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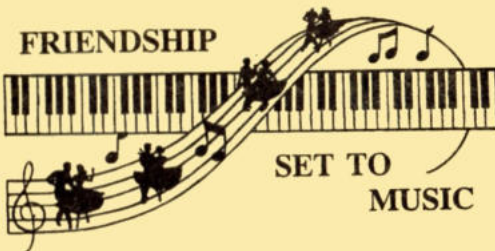
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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

"Time Flies". These two words certainly have a ring of truth, because Zonie and I have wondered where this past year has gone. We have seen changes in the Association and in the various clubs that we have visited.

Just to list a few of the Highlights of our year, two things really stand out! Our Fifth Saturday Dances and Class Graduations. The dances have been well attended and the Callers and Cuers did themselves proud at our dances. They were enjoyed by all. Next we had the opportunity to visit some Graduating Ceremonies, each of the ceremonies were different, but all were linked with the thread of Friendship, Fun and Enjoyment.

Another high spot is our Board of Officers. No organization can flourish or exist without workers. We have been fortunate to have an outstanding group of people that have made our job easy. Thanks to all!

The State Convention, held in Orlando, was great and the Committees, headed by Howard and Vivian Wilson, deserve a round of applause for their diligent effort.

The Editorship of Keepin' Posted has changed hands and Lou and Muriel Chabot are now at the reins. I can only say that the dancers of Central Florida have got a publication of which they can be proud. Keep up the good work. This publication is your newsletter and if the dancers of Central Florida want it to work for them, we must support it. The way this can be done is by submitting timely articles, getting advertising support and letting everyone know that this is one of the benefits of joining Central Florida Square and Round Dancers Association. Just a reminder, the Central Florida Ass'n year starts the First of July, dues time! This is a good opportunity to invite the new graduates to take a good look at joining our Association.

Our Association Dance for July will be at the Venetian Center in Leesburg.

Finally for the highlights, the Banner Raid Year has had its merits and drawbacks. For the Clubs and people that raided the Banners at our Dances, Thanks. It was great to see you and return to your Clubs to retrieve the Banners. We did encounter some difficulty getting the Banners retrieved.

From Zonie and I, it would be impossible to list all of the people that have helped us, guided us, supported us and worked with us to make this year a success. A HEARTFELT THANKS.

Hope to see you in a Square.

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Jack and Zonie Taylor

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CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

Welcome to the Wonderful World of Square Dancers. You have heard this before and you will hear it many times during the next few months when people realize you are new Square Dancers. It is not just a shallow welcome either. All experienced dancers know the joy of dancing and want everyone to share in it. You can visit any country in the world and square dance and you will be welcomed with open arms at their Clubs. Even if you do not speak the language of that country, have no fear, all of the movements are taught and called in English - Lucky Us! It is truly an International Movement.

In this issue, we have devoted additional space to provide you, the new dancers, with information about the Central Florida Ass'n, the State Convention and other aspects of square dancing. We hope you will take the time to read the entire Keepin' Posted and then mark your calendar for some of the upcoming special events and dances. Read all of the Club News and see what fun things all clubs are doing.

So congratulations again, now that you are a full fledged square dancer you will never lack for friends, never sit home at night and wish there was something to do, never wonder what would be an enjoyable exercise and never wonder what to wear (only which ones). You will only wish you had more time!

Muriel and Lou Chabot, Editors

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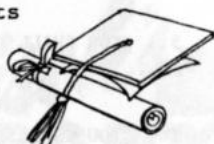
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WILLIAMSBURG WHEELERS	6cpls	ORLANDO SINGLES	12pers
HAPPY HOEDOWNERS, Leesburg	16pers	LAKE COUNTY TWIRLERS, Eustis	24pers
ORANGE BLOSSOM SQS, Lady Lake	25cpls	WAGON WHEELS, St Cloud	40pers

TEN COMMANDMENTS FOR SQUARE DANCERS

1. YOU SHALL honor your caller and listen to his voice for your success depends greatly upon his words.
2. YOU SHALL: exchange greetings and be friendly to all in your group, least you be labeled a snob and unworthy of the title of square dancer.
3. YOU SHALL NOT: ridicule those dancers possessing two left hands but shall endeavor to help them distinguish one from the other.
4. YOU SHALL: strive to dance in different squares, thereby giving to all the benefit of your fine personality and great experience.
5. YOU SHALL NOT: anticipate or dance ahead of your caller for he is of fiendish nature and possessed of evil powers to make you appear ill-prepared in the eyes of your fellow dancers.
6. YOU SHALL NOT: moan or belittle the caller, your partner, nor the slippery floor when you have goofed, for this is likely to be your own mistake.
7. YOU SHALL: Clean yourself diligently before the dance, thereby creating a pleasant aroma for your partner. Men should wear long sleeved shirts and women should wear blouses and skirts or dresses.
8. YOU SHALL: remain silent while your caller gives advice and instruction.
9. YOU SHALL NOT: partake of strong drink before or during the dance so that your mind does not become befuddled and confused.
10. YOU SHALL: strive diligently to observe these commandments and your reward will be great; for you shall have many friends and shall be called SQUARE DANCER.



TIPS FOR NEW DANCERS

The first few times you dance to a different Caller, other than your instructor, it may sound as if the Caller has marbles or mashed potatoes in his mouth. If you don't understand him right away don't give up, don't be embarrassed, hang in there. These strange voices that you are unaccustomed to will soon sound familiar. It has happened to all of us.

Don't square up in the back of the hall where you hope you won't be noticed. Square up where the SOUND is best. You will dance better when you can hear better.

Don't get upset at your own or someone else's mistakes. LAUGH and keep on dancing.

Dear Fellow Square Dancers, New and Experienced,

You are a part of a great activity, rich in heritage and dedicated to the enjoyment of its participants. Square dancing is the American Folk Dance. It was born in the days when our country was young, carried westward by our pioneer forefathers and is a treasured heritage of our American culture.

In the 1930's, Lloyd "Pappy" Shaw introduced western square dancing to thousands of Americans with exhibitions by his students from the Cheyenne Mountain School in Colorado. Since then, square dancing has become a favorite leisure time activity for millions of dancers around the world. It has kept pace with many of the styles, types of music, and technological advances of our society while remaining wholesome, family fun.

Square Dancers pride themselves on being friendly and courteous on and off the dance floor to both dancers and non-dancers alike. It is good square dance manners to join the nearest square needing a couple. Introduce yourself (A stranger is just a friend whom you haven't yet met). After a tip, applaud the caller and thank your fellow dancers - AND - most important, "HAVE FUN AND SMILE"

JOIN A CLUB: Clubs are needed to organize dances and establish a means to enjoy the fellowship of square dancing. To survive they need an active membership where everyone helps. **VOLUNTEER, DON'T WAIT TO BE ASKED.**

Be sure to **WEAR YOUR NAME BADGE.** They enable us to be on a first name basis which furthers friendly fellowship. You, the dancer, are the lifeblood of our activity. Only with your enthusiasm and ideas can square dancing continue to flourish.

"Shad" & Clarice Shadwell, Editors of "The Grapevine"



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CONGRATULATIONS to Gene and Georgia Shockley and John and Millie Sewell of Whirl and Twirl, and also to Bill and Claire Poole, Presidents of the Starlight Promenaders. They are all recent recipients of THE CIRCLE OF SERVICE and deserving of our applause. This award symbolizes service, and is definitely an honor to all who have ever received it. The award can only be given by a dancer who has previously received the award to a dancer who, for more than three years, has made a significant contribution to the Square and Round Dance movement. Our hats are indeed "off to you".



Gene & Georgia Shockley
John & Millie Sewell



Summertime
and the dancin' is easy



Claire & Bill Poole

LETTER FROM THE EDITORS

Have you ever visited and been turned away from a square dance club even though you danced at that Club's level? Can you imagine the embarrassment of being turned away? If that happened to you, what would your reaction be and what would be your impression of square dancing as a whole?

Much has been written, read, and said about the decline of interest in square dancing. Blame has been placed on the Calling Program, the Callers, Club officers and the dancers themselves. Perhaps all of those categories share the blame to a degree but how about one of the human failings -- lack of COMMUNICATION.

We recently received the following letter and felt that sharing it with you gets the point across far better than any editorial we could write. It is from Ruth Lasher of the Angel Squares and we thank her for sharing this dancer's unfortunate experience with us and now with you.

"Dear Lou and Muriel,

The Angel Square Dance Club has had the opportunity to host many square dancers from out of town, state, and even the country for quite some time now, and we always welcome them with open arms, literally. Because of our friendly and courteous greetings, we have people come back the next time they are in this area. As one dancer put it, "When business takes you around the country and often you have to be alone, it's so much more enjoyable to be square dancing than sitting in a motel room or local pub".

My reason for writing this to "Keepin' Posted" is because we have just had a visitor return for his third time and this trip he was able to bring his wife with him. He told us that when he first arrived in town his wife needed to rest that evening so he found a Square Dance club (unnamed here) he thought would be a good place to "unlimber" from traveling all day. It really makes me feel ashamed, as a square dancer from the Orlando area, to report that because he was alone, he was not allowed to enter. He was turned away with the comment that the club was strictly a "couples" club. This man is a good Plus dancer and he travels all over the U.S., dancing wherever he might be, occasionally with his wife with him, but mostly alone -- and this was the very first time he has been absolutely refused admittance to a square dance hall.

The odd thing about this situation is that in all the publications where the club in question is listed, there are NO comments, notations, or even hints that could have saved this fine person from what I am sure was a very embarrassing encounter. He assured those of us with whom he shared the experience, that he will never darken the door of that club again and will certainly warn his friends and business associates, some of whom also square dance, so that they will not be subjected to the same embarrassment.

WE will be seeing him in our club squares again, we are sure. WE want them back, as a "pair" or as a "spare" whichever, and hope we never hear of this happening again.

Lou and Muriel, I am not interested in causing anyone, individual or club, any embarrassment; so, if you choose not to print my letter, or edit it, the decision is yours. We at the Angel Squares feel that the treatment this man received is NOT in the true Spirit of Square Dancing."

Well, dancers, what do you think? COMMUNICATION on a personal, group, or club level can make or break a relationship. If your club has a specific designation, be it Couples, Singles, Adults only, Mainstream, Plus, A-1, etc., it should be communicated in all listings of your club. It will surely save embarrassment such as is reported above.

Regarding a club having a Couples only designation: Two years ago our Club changed its By-laws and dropped the couple designation. It was obvious that although primarily it was attended by couples, more and more local singles were attending, we were getting out of town singles, and they were all a terrific addition. By-laws are the officers guidelines and should reflect the way a club actually operates. We will be happy to share with anyone who is interested how we made this transition smoothly.

"Happiness is Square Dancing"

CENTRAL FLORIDA Sq. & Rd. Dance Association

WHAT IS IT?????

The dancers in the State of Florida are organized into 5 area associations which make up the Florida Federation of Square Dancers. The areas are: Central, N.E., N.W., S.E., and West Coast. Central Florida Ass'n represents dancers from Brevard, Indian River, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Sumter, and Volusia Counties.

The purpose is to promote Square and Round dancing in Central Florida. It is a Club organized for co-mingling and personal contact and fellowship among members. It sponsors and promotes Association dances which are held on the fifth Saturdays, so as to not interfere with any member club sponsored dance. All CFA members receive a discount on these dances, there are at least four per year.

It also sponsors this quarterly publication, the *Keepin' Posted*, which permits Clubs to list their special dances, free of charge, provides Club news and articles of interest to the Central Florida Dancer, and yes, a chance for you dancers and callers to "blow off steam" or comment on a relevant issue. (Subject of course to the Editors' scrutiny)

The CFA also sponsors and promotes the Florida State Convention once every 5 years. Get ready, 1993 will be our turn again, and we will start working on it in 1991. Don't miss the opportunity to be part of one of the outstanding entertainment spectaculars held in Florida.

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CONVENTION What is it? What do you do there? Why do you attend? Two days and three nights of dancing? Where is it? When is it?

These are all questions that you hear when you mention, "We're going to the Convention." Well the last two are simple enough to answer, the Florida State Convention is going to be held in Orlando at the Expo Centre on May 26, 27 & 28. But the other questions can only be answered by getting different ideas and perspectives. The following articles were written by yearly Convention goers, each written from a different point of view and many emphasize separate aspects of a Convention. But all agree, attending the Convention is worthwhile and a lot of fun. Read On! We hope you join us there.



Summer

WHAT TO DO AT A STATE CONVENTION BESIDES DANCE? - Most new dancers don't know it, but there is a lot to do besides dance. There is a Fashion Show to attend, Skits, Next Year's Presentation, a Federation Meeting, Sewing Clinic, Vendor's Shops, and After Parties.

The Fashion show is most fascinating to watch. The dancers go to a lot of trouble to sew their outfits and then model them for other dancers to get ideas. Many dancers in the past didn't know that this was part of the State Convention and the show had not been that well attended. Come see it -- you'll be surprised. You can always rest there and enjoy yourself and you never know what you might pickup.

The Sewing clinic is always interesting. You can copy patterns that are available, get ideas on how to put different patterns together, see a sewing machine demonstration and it is even possible to share ideas with others. Also, it's a good place to get that little bit of help you may need but never knew where to go to ask.

Next year's Presentation (Kick-off) will be put on by the Southeast Association. Each year a different Association has the task of coming up with a State Convention Outfit and putting on the next year's convention KICK-OFF. It takes two years of brainstorming and practicing so we, the dancers, will be dazzled and want to attend next year.

The Skits are always something to see. Dancers get together and put on funny skits to entertain those attending the Convention.

The Florida Federation Meeting is held Sunday morning in one of the Convention rooms. If you are interested in the workings that run square dancing in the State, and how the State Convention is run, you are most welcome to attend.

The Vendor's shops are located outside the many dance halls for you to come and browse through. It gives you the opportunity to shop at the many different square dance shops which are located throughout Florida. You can "shop till you drop" without ever leaving the Convention center.

Several After Parties are planned and most surely you will be invited to attend one.

This is what is available for you, the new and old dancer, at the Florida State Convention. Come, try it, you might like it, and get hooked.



Dewey & Donna Hendricks
Parliamentarian of the Florida Federation



CONTINUOUS DANCING all day long. That's what you'll be getting when you attend the State Convention in Orlando. The Pontana Rambler's band will be featuring live music Saturday and Sunday evenings. There's always the fashion show to look forward to. There will be demonstrations, skits, presentations and the ladies will be looking forward to visiting the vendors for some new clothes. (Even though we really don't need any more we ladies ALWAYS want new outfits.)

You will be dancing to the finest callers and cuers you ever could dream of. We do it different here in Florida and we have the best State convention. It sure seems like everyone and everything gets better and better.

There are a lot of hotel accommodations available in the area. You are welcome to join the "gang" who sponsored the Convention last year, and stay at the Ramada on Rt 50, just a couple of miles away from Expo Centre. We'd love to have you.

There will also be camping at the Fairgrounds and shuttle bus service to and from the Convention.

Hope to see you there! We'll have a great time with our square and round dancing friends.

Jim and Mary Cowen, Round Dance Cuers

The Convention is GREAT for the dancing sure - but most of all it's the conviviality, joviality, camaraderie, sociability, geniality, amiability, affability, congeniality, merriment, jocularity - and besides that - it's so much fun!!



Bill & Claire Poole, President, Starlight Promenaders

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"OUR" STATE CONVENTION - - Will you participate? An open forum and discussion is scheduled, it is a chance for leaders and future leaders (you) to hear and discuss problems facing dance clubs. Hear how some have solved theirs or are attempting to. Dancers can work with callers and cuers to benefit clubs and overall programs of square and round dancing.

USDA Insurance is available to all square and round dance clubs in Florida. Attend that meeting to get all the details to report to your club. Million dollar liability coverage for very low membership cost. It is available through all Associations and the Florida Federation. Attend that meeting and GET DETAILS.

SUPPORT & PROMOTE HANDICAPABLE DANCERS - Everyone should spend at least one hour during the State Convention OBSERVING the activities in the Handicapable Hall. Most all callers who work with our "Handies" volunteer their time and effort. We need to give them more recognition and support.

There are endless opportunities to renew old friendships and make new ones; exposure to most all types and levels of dancing; and a chance to dance with callers and cuers from around the state. See the latest in fashions and accessories available through licensed vendors.

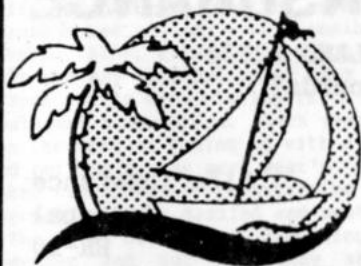
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Howard and Vivian Wilson, 1988 State Convention Chairman



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Dance in the FunShine in '89

If you are a new graduate or a dancer that has never attended a State Square Dance Convention, you may wonder how so many people are able to dance for three days from early morning until late at night. Well, there is a secret to it. The Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention is packed full of so many activities that sometimes it is difficult to find time to dance.

It's a must to visit the sewing room. There you will see demonstrations of sewing techniques to help you sew or design a new square dance outfit. Usually, there is a handout with many helpful hints for sewers and non-sewers.

There are shops, shops, and more shops, offering everything you ever wanted or needed in square dance clothes, shoes, jewelry, and badges.

When you need to sit and rest, there is always the square and round dance demonstrations.

Then there is the fashion show. You will see the latest in club outfits and hand sewn designs. Get great ideas for your next outfit!

Sunday morning there is no dancing. This time is reserved for meetings. The Florida Callers Ass'n, the Round Dance Council of Florida, and the Florida Federation of Square Dancers all meet at this time. All square dancers are invited to attend the Federation meeting. Come listen and get involved. Help make square dancing an even better hobby.

When the Convention is almost over it is time for the KICK-OFF of the next years convention. You certainly won't want to miss this!

The dance is over, what do we do now? We attend an after party with more square dancing, more socializing, and oodles of fun or maybe we sit around the pool or gather with a few friends in a motel room.

The best part of this years convention is the new friends you will meet. Whether you are in a square or a restaurant or a motel, you will meet new dancers and you will see them again at next years convention.

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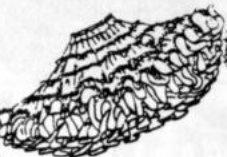
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This is how I define attending the State Convention - lounging around the pool, having meals out, no house to clean - plus the fun of dancing, shopping, attending seminars, renewing old acquaintances and enjoying after parties - "before" parties too! Perhaps I have the cart before the horse regarding importance of events, but the Convention weekend is different things to different people. I look at it as a mini-vacation and whether it is held 10 miles away or 410 miles, I look forward to staying at a Convention motel and participating in all the activities without the concern of driving back and forth each day or night.

It's a little like being a "kid" again, dorm living or a giant slumber party. You really get to know your Club members when a group of you stay at the same hotel. On regular dance nights, there is not enough time, space or quiet between tips and rounds to have an indepth conversation with anyone or really get to know them. But, sharing breakfast with another early bird, or a midnight snack with the night owl crowd gives you that time and, lo and behold, you've become fast friends with someone you barely knew before the Convention.

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Muriel Chabot, a Keepin' Posted Editor



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The 1988 Convention gave us such a pleasure that I'm sure the 1989 one will help us make memories with a happy feeling.

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"MEMORIES" - How can just one word evoke so many pleasant thoughts! Recently I have been recalling the pleasant memories of past Square Dance Conventions. Reading articles in KEEPIN' POSTED and BOW AND SWING, and advertisements about the next Convention has started my square dance motor running. It won't be long till we'll be heading to Orlando for a wonderful weekend with our square dancing friends. We enjoy the conventions so much we bought our tickets before leaving the last one.



Where else can one enjoy the fellowship of so many nice people, shop for "the perfect" square dance attire, and visit with out-of-state friends who journey here to share the weekend with us, AND all under one roof!

If you have never been to a convention, let this be the year you make the big jump - and join hundreds of your friends there.


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PLACE: Talton Building
NOTE: Club Attendance Competition

CAN YOU TRANSLATE THESE COMMON SAYINGS (Claire "POOLISMS" we call them) INTO NORMAL LANGUAGE?

1. Scintillate, scintillate, asteroid minific.
2. Members of an avian species of identical plumage congregate.
3. It is fruitless to attempt to indoctrinate a superannuated canine with innovative maneuvers.

Got the idea? If you can't figure them out, look for the answers in the next issue.



DO WE HAVE YOUR CORRECT ADDRESS

If you know of a CFA Member who is not receiving a mailed copy of the Keepin' Posted, please let us know. We are now using Bulk Rate mailing, therefore, it will not be forwarded. The addresses of the following people are in doubt.

Myron Marden
Rhonda Jones
Joe & Pearl Kerner
Ed & Anna Scott

CENTRAL FLORIDA ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING

April 16, 1989

SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES

TREASURY - Balance on hand is \$6,354.01 This includes \$5000 in the Building Fund. The KEEPIN' POSTED balance is \$579.27, the Insurance acc't has \$500.00.

AREA REPORTS - Area Directors reported that all CFA banners are being retrieved and flyers delivered.

KEEPIN' POSTED - The May issue will focus on the Convention and Class Graduates. It will consist of 36 pages and will be distributed to all Square Dance Class Graduates. As the cost of printing and distributing this issue will exceed funds available in the KP account, \$300.00 was allotted to KP. In order to make the KP self-supporting, 12 1/2 pages of advertising are needed in each issue. Help is needed in obtaining that advertising.

BLOOD BANK - There are 28 units available.

DANCES - Callers and Cuers have been lined up for the next year's 5th Saturday dances.

MEMBERSHIP DANCES - Central Florida Clubs will be contacted and asked if they will run a CFA Membership Dance on one of their regular dance nights and permit CFA members to promote CFA membership. Annabell Johnson volunteered to make arrangements with Fellowship Squares and Muriel Chabot offered to do the same with Granada Squares.

CAMPING WEEKEND - There will be a Camping, Picnic, Fun weekend on October 21.

The General meeting on 4/29/89 had not yet been held by "press time". The President, elected at that meeting, will set the date for the next meeting.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

JOE and DOROTHY
MCGREGOR



Who is that gentle and friendly man who always has a big smile on his face? Who is that funny person that dances with a tiny mirror glued to the toe of his shoe? Who on earth is that comical dancer with red lights twinkling in his shirt pocket, laughter coming from his hip pocket and a trunk full of other illusions that delight the child in all of us? Why of course, that's our own Joe McGregor, a card carrying clown, known as a "Joey to the World".

We are indeed fortunate that Joe and his lovely wife, Dorothy, are members of Central Florida Association. They bring joy and laughter to all who come in contact with them. We thank them for letting us peek into their lives and share here with you a little of their past and private life.

Joe grew up in Cincinnati, Ohio, and always had a fascination for magic, fantasy, the circus and illusions. When he was a sophomore he quit school and joined a circus. He traveled with it from town to town in southern Indiana and Ohio and worked at all the usual, behind the scenes tasks and also performed as a clown. He wore a happy, painted face and a blond wig and carried a trunk full of tricks. He liked this style of life so much that he then joined a carnival and traveled with it. He ran two concessions. One was an "Original One Hole Miniature Golf" course, and the other was a "Three Chances For 10 Cents" to knock a live man's hat off. (Things have changed some in the carnival scene in the past 50 years!)

After those "wild" years Joe settled down to a more sedate way of life - he had met Dorothy. He worked for the Baldwin Piano Co. in Cincinnati, and Dorothy was a clerk in a 5 and 10 Cent Store. (Those stores, you young dancers, are part of "ancient history"!) They were married in 1936 and subsequently had two daughters. Later on Joe went to work on airplane engines for Wright Aeronautical Co. and stayed with that company throughout the World War II years.

In 1946 they loaded up their Model A Ford with what possessions it would hold, their two daughters and a canary and headed south. After traveling around the Southeast and investigating many cities in Florida, they decided that they liked the Daytona area best and settled in Holly Hill. The following year they produced a son and their family was complete. Joe settled down to become a Welding Supply salesman for H.R. Williams Co. His route took him to Kissimmee, Tampa, and Jacksonville areas. As part of his sales pitch, he would tell jokes (typical traveling salesman) and as an added gimmick, he sold odd items such as metal detectors, back scratchers and knife sharpeners.

One week end in 1960, upon returning home from his sales route, tired as you can imagine after a week of selling on the road, he was astounded to have Dorothy tell him that they were going square dancing that night. She wanted something to do now that the children were grown and had responded to an ad to attend a square dance party. Reluctantly Joe agreed to go and he has not been the same man since. The caller was Al "Doc" Hixon. Each week he gathered a few couples in his home and taught them the square dance calls, they were called the Hicks and Chicks. This was the origin of the Dixie Squares and this coming year will mark their 30th Anniversary. Joe and Dorothy are Charter and Honorary Members of the Dixies.

Upon becoming involved in the square dance movement, Joe's personality did an about face. He became more outgoing, started collecting "tricks" and became involved in "funny stuff". According to Dorothy, during their early years, even though Joe was a salesman, he had been very quiet and conservative in his private and social life. Friends and relatives who saw them after they became square dancers would comment to Dorothy about how much Joe had changed. Evidently the "clown" in him, that he had kept hidden all those years, began to emerge again in the midst of the open and friendly ways of square dancers.

In 1971, Joe went to work for his son-in-law's company, Osceola Plumbing and Well Drilling Supply. (He still works in the office and does the books for the company.) Around that same time he built a miniature railroad on their property - an engine, three cars, and a caboose. As he always loved children, he built this railroad for them. He operated it every Sunday and charged 10 cents a ride. They had thought originally that one day Joe could operate the railroad in his retirement, but, plans changed and eventually it was sold and is now operating in Pennsylvania.

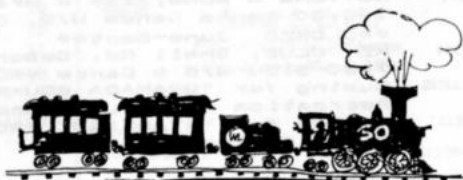
Joe continued to entertain and amuse their friends and dancers and in 1986, he became an official, full fledged, card carrying, Clown after attending a 10 week Clown course sponsored by the city of Daytona Beach. There were 35 "students" and they learned to make their costumes, apply make-up and were taught how to perform various "tricks". He then joined the clown club, Daytona Beach Clown Alley, which meets once a month and where the clowns brush up on their techniques and learn new tricks. An upcoming Clown Club night will feature Laurel and Hardy movies and instructions on how to throw cream pies-in-the-face. (Wouldn't that be fun to do at one of our Square Dance Clubs' Annual Pie Night?)

His reputation as a Clown and entertainer has grown. He was asked by Daytona Beach Community College to conduct a Therapy class for executives and other people who needed to learn to relax. What do you suppose his instructions consisted of? What else of course, he demonstrated playing music with a Nose-O-Phone!!!! Now for those of you who attended last year's Camping Weekend, you know his class must have been a success and filled with uproarious laughter.

Joe also performed at the Bob Carr Auditorium at the 1988 Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention and he was on hand for several hours to fill-in if there was a lapse between scheduled acts.

Since 1960, when Joe and Dorothy first learned to square dance, they have been deeply involved in the movement. They are members of two clubs, the Dixies and the Fellowship Squares, they have served as officers of the Dixies and as Secretary and Presidents of CFA and have been awarded the Circle of Service award for their significant contribution to square dancing. They attend the camping weekends where you never know what Joe will pull out of his "trick trunk". (Last year he taught a bunch of us to play the Nose-O-Phone - to the joy of some and the agony of others). They faithfully attend the CFA dances and their own Club dances. Even though Dorothy had suffered a heart attack and been released from the hospital just one week before, she was there at the Dixie Squares, bright eyed and as chipper as ever while we did this interview.

Although Joe does not have a favorite "joke", he is probably best known for the mirror on his shoe. That mirror, by the way, is necessary equipment as he is an Official Pantaloon's Inspector. It would have been fun to have known them in their early days, to see Joe perform in the circus and carnival and see his miniature railroad. But, luckily, they are part of all of our lives now and Joe is happy because he always likes to --- "leave 'em laughing".





ANGEL SQUARES - Orlando

On March 29, the Angel Squares graduated and initiated 17 "students" into the wonderful world of Square Dancing. We were proud to have a large group of Anglo-American Square and Round Dance Club members from Devon, England, in attendance at the graduation. They even stole one of our travelling banners to take back to England. Now we will have to take that Bits-0-Britain Tour this coming September to get it back. Yea!

We are planning a Spring Bonnet/Fedora Fashion show on May 2, so make your own creation and join in, prizes will be awarded. On June 6th, we will hold an Olde Fashion Ice Cream Social. If you have a favorite topping, feel free to bring it with you --- we'll furnish the bottom. We will not have a dance on July 4, but on July 11, we have declared that our official Finger Foods of the Month dance. August 1, will be our Hot Dog Daze dance, featuring old time hot-dogs and soft drinks.

The Angel Squares hold a Plus Workshop from 7-8pm and have returned to our regular dancing hours, 8-10pm with a full Plus program and workshopped Plus calls. We welcome you to join in our square dancing fun.

Elmer & Ruth Lasher

CHAIN REACTORS - Rockledge

We are proud of our new class that we welcomed into the Club in April. The Chain Reactors are dancing five squares on Sunday evenings (except 4th) at 7pm in the McLarty Rec Center in Rockledge. We invite any and all A-1 Dancers to come and enjoy the Advance Callings of Dale McClary.

The Chain Reactors have commenced to 'workshop' the movements on the A-2 list (one at a time) so, if you are interested in 'quality' floor-time, you are invited to join us in the "seven to nine time frame" on Sundays. We just enjoy dancing without any 'club responsibilities'. You will be greeted with Fun and Fellowship.

Duke & Doris McCleskey



DIXIE SQUARES, Daytona Beach

New Officers were elected to the Dixies in April, they are Glen and Jacquie Stafford, President; Stan and Alice Brittingham, Vice-President; Mary Jane Sheppard, Secretary; and Bud and Irene Huber, Treasurer.

Several events have been planned for May. Our May Day Dance is set for the 4th, Mother's Day Dance will be on the 11th and our class graduates on the 18th.

We will have our Annual Watermelon "Roast", probably in June, but a specific date has not yet been set with the Daytona Park Commission. Call 904-788-7733 for details.

Stan Brittingham

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- TUES Cueing for "GRANADA SQUARES, Granada Blvd
Recreation Center, Ormond Beach
- WED Cueing for "STARLIGHT PROMENADERS" Shell Road
Civic Center, DeBary

INSTRUCTORS

The MODEL-T Squares is a newly formed square dance club that meets every 1st and 3rd Saturday nights at Ben White Recreation Center, Lee Rd and Rt 441.

Bill Ford is the caller and hence the club name was chosen to appropriately indicate that along with the modern level of square dancing, we intend to have "good ole fashion fun". The Club has no officers and dancers are only required to enjoy the fellowship and relaxation of an enjoyable evening. Easy level rounds are cued between tips and a new round is occasionally taught.

Slip on your dancing shoes, put a smile on your face and come join us. If we don't see you before, we look forward to seeing you at the 36th State Convention.

Bill Ford



PALM BAY PROMENADERS, Palm Bay

The Palm Bay Promenaders are pleased to announce our new dancing location at the Palm Bay Senior Citizen Center on Culver Drive.

Please Join us every Thursday evening. We dance from 8-10pm; our Caller is Bill Marquis and our Cuer is Dominic Malozzi. We have a wonderful time and you will too.

A Promenader

MY "BAG" IS DANCING!!

If you care for a camaraderie evening, join us on Monday evenings at the DeBary Community Center. We dance to the Beatties with their pleasurable cueing in round dancing.

Once in a while we "let our hair down" and do the "Icky Shuffle" or the "Big Mac" or ?

The Beatties also cue for the Starlight Promenaders on Wednesday night with Oscar Erwin calling squares. A good combination.

The Monday night program is currently one level, from 7:30 to 9:30pm, through the month of May. It will be discontinued June through September and resume in October.

Did you hear about the dance called "the elevator"? It has no steps ---- GOTCHA.

Annie P.

Our crew raided Kountry Swingers, Holiday Squares, Spin Drifters and Fellowship Squares. Melon Squares and Whirl & Twirl came aboard and took our banner in March. Swinging Bears, Kountry Swingers, the Happy Hoedowners, and the Groveland-Clermont Squares retrieved their banners.

Our shipmates put on a demonstration at the Forest Manufactured Home Park in Lake Mary and even sailed to the Central Florida Fair to dance. Thank you crew for the time you put in to make these events special. Our Treasure Hunt was great, with Jim Louder giving out the clues it had to be fun.

We will start a mainstream dance from 6:30 to 8:00 on May 13th. Our regular dance of plus will follow from 8:00 to 10:15. We're looking forward to our Wench's Night also on May 13th to see how Pirates treat their women. There will be no dance on May 27th, see you at the State Convention instead. June 24 there will be a guest caller. On July 22 we will have an "Arctic Cruise" and on August 26th there will be a Watermelon Feast. Casual attire will be acceptable during July and August at the dance. Please come and join the sail and enjoy the fun.

P.S. A real big THANK YOU to George Beis for writing the history of the Pirates that was featured in the last edition of the KEEPIN' POSTED.

Scribe Ronnie & Dottie Hammon



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We have celebrated our 9th Anniversary and installed new officers at a gala affair. Diets were set aside while we enjoyed a large delicious pancake, beautifully decorated in Club colors with our emblem and ice cream with all the fixings. The party was hosted by re-elected President, Barbara and Arthur Charbonneau; other officers are Vice-President, Joe and Loie Smith; Treasurer, Leo and Mary Richardson; and Secretary, John and Mickey Summers. New Board Members are Warren and Janet Hastine, Frank and Jo Hendricks, Eleanor and John White. Annabell and Chuck Johnson, founding members, are permanent Board Members of the Club.

In April we enjoyed a mystery Knothead trip to Gainesville. Fun and guessing games prevailed on the bus ride and 8 dancers correctly guessed our destination. Afterwards we stopped at Skeeter's for a midnight dinner and had full tummies for the bus ride home. We also invited three additional callers to our Badge theme dance, those daring enough to dance with 3 Caller couples in the square received a "Purple Heart" badge for their efforts.

We're so happy to have Gen Pileggi dancing with us again and also to have Dorothy McGregor out of the hospital. Our condolences to Don and Grace on the tragic loss of their son.

Ele & Red White

With the Winter season coming to a close, we look back on many fond memories of renewed friendships, good dancing and lots of fun.

In Feb., with the hall and everyone and everything in hearts and cupid's and Valentine red and white, we honored our Snow Birds with a huge cake and an All Singing Calls dance. The weather was beautiful so our over flow crowd of dancers spilled out onto the patio between tips.

Our Easter Special dance brought out the pretty spring outfits in pink, yellow and lavender. The highlight of the evening, however, was Bob Burtner winning the Jelly Bean count contest. He came within 6 of the actual count.

Graduation was a special affair with a candle light ceremony, diplomas, stunts and fun and a finger food supper. We are proud to have our new graduates as Club members.

Spring and summer wind us down to a slower pace. We sure appreciate the good faithful members who "hold the fort" during vacation time. There will be Mainstream-Plus workshops, and we will dance the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, May through September. Casual attire is optional.

Marge and Harry England

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MON	Fairways Swingers, Fairways C.C., Masters Hall, E Rt 50 6:30-7:45 EZ Rds W/S; 7:45 Sqs W/S; 8-10 Plus w/rds between tips
WED	Spin Drifters, Coronado Ctr., Cor. Pine & Flagler, New Smyrna Beach 6:30-8:00 Plus Level W/S; 8:00-10:30 Plus Level Dance
THU	The Plantation at Leesburg, 25200 U.S. Hwy 27 South 6:00-8:00 Basic W/S, 8:00-10:00 Summer Fun Plus Dance, Rds btwn tips
FRI	Coronado Ctr., Cor Pine & Flagler, New Smyrna Beach 6:00-8:00 Beginner Rounds; 8:00-10:00 A Level Work Shop



STARLIGHT PROMENADERS - DeBary

Spring has sprung and we have cleaned our closets. Everyone benefited from the recycle sale held in April. The hall was filled as dancers arrived from as far away as Nova Scotia to take advantage of the bargains. (Well, perhaps they did not come just for the sale!)

We have really enjoyed our visitors this spring, every state east of the Mississippi and from several Canadian provinces have joined us on the dance floor, several couples from jolly old England returned again this year and of course we love to entertain the "home-folk" from other Florida clubs. Sadly, the warmer northern weather lures our snow birds away but we will look forward to their return in the fall. We hope they will be wearing their new Club T-shirts as they cross the FL-GA line. The T-shirts are royal blue with the Starlight Promenader logo on the back and match our Traveling Banners, you can't miss us now!

We gave Oscar Erwin a night off in March and enjoyed dancing to Bill Ford. That was the first dance under the new Club policy of having a guest caller on the 5th Wed. of the month. Oscar is allowed another night off on May 31st when Larry Patton will call for us.

Claire and Bill Poole, the Club Presidents, were presented the Circle of Service award, they are now serving their 2nd term as President. Previously they held other Club offices and also served on the Committee of the 35th Florida State Sq & Rd Dance Convention. We are sure glad they retired to our area.

Special raiding badges have been awarded this Spring to several dancers. The first to receive the Promenader XL bar for 40 raids was Bob Montana. The Prestige Promenader Raider bar for 30 raids went to Carmen and Ann Puglisi and Jack Luhrs. Karen Hamilton received the Super Promenader Raider bar for 20 raids. That represents tremendous Club support. THANKYOU.

Many of us have made reservations for a weekend of fun at this year's State Convention. We are looking forward to more dancing and relaxing this year instead of working behind the scenes. Thank heavens Central Florida is responsible for the Convention only once every 5 years.

Our program for the year has been printed, so pick one up and join us for some special dances. Our Class has increased to 32 strong now and they will be graduating on May 17. A patriotic theme will prevail when we pay tribute to our Flag on June 14. July 12 we will wear shorts and Bust the Watermelon. On July 26 we will celebrate our 30th Anniversary and honor past Presidents. On Aug 16th we dance in shorts again and will enjoy an Ice Cream Sundae or two for refreshments. Susan Elaine Packer will be the guest caller on Party night, Aug 30th. See you at the Convention, until then, so long, farewell.

L & M Chabot

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SWINGIN' BEARS - Apopka

The Swingin' Bears are going great this year. Our hall is bulging at the seams with dancers. Our "snow birds" will soon be leaving us though but we dance all summer as we have an air conditioned building.

We have something new! Our adorable Traveling Bears, "Yogi and Cindy". Come dance with us and bring two squares. That's what it takes to steal our Travelin' Bears! But, if you come and bring just one square, you can still steal our banner and have lots of fun.

We're also looking forward to the Spring Fling in April and the State Convention. We have cook-outs and picnics and swimming planned for the summer so come and join us any time.

We're always SWINGIN'.

Yogi and Cindy



'SWANG'

WHIRL & TWIRL, Orlando

Whirl and Twirl has enjoyed a wonderfully busy round of activities during the past months. (Only a few of which are mentioned here.)

Beginning with our New Year's Eve celebration and culminating with our Annual Picnic in April, Danny Robinson's squares and Roy Brown's rounds have kept us on our toes.

We graduated our fall beginner class, nicknamed the "Rat Pack" in March. The class, under the direction of coordinators, Tom and Ceil Ratliff, have really added some spice to our Wed. night Tenderfoot dances. Our present beginner class is under the direction of coordinators, Larry and Lois Fairbrother. At this time, the class is hoopin' and hollerin' it up as they are directed through the basic figures under Danny's tutelage. We are really looking forward to their graduation in July. Roy and Donna Lee Brown have graduated their second class of "classy" rounds and we are proud of our burgeoning round dance program and look forward to resuming classes again in the fall.

Dot and Smitty joined us this Spring for a Golden Nut initiation. Over fifty couples were initiated while those who were already "Nuts" observed with the decorum for which they are so well known.

The gals enjoyed the barbecue and the desserts that the guys cooked up for our annual Tax Appreciation Dance. However, making the evening really memorable was the presentation of Circle of Service awards to Gene and Georgia Shockley and to John and Millie Sewell. We're so proud to have these hard working, previously unsung heroes, within our ranks.

Our Blue Bandits, under the very fine direction of Max and Vivienne Garapic, led us to the Pirates where over 5 squares of Whirl & Twirlers enjoyed dancing to Jim Louder and with one of the (other) friendliest groups in Orange County.

Twenty-three couples celebrated April Fools' Day by joining a Mystery Bus Trip which eventually ended up at Strawberry Square. Marlene LaMoreaux ran the games on the bus which kept us busy on the way to -- snoozing overtook most of us on the way from.

Our Annual picnic was held this year at the Stromberg Carlson recreation area. We have a great horse-shoe competition going from year to year, it never seems to get settled once and for all.

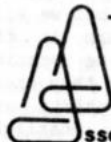
Remember, Whirl and Twirl dances every night at the Hanging Moss Square Dance Center: Monday, A-1; Tuesday, Basics; Wednesday, Mainstream; Thursday, Plus Workshop; and Friday, Plus. We would love to have you join us.

Ann Cobb



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The Wagon Wheels had their Fun Nite on the 19th of April and graduation was on the 21st. Forty students attended the classes all year but fifteen of them were snowbirds and had already "winged" their way North by graduation time. However, twenty-five students participated in the graduation ceremonies.

Join us for our Luau on May 19th Jean Gaskins is our caller.

Paul & Thelma Marx

JUNE IS BUSTIN' OUT ALL OVER



DANCE IN THE FUNSHINE in '89

SWINGIN' STARS - Orange City

Two members, Karen Carter and Ron Fleener, were married at their home on the day of our Valentine's Party. David Van Ness was Best Man and P.J. Van Ness was Matron of Honor. Howard Wilson took video pictures of the affair and the reception was held at the Dickinson Memorial Library at our dance. More than 40 guests and members were in attendance. Best wishes to you both!

The hall was decorated in green, and refreshments were served as we celebrated St. Patrick's Day. In April our "After Taxes" dance was "Tacky" but we will all be decked out on April 29th when we graduate nine new dancers. May 13th will be our gala Fifth Anniversary Dance.

The Club will not hold any dances during the summer months and starting on Oct 1st, it will become a Dancers Club. The new officers will be Hank Wooster, President; Ron Fleener, Vice-President; Bill and Rose Bowe, Secretary-Treasurer and also publicity; Ray Hladik, Captain of the Star Raiders. David and P.J. will be the Callers and Jim Coven the Cuer. See you in the fall.

Terry Van Ness

Duke & Doris McCleskey

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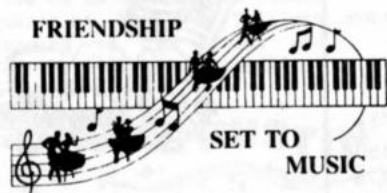


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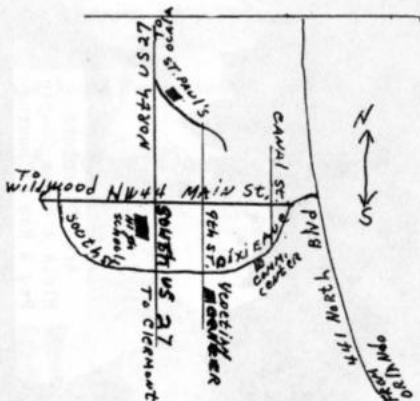
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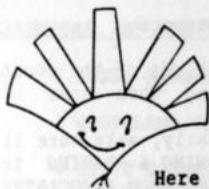
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STATE CONVENTION



Here we are just a few weeks away from the 36th Convention which will be May 26, 27 & 28th of May.

We hope all of you plan to attend. If you can't make all of the Convention, come when you can.

Our program is in the current issue of Bow and Swing. Look it over and choose where you want to dance. Notice our Mini Program on the first page. We hope it will help you to find your way to the dance level you want to attend. A more detailed program is to be found farther on in the schedule.

SINGLES: Please register at the table near hall 600 and pick up your SOLO RIBBON. There will be a TRAIL'S END DANCE in Hall 600 on Friday night. The Florida Single Square Dancers will make their headquarters at the Radisson Hotel and will have an After Party on Saturday night following regular dancing.

VENDORS: Vendors will be under the direction of Marjorie Powe and will be located in Hall 400. Please visit them.

SEWING CLINIC: The sewing clinic, under the direction of Snookie Netting, will be located on the 2nd floor in Room B. There will be demos on how to make a quilted folded star, to use on a blouse, skirt, or vest. Various ways to use lace, how to recycle Pettipants, insert Shirring, will also be demonstrated. Also there will be a pattern to trace for a wrap-around skirt. Cloth World will set up sewing machines and sergers for demonstration. There will be prizes, including wrap around skirts and a serger. The Sewing Clinic will be open on Saturday from 11 am to 4pm, and on Sunday from 1pm to 4pm. Please stop by.

LIVE BAND: The live band will perform Saturday evening for Mainstream and on Sunday Evening for Plus dancing.

FESTIVALS: Glen Coward, who successfully puts on his JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT every October, will be there to tell how you can successfully put on a festival

BOB CARR THEATER: Visit the Bob Carr Theater on Sat. afternoon and see the awards, various demos and the Fashion Show.

KICK-OFF: Don't forget to come to the Kick-off for the 1990 Convention, which will be held in combined Hall 200/300 on Sunday evening at 7:30 pm. We aren't even going to try to guess what their slogan will be. We like to be surprised. Congratulations to Worley & Nan Carrier. Your work has just begun.

TICKETS: If you didn't get your ticket prior to May 1st, you may buy them at the door.

PARKING: Three day parking permits that will allow you to come and go from the parking lot without paying an extra \$2.00, will be available at the ticket booth near Hall 700 for \$6.00. If you park in the lot, bring your ticket stub and you will receive a \$2.00 credit. Parking tickets will be available on Friday night and Saturday morning.

CAMPING: If you are camping at the Central Florida Fairgrounds, there will be a shuttle bus to and from the Expo Center.

We and our committee have tried to do our best to make this Convention an enjoyable one for you, the dancer. We know that you can't please everyone. Now it is up to you, the dancer, to take advantage of the opportunities we have made available to you.

Come Dance With Us

Aaron & Erma Fry
General Chairman

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THANKS TO OUR ADVERTISERS we have been able to cover two thirds of the cost of printing the KEEPIN' POSTED. So, dancers, how about giving them some of your business.

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Don't forget the fun times to be had at the VOLUSIA COUNTY FAIR in Deland, and the KNOTHEAD CONVENTION in Lakeland. Of course we could not do anything without the support we receive from our wonderful CALLERS and CUERS and the STARLIGHT PROMENADERS who advertise in each issue.

You should know that most all of these advertisers are dancers. And, you should also know we really need 12-1/2 pages of advertising to make the KEEPIN' POSTED pay for itself. We have not reached that goal and are asking you, the dancer, to HELP. Please contact a place that you patronize, show them this publication, and ask them for an ad (the rates are listed on the inside cover). Especially ask at a restaurant where you stop after a dance, dressed in your square dance clothes.

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IF YOUR SPECIAL DANCE IS NOT LISTED ABOVE, WE DID NOT HAVE THE INFORMATION. PLEASE CONTACT US BY AUG 1 TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SEPTEMBER KEEPIN' POSTED.



Enjoy Summer!



To those of you who have been soliciting advertising for the Keepin' Posted, "Thanks a lot", special thanks to Howard Wilson and Dewey Hendricks. We still need more financial help so don't let up! To those of you who have not yet joined the search, HELP!

Also, we wish to heartily thank Randy and Carol Poole and George and Joan Knopf who have helped us assemble the Keepin' Posted. In fact, in our absence last February, Randy and Carol picked it up from the printers and assembled the last issue by themselves. THANK YOU!

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A PIG ROAST is in the works for Friday night! Can you imagine the aroma of roast, suckling pig wafting through the campground on the delightful Oct. evening breezes?

DETAILS WILL BE PUBLISHED in the Sept issue of Keepin' Posted, but keep in mind YOU DO NOT HAVE TO CAMP, YOU CAN SLEEP IN THE LODGE with some of us. We used the mattresses from the storeroom and put our sleeping bags on top. It was soooooo comfortable.

CROQUET, HORSESHOES, EATING, RELAXING AND DANCING and more are all on the schedule, so join us and don't miss the fun!



If you can't stand the heat . . .

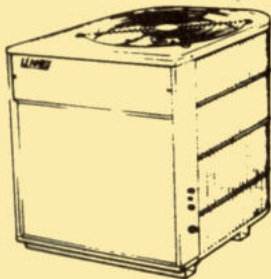


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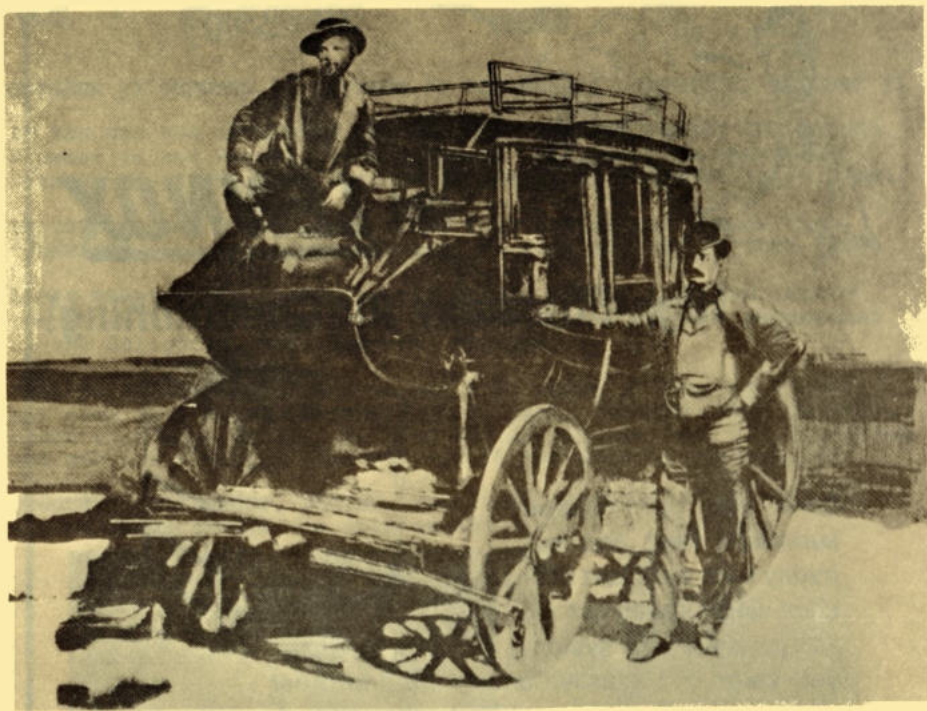
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