

MINUTES OF
FLORIDA FEDERATION OF SQUARE DANCERS
Saturday, February 24, 2001
Best Western Hotel, Lakeland, Florida

NOTICE TO DELEGATES: These minutes from the Federation Working Weekend are being transmitted to you via e-mail in accordance with a recommendation made by the Finance Committee on Sunday, February 25, 2001. The following minutes are from Saturday morning's meeting; all reports from that meeting are in separate messages. Minutes of Sunday's meeting are transmitted separately.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00, February 24, 2001.

New delegates were recognized: John & Mary Burzo, Jack & Phyllis Herpy, (NE Assoc); Jerry & Sandra Williamson (NW Assoc.), Bill & Juanita Stroppe, Marice Reynolds and Rose Porter, Fred & Jan Smith (WC Assoc); Don & Sharon Smith (Cen Assoc.), and Bob & Carol Hutcheson (SE Assoc). A

special guest was introduced; one who has not been with us in a long time, Bob & Ann Poyner, President of the Florida Caller's Association. We were delighted to have Bob & Ann with us.

Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as written. Motion to accept by Don Slocum, seconded by Fred Chatos.

TREASURER'S REPORT: George Knapp gave the Treasurer's Report for period October 1, 2000 through January 31, 2001, showing receipts of \$629.56 and disbursements of \$1,017.87. The balance in all accounts as of January 31, 2001 is: First Union Checking \$3,335.75; Contingency \$4,000.00; First Union Certificate of Deposit \$3,48.62; and Insurance Account \$1,488.36, for a total of \$11,872.63. Report was filed for audit.

CORRESPONDENCE: The president stated he had received word of the passing of Ron VanValkenburg. He was a past president of the Federation and instrumental in the formation of the West Coast Association. Ron's wife, MaryLee, was contacted as to whether she would prefer flowers or a donation to charity and she stated a donation to the West Coast Association in Ron's name would be most appreciated, so that is what we did. Word has also been received that Frank Trott of the SE Association has been operated on several times for a malignant brain tumor. Also, Murl Herbert is having bypass surgery Monday morning. a prayer was offered for each of them.

Our USDA representative will not be going to Anaheim so we will need a representative to fill in for them. The president asked for anyone going to the California convention who can attend this meeting to be one of our 4 votes, to please let him know as soon as possible.

REPORTS FOLLOW IN SEPARATE MESSAGES.

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c. When Bruce Morgan completed Central's 2004 State Convention Report, Bob Poyner urged everyone to attend the State Conventions. When folks say to you that we need to get national callers on our State Convention programs, you say to them that we have some of the best callers in the country here. Please go back to your clubs and ask them to close down for the weekend and help support this wonderful activity that we have.

OLD BUSINESS: Official Documents Committee Reports. Everyone should have a copy of these documents. Murl Herbert is the primary author of all the changes and he is not present, nor is Cliff Allen. Starting with the By-laws they are basically the same as before. However, all changes did not get in. The president requested we accept these as written and any changes be made at the next meeting. Jim McConnaha made a motion to accept the by-laws as written. Randy Poole seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Regarding the Constitution: Stan Hockman made the motion to accept the Constitution as written. Maurice Ritter seconded. Motion passed.

Articles of Incorporation: Jack Hoffman made the motion to accept the Articles of Incorporation. Ray Huddleston seconded. Motion passed.

Standing Rules: Nan Habersberger made the motion to accept the Standing Rules. Stan Hockman seconded. Motion passed.

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Respectfully Submitted,
George & Shirley Knapp, Secretary
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NORTH EAST FLORIDA SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE ASSOCIATION
Report to the Federation Meeting, Saturday, February 24, 2001

The dancers in the northeast have been busy! We had a great Fall Festival in November and already this new year 2001 is off to a roaring start with some special dances for our happy Northeasterners. The Silver Fox Club held their annual "Circus Dance" and raised over \$3300 for The Dreams Come True Benefit. The Seabreeze Singles are having this week-end a benefit dance for the Jacksonville City Rescue Mission. This program is tops in helping people with needs, including hot meals, clothing, and shelter. Plus they have a housing compound to rehabilitate, help in job training, and help introduce people back into the work force. The Rollaways had several exhibitions in nursing homes and retirement homes to entertain and at Christmas they took gifts to all the people in the these homes. Santa and the hand-knitted lap robes and warm slippers were a welcome sight to the elderly. There was more than enough gifts to

supply all the residents of the retirement home. At Valentines Day the Rollaways made valentines for the retirement home. Also one of our members Virginia Bomhold who is a preschool teacher had her four-year

olds make Valentines and other things like hearts, and mobiles for these older people. The senior citizens love the children and their handcrafts. Several clubs has helped us visit these homes to dance and sing songs

along with these lovely seniors. They seem to love our dancing. Our dancers have as much fun as the residents do. Several clubs helped by working and attending a benefit barbecue for one of our merchants that always supports us dancers. This restaurant owner had an employee whose family home was completely destroyed by fire. Everything was lost in the fire even the family dog. The dancers helped with buying and selling food tickets and raffle prizes to help this family in need. Several local clubs contributed to a fund to help a former northeast dancer now living in Rhode Island, who lost every thing in a fire. They came out in the freezing cold with only their lives and night clothing. That is what square dancers do.

Thirteen clubs are teaching classes. We are encouraged to see new people graduate and join a club of their choice. We invite them to join in the fun of dancing. We have had a Freshman dance and plan a Sophomore Hoedown next month, which is sponsored by the Gateway Callers Association. The Moose Promenaders had a very successful annual Presidents Ball honoring all the clubs presidents.

We are pleased to have the President of the Florida Federation , Dee Dee and Bessie Stovall as our leaders this year. With their help and encouragement we expect this to be our greatest year ever! There is a lot of good things planned by our callers, cuers and dancers and we think that we will have more fun and excitement as the years progresses. Already we see more visitation between clubs and many of these clubs have brought their callers with them. In January we witnessed as many as 60 visitors at a club.

Great going northeast! We invite all of you here in Florida to join and help us promote square dancing. Let's help each other with our special dances such as our Fall Round-up and Fall Festival and State Convention etc Let's follow the example set by our good friends Val and Charlie Newsome (THE GRAPEVINE editors) and help promote each others activities. Helping all five areas of Florida can make us all stronger. We want everyone to plan ahead Remember it was not raining when Noah built the ark! Respectfully submitted, Howard and Jettie Crowe, NEFSARDA President

Florida Federation of Square Dancers Meeting
February 24, 2001

Report of the North West Florida Square and Round Dance Association

We would like to welcome our delegates, especially our Vice-Presidents and new Delegates Jerry and Sandy Williamson. We are pleased to say that we have a full complement of Delegates in attendance today. We are also delighted to see Bob and Ann Poyner at the Meeting: they may be here in another capacity but we still regard them as ours. There have not been many special dances to report other than club Christmas Dances although the four clubs in Tallahassee got together to hold a "Presidents Dance" in January. We have had only one Association Meeting since the last Report, held in Panama City on February 10 in conjunction with the "Sweetheart Swing". This is the annual dance put on by the North West Callers and Cuers Association and we are very grateful to them for making this a most enjoyable event.

The Meeting was well attended and money in one form or the other was the main subject of discussion. We had a small deficit for the year, mainly due to the fact that we had a loss on the "Round Up" at DeFuniak Springs, but this dance is meant to be a "thank you" from the Association to the dancers for their efforts during the year and is not necessarily intended to show a profit. We are still financially healthy inasmuch as we have a sizeable sum in a savings account so that a decision to increase the level of dues was postponed to a future date. There was more concerned discussion about the question of insurance. It appears that we consistently lose money on insurance, that is to say that we do not recover from the clubs as much as we pay to the Federation.

Part of this deficit was due to two clubs pleading poverty and failing to come up with their \$45 minimum but it was felt that the remainder was due to the system wherein we are obliged to pay our premium for the coming year in November based on the numbers registered in the previous year, and these numbers are constantly declining. Nobody was able to suggest a solution to this problem but it was agreed that the matter should be taken up with Tom Hancock who was unable to attend the Meeting. Another perennial complaint concerned the conflicting dates of Special Dances. Some delegates felt that this was mainly due to the failure of the organizers to publish dates of forthcoming dances in time to prevent such conflicts but others wondered whether perhaps in some cases it was deliberate competition. We are impressed to hear about the number of Special Dances sponsored by some of the Associations. The only dance we sponsor is the 'Round Up'. The North West area extends from east of Tallahassee to the Alabama border west of Pensacola, a distance of over 250 miles. We hold four Meetings a year: by tradition, the first is held at the 'Sweetheart Swing' and the last at the 'Round Up'. The other two float around on the back of whatever Special Dance we can find at an appropriate time and generally end up being held in either Panama City or Ft. Walton Beach. There is a very good reason for this: these two places are fortunate enough to have their own halls and can therefore afford to hold dances on Saturday nights. However, Panama City is just over half way from Tallahassee to Pensacola, and Ft. Walton Beach and De Funiak Springs are halfway between Panama City and Pensacola so it ends up with all the Meetings being held in the western half of the area. Now Patti and I live in Tallahassee so we decided to change all this. After all, what is the point of being President if you can't do this sort of thing? This is coming round to a plug for two Special Dances. We have negotiated a deal with the City of Tallahassee and Leon County which has enabled us to hire our otherwise unaffordable usual dance venue on two Saturday nights this summer. The first dance is on May 5, when we are having an exciting young caller named Chris Burchfield you will need to get into training to dance to him all night. The second is on July 28 when we shall have the unusual opportunity of dancing to live music provided by Junior Sheffield and his ESP Band, who are well known square dance recording artists. We need everybody from north of Miami to come to

these dances - after all by the end of this year Patti and I will have danced three times in Lakeland and once in Boynton Beach (where?). Tony & Patti Gee, President, NW Florida Association

West Coast Square & Round Dancers' Association Report
February 24, 2001

We want to welcome our new Delegates Rose Porter & Maurice Reynolds, our W.C. Assoc. Secretaries, and our new Alternate Delegates, Bill & Juanita Strople and Fred & Jan Smith. Our Fall Fun Fest was much more successful than 1999. Our attendance was up from less than 300 to over 400 that even put us in the black. We credit this to earlier and more intense promotion throughout the year and having a full Mainstream program hosted by the Sun Coast Callers Assoc. We are very busy working on the Nov. 9th & 10, 2001 FFF. We will be having Tim Marinner & Bob Bourassa on squares & Kurt & Tammy Worlock & Dick & Darlene Chase on Rounds.

We have had four successful Association Dances:

October at Dunedin Beach campground

December at Corkscrew Park in Estero

January at the Hernando County Shrine Club Hall in Brooksville

February at the Bartow Civic Center.

All were successful. The Suncoast Callers & Cuers Association continues their cooperation with our Association by donating their time & talents to our Membership Dances. This cooperative effort has been very good for both Associations by getting acquainted with other Callers, Cuers & Dancers. The Callers Assoc. has also been able to hold their meetings before our Assoc. dances in the same hall.

There are several successful classes ongoing in our area and will be graduating many squares of new dancers.

We wish to thank the Florida Federation for the donation in memory of Ron Van Valkenberg.

Our new magazine Editors, Ed & Jinny Henning, have just completed their first year and are doing a great job. We will give their report later as they are in the process of moving to Plant City and could not make the meeting this week-end.

Preliminary plans for the 2003 Convention are moving along. Ken & Sue Brown #1, our General Chairmen, will give a full report later.

Don't forget the Red White & Blue Dance tonight featuring Larry Letson & Kurt Warlock. We along with Fred and Jan Smith will have tickets available at the break. We are looking forward to the 2001 Dance Odessa at The Lakeland Center in May. Hope to see you there.

Respectfully Submitted, Ann & Don Slocum, Pres. WCSRDA

CENTRAL FLORIDA SQUARE & ROUND DANCE ASSOCIATION
REPORT TO THE FLORIDA FEDERATION
FEBRUARY 24, 2001

The last few months have seen a lot of activity by the CFA. What with the Holiday Season, and increasing our CFA meetings from 4 to 6 per year, the time has flown since our last report. One of the major projects we have been working on and are still not finished is trying to set up a complete database of all of the clubs in the central Florida area. This includes where they dance, when they dance, level of dance, club officers names, address, phone numbers, e-mail addresses, callers &

cuers information, banner raid chairman information, dates officers change each year and class graduation date.

You would think this would be simple; just send forms around and enter the information into a database. It doesn't work that way. The forms either don't come back or they don't have half of the information. It seems that personal contact is the only way we are getting good information. It is coming along, but it is an ongoing project, but one we think will pay off in the long run.

We are pleased to announce that our membership this year exceeds last year's numbers. Our area directors have been doing an outstanding job in contacting our last year's members and getting them to renew, but our Membership Chairman, Don & Sharon Smith, along with our Area Directors, have been reaching out to other non-member dancers and getting them to sign up. I might mention for those of you that don't know, our membership is a little different than some area's. We don't have membership by club. Ours are individual memberships. A dancer has to join CFA just as he does any square or round dance club. This makes recruitment a continual job, but it also makes the individual member have a vested interest in CFA and its ongoing projects.

Speaking of projects, we have two major ones going on at this time. One is preparing for the State Convention in 2004. You will get a report on that from our General Chairman and the other one is The Shamrock Swing. This is the first weekend dance festival undertaken by the C.F.A. It will be held on March 9 & 10 of this year on Merritt Island. Callers will be Tim Marrinner and Whit Brown with Jimmy & Carol Griffin cueing. Dance level will be mainly plus with some advance in a separate hall.

Workshops will be held on Saturday afternoon and Tim will conduct a special seminar on Club Leadership & Retention on Saturday morning. This seminar is open to all; you don't have to be attending the dance to attend the seminar. Ribbons are available for the entire weekend and admission for individual sessions will be available at the door. Hotel information sheets are here and RV parking is nearby. This is what we hope will be an annual event.

Planning is already underway for next year's event to be held on the second weekend in March. George & Shirley Knapp are the Chairman and it will be held in Orlando. We continue to hold 5th Saturday Dances in different parts of the Central area. Our next one is March 31, at Clerbrook Resort, north of Clermont and hosted by the Groveland-Clermont Squares.

Jim and Jan McConnaha
CFA President

Southeast Florida Square and Round Dance Assn.
February 24, 2001

We begin our report this time on a note of sadness. Some of you may already know about Frank Trott who was been diagnosed with an inoperable brain tumor. He also has recently had some other complications, but he is currently on the road to recovery. I know get well cards would certainly cheer him up.

We honored our Southeast Association past presidents at our November 12 dance. Also at this dance we presented a plaque to Frank & Ada Trott as the dancer couple of the year.

Again this year at our December dance we collected toys for foster children. This is a very rewarding dance because of the spirit of giving. One club, the Hollywood Squares, on their own collected toys the prior Saturday night so that these toys could be include with those donated by the Southeast Association.

Our January annual picnic was well attended. We all ate well and enjoyed a fun dance.

Our fund raiser, the Snowflake Frolic was also very well attended. We had approximately 13 squares which is extremely good for our area.

We average approximately eight squares at a regular monthly Southeast dance. The hall prices keep going up and the membership keeps going down, but the dancers we have are very loyal. We are also very fortunate to have good cooperation from the callers and cuers. Most of them are extremely support of the Southeast Association and are always willing to help out when we need them.

Respectfully submitted, Ray & EIsa Huddleston, SEA President

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Northwest dancers.

Fred & Shirley Cornett, General Chairman

2003 Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention
February 24, 2001

We are delighted to announce the caller coordinator for the 2003 State Convention will be Don and Loretta Hanhurst. They have accepted the responsibilities of the task and we are awaiting the formal approval of the State Callers Association at their meeting in May. Unfortunately we have had two additional tragedies within our board. In November the loss of Ron Van Valkenburg and in January, Larry Roberts passed away.

At this time our concerns go beyond the job of the 2003 convention. It is our belief that we must act now to assure future conventions continue to thrive, providing the pleasures of this activity to square dancers. What better place to introduce our interest than at the State Conventions. We can not take credit for the idea, but we will introduce one to the Coordinating Committee at their session this afternoon, and hope we will provide you with a report at tomorrow morning's session. Our next meeting is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Sunday, February 25, 2001 in Lakeland.
Ken and Sue Brown, General Chairman

2004 FLORIDA STATE SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CONVENTION
February 24, 2001

The 50th FLORIDA STATE SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CONVENTION is slowly moving along. We have appointed a few additional key chairpersons and we have others that we feel will be filled within a very short time. We are planning three fund raisers. The first is during the Shamrock Swing. We are planning to sell hot dogs, sodas and potato chips. The second is also at the Shamrock Swing. It is a silent auction. We have several items that have been donated. Most of them are hand made. Tickets for this auction will be \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00. The third will be the Camping Weekend over the October 12th & 13th weekend. There will be a Casino Night Friday night, breakfast Saturday and Sunday mornings for a nominal fee, general meeting of the Convention Committee Saturday afternoon, a pot luck dinner on Saturday evening and a dance later that night. The Caller will be Skip Cleland while the cuer will be Bev Landwehr. Colleen & I are working on another fund raiser and as soon as we get some of the details ironed out we will be sure to let you all know. We have to have something to suck the funds out of each other. This is a never-ending battle that we all face. We'll support your convention and, if you will be so kind to return the favor, by supporting ours when the opportunity comes around. The Convention outfit has been decided upon but right now that is being kept under wraps. The outfit will be modeled at a CFA function in the near future. If you would like to be in the kick-off you will need an outfit. Speaking of the Kick-off, Skip & Jennifer Cleland, our Caller Chairpersons are working on the details for this. I know it will be great. If you have any questions please feel free to call Colleen & I at any time and we will be glad to answer anything that we can.

Bruce & Colleen Morgan, General Chairpersons

Southeast Florida Square and Round Dance Assn.
47th Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention
Report to the Florida Federation
February 24, 2001

Three months until the convention. Only three months. We have been meeting and the planning is done. The execution of the plan is being carried out. Let's see, that was plan your work and work your plan. The halls are set. Remember that we will have 2 new halls this year. A low level rounds hall and a full time clogging hall. We are going to have all the same halls that the convention had last year and a low level round dance hall. We will also have a clogging room for any clogger that wants to clog. This will be in the back of the Arena in one of the dressing rooms. We plan on having the arena used for Western couples and line dancing. We also will be having Plus DBD in the arena with line dancing between tips. With the clogging hall I want to remind you that this is for the pleasure of our square dancers. Those that also clog will have a hall to do it in, tell them to bring their clogging shoes. Another consideration is that of dress by the cloggers. The rules will be that no clogging shoes allowed Out of the arena area (preferably the clogging room). Clogging attire not allowed on any dance floor except the clogging hall. Anyone not in square dance attire will be allowed to enter to go to the arena area only, while dancing in progress. Otherwise Square Dancing Attire is required for any dance hall. And it now looks like we will have a record vendor (Perry's Records) with us. The decorations committee is working overtime to come up with the decorations. The Style show chairman has her plans all set and is working on the final details. Registrations are coming in slowly but they are coming in. Our visitations have given us a few registrations but I feel the advertising is helping. I have visited all areas of the state some of them twice. We still have two more scheduled visitations. I have registration forms with me this weekend for any area that need more registration forms. I heard last weekend that the NE was shy forms and I gave them some forms while at the Blue and Gray dance. Any one that need more forms please say so and I will give you what ever you need. Tell your dancers to mail them in we need the dancers to help.

Fred and Carolyn Chatos
General Chairman, 47th State Square and Round Dance Convention

2002 STATE SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION REPORT
February 24, 2001

The final draft of our Registration Form is being reviewed. Printing is scheduled for March 2001. The 2002 ribbons have been ordered. Our local final Kickoff Rehearsal will be held on April 28, 2001 in DeFuniak Springs. The fund raising is continuing with excellent results. \$1800.00 so far! Our contact person at the Lakeland Center has changed. Lane Vento has left the Center and we have not yet been assigned a new contact person. We do not believe that this will be a serious problem. The 2002 Vendor chairman is obtaining a lot of essential data from Southeast's Vendor chairman. Thanks Frank! We have finalized our 2002 badges and the order will be placed by March 1.

We wish Southeast the best with their Convention and plan on supporting them with a lot of

HALL OF FAME
February 24, 2001

The Hall of Fame Committee welcomes Ken and Joanne Helton as new members of this committee. They are a member of the Round Dance Council of Florida. We look forward to our association with them. The Committee has received a resume for induction to the Hall of Fame. We were to meet this weekend to review this resume, however due to circumstances which were unavoidable, we had to postpone this meeting. However, we will be meeting within the next two weeks. Once we have concurred the recipients meet the requirements the names will be presented to the Selection Committee.

Last August we produced a plan to bring new members into the committee and rotate off an existing committee member. Over the next three years the committee will have all new members. As soon as the first rotation is completed we will print a new brochure listing the members. It was also decided to have our meetings at the Working Weekend and the State Convention to avoid having additional meetings.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Butlak, Chairman

HISTORY REPORT
February 23, 2001

There is not too much to report this time. I have been reviewing the last few years reports and have noticed that it appears that Zonie is doing all the work. Well it is time to set the record straight. I have been very involved in the work and it takes me time to go to the mailbox to pick up the pictures. This involves walking about 50 feet. I have to keep her nose to the grindstone to make sure she does the albums correctly, as you can see I have done a good job. Zonie has a request and that is if possible submit pictures that have the dimensions of 3 x 5 inches. She has been having a terrible time finding 4x6 fillers for the albums. Again send as much material as possible so I can have Zonie put it in the Albums correctly. Make sure the people are identified and what activity they are involved in when the picture was taken.

Thanks to the Publications editors for sending us copies of the publications. It helps. Sincerely

Submitted, Jack and Zonie Taylor, Historian

BMI/ASCAP REPORT
February 24, 2001

BMI has informed us that dues for 2001 will be raised to \$105.00 per year from the previous \$100.00.

This will leave us with a credit of \$28.20 that we can apply to the dues we will need to pay next year. The rate for ASCAP remains at \$.06 per attendee for the year 2001.

Respectfully, Dave and Shirley Nihart

USDA INSURANCE REPORT
February 24, 2001

Balance forward as of 11/05/00: \$
Receipts: \$9,468.00

Disbursements during period: \$

Balance on Hand as of 2/10/01: \$

Duke and Doris McCleskey, FFSD Insurance Chairmen

THE GRAPEVINE
FEBRUARY 24, 2001

We continue to publish, on a subscription basis, 350 copies each issue. Our March-April issue is now at the printers. We expect the books to be in the mail by February 28th. The deadline for the May-June issue will be April 10th.

We lost our "reporters" for the Contra and Line/Clogging articles as well as the Round Dancing. We will continue our search for replacements. In the meantime, we will pass along any information along those lines as best we can.

Is anyone getting Press releases from ROUNDALAB? We used to get them but they stopped last year. We would appreciate any into you could give us. We are still getting good responses from our Association clubs, though we still get to as many Anniversaries, graduations and Special dances as possible.

We are still accepting "exchange ads" with other Associations. We currently exchange with Central Association and Kentucky. Any takers?? We did receive some flyers regarding some Association dances. These will be in this issues Events Calendar as well as our centerfold calendar.

We still hold to our goal of keeping the dancers informed of what's happening, not only in the Northeast, but around the State and beyond.

Please let us know about your area. We have a number of dancers that are always on the go and they would love to know when and where other dances are happening when they are uon the road"!

As always, we invite contributions to our publication at any time.

Respectfully submitted, Charlie & Val Newsome

WEST COAST DANCER
February 24, 2001

Good Morning: The West Coast Dancer is a complimentary bi-monthly magazine distributed to Clubs, Callers, Cuers, Community Centers and Tourist Centers. In addition, the Dancer is mailed to several out of state individuals for a nominal fee. Any known dances are listed by category and that includes square, round, beginner, workshops, country and line. The current circulation is 3000 copies. We accept any advertising in good taste whether or not it is related to square or round dancing. At the present time we have 12 paid advertisements. There are also several complimentary Ads that are placed on a reciprocity basis. This is encouraged to help promote the dance activity. Recently the dances, as listed in the West Coast Dancer, have been posted on the Web under <http://www.floridadancing.com>. Hopefully this listing will soon be accessible under the Publication heading of West Coast Dancer.

Respectfully submitted: Ed and Ginny Henning
KEEPIN' POSTED
February 24, 2001

Our publication, Keepin' Posted, has remained constant over the last year:

Circulation: 400 copies quarterly

Size: 40 to 48 pages with inserts

Changes: Advertising rates

Size Rate 3 Ads Annual

Full Page \$45 \$120 \$140

Half Page 25 60 70

Quarter Page 14 30 35

Eighth Page/

BusinessCard 8 15 18

Added a "HOOZ AT" Section that features callers as they were many years past. Two parts - a long ago photo and the current one with the names. Added a recipe section. Have yet to receive the first recipe. Changed due dates - a little over half of the clubs "contribute" articles for printing and then you have to pull hen's teeth. Changed the lead in from a simple "text box" to the Club's Banner. About fifty percent have provided photos of their banner. Added Club leadership articles from other source documents. Added Round Dance articles. Have asked the local Clogger to provide info or article. None forthcoming yet.

Respectfully submitted, Eivor & Tom Brown

4W's REPORT

February 24, 2001

On February 11, the Southeast Association presented a Certificate of Appreciation to George Oglesby for his 35 years of dedication to the paper.

Our last put together was held on February 15. It was hosted by the Roadrunners. There were 62 dancers in attendance to help us assemble the 3000 copies, which included a state convention registration insert and a round dance council insert. We are holding our own despite the reduction of advertisements in this last issue. The lack of advertising is primarily due to the lack of dancers in some of the clubs and the approach of the summer season.

Submitted by, Garland & Carole McKenzie, Editors

BOW N SWING

February 24, 2001

Bow & Swing is alive and well in Apopka Florida, so is Bill. He asked me to give this report. Thank you for the favorable comments about our editorials. At least it is nice to know that someone reads our magazine and doesn't just look at our pictures. We continue to have fun with our magazine hoping to get the message across that Square & Round Dancing is Fun. Your newsletters continue to be a great source of ideas. Keep them coming. Keep sending pictures. Include a caption or take your chances. Try to notify us of benefit dances in time to publish them in our magazine. There is no charge for benefit dance advertising. This is short because that is all that Bill sent me.

Submitted by Bill Boyd, Read by Bruce Morgan