

Florida Federation of Square Dancers

Agenda

Sunday November 18, 2001
Ramada Inn Conference Center
Jacksonville, Florida

1. Call to Order 9:00 AM
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Invocation Jettie Crowe
4. Roll Call George & Shirley Knapp
5. Welcome to Guest
6. Minutes of May 27, 2001 Meeting George & Shirley Knapp
7. Treasurer's Report Fred & Shirley Cornett
8. Correspondence:
 - Thank you card from Frank and Nan:
nanfranhab@att.net
 - Telephone call from Jim Hensley, head of the Phoenix Group.
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9. Association Reports:
 - Northeast Howard & Jettie Crowe
 - West Coast Don & Ann Slocum
 - Central Jim & Jan McConnaha
 - Northwest Tony & Patti Gee
 - Southeast Virginia Grenier
10. Publication Reports
 - Grapevine Charlie & Val Newsome
 - West Coast Dancer Ed & Ginnie Henning
 - Keepin' Posted Tom & Eivor Brown
 - Panhandle Press Gary Ping
 - 4 W's Garland & Carole McKenzie
 - Bow & Swing Bill Boyd

Break will depend on timing of when refreshments are ready.
Refreshments compliments of the outgoing first lady.

11. State Convention Reports

2001 Southeast
2002 Northwest
2003 West Coast
2004 Central
2005 Northeast

Fred & Carolyn Chatos
Fred & Shirley Cornett
Ken & Sue Brown
Bruce & Colleen Morgan
Charlie & Val Newsome

12. NEC National Report

Worley Carrier

13. Florida Square Dance Hall of Fame

Mary Butlak

14. Legacy Report

Cliff Allen

15. U. S. D. A.

Marie McClain

16. History Report

Jack Taylor

17. ASCAP

Dave Nihart

18. U. S. D. A. Insurance Report

Duke McCleskey

**19. Parliamentarian report:
"Square Up" brochure**

Carole McKenzie

20. Handbook for Square Dancers

Howard Hayes

21. Document Review Committee

Murl Herbert

**22. Old Business
Nominating Committee Report
Election of officers.**

23. Installation of officers

Bonnye Bell

24. New Business

25. Our next meeting will be:

February 23 and 24, 2002
Best Western Diplomat Inn
3311 US 98 North
Lakeland, Fl. 33805
1-800-237-4699

22. Entertain a motion to adjourn

MINUTES OF
FLORIDA FEDERATION OF SQUARE DANCERS
MEETING, NOVEMBER 18, 2001
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by the President, Dee Dee Stovall. A motion was made and approved that the minutes be accepted as written.

The president stated the findings of his committee formed at the last meeting to study the question of Green Badge callers being delegates to the Florida Federation. As it stands Green Badge holders cannot be delegates to the Federation.

Guests present were Bob and Eleanor DeYoung from the Palmetto area (West Coast), Joe and Martha Hardcastle, newly elected Presidents of the Northeast Association, and Buck and Anita Taylor, new Vice Presidents of the Northeast Association.

Anita Taylor thanked everyone who attended their Fall Festival and reminded them to please attend the state convention in May.

TREASURER'S REPORT. See separate file which follows. Report was filed for audit.

A thank you card was read from Nan Habersberger for the plaque and roses they received at the last meeting.

A call was received from Jim Hensley, hired by CALLERLAB to publicize and promote square dancing. Mr. Hensley is building a data base and wants names, addresses and phone numbers from all square dancers in the state. After some discussion it was decided that Florida will not send their roster of square dancers to him until assurance is given that he will not sell the list. Item was Tabled for further action.

ASSOCIATION REPORTS: See separate file.

PUBLICATION REPORTS: See separate file.

STATE CONVENTION REPORTS: See separate file.

NEC REPORT: No report.

FLORIDA SQUARE DANCE HALL OF FAME REPORT: See file, OTHER REPORTS

LEGACY REPORT: No report.

USDA REPORT: See file, OTHER REPORTS. After the USDA report, Joe Vaccari answered some questions concerning the USDA prescription card. Joe said that square dance organization receives 25 cents per prescription filled and that the card is available for anyone to use, not just square dancers. He responded to a credit card question stating that \$10,000 per year is received by USDA from the credit card program. Fifteen dollars is received for each new card issued; \$3 for each renewal, and 20 cents each time the card

is used. One-half of the money is distributed by USDA to the affiliates and one-half to the youth/handicapable organizations.

Joe informed the delegates that USDA is gathering funds for a single large square dancer donation to the September 11 Fund. USDA has asked Joe to get a reading from Florida delegation as to our willingness to join them in their donation. After much discussion, it was felt that since the September 11 Fund has so much money already that Florida should keep its funds for local disasters. A motion was made by George Knapp to keep Florida funds in each Association's disaster relief fund. Motion was seconded by Murl Herbert. Motion passed. Northwest Association's donation for the 9-11 Fund to the Federation treasury will be returned to them.

HISTORY REPORT: See file, OTHER REPORTS.

ASCAP REPORT: No report.

USDA INSURANCE REPORT: See file, OTHER REPORTS.

PARLIMENTARIAN REPORT: See file, OTHER REPORTS.

HANDBOOK FOR SQUARE DANCERS: The president presented recommendations from Howard and Sally Hayes concerning handbook revisions. Howard suggests a section be added to the handbook for campers, cloggers and dance webs. To make room for this he would delete only some logos and graphics. The suggested changes were approved by the delegates. Due to the financial condition of the Federation the handbook will probably not be printed for awhile, but the matter can be taken up at the working weekend.

DOCUMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE: Murl and Sally Herbert have accepted the appointment of Chairman of the Document Review Committee. The Federation thanks them for this. See Murl's complete report in file, OTHER REPORTS. The changes to the Constitution were approved after Murl's motion as written and Don Slocum's second.

Much discussion followed concerning nominations from the floor as suggested by Frank Habersburger. Fred Chatos made a motion not to change the by-laws as they presently stand concerning our election procedures, seconded by Jack Hoffman. A lot more discussion followed. The motion passed by voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS: The nominating committee consisted of Chairman Howard & Jettie Crowe, Fred & Carolyn Chatos and Dewey & Donna Hendricks. The chairman presented their nomination of Jack and Kathy McKinney for the position of Parliamentarian to the Florida Federation of Square Dancers' Executive Board for the year 2002. Remainder of the board agreed to progress to the next chair.

At this point Dave Nihart made a nomination from the floor of Charlie and Val Newsome for the position of Parliamentarian. Resumes of both candidates were read and a secret ballot was taken. Jack and Kathy McKinney were elected by the Delegates.

Bonnye Bell installed the officers.

FLORIDA FEDERATION OF SQUARE DANCERS
Report By
CENTRAL FLORIDA SQUARE & ROUND DANCERS ASSOCIATION
November 18, 2001

The CFA has had a successful year since our last report. Membership has increased by 27% over last year and 39% over 1999. This comes in the face of what the 'Gloom & Doom' prophets have had to say about square dancing as a whole. We attribute this growth to our new upbeat attitude. An attitude that what we offer can not be duplicated in any other activity, along with the benefits that a CFA member enjoys, i.e., blood bank, insurance, special prices for 5th Saturday dances and most of all the fun times that being a part of a fun organization brings.

After a very successful 1st Annual *Shamrock Swing*, arrangements for the 2nd Annual *Swing* are coming together. General Chairman for this affair, George & Shirley Knapp, have arranged for a more centrally located hall in Orlando, callers are Tony Oxendine & Whit Brown, with Cuers Jimmy & Carol Griffin. This will be held on March 8 & 9, 2002. Hotels have been contacted and have given rates starting at \$39.99 per night. We hope that this event will at least equal last year's 50 Squares.

Our 2004 State Convention General Chairman, Bruce & Colleen Morgan and their committee, recently held a Camping Weekend and Casino Night as a fund raiser for our convention. This was well attended and made money, but most of all was the fun had by all. Those of you that were at the Presidents Ball got a preview of Colleen's night attire. This alone was worth the price of admission. Plans for another such event is already in the making for October 4th & 5th, 2002. Start making your plans now to come sleep with Colleen. However, if you would rather, there are hotels nearby.

Some of the clubs in the central area are having a tough time. We recently had the Fellowship Squares of Port Orange hold their last dance after 22 years. The first President of this club was Mary Richardson Butlak and the President when it held it's last dance was Mary Richardson Butlak. While it was sad to see this club fold, many of the other clubs are doing well. Sometimes you can't say why a club does well or why it does not. One school of thought is the biggest problems many clubs have is no one wants to take a leadership position. I am sure most of you can relate to this. The clubs that seem to be doing well are mostly clubs that take a fun approach to square dancing and have activities other than square dancing.

Our Annual Meeting and Presidents Ball was held September 29th and most of our board were re-elected. We were honored by being elected to a second and last term and are looking forward to another successful year working with this great group of dancers.

Jim & Jan McConnaha, President

West Coast Square & Round Dancers' Assoc, Report

November 18, 2001

The WC held two successful dances over the summer. The VIP dance in August, which recognizes the many people serving the assoc. & clubs as officers. It is also the kick off for the Fall Fun Fest featuring Bob Bourassa on squares & Dick & Darlene Chase on rounds. The President's Ball in September, when we installed the new officers for the coming year. They are: John & Paula Bouseman, Pres., Bob & Jennie Courter, Vice- Pres., Jane Dent, Treasurer, and Harriet Boggi, Secretary.

The first Membership Dance was held October 28th at Mease Manor Apartments' Hall in Dunedin with 12 squares in attendance.

Our Annual Fall Fun Fest was held November 9 & 10 at The Lakeland Center. Our attendance was up slightly from last year and we made a profit so we consider it a great success. Many awards were presented. The Temple Twirlers received plaques for the most members present at the FFF, The most banner raids and the most banner raiders for the year. The Bay Area Twirlers received a plaque for the highest percentage of members present at the FFF. The Distinguished Service Award was presented to Ann & Don Slocum. The Presidents Choice Award was presented to Sandy & Ken Brasfield. The FFF committee had a nice after party featuring Doc Gray with some dancing and karaoke

We'd like to thank Tom Perry for giving the Fall Fun Fest such nice follow-up coverage on the Fl. dance web, hope everyone is taking advantage of this web site to get information and spread the word about sq. dancing.

This is our final report as Presidents of WC. We have enjoyed serving the Assoc. as well as our participation in the Federation. We will be continuing as a delegate so you aren't rid of us yet.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann & Don Slocum

NORTH EAST FLORIDA SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE ASSOCIATION

Report to the Federation Meeting Nov. 18, 2001

The northeast dancers, callers, and cuers wish to thank the Florida Federation of Dancers for coming to Jacksonville to meet and to help us celebrate our Fall Festival Activities "Run For The Roses." We have learned to love you and have really become friends with you good folks. We appreciate all the kindness you have shown our Bessie and Dee Dee this year! We are most impressed by all of your hard work and your professionalism. Thank you for your dedication to square and round dancing "our fun activity!"

The events in northeast are ongoing and we're still in there plugging for more dancers and more fun. We are proud to say that some clubs have taken advantage of the money offer to them if they started classes to teach new beginning dancers in square or round dance. This board has visited every club on the occasion of their graduations, (all but one) of their anniversaries, had lots of demos, and parades. The travel was fun and rewarding to see the happy smiles all over the northeast from Tallahassee to Gainesville to south Georgia. Our board has participated in activities out of Jacksonville to your areas for benefit dances and FunFest, Fall Round Up, and Knot Head convention, Sunshine Fest, etc. With help from your President plus some other real dedicated dancers, we have attended many things to help others to promote dancing here and around our country. Our benefit dances are always well attended; we are blessed with generous dancers! It is encouraging to see clubs combine their fun dances. when one or more of halls are unavailable! More dancers, more callers, and more fun when this happens, instead of cancellations.

We want to note also that our camping clubs are reporting that their numbers are increasing. They have many plans for the future; may we try to emulate them! They are doing something right!

Our 5th Sat. dances this year have been well attended; even the one held out of town, in Lake City. The three clubs there did an excellent job of getting their dancers to attend and the food and decorations were excellent and beautiful!

We want to thank Charlie and Val Newsome for the excellent, superb, & wonderful job they do on our publication "The Grapevine" *simply the best!* They are real angels for taking, the larger than life job, as chairmen of our Florida State Convention in the year 2005! How can we ever thank you enough?

The dancers of the northeast wish to congratulate Dee Dee and Bessie Stovall for the splendid job they did while serving as president to our Florida Federation for the year of 2001. They are willing participants in anything that helps to promote square dancing! We in the northeast appreciate their leadership! And we are glad they are coming back to us! We wish them the best for their future.

Respectfully Submitted: Howard and Jettie Crowe

Florida Federation of Square and Round Dancers

Meeting, Jacksonville, November 18, 2001

Report of the North West Florida Square and Round Dance Association

We have had two Association Meetings since the last Federation Meeting, on July 28 in Tallahassee and on October 27 in DeFuniak Springs. The business of both meetings overlapped in that at the first one, it was agreed that changes needed to be made to our Bylaws and Governing Rules and to our system of collecting insurance. At the second meeting, the recommended changes were discussed and approved. Many of the changes to the Bylaws and Governing Rules were simply procedural updates to bring the timing of dues and insurance receipts into line with the Association's deadlines for outgoing payments. However, a more significant action was the decision to eliminate exemption from annual dues and free entrance to Special Dances for past Officers of the Association. It was felt that these concessions were no longer appropriate in the current climate of financial stringency. They were retained, however, for the Association "Dancers of the Year".

We are very grateful to Joe Vacari and the other members of the Special Committee he chaired for their hard work in revising the Bylaws and Governing Rules and to Ann Price for re-typing them and also to Tom Hancock for restructuring and simplifying the system for collection of insurance premiums.

Both Meetings were followed by Special Dances sponsored by the Association. On July 28, our members and guests had the unusual pleasure of dancing to live music provided by Elmer Sheffield and his ESP Band, who have made many well known square dance singing call records. June Leverett very kindly donated the cueing. At our annual Round Up weekend on October 26 & 27, we danced to our own North West callers Bob Poyner, Ernie Griffin and Bob Funderburk on Friday night and our guest caller on Saturday was Tom Miller from Pennsylvania. The ever-present June Leverett again provided the Rounds on both nights.

We were very pleased and honored to have our President, Dee Dee and Bessie, as our guests on both occasions. In fact, in Tallahassee, we had something like four squares from Jacksonville, which we appreciated very much. We hope that we were seen to reciprocate this weekend. At the Round Up we were also honored to have the President of the USDA, Lyle and Jean Beck, as our guests. They also attended our Meeting to bring us up to date on USDA activities and to introduce and explain the new USDA Prescription Discount card.

The Round Up was, as usual, well attended and we are very grateful to our Vice President, Jerry and Sandy Williamson, and all their helpers for the hard work they put into ensuring that it was a great success, both as an enjoyable event and a fund raiser. They also told me that they owed a particular debt of thanks to Fred and Shirley Cornett for the help they gave them.

Which brings us neatly to the 2002 Convention. Fred and Shirley continue to report excellent progress by their respective Committees. We shall hear more details later but

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SOUTHEAST FLORIDA SQUARE & ROUND DANCE ASSOCIATION FALL REPORT

In August our new Board was sworn in at the Stuart Rec. Center, in Stuart Florida. Our new Officers are;

President	Virginia Grenier Maurice Ritter
Vice President	Ken & Su Brown
Secretary	Renee & Lyman Moss
Treasures	Carol & Bobie Hutchenson
Membership	Ada Trott
Insurance	Helen & Jerry Rhodes

Our goals for this year is to build the Southeast back up and recover some of our loss membership. We jumped off with our September Membership Dance At Holiday Park in Fort Lauderdale with 59 members renewing. Elsa and the gang raffled off a Pettcoat which was won by Mrs. Henri Arsenault. We also auctioned off the pies left over from our deserts. Bobie did a great job selling them all.

Our October Dance was our Southern most Dance being in Kendall, with Harry Taylor calling and Henri Arsenault Cueing. We had six callers and 4 squares of dancers to enjoy the afternoon with.

Our November Dance was our past Presidents Dance and we had 11 of our past Presidents on hand to enjoy the Dance with us. Since this was Veterans Day we all wore Red, White, & Blue. We had 12 squares to Dance to three callers and two cuers. *Presented Ray & Elsa With Dancers of Year Award*

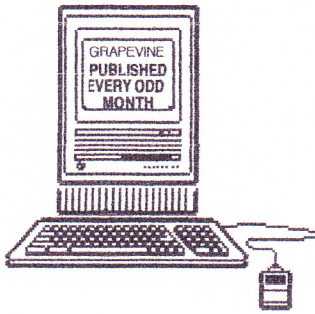
We are planning our toys for abused children to run with our Cookie Dance for Christmas We will collect the toys at our Dance and give them to the Organization to give out to the Kids.

We are putting the final touches on our Snowflakes Dance in January. We have the ribbons with us if any of you are interested.

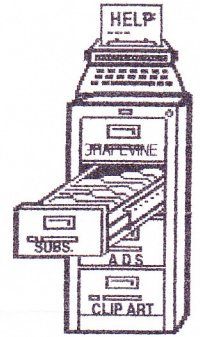
Our membership is starting to come back with the hard work of our New Membership Chairman or I should say Chairwoman.

As the year goes by and we get our feet on the ground and running our reports should get longer.

Respectfully submitted
Virginia Grenier
President



THE GRAPEVINE
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THE GRAPEVINE
FLORIDA FEDERATION REPORT
November 18, 2001

The Grapevine had some frustrating days in the past few months. First, the company doing our half-tones for pictures went out of business. That sent us scrambling for a means to bring a sharper and clearer picture to our readers. Scans seemed to be the best thing available. Secondly, the company doing our printing went out of business. (Maybe we weren't paying either of them enough??) We started making the rounds asking for estimates. We had two companies who came in 1 cent apart...and one of those still does half-tones. Since we still like that process, we began our printing relationship with them with our Nov-Dec issue.

We continue to publish approximately 350 copies each issue on a subscription basis. The deadline for our January issue is December 10th.

We invite contributions from anyone in the Federation to our publication at any time.

The Grapevine will again be exchanging ads with other interested Associations for their Festival Weekends. Central Association has already talked with us about advertising for their Shamrock Swing and we are delighted to do this for them.

We continue to provide our readers with the latest information on State and National Conventions, as well as other interesting articles promoting square dancing. We feel that ideas exchanged with other editors can only benefit our publications and readers, and we continue to maintain an exchange program with other publications around the country.

The PROMOTION OF SQUARE DANCING is, and has always been, our primary goal.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlie & Val

Charlie & Val Newsome

WHO – WHAT – WHEN – WHERE
FEDERATION REPORT
NOVEMBER 18, 2001

On September 16, 2001, the Southeast Association and the staff of the 4W's was saddened by the death of former editor George Oglesby. The latest issue was dedicated to the memory of Boots & George. They gave 35 years of love and dedication to this publication. We miss Boots's guidance and support and George's cantankerous ways; but we know they are still watching over us.

With this issue we reduced the number of copies printed from 3,000 to 1,800. Dancer population has decreased over the last couple of years in our area. We seem to lose them faster than any caller could possibly train new dancers to take their place. The week we lost George, we lost 2 other dancers in our area. I guess we just need to pick younger friends. All our publication expenses are supported by advertisements and the dancers receive a copy free through their club or caller.

Submitted by,
Garland & Carole McKenzie
Editors

WEST COAST DANCER

No report from Hennings. Ann Slocum gave the following:

The West Coast Dancer is doing well. We are publishing every other month. We do not publish by subscription; we put them out for free. Our costs are covered by advertising which is not too hard to do. We will put together 2900 magazines for the December/January issue. We will be glad to reciprocate with the other associations to publicize their dances.

KEEPIN' POSTED

We are still publishing 400 copies on a quarterly basis. We are running 40 to 48 pages per issue. Our advertising has been poor. Our president, Jim McConnaha, is making a concerted effort to get the clubs to advertise and I am contacting the vendors. We hope to increase our revenue soon. We have added personal ads for those wishing to greet their fellow dancers. We do exchange flyers with the other four association publications. We are looking forward to a good year.

Thank you,

Tom & Eivor Brown

PANHANDLE PRESS

No report. The following was given by Shirley Cornett.

We help Gary Ping publish the Panhandle Press so that is why we are always giving his report when he is not present. Gary does all the really hard work, we do the "grunt" work (copying, collating, stapling, etc.). We publish 450 copies on a quarterly basis. We are always after our dancers to send in articles and will be happy to publish articles from other association dancers. If some of you out there write a really neat article for your publication, e-mail it on over to Gary and ask him to include it in our publication.

Our October Round-Up Dance is our really big dance and we are happy to reciprocate with the other four associations in publicizing dances. Always send dates of any of your dances and we will publish them in our Calendar of Events.

48th FLORIDA STATE SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CONVENTION REPORT

Florida Federation of Square Dancers November 18, 2001

Only 188 days before the curtain goes up on the 48th State Convention. The questions on most of your minds are, "How many dancers are going to go to the convention in May 2002?" and, "Are we going to make any money?" Two really good questions, but obviously no one can provide you with a correct answer today. However, we do have a forecast for you – 1400 dancers and we will have a profit. To achieve this we need help from everyone in this room and ALL square and round dancer leaders. We ask that you sell this convention to the dancers as if your association was hosting the show. Believe me, it won't be long until it IS your show.

We are encouraged by our visits to your dances. We have sold over 550 ribbons to date – not super great, but not too shabby either. The registration forms are getting out to the club level. We need the leaders, especially the presidents and callers, to push the convention from the podium every chance they get. Just putting the brochures on the table will not increase attendance at the convention.

The halls have been selected and the callers have been reviewed and assigned to the various halls. The cuers will do their programming in January 2002. This allows the new round dances to be included in the program.

This year everyone will dance on the main level. Because of the success of the two dedicated round dance halls in 2001, we have decided to include them again in 2002. We'll have a hall with singing calls alternating with line dancing, a Contra hall, and halls for square dance levels Basic through Challenge.

Our decoration people are on schedule and please believe us when we tell you, the decorations are going to be great. The Program Book is rapidly coming to life. Any ads from businesses, associations, or individuals are gratefully accepted. We will have approximately the same number of vendors as attended the convention in 2001.

We are going to try to shorten the amount of time for the evening events. We will have activities on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings in the arena. During the time of these activities the vendors will be closed. This will give vendors a longer dinner break and encourage all dancers to enjoy the entertainment.

In September our dancers started visiting other areas to advertise the convention. We expect to do a lot of traveling between now and May 24, 2002. We want every dancer in Florida to know that we are having a convention in Lakeland May 24-26, 2002. We want them to be aware that they will have fun at the dance as well enjoy the lovely Lakeland area during their spare time.

In summary, we need your help to make this convention a success. We promise that we in the Northwest Association will do our part to put on a good show.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred & Shirley Cornett, General Chairman
48th Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention

Submitted to: The Florida Federation of Square Dancers

Submitted by: Ken and Sue Brown

Date: November 18, 2001

2003 Florida State Square Dance Convention

Plans are progressing well in most areas.

Meetings are taking place between the General Chairman and Assistant General Chairman on a monthly basis. And, with the help of E-mail, on a more frequent basis. Individual meetings, with various Committee Chairmen, are taking place as needed. A meeting with the advisors took place in late October, to review progress, and discuss the areas which will need attention. A combined meeting was held November 10, during the Fall Fun Fest in Lakeland. The next General meeting has been scheduled in January, in Manatee County. Rehearsals for the Kick-Off will begin in February, with the final to occur on May 26, 2002 at the Lakeland Center.

Hall usage has not been locked down as yet, with several assignments to be determined by attendance reports during the 2002 Convention. We will assure you a full compliment of all disciplines.

The New Dancer Program is progressing nicely, with several possibilities for extending interest to other Associations.

Without revealing the mysteries which surround the results, we can now announce the Fashion Show Chairman, Denise Sherman, introduced the outfits which will be viewed at the Kick-Off and previewed plans for a Fashion Show Extravaganza. Patterns are now available.

In 2003, the Sew 'N Save, under the capable direction of Chairmen John and Penny Voissem assisted by Sam and Jenny Murray, promises many prizes, surprises and innovative ideas. This will be a must attend.

Ways and Means, with Bert and Joyce Bueg, have held three successful Silent Auctions, and have scheduled a Sweet Week with bake sales across the entire West Coast area.

Immediately following the 2002 Convention, a campaign will be launched to solicit program advertising throughout the area. We are most appreciative of the response which has been offered and is to be shared by Fred and Shirley Cornett.

We are asking each Association President to provide us with a list of important dances to be held between June 2002 and May 2003 in their area, to allow us to visit and promote the 2003 Convention.

Once again we are faced with a replacement. Secretary, Mary Ellen Anderson will be moving to Iowa in the Spring. We have been very fortunate to have had her assistance during the last three years, and will miss the thorough manner with which she has performed her task.

Included in our first report to the Federation we stated that we were excited, and the excitement increases each day.

Bruce & Colleen Morgan
GENERAL CHAIRMAN

Dan & Anna Foust
ASSISTANT
GENERAL CHAIRMAN

Dewey & Donna Hendricks
CONVENTION SECRETARY

Jack & Barbara Hoffman
CONVENTION TREASURER

50th FLORIDA STATE SQUARE & ROUND CONVENTION



May 28, 29, 30, 2004

November 18, 2001 CFA Board Meeting Report

The Convention is moving along. Since the last report we have appointed Sew-n-Save Chairpersons and Fashion Show Chairpersons. We are still looking for someone to fill the Housing and Youth positions. If you have any suggestions please let us know. The Northwest Association has for their convention next May a theme of "We need you in 2002". Well, we do need you to attend the 2002, but we need for you to attend all the state conventions. Without the attendance we will not be able to keep these great events going. Please encourage all your square dance friends to join you in this fun weekend. Skip & Jennifer Cleland are busy working on our kick off ceremony. We will be working hot and heavy over the next year on this portion of the convention as it is only 17 months until we have to show you all what we plan on doing in 2004. We have a convention outfit designed and we spend some time at the Camping Weekend cutting out patterns.

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FEST*

Speaking of the Camping Weekend. This was held the first part of October. Along with the camping and dancing we held a Casino Night on Friday. If you remember the Casino Night that we put on in 1996 during the National Pre-Convention you know what we were doing. This was a great evening of fun. We had some great prizes and we almost had a fight over some of them but Randy didn't get all of what he wanted. We only had a small number of campers and gamblers and the dance was not very well attended but we had a lot of fun and we made a lot of money for the convention. Since that was the main idea behind the Camping Weekend we considered it a success. Colleen & I don't have a camper but we were there the whole weekend sleeping on the floor with about 20 other people. You don't know what you're missing until you have slept with Randy & Carol Poole. I won't say any more you can read into it whatever you want. Please have all your friends join us next year the weekend of October 4th & 5th for this very same event next year.

Our next big money maker for the 2004 Convention will be at the Shamrock Swing in Orlando. This will be held at the Saint John Vianney Church March 8th & 9th of next year. Tony Oxendine and Whit Brown will be calling. Jimmy & Carol Griffin will be the cuers. If anybody would like to have tickets I just happen to have some that I will sell. They are \$12.00 per person in advance and \$15.00 at the door. Get them now and save yourself \$3.00 per person. We will be having a silent auction and the concession stand. You won't have to go anywhere else. You can eat and dance all day and night without leaving the hall. Come join us.

Concept!

You all know that our convention will be the 50th Florida State Convention. Because of this we want to get all of you involved. Even though we are putting on the convention it is not just a CFA thing. As I stated before, it takes all 5 associations to make the conventions work. Because this is the 50th and it is a statewide convention I want each association to participate. Therefore we will be asking each association to assist. When you are asked please agree and agree with enthusiasm. It won't be anything very hard or time consuming. You will actually enjoy doing it. I promise. What it is you will have to wait a little while longer. We will probably inform you at the working weekend. We have a few more details to work out yet..

That is about all right now. Just remember, Colleen & I are just the General Chairpersons of this convention This is THE FLORIDA SQUARE DANCER'S CONVENTION. We want this to be the best convention ever and we cannot do it without all of your help. And with the help of all the dancers in Florida we will have one great big anniversary party for the dancers of this fine state.

Bruce & Colleen Morgan

General Chairman

50th FLORIDA STATE SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CONVENTION

**51st FLORIDA STATE SQUARE &
ROUND DANCE CONVENTION REPORT
FLORIDA FEDERATION MEETING
NOVEMBER 18, 2001**

Since our last report, we have been in touch with the Lakeland Center and they have given us confirmation of the dates reserved -- May 27-29, 2001 -- and we are due to meet with them in the next couple of months.

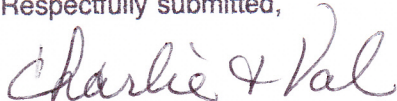
Our Caller Coordinator is Bill Chesnut; Assistant Caller Coordinator is Ernie Rollen; and both have already been approved by the Florida Caller's Association. Our two callers are very enthusiastic and already are sharing ideas with us. They have both promised to help make the 2005 Convention a great time for all!!

We still need to fill a few more jobs -- and expect to have that completed by or before the next Federation Meeting.

We also have been sharing topics and ideas with other Convention Chairmen. We especially want to thank Fred & Shirley Cornett for keeping us informed on their "happenings" and their progress. They have been most helpful!

The expertise and advice of our Advisors, Dave and Shirley Nihart, and the ideas and dedication of our Assistants, Bud and Nita Taylor, continue to be exactly what we need to bring the dancers a great Convention in 2005. That is our GOAL!

Respectfully submitted,



Charlie & Val Newsome

HALL OF FAME REPORT

November 18, 2001

The Hall of Fame Committee has not had a meeting since our last report.

The November issue of Bow and Swing has an important article concerning presenting resume's for next year's state convention.

There have been two (2) resumes received as of this date. Deadline is January 15th. I have with me a sample resume to use as an outline when preparing a nominating resume. Please see me if you need a copy.

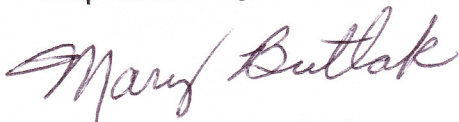
Also, I have a few copies of our revised pamphlet on the Hall of Fame.

There will be a meeting of the Committee in late January or early February to review resumes. At this time we will have a drawing to decide what couple will be rotated off at the May meeting.

~~As of this date we have not received reimbursement for 2001 expenses.~~
Since the Committee depends on the State Convention's success to replace our expenses it seems the Hall of Fame may need to have a fund raiser. A Hall of Fame Dance has been suggested and will be discussed at the January meeting.

Remember the cut-off date January 15th and get your resume in as soon as possible.

Respectfully Submitted:



Mary Butlak, Chairman
Hall of Fame Committee

NOMINEE RESUME

NOMINEE(S) NAME: _____

FULL ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

AREA CODE & PHONE NUMBER: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

BEGAN DANCING: _____

WHAT DANCE CLUB(S) NOMINEE BELONGS: _____

HELD CLUB OFFICE(S) & DATES: _____

MEMBER OF WHICH STATE ASSOCIATION:

FLORIDA CALLER'S ASSOCIATION _____ ROUND DANCE COUNCIL
_____ FLORIDA FEDERATION _____ NORTHEAST _____ NORTHWEST
_____ WEST COAST _____ CENTRAL _____ SOUTHEAST _____

OFFICES(S) HELD & DATES _____

Please explain what this Nominee(S) has done using this format:

WHO: NAME(S)

WHAT: What they done(This can be done in resume form or as a story)

WHEN: Dates (If the exact date is not available, please give year)

WHERE: Area of the State

Please give as much information as possible, the more the better. Talk to friends, callers, cuers, fellow board members, dancers etc. for information.

The nominee(s) may have been involved with several aspects of the activity.

For additional information please contact Mary Butlak or any other Hall of Fame Committee Member.

UNITED SQUARE DANCERS ASSOCIATION REPORT

The annual meeting was held in Anaheim, California on June 25, 2001. At that time new officers were elected and installed – among them Dave and Shirley Nihart as Treasurer. Committee chairmen were also appointed. Those chairmen from Florida are Duke & Doris McClusky (Ways & Means/Jacket & Dress Committee) and Joe and Joy Vaccari (Credit Card and Budget Committees).

Use of the square dance credit card program was encouraged. Income from this program supports the Youth and Handicapable and affiliates. Application forms can be obtained from Joe & Joy Vaccari, Credit card Program Chairman.

The board also approved a discount prescription card service. Through this service a savings of 20 – 25% can be obtained off the retail price. This service is not limited to square dancers, but the USDA receives a royalty of .25 on each prescription filled. There is no charge for this prescription card.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray & Elsa Huddleston
Substitute Delegates

Florida Federation Historians Report

Sunday, November 18, 2001

The Florida History is still in capable hands. Zonie has just about finished the Album for the 2001 State Convention. It will be ready for display at the Working Weekend. She also continues to make additions to the different albums that are active.

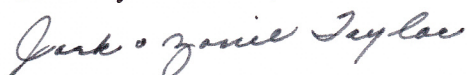
We would like to thank the area publication editors for sending us copies of the various publications. We enjoy reading them and also the idea that we are building a very nice archive of publications.

Please folks when you give us pictures, give us name or names and occasion where the picture was taken. It will save me a lot of arguments over who is who.

We take as many pictures as possible and the pictures you submit for the State Convention Album will make your album that much better.

We know that people are looking through the albums because at almost every State Convention we discover that people have borrowed a picture or two. We know that they will return them as quickly as possible.

Sincerely Submitted,



Jack and Zonie Taylor
Historian, Florida Federation

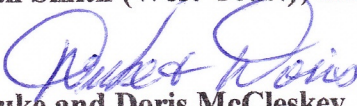
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**USDA INSURANCE FINANCIAL REPORT
NOVEMBER 2001**

NOTES: Attached is complete listing, by Club, of the 2001 Insurance Enrollment. You may note, happily, that the 2001 enrollment of dancers in Florida exceeded the 2000 enrollment figures.

The Administrative Expenses were incurred through printing, postage, etc for the mailings in September of the renewal forms. The 2002 Insurance Premium has been set at \$2.70 per dancer.

Finally, The Florida Federation owes a standing appreciation to the six Association Insurance Chairmen for their "freely" given time and talents on behalf of the Dancers of Florida. Randy & Carol Poole (Central); John & Anita Taylor (Northeast); Tom & Jean Hancock (Northwest); Jerry & Helen Rhodes (Southeast); Fred & Jan Smith (West Coast); and lastly Derald Grice (Cloggers).


Duke and Doris McCleskey
FFSD Insurance Chairmen

CLUB	Assoc	2001	
Canaveral Squares	CE	29	McLarty Rec Center
Casselberry Hoedowners	CE	44	Casselberry Senior Center
Celebrity Squares	CE	18	Anthony UMC
Dixie Squares	CE	40	City Island Rec Center
Fellowship Squares	CE	40	Port Orange UMC
Flagler Ocean Waves	CE	73	Wicklaine Center
Fun Lovin' Squares	CE	20	Sandrift Recreation Center
Friendley Squares	CE	37	North Clubhouse Rolling Green:
Garden Patch Squares	CE	35	Vignetti Recreational Center
Granada Squares	CE	87	Ormond Beach Senior Center
Groveland-Clermont Squares	CE	74	Clerbrook RV Center
Happy Hoedowners	CE	50	Casselberry Senior Center
Holiday Squares	CE	44	Holiday Activity Center
Honey Bees	CE	0	
Kiss-A-Me Squares	CE	33	Kissimmee Community House
Klassy Kats	CE	0	
Merry-G-Rounds	CE	0	
Millennium Squares	CE	16	Sanford Senior Center
Mirror Images	CE	22	Fran Carlton Community Center
Orange Blossom Garden Squares	CE	226	Villages La Hacienda Center
Orlando Singles	CE	58	VFW Post 2093
Palm Bay Promenaders	CE	40	Traylor Haven Mobile Home Pk
Partners In Progress	CE	0	
Pearly Shells Round Dance Club	CE	26	SICA Hall
Pirates	CE	40	Fran Carlton Community Center
Royal Squares	CE	54	Royal Highlands Great Hall
Salt & Pepper Shakers	CE	0	
Slip Pivot Round Dancers	CE	0	
St. Cloud Motivators	CE	14	St.Cloud Communiyty Center
Sunshine Promenaders	CE	78	Fruitland Park Community Cent
Space Trackers	CE	192	McLarty Rec Center
Spin Drifters	CE	46	Coronado Civic enter
Starlight Promenaders	CE	80	DeBary Community Center
Steppin Out	CE	0	
Sunni's Rounds	CE	0	
Swinging Bears	CE	0	
Swinging Eights	CE	0	
The Barn Dancers	CE	34	The Barn Minton Road
Wagon Wheels	CE	146	St. Cloud Commmmunity Center
Yellow Rockers	CE	17	The Barn Minton Road
Orange Blossom Cloggers	CE	0	
Busy Boots Cloggers	CE	0	
		1713	
Ancient City Cloggers	FC	10	Sally Walton Dance Studio
Big River Cloggers	FC	15	Lake Huntington Club House
Buccaneer Dancers	FC	0	
Cross Country Cloggers	FC	0	
Fernandina Beach CVloggers	FC	14	Fernandina Beach Rec Center
Florida Clogging Council	FC	177	Central Florida Fairgrounds

Florida Sunshine Cloggers	FC	12	Wesley UMC
Foot Loose Cloggers	FC	16	Melrose Elementary School
Gator Country Cloggers	FC	0	
Klassi Taps	FC	17	Hercy Hall St.Johns CathChurch
Poney Express Cloggers	FC	16	Orange Blossom Hall
Sea Turtle Tappers	FC	21	Pioneer Park
Surf Country Cloggers	FC	0	
		277	
Angel Squares	NE	0	
Classic Plus	NE	0	
Dixie Dancers	NE	52	Teentown Rec Center
First Coast Rounds	NE	2	Ft. Carolina School
Fun & Frolics	NE	38	Edith Brown Ford Center
Grand Squares	NE	60	
Happy-2-Be	NE	0	
Joy Seas	NE	28	The Beach Club
Mainstream Squares	NE	23	Peace Presby Church
Mandrin Marrauders	NE	51	Italian American Club
Mavericks	NE	0	
Moose Promenaders	NE	53	Moose Lodge 2020 Hall
NESARDA	NE	0	
Plus Fox	NE	46	Jax Heights Elementary Sch
River City Squares	NE	0	
River Ramblers Squares	NE	56	Putnam County Shrine Club
Seabreeze Singles	NE	29	Peace Presby Church
Silver Fox Squares	NE	47	Jax Heights Elementary Sch
Sweet Art Squares	NE	0	
Swinging Saints	NE	0	
Teddy Bear Squares	NE	31	Peace Presby Church
The Rollaways	NE	100	Sandalwood High School
Touch Of Class	NE	0	
Vagabond	NE	18	St.Lukes Episcopal Church
Village Squares	NE	0	
Yellow Rockers Plus	NE	46	Trinity Luthern Church
		705	
Bayou Shufflers	NW	4	Pasarda Hall
Belles & Beaux	NW	0	
C-Fowls	NW	2	First Presby Church
Canoe Squares	NW	22	Hobbs Middle School
Capitol Rounds	NW	0	Tallahassee Senior Center
Capitol Squares	NW	15	Tallahassee Senior Center
Chautauqua Squares	NW	12	Walton Middle School
Chipola Grand Squares	NW	0	
Chipola Country Dance	NW	0	
County Line Dancers	NW	22	Kate Smith School
Country Squares	NW	0	
Dancing Dolphins	NW	10	PASARDA Hall
Emerald Coasters	NW	13	PASARDA Hall
Flying Squares	NW	0	
Holmes Valley Squares	NW	0	

Merry Mates Round Dance	NW	24	Tallahassee Senior Center
Northwest FSARDA Assoc	NW	155	DeFuniak Spring Community Ce
Pensacola Special Steppers	NW	48	Bayview Community Center
Pensacola Twirlers	NW	14	Felix Mira Senior Center
Playground Area Sq&Rd Assoc	NW	0	
Quincy Curlee-Q's	NW	19	Centinary UMC
Roundels	NW	8	Pasarda
Sandpipers	NW	0	Pasarda
Seaside Squares&Rounds	NW	6	Ragon Hall
Seminole Star Stompers	NW	0	
Swingin' Saints	NW	20	Gadsden Street UMC
Swinging Squares	NW	20	Grand Square Hall
Tallahassee Twirlers	NW	21	Tallahassee Senior Center
Three River Twirlers	NW	6	Chattahoochee Rec Center
Wakulla Squares	NW	0	
Whirlaways Square Dance Club	NW	17	Tallahassee Senior Center
Sunshine Cloggers	NW	0	
		458	
Al-A-Mand Leftovers	SE	0	
Castoff Squares	SE	40	Boynton Beach Civic Centrre
Miami Ocean Waves	SE	21	Dance Unlimited Kendall
Sandy Shoe Steppers	SE	0	
Southeast SRDA (Assoc)	SE	155	Various Locations
Top Cats Square Dance Club	SE	0	
Southeast Callers Assoc & Wives	SE	33	Various
Suncats Squares	SE	58	Stuart Recreational Center
Road Runners Square Dance Club	SE	12	Lantana Recreation Center
Sailfish Squares	SE	38	Women's Club of Stuart
Westernaires	SE	18	Village Community Center
		383	
Bay Area Twirlers	WC	53	Sadie Recreation Center
Beverly Hillbillies Squares	WC	0	
Button & Bows	WC	69	Mulberry Center
C-Gulls of Ft. Meyers	WC	38	Rotino Senior Community Cen
Colony Cone Strutters	WC	0	
Greenbriar Twirlers	WC	26	Greenbrier Club House
Hampton Promenaders	WC	79	Hampton Club House
Inverness Squares	WC	0	
Kriss Kross Squares	WC	0	
Left Allamanders	WC	58	Largo Community Center
OK Squares	WC	0	
Promenade Squares	WC	34	Danceland Plant City
Rainbow Ramblers Squares	WC	0	
Riverland Cloggers	WC	27	Dunnellon Middle School Cafe
Spinning Wheels	WC	72	Dave Barksdale Center
Suncoast Cloggers	WC	27	Crystal River Community Cente
Suncoast Challengers	WC	0	
Temple Twirlers	WC	100	Cordelia Bittunt Community Cer
Twilight Twirlers	WC	0	
		583	

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PARLIAMENTARIAN REPORT

November 18, 2001

We want to thank all the associations for their participation in this year's showcase. Yellowrocks to all those people, who helped us set-up, tear down and man the showcase in Anaheim. Florida received more theme ribbons than any other state that participated. These ribbons were given to any organization that made any attempt to carry out the 2001 Space Odyssey theme. The showcases came back pretty much in tact except for NW and the Federation. At Lakeland we warned Tony Gee that the seashells on their table might disappear but we never thought someone would take the officer silhouettes off the Federation table. Garland will make 5 replacements once we decide which style we want and will get them to the new parliamentarians at the working weekend.

We also want to thank Paul & Marie McClain for purchasing the orange slices and Bill & Carolyn Olson from Homestead for transporting them to Anaheim for us.

We have a few suggestions for future showcases:

1. Reduce the number of showcases going to the National. We recommend that we take one showcase that each association has a part in creating or do something similar to other states where they have a quilt with squares representing different organizations (pictures are included). A quilt is much easier to transport and won't break.
2. If the number of tables is not reduced, then each association should be responsible for getting their showcase to and from the national. The next 4 nationals are either mid-west or west and that creates a transportation problem for the parliamentarian unless they have a huge vehicle and are driving to the national.
3. The give away items need to be changed. This year we took only orange slices from the Federation. We personally took 150 Florida State pins and they were gone by Thursday morning. We found many people did not want the candy and asked if we didn't have pins. This year the youth had a card with squares for each state and they got bonus points if they got pins from other countries. They were all looking for pins. We suggest that in the future we take some sort of pins representing Florida. Carole Leamon (the badge maker) is a friend of the lady in the state tourism bureau so she is trying to get her to give us a pin that we can give away. I sent Carole my badge with the ribbons and pins attached so she could show the lady what other states do and why we collect these pins. Hopefully Carole can convince her to get a better pin than we have had in the past and give them to us at no cost. After all, the state spends thousands of dollars each year for booths in other states to promote tourism and we are willing to do it for nothing. All they have to do is provide the materials. We will let the parliamentarians know what she comes up with.

We would like to stress to the association presidents that they remind the people that will be manning the showcase that they wear square dance attire. We had complaints that at least one couple showed up in shorts to man the showcase.

The last item regarding nationals – if you are going to a national in the future, bring your state outfit if you have one. This year we were the only board member there and had a difficult time finding 3 other couples with the outfit to join us in the Parade of States. We never thought this would be a problem as we always take the state outfit to nationals. If we hand know, we would have set up the square before leaving home. Suggestion for the future – Plan Ahead!

We have the “Square-Up” brochures with us and need people to drop them off at the welcome stations to save shipping costs. Please see Garland for the boxes of brochures. We took some of last year’s brochures to national and each day we put some out on each table. They all went by the end of the convention. Therefore, we have saved some from this year for the parliamentarians to take to St. Paul.

We have enjoyed serving you this year as Parliamentarians and wish the best for the new Parliamentarians.

Respectfully submitted,
Garland & Carole McKenzie
Parliamentarian (2000-2001)

Document Review Committee Report
Nov. 18, 2001

Document Changes: The changes to the Documents that have been approved are available to be picked up today and will be available at the working week-end. Any current/new or past delegate that maintains the Federation Documents should pick up a copy. One copy per couple.

Constitution Changes: The changes to the Constitution that were discussed at the May meeting are required to have an approval or disapproval at this meeting. The revision brings the Constitution into conformity with the Articles of Incorporation. This change is to Article X, Dissolution which will read:

Section 1. In the event of the dissolution of this Corporation, after payment of all obligations, the remaining assets shall be distributed by the Executive Board as follows:

- a. To any recognized not-for-profit organization in any proportion deemed advisable.
- b. In no event shall the assets be distributed to any officer, delegate, or employee of the Corporation.

Suggested By Law changes by Frank and Nan Habersberger: This change is included in the minutes and is referred to the Board of Delegates at this meeting for action. Essentially it amends the election process to remove the nomination from the floor requirement of the By Laws and leaves the selection of the Parliamentarian position to the respective Association with no input from the Federation unless there are two Candidates presented by the respective Association. Only then does the nominating committee decide who they feel is the best qualified.

Other items that have been submitted to the Document review committee and will be studied prior to the working week end are:

1. The exact timing that new delegates will take office. There appears to be confusion and this apparently needs clarification.
2. The By-Law requirement that the nominating committee's report is the first item of old business rather than the last item.
3. The appearance of a conflict between the requirement that a Parliamentarian nominee be approved by the Association and the requirement that nominations from the floor are asked for.

These items will be reviewed and a report submitted to the Executive Board.

Nomination of Parliamentarian for Florida Federation of Dancers for 2002

November 18, 2001

The Nominating Committee of the Florida Federation of Dancers for the year of 2001 composed of Howard & Jettie Crowe, Fred & Carolyn Chatos, and Dewey & Donna Hendricks. This committee nominates Jack and Kathy McKinney for the position of Parliamentarian to the Florida Federation of Dancers' Executive Board for the year 2002.

Chairmen of the Nominating Committee
Respectfully submitted
Howard and Jettie Crowe

Howard Crowe
Jettie Crowe