

Keepin' Posted

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HAPPY 232nd BIRTHDAY



Let us not forget:

The high ideals set forth in our Constitution and Bill of Rights—the basis for our country

The high costs paid by some preserving liberty for all.

The high ideal upon which we should base our own life and love our neighbor as we would ourselves.

STS-118 Approaches Orbit June 8, 2007

Picture taken by Tom Hartwig
from Moss Park, Orlando, FL

Presidents Message

Follow the Bird to the 53rd has come and gone! We followed our bird, Irving, all over Central Florida. He collected a staggering number of dangles. And now he has his mate, Irene, the love of his life. What a neat idea this whole campaign has been and what fun also.

We are looking for new Keepin' Posted editors. Tom and Eivor are soon to be snowbirds from West Virginia. They will be unable to continue as editors. If any one of you out there have any knowledge in this field and would like to take on this challenging job, call Tom Brown at 321-777-6081 or e-mail him

TBROWN2045@CFL.RR.com. Tom will gladly explain what is involved. It really is not as hard as you may think, actually a lot of fun Tom says. Give him a call.

We got word from Whirl & Twirl in Orlando that one of their staunch members granddaughter is in dire need of a bone marrow transplant. Her name is Courtney Berrisford. She often attends the Whirl & Twirl with her grandparents, Dan & Linda Courtney. She attends so often that the club has all but adopted her. Since many of us donate blood anyway, the next time we go to the blood bank ask them to type our blood for "HLA for Courtney Berrisford". The HLA is the test to determine if you or I are a possible bone marrow match. The test is usually a cheek swab or a simple blood draw but you must be between the ages of 18 and 60! Please, let's help this young lady be healed. If you need more information contact Bruce & Colleen Morgan. We came through for the Disaster Relief Fund, lets now come through for Courtney! Time is of the essence, too.

And speaking of the Disaster Relief Fund, I would like to say a big THANK YOU to the North East Association for sending us a \$1,000.00 check requesting it especially be given to Lee & Joyce Whitten of our square dance family who lost everything during the February tornado. This was such a generous donation and one that has truly touched their hearts. And I would like to add a *PS* to this: the CFA has given the Whittens an additional \$500.00, too. Now I ask you, what other club or organization or group of people come to the aid of friends and acquaintances as quickly or generously as Square Dancers? Aren't you proud to be one?

All of you out there need to search out CFA members who are selling raffle tickets. We are hosting the 2009 Convention and have

decided to hold a raffle for a big 42" LCD Television!!! How is that? It will be given away at next years convention (2008 that is) during our Kick-Off show. You won't have to wait until 2009 and you don't have to be present to win! Tickets: \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. Such a deal. Everyone can use a big screen TV, can't you! Look for flyers for a complete description, then find a CFA member to purchase your winning number.

Until next time, may the good Lord hold you in the palm of His hand.

Judy Frye, President

HELP !! BONE MARROW DONOR NEEDED

Editor's Note: Bruce Morgan jumped on the bandwagon and started this ball rolling. Danny and Linda contacted him by e-mail and he promptly sent it to all in his address book asking they do the same. At the last CFA Board meeting he mentioned replies had come in from all across the States. I've taken the liberty of including those e-mails for those who do not have computers at home.

From Bruce Morgan:

Please consider this request. Courtney comes to Whirl & Twirl on a regular basis with her grandparents, Danny & Linda Courtney. Please pass this request on to your family & friends. The more people that see this request the better chance we have of finding someone that can help.

Thanks, Bruce

From Danny & Linda:

To all our square-dance friends, our granddaughter Courtney Alicia Berrisford has aplastic anemia. Her health has been declining for the last month at an alarming rate. She needs a bone marrow transplant to save her life. We do not have a match for her, at this time. We'd like to appeal to anyone who can to go to their local blood bank and give blood in her name. That will allow you to be typed for bone marrow donation free. You need to give her name and ask to be HLA typed specific for Courtney Alicia Ber-

risford. I have talked to Maryann at the central Florida blood bank. That number is 407-835-5500. You need to be between the ages of 18 to 60 to be a bone marrow donor. If you have any questions you can call me Linda Courtney at 407-568-4168. My e-mail address is lccourt@earthlink.net. Courtney is in the 11th grade and active in FFA and her church. shes a bright happy girl. We thank you for your concern and help.

In god we trust. Linda and Danny Courtney.

From Danny & Linda:

Today we received the news from Shands Hospital that the one donor they tested was not a match. There is no match on the national bone marrow registry for Courtney. Her counts are very low and Shands has okayed a blood transfusion. We are asking that if you know anyone between the ages of 18 to 60 that could go on the bone marrow registry to please do it. Courtney is still in school and theres only 3 days left. Her spirits are good. we need a miracle. We need a donor. Thank you all for your concern.

In God we trust, Danny and Linda Courtney lccourt@earthlink.net

From Bruce Morgan:

Danny & Linda Courtney are members of The Whirl & Twirl Square and Round Dance Club in Orlando, FL. Their granddaughter, Courtney, comes to the clubhouse with them on a regular basis and has become like a member of the club. If anybody can help Danny & Linda find a donor for their granddaughter it would be appreciated by them and The Whirl & Twirl Square & Round Dance Club.

Thanks, Bruce & Colleen Morgan

From Bruce Morgan:

Some people have asked how to get on the Bone Morrow list. Just go to your local blood bank and give blood. Ask to be put on the bone marrow list. Plus you need to be HLA tested for Courtney Berrisford. The HLA testing is free as long as you give blood. Thanks and anything that you can do to help Courtney will be greatly appreciated. Bruce

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**CENTRAL FLORIDA SQUARE & ROUND DANCERS ASSOCIATION
Board Meeting**

Deerhaven Retreat & Conference Center, Paisley, FL
March 24, 2007

CALL TO ORDER: President Judy Frye called meeting to order at 2:30 P.M. George Knapp gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Judy welcomed attendees and introduced guests: Dick and Jeanne Lysobey, 2008 Shamrock Swing Chairmen, and Richard Pusch from Whirl & Twirl.

ROLL CALL: by Ailene Picheco; quorum present.

MINUTES: *Barbara Hoffman moved to accept the minutes of the January 14, 2007 Board Meeting – Bruce Morgan seconded. Motion passed.*

TREASURERS REPORT: Jack and Barbara Hoffman distributed the report to members present; report filed for audit.

CORRESPONDENCE: Lee and Joyce Whitten sent a card thanking CFA for their donation of \$500.00. They're not able to attend today.

AREA REPORTS:

Area Vice President – Bruce & Colleen Morgan reported. Have received very few updates. The information sheets should include the number of squares each club will hold to help plan future 5th Saturday Dances.

Brevard/Indian River – Keith & Angie Olds absent. No report.

South Lake & West Orange – Bill & RoyAnn Martin absent. No Report.

North Lake & Sumter – Bob & Jennie Courter absent. No report..

Marion – Walter & Janet Becker absent. No report.

East Orange & Seminole – Ian & Sandy Ogilvie reported. The **Hoedowners** average four to five squares weekly. Run by an enthusiastic core group and led by Eleanore Weston. Our last visit, a hot day, we took advantage of a broken heating system, to dance on the grass outside. They run continuous programs: lessons; workshops, and special dance events. Upcoming events are: 2007 officers installation, "Club Colors" dance the first Sunday each month, and a Hobo Stew Dance, near tax deadline day. Easter dinner will be Apr. 8. The class/workshop session, including lines is

1:30 to 3:00 p.m. and the dance is 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. Dick Nordine cues the rounds. **Orlando Singles** in mid-December were doing well; a 3 square class of students and angels. Whit Brown calls; Bev Landwehr cues. Whit calls basic/mainstream, and a few "announced" plus tips. Virginia Barnes continues as president. **Whirl & Twirl's** biennial Chili Queen fundraiser played to a sold-out crowd on Feb 3. W&T will graduate their class May 2 and have a Shindig the 15th to kick off the next class. Demonstration dances appear on upswing and continue to be one of the most effective means to promote square dancing. Next quarter come election of new officers and continuing our active schedule. Jan and Pete Shankle's Thursday round dance lessons have increasing attendance at 7:00 p.m. The **Merry-Go-Rounders** enjoy more than a dozen couples Thursday nights. Classes from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday evenings at the Winter Springs Senior Center followed by a dance from 8:30 to 10:00. We haven't spoken to Dick and Darlene Nordine recently, but have noticed that they need to be added to the web list of clubs in our area and intend to approach them on that.

Osceola –Howard & Thelma Bitler sent a report. The **Wagon Wheels** Square Dance Club will finish full time dancing May 2. We are raiding almost two clubs a month. The **Motivators** are ending dancing April 15, 2007 for the summer.

East Volusia – Kenly & Alice Spilman were absent. No report.

West Volusia – Liz Littlewood reported. **Honey Bees** in De-land had a hard time getting a club president. Mar 19, the board called a special meeting seeking suggestions on club disposition. Some wanted to become a "caller" run club. An hour of discussion later, members decided to remain as is. Jo Santoro is the President and is asking help from other members. Herman Thornburg accepted Vice President and another year as banner chairman. Bob & Eileen Lingle, Secretary. Due to poor class member attendance, no graduation date has been set. They have been out on a few raids the last two months. Rick Yates is the Caller and Jim Cowan is the cuer. The **Starlight Promenaders** are still doing well. Dancing four squares Wednesday nights. Roland Morin's new class of six graduate March 29 after 12 weeks of lessons. They will join the club. Roland will call mainstream dances for them all summer

giving them floor time. They've been coming to dances Wednesdays. Whit has called two or three tips to mix them into the club members. So far it is working quite well. The club continues to raid with 15 to 20 members; we've raided Flagler Beach, Ormond Beach, Honey Bees, Orlando Singles, and the Orange Blossom Squares. Next week we hit Whirl & Twirl. Two demos and a float this past weekend in Orange City's 125th year parade. The club is certainly getting out and around. Whit Brown calls; Daphne Martin cues.

MEMBERSHIP - Terri Little reported.

Active Individual 2007 memberships as of 03/24/07 - 246;

New Members 27; Renewals 219

Effective with 2007 membership, the new member fee is \$10.00 per person and the renewal fee is \$5.00 per person.

Just a reminder... when you sign up a NEW member, do NOT give them a membership bar. If any of the reps or clubs would like to hold a "membership" dance, please contact me at (321) 427-7950 or e-mail islandmom74@cfl.rr.com. I would be happy to attend the dance and set up a table for CFA membership.

BLOOD BANK - Jim & Jan McConnaha sent a report. We have a large number of credits; our members continue in good health; and, we've had only a few requests this year. Two donors last month raised our units to 853. Please pass the word—blood is available for our members; a key benie of belonging to CFA. Our account number is Central Florida 54.

INSURANCE - Randy & Carol Poole reported. Central Florida Square & Round Dancers Insurance Account

Beginning Balance	January 14, 2007	\$1,127.61
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Total Income	\$ 734.30	
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Expenses

USDA Insurance	\$ 724.95
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Club Refunds	295.20
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Admin	48.75
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Total Expenses	\$1,068.90
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Ending Balance	March 24, 2007	\$ 793.01
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23 clubs insured for 2007 with 1085 Members enrolled. No 2007 accident claims submitted. All the clubs have renewed. Two clubs

are first time insurers. One club has folded from last years enrollment.

KEEPIN' POSTED - Tom & Eivor Brown reported. The April issue is at the printers. Final copy is again 40 pages, the postal limit of a quarter inch. Spring issues saw a distinct shortage in the number of contributing clubs – a normal phenomena. Many of you are aware; the next issue will be our last as we pursue a move from the beach to the hills of West Virginia. Help is wanted, no experience necessary, computer knowledge helpful. We thank each and every one of you for your support and assistance.

HISTORIAN - John & Jane Mills - no report

FLORIDA FEDERATION - Randy & Carol Poole reported. The working weekend was Mar. 10 & 11. A new format was used. The Associations were instructed on the showcase for the state and national conventions. A vote was passed to have a new back drop made. A committee was appointed to submit an application for a grant from the Lakeland Convention and Visitors Bureau. This grant (if received) would assist the 2008 and 2009 conventions with advertising outside of Polk County. Sunday's meeting consisted of reports from the break-out meetings. The next meeting will be held at the Lakeland Center, Lake Parker hall, Sunday May 27, 2007 at 9:00 A.M.

OLD BUSINESS

Shamrock Swing 2007 – Bruce & Colleen Morgan reported. The Shamrock Swing did very well. A final report is forthcoming. Many new dancers attended and had a good time. We should keep the Mainstream format; that is when most classes are just starting Plus.

55th Florida State Convention 2009 - Randy & Carol Poole reported. We have started our fundraising. We have two underway. The first is a raffle of a 42" LCD, High definition, flat panel wall mountable TV. We can only sell raffle tickets in Central Florida and out of state. We have 21 tickets in each envelope. And if each of you would take just 1 envelope and sell them to your neighbors, co-workers or family, we won't have to spend the next two years manning a table at every dance to make

money for the convention. The tickets sell for \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. Our other fundraiser is the Party Weekend.

5th Saturday Dance, March 31, 2007 – Top of the World Circle Squares, H&R Ballroom, 8447 S.W. 99th Street, Ocala, FL 34481. Bob Stern is the caller, Joanne Helton is the cuer..

5th Saturday Dance, June 30, 2007 – Whirl & Twirl, 6949 Venture Circle, Orlando, FL 32807. Caller will be Gene McCullough; Irene Knapp-Smith will cue. Don't forget to take flyers with you.

Other Old Business The Treasurers sent thank you notes to all donors to the disaster fund (if there was an address). A thank you note was also placed in Bow & Swing and Keepin' Posted.

NEW BUSINESS

Club Info Sheets – The hall capacity of each club will be added to the club info sheet.

Shamrock Swing 2008 – Dick & Jeanne Lysobey reported. The penciled in contracts will be finalized. The dance will be at the First Presbyterian Church of Maitland. Friday and Saturday, March 7 and 8, 2008, with Tim Marriner and Whit Brown callers and Jimmy and Carol Griffin cuers. “Finnegan’s Place” will reopen, but will not have an overabundance of food as in 2006.

Disaster Fund Presentation – Randy Poole reported. The presentations tonight before the dance are to: 1) Ilse Campbell for \$1000. to help replace her septic system-she lost her home; 2) Buffy Allen for \$1000. To help replace her trailer– no insurance-husband disabled; 3) Jamie McMullen for \$1000 to help replace their roof because of insufficient insurance-they have 3 small children and both attend college; 4) Mary Miller will accept \$500.00 donation to the Paisley Baptist Church Relief Fund. 5) Tracy Desantis will accept \$500.00 to the Lake Mack Community Relief Effort; and, 6) Lee and Joyce Whitten will receive an additional \$500.-they lost their home and cannot attend this evening.

Florida Federation Funds – The Florida Federation has given money to each association to promote square dancing. Suggestions were for buttons or magnetic bumper stickers. Many do not like to wear buttons. Bumper stickers are more visible. Jack Hoffman *moved to search the web for shorter domain name that would be easier to access our website* – Terri Little seconded. Motion

passed. Terri Little moved to purchase magnetic signs for cars displaying our website – John Mills seconded. Motion passed.
5th Saturday Dance December 29, 2007 - Bruce Morgan moved to cancel the 5th Saturday Dance on December 29, 2007 – Tom Brown seconded. Motion passed.

Florida State Patches – Suggestions were shown to use the extra patches that are on hand and make some extra money. The state dress may change again to a color where the patches could be utilized again. No plans were made at this time.

Volunteers for Nominating Committee – If you would like to be on the committee, be thinking about it.

Other New Business

State Convention Table—The Willobys want to charge \$25.00 for a table at the State Convention. It was decided that, if it will help the convention, we will pay. No motion needed.

By-Laws Change: George Knapp made a motion to change the by-laws (Article XI- General) to reflect the change in cost of annual dues and membership – Shirley Knapp seconded. Motion passed. This will be done at the next meeting.

Our next meeting – The next meeting will be at 3:00 p.m., June 10, 2007, at George & Shirley Knapp's home; pot-luck follows.

ADJOURN – John Mills moved to be adjourn. Seconded Jack Hoffman. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ailene E Picheco

CFA DISASTER FUND PRESENTATION

When the tornados hit last Christmas Day and Ground Hog Day little did we realize just how much devastation would be created in our Central Florida area. As news began to filter out, many of our area clubs started collecting donations to help anyone we could. With what the CFA had already in our Disaster Fund we were able to help several people to start to get their lives together again.

At our Party Week-end at Deerhaven Retreat in Paisley we were able to give money to several deserving families and to local relief centers. Randy & Carol Poole live close to the affected ar-

and generously gave of their time to find some really deserving people that needed a hand up.

Just before our dance on Saturday we presented \$4,500.00 from our Disaster Relief Fund to these deserving people who suffered losses. First we gave a \$1,000.00 check to a delightful senior citizen, Ilse Campbell a widow, on a small Social Security. She is able to rebuild on her own property but she first had to repair her septic system before she could be approved to rebuild.

The second \$1,000.00 check went to a young couple, Jamie McMullins with 3 small children. She and her husband are attending college full time. Their insurance company did not allow them enough money to completely finish a much needed new roof on their home.

The third \$1,000.00 check went to Buffy Allen whose husband is disabled and cannot work. They, also, have small children. They lost their trailer and most of its contents and did not have any insurance.

Representatives from the Paisley Baptist Church Relief Fund and the Lake Mack Community Center were presented with checks of \$500.00 each to help replenish their food banks. Tracy De Santis of the Lake Mack Community Center then presented the CFA with a beautiful appreciation plaque.

Earlier this year the CFA presented Lee and Joyce Whitten, square dancers, \$500.00 for their loss at Christmas time. It was decided that another \$500.00 should be given them. They could not be present to receive this money but have sent a lovely thank you card.

All of this was made possible by **you** square dancers. Your donations are always welcome not only in time of need but anytime you feel like donating. Each club was given a Disaster Relief Can a while ago but if the can is not sitting out at your club and you feel like making a donation, just give it to your treasurers, they will see that we receive it. My heartfelt thanks go out to all of you who came through recently, if not for you this could not have been accomplished. Most of us have been very fortunate that we have been spared these horrors but the "season" will soon be upon us. Let us pray we never need this kind of assistance.

Judy Frye

FINAL PUBLICITY RELEASE

53rd FLORIDA STATE CONVENTION

The 53rd Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention, hosted by the Northwest Association, is now history. If you did not attend, you missed a FUN 3 days, filled with great dancing. To view pictures showing you just what you missed go to: www.floridasquaredance.com/northwest/convention/pictures.html.

Thursday evening, a great Trail's End Dance at Strawberry Squares; you could see all the neat gifts received by Irvin and Irene at their "Bachelor" and "Bridal Shower" parties, AND great dancing. Friday night during the Opening Ceremonies, Irene and Irvin finally got married, with their 'baby' in attendance.

Saturday afternoon the Exotic Birds strutted their stuff in the 2007 Fashion Show. If you weren't there you missed a great show, including the bird/cat fight at the end between Tweety and Sylvester. The models did a great job bringing their chosen birds to life before our eyes. They added to their ensemble with feathers, masks, and even some tights. Bob Poyner supplied just the right music; Paul & Cheryl Miller, Fashion Show Chairman, narrated the storyline and many of the special effects & decorations. Sylvester was to have been Frank Leverette, but he broke his foot, so George Garich stepped in as Sylvester, providing the action, while Frank did the talking; it worked out just great! Tweety was Joan Koile in a real Tweety bird costume! Narrator was Val Newsome (otherwise known as Granny). **YOU REALLY NEED TO VISIT THE WEBSITE MENTIONED ABOVE AND SEE THE PICTURES -- THERE IS NO WAY TO DESCRIBE HOW LOVELY EVERYTHING WAS.** Believe me, the Fashion Show was the **HIGHLIGHT** of the Convention. Hat's Off to Paul & Cheryl for all the work they put into making this such a success!

Saturday night, the General Chairman introduced the 53rd Convention Committee and the Florida Federation Board. The Mini-Grand March followed. Sunday evening, the closing ceremonies included the introduction of the Florida Callers and Florida Round Dance Council Boards; the presentation by the Federation of three "Extra Mile Awards" to Sam Dunn, Charlie Pergrossi, and Bob Poyner. Then the 53rd Chairman turned the mike over to the

54th Chairman, Don & Ann Slocum, who invited everyone to "Celebrate in 2008" with an impressive Kick-Off performance.

Now, in addition to all the above, you missed seeing the "Crafty Nest", the Showcase of Ideas (with the new Federation Backdrop), and all the tables from various organizations; and also the great Vendors who had a little bit of everything for you to spend your money on. PLUS the greatest dancing ever for the entire weekend!

Sooooooooooooo, the bottom line is.....If you didn't FOLLOW THE BIRD TO THE 53rd -----Don't let the FUN, FELLOWSHIP & GREAT DANCING pass you by next year, REGISTER NOW to "CELEBRATE IN 2008"!!!!!!!

Charlie & Val Newsome



2008 FLORIDA CONVENTION HOTEL NAME CHANGE

Please help spread the word that the Host Hotel for 2008 has changed it's name to Howard

Johnson and the correct phone # is 863-688-7972. Reservations can now be made. Thank You

Don & Ann Slocum

What's Right About Square Dancing?

Square Dancing is fun

(smiles and laughter)

Square Dancing promotes friendship

(an always there support group)

Square Dancing promotes teamwork

(8 people working together)

Square Dancers are travelers

(clubs, specials, conventions, raids)

So You Want to Dance in Central Florida

Last summer, a visiting couple complained "No where" could they easily find a published list of where to dance in Central Florida. With the help of many others, Bow & Swing, Bruce Morgan and his update club listing website; we've been able to pull together an eight page pullout for your convenience. And there's room for notes. Enjoy.

Tom & Eivor

SUNDAY CASSELBERRY

HOEDOWNERS

Casselberry Senior Citizen Ctr,
200 N. Triplet Lake Dr.
1:30-2:30 Class/Workshop; 2:30-4:30
Mainstream/Plus Dance w/Rounds.
Caller: Gene McCullough
Cuer: Dick Nordine
Phone: (407) 273-2561 (Norma New-
ton)
Email: hoedownerscaller@cfl.rr.com.

DAYTONA BEACH

YELLOW ROCK SQUARES

ARC Building off Jimmy Ann Drive
and 5th Street
3:00-5:00 We need Angels! Handi-
capable club! We love dancers to join
us for fun.
Caller: Rick Yates Cuer: Marilyn
Yates
Phone: 386-734-2110 (call to verify
schedule)
Email: yatesrichard@bellsouth.net

DAYTONA BEACH SHORES **STRATO SQUARES**

A1A 3048 S. Atlantic Ave. DBS
(beside fire station)
2:30-4:30 DBD Workshop and Dance
4:30-6:30 Full Adv. Dance
Caller: John Saunders
Phone (386) 428-1496 (verify sched-
ule)
Email: johnnysa@aol.com

LADY LAKE

ORANGE BLOSSOM SQUARES

La Hacienda Center, The Villages
7:00-9:30 MS/Plus Dance w/ith
Rounds
Callers: Local and National Guests;
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Phone: 352-751-1009 Banner Raids:
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RUN AROUNDS

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2:15-3:30 Ph. 2&3 w/teach;
3:30-5:00 Ph. 3&4+w/teach
Cuer: Bev Landwehr, Orin Blair assists
Phone: 352-241-4645

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MOTIVATORS

St. Cloud Sr. Center, 3101 17th St.,
1st-3rd Sundays
2:00-4:00 A-2 Dance; 4:00-4:30 C-1
Tips
Callers: Guest
Phone: 407-957-7392, 407-892-9665,
407-846-0460

MONDAY**BAREFOOT BAY
TWIRLERS**

Barefoot Bay Civic Center 525
Barefoot Blvd. Barefoot Bay, FL
7:30 early rounds
8:00 Mainstream dance
Caller: Steve Ekin
Cuer: Vera Smith

BELLVIEW

Dancing Shadows - Rt. 484 east of
SE47.
3:00-5:00 A-2 Dance
Caller: Bob Stern
Phone: 352-259-1236
Email Rpstern@aol.com

**DAYTONA BEACH SHORES
EVERGREEN ROUNDERS**

Daytona Beach Shores Community
Center, ALA next to the fire and police
station, October through April
6:00-8:00 Ph. 3 workshops;
8:00-10:00 Ph. 3 thru 5 dance
Cuer: Irene Knapp
Phone: 386-409-3399 or cell 386-689-
3677, E-mail: imk04@ucnsb.net

**DELAND
HONEY BEES**

Deland Activity Ctr, 751 S Alabama
Av
7:00-8:00 Beg. Class (Oct.-Apr);
7:00-8:00 Plus Class (May_June);
8:00-10:00 Plus Dance w/Rnds (Oct,
.June & Sept.), 7:00-9:00 Plus wkshp.
(most wks Jul_Aug.) no rounds
Caller: Rick Yates; Cuer: Jim Cowen
Phone: 386-738-2122
Email: ljhines@netzero.net

**LEESBURG
ROYAL SQUARES**

Rt 27 Royal Highlands Great Hall
2nd & 4th Monday Oct- May
7:00_7:30 Early Rounds
7:30_9:30 Mainstream/Plus Dance
with Rounds
Caller: Paul Place
Cuer: Joanne Helton
Phone: 352-728-3658 or 352-314-
9275

**MELBOURNE
DIXIE DIAMONDS**

Crane Community Center, 1440
Mosswood
6:00 Advanced Lessons
Caller: Jerry Reed.
Phone: 321-633-1306
E-mail: JReed123@aol.com

**OCALA
OAK RUN TWIRLERS**

2:00-4:15 Plus Dance
Caller: Whit Brown
Phone: 352-873-1734 or 407-353-
2976
Email: WhitBrown2@aol.com

**OCALA
PALM SQUARES**

5000 N US Hwy 27
7:30—9:30 Plus Dance
Caller: Dan Hanhurst
Phone: 352-369-1380

**VERO BEACH
HERON CAE TWIRLERS**

Heron Cae Mobile Home Park
7:00-9:00 Mainstream Dance
Caller: Gib Mattson (contact first for
code)
Phone: (561) 778-2054

TUESDAY**APOPKA**

Fran Carlton Center, 11 N. Forest
 7:30-9:30 Easy C1 Dance
 Caller: Ron Libby
 Phone: (352) 259-3188 or
 352-409-1369
 Email: ronlibby@aol.com

**APOPKA
PIRATES**

Fran Carlton Center, 11 N. Forest
 7:30-9:30 Beg. Cl. info (407)645-5627;
 7:00-9:30 MS Dance w/Rusty Hinge
 "+" Plus Class
 Caller: Paul Place 353-259-3188
 Phone: (352) 259-3188; Banner Raids
 407-645-5627) - Starting May 23

**GAINESVILLE
GRAND SQUARES**

1910 NW 53rd Ave., Carpenters Union
 Hall
 7:00-7:30 Workshop; 7:30-9:30 Plus/
 Mainstream Dance
 Caller: Lon Ligon;
 Phone: (352) 377-1828
 Website: www.geocities.com/
 grandsquaresclub/
 GrandSquaresClub.html

**LEESBURG
ROYAL HIGHLANDS**

Royal Highlands Great Hall, Rt. 27 &
 Monarch Blvd.,
 Sept. - June - 1:00-3:00 Basic & Main-
 stream Class; 3:00-5:00 Plus class
 May-Oct - 2:30-3:00 Plus Workshop;
 3:00-5:00 Mainstream Dancing
 Caller: Paul Place 352-365-1319
 Phone: 352-314-9275 or 352-787-9822

OCALA**PRESTIGE 55 SQUARES**

Brick City Center for the Arts at 23
 W. Broadway St., Corner of SW 1st
 and W. Broadway.
 5:30-7:00 Beginners Class;
 7:00-9:00 Mainstream/Plus
 Caller: Ken Perez
 Phone: 352-402-9577 or 216-9578
 Email: mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net

**ORMOND BEACH
GRANADA SQUARES**

Melrose & US 1, Senior Ctr.
 6:30-8:00 Beginners Class; 8:00-
 10:00 Plus Dance w/Rnds
 Caller: John Saunders
 Phone: (386) 767-6216 or (386) 760-
 2610
 Banner Raids: (386) 253-8928
[http://floridadancing.com/
 granadasquares](http://floridadancing.com/granadasquares)
 Email: granadasquares@cfl.rr.com

**ROCKLEDGE
CANAVERAL SQUARES**

McLarty Park Recreation Center, 790
 Barton Blvd.
 7:30-9:45 Plus Squares w/Rounds
 Caller: Jerry Reed Cuer: Phyllis Wil-
 liams
 Phone: 321-452-7963
 Banner Raids: 321-268-4450;
judy98@netscape.com
 Email: Apichecko@juno.com
 Website: www.canaveralsquares.com



WEDNESDAY**BELLVIEW
FRIENDLY SQUARES**

Dancing Shadows, Rt. 484 East of SE47

1:00-3:00 Beginners Class (Oct-May);

1:00-3:00 Plus Class (May-Sept);

3:00-5:00 Plus Dance w/Rnds

Caller: RJ Hogan

Cuer: Joanne Helton

Phone: 352-624-0057 or

Raids: 352-236-1240

**DEBARY
STARLIGHT
PROMENADERS**

38 S. Shell Road

7:00-8:00 Class/Workshop

Caller: Whit Brown

Cuer: Daphne Martin

Phone: 407-322-4454 or

386-789-8018

**LEESBURG
SUNSHINE PROMENADERS**

Masonic Lodge, 200 Richey Rd. (by Bowling Alley)

7:00-9:15 Plus Dance

Callers: Ron Libby and Darrell Figg

Cuer: Joanne Helton

Phone 352-669-6812 or 352-323-1720

Banner Raids: 352-259-5904

**NEW SMYRNA BEACH
SPINDRIFTERS**

Coronado Civic Ctr., Flagler & Pine St. (beach side)

6:30-8:00 Oct-Apr New Dancers;

8:00-9:45 Workshop & Dance w/Rnds

Caller: John Saunders

Cuer: Irene Knapp (Rounds and Lines)

Phone: 386-428-1496

Email: johnnsa@aol.com

**OKLAWAHA
PILOT SQUARES**

Lake Weir Chamber of Commerce, Route 25

2:00-4:00 Adv.; 4:00-5:00 C-1 Dance

Caller: Ron Libby

Phone: 352-259-3188 or 352-409-1369

Email: ronlibby@aol.com

**OCALA
ON TOP OF THE WORLD
CIRCLE SQUARES**

Arbor Club, 10060 S.W. 94th St.

5:30-7:00 pm Class;

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

Caller: Don Hanhurst

Cuer: Loretta Hanhurst

Phone: (352) 873-6811

E-mail: lockrfsm@aol.com

**ORLANDO
WHIRL & TWIRL**

Whirl and Twirl Square and Round Dance Center, 6949 Venture Circle

8:00-10:00 Progressive Mainstream and some line dancing

Caller: Paul Place

Phone: 407-339-3121 Bruce/Colleen Morgan

Banner Chairmen: Bill & Yoshiko

Moore 407-679-1379

banner_chairman@earthlink.net

Email: whirlandtwirl@earthlink.net

Email: lockrfsm@aol.com

**MELBOURNE
DIXIE DIAMONDS**

Eau Gallie Civic Ctr, 1551 Highland Ave.

7:30-9:30 A1/A2 Dance

Caller: Jerry Reed.

Phone: 321-633-1306

E-mail: JReed123@aol.com

WEDNESDAY (Cont'd)**ST. CLOUD****WAGON WHEEL SQUARES**

St. Cloud Senior Center, 3101 17th St.
(Oct. April)

5:30-6:30 Beg. Class Ron Reardon

6:30-7:30 Adv Beg. Class Reardon

7:00-8:00 Plus Class Dan Erwin

7:30-8:00 Line Dance: Dot & Dusty
Wilkinson

8:00-10:00 Squares and Line

Reardon & Wilkinson

Phone: Steve & Diana 407-847-6055

Email: Kehrbeare@earthlink.net

VERO BEACH**ADVANCE DANCE**

Vero Beach Community Center

A-2 Dance 7:30-9:30

C-1 Tips 9:30-10:00

Caller: Gib Mattson

Phone: (561) 778-2054

THURSDAY**BAREFOOT BAY****BAREFOOT BAY SPINNERS**

Barefoot Bay Community Center,
626 Barefoot Blvd.

12:45-2:45 Basic(Class)

3:00-4:30 Mainstream (No Rounds)

Caller: Dale McClary

Phone: 772-664-5562

ANTHONY**CELEBRITY SQUARES**

United Meth. Church, 2396 NE
97th Street RD

7:00—9:00 Plus Dance

Caller: Ken Perez

Phone: 352-629-0437

COCOA**SPACE TRACKERS**

Merritt Island Presbyterian Church;
600 S Tropical Trail

1st—3rd Thursdays

7:30 Early Rounds, 8:00-10:00 pm

Plus/Rounds

Callers: Whit Brown 1st & 3rd,

Guest 2nd

Cuers: Phyllis Williams 1st and 2nd,

Vera Smith 3rd

Phone: 321-449-0805/321-427-7950

Email: islandmom74@cfl.rr.com

DAYTONA BEACH**DIXIE SQUARES**

City Island Rec Cntr, 108 E Orange

6:30-8:00 Class(Oct-May); 7:30-8:00

Workshops(May-Sep); 8:00-10:00 Plus

Dance w/Rnds

Caller: Paul Place

Cuer: Irene Knapp

Phone: 386-760-9641

Banner Raids: Paul Barners

386-671-6164

Email: joegum@cfl.rr.com



THURSDAY (cont'd)**PALM BAY
PROMENADERS**

Trailer Haven, 1205 Eddie Allen Rd.
(between NASA and Hibiscus off Air-
port Rd.)

7:30-8:00 Early Rounds; 8:00-10:00

Plus Dance w/Rnds

Caller: Dale McClary

Cuer: Bev Landwehr

Phone: 321-254-7679

Banner Raids: Claire Maheu 321-783-
7630; Email: cbmaheu@aol.com

OCOEE**GARDEN PATCH SQUARES**

Vignetti Rec. Center, 1910 Adair St.

7:00-8:15 Class or Workshop, 8:00-

9:45 Plus Dance w/Rnds

Caller: Rick Yates Cuer: Marilyn
Yates

Phone: 386-734-2110

Email: yatesrichard@bellsouth.net

Banner Raids: RoyAnne Martin 407-
282-8341

**SUMMERFIELD
FOUNTAIN SQUARES**

Ballroom of Community Ctr., Del
Webb Spruce Creek Country Club,
Hwy. US 27 & US 441 (2nd & 4th
Thursdays); 7:00-9:00 Plus Workshop
(1st, 3rd & 5th TH.), 7:00-9:00 Plus
Dance (2nd & 4th TH.)

Caller: Don Hanhurst

Phone: Ron Lockwood 352-347-9025
Lockcom1@earthlink.net

**WINTER SPRINGS
ROUNDS**

Winter Springs Senior Citizens Cen-
ter, 400 N. Edgemon Drive (1 mile
East of 17-92 off 434)

7:00-8:30 Class;

8:30-10:00 Dance Phase II-V

Cuer: Dick and Darleen Nordine

Phone: 407-327-7027

Email: rnordine@juno.com

FRIDAY**FLAGLER BEACH****FLAGLER OCEAN WAVES**

Council of Aging Bldg, 800 S. Day-
tona

6:30-8:00 Beginner Squares(Oct-

May); 6:30-8:00 Plus Square Class

(May-Sep); 8:00-10:00 Plus Dance w/
Rds

Caller: R. J. Hogan

Cuer: Irene Knapp

Phone: 386-586-3805

Banner Raids: 386-445-7980

Website: www.floridadancing.com/
flagierow

LADY LAKE**PLANTATION SQUARES**

Route 466 Recreation

December thru April

7:00-9:30 Plus Dance

Caller: Bob Stern

Cuers: Loretta Hanhurst

Email: rpstern@aol.com

OKLAWAHA**PILOT SQUARES**

Lake Weir Chamber of Commerce,
Route 25

2:00-4:00 C-1 Dance

Caller: Ron Libby

Phone: 352-259-3188

Email: ronlibby@aol.com

FRIDAY (cont'd)**ORLANDO
SINGLES**

College Park Presbyterian Church, 118
E. Par Street Corner of Par and Formosa
7:00-8:00 New Dancer Class; 8:00-8:15
Early Rnds; 8:15-10:00 Dance w/Rnds
Caller: Whit Brown
Cuer: Phyllis Williams
Phone: 407-366-5186 or 407-297-6236
Banner Raids: Tony Domozych
407-654-4974

**ORLANDO
WHIRL & TWIRL**

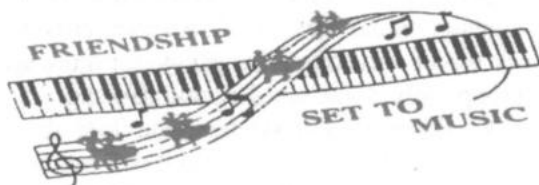
Whirl and Twirl Square and Round
Dance Center, 6949 Venture Circle
8:00-10:00 Dance
ER 7:30 (Plus/E/DBD)
Caller: Paul Place
Cuer: Pete and Jan Shankle
Phone: (407) 339-3121 Bruce/Colleen
Morgan
Banner Chairmen: Bill & Yoshiko
Moore 407-679-1379
banner_chairman@earthlink.net
Email: whirlandtwirl@earthlink.net

SATURDAY**APOPKA
PIRATES**

(2nd and 4th Saturdays)
Fran Carlton Center, 11 N. Forest
7:00-7:15 Early Rounds
7:15-9:15 Plus Dance w/Rnds
Caller: Paul Place
Cuer: Daphne Martin
Phone: 407-645-5627 or 321-231-
3205
Banner Raids: Dottie Hammon
407-645-5627
Robert Canfield 407-231-3203

**SATELLITE BEACH
ALLEMANDERS**

Satellite Bch Civic Ctr., 565
Cassia
1st-3rd Saturdays;
SB Cvc Cntr, 565 Cassis;
8:00-10:00pm Plus & Rounds
4th & 5th Saturdays;
SB Schecter Cntr, 1089 S. Pat-
rick Dr., Satellite Beach
8:00-10:00pm Plus & Rounds
Caller: John Saunders
Cuer: Bev Landwehr
Phone: Burnetts 321-773-6420
or Pauls 321-777-8352



The GARAGE GANG

What is a "GARAGE GANG" is a question asked of me by a newer square dancer recently. I wanted to reply that it is a posse of s'posed to be square dancers comin' round the bend from Jack and Zonie Taylors garage but reality took leave of my senses. I answered truthfully "a group of dancers that are painfully subjected to the torture of Jack Taylor in his garage as they struggle to gain a mastery of square dancing". Eivor and I took A1/A2 lessons from Skip Cleland several years ago with Jack and Zonie Taylor in the group of students. After about the second week or so, we would gather at a local eatery and enjoy a half rack of ribs at the bar after 9:00 PM for a very reasonable price. We found out about the "Gang" from the Taylor garage. We also found out that Jack and Skip would cheat - they would conspire to confuse the daylights out of us, a very simple task. The signals and looks would be passed and the calls made as we workshoped calls from every possible position and then some like six weeks on Chain Reaction. Jack and Barb Hoffman and Ailene Picheco, I'm sure, will be glad to verify the "torture sessions".

I asked Jack and Zonie the history of the Garage Gang. He wrote one for me. The Garage Gang will be 25 this October. It is easy to remember because Zonie and I worked in Iran when the Shah left for his final trip. Ayatollah Komeni arrived in February on 1979 and were soon returned to the US. We took lessons with Dale McClary with the Titusville Sundancers because we had been away from square dancing since 1972. The lessons began in September 1982. We thought it would be a great way to make new friends in the local area. We did not realize the impact that decision would have upon our life.

Because we had been away from dancing so long I asked for and got Dale's permission to tape his lessons for home study. We got a square together on our back porch; we were crowded. The following week we all moved into the garage for more space. Of that original group, only Zonie and I remain dancing.

Early on, I would take a disk sander to the floor about every six months to rough it up, we later decided it was not necessary. Today, our garage floor is very shiny and smooth but not slippery.

Many dancing feet, ten times as many toes, have twinkled their ways around and across it buffing it to its present sheen.

Because I'm a hardheaded old coot, I'm slow to learn, so I keep trying. Several months of Dale's calling and practicing had convinced me I probably could call. I rigged a cheap microphone and amplifier. Using a cassette tape of "Alpine Hoedown"; I called my first tip. The gang flunked me! I gave up after 30 seconds or so. But they said keep trying so 25 years later I'm still trying. Al Brundage's caller school in Jensen Beach(84) helped some. We hope the Tony O session at National will add to my prowess.

Our "gang" is limited to one square on the floor at a time with up to eight couples attending. Right now, we've got a Plus and an A1/A2 class going with about a dozen couples including snow-birds. We estimate about 150 dancers have passed thru the "Garage Gang". We regret we did not keep very good records - we remember many but just don't have a document to verify the count.

Christmas dinner, a potluck meal with the meat by Zonie and Jack, is consumed gleefully in the Taylor Garage. Each member receives a small token from Jack and Zonie commemorating their involvement with the Gang.

We dance in the Garage; we chat in the Garage; we eat in the Garage; we celebrate birthdays in the Garage; so ten or eleven years ago Zonie said lets call it the "Garage Gang". Badges were made and many are out there, when you see one, Jack and Zonie Taylor suffered them thru lessons.

And as the Taylors say "We have been blessed having the "Garage Gang" in our lives. We have been blessed having Square Dancing in our lives these past 25 years. We have been blessed to have made these many friends and played the small part we have played in this great activity."

Editor's Note: Jack and Zonie Taylor furnished the information about the Garage Gang history. He will deny any collusion with Skip Cleland to torture us during those A1/A2 sessions. Although, in retrospect, we had a ball; we didn't always know which way it was rolling but it was fun. The first paragraph is entirely my doing from my failing memory.

HAVING A BLAST

Jeffrey Allen grinned triumphantly as he burst through the doors of the First Baptist Church hall in Cocoa Village. Some class members dropped their jaws in silence; others whooped or called out his name. All applauded. It was a perfect greeting for someone who flew from New York back down here for the sole purpose of completing the next square dance "Blast Class," or, as Jeffrey calls it, "the expedited square dance classes."

Helen Bray later told how she and Jeffrey arrived at the dance early and walked once around the block to time his entrance for maximum effect. "I knew about Jeffrey's plan all along," said Helen, running her fingers across her mouth, "but I just kept my lip zipped so as not to spoil his surprise." Another friend, Karen Drada said, "I was shocked when I saw him here tonight! The first thing I said to him was that he'd better be back in New York by next Friday! I'm flying up there next Wednesday and he's promised to show me the sights."

Jeffrey is a snowbird dividing his time between Satellite Beach and Manhattan. He already took the series of three weekend Mainstream classes offered by the Canaveral Squares in Rockledge. Jerry Reed, local square dance caller and director of CALLER-LAB, an international organization for square dance callers, taught them.

"When I heard about completing the course in three weeks, I knew that was for me, because I could finish before going back to New York," Jeffrey said. "I found the fellowship and friendship at the Canaveral Squares so fantastic, and I give Jerry very high marks, a gold star, in fact. He's a wonderful caller and a gifted teacher who can really communicate with his students. Not to mention his lovely wife, Del." This last was spoken with a twinkle in his eye.

Jeffrey was introduced to square dancing in high school and has always loved all kinds of dancing. His boundless energy and outgoing personality make him an instant favorite with everyone. His twenty-year background in public relations with Sumner, Rider & Assoc. Inc., no doubt contributes to his own fabulous ability to communicate. Currently, Jeffrey does PR functions with the

Lincoln Center and the museum of Modern Art in New York. He now dances with two square dance clubs in New York, one of which is 1½ hours away by subway.

This weekend is the first of two additional weekends to add another level of calls referred to as "Plus" calls. Clearly, Jeffrey is having a "blast!" And, oh, yes, he already has a ticket to come back in early June for the final "Blast" weekend.

For more information regarding future "Blast Classes," call Jerry or Del Reed at 321-633-1306, or go to www.jreedsdc.com.

Del Reed



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www.57nsdc.com www.57nsdc.com. The Registration & Housing Committee has 20 hotels currently contracted, with an average single room rate of \$78.90 per night, excluding tax. The hotel list is on the back of the full Registration form or can be found on the 57thNSDC Web Page. Please choose four hotels so we may meet your needs. All hotels are less than seven miles from Century II with free parking for registered guests. Bus Passes are strongly recommended. Parking near the Convention Center is at a premium. For Hotel/Housing questions, please call the Convention Registration & Housing number 785-266-3106 or e-mail: Registration@57nsdc.com Check the 57thNSDC Web Page for more details.

George & Nancy Sloop

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The Yellow Brick Road in Sedan—Shop at Jones World, visit the Emmett Kelly Museum, Ingalls-Wilder's home and the Safari Museum.

Little Sweden—The City of Lindsborg, founded by Swedish immigrants prides itself on its heritage.

A Day Underground—Start in an Amish Community with a world famous Yoder cinnamon roll and go 650 feet underground to the Salt Museum.

Kansas Ranchland—The open range and prairie landscapes, with grazing cattle, fascinate everyone.

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SPECIAL EVENT & BAR-B-Q DINNER: Wednesday, June 25, 2008, Enjoy the Barbeque Dinner; Be Entertained with Western Music by The World Famous Prairie Rose Wranglers

Ghost Riders Band At The 57th NSDC. This up-beat band accepted an invitation to "Promenade on the Prairie". The group is known for their high-energy, up-tempo music and antics. The Ghost Riders perform in the Mainstream Hall from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of the 57th NSDC. Please visit our website at www.57nsdc.com/ www.57nsdc.com to register now! Don't miss the party-like atmosphere that will be the "Promenade on the Prairie."

RV CAMPING: Scenic Lake Afton Park is the site of 57th NSDC RV & Camping activities. Lake Afton Park, a 780-acre site approximately 15 miles southwest of Wichita, includes a 258-acre lake. Varying in size, most of the RV sites have electrical hookups and are shaded by large established trees. There are modern rest-rooms with showers, two RV dump stations and a grocery/ convenience store on site. Convention campers have exclusive use of designated areas on the island and the west side of the Park. Beginning Wednesday with a free ride into the Convention Center to pick up your Convention Packet, direct shuttle service will take dancers from the campsite to Century II Express Service just for Campers!

PROGRAM BOOK: What, Where and When are the most common National questions people want answered. The 57th NSDC Program Book answers these questions. It tells **WHEN** every event is taking place; shows **WHERE** it will happen and of course will even say **WHEN** it is expected to occur in the Convention Center. An added feature is the **WHO** is calling or cuing the

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COOKBOOK What's for dinner? Are you looking for new and exciting recipes? Why not buy a 57th NSDC Promenade Of Prairie Cooking Cookbook? For just \$13.00, you can purchase one of these outstanding cookbooks chuck full of interesting and delicious recipes. The Prairie Brownie, a favorite of Kansas Governor Kathleen Sebelius, is one of hundreds of recipes that make this a truly unique and useful collector's item. The official Cookbook of the First National Square Dance Convention in Kansas. Once you have a chance to sample some of these recipes, you'll find out why Prairie People Make The Difference!

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Ring Ring Zap WARNING

Editor's Note: Got this one from Ailene Picheco. How many times I've been guilty but so far lucked out. Don't do any more though. Don't know about automobile or mobile chargers.

Subject: charging Cell Phones - important.. READ THIS. I've done this! Never thought about how dangerous it might be! Re-Charging Cell Phones I went to snopes.com to be sure it wasn't an urban legend & it's not. It is very true! And I do this all the time! Not anymore! This seems important enough to forward to others. It's wise to be safe and safe being wise. This was on Pittsburgh's WTAE channel 4 News.

Never, ever answer a cell phone while it is being CHARGED!! A few days ago, a person was recharging his cell phone at home. Just at that time a call came and he answered it with the instrument still connected to the outlet. After a few seconds electricity flowed into the cell phone unrestrained and the young man was thrown to the ground with a heavy thud. His parents rushed to the room only to find him unconscious, with a weak heartbeat and burnt fingers. He was rushed to the nearby hospital, but was pronounced dead on arrival. Cell phones are a very useful modern invention. However, we must be aware that it can also be an instrument of death.

Never use the cell phone while it is hooked to the electrical outlet!

**A true friend is someone
who reaches for your hand
and touches your Heart.**

Author Unknown

Club News

Whirl & Twirl

Early May, 9 new members joined the club; later that month 8 couples were "kicked-up" to plus. Fun ceremonies! John and Terry Bushey coordinated both classes. Great job! Our Whirl & Twirl raiders set another record by taking 77 members to the Apopka Pirates. We closed on May 25th to attend the State Convention.

Our mainstream class has 9+ new couples signed up for Paul's 15-weekee; Debbie and Bruce Popson are coordinators. The 2007-2008 Board members were installed at the ice cream social June 1, our 45th Anniversary!! Ian and Sandy Ogilvie are the new Presidents of Whirl & Twirl.

Caller Paul Place plans to be out-of-pocket late June; Whit Brown will call June 12 & 26, Lon Ligon on the 27th, and, Bill Chestnut on June 29. July 4th, will be our Red, White, and Blue celebrating our Independence. We will hold another clothes recycle sale on July 17 thru the 20th.

W&T dances mainstream each Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. Each Friday at 8:00 p.m. we dance plus with early rounds starting at 7:30 p.m. Cuers Pete and Jan Shankle continue their round dance class Thursday at 7:00 p.m. with regular rounds until 10:00 p.m. Please visit our home page at [for more information.](#)

Ray Helmuth

CANAVERAL SQUARES

Summer time, and sometimes the living ain't so easy as it is in the winter. All our snowbirds have flown North to cooler weather leaving the club **stalwarts** to carry on. Finding enough people to participate in banner raids gets more difficult and we always thank those who dedicate so much time visiting other clubs, Thank you to all the ban-

ner raid chairpersons who plead and inveigle our members to attend the raids. They are particularly important in the summer to help keep our finances on an almost even keel

Convention has come and gone and that fine feathered member of the Canaveral Squares has at last married his inamorata, Irene and they have flown off to parts unknown to start their own little love nest. The Bachelor party and the bridal shower at Strawberry Squares were a hoot. A big thank you to Ailene Picheco for her aid in getting Irving to so many functions. They both did a great job of advertising the 53rd Convention. The wedding came off as planned on Friday night and added a good bit of humor to the opening ceremonies.

Jerry Reed, our caller, has been in and out at the club for the past few weeks. Mostly out, but John Swindle and Dale McClary have ably filled in for him. He will be gone a good part of July and August as well. Maybe we will have to start calling him the guest caller.

One of our accelerated class students, a snow bird from New York City recently flew in for the first of two week-end plus level courses. What a surprise to see Jeffrey there. He has been dancing with Helen Bray, a rusty hinge student and they do a bang up job together. Jerry is such a great teacher. We are lucky to have him.

Richard Bradley

ON TOP OF THE WORLD CIRCLE SQUARES

We dance every Wednesday evening through June and July at the Arbor Club Ballroom. We will no dance during August. Our summer attire is casual; come on over and have some fun.

Our club call is Don Hanhurst and his taw Loretta just happens to be our round dance cuer. Our mainstream class continues thru the summer learning the plus call and should graduate in early fall.

A new group of officers and students hit the floor in September. More news to follow.

Carol Thompson

NSDCA Chapter 082

Our Snooper Staff, George and Sandy Oakes, hosted our 4th weekend in April at Theme World Campground in Davenport, FL. George and Sandy treated all the campers to an 'ice cream social' after-party following our casual Friday night dance. What a delicious special treat with all the fixins!! George & Sandy publish our newsletter; the "Snooper". They get out the word in style and make it very attractive and easy to follow. We were pleased to welcome 3 guest couples for the weekend and enjoyed commiserating with them while dancing, dining and just hanging out. It was wonderful to meet and reacquaint ourselves with our guests. Ron Reardon, did not disappoint us - he always has us dancing in new and different ways!

Hubbie Tom and I returned from a three week trip to New England just in time to make the May campout. We met fellow campers at Jetty Park in Cape Canaveral for the first night on the shore. Then on to Camelot in Malabar, FL. One highlight, I think, of the weekend was our unique breakfast Saturday morning. Hosts Dick & Nancy Fournier and Lee & Joyce Whitten planned on our having an 'omelet in a bag' breakfast. It was a total success and much enjoyed by all the campers. Ron Reardon, our caller, was true to form putting us thru our paces.. At this time of year, we may not have many dancers, but we still do have lots of laughs and fun.

Our Chapter will not dance over the next 3 months, (June, July, August), but we still plan to get together socially the 4th weekend of each month. Several members couples will attend the July's NSDCA International Camporee in Iowa.

Did you know you don't have to be a camper to come dance with us at 082? If you live or are in the area for any of our 4th weekend campouts, please think about joining us. You can email me at: jelohart@hotmail.com for our dancing and camping info.

Late and breaking news June 9th, we just heard Ron Reardon is doing well following his open heart surgery in New Port Richey to repair and perhaps replace mitral valves(s).

Jeanne Hartwig

DIXIE SQUARES

The Dixies swing through the summer in casual attire and enjoy the calls and cues of our "Dynamic Duo". Join us every Thursday (except July 5th) and enjoy them also. Paul starts the evening with his "Funshop" at 7:30 followed by squares and rounds with Irene at 8:00 p.m. "We'll keep the light on for you!"

We "jigged" through March, especially 5th, when Paul O'Place and Irene O'knapp kept our dance floor hopping, with green, green everywhere to be seen. The Easter Bonnet Dance April 5th certainly proved the ladies still like fancy hats; they took the opportunity to show them off. Each wore a fresh flower, presented by the club, as they strutted their stuff. Our bunnies Paul and Irene called and cued some hoppin' good dances. Apr 12th was a big night at our Club. The new "Sugarfoot" dancers were graduated and welcomed into the club. We look forward to many nights dancing with each and every one of them. What an enthusiastic group. Alice's "big night" was a success once again; racks and racks of clothing were available for purchase at the Recycle Dance. A huge dent was made by nights end. Watch our calendar for our next one.

Mothers Day Dance, May 10th, was a very special night for all mothers; a beautiful ceremony honored them. A Daytona News Journal correspondent visited our club in preparation for a feature article; a fabulous article in all the local Neighbors Section of the newspaper followed.

Two full squares raided the Starlight Promenaders on the 30th; our hall was filled with SpaceTrackers and Honey Bee's on the 31st. Raids are so important. Not only did the dancers get their fill of Paul's excellent calling, and Daphne Martins smooth cuing, but they also got their fill of some of the best homemade pies in Daytona.

So come join us every Thursday during these summer months. We have root beer floats July 26, cake night on Aug. 23, and even a Dixie Picnic on Aug. 19. Sept. is busy with our fall season kicking off with an open house ice cream sundae dance the 20th and another open house pizza night on the 27th. Come on down, the Dixies, along with Paul and Irene will make you glad you did.

Joanne Engum

GRANADA SQUARES

Our annual pie night is June 12. We all look forward to that, because after sampling all the pies we'll have a good excuse to go out and buy more clothes. We only had 3 of our students for the graduation ceremony on May 15. They were John Celadon, Kris Wineger and Sandy Hutcherson. We have yet to corner the others: Jack & Jacie Edwards, Ron & Carol Christopher, Fred & Judy Ziems, and Al & Angels Ricci since they were all out of town. They have not escaped unscathed, however, since we will be waiting for their return with ceremony in hand.

On July 10, we will have pizza night, along with a guest caller, as well as July 17. What I meant to say is we'll have a guest caller on the 17th - no more pizza though. Unless there's some left over, but you probably wouldn't want it anyway, since it'll be all cold and soggy.

Hey, guess what? We're having ice cream sundaes on July 7th. Have you noticed how we ply everyone with food and drink? There's a reason for this, but I forget what it is. It sounded really good, though, when we were planning the schedule for this year. We must have been hungry at the time.

Our Beach Party on May 6 was a great success even though there were "severe weather warnings" everywhere. Thanks to Sally & Fred Bond who loaned us the use of their ocean front condo, we had many places to hide from the weather every now and then. John Saunders, our intrepid caller, actually called a tip at the ocean's edge, although he had to resort to sign language because the roar of the wind and waves blew his voice down into the next county (along with several tables and chairs). But it was really great fun and we are all looking forward to next year when Sally says we can do it all again.

All of our "snow birds" have left us, so we have lots of room and would love to have you come dance with us. We now have line dancing in between rounds and squares, so there's something for everybody. Besides, think of all that great food waiting for you.

Pat Weber

STARLIGHT PROMENADERS

We've been very busy. In April we raided the Pirates; had our Spring Fling dance chaired by Andy & Kathy Belew, followed by our semi-annual General Meeting at Randy & Carol Poole's home; then we raided the Dixie squares, had a demo at the Debary Hall, went off to raid the Orange Blossom Squares on the 29th. Thus ended April '07 But we did not slow down in May with the Honey Bees raided, and both the Flagler Ocean Waves and the Orlando Singles raiding us the 16th, our Wedding Anniversary Dance chaired by the Dunagans and Belews; followed by the Granada Squares and the Whirl and Twirl raiding us on the 23th, the "night the lights went out" in DeBary. Whit had just finished the workshops at 7:55 p.m. when we lost power which meant no lights or A/C. Whit kept things going by calling a couple of tips without music in the semi-darkness. Now we could give out banners to the raiders. Our President, Jerry Dunagan, got up on the stage to end the dance. He raised his arms for attention and lo and behold the power came on. Does Jerry have some pull??? Then comes June. On the 2nd a demo at King's Lake in DeBary; the Orange Blossom Squares raided us; we raided the Hoedowners; we had our first Salad Night Dance chaired by the Tony and June Bryan and Tom and Florence O'Connor. It was a fun and delicious evening. Whit Brown called and Daphne Martin cued; we were active and endless lines of visitors keep us busy. June ended at the 56th National Square Dance Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina. We who were there had a wonderful time and great dancing was enjoyed by all. Looking forward to the next convention!!

Our Thursday evening classes will begin again in September with Roland Morin teaching the basics at the Deltona Community Center. Bring someone with you!!

Hope to see you soon in a square or in a round.

Dick & Jeanne Lysobey

56th National Square Dance Convention® Registration
Statistics

Return to Heaven in '07.

(As of June 1, 2007)

USA

7251

Alabama	115	Montana	0
Alaska	8	Nebraska	29
Arizona	68	Nevada	9
Arkansas	34	New Hampshire	11
California	354	New Jersey	154
Colorado	171	New Mexico	11
Connecticut	30	New York	136
Delaware	35	North Carolina	1198
District of Columbia	3	North Dakota	2
Florida	450	Ohio	310
Georgia	403	Oklahoma	74
Hawaii	3	Oregon	60
Idaho	24	Pennsylvania	282
Illinois	141	Rhode Island	13
Indiana	159	South Carolina	507
Iowa	69	South Dakota	9
Kansas	196	Tennessee	189
Kentucky	88	Texas	342
Louisiana	98	Utah	24
Maine	13	Vermont	16
Maryland	164	Virginia	398
Massachusetts	53	Washington	97
Michigan	357	West Virginia	49
Minnesota	74	Wisconsin	52
Mississippi	37	Wyoming	6
Missouri	126	Armed Forces Eur.	0

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CANADA

38

NEW ZEALAND

4

CHINA

3

TAIWAN

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SWEDEN

17

SOUTH AFRICA

2

ENGLAND

47

PANAMA

2

GERMANY

24

56TH NSDC TOTAL

7424

Allemanders

Things are slowly getting back to normal here is Satellite Beach. Our expanded schedule has gone away—the students have graduated from basic and joined the club. We enjoyed the 4th Saturday dances but the economics of the summer force our return to the abbreviated summer schedule of twice a month during July August and September. That is the long and short of it.

Rocky & Jeweldene Calvetto and Tom & Mary Mullin did yeoman service as our Class Coordinators. They got the publicity out with almost forty returns, raffled off a TV/DVD at the end of the 4th week, with about twenty students; and finished with six new students in two different halls. I might add they followed up every week and scheduled and followed up with the 53 angels that we used. Many students and members took the opportunity to better their dance skills. John did a great job. One of them, Jeffery Allen, made the local papers by commuting from New York to Satellite Beach(Allemanders) and Rockledge(Canaveral Squares) for the lessons.[see pg. 26] Also graduating are: Terry Arias; John Buchanan; Violet & Bill Conway, Louise Koujales; and, Carlita Myers. Rocky and John have worked a schedule for the new grads to work on their Plus skills over the summer in an early workshop.

Our summer officers hit the turf running in May: Richard Bradley-President; Gene & Alice Blackburn-V President; Dave & Kaye Benne-Treasurer, Joan Clelland-Secretary. They immediately worked with Rocky and crew to set the graduation ceremony and the summer schedule. They are now working the fall and winter schedules.

Will John Saunders ever change? Don't think so. He continues with his usual gr8 job of calling! Bev Landwehr has come a long way in very short time. Boy has she matured as a first rate cuer. We PROUDLY CLAIM BOTH "OURS". ENJOY!

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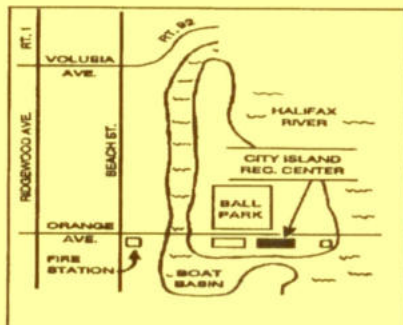
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President's Ball

Caller: Gene McCullough

Cuer: Irene Knapp-Smith

Saturday, September 29, 2007



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