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Name(s) _____
His (as to appear on badge) Hers (as to appear on badge)

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Date _____ Amount _____
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CENTRAL FLORIDA SQUARE
AND ROUND DANCERS' ASSOCIATION

From the President's Desk....

Here it is almost Christmas time already. Where has this year gone?! We've been so busy with dances and meetings that time goes too fast.

Our August CFA Fifth Saturday Dance, held at Whirl & Twirl, was a big success. As usual, Danny Robinson and sunni thomas put on a great dance. CFA invited all new dancers that have graduated to come to either our August or November dance at no charge. They were given a coupon to identify themselves. Twenty-six new dancers attended the dance in August.

The dance in November will be at the Sunshine Hall in Wildwood with Whit Brown and Joanne Helton. We hope the new dancers will continue dancing with us and join the Central Association.

A great time was had at our day at Silver Springs in Ocala. In addition to the many activities and wonderful buffet, squares, rounds and line dancing to some great callers and cuers were all a part of our fun. As usual there was a big crowd and the dancing was enjoyed by many visitors at the park. Hopefully some were encouraged to become dancers.

The National Convention meeting and dance in September was well attended. The dance was at the Delta Orlando Resort and all had a great time. There was a general meeting on Sunday which brought lots of dancers that are working on the Convention. Looks like everyone knows what to do and the Convention next year will be the biggest and best ever. The next National Convention meeting will be on January 12 at the Delta Orlando Resort. Again we will have a dance on Saturday night and lunch on Sunday. Convention time is getting close and this meeting will be interesting to everyone involved.

So glad to see our northern friends back dancing with us. We really missed you. Our clubs seem complete again after a slow summer.

Our next 5th Saturday Dance will be March 29 at Travis Recreation Center in Cocoa. Dale McClary will call squares for us and Roy Brown will cue the rounds. The Board Meeting is planned for March 9 at Shoneys in Sanford. Meeting time is 2:00 p.m. Come earlier if you plan to have lunch.

We extend our deepest sympathy to George Wolfert from the Northeast Association on the loss of his wife, Nancy. She will be greatly missed.

We wish all a very merry and happy holiday season. See you in a square.

Bob and Rosemary Schirmer, President

CENTRAL FLORIDA SQUARE AND ROUND DANCERS'
ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 18, 1996

SUMMARY OF MINUTES

TREASURERS' REPORT: The report was read and filed for audit.

CORRESPONDENCE: A thank you note was read by the President from the Yellow Rock Squares of handicapped dancers for funds received from CFA.

AREA VICE PRESIDENT: Flyers for upcoming dances have been distributed along with dance certificates, applications, and booklets for new dancers.

AREA DIRECTOR REPORTS: Full reports are on file. Many clubs have had a lower attendance for the summer months or have closed for the summer. Beginner's classes are being started soon in several clubs. Clubs have been holding demonstration dances to publicize square dancing.

BLOOD BANK: Twelve units of blood have been received and zero given out from 4/30 to 7/31 1996. There is a total of 242 units as of July 31, 1996.

INSURANCE: Thirty-one clubs are participating in the insurance program with 1,888 participants. There is a checking account balance of \$590.54.

KEEPIN' POSTED: The September issue is complete. There will be a lot of articles promoting the 46th National Square Dance Convention.

MEMBERSHIP: Sixteen new members have signed up and 21 renewed for a total of 205 members. The Morgans are willing to attend membership drives at area clubs.

'99 STATE CONVENTION: Ideas for the convention with a Mardi Gras theme were found in New Orleans. State convention dress patterns are ready to be distributed. A '99 Convention badge has been designed and made. Kick-off practices are being scheduled.

FLORIDA FEDERATION REPRESENTATIVE: CFA was thanked for their Showcase display at San Antonio. The next Federation meeting will be November 17 in Jacksonville (election of officers). Information was given regarding a new Credit Card Program which will benefit Handicapped and Youth Programs and USDA. Each time the card is used, 20 cents is returned to square dancing.

46TH NATIONAL CONVENTION: There are approximately 5400 registered. A web page is on the internet advertising the convention. The address is in Keepin' Posted.

46th NSDC WAYS AND MEANS: PeeWee Stewart sent a word of thanks for CFA's help in San Antonio. New Tee-shirts are being made.

OLD BUSINESS:

BYLAWS: Copies of the Board's recommendation for changing Article IIIA (Associate Members) were distributed. A motion was made by Jim McConnaha and seconded by George Knapp to change Article IIIA to read as follows (changes are highlighted): Associate Member - Associate membership will be accorded to any person with a commercial interest in Square Dancers, Round

Dancers, or Cloggers, or the activities of these Dancers. The Associate Member will have all rights and non-voting privileges, may be accorded honors, and nominated for the Hall of Fame. The Associate Member may be elected or appointed only as area director and shall have all rights, including voting, and privileges of that position.

NEW BUSINESS:

GENERAL MEETINGS: A suggestion was made to have two general membership meetings per year. However, because of poor attendance at the general membership meetings, it was decided to remain with one annual meeting. It was suggested that more announcements be made at the 5th Saturday dances as well as continuing to put the Board minutes in *Keepin' Posted* to keep members informed.

RAISING FEES: The Board recommended raising the Caller and Cuer fees as they had not been raised in 10 years. A motion was made by George Knapp and seconded by Jim McConnaha to raise Caller fees from \$100 to \$125 and Cuer fees from \$50 to \$65. The motion passed.

ADS IN NSDC PRINTED PROGRAM BOOK: Bruce Morgan presented a price list for placing an ad in the 46th NSDC Printed Program Book. The deadline is April 1. The Board will take it into consideration.

FEDERATION DELEGATES: The following will be delegates to the Florida Federation beginning with the February 1997 meeting: Bob & Rosemary Schirmer, Bill & Claire Poole, Steve & Diana Kehr, and Jack & Barbara Hoffman. Alternates will be Randy & Carol Poole and Carol & Will Barnhart.

PRESENTATION: Bob & Rosemary Schirmer presented a plaque and mug to Jim & Jan McConnaha on behalf of CFA for an outstanding year as President.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: The next meeting will be on November 10, 1996 at 2:00 in Shoney's in Sanford. Come early if you want to eat lunch. The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve & Diana Kehr, Secretary

FROM THE
EDITOR'S DESK.

In this issue are numerous articles concerning our 46th NSDC. In fact, we hope you will find answers to many of your questions. If not, keep watching for future issues when we will again devote lots of pages to the Convention news.

We direct your attention particularly to two articles: One from USDC on page 36 concerning the Square Dancer's Credit Card—an attractive deal for dancers as dollars spent mean dollars returned to the area youth and handicapable.

The other is from CALLERLAB on page 19 asking for our help in getting square dancing on television. They need dancers to write TNN to request square dancing be included in their programing.

We hope you enjoy this Christmas issue. Happy Holidays to all.

—George & Shirley Knapp



Pinkham and Arbour Nuptials

Ruth Pinkham, originally from Augusta, Maine and Lionel Arbour, originally from Randolph, Maine, were united in marriage at a special square dance wedding on October 4, 1996 at the Wagon Wheel Squares dance.

The wedding took place during a regular square dance at the St. Cloud Senior Center and was attended by approximately 200 people from all over the country along with some special friends of the bride and groom.

The bride was escorted by Mike Mikeal of Ashton. Her attendant was Betty Brown and best man was George Brown. The ceremony was performed by Loretta Jenkins and music was provided by Barbara Collins. All are members of Wagon Wheel Squares. Elvis Presley's *Love Me Tender* was sang especially for the couple by Dale McClary, club caller.

Wedding cake was served following the ceremony. Then the bride tossed her bouquet, caught by Barbara Harper. (Barbara is now engaged to Jack Gustafson.) The garter was thrown by the groom and caught by Roger Cagnon.

Ruth and Lionel were introduced nine years ago by Lionel's daughter, Lisa. Another daughter Vicky Esancy and her husband Everett from Richmond, Maine, attended the ceremony. Last year (leap year) Ruth proposed to Lionel at a square dance and he said, "Yes!"

Ruth and Lionel now reside at 316 Pennsylvania Avenue, St. Cloud. Friends and fellow square dancers offer congratulations and wish them many years of happiness.



Ruth and Lionel Tie the Knot

In Memorium

The Central Association extends deepest sympathy to the family of Nancy Wolfort of the Northeast Association. Nancy was a very active square dancer, serving her clubs and association. She was Publicity Chairman for the National Convention along with her husband, George. We will all miss Nancy for her writing style, her wonderful sense of humor, and pleasing personality.

We also extend deepest sympathy to the family of Earnest Lutz of Melbourne. Mr. Lutz came to Brevard County two years ago from Minerva, Ohio where he was a charter member of the Burliques. He was active in the Palm Bay Promenaders, Yellow Rockers and Barn Dancers in Melbourne. Mr. Lutz was associate editor of the square dance publication, *The Barn Owl*.

SQUARE DANCERS HYMN

By Jo Hamm, Barstow, CA

Flaring skirts and petticoats blossoming with colors rare.
Form kaleidoscopes in many hues as we circle round the square.

Gentlemen bow and swing their ladies, and promenade the ring.
Hark the lightness of our laughter as the caller starts to sing.

Old square dancers never die, never even fade away.
We keep chanting to the music as we promenade and sway.

Only one thing makes me wonder, as I listen to the call.
When we congregate in Heaven, will there be a square dance hall?



Go For The Magic

Services Committee Needs Your Help

The Services Committee is looking for dancers willing to give a few hours of their time at the 46th National Square Dance Convention in June, 1997. We know all the dancers in the state will want to help with this convention and here are two committees that will not take much of your time during the convention and no time before the convention.

The **Transportation Committee** needs help and anyone in the state is urged to participate. Duties involve assisting our guests locate their proper bus route and queue up in an orderly fashion for bus loading. Duty time will consist of only two or three hours at a time and loading is under roof.

Think of the interesting people you can meet and greet this way. If you can join this committee, please call Richard & Nancy Herold at 904-765-6199 anytime, or Will & Carol Barnhart at 1-800-226-8845 during the day and 407-869-5075 in the evening.

The **Security Committee** needs people for door security. No prior experience is necessary! Pay is excellent; you might even get to sit down. These duties entail checking for badges and proper attire at the entrances to dance halls. Call Bob & Eleanor Kunkler at 407-695-0693 to help on this committee.

Merry Christmas

46th Adds New Hotels and Campgrounds

Due to the increasing numbers of registrations some hotels have already filled. Please take these into consideration when filling out your registration form:

These hotels are filled:

#11, Red Roof Inn; #12 Howard Johnson; #13 Days Inn Civic Center; #18 Gateway Inn; #32 Wynfield Inn; #31 Westgate Lakes (not available due to reconstruction).

Hotels added:

Econo Lodge, Buena Vista Palace.

Campgrounds added:

#45 Alpine RV Resort; #46 Florida Camp Inn; #47 Fort Summit; #48 Theme World; #49 Deer Creek.

Official 46th NSDC bus transportation will be available from all hotels and campgrounds listed on the registration form and above.

Additionally, the Hyatt Orlando Hotel, #21 on the registration form, has been designated as the official co-host hotel. Therefore, a complimentary bus pass to the Convention Center will accompany your registration at this hotel.

The Hyatt Orlando Hotel has adjusted their room rates as follows:
Single \$89; Double \$89; Triple \$89; Double/Double \$89.

Did you remember to order a Sew & Save Book?

There are some great articles in the 46th NSDC Sew and Save Book that you will not want to miss. A section on crafts include making a pony bead necklace, a rain skirt, and a ladies purse. Another section

deals with constructing dresses and skirts. Then if you are really talented, they will show you how to use pin weaving in a sleeve and make vests from scraps. Plus, the Sewers Hall of Fame will be initiated.

Dancers will enjoy the new facility

We know you'll enjoy the brand spanking new facility where we will have the 46th NSDC. We will occupy 385,000 square feet of dance area. Round dances will be on Level IV in three chandeliered ballrooms with 60,000 square feet having hardwood dance floors. All levels are accessed by escalators, elevators, or if you prefer, stairs.

While in the Convention Center, take advantage of our food courts (there are three). The food courts will open for full breakfast for our early morning workers or just a morning snack, as you prefer. Service will continue into lunchtime buffets and evening meals. Food will be available during the entire day and evening. For those who just want a cold drink, a snack, or maybe some ice cream, refreshment bars will be open in the main concourse and there will be plenty of food and drink carts outside the dance halls.

Vendors will be located in a 60,000 square foot area adjacent to the dance halls. If you don't want to carry your packages around, for a \$1.00 donation you may take advantage of our package check-in. Just remember to pick them up before you leave.

Since the Convention Center is in the heart of the tourist area, restaurants along International Drive stay open late into the evening. We promise you will not leave the convention hungry or wishing for a place to get something cold to eat or drink. It is a family oriented area, so come enjoy what Central Florida and the 46th NSDC have to offer.



The Spacious New Orange County Convention Center

Fashion Show Will Cast a Magic Spell

Don't miss the spectacular 46th NSDC Fashion Show. The theme, the "Magic of Christmas" is subtitled "To Kiss A Frog." Not only is this a chance to see lovely holiday square dance attire but also to see how the Frog Prince is magically returned to humanness.

We will also magically weave the lovely holiday attire through the play.

Obviously this is a comedy, planned to entertain men, women, and youth as well as dazzle them with delightful, decorated and debonair dancers.

DON'T MISS IT!! SEE THE MAGIC, ENJOY THE SHOW!!

Questions About Registration?

The second edition of the registration form has been printed and should be available at your club.

Confirmation forms for dancers with Early Bird registrations were sent out Nov. 1, 1996.

If you need to contact the registration office, they are open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. The phone number is (904) 721-9040, fax number is (904) 720-0710.

Our Internet Address...

Visit the Internet Homepage for the 46th NSDC and get the latest news, information, view the

convention center, download an online registration form, and much more.

The Internet Address is: <http://www.members.aol.com/nsdc46th>.

TIP FOR BETTER DANCING

When the caller says, "Promenade, don't slow down," whisper to your partner whether you are heads or sides. This is primarily the man's responsibility because the ladies assume the identity of the man with whom they are dancing.

Why the whisper? Because you know that 99% of the time the next call will be "heads (or sides) Wheel Around." If you do not know what you are, you will be slow in reacting to the call, which could result in the square breaking down. The breakdown could be eliminated simply by knowing what you are.

Condensed from USDA News

Half-A-Pair to be "Magical"

You Ask—We Listen!! With just one more wave of our Magic Wand another trick has emerged from the 46th NSDC top hat. The hall formerly dedicated to "singles", "solos", or "stags", to mention a few, will now be wearing a brand new magical name. When you come to Orlando you'll dance in the 13,500 square foot hall dedicatd to HALF-A-PAIRS. And a warm welcome to all Half-A-Pair dancers.

The Half-A-Pair hall will be dedicated to your exclusive use throughout the entire convention. It's conveniently located within the Orange County Convention Center. Since ALL dancing at the 46th will take place under one roof, the Half-A-Pairs are just a few steps away from the Plus/

Rounds, Mainstream and the Country Western/Line Dance.

In the event you want to rest your feet from dancing and take advantage of the great bargains our 232 vendors have to offer, the vendor area is right next door to Half-A-Pair. And if your special interest is Round Dancing, you'll find 60,000 square feet of wood floors in three halls dedicated exclusively to rounds just a quick ride up the escalators.

In each of the twenty halls you will also find a spot reserved to find the "other half." Our Half-A-Pair ribbons will be special so you can quickly recognize your friends and enjoy the fellowship we are offering to each dancer attending the 46th National Square Dance Convention.

Sources of Information

For Registration Forms, Housing, Camping, or Registration Information, Contact:

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Questions About Transportation?

We have heard a few questions concerning transportation at the 46th NSDC in June 1997. Let us try to answer some of those questions here. First, YES we are providing some of the finest buses to take you to the hotel, motel, or campground, and YES we would recommend you purchase a bus pass. Do it early and save yourself some money.

All dancing, all meetings, and all convention activities will be held in the Orange County Convention Center, with buses to hotels/motels running on 30-minute intervals. Campgrounds will also be on a regular schedule.

Most hotels are within 4 miles of the convention center. This allows us excellent turnaround time when we are experiencing peak periods and can add additional buses to the line. We have contracted with the leading bus company in Orlando who maintains a fleet of over 90 buses which will be available to us.

All bus routes will be set up on a color coded basis with signs at bus loading areas as well as in hotel/motel lobbies. At the private campgrounds, dancers can wait in air-conditioned clubhouses for bus pickup.

Bus service to the convention center will begin at noon on Wednesday, June 25. The first trip will be a FREE trip for you to pick up your registration packet and if you have not already done so, to purchase a bus pass. Thereafter, bus transportation will require proper badge identification.

Beginning Thursday, June 26, 1997 buses will begin running at 7:00 a.m. and will run until midnight or until the last dancer leaves the after parties.

We hope this will ease the transportation worries that some dancers may have about attending a National Convention. Remember, the city of Orlando is used to transporting large crowds—they do it every day!

Go For The Magic

Perhaps you prefer to drive....

If you choose to drive your car to the 46th NSDC Convention Center, rest assured there will be plenty of parking spaces available. The Orange County Convention Center parking lot is immense and even has a shuttle service so you don't have to walk across the parking lot. In the event the Center lot is filled, an overflow lot is across the street and a huge parking garage is just six blocks away. Off-site parking areas are also available.

There is a \$6.00 parking fee per day for all lots. Shuttle service to and from the Convention Center is provided free from all sites. If you should leave the parking lot and then return the same day, you must pay an additional \$6.00 fee. However, the City of Orlando I-Ride bus system is available for trips up and down International Drive.

For those utilizing the parking facility or any of the Convention Center lots, each person in the car will receive a FREE I-Ride bus pass good for that day.

The I-Ride is a bus system that traverses International Drive from Sea World to Wet 'n Wild; a nine mile stretch of fine restaurants and fast food establishments, shopping centers and outlets, and entertainment facilities to enjoy.

There are 45 bus stops along the route with service from 7 a.m. until midnight every 10 minutes with a stop directly in front of the Convention Center.

However, the I-Ride does NOT go to hotels/motels so should not be considered a substitute for a bus pass. For those not using the parking facility and still wish to use the I-Ride, passes can be purchased at the I-Ride Booth set up in the Registration area at the Convention Center as well as in the hotel lobbies.

Go For The Magic



Take the Magic Carpet Ride Tour

When you visit Orlando in 1997 to attend the 46th National Square Dance Convention, don't miss the opportunity to tour as many sites in Florida as your schedule will allow. There will be five half-day tours and four full-day tours that the committee has arranged. The first one is our "Magic Carpet Ride" around the Walt Disney World property. This tour will be available every morning and afternoon beginning Monday, June 23rd and continuing through Saturday morning.

On this exciting tour you will visit many of the Disney hotels. Did you know that Mickey Mouse has his own Superstore? We'll show you the brand new Disney Shopping Village featuring the Mickey Superstore. Also along the way we'll show you the Planet Hollywood Restaurant and the Rainforest Cafe which is topped by an "active" volcano (Disney style).

We'll point out to you the Casting Office (employment to non-Disneyites) which is designed like a medieval castle. You see the administration building in the shape of a wrist

watch, with a huge sundial that actually tells time. You'll hear about the water parks and see the famous snow-ski/water park aptly named Blizzard Beach. You'll see so many other fascinating structures along the tour that you'll be amazed at the creativity and genius of Disney.

During the tour you'll be entertained with "behind the scenes" stories, facts and statistics about Disney World and what it takes to host thousands of visitors each day. You'll discover interesting facts (and maybe some secrets too!) about the fabulous Disney Christmas decorations, and how Christmas appears almost overnight at Walt Disney World.

We'll stop for lunch at a Disney buffeteria. During the lunch break you're free to explore the hotel and surrounding sites on your own (but don't miss the bus!). The 46th NSDC Tour Brochure contains complete details on all tours, times, and special discount prices for early booking. The brochure is available from 46th NSDC National Publicity, 6693 Bowie Road, Jacksonville, FL 32219.

Hospitality Committee Seeks Helpers

Hospitality is that friendly smile and special tone in your voice that everyone has been blessed with to greet and assist others.

We are seeking dancers willing to give time at the 46th National Square Dance Convention in June 1997. If you are not currently on a committee we would like to welcome you to ours. The pay is the greatest you will ever receive and you will have given a great service.

We are currently seeking help in the following areas:

Information Booth: No experience necessary. Just a smiling face. Everything will be available to you and what a great way to be able to assist our out of state dancers and to rest your tired feet.

Reception: Greeters at the airport and host hotel to assist fellow dancers find their way. You will be stationed in one area.

Floor Spotters: This is a great way to meet other dancers and perform a great service at the same time. You will have a "spotter sign" to show dancers where they are needed to fill a square. If no one shows, you put down your sign and fill the square.

If you as a dancer can help we would appreciate it. You will only have to donate two hours of your time and what a great way to show off our Florida Hospitality.

Please contact us at (407) 574-9322.

Dewey & Donna Hendricks
Vice Chairman, Hospitality



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ROUND DANCE COUNCIL Of Florida

News From the Round Dance Council

The following has been selected by the Round Dance Council of Florida as Rounds of the Month:

Phase II - Nov./Dec.: I Don't Do Floors, Callahan; Warn. Bro. 7-18928.

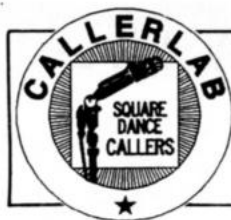
Phase III/IV - Oct./Nov.: H T Quickstep; Nelson; Grenn 14131 or 14227.

Phase III/IV - Dec. 96/Jan. 97.: Goodby Rumba; Higgins/Gilbert; Collectables 3190.

Phase V/VI - Oct./Nov.: Pensando En Ti; Esqueda; Special Press.

Phase V/VI - Dec. 96/Jan. 97.: Erotica; Moore; Spec. Press.

Classic - Nov./Dec.: Sunflower; Tonks; Capitol Starline 6260.



and from CALLERLAB. . . .

Would you like to see square dancing on national TV? A weekly television show about square dancing will soon be proposed to The Nashville Network (TNN).

CALLERLAB member Chuck Veldhuizen, owner of Daystar Productions, videotaped a pilot TV show in Nashville last April. The show, *American Danceland*, is directed by Jimmy Snow, son of country music legend Hank Snow, and features square dancing's spokesperson Rebecca Holden. CALLERLAB members Jerry Junck, Tony Oxendine, and Chuck Veldhuizen perform in the pilot show, along with many square dancers from the Nashville area.

Following production of the video, Rebecca's booking agency arranged for square dancing to be featured on TNN's *Prime Time Country*. Rebecca, Chuck, and a square of dancers were guests of Bob Eubanks on his popular TNN talk show, broadcast June 20, 1996, at 8 p.m. and again at midnight.

This was the first time TNN ever featured modern western square dancing on their network. A window of opportunity has been opened! The next step is up to us. TNN needs to know that we are out here.

If you would like to see more square dancing on TNN, let them know by sending cards and letters asking for more square dancing to **TNN, Attn: Ann Boatman, 2806 Opryland Drive, Nashville, TN 37214.**



*Square Dance Spokesperson,
Rebecca Holden*

All square dancers and callers are encouraged to help with this campaign.

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Buckles and Bows

—St. Cloud

We have tried to keep cool this summer. Now fall is here and our northern dancers are coming back so our squares are building up. Many members have been on vacations also.

We have had many banner raids and retrievals this period. Thirty-five of us went to Wagon Wheel Squares. This was a good turnout with so many dancers away.

When our caller was gone we had **Jerry Reed, Jim Roop, and Allen Snell** calling for our club. They did a wonderful job for us. They all are great callers.

Two couples of our members were married recently: Lillie and Warren Dietrich, and Lionel and Ruth Arbour. Congratulations to them. We wish them much happiness.

Many of us went to Fontana Village and had a great time. We felt a warm, friendly welcome. We had some terrific callers there: **Dick & Shirley Shiham, Bob & Peggy Christian** and our own **Don & Jean Gaskins**. We had workshops in addition to square dancing. In addition to squares, we had rounds, Texas 2-step and line dancing. Our own **Jean Gaskins** put on an exhibition of Clogging. On Saturday night some local dance clubs joined in on the fun. The after party was GREAT. Staff members put on a good

show, then a pre-dawn dance was held where you danced until only one was left. Sunday was parting time. Many of us have already signed up for next year's trip, September 19-21, 1997.

Marion Szarka moved to California. She misses us and says, "HI." She asks that we all keep in touch.

We are sorry to hear Opal Ogden will be moving. She purchased a house in North Carolina and hopes to sell her Florida house soon.

Some of our club members are accompanying the **Gaskins** to Roswell, Georgia to the 3rd Annual Georgia Fawl Bawl on November 1.

When Tuesday nights roll around, please come join us. You will have a good time.

—Betty Brown

Dixie Squares

—Daytona Beach

Hope you didn't miss the 50's Sock Hop. It is a "blast" (or however they said it in the fifties)! Thanks to Allison Shaw for imaginative preparations.

After two Open House affairs, the new class got underway in earnest on September 26 with **John Barrett** instructing.

Fall was ushered in at an Octoberfest on October 10, and we had lots of Dixie ghosts and goblins on October 31 spooking us.

On November 14, the Annual Dixie Country Fair and Western Night was held. This was a chance for "crafty"



people to display their talent, an opportunity for buyers to get some really good junk, and for browsers to just come to look. Everyone also had a great time dancing.

A Turkey Trot was held on November 21. The dance was cancelled the next week for Thanksgiving day.

We will have our holiday party dance December 12. Again, the dance will be cancelled on December 26.

Great preparations are underway for the New Year's Eve Party with **John Barrett** calling and **Audrey Phillips** cueing rounds. We will also have line dancing and ballroom dancing until 2:00 a.m. and food galore. Don't delay getting your ticket. Only a set number of tickets will be sold. (Last year, many would-be celebrators were disappointed.)

—Stan Brittingham

Fellowship Squares

—Port Orange

Our August 13th dance was a casual affair highlighted by an ice cream social that was enjoyed by everyone, including the Dixie Squares who were present for a banner raid. Various flavors of toppings were available as well as a bowl of fresh fruit so participants could be creative in satisfying their own individual taste.

On August 16 our club retrieved one of our banners in a raid on the Flager Ocean Waves. We were fortunate to be present for their annual Luau which included a dinner comprised of a variety of Polynesian dishes. In addition, we were entertained by a group of Hula dancers who

demonstrated their versatility by performing a number of Hawaiian and Maui dances.

Our September 17 dance was highlighted by a magic demonstration by our own Joe McGregor. This versatile gentleman performed a number of baffling illusions, some of which required the assistance of his wife, Dorothy.

A new addition has been added to our stage as a supplement to our caller, **Larry Patton**. **Daphne Martin** is trying to develop her skills as a cuer for round dance programs and is currently performing in this capacity for our club.

Nine couples from the Starlight Promenaders raided us September 24. Our Vice President, Pam White, welcomed them in the absence of the President, Barb Charbonneau, who is vacationing "down under" in Australia.

Our club put on a square dance demonstration September 29 as part of the Port Orange Family Day celebration. In addition, members of our group manned a booth to solicit candidates for our beginner's class which began in October.

—Norm Cohn

Flager Ocean Waves

—Palm Coast

On August 30, Flager Ocean Waves honored **Len and Winnie Taylor** with a festive party, with lots of dancing, singing and making merry. Delicious ice cream and other goodies were served. Len was our Round Dance Cueur for many years, but he has decided to cut down a little in all his dancing commitments. He will honor us periodically with his usual fine

cuing. Good luck, Len (and Winnie). We will miss you when you are not with us.

The Open House on September 7 was very entertaining. Many guests showed up to find out what square dancing is all about. It was a "free" night for our guests. The new class began on September 13, and is coming along very well. Just to let them know we are glad to have them with us, they were our guests at a cookout on October 27 at the Hammock Community Center. There was a good attendance of members of the new class, together with "angels", who have been so helpful in making the classes fun for the new dancers.

All members and guests with a "sweet tooth" indulged ourselves in delicious homemade pies supplied by club members November 8. A good time was had by all.

Upcoming Events:

Our Christmas Dance and Buffet will be December 20. Guests are invited. Tickets are \$10 per person and include the dinner and dance. Tickets must be purchased no later than December 6. The affair will be held at our regular dance hall, located at the Old Kings Road Elementary School, just south of Highway 100 on Old Kings Road in Flagler Beach. The menu will include honey baked ham, roast beef with mushroom gravy, seasoned white potatoes, fresh vegetable, garnish tray, rolls, butter, tea, coffee, and dessert. Dinner is at 6:30 and the dance is at 8:00. Entertainment and music will be furnished during the dinner period by MC Bruce Kane.

There will not be a dance

December 27.

On January 10, a Beginner's Snow Ball dance is planned. Guest caller will be **Darryl Figg**.

We invite everyone who wishes to improve their square dance skills, or to learn from the beginning to join us. Our instructor is **R. J. Hogan**, who has been our caller for a number of years. Class time is 6:30 p.m. on Friday night. Regular dancing begins at 8:00 p.m. We dance at the Old Kings Road Elementary School, Flagler Beach.

Happy holidays to everyone from the Flagler Ocean Waves Square and Round Dance Club!

—Ginger Leitheiser

Granada Squares

—Ormond Beach

Happy Holidays from Granada Squares!! It is hard to believe another year is almost gone and what a wonderful year it has been. The Club celebrated its 20th Anniversary and changed our club colors to black and red.

Although we were sad to see **Don Furnish** go west to Colorado, we were very thrilled when **John and Linda Saunders** agreed to join Granadas.

Some things change but the fun is still the same. This year we joined forces with other area clubs to acquire new students in September, putting on square dance exhibitions. From the size of this year's classes, it was a good strategy. We had lots of great banner raids to other clubs and many clubs visited us. There were so many fun special event dances that it is hard to cover them all here. In any case, it has been a very good year for Granada Squares.

Our holiday spirit is showing as our Holiday Dinner Dance is scheduled for December 10.

Next year's events scheduled so far include Recycle Night on January 14 and the annual Granada's Fiesta Dance on January 21. Mark your calendar for February 11 when we host our sweetheart dance. Hope you can come join us.

Granada's meet every Tuesday night at the Ormond Beach Recreation Center on US 1 and Melrose Avenue. Classes begin at 6:30 p.m. and the club dance is from 8:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m.

John Saunders is our Caller and **Audrey Philips** is our Round Dance Cuer.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

—Sally Ferguson

Honeybees

—DeLand

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! The Honeybees are back buzzing around the newly enlarged and renovated DeLand Activities Center in Earl Brown Park after a long six months of buzzing at other locations around DeLand! Our new hall is beautiful! Come and dance with us and see for yourself. You won't believe your eyes!

We have lots of fun activities planned. President and First Ladies' night will be observed on the day before election, November 4. Our Christmas dinner for club members is always a festive occasion and will be December 16. We will not dance December 23, but we will have a New Year's Eve party on December 30.

Show and Tell is scheduled for January 13 and a Valentine Dance on February 10.

We raided the Flagler Ocean Waves and the Orange Blossom Squares. The Dixie Squares were our guests on October 28.

During the early fall, we had Pie Night, an Ice Cream Social and a Halloween Party.

Loving thoughts and prayers go out to Norma and Bernie Schimmel as Norma is seriously ill. We are glad to see Joe Johnson back visiting with us and hope he will be able to dance again with us soon.

Our dances are on Monday nights with **R. J. Hogan** as our Caller and **Jim Cowen** as our Cuer. Come and join us! We love to have company!

Happy Holidays to all!

—Cathy Vrooman

Pearly Shells

—Ormond Beach

Summer is over and it's time to get back to the basics. Speaking of basics, we got our Beginner's Class off with a bang with an Open House on September 17 that brought out 17 couples. We were bulging at the seams in the Ormond Beach Senior Center Dining area but everyone had a great time.

The end of October finds us with 14 of those couples having completed 6 weeks of Waltz basics. They are doing super; with the figures they have learned, they can now do Mission Bell Waltz and Tips of My Fingers at the square dance. Way to go gang!!!

Our Intermediate (Phase 3/4) group is going like gang busters. They started back so fast this fall, you

wouldn't have known we had stopped for the summer. It is so gratifying to see how quickly they pick up on new figures and dances.

Our Advanced (Phase 5/6) group is certainly coming into their own. It doesn't seem to matter how much you throw at them, they keep wanting more... more... more. Several of us from this group were fortunate to go to Fontana for the Accent on Rounds week. The National leaders there (Blackford, Easterday, Brown) loaded us down with enough material to keep us occupied for the rest of this year (at least).

Our new Wednesday Night Round Dance Party has enabled all of our groups to dance together and share the fellowship that all of us look forward to. We encourage any/all Round Dancers, Phase 2 thru 5 to join us in the Senior Center Ballroom. If you learn new figures or dances, that's icing on the cake. Our main objective is to have FUN!

—Tom and Audrey

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Pirates

—Apopka

Happy Holidays to all our dancing friends and their families. It has been a great year for dancing and next year looks even more promising. By now everyone should be active on one or more committees for the National Square Dance Convention to be held in Orlando next year. If you are not involved yet, ask any of your dancing friends. I'm sure they would appreciate your help on their committee.

The Pirates are getting ready for the New Year with an evening ball to celebrate the night. All



the best square dancers will be at the Fran Carlton for the festive evening. Everyone is welcome but there are limited tickets avail-

able. So plan early to attend our New Year's Eve Party. Don't be left out!

The first dance in November was a pot luck at 5:30 with election of new officers at 5:45. This was our Veteran's Dance.

December will have a slight change of schedule: Dances will be on the 3rd Saturday, which is our Christmas Dance. The other Pirate dance will be on New Year's Eve which is a Tuesday. Plan to join in song and dance at these two holiday affairs. Of course the Tuesday Plus Workshop and Beginner's Class will meet weekly as usual.

Dressing up is something most Pirates (and a lot of other dancers) have not outgrown. In September, Toga Night created quite a clamor in the

Roman Forum. There were many stages of what could be called "Grecian" wear to "Raiders of the Linen Closet". Be sure to check out the photos in the Pirate albums next time you visit us.

October gave dancers the opportunity to once again come "dressed up." They took full advantage of the chance. Dancers came from all moments in time: Present, past, and future. Prizes were awarded to the best costumes: Ragged Anne and Raggedy Andy (Faye & Roscoe Coss), Police Person (Dora Cloud), and the Executioner (Terry Echols). There were devils and a Scotsman, Elvira (with red hair), tourists, witches and goblins. Everyone had a wonderful time. We're a bit concerned about **Terry Louder**. She looked wicked as she welcomed dancers to the evening's festivities.

Pirates have been raided and collected lots of banners during the fall season. Attendance has increased with the return of the Snow Birds.

The Pirates decided to forgo their 2nd Saturday Dance in October to attend the Orange Blossom Special. Nearly half the dancers attending were Pirates. We appear to be a growing crowd at many special dances in Central Florida.

This merry band of Pirates dance at the Fran Carlton in Apopka. Mainstream Class is Tuesday from 7 to 8:30 and Plus dance with workshop from 8:30 to 10 p.m. Plus dances are at 8:00 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month, with Rounds at 7:15.

Don't miss a great time at the Pirates with **Jim Louder** and **Roy Brown** for squares and rounds respectively.

Square up with us soon!

—Ray & Barbara Stiver

Space Trackers

—Rockledge

Well, here we are again. Another month has gone by and a new one has begun. So as I always say, let's grab that cup of coffee and see just what has been happening and what is coming up at the Space Trackers. Dance classes, picnics, holidays of all sorts. Wow, just so much happening.

First of all, September saw the beginning of our new square dance class. We have had one great turnout in this area. We started with 22 students and we now have an average of 30 to 35 per class. This is a class that is eager to learn and in the process, are having a good time.

On September 8, we had our 13th Anniversary Ball. It's hard to believe we have been in existence so long. With all the fun we had that night, we proved it was not the unlucky 13. Our very own special caller, **Whit Brown**, really looked good in his black suit. Way to go, **Whit!** The color scheme for the ball was black and silver and everyone went all out. The decorations were great as always. The white cake was trimmed in black with silver leaves and was beautiful. Thanks to Miki Krimmel for a good job in that area. Thanks also to the decorating committee for the great job they did.

Some of the charter members were present: Asa Clark, Pat and Tony Courtney, Marty and Jim Perry and Phyllis Williams. They got a round of applause.

During the evening 12 members received their 10-year pins. Fifty-five other members will receive 5-year pins.

We raided Buckles and Bows and the Canaveral Squares raided us.

Banner raids are always great fun.

We had our club picnic on October 13. All members brought a covered dish and the club supplied the meat. As our special guests, we invited the new class members. They just bring themselves, an appetite and the willingness to have a really good time. This is the time to get together and make the new class feel at home and enjoy their new friends.

November 3 was our Fall Fling and you talk about a success! **Dee Dee Dougherty** was our caller and was really great. At one time she was calling for 25 squares and had another couple of dozen people just watching and listening. We were pleased to have guests from all around the area.

Special thanks go to Jack and Barbara Hoffman for putting this dance together, and to all those who helped. Liz Steinbaugh was in charge of the kitchen. Thanks also to Liz. It is our custom to ask students from our class to help out and they did a fine job for Liz.

Decorations included bails of hay and a big scarecrow by the stage and lots of fall colored leaves here and there. If you've had the pleasure of dancing to **Dee Dee**, you know she wears boots and a really pretty cowboy hat, so one of our walls was decorated with cutouts of boots and hats.

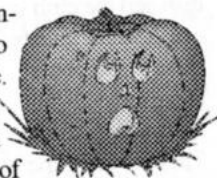
Another special item this month was our recycle sale. It really went well for both buyers and sellers. It went so well that we will have another one in January. I don't know if I can take this, because there was one gal (who shall remain nameless) that really bought too much—even bought a raincoat made for square dance dresses! (Her initials are SH).

At our Halloween Dance, I walked in and saw spiders, ghosts, pumpkins, and all kinds of weird things going on. Some club members were not so easy to recognize.

Helen and Mary

Lou were a

couple; a couple of siamese twins, that is.



What a get up that was! It even carried over to Monday night for the class members and some black cats came along. The usual black and orange motif were the colors of the night, but this is not a news flash on Halloween.

I guess I had better get going for now. I am going to sit back and think about the great things we have done this year and all the fun we are going to have in the year coming up.

Don't forget the Convention in June '97. If you don't have tickets, you had better hurry. Our next Fall Fling is in October next year.

Be good and enjoy the holidays, but be safe.

—Sherri Hinkley

Starlight Promenaders

—DeBary

We're off again with Basic/Mainstream classes every Wednesday evening from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come and share the dance and meet the most recent group of students. We dance every Wednesday at the DeBary Community Center located at 36 S. Shell Road. Caller is "Gentleman" **John Barrett** and Cuers are **Roy Brown** and his partner **Daphne Martin**. Plus dancing and rounds are from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.

We had such a wonderful time with our four demo's in between all the other summer activities and vacations. It was loads of fun. Thanks again to Stan and Ann Copeland for all their good work and to Ollie and Jackie Brauner for the time with St. Ann's and the chicken dinner (yum).


We were unhappy to hear of Norma Schimmel's illness and we are lifting her and Bernie up in our prayers. What a wonderful testament she is to a positive attitude; an attitude that abounds in kindness and joy that we have all been the recipient of many a time.

Joe Johnson came by to share with us as did Donna Hendricks and Jack Gallagher. It's good to see you!! We hear Helen Lewis is doing very well. Terri Van Ness' eye surgery went well and we're glad to have her back kicking up her heels.

The Halloween party was the greatest! Halloween Committee chairpersons were Carol & Randy Poole, the Barrs, Stan Copeland, the Boaks, the Chabots and the Knopfs. Judges were Rick Hedengren, Beverlee Kane, Pat Routier and Herman Thornburg. Prizes went to Randy Pool as "Lady in Coffin" for Most Creative (original thought and idea executed into a costume), Evelyn Waite's "It ain't easy being green!" for Funniest (most outlandish costume/makes you wanna laugh), Stan Copeland's "Grim Reaper" for Scariest (sends shivers down your spine/you don't wanna meet this guy in a dark alley!), Henry & Betty LaCouture's "Gouliness" for Best Couple, Lou & Muriel Chabot's "Butterflies" for Best Designed (best depicting the characters they portray). The pictures are going to be great! And

then there was the favorite repast "Hobo Stew," prepared by Carol Poole and Muriel Chabot and enhanced with the addition of canned veggies provided by club members. Excess canned food was kept for the upcoming annual "Food Drive" for a local charity. Now wasn't that a night to remember?

Last but not least, we want to congratulate the newly married couple,

 Frank and Peggy Heugele!! We hope your wedding day will be celebrated many times over again and that you will enjoy years and years of married bliss! (And, Good Dancing!)

Our General Meeting is scheduled for November 9, at noon to park closing at Lake Monroe Park. We will have a cookout and a business meeting at which time we will vote on our new board and officers. We plan to have a good time (and we sure hope it isn't as cold as it was last year) and look forward to a big, fun-loving, wonderful crowd. What a great opportunity to play and work together in a great venue.

—Ellie Stillings

Wagon Wheel Squares

—St. Cloud

On September 6 we enjoyed the smooth calling of **John Saunders** (the one **Dale** calls "good looking"). It was another very enjoyable evening. Of course our own **Jan and Pete Shankle** cued the rounds. Buckles and Bows came to retrieve their banner that evening. Juanita makes sure they have a good group whenever they visit a club. It's a pleasure to have them visit the club for they are a fun group to dance with.

On September 20 Kiss-a-mee Squares came to steal our banner and enjoyed the hot dogs we had. Tom and Ruth Ann and their helpers sure do a bang-up job in the kitchen with all those special refreshments.

Wagon Wheels sponsored a demo at the Flea Market to promote new class members for our club. We wish to thank the 45 club members who showed up to dance and help with the promotion. Thanks are also extended to our caller, **Dale McClary**, and cuers, **Jan and Pete Shankle**. Vice Presidents Ron & Lois Renwick did an excellent job of manning the booth and organizing the function. We look forward to making the new class feel at home and at ease. Remember, we all started where they are. Ken and Loretta Jenkins were in charge of the demo.

The club celebrated it's 27th Anniversary in October. We invited a number of past presidents to join in the festivities. Also Hobo Night and Halloween were celebrated. Hobo Night we concocted a stew from the fixings club members bring to put in it. Costumes were judged and awarded first place. Woman Hobo was Diane Kerr, Man Hobo was Vern Smith, Halloween Woman was Dot Nimmons, and Halloween Man was Lionel Arbour.

We are ready to do some traveling and hosting. Please call our club banner King and Queen today and set up a date to visit our club or invite us to visit you. Fred & Elly Longval would love to hear from you. Call them for information at (407) 957-6224. Raids and retrievals are the means of keeping in contact with each other, meeting new people and seeing what other clubs are doing.

Our new class started October 3. We had a total of 18 people for our Open House. We showed the new class members our hospitality at the annual club class picnic November 3 at Chisholm Park in St. Cloud.

The special dance in November will be on the 20th. Early rounds by **Jan and Pete Shankle** are at 7:30. Square dancing begins at 8:00 p.m. with caller, **Dale McClary**. We will have cheese and crackers and share the Happy Thanksgiving blessing for each and everyone who are in need by providing a can of food brought in by club members.

Whenever a Friday night rolls around, you will find us dancing up a storm at the St. Cloud Senior Center. For a real good time come join us.

—Bev Whitney and Jeris Robbins

Whirl & Twirl

—Orlando

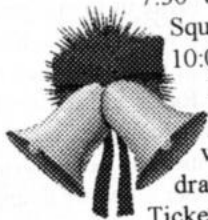
For our First Saturday Dance in December, we will have **Lon Ligon** calling and **sunni & jerry thomas** as cuers. **John Saunders** will do the honors in January with **Roy Brown** on rounds. We will celebrate one year of these monthly dances on February 1 with **Jerry Biggerstaff** and **sunni and jerry thomas**.

On December 20 the Wednesday and Friday night dancers will have their Christmas Dance. Early rounds are at

7:30 with **Roy Brown**.

Squares are 8:00 to 10:00 with **Danny**

Robinson. This is also the night we will have the drawing for the quilt. Tickets are \$1 each or 6



for \$5 and are available until the drawing.

For our New Year's Eve dance, we will have **Whit Brown** calling our square dance and **sunni & jerry thomas** cueing rounds. Plenty of food and games will be a part of the bill of fare. For more information, contact Jim and Von Hancock, President, at (407) 645-1851.

In January we will have a general membership meeting on the 10th at 7:00 p.m., followed at 8:00 by a Western Night Mainstream/Plus dance, with **Danny and Roy**, of course.

Our Tenderfoot (Mainstream) dances are 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. on Wednesday evening. We have some great line dances between tips. Come check it out!

Bigfoot (Plus) dances are Friday with early rounds at 7:30 and squares at 8:00 p.m.

Roy Brown has a Phase 2 round dance class Sundays 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. with his Phase 2/3 Dance from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m..

We invite all our square and round dancing friends to join us for some wonderful dancing to **Danny and Roy**.

—Gloria Myers



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Square Dance

The American Folk Dance

United Square Dancers of America and Legacy International have been at work for several years toward a goal—that of each state passing legislation declaring Square Dancing as the official Folk Dance of their state. This is the basis toward reaching the **ULTIMATE** goal — that of making Square Dance the American Folk Dance of the United States!

Europeans often ask us, "What is the Folk Dance of America?" Naturally, the reply is "Square Dancing". That's sort of a foregone conclusion, isn't it? After all, even though it has its roots in several European forms, the Square Dance as done by early settlers has evolved into the **FUN** activity we enjoy today. (Please **REMEMBER**, Square Dance here is used as a generic term, and encompasses rounds, contra, quadrill, mixers, line, clogging, and reels.

No recognition has been granted by the Congress of the United States, yet. Even though several attempts have been made to declare Square Dancing

(remember the generic term) as the Official American Folk Dance.

But now, a sure-fire plan has been adopted by Legacy International and The United Square Dancers of America. The plan is for each state legislature to designate Square Dance as its official State Folk Dance. Then the combined efforts of the states can lobby Congress to designate "Square Dance" as the Official American Folk Dance of the United States!

Florida is among the more than twenty-nine states that have recognized and designated "Square Dancing" as their state Folk Dance. This means that over 58% of the goal has been reached. Complete success is very, very, close.

When a good foundation of state victories has been attained, USDA and LEGACY will introduce a new "national" bill in Congress to make the "SQUARE DANCE" our National Folk Dance.

Perhaps soon....SQUARE DANCE,
THE FOLK DANCE OF THE
UNITED STATES.

From God's Little Instruction Book

Now there's even a "dial-a-prayer"
for atheists. You call a number
and nobody answers.



The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God...

Psalm 14:1a

Happy Holidays



"Skip" Smith

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The Cooking Corner



Try this cabbage salad the next time you need to take a covered dish to the club. It is a different twist on your standard cole slaw.

Cabbage Salad

- 5 cups shredded cabbage
- 4 green onions, sliced
- 1 package chicken flavor Oriental ramen noodles, crushed
- 1/2 cup slivered almonds
- 2 Tbsp. sesame seeds
- 2 Tbsp sugar

- 3 Tbsp. wine vinegar
- 1/4 cup salad oil
- 1 tsp sesame oil
- 1 chicken flavored packet from the ramen noodles package

Toast almonds at 350 degrees until light brown.

Mix together sugar, vinegar, oil and chicken flavor packet for dressing; set aside. Combine cabbage, onions, noodles and almonds; set aside.

Do not add dressing until ready to serve.

Makes 8 servings.

SQUARE DANCER'S CREDIT CARD PROGRAM *IT HELPS YOUR ASSOCIATION*

The Square Dancer's Credit Card Program was initiated in 1989 with all surplus funds being returned to the USDA Affiliates. The Directors at the June 1996 USDA Board Meeting revised the distribution plan - one-half to the USDA Youth and Handicapable Dancer Programs and the other half to the affiliates. A super way to help others!

A total of \$25,555 has been received from the Credit Card Program and \$18,090 has been distributed to the affiliates. The next distribution will go to the affiliates and the youth and handicapable programs.

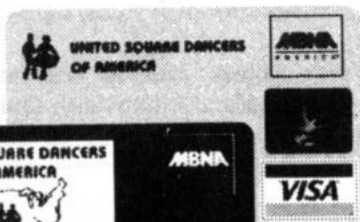
The support and active participation of everyone for this credit card program is solicited. The Square Dancer's Credit Card has every benefit offered by other credit cards and promotes square dancing every time the card is used. With your help, our credit card program could grow and generate funds to help our association.

These **no annual fee** Visa cards identify you as a Square Dancer. They are meant for all dancers (square, round, contra, clog, line and heritage) and especially dancers who want to help promote Square Dancing - and also expect to have every personal benefit credit cards can offer.

To apply call MBNA America® Bank, toll free at 1-800-847-7378, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. **It is very important that you cite Priority Code FLVY when calling** to designate the call as a Square Dancer card request.

For further information or application forms, contact the USDA Credit Card Program Chairman: Joe & Joy Vaccari, 227 Hughes Street N.E., Fort Walton Beach, Florida 32548. Phone (904) 243-9484 (voice and fax).

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Joyce, Jim (better known as Mama and Daddy) Tommi and Faye



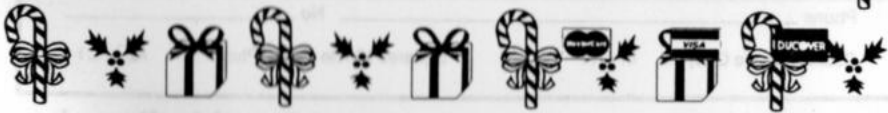
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Saturday, Jan. 25 Squares 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. 2:00-4:00 p.m. & 8:00-11:00 p.m.



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Jerry
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New Year's Resolutions

Square up as often as possible.

Quiet my gossiping tongue. Quote only the good.

Underplay that which is negative.

Ask to help. Involvement is the key to a successful club.

Run for an office in my club or association. I have much to offer.

Enthusiastically approach all squares. Be a happy dancer.

Dazzle the dancers with a smile. Bring fun to the square.

Applaud new dancers. Praise their efforts often.

Never pass by a square in need of a dancer

Cheerfully greet all guests. Welcome them into my square.

Exercise often by dancing often. Visit a different club and caller; it will add spice to my dancing.

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Go For The Magic

46TH NATIONAL 6 MONTH MEETING & DANCE



Dance: Saturday, January 11, 1997, 8:00pm
Delta Orlando Resort, 5715 Major Blvd., Orlando

MC: Dale McClary, Melbourne, FL
All Callers & Cuers Attending Are Invited To Call or Cue

General Meeting: Sunday, January 12, 9:00am For Everyone

Donations: \$2.50/Person At The Door

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For Dance Info, Contact
Randy Poole (904) 734-5295

Lunch Reservations:
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RSVP To Your Committee



LUNCH RESERVATIONS: RSVP TO YOUR COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

I will have lunch on Sunday, January 12, 1997 at the 46th NSDC general meeting. RSVP with cash or check (payable to 46th NSDC) RSVP to your committee chairman. No refunds after January 1, 1997. You must prepay for lunch (no paying at the door)

Name _____ Date _____

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