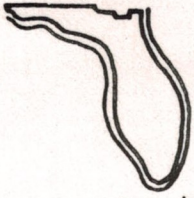


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The Florida Federation of Square Dancers met at Hyatt Regency Hotel in Tampa on Sunday, September 4, 1983.

1. Meeting was opened by President John Layne at 10:00 a.m.
 2. Invocation was by Jean Fultz.
 3. Roll call was called. A quorum was present.
 4. New delegates and visitors were introduced. The representative from the Callers Association, Earl Steele and the Vice Presidents of the Callers Association, Bob and Ethel Bland were presented to the delegates. Ed Mack was thanked for the fine Convention.
 5. Earl Steele from the ^(u)Suncoast Callers invited everyone to a free dance on September 18, 1983 to kick off National Square Dance Week, at N Boulevard Recreation Center. This association has contributed \$100 to Hall of Fame Committee, also \$100 to the Pensacola Special Steppers.
 - (2) As representative of the Florida Callers Association, President Art Wilson asked that the following suggestions be considered: that dancing at State Conventions be continuous from time to time without a break, except for exhibitions and special presentations. Also, that additional education panels be included for callers and also possibly round dance cuers and dancers.
- President John Layne said these suggestions would be considered by the Convention Committee at our working weekend in January.
6. Bob Bland, Vice President of Florida Callers Association read a press release from Caller Lab concerning the availability of Western Squares, which is a TV teaching series, available free through Public TV. Full text of the letter will be in the October Bow & Swing. Contact, Larry Hall, WNSC-TV, Rock Hill, SC 29730, Phone 803-324-3184.
 7. No representative present from the Round Dance Council. Frank McCallister attended the meeting as our representative.
 8. President Layne thanked Norm Farrell for setting up the area and refreshments. Motion made and passed to pay for the refreshments.
 9. Motion made, seconded and passed to dispense with the reading of the minutes.
 10. Treasurer's Report by Norm Farrell. Attachment #1.
 11. CORRESPONDENCE
 - a. Ken Ford has minutes of the Round Dance Council meeting to be filed.
 - b. President Layne has letter from Georgia State Convention Committee with complimentary ribbons. They will be turned over to Frank Smith, Chairman of the '84 Convention who planned on attending to interest them in our convention.



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- c. Letter received from Florida Cloggers Council where they state they will attend the '84 Convention, but are considering having their own Convention in '85. This will be worked on at our working weekend.
 - d. Letter received from the Vendors. It concerns information concerning their newly formed organization and guidelines they suggest for vendors at the State Convention. President Layne has appointed Jack Tucker as Chairman of the Vendors Committee and he is in the process of setting up a Committee.
12. The Public Awareness Committee is being temporarily dissolved.

13. AREA REPORTS

a. Northeast by Norm Farrell:

We in the Northeast have unanimously decided to adopt the United Square Dancers of America Insurance Program. We feel that this is a very good insurance plan and will save us a great deal of money, as well as providing good coverage.

We are very proud of our two exhibition teams. The J'vill Cloggers and The Reflections. Both groups made a fine showing at the National. Their hard work and many, many hours of practice really paid off.

Everyone in the Northeast are making plans for a big, new dancer recruiting drive. Over twenty clubs will be starting classes right after labor day. Some of the things that we're doing to help in this effort:

1. The association is buying bumper stickers that will be available to everyone. These stickers will advertise classes.
2. The association is coordinating demo's in all the malls.
3. We are encouraging clubs to have business cards printed up that can be passed out to new dancer prospects.

Finally, we would like to remind everyone about the Fall Round-up.

b. Central by Leo & Mary Richardson:

Central Florida got off to a good start with our installation of officers July 30, 1983 at our Merritt Island Dance. John and Esther Layne acted as installation coordinators.

A By-Laws Committee met and have compiled a number of changes to be introduced at next meeting. We are in need of a new editor and staff for "Keeping Posted" and hope to get an issue out in the near future.

Our next association dance will be October 29, 1983 at the Recreation Center in Eustus, Florida. Plans are being made for a special dance in the Spring which will be announced in the Fall.

A bang-up Square Dance Week has been planned for Central Florida area.



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c. West Coast by Murl Herbert:

The West Coast Square and Round Dance Association membership has increased to 3354 members.

The Blood Bank's total units is now 771 with 233 units withdrawn by West Coast Association members.

The election of officers for 1983-84 will take place prior to the President's Ball being held in Tampa at the North Boulevard Recreation Hall on September 25, 1983, Doc Gray caller.

The current major project is the Fall Fun Fest to be held October 14 & 15, at the Lakeland Civic Center. Wade Driver and Doc Gray callers with the Runnels and Filberts on rounds. The funds generated from this Festival are used to publish The West Coast Dancer Magazine and we expect in excess of 125 squares.

As the outgoing President of the West Coast Association, Sally and I have enjoyed our three year tenure as delegates to the Florida Federation and particularly meeting and working with delegates from other parts of the state.

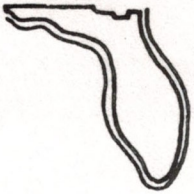
d. Southeast by Frank Habersberger, read by Marilyn Waither:

The United Square Dancers of America Insurance Program has been well received by the members of the Southeast Association. They will pay for this coverage when joining or renewing membership at our Membership Renewal Dance on September 11, 1983. Our Annual Dance, "Southeast October Spectacular" is all set for October 15. Some surprise entertainment is planned for the start of the evening's dancing. John Kaltenthaler will be calling the Squares and Bill and Betty Beattie will cue the Rounds. The Florida participation in the National Folk Dance Campaign is as successful as last years in total number of Congressmen who have co-sponsored. There are, however, four more this year, and as of this writing, there are still five Florida Congressmen not yet committed. Statewide, we have 14 co-sponsors, Nationwide, 132. We need 218 to get the bill H.R., 1706 out of Committee and on to the floor for a vote. A separate, more complete report will be given at the November Federation Meeting. The guidelines for the suggested Permanent State Outfit to be worn at National Conventions have been sent to the five local Square Dance dress designers on June 18 for their recommendations. Southeast Association has decided that its own information pamphlet will be more useful locally and will favor it over the suggested Federation pamphlet.

e. Northwest by Harry Frisbee:

We in the Northwest area should be proud that Joe and Joy Vaccari were elected at the National Convention to be President of the United Square Dancers of America, Inc. Our hats are off to such hard workers. We know they will represent the Northwest and all of Florida well.

In the Tallahassee area club, presidents are organizing demonstration dancing at the malls for September 24, and a dance at the Old Armory with Elmer Sheffield calling, to call attention to Square Dance Week, September 19 through September 25.



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Our promotion for the 9th Annual Northwest Round-Up is in full swing, with the Northwest Area Callers on Friday night and Art Springer for Saturday. Earl and Marge Bagwell will cue the rounds. Come join us on October 28 and 29 for the week-end. If you have a self-contained camper, you can park in back of the Armory where we will be having the dance.

Plans are underway for the 10th Annual Round-Up for the fall of '84. Elmer Sheffield and Darryl McMillan, squares, and the Waldorfs, rounds. This dance will also be held in Chipley.

14. PUBLICATIONS

a. Bow & Swing by Rita Deschambean:

They would like to thank everyone for the good reports on the magazine. At Nashville, they found the magazines measured up very well to other magazines. There will be two subscription dances in October - one in Deland and one in Georgetown. Also, have received many more requests. Because of amount of news and ads, four new pages will be added.

b. Panhandle Press by Joy Vaccari:

There are copies of the Newsletter here and we will be starting on a new issue next week.

c. Grapevine: No report.

d. West Coast Dancer by Jack Pierson:

Holding membership dances monthly. Getting great cooperation from members.

e. 4 W's by Boots Oglisly:

We're still here and getting ready to start our 19th year.

15. CONVENTION REPORTS

a. '83 by Howard and Vee Wilson:

They were given a standing ovation by the membership. There was a total net profit of \$23,331.64. Complete report, attachment #2.

b. '84 by Frank Smith:

The '84 Convention is shaping up very nicely. We just recently stopped in Lakeland and finalized some details on the Convention Center.

The sale of buttons and dangles is gradually picking up and looks very good.

The '84 Committee is starting to visit all the areas and attend as many dances as we can to promote the '84 Convention. The response to the Convention dress for '84 has been very good and we greatly appreciate the effort by the ladies to do this.



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- c. '85 by Frank Habersberger read by Celeste Crawford:

At our request, Howard and Vivian Wilson have provided specific guidelines dealing with the job assignments. We have passed these on to our Chairmen for their study and familiarization with their jobs and timetable for implementation. We have arrived at our Slogan and Symbol, which will contain the logos of all five member associations. Approval has been requested of the other four associations for their use. The colors and design of our Convention outfit have been agreed upon and one of our members, a seamstress, will prepare a sample dress and shirt for final acceptance at our next Committee meeting. To assure that the concerns and interests of the Florida Singles are given proper consideration, we have appointed two Singles to our Committee. We are currently working on our Kick-off Program. Our Symbol, theme and Convention outfit will be kept under wraps until the wind-up of the 1984 Convention to preserve the element of surprise.

Most important and rewarding to us is the development of the team effort and the contribution of the special skills and talents of our Committee members. The initial concerns are gradually being replaced by the warm feeling of confidence and accomplishment.

- d. '86 by Frank McCallister:

Colors and dress will be selected at the fall round-up. Kit and Hoss Waldorf have accepted the position of Round Dance coordinators. The Caller coordinator will be announced at the next meeting. Come "swing and mix in '86".

- e. '83 National Convention by Ken Ford:

President Layne thanked the Fords for their work on the after party. Enthusiasm was so high that arrangements are being made to have one in Baltimore in '84.

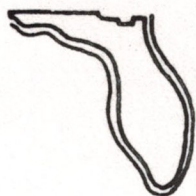
We had a great time in Louisville. Art Springer did a great job of scheduling callers for the Florida Federation after party on Friday night. We had about 30 of the best national callers with 200 or more squares.

The fashion show on Saturday was most impressive. The setting was a replica of Churchill Downs, complete with clubhouse and race track and many beautiful flowers. Mae and I enjoyed our part in it even though it required our presence from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We thank Florence Long for suggesting our participation. Total attendance 30,953 with 1,211 from Florida.

16. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Showcase of Ideas by Hugh Fultz:

As coordinators of the 1983 edition of the Florida Showcase of Ideas, Jean and I are bound to be just a bit prejudiced, but we feel that Florida's showcase at this year's national convention was a success largely due to the unstinting aid of the host of willing and knowledgeable volunteers who procured material, helped set up the display and gave of their time to help man the booth



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A very special word of thanks must go to Cris and Trudy Nissen, George and Dena Burcham, Chet and Julie Vetter, Harry and Betty Cassar, Jim and Bunny Whiteman, Walter and Esther Stoltz, Harry and Theora Frisbee and Ken and Mae Ford for their help and advice on this project. We set 12:00 noon, Wednesday as set-up time and when we arrived, the work was virtually completed. This is a measure of the dedication of our people.

We were able to fill 5 tables with display material of all kinds and we know that two association banners were not available as well as other items present in the past. We have a log containing 565 names of dancers who visited our booth and with whom we spoke. Many others just looked and did not bother to register. (565 people is just half of the Florida attendance at the convention which should tell us something.) It is our belief that having an attended booth is a prime consideration and one which should continue. We also noted that we had far too many attractions, brochures and recommend that these be limited in favor of more square dance information. Gimmick items, small paste-ons and trade items prove to be in demand.

There seems to be some confusion concerning the Southeast Association's participation in the Florida Showcase which should be cleared up. This year their display was set up separately and then later combined with our overall display. We feel that this situation was created by a lack of communication and we hope that the Southeast Association will forgive our transgressions.

\$125 covered the entire expense including the permanent tool kit and the new lighted Florida badge board. Jean and I want to thank the Federation for this opportunity to be of service to Florida square dancing and to say only that you haven't lived until you try to buy Christmas tree lights in a strange city in June.

b. Florida State Outfit by Belle Bishop:

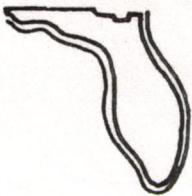
The purpose of this Committee is to investigate ideas for choosing a permanent Florida outfit to be worn by dancers in the Parade of States at the National Conventions and at such other times as may be deemed suitable.

The Committee drew up a set of guidelines for people to submit entries and sent a number of copies to the President of each Association with a request that he distribute them among interested people in his area.

Guidelines stipulated that entries be sent in by August 15th. We have received six entries.

This afternoon the Committee will select two or three of these outfits to be made up and modelled at the working weekend meeting so that the Federation can vote to decide on the outfit it wishes to adopt. In this way the outfit can be made and be ready for use at the 1984 National Convention in Baltimore.

The Committee consists of: Conrad and Belle Bishop, Chairpersons; Carl and Hazel Smith; Jim and Bunny Whiteman; Bob and Carol Keefe, representing the representative Callers Association; and Pete and Janet Shankle, representing the Round Dance Council.



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c. Coordinating Committee by Howard Wilson:

My apologies to the Federation on behalf of the Coordinating Committee. We have not had a treasurer's report since the 1982 Convention meeting. It is very difficult for both Frank Bedell, the new treasurer, and myself as chairman to give a report when we do not know the state of our finances.

As chairman of the Coordinating Committee, I closed out the old account at the Citrus and Chemical Bank of Bartow and moved the account to the Barnett Bank of Polk County at Lakeland. The balance of the account at the time of closing was \$999.50. When added to the '83 Convention payback, it gave us a balance of \$4,499.50 as of September 2, 1983. I felt this was necessary to provide financing for the future Convention Committee.

I turned over all treasury correspondence, reports and financial files, as well as the checkbook to Ted Keiser at the 1982 Convention. I have written to him, called him, and talked to him at both the 1983 State Convention and the National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky in June of 1983; but as of today have had no response from him other than his acknowledgement of receiving my correspondence.

I reported this to Frank Smith in July when he visited Four-Townes Squares in Deltona, and Frank told me he would contact Ted as soon as he returned to Jacksonville and have him get in touch with me at once, but, Ted never did.

Perhaps some change is needed in the format for the Coordinating Committee. If an individual is not going to perform his duties, it would seem as though a replacement is in order.

d. Hall of Fame

1. External Affairs by Ron Von Valkenberg: There was a committee who met composed of Past Presidents from all areas. They made several suggestions regarding revision of the selection process for candidates.

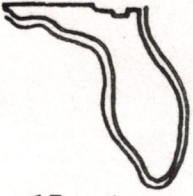
2. Chet Vetter explained the current method of selection.

3. Mori Sogolow explained that there are 6 Past Presidents on selection committee, also 3 Past Presidents of Round Dance Council, also 3 or 4 Past Presidents of the Florida Callers Association. He also mentioned that the Hall of Fame will soon be Incorporated. A letter was submitted by the Committee which states all items are property of the three bodies included in Hall of Fame and may be removed at any time.

At the conclusion of discussions, a vote was taken and the Federation approved leaving the selection as is.

e. IRS by John Layne:

The Federation has received tax exempt status. We will be required to submit an annual return, also annual report of officers to Tallahassee to maintain our Corporation status.



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17. Legacy by Chet Vetter:

There were 5800 responses to the questionnaire. It will be revised and sent out in '84. 75% of the comments dealt with peer pressure, levels and anti-social behavior.

18. United Square Dancers of America by Norm Farrell:

a. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, June 24, 1983 in Louisville, Kentucky.

Membership Report:

The U.S.D.A. is the largest square dance organization in the world. There are fourteen (14) charter member organizations, (of which Florida is one) representing fifteen (15) states and 132,000 square dancers.

Insurance Report:

It was voted on and approved to continue using R.F. Lyons as the underwriter for U.S.D.A. insurance as in the past. The cost of this insurance will drop from \$1.30 to \$1.00 per person in 1984.

Organization Reports:

Legacy, Doc & Peg Tirrel, chairman of the Board of Legacy were present and reported on Legacy and its relationship to U.S.D.A. They stated that they were highly encouraged by the efforts of U.S.D.A. and what it is striving to do. They felt U.S.D.A. certainly has a place and it fits in well with other National organizations. Although it is a young organization, it is growing fast.

Committee Reports:

Hall of Fame, George and Judy Garland reported on the progress of the possible establishment of a National Square Dancers Hall of Fame to be located in Smokey mountains, south of Fontana, N.C. They gave a slide presentation on the area and displayed plans of the proposed building that would house the Hall of Fame museum. The plans also call for a campground and square dance hall. The only hold up is money!! George estimates that everything can be completed for somewhere near one half million dollars.

National Folk Dance:

A nation wide effort is being undertaken to help promote square dancing as the National Folk dance. The "Telegrams to Congress Day", September 21, 1983 is one example of this effort.

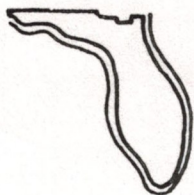
Square Dance Postage Stamp Committee by Joe & Joy Vaccari:

Joe will report.

Elections:

Election of United Square Dancers of America for '83/'84 were held with the following results:

President, Joe & Joy Vaccari (Florida)
 Vice President, Western Region, Claude & Polly Potter (Colorado)
 Vice President, Central Region, Jim & Peggy Seagraves (Alabama)



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Vice President, Plains Region, Howard & Lorraine Backus (ARK)
 Vice President, Easter Region, Walter & Ruth Henderson (PENN)
 Secretary, Bob & Betty Coates (CALIF)
 Treasurer, Ed & Mary Barbee (TEX)

Norm Farrell reported that the Charter Plaque has been received from U.S.D.A. Also, the U.S.D.A. is selling danglers to raise money. Walter Stoltz is the Insurance Representative. Two Associations have joined the program.

- b. Joe and Joy Vaccari were recognized as the new President of U.S.D.A. Joe reported that U.S.D.A. represents about 150,000 dancers. They have a committee trying to get a postage stamp commemorating Square Dancing as the National Folk Dance. Also, petitions are available to the the Olympic Committee requesting Square Dancing to be included as part of opening or closing ceremonies at the 1984 Olympics.

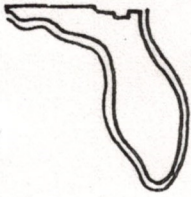
The next annual meeting of the U.S.D.A. is scheduled to be held in Baltimore during the 1984 National Convention.

19. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Hall of Fame Money - motion made, seconded and passed that the \$300 loan to the Hall of Fame Committee be considered a contribution from the Federation.
- b. Jean Fultz requested that Association Presidents get their new lists to her by September 30th for the Dancer Contact booklet.
- c. Norm Farrell reminded Association Presidents that dues are now due.

President Layne announced that the next meeting will be at the Jamaica Inn, Orlando, Sunday, November 6, 1983.

Meeting was adjourned.



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TREASURER'S REPORT

SEPT. 4, 1983

Bank balance as of last report (5/29/83).....\$

Receipts:

Interest on checking account.....\$

Returned check from National Conv.
(Show case tables)

Payment on loan from Hall of Fame committee

Total receipts.....

Disbursements:

Parliamentarian expenses.....\$

Presidents expenses.....

Flowers for Walter Stoltz.....

Non dancer promo leafleats.....
(additional leafleats)

Federation badges (Joy Vaccari).....

Vice president expenses.....

U.S.D.A. annual dues

Presidents plaque

Federation bank checks.....

Florida after party expenses

Secretary expenses

Total disbursements

Bank balance to date

BALANCE STATEMENT

Assets:

Checking account \$

Contingency fund

Balance on loan to Hall of Fame

Total assets \$

Liabilities & Equity:

Liabilities \$

Equity

Total liabilities & equity \$

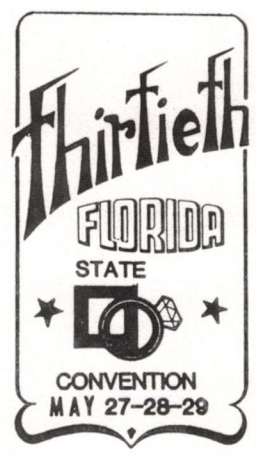
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Respectfully submitted
Norm & Joyce Farrell
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT
EXPENSES

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Co-Ordinating Committee-Loan	\$	\$
Rent--Civic Center		
Services--Civic Center(Incl. Red Cross)		
Tax		
Rent--Cloggers Halls		
Sound Equipment Rental (FCA)		
Advertising--Promotion		
TV--Movies for children		
Souvenir Buttons		
Committee Expenses		
Insurance		
Programs		
Returned checks		
Ribbons		
Stationery--Postage		
Sales Tax		
Signs		
Promotions--Telephone		
Misc.		
Loans (Wilson-\$250;Bruce-100;CFA-300)		
Vendor Badges		
Special Steppers Fund]	
Kick-Off		
Decorations		
Bank Charges		
Printing		
Total Expenses-----	\$ _____	

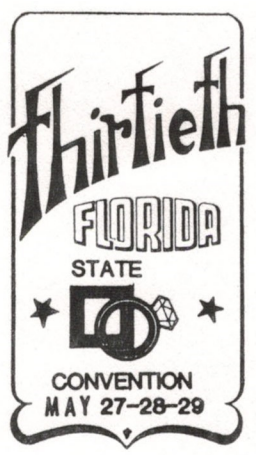
Additional Convention supplies of permanent nature turned over to
 1984 Convention:

Vendor Badges	\$
Signs & Tripods	\$
Total value	\$ _____



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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

INCOME

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Registrations:		
<u>Advance</u> --451 @ \$7.50	\$	
1584 @ 9.00		
20 @ 10.00	\$	
2076 Registrations sold (21 refunds thru 4/30/83)		
<u>Convention Sales:</u>		
3 day--893 @ 10.00	\$	
1 day-1101 @ 6.00	\$	\$
Spectators:846 @ \$1.90		
Souvenir buttons:		
Vendors:		
Special Steppers Fund		
Loans:		
Co-Ordinating Committee	\$	
Individuals--\$350;CFA-\$300		
Advertising(Program)		
Interest (Bank) thru May 31,1983		
" " June 1-Aug. 31		
Misc.		
	Total Income----	\$ _____
	Total Expenses--	\$ _____
	Total Net Profit----	\$ _____
	25%--4 way split-----	\$ _____ (Each group)

We thank everyone who helped make the '83 Convention a success!

Howard & Vivian Wilson, Chairman

1983 State Convention Registrations

Initials	Date
Prepared By	
Approved By	

1	2	3	4	5	6
Month by Postmark	Number by month before convention	1st price period 5/30/82-4/30/83	2nd Price period 4/30/83-5/1/83	To-May 10 th	
1982- May	58				
June	28				
July	35				
August	57				
September	273				
		451			
October	7				
November	46				
December	11				
1983					
January	103				
February	185				
March	409				
April	823				
May	20		1584		
Total 5/30/82-5/10/83	2055				
2,076 Actual Registrations					
- 21 Refund thru 4/30/83					
2,055 Total-5/25/83					
Total Refunds-Overpayments -			Sub		
Sold at Convention (3 day 893					
Single Day-1101					
Spectators- 846					
<u>Attendance</u>			Refunds		
Dancers - Advance - 2055			Conv. Su		
Conv- 3 day Tickets 893			Pre-Conv-		
Single Day 1101					
Total Paid Dancers-4049			State		
Spectators- 846					
Complimentary- 770					
Total Attendance 5665					

--SUGGESTIONS from 1983 CONVENTION--

ALL COMMITTEES:

Instruct chair-people of all committees to keep outlines of the function of each committee including problems, solutions, and suggestions for improvement to pass on to their counterparts of following convention if asked for.

ENTERTAINMENT:

Have groups that are exhibiting in position to move in 30 minutes in advance of scheduled time. Substitute if necessary if one or more groups are tardy. If possible, have extra group available in event of no-show. Have assistant to check on and control waiting groups. 15 minute--time frame per group works good.

VENDORS:

Since the Convention management can not get in Arena until 9 A.M. and adequate time is needed to lay out vendor booth spaces, suggest a committee large enough to lay-out Arena in $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours (2 --3 person teams--with pre-planned lay-outs.) Let vendors in at 11 A.M.. Security is necessary primarily at rear of Arena, but also on side facing parking lot if all doors are not secured.

Regulation enforcement is necessary with firm but fair treatment to all as a few vendors think they should have special privileges. Try to provide special parking for vendors close to Arena and provide security for their late departure from building with cash receipts.

SOUND EQUIPMENT:

All sound equipment including amplifiers need to be secured properly.

DANCING:

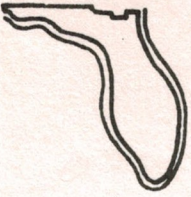
We think it important to give special attention to the new dancers. If they have a good time at their first Convention they will be back for many more.

Mainstream exclusively in Arena worked well. Suggest rounds in all halls between tips except Challenge.

Dancers are entitled to the best callers in the State at Convention. Many top callers do not come. Some solution is needed. Credit should be given to those that do participate.

HOST & HOSTESS:

Our volunteer hosts and hostesses did an excellent job. They acted as security as well as information sources. Happiness and friendship are easily handed out at doorways to insure a successful Convention.



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Dear Fellow Delegate:

The next meeting of the Florida Federation of Square Dancers will be on Sunday, Sept. 4, 1983 at the Hyatt Hotel at 10AM., in Tampa, Florida.

Please make the following corrections in the minutes of Nov. 1982: (1)--page 5--Subsection E and F are reversed. (2)--page 6 Section 11--correct name to Ted Keiser. (3) page 7-Subsection D-report was made by Ken Ford, not Frank Smith.

Also make the following changes in delegates and addresses: 1--Add Joy Vaccari with Joe Vaccari to list of permanent delegates. Change their address to: 227 Hughes St. Ft. Walton Beach, Fl. 32548. Phone # 904-243-9484.

Association Presidents, Please have your list of voting delegates for 1983-1984 ready for the Secretary at this meeting. ~~Also~~, remember to pick up your delegates copies of the Area and Publication reports for January meeting, together with the price lists from the Publications for the Notebooks.

Congratulations to Chet and Julie Vetter on being elected to the Executive Board of Legale.
Our congratulations, too, to Joe and Joy Vaccari on being elected as President of the United Square Dancers of America. These fine people are great representatives to show folks on a National Level the kind of workers and dancers this State of Florida produces.

See you all at Knothead.

Respectfully submitted

Fred & Celeste Crawford
Secretary

Ron and Mary -

COMMITTEE OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

The committee met at the Jamaica Inn, Orlando on August 13, 1983 at 1:00 P.M. Those in attendance were: Chairman Virgil and Elsie Green, Ron and Mary Lee Van Valkenberg, Jim and Bunny Whiteman, George and Boots Oglesby, Pee Wee and Mary Stewart and John and Esther Layne, President of the Florida Federation of Square Dancers. Unable to attend but sending their ideas were Marvin and Olena Taylor.

Chairman Green read the letter form Marvin Taylor expressing his thoughts. A letter from Norman Farrell, President of Northeast Florida Square Dancers, was read expressing that areas concern about the way the Hall of Fame members were picked.

The current method of selection of Hall of Fame members, by secret committee was discussed and it is the opinion of the committee that secrecy should be abolished.

We recommend the following criteria forelection to the Hall of Fame:

1. A minimum of 10 years in the square dance activity.
2. Our attention should be directed toward dancers, rather than callers, round dance cuers or those with a commercial interest in square dancing.
3. Any dancer in an area may make a nomination for membership in the Hall of Fame. These nominations will be screened on the local level. If approved they will be forwarded to the State Committee.

We submit that the composition of the nominating committee for final selection of square dancers ^{should} to be the current Board of Directors of the Federation, plus four (4) active past presidents representing each of the states areas. The past presidents must still reside in the area from which he served. Nominees approved by this committee shall be deemed elected to the Hall of Fame.

This committee believes that the State square dance callers and round dance cuers should handle their own nominations in whatever manner they feel is best.

These recommendations are submitted in an effort to better serve the square dancer desires in the selection of their members in the Hall of Fame.

any comments or corrections
can be made prior to meeting

Virgil Green