

Bow and Swing

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WILL YOU BE AT CAMP-EASY,
FOR FUN THE FLORIDA SQUARE DANCE
WAY? FUN AND "LARNIN'" COMBINED

Elsewhere in this issue you will find full details of the Third Annual Square and Round Dance Short Course. That's the official moniker, but don't let it scare you.

Just think of "CAMP-EASY, the Florida Square Dance Way", of the air-conditioned student service center at the University of Florida (Gainesville), and of leaders like Harper Smith with the Squares and Mildred and Joe Urban with the Rounds.

Don't forget the dates, either. Set aside July 3-6 inclusive for Fun, Frolic, and "Larnin'" in air-conditioned comfort.

See the yellow sheet for more information. Then write Dr. Cairing, while it's on your mind.

SOUTHEAST CALLERS COMPILING
LISTS OF VALUE TO ALL

The Southeast Florida Square and Folk Dance Leaders have set out to compile several lists that should have considerable value to all leaders in the area. Some of these are:

A LIST OF BASIC ROUND DANCES TAUGHT.

A LIST OF THE ROUNDS TAUGHT
BY SQUARE DANCERS.

A LIST OF ADVANCED ROUND DANCES TAUGHT TO ROUND DANCERS.

A LIST OF ALL CLUBS AND GROUPS WITH THEIR ADDRESSES. (Must mean addresses of president or secretary or other officers.)

Some other lists may also be in the making.

FRED KELLEY SHOW TO CELEBRATE
THIRD BIRTHDAY IN MARCH

With a spectacular show originating at WDOL in Tarpon Springs, Fla., the Fred Kelley Show will enter its fourth year. A large cast will take part in the festive affair.

Among the well-known callers present will be Don, Marie, and Shorty Armstrong, Hal Brundage, Ray Kennedy, and "Buckshot" Kelley, Fred's twelve year old son.

As many know, this show originated several years ago as a country and western disc show. Fred was invited to appear as a guest and call a few squares. Many listeners had never heard a singing caller before and were interested.

As Fred became a regular weekly feature on the show, the country and western part began to fade out, and square dance groups met in homes to dance to radio calls. In 1954 Fred became M.C., and the show became a straight square and folk dance hour, with guest callers and news of interest to dancers.

For the convenience of dancers the show was shifted from Tuesday to Saturday afternoon.

Every Saturday, 1:00 to 1:30, at 1470 on your radio dial.

FEBRUARY 15--MELBOURNE, Dance to the calling of Red Warwick at Trailer Haven Auditorium.

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MARCH 29--MELBOURNE, Johnny Lo Clair will call at Trailer Haven Auditorium. (Both dances sponsored by the Allemanders)

FEB. 27--CLEARWATER--Les Gotcher

EDITORIALLY SPEAKING -

CHICAGO INTERNATIONAL SUSPENDED It is with regret that we received the news under date of January 31 that the Chicago International Square Dance has been suspended. Most of those who attended last fall were well pleased with the Conrad Hilton Hotel, and few wished to return to the International Amphitheatre. However, more space was needed for the coming year, and the hotel management recently notified the committee that less space would be available. So the Executive Committee decided to suspend the Festival until satisfactory accommodations are available, and to plan none for 1957.

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SPECIAL EVENTS COMING UP The Fiesta del Sol dance, at the Lake Worth Casino on Thursday, Feb. 21, should be a bang-up affair. The Casino is a splendid hall, with a fine dance floor, and dancers from all over Southeast Florida will be there. Callers, too. There are several Red Warwick dances coming over the state. He will be caller for the Ft. Lauderdale "Square and Circle" Valentine Dance, Feb. 14. On Saturday, Feb. 16, he will call at the Biscayne Gardens Elementary School, 560 NW 151st St., Miami, sponsored by S.E. Fla. Square and Round Dancers Association.

OTHER DATES TO REMEMBER We wont attempt to list all of the "specials" that are coming over the Southeast....Don't have a complete list, anyway....But there are a few dates worth remembering, if you're near enough to the event....

MARCH 8-9....Azalea Trail Festival--Mobile, Alabama

APRIL 6...."Alabama Jubilee" Festival--Birmingham, Ala.

MAY 4-5....Florida Square Dance Convention--Miami Beach

JUNE 13-14-15--National Convention--"Meet Me in St. Louis"

JUNE 22--Annual Fiesta of Five Flags Dance--Pensacola, Fla.

JULY 3-6--CAMP-EASY, THE FLORIDA SQUARE DANCE WAY--University of Florida, Gainesville, Fla.

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BOW AND SWING costs a whole buck (\$1.00 to you) for ten issues. That's too little, but that's an easy amount to mail if you don't write a check.

BOW AND SWING aims to bring you as much of the square, round, and folk dance news as we can get together, and as nearly on time as we can manage it and still keep on earning a living. Some-time news items get buried on our cluttered up desk, but we try to get it all in.

BOW AND SWING, above all, wants to help you have fun dancing--square, round, folk, contra, ballroom, or whatever. DANCE YOUR CARES AWAY. (Thanks for your subscription, too.)

MELBOURNE ALLEMANDERS ARE ACTIVE CLUB

The Allemanders of Melbourne dance every Saturday night at the old Parrish Hall on Highway 1 (in town) at 8:00 P.M.

This is an open dance with Bob Stone calling. They have had 42 square dancers from the Promenaders and Record Revelers of West Palm Beach become Knotheads at clubs in Melbourne on two different occasions. Bob Stone was guest caller for the Sashayers, who dance every Friday evening at the Civic Center when the second group came.

Another group visited Melbourne late in January, attending the March of Dimes dance at Trailer Haven Auditorium on January 25. While coming from West Palm Beach, this set of new Knotheads represents a wide area. They are: Dr. Elizabeth Gregg, West Palm Beach; Emmett Jones, Lake Worth; Tom and May McGuire, Cleveland, Ohio; Jean and Harry Patrick, New Jersey; and Kitty and Jimmy Coghlan, of Annapolis, Maryland.

Frankie Lane called for an open dance in Melbourne on Jan. 15, at Trailer Haven Auditorium. Square dancers from Miami, West Palm Beach, Jupiter, Ft. Lauderdale, Jensen Beach, Stuart, Orlando, and Cocoa joined in the fun. Special dances in February and March will be called by Red Warwick, Feb. 15, and Johnny Le Clair, March 29.

Officers of the Allemanders are: President, Durward Cunningham; 1st Vice-Pres., Bill Squires; 2nd Vice-Pres., Max Funder; Sec.-Treas., Ted Holstman; and Publicity officer, Doris Stone.

According to a late card, the Allemanders' dance is not a true open dance, but visitors are always welcome.

DICK DICKERSON HAS BUSY ORLANDO CALLING SCHEDULE

N.T. (Dick) Dickerson, Orlando caller, recently sent a note about his activities and square dancing in that area. (As usual, Dick set up his letter on the linotype machine and ran off a proof to mail.)

He writes:

"Here are a few dances, the ones I call:

"The Calico Club, next to the oldest, or maybe the oldest in Orlando, is still going strong. We have only 13 couples, plus visitors, but we have about as much fun as anyone I know. We dance twice a month.

"The Pioneers is a club of about 40 couples. George Barton and Dick Dickerson are alternate callers for this club. The Pioneers also meet only twice a month. We meet at Dadsread Country Club, 2nd and 4th Thursdays.

"The American Legion Squares, a 4-square club, meets only once a month. At that time, though, we put in enough to make up for the loss of time.

"The Penguin Club, a part time square and part time social club, meets twice a month, with 4 squares.

"And last, but not least, the Winter Park Shuffleboard Club dance once a month. I have called a dance a month for them, in season, for two years. This is the second. Last winter we had a man dancing at the age of 92. Some of them have their canes and lay them aside when the dance starts. I am told that none are under 65. They are a grand bunch. We usually dance 6 to 8 dances an evening. Oh, yes, we have up to nine squares. Usually about six and lots of spectators."

(Thanks, Dick, for the fine letter. Make 'em more frequent.)

From Clearwater Kwanis Bulletin:-
Mixed greens are good for you, especially fives, tens, & twenties.
Only well-reared girls should wear slacks.

 * CHATTER WITH MY CORNER *

"RUFFLES & SPURS" of Hollywood are getting out a nice newsletter, with a partial calendar of Southeast Florida.

LAKE WORTH CASINO will be the scene of the Fiesta del Sol Square Dance on Thursday, February 21, in connection with the city's annual Fiesta del Sol celebration. The PROMENADERS are sponsoring this year's event, with Jack Davis as M.C. All area callers are being invited to call, if possible.

HERB CASSELL is calling a closed dance at the Y.W.C.A. in West Palm Beach each Thursday night. The group has not yet selected a name, but expects to this week.

ALMOST FORGOT this. The FIESTA DEL SOL Dance on Feb. 21 will be an official Knothead dance with Knothead ceremonies.

MORE KNOTHEAD KNOTES. - On Nov. 30 a group from the Promenaders and a few others went to Melbourne to become Knotheads. Those making the trip were: Mr. & Mrs. Jack Giddens, Mr. & Mrs. Max Corley, Mrs. Ora Guyer, Mr. Urban Osgood, Mr. & Mrs. Bob Fitzgerald, Mr. & Mrs. Gene Bryan, Mr. & Mrs. Ed Long, Mr. Vargil Smith, Mrs. Miriam Moffit, Mr. & Mrs. George Schaefer, Mr. & Mrs. Harry Nelson, Mr. & Mrs. Roscoe Wilson. From all reports, these people were treated royally by the folks at Melbourne.

IT'S A LITTLE LATE, but we never did get around to expressing the thanks of Frank Michael and the Rhythm Squares for the fine support given their Dec. 1 benefit dance for the YMCA building fund. Some 200 dancers attended the fine affair in Ft. Lauderdale's IOOF Hall. Among the callers participating in the program were: Jay Fenimore, Tony Simon, Tommy Thompson, Sam Livingston, Jack Davis, Herb Cassell, Bill Ledbetter of North Carolina, and Carl Haderer of New York. Frank Michael was M.C.

WINDSOR RECORDS have just recently released a special catalog of selected square and round dance recordings specifically suited for use in schools and recreation organizations, including their new "Happy Hour" series of basic dances for upper elementary grades. A free copy of this catalog may be had by writing WINDSOR RECORDS, 5528 N. Rosemead Blvd., Temple City, California.

DAVID AND ELIZABETH STRE. Members of the Florida Square and Folk Dance Callers and Teachers Association, and certified teachers in Melbourne, Florida, are spending the winter in Acapulco, one of Mexico's most beautiful seaside resorts. They have introduced square dancing to the tourist trade, and are currently conducting dances at the famous Los Hamacas Hotel in Acapulco....Being vegetarians, the Strys spend their spare time eating the luscious tropical fruits.

READ THE YELLOW SERIES carefully. It can be your guide to an enjoyable and worthwhile vacation.

 * "SQUARIN' A ROUND" *
 * with *
 * BILL & ED AND RUTHE & KAY *

December 29th was Frankie Lane night at Roebling Hall in Clearwater. We were happy to welcome dancers from Winter Haven, Lakeland, New Port Richey, Fort Myers, Sarasota, Bradenton, and Venice, as well as our own area dancers.

The Tampa Travelers held a "platter & patter" party for members and invited guests on Sunday, Dec. 9, at the Men's Garden Club. The ladies brought well-filled platters, and Bill Muench, the club caller, furnished the patter. Guest callers were Howard Miller, Mildred Thursby, Jim Galloway, Fred Christopher, Jim Pearson, and Bill Tuszinski.

Another overflowing class registered for square dancing at Clearwater High School on Tuesday, Jan. 8. Registrations had to be closed early and latecomers put on a waiting list. This class is taught by Bill Muench and is under the Adult Education Program of Pinellas County.

The walls bulged and the floor was jumping at our "Gay 90's New Years Eve" party at the Lion's Hall in Dunedin. Beauty spots on the ladies and moustaches on their men added to the atmosphere. 1957 was appropriately greeted, then delicious refreshments were served by the "Lions" men. Guest callers were Cliff Reazek of Minnesota, Sam Prescott of Winter Haven, and Howard Parrish of Lakeland. The traditional Southern Blackeyed peas and rice cooked with hog jowls was prepared by Olive Walker. She also wrote the following poem which explained the tradition:

"There's a rumor 'round the Southland
 That jowls are served for joy,
 Rice is served for riches
 For every gal and boy,
 Peas for peace, the Southerners say,
 Others put it just this way-
 If you've got all that to eat,
 You're lucky anyway."

The Gulf Coast area's newest club organized and will hold their first meeting in Largo on Jan. 23. They will be known as the "Suncoast Swingers". Bill Muench has been selected as their caller.

The "Tampa Travelers" have selected March 10 as the date for their annual dinner dance. More details later.

ATTENTION, DANCERS! Reserve Feb. 27 to attend the Les Gotcher Party at Roebling Hall in Clearwater. Dancing begins at 8:30.

COMING --- March, Johnny Le Claire --- June, Ray Smith.

Watch for dates and details on KNOXHEAD CONVENTION to be held in 1947.

Happy Dancing, and lots of it---
 Bill & Ed, Ruthe & Kay

CALENDAR -

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OPEN DANCES

SUNDAY

MIAMI BEACH--10th St. Auditorium--City Rec. Dept.--Les. Linn
LAKE WORTH--Mary's Dance Studio--Mary and Andrew Leitheuser

MONDAY

CLEARWATER--Beach Rec. Center--C.ofC. Dance--R.R.Orcutt
DAYTONA BEACH--Boardwalk--George Hoyt, Caller

TUESDAY

WEST PALM BEACH--Howard Park Rec Center--Rec.Dept.--Harold Emery
TAMPA--No. Blvd. Rec Center--The Armstrongs on 1st, 3rd, 5th; Tampa
Square Dance Club with club callers, 2nd & 4th.
FT. LAUDERDALE--Holiday Park--Frank Michael
FT. LAUDERDALE--Coral Reef Rec. Center--INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING--
Annette and Tommy Thompson, Leaders.
LARGO--Don Armstrong's DANCELAND--Beginner Group--Hal "Dad" Brundage

WEDNESDAY

STUART--Civic Center--Free; city sponsored--Herb Cassell
POMFANO--Mackle Recreation Building--Frank Michael
MIAMI--Round Dance--Vasa Hall, 3802 N.E. 2nd Av.--Gene and Ima Baylis
WEST PALM BEACH--Howard Park Rec. Center--Instruction Dance--Jack
Davis.

THURSDAY

MIAMI--YWCA, 114 S.E. 4th St.--INT. FOLK DANCE--Elbert & Eliz. Bennett
ORLANDO--Boone H.S. Gym--City Rec. Dept.--Jimmy Clossin,
TAMPA--Clearfield Comm. Center, Clearfield and Indiana--Helen Magnuson
CLEARWATER--Beach Rec. Center--R.R.Orcutt
LAKE WORTH--Civic Auditorium--Mary and Andrew Leitheuser
ST. PETERSBURG--Treasure Island Aud.--Jim Pearson

FRIDAY

HOLLYWOOD--Lion's Club (2 & 4)--Raffles & Spurs--Jay Fenimore
JUNCO--Fire Hall (2nd & 4th)--Bill Emory
RIVIERA BEACH--Park--Jack Davis
MIAMI--Miami Dance Center, 712 S.W. 8th St.--Kaliko Kickers--Gene Baylis
ST. PETERSBURG--Sunshine Hall, 314 15th St. So.--Ray Kennedy
WILTON MANOR (Ft. L.)--Hagen's Pavilion--Walton Swingers--S. Livingston
LAKE WORTH--Mary's Dance Studio--Round Dance Night--Leitheusers

SATURDAY

CLEARWATER--Roebling Hall--Bill Muench and Ed Mack
LARGO--Don Armstrong's DANCELAND, with all the Armstrongs
RIVERVIEW (South of Tampa)--Amer. Legion Hall--Ray Kennedy
EDGEWATER--Community Center--Charley Chaney
FT. LAUDERDALE--Holiday Park--Rhythm Squares--Frank Michael
COCOA--City Hall--Cocoa Rock-8's Club (Open)--Evers Bennett
WEST PALM BEACH--Carpenters Hall--Fromenaders--Jack Davis

(Club dances which are not reported as open, or which are known to be closed, are not included in this list. From time to time we will list them separately in a club calendar, where we have definite enough information about meeting dates, etc. Most of them welcome visiting square dancers except where space is very limited.)

CAMP-EASY, THE FLORIDA SQUARE DANCE WAY
Third Annual Square and Round Dance Short Course

Tired of: High taxes, low-grade ulcers, nervous indigestion, lack of the "long green" stuff, not enough time to take a vacation, the boss, the kids, the wife, the husband, the international situation, the weather, the _____?

Friend--you've got it BAD. You need a REAL vacation!

And you can have such a vacation because the Florida Callers Association and the General Extension Division of Florida have done something about the nerve-wracking matters mentioned above.

TAKE A SQUARE DANCE BREAK.

Camp-Easy with your friends (the ones you already have and the new ones you'll make) at the University of Florida Third Annual Square and Round Dance Short Course. (It's a heckuva name but don't let the label fool ya!)

The Dates? July 3-6 inclusive, with registration the previous afternoon, July 2 and a big dance that same evening, courtesy the Gainesville square dancers.

The Staff? Harper Smith of Celina, Texas. "Big Ray's" brother. Same easy, affable, capable, southern gentleman. Fun! For squares. Mildred and Joe Urban of Meade, Kansas. Round dance instructors par excellence. Have instructed at a number of camps around the country. More fun!

The Program? Intermediate and advanced square and round dancing. Fun. For those needing basic instruction, a special section so that intermediate and advanced dancers can progress and basic dancers can receive the special attention they need. Fun. Evening dances. Fun, Callers classes for those who like to make like same. Fun.

Weather too hot, you say? Ah, we have the answer to that one, too. All classes and evening dances in the air-conditioned student service center at the University of Florida. Fun.

What about sleep? For those who have been in the habit of getting occasional shut-eye, lodging will be provided at the University's Broward Hall.

Special events? An afternoon at the University's high-grade recreational facility Camp Wauburg. Swimming. Boating. Lazy around. Dance a bit. Relax, you'll live longer.

The cost? \$15 per person for the session. Rooms in Broward Hall are \$4 double, \$3.25 single. Eat at the University of Florida cafeteria where the food is good and the prices reasonable; you pay for what you order.

Say, where do I make reservations for this whing-ding? Write Dr. Robert Fairing, General Extension Division of Florida, Seagle Building, Gainesville, Florida

CLUB DANCE CALENDAR

(Many clubs are not included because we do not have complete information, especially as to time and place. Clubs whose dances are included in the Open Dance Calendar are not repeated here.)

MONDAY

LAKE WORTH--Boutwell's Dairy (West of I.W.)--Do-Si-Do Club-Szember
 FORT MYERS--Shrine Club--Gator Promenaders--Gordon Blaum

WEDNESDAY

SARASOTA--Community Hall--Circle Freelancers

THURSDAY

FT. LAUDERDALE--K. of C. Hall--Square and Circle--Les Linn
 CLEARWATER--2nd, 4th Th.--Pt. Harrison Hotel--Clearwater Crackers--
 Bill Muench
 ORLANDO--2nd and 4th--Dubsbread-Country Club--Pioneers-- Dick
 Dickerson and George Button

FRIDAY

VERO BEACH--1st & 3rd--Community Center--Vero Beach Promenaders--
 Evers Bennett

MELBOURNE--Civic Center--Melbourne Sashayers

SATURDAY

FT. MYERS--Florida Sandspurs--Bill Muench
 MELBOURNE--Allemanders--Episcopal Parish Hall--Bob Stone
 FT. MYERS--Royal Promenaders--Dr. Ed Saunders
 FT. MYERS--Armory--Advanced Dance Group--Jim Sutton
 MIAMI--5th Sat.--Frankie Lane Fan Club--Tapes, records of Frankie Lane

 "When Fate hands you a lemon, squeeze it and start a lemonade stand"--SQUARE YOUR SETS

Middle Age: When it's difficult to decide which there's the most of--
 age or middle. (Oughta try square dancing, maybe.)

Don't forget to read the other side of this sheet carefully. It
 might mean a better vacation for you.

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