	
Ribbons	
License	
Insurance	
Program	
Fla. Callers Association-Sound	
Nordine - Sound R/D	
Sheila Popwell	
Florida Federation	
" " Coordinating Com.	
Red Cross - Donation	
PO Box Rental	
Decorations	
Mott & Gerrie	
Ribbon Refund	
Days Park	
Door Prize	
Service Charge	
After Party	
Beer for After Party	
Stan Burdick	* Reimbursed by G. Garland

<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	_____
<b>GROSS RECEIPTS</b>	_____

\*\* Badges & Decals to be remitted to NEFSDA  
 Receipts 719.05  
 Expenses 307.65

**S.TAX**

\*\*\*Includes \$223.00 Spectator money.

**NET.**