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# The Grapevine

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## NEFSARDA News

NEFSARDA has four meetings a year to gather information to help advance Square Dance and Round Dance. Your delegates are there to share your clubs activities and ideas for the future of dancing. We welcome all clubs to send at least one delegate to the meetings for your input. We will be having elections for Vice President. Anyone interested in this position Please contact me or Mary Giera (904) 262-9907 and Shirley Wright 661-703-1922 or [travler4542@yahoo.com](mailto:travler4542@yahoo.com)

NOTE: Someone asked me this week if the position of Vice President also oversaw the Grapevine. For the newer dancers I could see when this would be a valid question. It is only by chance that I am holding both positions currently. The office of Vice president is responsible for planning the 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday dances and taking over if the president is not able to be there. Also attending all graduation dances with the rest of the board.  
Stephen F Bigelow

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## From the Grapevine Editor



The month of August is upon us. To me this is the month of continuous HEAT and afternoon Rain. When I was younger it did not seem like it was that hot all the time. I was raised in North Georgia, and we did not have the humidity that Ya'll have Kindly pay attention to the deadlines for the Grapevine. I would like to receive news from each club every month. The September issue deadline is August 22, 2024  
God Bless You All  
Stephen F. Bigelow

## Dance Club News

### The Moose Promenaders – Jacksonville – Caller Bill Chesnut



The Moose Promenaders has about 30 minutes in the beginning of our dances for the few, the proud, the advanced dancers to learn and show off their skill.

A small, but mighty group of dancers attended our Jul 25 Ice Cream Social dance...



A few round dancers sprinkled the dance floor with their moves...

**JACKSONVILLE**  
Moose Promenaders  
Mainstream & Plus Square Dancing  
and  
Occasional Line and Round Dancing

Square Dance Lessons 7:00 - 8:15 PM  
Plus Level 8:15 – 9 ish PM

Moose Lodge 2020  
5051 Collins Road  
Jacksonville, Florida  
Caller - Bill Chesnut

President  
Wayne and Debbie Miller

Banner Chair  
Hanna Watts



### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Aug 1** Regular Club Dance  
Celebrate August birthdays & anniversaries  
Russ & Carolyn Ueber signed up to bring the cake
- Aug 8** Regular Club Dance
- Aug 15** Regular Club Dance
- Aug 22** Pirate Dance



## **Coastal Georgia Squares - Brunswick, GA - Caller Don Heins**

The Coastal Georgia Squares dance each Thursday night except holidays or church activities. The dance is at 7:00 at College Place Methodist Church in Brunswick, Ga. We are a small but welcoming group who appreciate visitors dropping by to dance with us.

Please contact Don Heins at either 912-265-1504 or 912-269-7909 or at [donheins@msn.com](mailto:donheins@msn.com).

Thanks,  
Don

## **Grand Squares – Gainesville, FL – Caller Lon Ligon and Caller-in-Training, Frank Plunkett**

The Grand Squares with Caller Lon Ligon and Caller in Training, Frank Plunkett still dances on Tuesday nights from 6:30-8:30 at Meizon Church at 3411 NW 83rd Street in Gainesville. Contact Robin at [robin.frazer@yahoo.com](mailto:robin.frazer@yahoo.com) for information.





We welcomed guests Mark Fetzer, Susan Snider and their dancers from the Rollaways to our Fourth of July Dance. It was a special treat having Emily call for us!



And, last but not least, this month we welcomed Lon's Great-Granddaughter Ava River Moody into this world! She was born on the Fourth of July and is sure to add "sparkle" to the family!





We had a busy month! We welcomed four new members to our square dance family - Axel Plunkett, Katherine Rothgeb, Bill Cassidy and Deborah Cassidy.





## **Dixie Dancers - Lake City, FL - Caller Bill Chesnut**

Dixie Dancers in Lake City

We hope you will come out and enjoy all the fun any Tuesday night at Teen Town. It is located at 533 W. Desoto Street, Lake City.

Dixie Dancers in Lake City

Our club decided it has missed the Christmas In July dances that the Gateway and Rural Callers used to put on. So we decided to do our own dance. Teen Town turned into a Christmas village on July 23 and Bill played Christmas singing calls. We danced, we wished Merry Christmas, and best of all, we raised \$250 for the Shrine Hospital in Tampa. We hope to see a return next year to an area wide Christmas dance in July.

Does watermelon go well with peppermint?

We have planned a graduation dance for our small but fun class of dancers. Come join us August 13 as Bill gives them their final exam and other fun festivities for the evening. Now we start planning for our next class. Do you know anyone in the Lake City area you can refer?

We were all saddened by the passing of Bill Chesnut's father in July. Mr. Chesnut lived a long life and had a big impact on the Gainesville community.

We will be dark on August 6, as a number of our dancers are traveling that week. But join us the following week for graduation and fun.

Come out to Lake City and dance with us almost every Tuesday evening. We do encourage you to contact Bill Chesnut 352-256-8628 or Bob and Barbara Rosenthal at 386-365-7136 if you are coming out. We dance in a city owned building so they occasionally don't have the building available. Come out and enjoy all the fun every Tuesday night at Teen Town. It is located at 533 W. Desoto Street, Lake City.

We look forward to welcoming you at the Dixie Dancers.











## **Clover Squares – Chiefland, FL - Caller Jim Duncan**

Clover Squares meet on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and sometimes the 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at the Methodist Church in Chiefland from 3-5 pm. Jim Duncan is our caller, and we dance the Mainstream level with announced Plus tips

Clover Squares Club News: Clover Squares met this past Wednesday with Bill Cassidy calling for Jim Duncan who was away. We had our regular Dancers and a few who came from High Springs Bill Cassidy's club and we had several of our youth join us they had a fun time and we hope We will have them join us on a regular basis. We meet 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month from 2-4 at the Chiefland Methodist Church

Always room for more, so come out and join in the fun. Scoop Jesk

Pictures attached: group picture of everyone , including the guests and our Youth, a very good size for this time of year mid July, also picture of 4 of our Youth who joined us.



**High Springs Dance Club - High Springs, FL**  
**Caller Bill Cassidy**  
**Cuer Ann Hadsall**

Our regular dance location is the High Springs Civic Center off Highway 441. The dance is every Thursday night from 6:30 to 9 pm with the first half hour dedicated to Round Dance lessons. The address is 23760 NW 187th Ave, High Springs, FL.

This year the Fourth of July happened to land on Thursday, our dance night. We asked how many would like to dance on the fourth and almost everyone in the room said yes. We put together a party plan. It was a good turnout and we danced to Squares, Rounds, and Lines. The bonus of the evening was the fireworks being launched from the park near the dance hall. What a wonderful dance night.

High Springs Dance Club has a leadership team! In the photo from left to right Kathrine Rothgeb, Deborah Cassidy, Becky Thomson, and Leela Robinson. Not pictured is Lisa King. Lisa is our club Facebook moderator. Kathrine is the event planner, a.k.a. "Party Girl." Deborah has managed the club from the very beginning. Becky is the club president and is very organized and motivated. Leela is the publicist and has been in charge of advertising and promotions. She informed us we must start advertising for Our next Square Dance Class will start on September 5.

**We will be having a "Shipwreck" themed dance on August 15.**



Kathrine Rothgeb, Deborah Cassidy, Becky Thomson, and Leela Robinson.



## **Seabreeze Singles Jacksonville FL - Caller Mike Akers**

Seabreeze Singles Square Dance Club  
The Place To Find a Dance Partner Or Bring Your Own  
Frances Padgett Senior Center  
1078 Rogero Road  
Jacksonville FL



In addition to great dancing, July presented an opportunity for the Seabreeze Club to assist our dance home, the Frances Padgett Senior Center, with collecting school supplies for the benefit of children in foster care.

As we are well aware, square dancers are a special group of people with big hearts. Thus, it was no surprise that we received an overwhelming haul.

Special thanks to the Rollaways for joining us in supporting this worthy cause.



Rollaway Dancers Participating in the Donation Drive

# Week One Donations



Additionally, Mark and Susan presented a generous contribution for the purchase of additional school supplies.



## Week 2 Donations

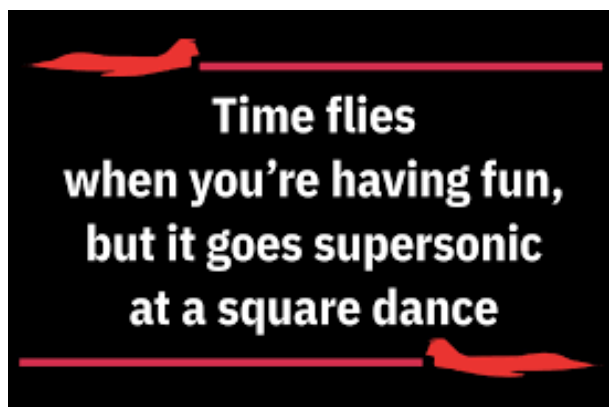


August brings more occasions for square dance fun and friendship.

- 6 Enjoying National Chocolate Chip Cookie Day
- 13 Tell A Joke Night (Back By Popular Demand)
- 20 Primary Election Dance
- 27 Favorite Travel T-Shirt Night

Join Us!!

Should you have any questions or would appreciate more information about the Seabreeze Square Dance Club, please contact Pam at: [gabbygirlpam@gmail.com](mailto:gabbygirlpam@gmail.com)



## **Mixed Nuts Gainesville FL - Caller Bill Chesnut**

Mixed Nuts - Advanced dancing and Workshops  
Monday afternoons 4 – 6 PM  
Located at Grace Presbyterian Church  
3146 N W 13<sup>th</sup> Street - Gainesville, FL 32608  
Caller: Bill Chesnut 352-256-8628 or 352-475-2550

The Mixed Nuts have become the warmup group for Susan's round dance class in Gainesville. Well, kind of kidding about that, but we are glad to have them come in right after us at the church. I think she starts Jive class now. Come check it out. And come early and see if advanced dancing is for you. A good knowledge of plus is necessary but come try and see how you do. The most important rule of the Mixed Nuts is keep smiling.

Gerry Jesk at [sparkandme@bellsouth.net](mailto:sparkandme@bellsouth.net) sends out email reminders and will be glad to add you to the list. Gerry is still recovering from a car wreck so she is not dancing and we miss her. We send prayers up for Gerry and for Bobby Keefe. It would be great to see you some Monday.

It is also with heartfelt sadness we report that our Caller Bill Chesnut lost his Dad on July 15 at the age of 97. Our condolences to Bill and his family. Scoop Jesk

- Scoop Jesk

## **Salty Bobbers – Steinhatchee, FL - Caller Charlie Pergrossi**

7:00 - 9:00 PM at Community Center, 612 SW 812th Street, Steinhatchee.  
Caller Charlie Pergrossi Tuesday night from 7-9 pm  
Club Contact Jeanette Geer (352) 507-9425  
Banner Chairman Doug Moore (512) 605-7773

## **Joy Seas – St. Augustine Shores, FL - Caller Mike Akers**

This means the Joy Seas will resume regular dances Monday Night 7-9 pm. We dance from 7 to 9 PM. In the St Augustine South clubhouse on Royal Road in St Augustine FL 32086  
Call before you go to verify, they are dancing Call Mary Burzo 904 501-1817

**Square Dance- Camping Club - Caller Bill Chesnut**

SQUARE WHEELS

The camping schedule for the rest of the year I do not have. If you have any questions please contact

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352-475-2550  
Cell 352-214-5880  
[Marynut4@gmail.com](mailto:Marynut4@gmail.com)

Tim Hill  
352-205-0596  
Angela Brown  
352-408-5721  
[Doramiata62@yahoo.com](mailto:Doramiata62@yahoo.com)

**Rollaways Jacksonville, FL -**  
**Caller Mark Fetzer; Cuer Susan Snider**

# Northeast Florida Square and Round Dance 70th Fall Festival!

November 1st and 2nd, 2024

Jacksonville, Florida



**Wayne and Barbara  
Blackford  
Cuers**

#### Recommended Hotels

**Hilton Garden Inn Orange Park**  
145 Park Avenue, Orange Park, FL, 32073  
904-458-1577

**Hampton Inn & Suites**  
141 Park Avenue, Orange Park, FL, 32073  
904-278-6140

**Recommended Campground**  
**Kathryn Abbey Hanna Park**  
500 Wonderwood Dr., Jax., FL 32233  
(904) 249-4700



#### Location:

**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
**1415 McDuff Ave S.**  
**Jacksonville, FL, 32205**

**\$25 per Person**

Includes Saturday Evening  
Spaghetti Dinner



**Dave Vieira  
Caller**

#### Schedule

**Friday**  
7:00 p.m. - Early Rounds  
7:30 p.m. - 9:30 - Squares with Rounds

**Saturday**  
12:00 - 2:00 Round Dance workshop  
2:00 - 4:30 Square Dancing  
Mainstream, Plus and Advanced  
4:30 DINNER  
7:00 p.m. Early Rounds  
7:30 Squares with Rounds



Contact Susan Snider to get all the gossip: (904) 908-5184

## **Members from the past and present, the over 90 crowd:**

### August

Marguerite "Margie" Bushnell (husband Richard "Dick", deceased)

1991-1994 – Flagler Ocean Waves President

1986 – Lone Star Swingers Treasurer

They were members of:

Flagler Ocean Waves

Lone Star Swingers

On Aug 17, Margie will be 95

Cards may be sent to:

20 Hernandez Ave, Palm Coast, FL 32137

**M. Agnes "Aggie" Clements** (taw of Frank, deceased)

Frank and Aggie served as:

1965 – NEFSDA Vice President {before 1984 NEFSARDA was called NEFSDA}

1963 – Friendly Frolics President

1962 – Friendly Frolics Vice President

They were members of:

Crazy 8's

Dixie Chain Gang

Friendly Frolics

Rhythmaires

River Ramblers

Merry Mixers (1962)

**On Aug 7 Aggie will be 95**

Cards may be sent to:

1538 Jones Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32220-1423

Audrey Farley (husband Bill, deceased)

They were members of:

Drift Around Squares

**Audrey will be 93 in August**

Cards may be sent to:

1779 Milford Rd, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043



**Robert "Bob" Goss**

Bob was a member of:  
Seabreeze Singles

**Bob will be 95 on Aug 25.**

Cards may be sent to:  
10901 Burnt Mill Rd Apt 2404, Jacksonville, FL 32256

**Sherman Justice** (wife Penny)

They were members of:  
Rollaways

**Sherman will turn 90 on Aug 9.**

Cards may be sent to:  
4132 Packard Dr, Jacksonville, FL 32246



**Peggy Lust** (husband Bob deceased)

They were members of Rollaways  
She was a member of First Coast Rounds

**On Aug 25 she will be 92.**

Cards may be sent to:  
2256 Fallen Tree Dr E, Jacksonville, FL 32246-1136





**Virginia "Ginny" McCort**

Ginny was a member of Grand Squares

**She will be 90 of August 5**

Cards may be sent to:

5330 SW 69<sup>th</sup> Ter, Gainesville FL 32608-4560



Dave & Shirley Nihart

**Nihart, Dave** (1<sup>st</sup> wife Shirley, deceased; 2<sup>nd</sup> wife Jean)

Dave and Shirley served as:

June 1999 – elected as treasurer for USDA

1996 – FLORIDA State Square and Round Dance Hall of Fame

1996 – FLORIDA State Square & Round Dance Convention Housing & Registration  
Chairman

1994 – FLORIDA State Square Dance Convention General Chairman – Dance Shore to  
Shore in '94

1991 – NEFSARDA Dance Couple of the Year

1989 – FLORIDA State Square & Round Dance Convention Treasurer

1987 – NEFSARDA Fall Roundup co-chairmen

1986-1991 - **Florida Federation of Square Dancers (Parliamentarian – President)**

1987 – NEFSARDA Advisor

1986 – NEFSARDA President

1985 – Circle of Service Award

1985 – NEFSDA Vice President

1984-1986 – FLORIDA Federation of Square Dancers delegate

1983 – Sunshine Sweethearts Presidents

1983 – Reflections Presidents

1980 – NEFSARDA Festival Chairmen (Pensacola)

Dave and Shirley were members of:

Challengers

Fun n' Frolic

Happy 2 Be

Moose Promenaders

Quarter Mores  
Reflections  
Sunshine Sweethearts

**Dave will turn 96 on Aug 9.**

Cards may be sent to:  
6213 Lapis Ln, Crestview, FL 32539-5424

Teddy Bear Squares  
Dave was a member of:  
First Coast Rounds

**Robert “Bob” Schirg** (wife Martha)

They were members of Sweet Art Squares

**Bob will be 90 in Aug**

Cards may be sent to  
1924 Sea Oats Ave, Fernandina Beach, FL 32034

### **Ramblings from beautiful downtown Melrose – by Bill Chesnut**

I told it through the Grapevine: Ramblings from beautiful downtown Melrose. August has arrived and I think that is swell. It’s still summer and hot as Florida usually is. It is a great time for socials at our clubs as we prepare for September and new classes.

One of the clubs I call for, Dixie Dancers in Lake City sponsored a Christmas in July dance. As a result of this fun evening, the Shrine Hospital in Tampa will receive a check from the club and members for \$250. We give a big THANK YOU to the club. Also, in July another club I call for, the Moose Promenaders, hosted traveling caller Dan Nordbye from Arizona. It gave me a chance to dance and socialize with the club. We had so much fun, the next week we had an ice cream social. Square dancing and our clubs and festivals are great ways to interact with each other. Make plans to visit with another club and enjoy the friendship that abounds. And don’t deny this activity to your friends. Invite them to classes this fall. New dancers are our life-blood and only chance to keep our great activity going.

We had such a great time at the Spin the Big Top Fundraiser in Port Orange in May, that chairs Dawn and Charles have added a second one in November in Wildwood. It would be great to see a good turnout from the NE area as we work to support the state convention. November 9, 2024, 4:00 - 8:00 pm at the Wildwood Community Center in Wildwood FL. Come join Susan and Mark, Dave & Michele, Sandy Sturgis and Mary and I for another fun dance and help support the state convention. Oh yeah, have you registered for the state convention in Deltona in January? I hope to see you there.

Most of you have heard that my dad passed away mid-July. He was an amazing man that lived 97 great years. He and my mom danced for a few years and forced me into

the activity. I wonder what I would have done for fun for the last 57 years if they had not. RIP folks and thank you for getting me into the square and round dance world. Callers, it is time to plan to go to the FCA Fall Clinic. This year the clinic is in the Villages again and Kip Garvey is the clinician. The dates are October 17 – 20. There is no cost for the clinic for FCA members. If you are not an FCA member the clinic costs \$50. (Or just join the FCA.) The dance Kip will call on Saturday night is open to all dancers and you will be thoroughly entertained. Comfort Suites at The Villages. It is a very nice facility that is centrally located and includes a nice complimentary breakfast. The Address: 1202 Avenida Central, Lady Lake, FL 32159 To make reservations: 352-259-6578 or 352-205- 7699. The group rate is \$99. Group Name: Florida Callers Association.

It seems that Covid has reared its ugly head and a few of our dancers are battling with it now. Remember to stay home if you feel bad, wash your hands, stay healthy and dance when you can. I look forward to seeing y'all.  
 Bill & Mary Chesnut

## **NEFSARDA's 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday Afternoon Dance Schedule**

NEFSARDA honors recipients of the following three high achievement awards

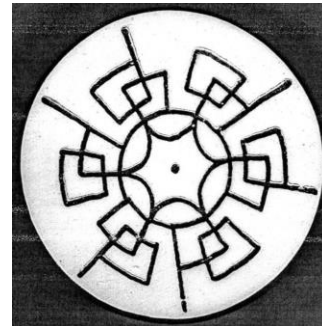
Florida Square & Round Dance Hall of Fame Award



Extra Mile Award



Circle of Service Award



This is your invitation to attend and be recognized at the August 31, 2024 Fifth Saturday Dance as a holder of at least one of the above three elite awards. By all means, wear your badges and bars, come dance or come just to visit. We want to present you to the current dancers and acknowledge you for these achievements. Qualifications to receive these awards were republished in the August 2024 issue of the Grapevine so NEFSARDA members are aware of how special you are.

NEFSARDA 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday Dance  
 Trinity Lutheran Church  
 1415 McDuff Ave S (corner of Park St)  
 Jacksonville, FL 32205  
 August 31, 2024  
 2:00 - 4:?? PM



Stephen F Bigelow M.Ed.,  
NEFSARDA Vice President,  
Editor of The Grapevine  
The Bow and Swing

**To all the New Graduates**

You were given a coupon when you graduated from square dance Lessons for a Free admission to a 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday Dance. Do not forget this coupon and get into this memorable dance for no cost to you



## The Extra Mile Award

### **Purpose of Award:**

To show appreciation to both Caller's and Cuer's who go beyond the norm in giving freely of their time and talents to the square dance activity

### **Criteria For Award:**

Any caller or cuer who is a member of the Florida Callers Association or the Round Dance Council of Florida.

### **Procedure For Nomination:**

- 1) The board of the Florida Federation shall be the selection committee, with current president as chairman of same. New members coming on will replace one going off.
- 2) Any dancer may submit a name of a caller/cuer to the selection committee prior to February 1st of the year in which the nominee is to be selected. The choice should include a brief autobiographical sketch and at least (3) three events at which the caller/cuer has demonstrated his or hers contribution to the square dance activity.
- 3) The selection committee to meet during the February working weekend to review the nominee/nominee's and arrive at a final decision

### **Procedure For Presenting Award/Awards:**

- 1) The award/awards should be presented at the following Florida State Square and Round dance Convention by the current president of the Florida Federation.
- 2) The award/awards presented shall be a framed document and a "Extra Mile Award Recipient" bar or dangle.

### **Extra Mile Award**

1994 – Paul Walker	2010 – Ernie Rollen
2006 - Bill & Mary Chesnut	2016 – Susan Snider
2006 - John & Lisa Wall	2018 - Mark Fetzer
2007 – Charlie Pergrossi	2022 - Rod Barngrover
2008 – Lon Ligon	



## Hall of Fame

Regarding the Hall of Fame elite, 2 of our Florida callers also called in the Carolinas. Caller Jim Cosman was inducted into the South Carolina Hall of Fame in 1989. Caller Paul Walker (now deceased) was inducted into the North Carolina Hall of Fame in 2011.

### Nomination to Dance Hall of Fame in Plant City as established in 1982

Candidate must have been active in the activity (Square or Round) in FL for a minimum of 10 years.

Candidate must have had a significant effect in the entire state

Candidate may be caller, cuer, and/or dancer

Resumé of accomplishments and a photo must accompany nomination.

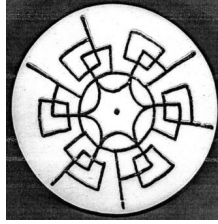
1984 – Ernest & Ruth Bartley

1987 – Chet & Julia Vetter

1996 – **Dave** & Shirley Nihart

2012 – **Jack** & Kathy McKinney

2012 – Charlie & **Val** Newsome



### **CIRCLE OF SERVICE**

This Circle is a symbol of service to square and round dancing. It is designed to be worn with pride by dancers who, for three or more years are determined to have made a significant contribution to the square and round dance movement.

The stellar hub of the circle, formed by a patten of arcs symbolizes the importance of each such individual to the total picture. The same circular shapes flow outward to help define interlocking squares and stylized musical symbols. This linear interplay suggests the strong bond between the two "sister" dance activities, square and round dancing.

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Presentation of the Circles should be made to dancers only, as in "I'm just a dancer." Those presenting the Circle must have themselves been the recipients at an earlier date. We urge the presentation to be made at a suitable gathering.

Those wishing to make a presentation may purchase the Circles from:

CHUCK LEAMON ENTERPRISES  
1827 Sentinel Point Road  
Sebring, FL 33875  
[carolel@digital.net](mailto:carolel@digital.net)

863-655-2448

FAX: 863-655-2661

## HISTORY OF THE CIRCLE OF SERVICE

The **CIRCLE OF SERVICE**, was the brain child of Mori Soglow of Plant City, Florida, during the spring of 1985. Mori, who at that time had been asked to be moderator of a **LEGACY** panel on Awards and Recognition, conferred with Chet Vetter, also of Plant City, Florida, who at time was chairman of **LEGACY'S** leadership and education committee and coordinator of Legacy Panels to the National Convention to be held in June 1985 in Birmingham, Alabama.

The original title of the circle was "Wheel of Progress", but while Kit Waldorf of Pensacola, Florida, who was asked to design the emblem, was completing her artistic enterprise. The title was changed to the "Circle of Service. The new title, together with Kit Waldorf's original design was more than acceptable and ready for presentation by Legacy in June 1985.

This award for **DANCERS ONLY** was introduced to the panel on awards and recognition conducted by Legacy at the 34<sup>th</sup>. National Convention held in Birmingham, Alabama in June 1985. The "Circle of Service" presentation was acted upon with favor, being made part of the Square & Round Dancing activities by the committee.

Those initially receiving this honor at the Panel meeting were; Brock and Mary Brockwell, vice chairman of panels at B'ham, Bob & Dottie Elgin, chairman of Legacy from Pennsylvania. The following day at the Legacy Board meeting, Dan & Mary Martin of Georgia, Ernie & Barbara Stone of Indiana, Bill & Colleen Wilton of Wisconsin, Gordon Goss & Partner Valarie of Mississippi, Vivian McCannon of Texas, and Vera Chestnut of Wisconsin were all presented the "Circle of Service"

The citation accompanying the presentation reads: This circle is a symbol of service to Square & Round Dancing. It is designed to be worn with **PRIDE** by dancers who, for three or more years, are determined to have made a significant contribution to the Square & Round Dance movement.

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Circle of Service Awards to NEFSARDA members

\* Means Deceased

		Frank* & Frances* Smith	1985
		Virgil* & Elsie* Green	1986
		George* & Nancy* Wolfert	1989
Aaron* & Erma* Fry	1985	Don* & Bonnye Bell	1991
Glen & Cookie Cowart	1985	Wayne & Annette Conk	1991
Dave & Shirley* Nihart	1985	Hollis* & Mary* Fowler	1991
		Al* & Virginia* Cook	1992



Lou* & Dottie* Vogel	1992	Manny & Sherry* Gonzales	2003
Danny* & Billie* Danson	1993	Dick & Jean* Lee	2003
John* & Freda* Seebacher	1993	John & Mary Burzo	2004
Dee Dee & Bessie Stovall	1993	John* & Mary Ann Lawrence	2005
Gene & Wanda Tanner	1993	Bob* & Jane* Raymond	2005
Norm* & Joyce* Farrell	1993	Virginia Bomhold	2006
	or 1994	John Grieder	2006
Charlie* & Val Newsome	1994	Joe* & Martha* Hardcastle	2007
Ed* & Helen* Williams	1994	Joe* & Pat Seelhofer	2007
Grover* & Marcella* Jacobsen	1995	Ed & Hazel* Hauck	2007
Fred* & Charlean* Brinson	1996	Frank* & Barbara Meyer	2008
Jack & Kathy* McKinney	1997	Sam & Mary* Starling	2009
Walt* & Betty Smith	1997	Jerry & Donna Robey	2010
Chuck & Linda Riggs Approx.	1998	Tom* Tramel	2010
		Ouida Taylor	2010
Phyllis* Cody	1999	Bob* & Voncelle Hunnicutt	2011
Howard & Jettie* Crowe	2000	Paul & Marilyn Scott	2013
Bud* & Anita Taylor	2000	Linda Tester	2014
Dale & Gerry* Frederickson	2001	Wayne & Debbie Miller	2015
Harvey* & Marylou* Morton	2001	Susie Moon	2016
Lorvale "Smitty" * Smith	2001	Tom & Pat Herscha	2018
Shirley White*	2001	Patrick & Joan Amarino	2019
Tom* Thornton (posthumously)		Bob & Barbara Rosenthal	2019
& Kim Keffer	2002	Erik & Robin Burton	2020
Jack* & Phyllis Herpy	2002	Sherry Boatman-Burris	2020
Luther & Debbie Delp	2003		

## Cares and Concerns

We have several dancers in our community who are not well. Their situations are sometimes temporary and sometimes serious. We ask that you keep these dancers in your thoughts and prayers, plus we hope for speedy recoveries for all. Please notify us about all dancers who should be on this list by contacting us on [squaredancejax@gmail.com](mailto:squaredancejax@gmail.com) Or [grapevine@sfbigelow.com](mailto:grapevine@sfbigelow.com)

John Allen – Moose Promenaders

Ralph Beekman – Dixie Dancers

Victor Figueroa - Grand Squares

Rick Lord – Dixie Dancers/Salty Bobbers

Ken Shacter – Rollaways

The Dion Family - Moose Promenaders



### Applean Brown

Applean Marion Reynolds Brown, 93, of Starke, passed away on Monday, July 1, 2024, at Diamond Assisted Living in Green Cove Springs. She was born in Moniac, Georgia on Nov. 10, 1930. After Millard returned from deployment in the Pacific in 1946, he returned to Baker County High School to complete his degree. There he met and was swept off of his feet by Applean. They were married before they graduated together in 1948. After high school graduation, they were off to Gainesville for Millard to attend the University of Florida and then to Jacksonville, where Millard taught and later served as Dean of Students at Ribault High School. In Jacksonville, Applean had her children Terry and twins Tina and Gina. In 1968, the family moved to Starke, where Millard served as an administrator at the Bradford-Union vocational school. Applean was a devoted housewife and mother, but also worked at a number of different jobs in retail

and at the practice of local dentist, J. E. Denmark. Her devotion and care for her mother in her last years, and for Gina when she was very ill, set the loving example she was admired for among her friends and family. Applean was known as “Nana” to all the children and grandchildren. She loved her family and her Thanksgiving dinners, especially her cornbread dressing and pound cake, that were enjoyed by all. Her home was always immaculate, and she always had freshly made treats for any visitor who happened to be lucky enough to enter her home. She was devoted to her husband, Millard, for 71 years, and cared for him under difficult circumstances in his later years as his health declined while she was well into her 80s. She was a soft-spoken woman, always loving and kind. A recurring theme among those who knew her was that they could not remember a cross word to have ever come out of her in all of the years that they knew her. She was gifted in the ability to understand and influence people so that they would be more Christ- like in their actions. She always took special care of herself and her appearance. She rolled her hair every night before bed, and even in her later years, she was known in the assisted living home as always looking “perfect” and being the only patient to never complain about a thing. After retirement, she and Millard loved family cruising and travel in general. They were able to visit all of the continents of the world, except for Africa, during their “go” years. She also very much enjoyed ensuring her family was able to travel with her. She and Millard were also avid square dancers and often traveled and performed in conventions, one as far away as England! She and Millard raised a family of faith and were devoted members of St. Mark’s Episcopal Church in Starke. They loved their church and their church family. She was preceded in death by her loving husband of 71 years, Millard Brown; and her loving daughter, Gina Brown Frazee.

She leaves behind a son, Terence (Janis) Brown of Daytona Beach Shores; daughter, Tina (Bill) Brown McRae of Kingsley Lake; and seven grandchildren, Christina (Chris) Brown-Wujick of Tampa, Terence (Cassy) Brown Jr. of Orlando, Andrew McRae of Nashville, Michael (Heather) McRae of Columbia, South Carolina, Colton (Brooke) Frazee of St. Augustine, Morgann Frazee of St. Petersburg, and Christopher Brown of Starke. She also leaves behind five great-grandchildren, Kimberly McRae, Brianna and William Wujick, Sophia Brown, and Brighton Frazee; as well as many wonderful and loving cousins, nieces and nephews. This tribute was prepared by the family of Ms. Applean Marion Reynolds Brown.

A memorial service was held at St. Mark’s Episcopal Church in Starke on Saturday, July 6, 2024. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Gina’s Blessings Mission Project at [GinasBlessings.org](http://GinasBlessings.org) (contact Bill McRae at 904-769-2738 or St. Mark’s Episcopal Church of Starke, 212 N. Church St., Starke, 904-964-6126.

Arrangements were under the care and direction of V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services and Archie Tanner Memorial Chapel, Starke. 904-964-5757.

Visit [www.ferreirafuneralservices.com](http://www.ferreirafuneralservices.com) to sign the family’s guest book.

Millard and Applean served:  
2002 – Silver Fox Squares Vice  
President

1994-1997 – Silver Fox Squares Vice  
President  
1992 – Plus Fox Squares President  
1990 – Plus Fox Secretary

1989 - NEFSARDA By-Laws Committee  
(Millard)

1988 – Silver Fox Squares Treasurer  
(Millard)

1988 – Silver Stars President

They were members of:

Mixed Nuts/BAD Dancers

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Silver Stars



William T Chesnut Jr

"Mr. William T. Chesnut, Jr. age 97 of Gainesville passed away at his daughter's home in Green Cove Springs, Monday, July 15, 2024. He was born March 18, 1927, in Miami to William and Grace (Wakefield) Chesnut and served in the United States Navy during World War II. Mr. Chesnut founded Central Florida Office Supply and thoroughly enjoyed making it grow and contributing to the community of Gainesville where he respected his employees and customers. Mr. Chesnut was a longtime member of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Gainesville, Trinity Episcopal in Melrose, Eastside Garden Club, and Gainesville High School "Has Beens". He felt Gainesville to be an outstanding city and tried to contribute to it by serving on the Boards of The Salvation Army (25 Years), Morningside Park, Chamber of Commerce, was president of PTA, and Scout Master for Boy Scout Troop #83 for 13 years. Mr. Chesnut enjoyed life and loved his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by his first wife: Bonnie, and second wife Gwynneth, and Sister Muriel Bryan. Left behind to cherish his memory is his wife Joyce (Newell) Chesnut and his children Helen Maxfield Williams (Chris) of Green Cove Springs, James Chesnut (Pat) of South Daytona, and "W.T." Chesnut (Mary) of Melrose, along with his brother Wesley Chesnut of Chattanooga, TN. He was lovingly called "Granddaddy or Grandpa" by grandchildren Christy, James, Rebecca, Sarah, Will, Amanda, Raymond, 7 great grandchildren and 2 great, great grands. The family will receive friends beginning at 10:00 a.m., Friday, July 19, 2024, in the Milam Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral services will begin at 11:00 a.m. with Father Tony Powell presiding. Interment will be private at Evergreen Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorial donations can be made to one of the following, Salvation Army, The Shriner's Hospital, or Trinity Episcopal Church in

Melrose. Arrangements are under the care of Milam Funeral Home, Inc., 311 S. Main St. Gainesville, FL 32601."

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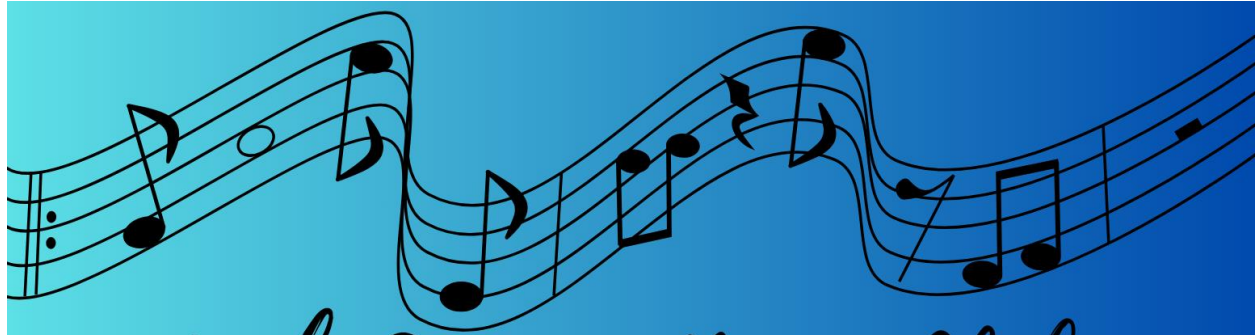
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2:00 - 4:30 Square Dancing  
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[grapevine@sfbigelow.com](mailto:grapevine@sfbigelow.com)  
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## **Monday Clubs**

### Mixed Nuts

Mixed Nuts Advanced Square Dance Club, Dancing Monday afternoons 4 – 6 pm  
Grace Presbyterian Church, 3146 N W 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Gainesville, FL  
Caller Bill Chesnut 352-256-8628

### Joy Seas

7 to 9 PM. St Augustine South Club house in St Augustine FL 32086  
Call before you go to verify they are dancing Call Mary Burzo 904 501-1817. See our current article for updates.  
Mike Akers Caller

## **Tuesday Clubs**

### Rollaways

7:00 – 9:00 PM at Sandalwood High School 2750 John Prom Boulevard, Jacksonville  
Caller Mark Fetzer  
Cuer Susan Snider  
President Emily Jones  
Banner Chairman Virginia Bomhold (904) 521-2754

### Seabreeze Singles

Dance Review 7:00 to 7:30 PM, Club Dance 7:30 to 9:30 PM at Frances Padgett  
Arlington Senior Center, 1078 Rogero Road, Jacksonville.  
Caller Mike Akers  
President Pamela Newman (904) 516-7115  
Banner Chairman Vickie BeLue (904) 707-8188

### Salty Bobbers

7:00 - 9:00 PM at Community Center, 612 SW 812th Street, Steinhatchee.  
Caller Charlie Pergrossi  
Club Contact Jeanette Geer (352) 507-9425  
Banner Chairman Doug Moore (512) 605-7773



### Dixie Dancers

7:00 - 9:30 PM at Teen Town, 533 NW DeSoto Street, Gainesville.

Caller Bill Chesnut

President and Banner Chairman Bob and Barbara Rosenthal (386) 466-2984

### Grand Squares

6:30 to 8:30 PM at Meizon Church, 3411 NW 83rd Street, Gainesville, FL

Callers Lon Ligon

Club Contact Robin Frazer (352) 317-1636

## **Wednesday Clubs**

Clover Squares - 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month from 3-5 at the First United Methodist Church in Chiefland, 707 North Main Street, Chiefland, FL

Caller Jim Duncan

Club Contact Gerry Jesk (352) 949-4446

## **Thursday Club**

### Coastal Georgia Squares

7:00 to 9:00 Christian Life Center behind College Place UMC, 3890 Altama Ave, Brunswick, GA. If you're planning to attend the dance from out of town, **please contact me prior to the dance** in case there is a conflict with a church activity.

Don Heins – (912) 269-7909. [donheins@MSN.com](mailto:donheins@MSN.com)

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### Moose Promenaders

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President Wayne and Debbie Miller

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