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See page 3 for membership form.



CENTRAL ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



In April, we were looking forward to our 5th Saturday Dance in Ocala and it was not a disappointment. The Ocala Twirlers hosted the dance. The hall was set up and the refreshments were delicious. The hall was full of dancers. It was the highest attendance in a while.

We hope to continue with our next dance the end of this month at the Ormond Beach Senior Center, 351 Andrews Street, Bldg B. Ormond Beach. The Granada Denim and Lace Squares will host this dance. The Yellow Rock Squares will join us for a demo and a chance to dance with the club. We plan on serving ice cream as the summer treat.

We still need your help spreading the word about our new committee Joys & Concerns. (I, for one, am guilty of not using it.) This is a committee of one, Colleen Morgan. She will spread the word to all CFA members. But, first, you must tell her the news. Colleen, will be happy to share your news on dancers, whether they are sick, hospitalized, celebrating a special birthday or anniversary, a new grandchild, getting married. Whether someone needs prayers or congratulations, Colleen is ready. News about your club, special dances, guest callers, unexpected hall cancellations, charity fund raisers, classes, & graduations. Whatever you would like to share. Choose a person in your club and she can contact Colleen at colleenmorgan@embarqmail.com or 407-339-3121. She is waiting to hear from you.

If you are an insured club, remember to add your new members to the insurance program. The free insurance to the beginner class members ends when they graduate and join the club.

The Party Weekend was a success thanks to all the CFA board and members that participated and helped with the chores. Also, Rod Barngrover and Susan Snider were outstanding at the dance on Saturday

night. We had dancers from four of the five associations present. Wow!! A tidy sum will be given to the 2018 convention.

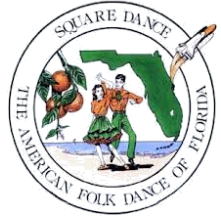
Again, our next 5th Saturday Dance is **July 29** at Granada Squares in Ormond Beach. (See flyer on back cover.)

Mark your calendar for the 5th Saturday Dance in **September**. It will be the Presidents Ball at the Whirl & Twirl Hall in Orlando.

Happy Dancing,



FLORIDA FEDERATION PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Here we are already in July, the year is half over!! Have you and your club completed the things you wanted to accomplish this summer? If not, you need to get busy because the fall dance season will soon be here. Not only do you need to finish your summer activities but you need to be planning for this fall.

Have you already completed, or at least started, your plans for this fall's classes. Now is the time to be promoting them and getting prospects lined up to attend. People are busy these days and their calendars fill up fast. You need to get on their calendar before they are full.

Now is also a good time to make your plans to attend the 2018 Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention in Daytona Beach on February 23rd and 24th. We understand that the hotel rooms are filling up fast but work is in progress to make additional rooms available. You need to get your room reservations made NOW. In case you haven't heard the Trail-End dance is going to be held on Thursday at the Nova Community Center in Ormond Beach. Be sure to include this dance in your planning.

While you are making plans be sure that you have purchased your ribbons and made hotel reservations for the regional dances. The first dance is the NWFSRDA Roundup in Pensacola on October 27th and 28th. Not long after that the West Coast will hold their Fall Fun Fest in Bartow on November 10th and 11th. And then the following weekend November 17th and 18th the Northeast will hold their Fall Festival in Jacksonville Beach. These are all great dances, with super callers and cuers, so be sure to make your plans to attend all of these.

The 66th National Square Dance Convention has just ended. We are sure those who attended had a great time and danced to some great callers. If you didn't go this year talk to some of those who attended and see what fun you missed and begin making your plans to attend next year's convention in Kansas City, Missouri.

It seems that the theme of this message is PLAN PLAN PLAN. The only way we are going to be able to keep square dancing alive and going, is to plan and encourage others to take part in our favorite activity.

Hope to see you in a square soon,

Dennis & Nancy Taylor
Federation Presidents

Relay for Life in Port Orange





**66TH
NSDC**



**Guinness Book of World
Records—1632 Dancers,
One caller, one room.**



2018 Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention



**Time to register for
next year's convention,
Feb 23-24, 2018
in Daytona Beach.**



64th FL Square and Round Dance Convention Update # 2

Even though the Convention is many months away, the wizards are hard at work making preparations. There is a surprising amount of work that goes into making a magical weekend of dance. The seeds planted in the Enchanted Forest have sprouted to seedlings, and Wizard Lewis has been busy tending the delicate little plants which will become your dance floor next year. It is remarkable how quickly trees can grow in the Enchanted Forest.

Several of the wizards took a walk down Atlantic Avenue in Daytona Beach, and they were impressed by the variety of restaurants, the number of stores, and the smell of the salty air wafting over from the beach. Within a couple blocks of the Ocean Center, they found the Daytona

Lagoon which has a water park and a “Dry Park” for the young-at-heart. The Daytona Boardwalk and beach are right there as well. The wizards were talking about doing a “sand flea” dangle dance on the beach. Clarence the Misguided Magician was working on a spell to allow dancers to breathe under water so they can dance with the mermaids.

The Ways & Means wizards would like to remind you that they will be visiting your dance clubs with our magically soft t-shirts and coffee mugs. And be sure to pick up some raffle tickets so you can win the Google Home and bring the magic to your home. You can still order our embroidered polo shirts, and we have all kinds of buttons as well. Remember that our ribbons will be \$40 starting June 1, so you will want to get your early-bird \$35 ribbons right away. See the registration form at: <http://floridasquaredance.com/convention/> (Click on Registration Form on the left.)

At the Convention Kickoff, Wizards Lewis and Linda received a statuette of square dancers from the Huddlestons, although they were unable to provide a good explanation of the history of the statuettes and their significance. So we delved into the history mystery, and we were surprised by what we were able to uncover. As many square dancers are aware, Henry Ford was a great proponent of square dance, requiring his many employees to participate. In 1924, he wished to employ Benjamin Lovett as caller and dance teacher in Dearborn, Michigan, but Mr. Lovett was under contract with the Wayside Inn. After failing to negotiate the release of Mr. Lovett’s contract, Mr. Ford purchased the Wayside Inn, satisfied Mr. Lovett’s contract, and hired him to teach in Dearborn. Lovett’s contract was for 2 months, but he stayed in Dearborn for 26 years. What is little known is that back then, Clarence the Misguided Magician, at the time known simply as Wizard Clarence, was also involved in dancing. Clarence could see how happy people were when dancing, and he wished that he could find a way to record the joy of dance, and preserve the history of Square Dance for future generations. Clarence made a pair of happy dancing statuettes from clay, and he enchanted them to remember the happiness of the dances that they attended. He made them look just like his friends Kenneth and Barbara Dollander, and the other wizards thought that Clarence had actually turned his friends into statuettes. This got Clarence demoted to Magician, and he has been known as Clarence the Misguided Magician ever since.

64th FL Square and Round Dance Convention

Update # 3

It's summer time in the enchanted forest, and the dragonflies are frolicking among the sage and lotus plants. The wizards have been busy finding a venue for the Trail-End Dance. Wizard Lewis divined that the best location is the Nova Community Center in Ormond Beach. It is located at:

440 N Nova Rd, Ormond Beach, FL 32174

and has plenty of space with a wood-floored double basketball court. Clarence the Misguided Magician offered to visit, but Wizard Linda smiled sweetly and cast a forgetting spell so he would not remember where the place is. If you happen to find yourself strolling through the Enchanted Forest, and come upon Clarence, please be sure NOT to mention that the Trail End Dance will be at the Nova Community Center in Ormond Beach on Thursday, 2/22/18. And certainly do not let him know that there is no carpet in the place. You know how Clarence is about carpet.

We have heard from some folks who are having trouble getting the discounted rates at the host hotels, because they are filling up. While the wizards work with the host hotels to increase room availability, some of our apprentices are working to find a couple of other hotels you may wish to try. We do not have group rates, but their regular prices are pretty reasonable. We will have further information in the next newsletter. If you know a good place near the Ocean Center, please let us know, and we will make you an honorary apprentice!

When you arrive at the Ocean Center, you will probably want to park your car. Wizard Don wants to save you some money, so here is what you do: Ask for an "Exhibitor Pass " when you park for the first time. It is \$5 a day for in/out parking. The secret is that anyone can get these passes. You don't actually need to be an exhibitor, but you do have to use the Magic Words "Exhibitor Pass."

Remember to bring your Dance Passports with you and get them initialed each time you dance.

64th FL Square and Round Dance Convention

Update # 4

Summer is in full swing, and the wizards are enjoying the cool ocean breezes and the 79 degree ocean temperature at Daytona Beach. Alas, when we all converge on Daytona for the Convention, the ocean will be more like 59 degrees, so we don't expect any but the stoutest square & round dancers to be spending much time in the water. Thankfully, there will be plenty to keep us busy on dry land.

Our Program Book and Ways and Means Wizards would like two moments of your time. Firstly, we need people and businesses willing to support our convention by buying ads in the program book. These could be businesses in Florida who might like to attract some business, vendors looking for that select audience, or even personal ads. That brings us to: Secondly, the Convention Chair-Wizards have a special request. Please don't congratulate us on a job well (or poorly) done. Flattery will not get us to do this again in the foreseeable future. Instead, we would like to see what is magical for you about your dance club, caller, cuer, etc. Maybe you would just like to point out that your snack table has many forms of chocolate each week, or that your caller is absolutely the best in the known universe. Perhaps you know a "Square Dance Hero" who deserves acknowledgement, or an upcoming special event. Whatever makes dance magical for you, is what we would like to see in the ads. We are requesting that each dance club rustle up at least 2 advertisers. You can download the ad form from the Convention website, or talk to Ways and Means wizard Ailene Picheco.

We know that some of you have been wondering about when to bring your Passports. The simple answer is every time you dance. Every square dance, round dance, convention, festival, demo, hoedown, barn dance, etc.. For multi-day events, get it initialed each day. Any state, county, country, district or neighborhood. Any season, month, phase of the moon, or time of day. If you dance, take the credit.

Lastly, a reminder that the drawing for the Google Home and Chromecast is coming up soon. The drawing will be in November at the NEFSARDA Fall Festival. Lots of folks have asked me what Google Home is, and why they should care. Home is the Google Assistant in a little round box. It responds to your voice, answers questions, plays music, plays games, and

lots of other things. With Chromecast, Home (or your smartphone, tablet, or computer) can broadcast movies, TV, slideshows, and other media on your TV. New features are added to Home all the time. It recently learned how to talk you through a recipe step by step, and it can help you manage your shopping list. All you need is WiFi, and a smartphone or tablet to set it up, and there are no monthly charges.

Until next time, Happy Independence Day, and feel the magic when you dance!

Through the magic of YouTube, you can see the kickoff at:

<https://goo.gl/YO3AP5> (That's a letter O after the Y.)

SEE YOUR AREA WAYS & MEANS REP
FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS !!



*For more information about the
Florida State Convention go to:*

<http://floridasquaredance.com/convention/index.html>

Bring the Magic Home!

Our first raffle is a **Google Home and Chromecast.**

Drawing Nov. 18 at NEFSARDA Fall Festival



Works with your TV, and with home automation such as Phillips Hue, Nest, IFTTT, and others.

\$2 for 1 ticket

\$5 for 4 tickets

Print your name and phone #

You need not be present to win.

Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from MAGIC!

"Hey, Google ..."

How's the weather?

What's in the news?

Play some dance music

Where is the Ocean Center?

Play Casablanca on my TV.

Tell me about my day.

How do I make corn fritters?

How's the traffic to work?
Tell me a joke.





**CAMPING AT THE 64th STATE CONVENTION
DAYTONA BEACH
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DAYTONA BEACH, FL 32118**

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Make your reservation early as they have limited full hook-up sites available.**

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Daytona Beach, Fl 32124
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has around 10 sites available.**



67th National Square Dance Convention[®]

Kansas City, Missouri - June 27 - 30, 2018

“Show Me Kansas City in 2018” is the theme of the 2018 National Square Dance Convention to be held in Kansas City, Missouri on June 21 – 23, 2018.

As we design the activities for this national convention, excitement is building as we progress thru the planning stages. Many of you have been involved in a national convention in the past and are acutely aware of the many hours of planning that go into the execution of a memorable convention. It is with great gratitude that we “thank” the many folks that are working behind the scenes to provide you with the opportunity to enjoy square dancing and experience Kansas City in 2018. Your early registrations are extremely helpful in our planning process and translate to making your experience in Kansas City one for the memory book.

If you have not subscribed to the electronic National Square Dance Convention newsletter, please do so. This is a wonderful tool to keep you informed of the latest news for all upcoming national conventions. This publication is designed to keep dancers informed of opportunities for serving, participating, and enjoying your national convention. Please visit: natsq@nsdcnec.com and follow the link to subscribe. I strongly encourage everyone to do so. If you have fellow dancers that are not computer savvy, please be proactive and print your copy to share with them.

All roads lead to Kansas City; thus we are extending a very warm welcome to you and yours to visit our city in 2018!

Crow's Creek Campground at Smithville Lake

Long form w/camping reservation

Deadline: January 1, 2018

Combination of 30 Amp and 50 Amp
Reserved Areas Are Loops C, E, and
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**If camping together, Camping Profiles
Must be received together no later
than January 5, 2018!**



Visit - www.67nsdc.com for more information



WEST COAST ASSOCIATION

43RD ANNUAL FALL FUN FEST

Have you heard? There's going to be a new caller in town November 10 – 11, 2017! Don Moger, a caller from Montreal, Canada, is going to be here calling at the West Coast Association's 43rd Annual Fall Fun Fest, along with Bob Stern, a well-known caller in central Florida. Our very own Jimmy and Carol Griffin will be cueing for the weekend. I don't know about you, but I like trying out new callers!

For those that don't know Don, here is his bio as posted on the Internet: Don started dancing in 1975, and began his career as a caller by teaching a group of teens to square dance in the same year. About a year later, a well-known caller relocated to the U.S... This changed Don's calling workload from one night a week to five nights a week.

Don has held executive positions on MASDA, CVCA, and MACA and is a member of CALLERLAB. He has also appeared on 4 different television shows to promote Square Dancing.

In 1988, a dream became a reality when Don opened the doors of a full time Square Dance hall. Don operated and called at the hall seven nights a week for many years. A different level was danced each night.

As of June 2004, after 36 years, Don retired from his job of Technical Advisor in a lithography company. He now has more time to spend traveling and calling square dances, an activity he loves so much.

Don has two sons, both of whom share a passion for sports with him. Don and Avena live in Montreal and call for clubs that dance Mainstream thru C2. The summer schedule is also very busy with regular workshops at all levels.

In addition to his club activities, calling engagements have taken him throughout Canada, many states in the U.S, as well as England,

Germany, Denmark, Sweden, France, Austria, and the Czech Republic.

Don strives very hard to structure the choreography so that it is interesting and creative. Don also spends many hours in his selection of music, which is always appreciated by the dancers. His ability to challenge and bring out the best in dancers at all levels is attested to by the zealous enthusiasm displayed by all who attend his dances.

Bob Stern started calling in 1974 in the Syracuse, New York area, and moved to Florida in 1999. He is currently Mainstream thru A-2 for four different clubs. Bob is a member of the Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association (SCCA), the Florida Callers Association (currently serving as president), and a member of CALLERLAB since 1978 where is past Advance Chairman.

Jimmy and Carol Griffin began square dancing in 1983 and round dancing in 1985. They are members of The Round Dance Council of Florida, of which Carol was President in 1995, ICBDA (International Choreographed Ballroom Dance Association), and Roundalab. They were Vice Chairman of Rounds at the 46th National Square Dance Convention in, Orlando, FL, in 1997.

Presently they have a Phase 4 & 5 Round Dance Club, Spinaround. They BOTH also cue at several local clubs. They were on staff of the Florida Winter Fest and the Daytona Beach Ball for many years.

They have choreographed some very popular dances such as *Return to Sender*, *Volcano Samba*, *Blue Side Of Lonesome*, *Musical Fantasy*, *A Fool Such As I*, *Time To Rumba*, *I Really Don't Want To Know* and *La Mer D'Amour*. They have taught and cued at several national conventions, numerous weekend specials, educational clinics/seminars, state conventions and charity events.

In addition to their busy dance schedule, they are both employed full time. They have three sons, who are former square dancers, and live in St. Petersburg, FL.

As you can see, we have a very impressive staff! Ribbons are available for \$18 per person for the entire weekend; Friday and Saturday \$20 per person; Split Friday or Saturday after 6:00 p.m. \$10 per person, and Saturday all day \$15 per person. Split ribbons can only be purchased at registration desk. Callers and cuers who call and/or cue in the West Coast

Association area admitted free; ribbons can be picked up at the registration table.

The program includes Mainstream through Advance squares and Phase 2 – 4 rounds and workshops. An extra hour of rounds has been added to Saturday afternoon.

Host hotel is Holiday Inn Express (863-533-8070) and the alternate hotel is Stay Inn & Suites (863-533-0711). Be sure to ask for the square dance rate!

Flyer is available at www.dancergram.com or www.floridasquaredance.com. If you have any questions, please contact the chairman, Janice Serenko, at sailaway@tampabay.rr.com.

Penny Green
Publicity



PURPOSE OF AWARD:

To show appreciation to both Caller's and Cuer's who go that **EXTRA MILE**, without personal gain, 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 of Square Dancers shall be the selection committee, with the current president as chairman of same. New members coming on will replace the ones 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. (A Nomination Form is attached and must be fully completed.)
- 3) The selection committee meets during the February working weekend to review the nominee(s) and arrive at a final decision.

PROCEDURE FOR PRESENTING AWARD/AWARDS:

- 1) The award(s) should be presented on Saturday evening at the Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention held in May of the same year, by the current president of the Florida Federation.
- 2) The award(s) presented shall be a framed document and an "Extra Mile Award Recipient" bar or dangle.

**The Nomination Form for the Extra Mill Award
can be found on:**

**<http://floridasquaredance.com>
beneath the Map Locator option
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- ✓ Contributions must be to the entire state of Florida
- ✓ Requires unselfish dedication of time and labor

Nomination Resume and Submission

Follow the who, what, when and where rule as you investigate and prepare the resume. Submit to the chairman of the Hall of Fame Committee no later than November 1st of each year.

For full details and nomination form, go to
www.floridasquaredance.com/halloffame.com

See next page for Committee Names . . .

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All Things Considered

Attack Of The Floaters

By Ed Foote

Beware of the floaters! They can invade any square at any time at any program, from Mainstream to Challenge. They break down squares slowly and stealthily, without any regard or recognition of the destruction they are causing.

A floater is someone who does not achieve a precise position after a call. A floater will be 1/8 off (more or less) and often will be standing at a 45-degree angle, in an attempt to be prepared to move in several ways on the next call. Floaters are like liquid cement: you never know when they are going to set up.

A floater constantly needs help from others in the square to achieve the correct facing direction. But since a person may “float” on several calls in a row, everyone in the square must be alert and able to help at some point. If the help is not forthcoming, the floater will cause others to lose their orientation as well, and the square will slowly dissolve into one mass blob.

A floater may also float out of the square, which usually causes an instant breakdown, since there is not enough time to maneuver the floater back to the correct position. A floater will often want to turn around, which wreaks havoc with anyone who is trying to help the floater. A floater is usually always in motion and appears to be quivering all the time, never achieving a final position.

Why is a person a floater? Because he or she does not know definitions. Once dancers are confident in definitions, they cease to float. But most floaters do not seem to care about knowing definitions. Instead, they are content to float along, causing extra work for others and breaking down squares.

Floaters will often say: “I don’t need to know definitions – someone will pull me through.” What a selfish attitude! In other words, their position is: “As long as I’m having fun, I don’t care if this causes other people not to have fun.”

But floating is not a problem because, - hey, square dancing is fun, right? Perhaps for the floater, but eventually not for others. Eventually, some

people say: “I’ve had it with pulling people through who don’t know what they are doing – I’m going to take up some other activity.” But this is socially unacceptable to say, so silence reigns, and the square dance population gets smaller.

Reprint from American Square Dance – May 2017

The Continuation Of Our Great Activity

For all of the people who are already in our great activity of square dancing this info is well known, but what we need to do is inform more people who have not yet had the opportunity of learning to square dance, so I am taking the opportunity of sharing this info. If you have friends who might like to square, or who have learned, but are not dancing at this time, please invite them out to a dance with you so that we can all know that square dancing is a great, healthy and inexpensive activity. For all the ones who are square dancing it is our duty to educate some new people on what fun we are having. Let me give you some facts that could make our square dancing activity grow. That is what we need, correct?

First of all, most, but not all of the square dance clubs only charge \$5 -6 admission fee. For that small charge you have at least two full hours of great square dancing, round dancing, and fellowshiping with some of the nicest people that you might ever come in contact with. The dance that you attend normally has snacks, finger foods and goodies of some kind to munch on – at no extra charge. Sound good so far?

Western style square dancing today is not like it was “back in the day”. Modern music is used, music that you can sing along with, has a wonderful beat and makes you want to keep your fingers tapping on the table if you are not on the floor participating in the great fun. Alcohol is not allowed at any square dance function and to my knowledge very few people ever go outside to “smoke”.

In the summertime most clubs go “casual” in dress which of course means that you can wear jeans or capris, short sleeve shirts and be comfy depending on the temperature. During the rest of the year square dance clothes are adorning the floors all over the place. Yes, some people

think they are “expensive, old fashioned and out of style”, but hello you would really be surprised at those who love to dress up. To make matters even more simple there are places where you can buy gently used square dance clothing – including beautiful petticoats, or matching outfits for couples who love to dress up to help the caller keep up with who’s who in the square.

If you do not know WHERE to dance there is an electronic newsletter called the Dancergram.com, which is put out by someone who has been square dancing for many years and who fills her electronic newsletter with all kinds of important information on when and where to dance, plus articles that contain many things about square dancing. There is also another website known as “Where’s the Dance” indicating which clubs are dancing when and where. There is also the Florida Square and Round Dance Association website which is loaded with some great info.

If you have a family of four and the admission is \$6.00 per person you can spend \$24.00 and for at least two hours you can participate in a delightful night out with your family very inexpensively.

You ask, “Well what if I don’t how to square and round dance?” Refer to the website references given above to find that info out. So basically why not give it thought and find out just how much fun you can have for such a small amount of money. I guarantee you will not be disappointed once you find out how many wonderful friends you will make doing something very healthy for yourself.

There are also larger events such as conventions held in various areas which are once to three days in duration where you basically dance, dance, and dance some more. Of course dance of this type, i.e. cost more than an average weekly dance.

Square dancers are known to “love to eat out together” so generally after a dance at a great square dance – guess what – you all get together and share a meal somewhere and then get to know each other on a more personal level. It’s kind of hard to communicate in a square so your visiting comes later and you will be so surprised at how easy it is to become “addicted” to having a lot of fun for a small amount of money.

Please pass this info around and let’s see what happens to square dancing in our own particular area as well as all over the globe. Oh, by the way, we

have a hall in our area known as Strawberry Square which is known as the square dancing capitol of the south and it is located right in Plant City, Florida.



We are always looking to encourage all ages to learn to square dance and lessons are given at different locations. We welcome anyone who really wants to have some good, clean family fun. Hope you are one of the ones who will copy and paste and share this message and help us grow square dancing in every area. We welcome homeschool groups, school age children from 7 years old and on up to as far as we can go. We still have people dancing well into their 80's and enjoying themselves while keeping healthy.

What do you say – will you copy and share this info?

Flo and Bob Ormsbee

West Coast Square and Round Dance Presidents 2016

P.S. The most fun "square dance call" is Yellow Rock. That is a HUG. They come with the dance – free of charge...Remember to Live Lively and Square Dance.

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How did USDA get its start?

In November of 1978, the idea for a national dancer's association was presented to the California Square Dance Council. The intent was to bring together the various State Dancer Associations, Councils, Federations, etc. into one National organization to represent the dancers in the affairs of the activity. A questionnaire was sent to the various organizations with a very good response.

An organizing committee was formed at the 29th National Square Dance Convention® in Memphis with 12 states forming this body. In November 1980, in Oklahoma City, the governing documents for this new organization were formulated. These documents were distributed for review in early 1981, so that the organization meeting and final adoption could create this new dancer organization. This meeting took place in Seattle during the 30th National Square Dance Convention®. At this time the name of UNITED SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA (USDA) was chosen as the official name.

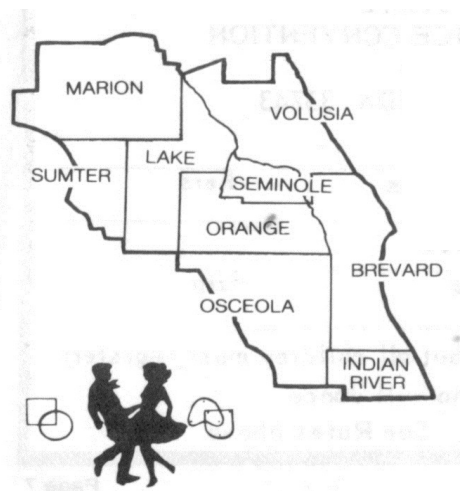
The 1st Annual meeting was history. There were 22 states representing 110,000 dancers. Goals were established and they are still in force today. Officers were elected at this meeting. In the first winter meeting, the medical/liability insurance program was presented and has been covering us ever since. Shortly thereafter enough state organizations joined to make USDA the largest dancer organization in the world. Annual meetings were originally held on Friday afternoon during the National Square Dance Convention®, but were later changed to Wednesday afternoon before the National Convention.

USDA, the largest square dance organization in the world, was organized by dancers, for dancers, and is operated by dancers. For more information, please visit their website www.usda.org.

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CLUB NEWS

Casselberry Hoedowners



The last dance for the month of June started with the Pledge and brought three smiling squares to the dance floor. Gene kept everybody on their toes with his upbeat song choices. Jerry followed with a line dance to "Bop" by Dan Seals. Donna led us in the second line dance to one of our favorites, "Dear Future Husband".

After a couple of Dick's great round dances, Jerry made announcements. He started with an acknowledgement of all the dance leaders and workers. These included Gene, Dick, Donna, the set-up crew, Michael for his photography, the front desk ladies, and the kitchen crew. As usual, we had an array of delicious snacks on the back table.

Jerry reminded us to sign up for next week's 4th of July Indoor Picnic. Arrive at 12:30, and we will plan to eat at about 1:00. The club will provide the hot dogs. Also please remember to support the coffee fund by dropping some extra funds into Miss Kitty's tray. The collection helps the club to pay for the paper and coffee products that we enjoy each week and during special dinners.

Please remember our sick members as they recover. Jerry received a report that Dick Crittenden is in the hospital in Danville, Kentucky. The latest word is that he is able to sit up and eat. Please continue to pray for Bob Hutcherson as well.

A large group met at Boston's Fish House after the dance and enjoyed a time of relaxation and conversation. Join us next week to celebrate the 4th with a dinner and dance!

Granada Squares Denim & Lace

Congratulations to our Beginner's Class which graduated on June 6. They are now capable Mainstream Dancers. Our next class begins on July 18. Lessons are free through August 29. Class starts at 6:00 pm, led by caller Rod Barngrover.

Our regular club dances are from 7:00-9:00 pm on Tuesdays. Mainstream and Plus dance tips are interspersed with rounds and line dances. There will be no dance on July 4, Independence Day.

We are talking up the 2018 Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention in Daytona Beach. The Ocean Center is a beautiful venue. Not only that, but it's almost within walking distance for us! Well, maybe it would be a long day hike for us, but it's still close.

Our dance on July 25 will have a **beach party** theme – swimsuits are not required. Swimsuits aren't even suggested. In fact, don't even think about swimsuits! **July 29 is the Fifth Saturday Association Dance so, y'all come.** Our Labor Day Dance, September 5, will also be **Pie Night**. Bake a pie and share. It's always a good idea to check the calendar on our website before visiting.

Join us in Ormond Beach for a Tuesday evening of friendship and fun.

Get happy...Get healthy...Get square dancing.

Ted Frank

With all the rain, we needed fisherman's hats! Peggy and Jeri, our newest dancers created hats for everyone! It was a lot of fun and a sea of yellow emerged as Rod sang "Fisherman's Luck"!





Gene McCullough, Jim Louder, John Saunders, Rod Barngrover

**I HATE BEING
SEXY
BUT I'M A
CALLER
SO I CAN'T HELP IT**

**Laugh
More
Worry
Less
Square
Dance**
*Created by Leslie Young
Square Dance "Generations"*



Orange Blossom Squares

If you are looking forward to summer dancing fun, the Orange Blossom Squares dance on Sunday nights from 7 to 9 p.m. at LaHacienda Recreation Center, located at 1200 Avenida Central, The Villages, just off Hwy 27/441.

Our July fireworks start with a Red, White, & Blue salute on July 2nd, led by caller Whit Brown, and cuer Loretta Hanhurst. The fireworks continue July 9th when Jack Lewis blasts into our area doing both calling and cuing! The dance floor always sizzles when Jack is here! July 16th

the festivities continue with Lennie Newberry calling, and Loretta Hanhurst cuing. We take a break at Orange Blossom on July 23rd, because many from our area travel to the Peachtree weekend in Georgia. July ends like a firecracker when the Dynamic Duo of Don Hanhurst calling and Loretta Hanhurst cuing close out our month.

We have a great lineup in August, keep your feet moving: Mike Cox and Loretta Hanhurst start the month on the 6th. The dancing continues with Bob Stern calling and Lloyd & Ruth McKenrick cuing on August 13th. Kick up your heels with Duane Rodgers on squares, and Loretta Hanhurst on rounds for August 20th. The final fun will be with Rod Barngrover on squares and Lloyd & Ruth McKenrick on rounds for August 27th.

Mike and Wanda David, Orange Blossom Squares
Media/Publicity



We meet the second weekend of the month –
September thru May
Camping in Okeechobee, Sebastian, Busnell,
Sebring and Eustis Florida.
You're Always Welcome!



The Whirl & Twirl

SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CLUB



Yellow Rock Squares

The Yellow Rock Squares, Florida's Handicapable Club, is excited to be invited to CFA's 5th Saturday Dance in Ormond Beach, July 29. We look forward to our demo, and dancing a tip, or two, with other club dancers.

We had fun on June 11th, 2 couples of Angels joined us. We all learned some plus steps, including tea cup chain, and circulate. Thank You Angels!

Come join us for more fun, any Sunday afternoon in Daytona Beach, as we are dancing thru the summer . Call 386-734-2110 for directions , and to be sure we are dancing that Sunday.

Until next time, Yellow Rocks, Jean Hit

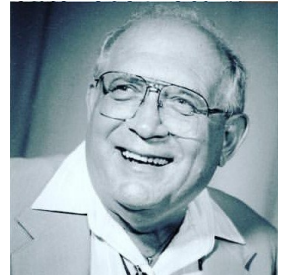
Dancers Who Have Returned Home



James K Brown, age 84, of Cape Canaveral, passed away on May 3, 2017. He was a long time member of Dixie Diamonds advance square dance club in Melbourne. Condolences to his wife Lucy.

John Michael Saunders

The Lord called John Michael Saunders from this world to sing the Lord's praises and call square dances with the angels on Tuesday, June 27, 2017. He was 77 years old. John was born on February 26, 1940 to Chuck & Margaret Saunders in Lenoir, NC. He married the love of his life, Linda Jean Boggs also from Lenoir, NC on April 26, 1959. In 1962, they moved to Florida. Once in Florida, John used his degree from Clevenger Business College to work as an accountant for various businesses. He retired after 23 years as an excise tax auditor/supervisor for the State of Florida Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco. John found true joy in his role as a professional square dance caller, teacher, and leader which he began when he was 23 years old. He loved the fellowship and friendships that square dancing blessed him with. He was able to bring the joy of square dancing to people around the United States and to 25+ countries around the world.



He truly had a gift of calling, singing and making others smile with his music. He could tell a mean joke out of the side of the mouth while calling a dance. John's passion was always family and friends. He made every effort to give his family the best of everything, including driving advice from the backseat and never wanted to see anyone unhappy. When he wasn't working or calling square dances, he was coaching, cheering, and supporting his family in all their many activities. He would argue sports with anyone that would "take the bait" especially when it

was about his favorite teams: the New York Yankees, the Duke Blue Devils and the Florida Gators. John is survived by his wife of 58 years, Linda. Their love of each other and their family and friends set the best example of how we are supposed to go through life gracefully and with laughs.

His biggest successes are his five children, Michael (Rosemary), Michelle (Doug Adams), Christopher, Shawn (Shannon) and Susy (Bryan Peterson), 15 grandchildren, Lauren (Justin Alspaugh), Ryan, Adrienne (Derrick Jeffries), Nicholas (Monica), Benjamin, Zachary, Briel, Branton, Cale, Jasan Rice (Dayna), Corey, Cassidy, Brody, Clayton and Delaney and 5 great grandchildren, Kade, Carter, Olivia, Kimera and Colby. John is predeceased by his parents, Chuck and Margaret and granddaughter, Amanda Marie (infant).

A church service for John's family members will be Saturday, July 8, 2017. A celebration of Life for family & friends with music & dance will be Saturday, July 22, 2017 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM at Prince of Peace Catholic Church, Ormond Beach, FL.

John fought fiercely through diabetes, heart disease and cancer. While cancer took his life, it could not take his soul, his dignity or his sense of humor and that is why he is able now to be perched in Joe Girardi's ear "advising him" because the Lord knows that he needs advising. He is also able to eat pin wheels, biscuits and gravy and all of Linda's cooking as he controls the TV of his dreams showing only his favorites: Big Bang Theory, Love Boat, M.A.S.H. and Keeping Up Appearances.

At John's request, his body has been donated to the Anatomical Board of the State of Florida for use in medical research & education at the University of Central Florida. In lieu of flowers, donations will be accepted at the Celebration of Life for various local charities and <http://foundation.flcancer.com/johnsaunders>



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Would you like to place an ad in Keepin' Posted?

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*The Square & Round Dancers of CFA
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October - January - April - July

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: CFA

MAIL TO: Ailene Picheco
345 Hula Circle
Merritt Island, FL 32952

EMAIL AD COPY TO: apicheco@att.net

PHONE: 321-652-0680

WHERE TO DANCE IN CENTRAL FLORIDA

Sunday

CASSELBERRY – HOEDOWNERS

Casselberry Senior Citizen Center
200 N Triplet Lake Drive
1:30-2:30 Plus Workshop
2:30-4:00 Plus and Mainstream Tips
Caller: Gene McCullough
Cuer: Dick Nordine
Phone: 407-273-2561
(Norma Newton)

Email:
hoedownerscaller@gmail.com
Email: hoedowners@earthlink.net
Banner raids: 386-749-4767
Webpage: www.hoedowners.net

DAYTONA BEACH – YELLOW ROCK SQUARES

ARC Bldg, 100 Jimmy Huger Circle
Off Jimmy Ann Drive and 5th Street
(call to verify schedule)
2:00-4:00

We need Angels. We are a
Handicapable club which loves to
have all dancers join us for fun.

Caller: Rick Yates
Cuer: Marilyn Yates
Phone: 386-734-2110
Email: reyates.deland@gmail.com

GENEVA – BRENDON SQUARES

Little Red Schoolhouse,
101 E Main St
(Corner of First & Main Street,
Entrance on Main)
4:30-6:30 Mainstream Dance
Caller: Don Whitaker
Phone: 407-542-3799
Email: don@brendonsquares.com
Website: www.brendonsquares.com

MELBOURNE - Dancin' Diamonds

Wickham Park Community Center
2815 Leisure Way
(Entrance off Wickham Road north
of Parkway Drive)
1:30-2:00 Workshop
2:00-4:00 Mainstream/Plus Dance
Caller: John Swindle
Phone: 321-636-2997
Email: johncaller@bellsouth.net

ROCKLEDGE - ROUND DANCE

Hope United Church of Christ
2555 Fiske Blvd
6:00-7:30 Round Dance Teach
7:30-9:00 Round Dance
Cuer: Earle & Carol Collins
Phone: 407-354-0229
Email: Collins.cbd@gmail.com

**THE VILLAGES –
ORANGE BLOSSOM
SQUARES**

La Hacienda Recreation Center
1200 Avenida Central
7:00-9:00 Plus Dance w/ Rounds
Callers: Local and National
Guests
Cuers: Loretta Hanhurst & Ruth
McKenrick
Phone: 352-430-3458
Banner Raids: 352-753-2931
Email: wanda4446@gmail.com
Website: www.obsquares.org

Monday

**BELLVIEW –
STERN WHEELERS**
United Methodist Church
5640 Brown Rd
1:30-2:30 C-1 Workshop
3:00-5:00 A2 Dance
Caller: Bob Stern
Phone: 352-323-1295
Email: rpstern@aol.com

DELAND - HONEYBEES
Jackson Lane Park
720 Frankfort Ave
6:30-7:45 Classes
7:30-9:30 Club Dance
Caller: Gene McCullough
Contact: 386-852-1115
Phone: Bob Hutcherson
386-749-4334

**OCALA –
The OCALA TWIRLERS**
Ocala West United Methodist Church
Stanford Hall
9330 SW 105th Street, off SR 200
12:45-2:00 Plus Workshop (Class
starting in Oct)
2:00-2:15 Early Rounds
2:00-4:15 Plus Dance w/Rounds
Caller: Whit Brown
Cuer: Bev Landwehr
Phone: 352-237-6416 or
352-854-9378
Email: twarren6@cfl.rr.com
Website: www.squaredancesites.com/
oak_run_twirlers

ORLANDO - WHIRL & TWIRL
Whirl & Twirl Square and Round
Dance Center
6949 Venture Circle
7:00-10:00 Round Dance Workshop
and dance—All levels
Cuer: Dick Nordine
Email: rnordine@juno.com
Phone: 407-417-3851

**ST CLOUD –
HEEL & TOE**
Annex Bldg Senior Center
702 Indiana Ave
(Call to confirm)
7:00–9:00 Alternating MS & Plus
Caller: Bill Boyd
Phone: 407-931-1688
Email: BillBoydCaller@gmail.com
Website:
www.floridasquaredance.com/
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**TITUSVILLE – COCOA
TGO SQUARES**

The Manor in the Great Out-
doors RV Golf Resort
(Entrance South of Rt 50
West of I-95)

145 Plantation Drive,
(Nov to April)

7:00-9:00 Mainstream Dance

Caller: John Swindle

Phone: 607-316-4910

**(call to make certain we are
dancing)**

**FORT PIERCE –
TREASURE COAST SQUARES**

River Walk Center
600 North Indian River Dr

Closed in summer

6:30-7:00 Early Rounds

7:00-9:00 Plus Dance

Caller/Cuer: Gib Mattson

Phone: 772-532-3225

Email: nrchurch@optonline.net

Website:

www.treasurecoastsquares.com

Tuesday

**LEESBURG –
ROYAL SQUARES**

Royal Highlands Grear Hall
5359 Monarch Blvd (Off Hwy 27)

2:00-4:00 Workshop

4:00-6:00 Mainstream/Plus Dance

Caller: Lenny Newberry

Phone: **Mel or Jo-Ann Strickland
at 352-728-3658**

**ORMOND BEACH -
GRANADA SQUARES
DENIM AND LACE**

Ormond Beach Senior Center

351 Andrews Street

6:00 Workshop/Lessons

7:00-9:00 pm Mainstream and Plus
with Lines and Rounds

Caller: Rod Barngrover

Pamela Kelley 386-671-6223

Website:

www.granadasquaresdenimandlace.com

Email:

[granadasquaresdei-
mandlace@yahoo.com](mailto:granadasquaresdei-
mandlace@yahoo.com)

**ROCKLEDGE -
CANAVERAL SQUARES**

Hope United Church of Christ
2555 Fiske Blvd

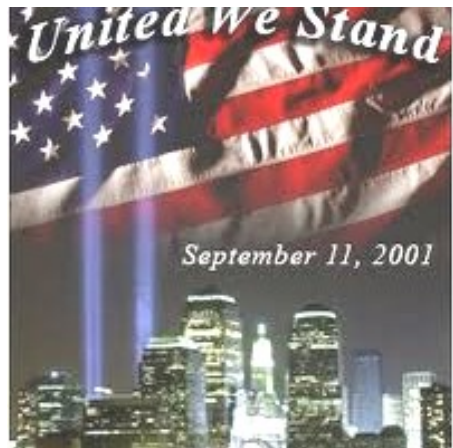
7:00-9:00 Mainstream Lessons

Caller: Rick Yates

Phone: 321-652-0680

apicheco@att.net

www.canaveralsquares.com



Wednesday

MELBOURNE – DIXIE DIAMONDS

Eau Gallie Civic Center
1550 Highland Ave
(July to March)
Call to confirm.

7:00 – 9:00 A1 – A2 Dance
Caller: Jerry Reed

Website: www.JReedSDC.com

OKLAWAHA – PILOT SQUARES

Lake Weir Chamber of Commerce
13125 East Hwy 25
2:00-4:00 Advance Dance
4:00-5:00 C-1 Dance
Caller: Ron Libby
Phone: 352-409-1369
Email: ronlibby@aol.com

ORLANDO – WHIRL & TWIRL

Whirl & Twirl Square and Round
Dance Center
6949 Venture Circle
8:00-10:00 Mainstream w/Line
Dancing
Caller: Whit Brown
Phone: 407-679-2882

Banner Raids: Bill & Lisa Rigsby,
407-448-7384

bill@rigsbybrothers.com
Email: email@whirlandtwirl.org
Website: www.whirlandtwirl.org

OXFORD -

FUN SEEKERS

4027 County Rd 106
2:00-4:00 Plus level w/workshop
Rounds: Level II, III, IV
Dress Casual or
Square Dance Attire!!
Caller: Don Hanhurst
Cuer: Loretta Hanhurst
Phone: 352-245-8855
Email: donh1022@yahoo.com

Thursday

ANTHONY – CELEBRITY SQUARES / PRESTIGE 55

Anthony United Methodist Church
2396 NE 97th Street
(8 miles north of Ocala)
Activities building behind church
(September thru May)
7:00-9:00 Plus Dance
Caller: Red Barngrover
Banner: 352-629-0437
Email: Cyrinfla@gmail.com
Website:
www.ocalasquaredance.com

GOD BLESS



**MELBOURNE –
PALM BAY PROMENADERS**
Tropical Haven, 1205 Eddie Allen
Road

(between W. Nasa Blvd and West
Hibiscus Blvd)

7:30-10:00 Plus Dance w/Rounds

Caller: Dale McClary

Cuer: Guests

Email: llandsv@gmail.com

**MERRITT ISLAND –
SPACE TRACKERS**

Merritt Island Presbyterian Church
155 Cone Road

(1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Thursdays)

6:45-8:00 Square Dance Class

8:00–10:00 Plus Squares

Caller: Whit Brown

Phone: 321-247-9894

Email: islandmom74@att.net

Banner Raids: 321-452-3941

Website: www.spacetrackers.com

**SUMMERFIELD –
FOUNTAIN SQUARES**

Del Webb Spruce Creek
Country Club

Community Center Ballroom

13601 Del Webb Blvd

(Off US Hwy 27 & US 441)

(October thru April)

7:00-9:00 Plus Dance

Caller: Ron Libby

Phone: Jack Ward 352-307-5490

Email: jnjward@centurylink.net

Friday

**BARBERVILLE –
WRANGLER COUNTRY
SQUARES**

Pioneer Art Settlement,
1776 Lightfoot Lane

6:00-7:30 Beginner class

7:30-9:30 MS/Plus with Lines and
Rounds

Caller: Rod Barngrover

Phone: 386-749-4767

**LADY LAKE –
PLANTATION SQUARES**

Route 466 & Recreation Blvd
(Winter - Nov thru April)

7:00-9:30 Plus Dance w/Rounds

Caller: Bob Stern

Cuer: Loretta Hanhurst

Phone: 352-323-1295

Email: rpstern@aol.com

**OCOEE – GARDEN PATCH
SQUARES**

Vignetti Rec Center,
1910 Adair St

7:00-8:15 Class or Workshop

8:15-9:45 Plus Dance

Caller: Bill Boyd

Phone: 407-889-8558 or

407-886-7151

Banner Raids: RoyAnne Martin

407-282-8341

ORLANDO – WHIRL & TWIRL

Whirl & Twirl Square and Round
Dance Center

6949 Venture Circle

7:30-8:00 Early Rounds

8:00-10:00 Plus Dance with
Rounds

Caller: Whit Brown

Cuer: Guest

Phone: 407-679-2882

Email: email@whirlandtwirl.org

Banner Raids:

Bill & Lisa 407-448-7384

bill@rigsbybrothers.com

Website: www.whirlandtwirl.org

Saturday

GENEVA – BRENDON SQUARES ROUNDS

Little Red Schoolhouse, 101 E

Main St

(Corner of First & Main Street,
Entrance on Main)

(First Saturday of each month)

7:30-8:00 Phases III & IV

8:00-10:00 Phase II, III and IV

Cuer: Tapes

Email: Mike or Linde

mikelinde@bellsouth.net

NOTE: All proceeds from the
dance are donated to the Rural
Heritage Center.

PORT ORANGE – A STARS

Port Orange Adult Center

4790 Ridgewood Ave

6:15-7:55

Advance Dance

Callers: Jim Bouchard

Cuer: Marilyn Yates

Contact: 615-491-0526

PORT ORANGE – SPINDRIFTERS

Port Orange Adult Center

4790 Ridgewood Ave

8:05-9:45

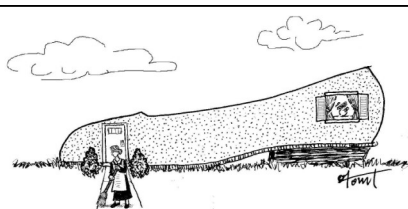
Plus Dance

Callers: Rick Yates

Cuer: Marilyn Yates

Contact: 386-734-2110

mnyates.deland@gmail.com



After the last child moved out, the old woman
sold the shoe and moved into a flat.





Angie Olds wins Gold in New Zealand



Planning Ahead!

AUGUST 31 - SEPTEMBER 3 ARKANSAS - 57th Dance-A-Rama, Wyndham riverfront hotel, North Little Rock, Brenda Griffin, 501-416-5366, arkidancer@yahoo.com

SEPTEMBER 8-9 GEORGIA - GSSDA 46th Annual Convention, The Classic Center, 130 Foundry Street, Athens, Roscoe Johnson, 229-377-9635

OCTOBER 26-29 FLORIDA - Florida State Camp-O-Rec, Southern Palms RV Resort, 1 Avocado Lane, Eustis, Angela Brown 352-408-5721, Tim Hill 352-205-0596, doramiata62@yahoo.com

OCTOBER 27-28 FLORIDA - Northwest Florida 43rd Round-Up, Ragon Hall, 2600 Stratford Road, Pensacola, Jim & Deecee Haslett, 850-944-0322, jim.deecee@cox.net

NOVEMBER 10-11 FLORIDA - West Coast 43rd Annual Fall Fun Fest, Bartow Civic Center, 2250 Floral Ave, Bartow, Janice Serencko, 207-882-7519, sailaway@tampabay.rr.com

NOVEMBER 17-18 FLORIDA - Northeast Fall Festival, Palms Presbyterian Church, 3410 3rd Street South, Jacksonville Beach, Eric & Robin Burton, 904-738-7008, eburton@hotmail.com

JANUARY 27, 2018 FLORIDA - Advanced Dance, Strawberry Square, 4401 Promenade Blvd, Plant City, Keith Stevens, 863-326-9774, keith@keithstevens.com

FEBRUARY 22 FLORIDA - Trail End Dance, Nova Community Center, 440 N Nova Rd, Ormond Beach, 32174, floridasquaaredance.com/convention

FEBRUARY 23-24 FLORIDA - 64th Florida Square & Round Dance Convention, Daytona Ocean Center, Daytona Beach, FL 32118, floridasquaredance.com/convention

APRIL 20-22 FLORIDA - Party Weekend, Deedhaven Retreat & Conference Center, 47924 NFS 540-2, Paisley, FL 32767, Randy & Carol Poole, 386-734-5295, rpoole19@cfl.rr.com, cpoole19@cfl.rr.com

USA National Square Dance Conventions

67th NSDC	June 27-30, 2018	Kansas City, MO
68th NSDC	June 24-29, 2019	Atlanta, GA
69th NSDC	June 17-20, 2020	Spokane, WA
70th NSDC	June, 2021	Jackson, MS

<http://www.nsdcnec.com/index.php/nsdc-conventions>

USA West Square Dance Conventions

Aug 17-19, 2017 Rock Springs, WY

Aug 16-18, 2018 Reno, NV

Intl Association of Gay SD Clubs

July 5-7, 2018 Seattle WA

July 5-7, 2019 Atlanta GA

You might think that you don't matter in this world, but because of you someone has a favorite mug to drink their tea out of that you bought them. Someone hears a song on the radio and it reminds them of you.

Someone has read a book you recommended to them and gotten lost in its pages. Someone's remembered a joke you told them and smiled to themselves on the bus.

Never think you don't have an impact. Your fingerprints can't be wiped away from the little marks of kindness that you've left behind.



"BLAST FROM THE PAST"

Keepin Posted, November 1982



Let's Take a Look

SUGGESTED DO'S AND DON'TS FOR SQUARE DANCING — Author Unknown

(Reprinted with permission from *The SQUARE DANCE BULLETIN*)

GETTING READY FOR THE DANCE

DO: Eat a light dinner; you'll have less weight to carry while dancing, have more pep and will enjoy your after-dance snack much more.

DON'T: Forget that shower or tub, AND that bottle or jar of deodorant. Hoedown is hot work and it is only good taste to make sure that you don't offend.

DO: Dress gaily and comfortable. Fancy and expensive costumes are not at all necessary, but bright and colorful clothes help to add flavor to the dance and it's nice to know that you look right. The gents shouldn't overdress and the ladies shouldn't underdress. *The men should always wear long sleeve shirts.* Leave off any accessories that might come loose or fall off unexpectedly. Who wants to stand out half a dance while someone looks for a lost earring, or ties up a stubborn shoe, or slipper lace?

DON'T: Take a drink of any kind for at least *twelve* hours before a dance; even a short snort, a single highball is enough to affect your coordination, slow your reflexes and (what is more important) make your presence objectionable to others. Furthermore, leave your bottle at home — Alcohol and allemands just don't mix. The After-Party is just as much a part of the dance as the first allemande in this respect so make that last drink coffee.

DO: Leave home early enough to get to the dance in time for the very first "Honor your partner." Don't be that tardy twosome that deprives three other couples from dancing because you aren't there to fill the set.

WHEN YOU GET TO THE DANCE

DO: Forget about business, financial, social and family cares (even taxes) and concentrate on enjoying the dance and helping others around you to enjoy it.

DON'T: Fail to be friendly and sociable with everyone; a neighborly attitude will make you a lot more popular than perfect technique.

DO: Form your square promptly, and welcome anyone who joins the set. If you don't know everyone in the square, introduce yourself before the call starts. Always thank everyone in the set for sharing your fun when it breaks up at the end of a tip.

DON'T: Ever walk away from a set because some of its members may not be the best dancers in the State. Help them along and they'll be your friends forever. If necessary, change partners to further strengthen the set. Never flaunt your superior dancing skill or knowledge (?); remember you were once a "clunk" yourself.

DO: Listen closely for walk-thrus, instructions and calls — and let others in the square also listen to them by keeping quiet. People who talk constantly and try to instruct others in the set can become very unpopular, very quickly.

DON'T: Take dancing too seriously (yours or others). Mistakes are half the fun of dancing provided you don't make too many mistakes of the same kind. If someone "goofs", just laugh it off and keep pitching.

DO: Mix your sets and partners freely and constantly. Why get stuck in the same old square all evening? Change squares each tip and see how the "other half" dances. Change partners as often as you can — variety is the spice of a hoedown!

DON'T: "Hedge" about serving on a committee or accepting an officership in your club or group. It is a peck of fun

and you'll find that the small amount of time and responsibility it requires is more than paid for by the satisfaction of doing something for others.

DO: Make it a point to get acquainted with everyone at the dance that you've never met before, and to renew your acquaintance with those you haven't seen for a while. You don't need a third party to introduce you to a stranger; just walk right up to him or her and tell 'em how glad you are to have them there. Every square dancer should be a self-appointed one man welcoming committee.

DON'T: Make yourself obnoxious by "cutting-in" or "cheating" into a square by objectionable means. "Cutting" is something of an art if it is to be done right, so be sure you know when and where and how to "cut". If in doubt, ask the caller if it is O.K. to cut-in, as some clubs and groups don't approve of it.

DO: Stick to the style of dancing used by the group and refrain from showing off with fancy twirls and figures. Avoid jerking, pulling, and bouncing and try for smoothness in your dancing.

DON'T: Grumble and gripe if a less capable couple fills in your set when you signal for additional members. Take whatever comes gladly and willingly and do your best to have fun with them. Rudeness certainly has no place in square dancing, but tolerance and kindness rank high.

DO: Remember that good dancing ability is nice to have, but that the greatest contribution you can make toward the enjoyment of a dance is friendliness, good humor, cooperation and a genuine desire to have *FUN!*

Editor's Note —

Many times recently we have been asked to publish something about the importance of personal cleanliness and the dancers who oft times unknowingly offend their partners, their square(s), and their friends. We searched a long time for just the right article and we feel the one we chose to publish here "says it all" very well.

As one caller with whom we discussed this problem laughingly said, "Unfortunately, when articles of this nature are

published from time to time, those who need to take heed never believe the article is meant for them."

All our dance halls have adequate rest room facilities. Be on the safe side! Make a quick check between tips from time to time during a dancing evening to be sure you do not offend your fellow dancers. Surely they are worth the extra consideration! You are!

USDA UPDATE

The **United Square Dancers of America** continues to grow with the application of the Nebraska Association to join and numerous other organizations indicating a definite interest in joining in the near future.

Brochures detailing the USDA accident/medical insurance program have been distributed to all Affiliate/Member Organizations.

Action was taken at the USDA Annual Meeting in Detroit to establish a Square Dancers Museum and Hall of Fame with *George & Judy Garland* of North Carolina appointed to head this committee. If anyone has any input for this group, please contact the Garlands or any of the Officers. (For Central or the Florida Federation of Square Dancers your contact is *Joe Vaccari*, Treasurer, 127 Sotir St., Ft. Walton Beach, Fl. 32548 — 904-242-6865.)

The USDA is directing its efforts to obtain recognition for Square Dancing through the issuance of a special postage stamp. Designs have been submitted to the proper authorities in Washington, D.C. for consideration and further action.

Another project the USDA continues to support is the annual Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade Float entered each year by the Square Dancers of America on behalf of square dancers everywhere. All dancers are urged to assist with the promotion of this project which gives us tremendous World Wide exposure through this beautiful Square Dancers Float in the New Years Day Parade. (If you would like to participate by donating to the awesome cost of this project, write to *John & Peggy Fogg*, 1858 Locust St., Pasadena, Ca. 91107.)

The next meeting of the USDA Executive Board will be Saturday, January 29, 1983, in New Orleans. Anyone desiring to submit an item for discussion is encouraged to contact *Joe Vaccari*.

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CFA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

April 22, 2017 2pm

Deerhaven Retreat, Paisley, Fl.

The meeting was called to order by President Randy Poole. Dennis Taylor offered an invocation and also led the pledge.

In attendance:

Randy and Carol Poole, Bruce and Colleen Morgan, Tom and Suzy Griffith, Jack and Barbara Hoffman, Terri Little, Linda Reid, Judy Anderson, Sheila Reid, Dennis and Nancy Taylor, Lewis and Linda Wasserman, Ailene Picheco

Guests:

Jack and Kathy McKinney, Terry Wetherby, Ed Drexel, Cheryl Miller

Absent:

Keith and Angie Olds, Joe and Carol Borbas, Jim and Jan McConnaha, Rick and Gail Morris.

Minutes:

The Griffith's sent minutes and roster after the last meeting. *Motion made to accept. It was seconded. The motion carried.*

Treasurer:

Jack Hoffman provided the treasurer's reports. Year to date Net Income of \$2,772.87. The report will be filed for audit.

Area Vice President:

No report.

Membership VP Report:

Approximately 80 members.

Correspondence:

CFA sent a letter of support for the 2021 National Convention to be in Jackson, Ms.

Insurance Report:

No report.

Keepin' Posted:

The last edition was just sent out. Randy thanked Ailene for another great publication. Ailene needs new member information.

Historian:

No report.

Florida Federation:

Dennis Taylor reported that one meeting was held. The next meeting is 11/19/17 in Jacksonville.

State Convention:

Carol Poole announced the paid attendance for 2017 was 609 people. Total attendance was 692. There are 175 people registered for the 2018 convention.

New Business

Randy needs COY nominees. If anyone knows a person or couple that is deserving please write something up and we will discuss it at

the next meeting.

We need a nominating chairman and committee for next year's Board of Directors which begins 10/1/17.

Next Board Meeting: July 29th at D.B. Pickle's in Ormond Beach.

Next 5th Saturday Dance:

July 29th in Ormond Beach at Granada Squares Denim and Lace. CFA finest will be calling. Earle and Carol Collins will be cueing. The Yellow Rocks are invited. It is an ice cream social.

September 30th at Whirl and Twirl Hall in Orlando. Will be our Presidents Ball and the election of new officers.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom and Suzy Griffith



**Central Florida Square and Round
Dancers Association, Inc.
Executive Board Meeting
April 23, 2017, 11:40am
1541 Lakeside Dr. Deland FL 32720**

A special meeting was called by President Randy Poole to discuss items missing from the previous days meeting held at Deerhaven Community Center and a wrap up of the Party Weekend.

In attendance were Randy and Carol Poole, Jack and Barbara Hoffman, Terri Little, Bill and Linda Reid, Sheila Reid, Dennis and Nancy Taylor. Missing were Bruce and Colleen Morgan and Tom and Suzy Griffith.

We discussed next year's Party Weekend and decided on April 20, 21, 22, 2018. We discussed better bingo prizes, and to get the swimming pool for Saturday afternoon. We are required to have a certified lifeguard. Deerhaven will supply one for \$20.00 an hour with a minimum of three hours. We can also supply our own. They would have to show proof of their certification. Randy will contact Deerhaven Retreat to obtain a contract. A deposit of \$400 is required now and an additional \$500 is required two months in advance. An insurance certificate is also required.

Jack Hoffman moved and second by Sheila Reid that *If the proceeds from the Party Weekend was less than \$1,000 the State Convention would receive at least \$1,000 donation from CFA.* It was Approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15.

Carol Poole
Acting Secretary



CENTRAL FLORIDA SQUARE & ROUND



DANCERS ASSOCIATION

5th Saturday Dance

Callers: Central Florida's Finest

Cuer: Earle & Carol Collins

Saturday, July 29, 2017

Special presentation by the Yellow Rockers

<p>I-95 Nova Rd. Andrews St. Melrose Ave. Wilmette Ave. Yonge St. Beach St. Granada Blvd. SR 40 (US 1)</p>	<p>Granada Squares Ormond Beach Senior Center Bldg. B - 351 Andrews St. Ormond Beach FL</p> <p>Early Rounds 7:00 PM Announcements & Grand March 7:20 PM Alternating Mainstream & Plus 7:30 to 9:30 PM Ice Cream Social For more information call: Randy & Carol Poole 386-734-5295 Members \$3.00 - Others \$4.00</p>
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