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NEFSARDA News

**Next NEFSARDA meeting will be July 13, 2025, at
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From the Grapevine Editor



This issue of the Grapevine is late again. This stamina thing is for the birds. Last time I broke a bone I was up and around after 4 weeks. Given that was when I was seven years old. Red Hair, About four feet tall and boundless energy. What happened?

I am getting everything going again. I ask your patience. This issue I have done for three months. Depending on my stamina you will have back-to-back issues. Thank you for your cards and prayers.

The July issue deadline is June 22, 2025

God Bless You All

Stephen F. Bigelow

Dance Club News

The Moose Promenaders – Jacksonville – Caller Bill Chesnut



Mark your calendars - July 24

THERE'S TO BE A DANGLE DANCE!

Moose Promenaders is hosting a **dangle dance** on Thursday, July 24, 2025, all square dancers. It's our annual Pink Cadillac Dance but with a little extra. Dress style is the 1950s style - poodle skirts, jeans and tee shirts, greased back hair, bouffant flips. The songs will be from the 1950s cued by the lovely and talented Susan Snider and sung by our wonderful caller, Bill Chesnut (newly inducted into the Florida Square and Round Dance Hall of Fame with his taw Mary).

There haven't been many (if any) dangle dances in several years, so the Moose Promenaders is going to revive an old custom. Dangles are 1" diameter discs that should be worn "dangling" from your name badge, usually on a "Fun Bar". This new dangle, the Pink Cadillac dangle, will be given to each dancer who comes to the dance. Hope to see lots of dancers there. Moose Promenaders will be hosting a charity dance on July 10. All donations will go to Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children. It will be called "**Christmas in July - Touch a quarter, touch a heart**". We hope to raise some funds for this worthy charity and enjoy dressing in red and green. Decorating your table will be appreciated.

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

Advanced Dancing 6:15 to 7:00
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

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Hanna Watts

Upcoming Dances

July 10, Christmas in July
July 17 Intl Caller Dan Norbye
July 24 Pink Cadillac
Aug 14 Amateur Caller/ Cuer
Night
Aug 21 Pirate Dance

In the past we lined up LOTS of quarters, but any donations will be accepted. (Paper money weighs less for transporting.)

109 dancers attended the surprise party for **Chuck and Mary Giera's 50th Wedding Anniversary** which was on May 23, but celebrated a day early on May 22, 2025. The dance was billed as a red, white and blue dance commemorating Memorial Day. Lesly and Bruce Pampel were there from Abilene, TX. Members from Dixie Dancers, Rollaways and of course, the Moose Promenaders (host club) filled the hall. **Susan Snider** cued many romantic round dances. The square dances were called by **Bill Chesnut** and guest callers **Mark Fetzer** and **Emily Jones**! Thank you to all who made it such a special evening, especially **Mary Chesnut** who is the glue that holds the Moose Promenaders together and the oil that keeps everything running smoothly.







It was great dancing with the Rollaways!
Our great caller Bill Chesnut joined by Rollaways caller Mark Fetzner. And rounds cuer Susan Snider



More of the march 20th Dance





Above; Rounds in progress

**Congradulations to the New Graduates at the Moose Promanders
Jill & Adam Cantrell & Chuck Bitter**



35th Anniversary Dance

We had a terrific anniversary dance. Here's to 35 wonderful years... and to at least 30 more! Bill started out the evening early with advanced lessons, and Susan even worked-in some early rounds. We are so fortunate to have a caller and a cuer who are so dedicated and amazing!



Happy Squares! Above!
Check out our Club Colors Blue and White

Coastal Georgia Squares - Brunswick, GA - Caller Don Heins

Greetings from Brunswick, Ga. The Coastal Georgia Squares dance most Thursday nights from 7:00-9:00 at College Place Methodist Church. Come around to the back of the church. We are a small square and line dancing group and enjoy visitors.

We have a new seven-member class that began with our open house on Jan. 30. They're doing great. A few weeks ago, we were unable to dance as the floor in the room where we dance was being cleaned. As a result, we had a group night at a local Mexican restaurant and enjoyed tasty food and fellowship. Twenty-one attended.

As I mentioned earlier, we welcome visitors and ask that you contact our caller, Don Heins, prior to your visit to ensure that we are dancing.

Thanks.

Don Heins

donheins@msn.com

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Grand Squares – Gainesville, FL – **Caller Bill Cassidy**

The Grand Squares dances every Tuesday night to caller Bill Cassidy at Meizon Church at 3411 NW 83rd Street in Gainesville. Entrance to fellowship hall is around back. Caller Bill Cassidy is currently teaching a mainstream class as well as plus. Contact Robin at robin.frazer@yahoo.com for more information.

In March we celebrated St. Patrick's Day with a photo booth, live Irish music, an Irish jig demonstration (with group participation), Irish Blessings and some Irish Trivia. Two raffle prizes and plenty of good food made it a perfect dance!













News from May 2025

The Grand Squares dances every Tuesday night from 6:30-8:30 at Meizon Church, 3411 NW 83rd Street, Gainesville 32606 - entrance to the dance hall is around back. Bill Cassidy is our caller and teaches multiple levels of dance - we have some newbies who are still at the beginning stages, but they get better and better every week and bring a lot of enthusiasm to our club! Then, we have some established class members who have learned many of the basic and mainstream calls and are starting to dance more and more in the regular club tips. Finally, Bill teaches and reviews plus calls with our regular club dancers. We have such a beautiful balance of dancers - and Bill does a great job making sure every level of dance gets equal time, ensuring everyone participates fully throughout the evening.

You can contact Robin Frazer for more information at robin.frazer@yahoo.com











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brand-new dancers, a couple pretty far along in classes, and a club that is currently learning Plus. Bill has to be pretty versatile with this club!!

Contact Robin Frazer at robin.frazer@yahoo.com for information.



Wendy trying to get Lon Ligon to behave. Good luck Wendy!



Kathryn was helping put our decorations away and couldn't help but strike a pose!



We celebrated Earth Day with fresh fruits and veggies, courtesy of our Mother Earth!



And what would we do without Deborah, keeping Bill looking sharp!



Dixie Dancers - Lake City, FL - Caller Bill Chesnut

Dixie Dancers May 2025

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.

The Dixie Dancers have been partying bunch this past month. Dancing on Tuesday night's, we were able to hold our Mardi Gras dance on Phat Tuesday. The gold, purple and green came out in full fashion, complete with the snacks to go along with the theme. I don't know who came up with the baby from the King Cake. We also had a great time with our St. Patrick's dance. Green was the color of the night, as we all became Irish for the evening. Now some of the club members are looking forward to making the trek over to Jacksonville for the 5th Saturday dance with Bill, Mark Fetzner and Susan Snider calling and cueing.

We have been getting some regular visits from Frank Plunkett and his bride, Donna. Frank is working hard on his calling and is coming along nicely. They are working on getting a new club going in Gainesville on Sunday nights. More details to follow.

During the summer, we are planning to review and workshop the mainstream and plus calls. Come join us if you need a brush up or if you just want to come have a good time with your neighbors to the west.

Hopefully, all of our dance cancellations are done, so come out to Lake City and dance with us almost any Tuesday evening, starting time is 7 PM. 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. We dance at Teen Town. It is located at 533 W. Desoto Street, Lake City.

We look forward to welcoming you at the Dixie Dancers.

Dixie Dancers June 2025

Dixie Dancers in Lake City

The Dixie Dancers continue dancing on Tuesday nights at Teen Town in Lake City. We have a great time introducing dancing to new people, as well as keeping our long time dancers moving along. We have welcomed a few guests over the last few weeks and they seem to be really interested. We will be missing a few Tuesday nights in June and July due to all the folks who are traveling the country and attending the national convention and International Camporee.

The Dixie Dancers were well represented at the recent 5th Saturday night and were very pleased that the High Springs club won a NEFSARDA banner for their attendance.

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Clover Squares – Chiefland, FL - Caller Jim Duncan

We meet every 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays from 2 to 4 at the Chiefland Methodist Church (Fellowship Hall) in Chiefland

And our Caller is Jim Duncan. Scoop Jesk

Clover Squares met this week and had an Easter Dance and we have pics of two who wore their special hats Katherine and Greg.

We also have a Club picture as we had most everyone there. We always have some who go up north in the summer months. We

Hope to have some youth join us during the summer school break to learn the art of Square Dancing . Our Caller is Jim Duncan

And we do the Main Stream and learning some Plus level of dance

Clover Squares April, 2025



Katherine and Greg in their Easter Bonnets

Clover May 2025

Clover Squares celebrated St Patty's Day with the return of several members who were out due to accidents and some for surgeries. It was more like a homecoming; we had two squares on the floor and one sitting out. We even have our youth with us as they were on spring break. We all wore our Greens And had lots of foods , cakes, cookies , sand witches, chips and dips , small hot dogs, and some punch a feast for sure. Three Clover Leaf Plants were given out as prizes.. We look forward to our next dance on March 26th. We dance the First, Third and Fifth Wednesdays, at the Methodist Church in Chiefland from 2 to 4.

A Good time was had by ALL. Scoop Jesk



Clover June 2025

We are doing well through the summer. We had Bill Cassidy fill in for us recently as Jim and Sandra Duncan are on a trip to Portugal & Spain. Can't wait to hear about their adventures. Katherine & Greg plus Diane have been doing a great job in keeping things running smoothly. We are always looking for more dancers, we dance early in the day throughout the year making travel easier. We are missing a few due to the summer, vacations and others who go back up north. We look forward to their return. We meet **EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAYS**, starting First Wed., Third Wed. and Fifth Wed. if there is one in a month from 2 to 4 pm at the Chiefland Methodist Church in the Fellowship Hall. Scoop Jesk



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

High Springs Dance Club is conveniently located halfway between Gainesville and Lake City. We dance at the Civic Center off Highway 441 near Winn Dixie. The dance is every Thursday night from 6:30 to 9 pm with the setup starting at 6:00 pm with the first half hour dedicated to round dance lessons. The address is 19107 NW 240th Street, High Springs, FL. Contact Deborah Cassidy 352-262-0760. Or Becky Thompson (386-216-6976)

High Springs May 2025

There are two holidays in March: Mardi Gras and St. Patrick's Day. We coordinated with our sister club, the Grand Squares in Gainesville, and celebrated Mardi Gras at the High Springs club and St. Patrick's Day at Grand Squares. Many of our dancers go to both clubs. The Party Gras dance was well planned by our special events coordinator, Katherine Rothgeb. We had lots of decorations and Mardi Gras costumes. As usual, the snack table was overloaded! Best of all, we had games with prizes and a 50/50 drawing with an excited winner.

We relentlessly market the High Springs Square dance club. Our most productive advertising tool is our Facebook group. Postings to our group are often shared by local townships and posted to their "What's Happening" Facebook pages. Through this and other marketing, we occasionally get people walking in the door with no square dance experience. Our policy is to dedicate one absolute beginner tip to them. At best, maybe 10% return, and they gain more experience each week. It can be a slow process, but we have added dedicated members to the group this way. In this environment, you don't want to miss any opportunity to get a new dancer into your club. Our Facebook group has continued to grow and now has 181 members.

We dance at 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.

Contact Deborah Cassidy (352-262-0760)

Becky Thompson (386-216-6976)











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

The High Springs Dance Club has a special party event almost every month. Our club's social director, Katherine Rothgeb, works with the group to come up with a great theme each month. We all pitch in to make it happen.

In May, the special dance was "High Springs Derby – Run for the Lantana." The Derby Night was successful and especially fun. All the girls got a chance to wear many kinds of fancy hats. One of our dancers, Trudy, came dressed as a jockey. It was the best outfit of the evening. Linda Prather composed a clever piece from the perspective of a trackside reporter. Using a microphone, she read to the group with all the excitement and drama of a horse race. That girl has talent. The snack table was as full as it's ever been, and there were lots of prizes and games. Our primary activity, of course, is dancing with squares and rounds alternating. Some evenings we will have a line dance. There was never a call to square up; instead,

each time that a square dance tip was to begin, a recording of the post time bugles was played. It was a fantastic evening.

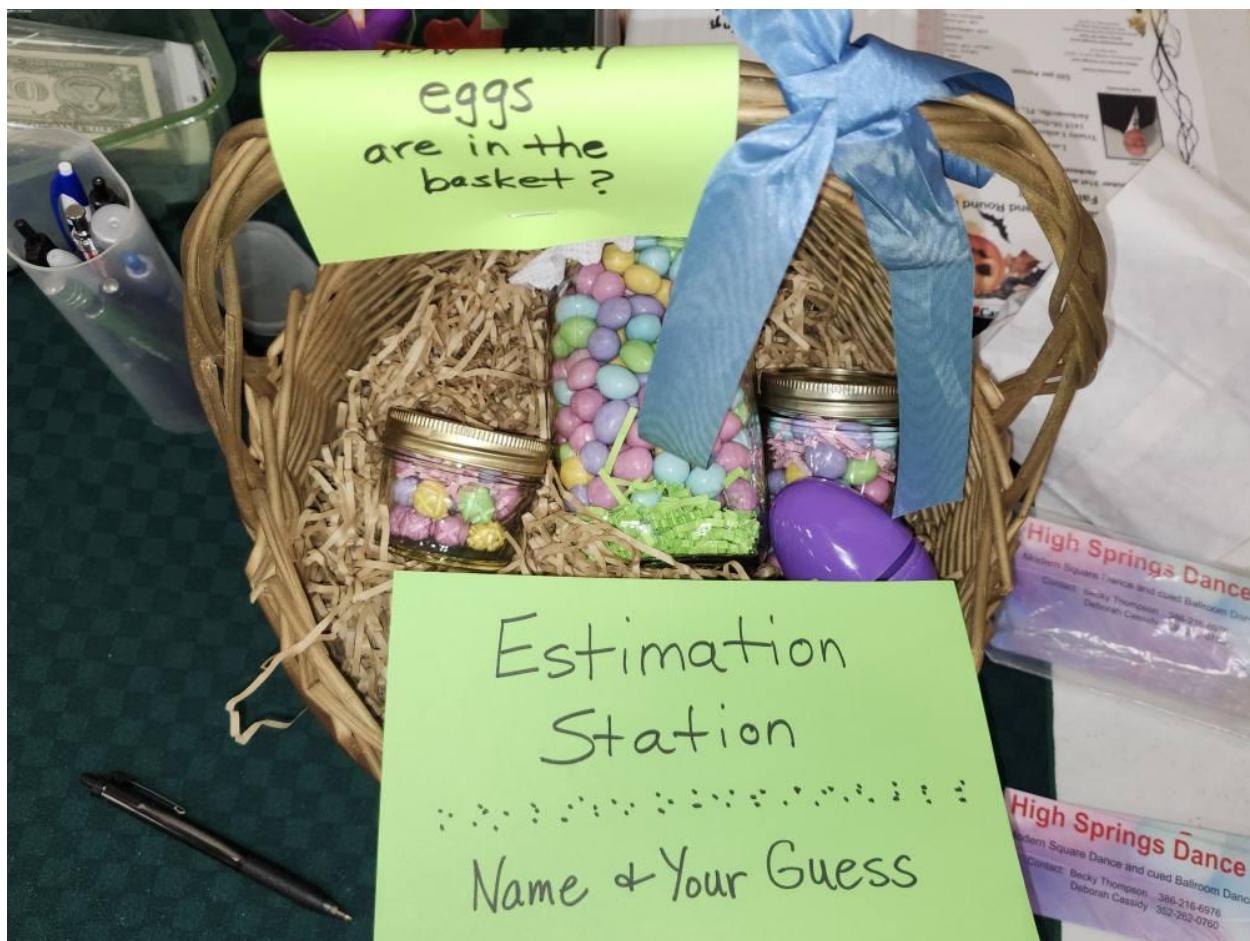












Seabreeze Singles Jacksonville FL - Caller Mike Akers

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



Indeed, March was a very lucky month for the Seabreeze Club. We began the month by joining the Rollaways for their touted Chili Cook-Off. Ten members and four club representatives enjoyed an evening of tasting and judging chili entries as well as square dancing in between bites.

The following week we savored apple treats as we learned the true history of John Chapman better known as Johnny Appleseed. Everyone enjoyed dancing a tip to Mike's "Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree."

Our St. Patrick's Day Dance was pure gold. We were blessed with a surprise visit from our past president, Jane Johnson, who was visiting Jacksonville. The lively Irish themed tips contributed to what anyone Irish would describe as truly craic.





We ended the month with a “Hoop”-La when we celebrated March Madness by donning our favorite team’s attire and colors. No rivalries, just fun!

Some Demonstrating Team Spirit



The whole group demonstrated Seabreeze Spirit!



No foolin', April will bring lots of dancing accompanied by entertaining themes.

April 1 April Fool's Day Dance No telling what hijinks will occur.

April 8 Recognizing National Coffee Cake Day We always have coffee, now we're adding the sidekick.

April 15 Tax Day Dance We promise there will be nothing taxing about this dance.

April 22 Celebrating Earth Day Reuse, Repurpose, Recycle

April 29 Blooming Good Time

Join us, fun is awaiting!

Should you have any questions or would appreciate more information about the Seabreeze Square Dance Club, please contact Pam at: gabbygirl.pam@gmail.com





The Seabreeze Club certainly enjoyed the month of April as we were able to “spring” into much square dance fun.

Although, our first dance of the month was scheduled on April Fool’s Day, there were no tricks. We just had the treat of a fun square dance.

Our signature dance of the month was our Earth Day celebration where we exemplified the themes of recycle, reuse, and repurpose. Once again, our Seabreeze dancers heartily participated in donating items that they no longer utilized. Then, our dancers provided new homes for them. Any items not selected, were donated to the Arlington Senior Center for the benefit of those members.

New Treasures



Our Recyclers



Join us, fun is awaiting!

Should you have any questions or would appreciate more information about the Seabreeze Square Dance Club, please contact Pam at: gabbygirl_pam@gmail.com



Before we turn the page to June, let's take a quick look back at some of our highlights from May.

We began the month with a triple celebration of Cinco De Mayo, Mother's Day, and mainly featured caller Mike's birthday.





The next special event was a surprise visit from special caller Don Heins and his lovely wife Donna. It was fun having them dance the night away with us.

Our members Linda and Ron are also from Brunswick, so the city was well represented.





We ended the month with a Memorial Day Patriotic Dance coupled with a Dragon Boat Festival theme. Our member Cindy taught us the significance of the event and made delicious rice dumplings, one of the traditional foods. Ron and Linda celebrated with specially designed Dragon Boat shirts.



Now we'll look ahead to our June themes.

June 3 Don't Miss the Boat (Load It!)
June 10 Honoring Fathers
June 17 Celebrating National Apple Strudel Day
June 24 Good Ole Summertime

Join us, fun is awaiting!

Should you have any questions or would appreciate more information about the Seabreeze Square Dance Club, please contact Pam at: gabbygirl_pam@gmail.com



Mixed Nuts Gainesville FL - Caller Bill Chesnut

Mixed Nuts Advanced square dance club meets on Mondays at Grace Presbyterian Church in Gainesville 13 St. & 32 Ave. **from 4-6 pm (note new time change until listed otherwise).** We try to do "A" Dancing so come on out and join us in the fun and exercise both mentally & physically.

- Scoop Jesk



Left to Right: Mary & Bill Chesnut our Caller and taw, Barbara and Bob behind her, Cheryl, Alicia & George, and on the end is Mark holding the flowers. His wife Susan was the photographer, also a round dance cuer. (Take note of the beautiful Easter Bonnets they are wearing)

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) 507-9424
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 709 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

You had to be there or be square- last weekend was a blast!

Let us talk about luck. Barbara R won the Friday night half and half- yay, and then Marilyn S, who won at her home club Moose Promenaders on Thursday night, won again on Saturday night! Maybe if we rub on her shoulder or something it will work for someone else- like rubbing a Budda belly for good luck.

After our traditional brown bag dinner Friday night- at which several conscientious eaters had salads- (you know who I am talking about Steve and Carol C), we proceeded to have a not so typical Friday night dance- because of visitors we had not only a large audience, but five squares much of the evening! Bill called one of my favorites King of the Road, which surprised some of our newer dancers with its changing tempo. Laura from the campground joined us so we had 4 Lauras most of the evening. Audrey and Bruce, the honeymooners returned to us- congrats! Gail and Gary L paid us a visit. Susan, as always cued some wonderful dances including Uptown Girl, and I don't think I have ever mentioned how pretty it is when she plays Tumbleweed. Those of us not too tired enjoyed an after party in the club house.

Saturday morning residents of the campground served a delicious breakfast, tempting even those of us who normally don't indulge- many thanks! A small group of us played cards-(Bob, Martha, Laura R and Wendy) and then Marilyn and Ron led a group of us

who are planning a transatlantic cruise leaving in just two weeks. Lolly and Allan were perhaps the most creative, Marilyn providing the materials and she and Ron providing the technology.

Bill and Susan both led workshops that afternoon- I am sorry that I can't dance in the afternoon and again in the evening because my knee won't take it- so of course Bill and Susan both taught things to be danced later in the evening, and let's just say that for some of us the results weren't pretty for those of us who missed the workshops.

It always pleases me to see the variety of excellent food served at our covered dish dinners. Mary C and I both made meatballs (next time I will check with her). Jill prepared a wonderful pineapple and cheese dish. Can someone tell me who made what I learned to call the red neck caviar (beans, tomatoes, chopped veggies etc)- it was yum. Everything was terrific, let's not forget the desserts!

Ed and Evelyn visited us on Saturday night- you guys are always appreciated. The music flowed, the friendships flourished, many wearing the green to celebrate St Patrick's Day which was Monday. Following the dance, some of us went to the campfire sponsored by Ron and Allan- so peaceful and to me hypnotic.

Dennis and I want to give a big shoutout to Tom, Marshall, and Adam who did plastic surgery on our camper which was missing some panels- you guys' rock!
Thank you, Mary C who keeps us, organized, Bill and Susan who lead our dancing, and everyone who attended.

Do not forget our April campout which will be at Stephen Foster State Park.

Keep our ill members in your thoughts and prayers- especially Carolyn S.

Thank you for being friends!

Laura R

May 2025 Campout at Stephen Foster

Wow! What a wonderful time we had at the April camp-out at Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park. Just over 5 squares on Friday and 6 on Saturday. We had a bonfire of both nites (Thanks Ron & Linda). There was a great showing for the brown bag dinner on Friday evening, followed by early rounds and then squares. Saturday, some of us played cards in the AM, some took a bike ride with Bob & Mark, some toured the grounds and the Museum. Susan had a round dance workshop early afternoon and Bill followed with a squares workshop. The covered dish dinner was a feast, if you left hungry it was your own fault. Susan delighted us with rounds and Bill, Mark, Frank & Bill kept the squares moving. Lucky 50/50 winners were the Dick's on Friday Nite, and the Rosenthal's on Saturday eve. We were excited to have visitors from

Mary for Laura

(Subject to change – Please verify – Revised 11/24/24)
(All Rally Rates Subject to Change Due to Inflation)

- Dec 5-6**

Mary Chesnut

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You can also dance to Bill on Tuesday nights, with the Dixie Dancers in Lake City or
Thursday nights with Moose Promenaders in Jacksonville.

Road Runners Camping Club

Florida RoadRunner Square & Round Dance Club
Hello to all our Square & Round Dance Friends.

The Florida RoadRunners are camping and dancing, May 8 through the 10th at the beautiful Bonnet Lake Campground in Avon Park, FL. If you are a square or round dancer living nearby, we invite you to come out for our evening dances on both Friday, May 9 and Saturday, May 10. Our Friday evening dance is always casual. We have a Potluck Dinner on Saturday evening at 4:00 PM, you are invited to join us. (Bring a dish to share and your own place setting) Both our Friday and Saturday dances begin at 6:30 with Early Rounds and 7:00 PM to 9:00 Squares w/ alternating Rounds. We appreciate dancing attire on Saturday evenings. Of course, if you happen to be a camper, please spend the weekend with us. Just call the campground to make your reservation and then let us know you are coming. We get great Rally Rates on the camping fees and love meeting new campers/dancers.



If you have not experienced a weekend of camping and dancing with good friends, you are missing lots of fun. We invite you to try it, and spend the weekend with us, even if you are not a camper. Just stay at a nearby motel and spend a weekend with us or one of Florida's 3 great Florida camping clubs. There is no campground fee to drive in.

Visit fansdc.net (Florida Association of the National Square Dance Campers) for locations and dates for all 3 of the Florida camping clubs.

John & Dolly Ide

Presidents, Florida RoadRunners Square & Round Dance Club

For more details, call John & Dolly Ide (352-208-5980 or 352-598-7162).

john.d.ide@hotmail.com dloutz9504@outlook.com

Rollaways Jacksonville, FL -

Caller Mark Fetzer; Cuer Susan Snider

The Rollaways had a wonderful March. Thank you to everyone that came to our Chili Cook-Off. Having all the visitors is what makes it so much fun. Our new dancers are doing great. We were dark on the 18th due to Sandalwood's Spring break. We have had several Rollaways that have had health scares. Most are on the mend. Sawyer spent his Spring Break in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania having surgery on his small intestine. He

is traveling home as I write this. Joan Amarino and Dianne Syphard are also recovering from surgery. Carolyn Shacter is back home recovering from a stay in the hospital with the flu and other issues they are still trying to have explained to them. We have a busy April. Starting with an Easter dance planned on the 15th, so get working on your Easter Bonnet for our Easter Bonnet competition. We will celebrate our 37th Anniversary on April 22nd. Then we will have our Red Solo Cup dance on April 29th. You are always welcome at the Rollaways. We dance on Tuesday evening at 8:00 p.m. in the cafeteria at Sandalwood High School, 2750 John Prom Blvd, Jacksonville, FL 32246. We park in the parking lot #2.
Mark Fetzer



Lots of Fun was had by all Dancing to the calling of Mark



Mary Dean Winner of the Chili Cookoff



Grill cheese by Mary Ann and Linda



16 bowls of chili to choose from.



Moose Promanders Retrieving their Banner

Outreach to the Community

Mary Ellen Ludeking called a square dance at the Riverside YMCA in Jacksonville on March 27, 2025. The theme of the Spring Fling square dance was "Swing your feet to a healthy beat". Mary Ellen & Bill are grateful to the Moose Promenaders – Jim Moss and Steve & Cathy Grant for participating in the square dance as angels and for all of their help. (See picture below.) The purpose of the dance was to introduce folks to square dancing. The participants enjoyed the dance and especially liked dancing to "When the Saints Go Marching In" and dancing with an attitude to the call "Single File Promenade".



Fall Festival 2025



**71st
Northeast Florida Square and Round Dance
Fall Festival!**

**October 31st and November 1st, 2025
Jacksonville, Florida**

Caller



Ted Kennedy

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

Cuers



Earle & Carol Collins

\$20 per Person

Recommended Hotels

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

Recommended Campground
Sunny Oaks RV Park
www.sunnyoaksrvparkjacksonville.com
8654 & 8406 New Kings Rd
Jacksonville, FL 32219

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
7:00 p.m. Early Rounds
7:30 Squares with Rounds

Contact Susan Snider for information: (904) 908-5184

Camping for the Fall Festival

Northeast Florida Square and Round Dance 70th Fall Festival!

**October 31st and November 1st, 2025
Jacksonville, Florida**



CONVENIENTLY LOCATED

8654 & 8406 New Kings Rd
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Ramblings from beautiful downtown Melrose May 2025– **by Bill Chesnut**

I told it through the Grapevine: Ramblings from beautiful downtown Melrose. The March winds will soon subside and hopefully give us April showers and flowers. Pollen has been crazy this year. That completes the weather report. It seems that bad news always comes in 3's. I received more bad news recently that a longtime friend and fellow caller Tom Miller passed away. Tom had dealt with a bunch of health issues but continued his active calling and teaching schedule. Tom recorded on ESP records with Elmer Sheffield, who recently passed away. Tom made a bunch of us callers better and I will miss him. One of our square dance traditions has kind of slipped away. A Knothead Trip was planned by most clubs shortly after class graduation. To make Knothead, you had to travel with a square to a dance at least 100 miles away. You were expected to return that same night. The trip could not be to a convention, but preferably a club dance. Great friendships were made by these trips, and it was a perfect way to welcome new dancers into your group. We had a Knothead Konvention Labor Day weekend, originally in Clearwater, then Tampa and finally Lakeland. I always looked forward to the Konventions because it was my weekend as a dancer. State conventions are a working weekend for most callers and Knothead was just fun. Maybe as we grow our activity back post covid, we can see some of the big weekend dances return. Recruit a new dancer to join in. Speaking of conventions, the planning is well underway for the 71st State Square and Round Dance Convention in Deltona again, January 15, 16, 17 and 18. Prepare to be danced a bunch and entertained. The committee always has a few new wrinkles, and I look forward to what is in store for next year. Are you going to the national convention in Shreveport, LA this year? I enjoy nationals but have not been as much as in the last few years. They are all fun to attend, and you do get to meet great people and dancers from around the country. I feel so fortunate that my parents forced me into this activity and so very blessed that Mary decided to join in on the fun 39 years ago. Now wash your hands and go recruit some new dancers. Bill & Mary Chesnut

Tom Miller, another great caller, gone too soon



I heard one time that you should never complain about getting older because it is denied to so many. I agree, but there are a bunch of things that I don't care for with getting older. One of those is the lack of mobility and the extra pain of trying to move around. Another is the almost constant doctor appointments and the little ailments that come with age. But most of all it is the almost constant loss of friends. We added another this month, the multi-talented and true professional in the calling business, TOM MILLER.

Tom and I have crossed paths several times over the last 50 years, and everyone was a truly enjoyable experience. He put on a couple of clinics for the Florida Callers Association, and they were always well attended by both new and very experienced callers.

Tom recorded on a number of square dance labels, but mostly ESP. With the loss of Elmer Sheffield still fresh on our minds; Tom went to join him on that heavenly dance floor. Tom had just released a tribute singing call dedicated to Elmer, Road Dog Lament, ESP 371. This song fits both of them and so many more of the callers that have passed on.

Jerry Story, another caller that left us too early, released a singing call on Royal Records to the George Jones hit, "Who's Gonna Fill Their Shoes" RYL 628. Jerry did this as a tribute to some of the callers that were gone. I use the record to remember some of my mentors, and now I shall add Tom to the list.

Tom, the pain is gone, and your rest is well earned, but you will be missed by the callers and dancers you touched.

Ramblings from beautiful downtown Melrose June 2025– **by Bill Chesnut**

I told it through the Grapevine: Ramblings from beautiful downtown Melrose.

Since my last article, I have graduated from a square dance class, been to a grandson's graduation, bought a different camper and enjoyed the beginning of summer and both days of spring. Life is good and I hope it is for you as well.

A couple of weeks back, I had the pleasure of having lunch with Linda Saunders. Linda is the widow of one of my mentors, John. The reason I am the caller I am, good or bad, is because of the input of my many mentors, and because I listened and tried to incorporate what they told me. Change is never easy but if you want to move ahead, you must accept change, embrace it and work on it. Choosing singing calls is one area most of us are weak on. We hear a song by another caller and decide to add it, without deciding if it is a good tune for us. We need to be careful to do songs in our range, that the phrasing fits our style of calling and that we make a pleasant sound with. Ask your partner or some dancers; "Does this song fit me? Does it sound good?" Most will be honest and let you know. Record yourself and do a self-critique.

Do you realize that the work in square dancing is never complete? My email box is full of notices about the FI Callers Assoc. Fall clinic in October. The rest of my emails are

about the 71st FL State Square and Round Dance Convention coming up next January. About 20 callers are signed up, with new registrations continuing to come in. Be sure to register and come to your state convention. Callers: we have a block of rooms at the Comfort again this year. Be looking forward to more info.

The membership of Callerlab has passed a program policy statement realigning Mainstream and Plus and discontinuing the SSD program. I am a member of American Callers Assoc. and not a member of Callerlab. I have read and studied what I can find on this change, and it appears to be a work in progress until September 2026. I shall continue to try and bring you accurate info. Personally, I think it is no big deal, and I will always do my best to prepare the dancers to dance anyplace and anytime that they want.

We continue to look for people who would love to join our activity, if they only knew about us. Carry some information to pass out to the people you meet. And as well as new dancers, we need new callers and cuers. It is a lot to learn, not very financially rewarding, but lots of fun to learn. Let me know if I can help.

Summer is here so go visit some of the clubs in your area.

Now wash your hands and go recruit some new dancers. Bill & Mary Chesnut

NEFSARDA's 5th Saturday Afternoon Dance Schedule

The plans for the 5th Saturday Dances in 2025 are , August 30 and Nov 29

Virginia Bramhold
Vice President NEFSARDA

Requirements for Square Dance Couple or Single of the Year Award

1. Person's name or Couples' names
2. Number of years they have square danced
3. Number of years they have danced in The NEFSARDA area
4. Clubs they currently belong to
5. Clubs they belonged to in the past
6. Offices they have held in the NEFSARDA area
7. Type-written essay about the nominees and their contributions to square dancing over the years. This must be signed.
8. Information about nominees should be mailed or given to the Chairman on or before October 1.
9. Person or couples may not have received this recognition previously.
10. The Committee Chairman and the Association President will make the presentation at the Fall Festival.

Chairman Mary Giera
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Jacksonville, FL 32257-1289
maryvmusic@comcast.net

Dance Couple/Single of the Year Award

1990 – Aaron & Erma Fry	2007 – Bud & Dianne German
1991 – Dave & Shirley Nihart	2008 – Joe & Martha Hardcastle
1992 – Don & Bonnye Bell	2009 – Martha Zimmerman
1993 – Hollis & Mary Fowler	2010 – Jerry & Donna Robey
1994 – George & Nancy Wolfert, Sr.	2011 – Walt & Dianne Syphard
1995 – Al & Virginia Cook	2012 – Linda Tester
1996 – Charlie & Val Newsome	2013 – Sam & Mary Starling
1997 – Grover & Marcella Jacobsen	2014 – Paul & Marilyn Scott
1998 – Dee Dee & Bessie Stovall	2015 – Tom & Pat Herscha
1999 – Jack & Kathy McKinney	2016 – Wayne & Debbie Miller
2000 – Howard & Jettie Crowe	2017 – Chuck & Mary Giera
2001 – Linda Riggs	2018 – Don & Sherry MacGregor
2002 – Kim Keffer	2019 – Jim Maroldo & Laura Martin
2003 – Bud & Anita Taylor	2022 – Erik & Robin Burton
2004 – Manny & Sherry Gonzales	2024 – Stephen Bigelow
2005 – Shirley White/Lorvale Smith	
2006 – Ouida Taylor & Tom Tramel	

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 grapevine@sfbigelow.com

John Allen – Moose Promenaders
Ralph Beekman – Dixie Dancers
Victor Figueroa - Grand Squares
Ken Shacter – Rollaways
Sawyer Gray Rollaways
Linda Tester Rollaways, Treasurer, and Past President of NEFSARDA.
Tom Herscha – Moose Promenaders
Sarah Edinboro - Coastal Georgia
Dianne Syphard - Rollaways
Carolyn Shacter - Rollaways

In Memory Of



Dee Dee and Bessie Stovall

Donald Terry Stovall, also known as Dee Dee, 91, passed away peacefully on March 3, 2025. He was born on July 21, 1933, To parents Margie Elizabeth B. and Clyde Stovall. Donald graduated from Andrew Jackson Senior High School in 1951. Dee Dee pitched a no hitter against Fletcher High School. He was selected to be a member of the All-County PREP baseball Team. He went on to proudly serve his country as a United State Marine. In 1954 he married his high school sweetheart, Bessie Wynn Stovall. He was employed with Western Auto Supply Company. As a service tech for over 25 years. Donald joined the Jacksonville Fire Department in 1960, He earned his Associate of Science degree in Fire Science and Prevention in 1988. After 32 years of dedicated service, he retired as a District Fire Chief from Jacksonville Fire and Rescue in 1992, Dee Dee was an active square dancer for over 34 years and served as President of the NEFSARDA in 1996. He and Bessie traveled with fellow square dancers to most of the National Conventions. He was also an active member of the First Coast Golf Association. He had 2 notable accomplishments in his golfing career. One was a hole in one in 2009 at Mill Cove Golf Club and Shooting a score of eighty-two at his age of 82. He was always up for a round of golf with his friends. Donald was preceded in death by his mother, Margie Elizabeth Stovall-Jenness; Father Clyde Stovall; sister Betty Carolyn "BB" Rogers; and son Raymond Brian Stovall. Donald survived by his wife, Bessie W. Stovall of 71 years; son Donald Terry Stovall, Jr.; daughter Mary Elizabeth Stovall; grandson Matthew Preston Stovall and great granddaughter Riley Elizabeth Stovall." DeeDee was buried in Arlington Park Cemetery, Jacksonville, FL. In 2025 Bessie lived at [2730 Pine Summit Dr E, Jacksonville, FL 32211-4049](https://www.google.com/maps/place/2730+Pine+Summit+Dr+E,+Jacksonville,+FL+32211-4049)



The world bids farewell to **Bessie Wynn Stovall** (Jacksonville, Florida), departing on May 26, 2025 at the age of 89. Bessie Wynn leaves behind memories cherished by the community. Leave a sympathy message to the family in the guestbook on this memorial page of Bessie Wynn Stovall to show support. As we bid adieu to Bessie Wynn's earthly form, let us not dwell on the void left in her wake, but rather celebrate the legacy of love and inspiration Bessie Wynn has bequeathed us. For though she may have departed from our sight, her spirit remains a timeless beacon, guiding loved ones through the labyrinth of life's journey. Visitation will be held on Friday, May 30th 2025 from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the Arlington Park Funeral Home (6920 Lone Star Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32211). A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, May 31st 2025 at 2:00 PM at the Arlington United Methodist Church (1400 University Blvd N, Jacksonville, FL 32211)." Obit from Florida Times-Union dated 30 May 2025: "Bessie Florence Wynn Stovall, 89, of Jacksonville, Florida, passed away on Memorial Day, May 26, 2025 from natural causes. Bessie was born November 14, 1935 in Jacksonville, Florida, the daughter of Jethro Lafayette Wynn and Mary Dye Wynn. Bessie graduated from Andrew Jackson High School in 1953. Bessie married Donald (DeeDee) Terry Stovall in Jacksonville, Florida on February 28, 1954. They were married for 71 years. DeeDee passed away earlier this year on March 3rd. Bessie was the ultimate homemaker, as she prioritized her family and her children's upbringing. After successfully raising their three children, Bessie and DeeDee began square dancing. They loved the relationships that were established, traveled all over the country attending square dancing conventions, and were so involved that they later became President of the Northeast Florida Square and Round Dancers Association. She also loved to crochet. One of Bessie's gifts was to donate to Wolfson Children's Hospital crocheted hats for newborns. Another talent of Bessie's was her cooking. Many were fortunate to receive an annual gift of her specialty: divinity. Bessie became a member of Arlington United Methodist Church in 1966. She was a member of the Church's Chancel Choir and the United Methodist Women Sunshine Circle. Remaining to cherish Bessie's memory are son Donald Terry Stovall, Jr., daughter Mary Elizabeth Stovall, grandson Matthew Preston Stovall, and great granddaughter Riley Elizabeth Stovall, and countless nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her spouse, Donald (DeeDee) Terry Stovall, and son Raymond Brian Stovall. Visitation will be held on Friday, May 30th from 5:00-7:00 at Arlington Park Funeral Home, which is located at 6920 Lone Star Road, Jacksonville, Florida 32211. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 31st @ 2:00 pm. The service will be held at Arlington United Methodist Church located at 1400 University Blvd North, Jacksonville, Florida 32211. We will proceed to Arlington Park Cemetery on Lone Star Road for the graveside service following the memorial service. Memorial donations in Bessie's memory may be donated to Arlington United Methodist Chancel Choir."

DeeDee and Bessie served as:

2012 – Teddy Bear Squares President

2001 – Fall Festival Chairmen "Run for the Roses"

1998 – NEFSARDA Dance Couple of the Year

1998 – NEFSARDA Visitation Chairman

1996-2001 –**FLORIDA Federation of Square Dancers (Parliamentarian – President)**

1997-1998 - NEFSARDA Immediate Past President

1997 – NEFSARDA Visitation Chairman

1996 – FL State Square & Round Dance Convention Housing Vice Chairman

1996 – NEFSARDA President

1995 – NEFSARDA Vice President

1995-1997 – NEFSARDA Visitation Chairman

1994 – FL State Square & Round Dance Convention Housing Chairman

1994 – NEFSARDA delegate from Teddy Bear Squares

1993 – Circle of Service Award

1993 – NEFSARDA Fall Festival Chairman

1991-1994 – NEFSARDA delegate from Teddy Bear Squares

1991-1992 – Lone Star Swingers Treasurer

1989 – FL State Square & Round Dance Convention Registration & Housing Chairman

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Lone Star Swingers

Seaside Squares (1964)

Teddy Bear Squares

National Square and Round Dance Convention

2026

75th National in Waco Texas

<https://75nsdctx.com/>

2027

76th National in Loveland CO

<https://76nsdc.com/>

This is the current list that I have for all NEFSARDA clubs in the Northeast area. If your information is wrong or changes, please have an officer of your club notify the Grapevine editor, Stephen Bigelow. If you would like your club added, consider joining NEFSARDA, then send me your club information.

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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 13th 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 Anna Nickelson
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 — 1st, 3rd, and 5th 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

High Springs Dance Club is conveniently located halfway between Gainesville and Lake City. We dance at the Civic Center off Highway 441 near Winn Dixie. The dance is every Thursday night from 7 to 9 pm with the setup starting at 6:30 pm. The address is 19107 NW 240th Street, High Springs, FL. **Contact Deborah Cassidy to confirm we are dancing. 352-262-0760.**

Moose Promenaders

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Caller Bill Chesnut
President Wayne and Debbie Miller
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For more information on Tony Oxendine, go to <https://www.tonyoxendine.com>.

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