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CENTRAL FLORIDA SQUARE and ROUND DANCE ASSOCIATION

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THE JERNIGANS

### THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our Association is continuing to move ahead very rapidly. Our membership is increasing steadily as is attendance at our dances.

"Keepin' Posted" is doing a great job of keeping our members up to date on what is happening within our Association and throughout the Square Dance community. Central's publication has just had its first birthday. May it continue to grow in the future as it has in its first year. Thanks again to *Betty & Curtis* for all their hard work.

Our Annual Renewal Dance at DeBary Fire Hall on August 29th was a huge success. We had a grand total of over 30 squares. *John Barrett and Phyllis Williams* did an excellent job, sometimes under very trying conditions. The weather was hot and the hall was hotter. There was no way the air-conditioning could keep the dancers cool enough. We apologize to all the dancers who left the dance early because of the heat and the crowded conditions. We did our best. We hope they will come back and dance with us. Everyone who stayed had a good time. As the officers stood dripping at the door saying farewell to our dripping dancers, it was

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### COME JOIN US!

It's not too late to join our Association! So far, for the 1981-82 year, we have 214 members registered. We are looking forward to greeting many more new members before our current year ends. Members — talk to your friends, your fellow dancers, and your club members. Encourage them to join us. Invite them to come dance with us. If every member would recruit one member, our membership would really grow. The more members we have, the bigger and better dances we can plan for you and the larger our circle of square dancing friends will become.

Now that we have reached the halfway point in our Association year, the price to join will be \$4.00 per couple and \$2.00 for singles. The cost of the '81-'82 bars to attach to your Association badges to show you are current paid up members is \$1.00 per couple or 50¢ for singles. New members pay a one time additional fee of \$4.50 per couple or \$2.25 for singles for their Association badges.

We encourage all our members who so desire to wear our "Association Dress". It is simple in design and relatively inexpensive to make. The ladies wear a black eight-gored skirt, a white blouse, a plaited sash or belt of orange, white and green light weight fabric worn knotted at the waist, and a short white lined bolero type vest with the Association logo pressed onto the center back of the vest. The men wear black slacks, white shirt, tie to match the ladies' sash — half orange and half green. They also wear a white bolero type vest with the Association Logo pressed

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# LIFE

# LINE



On July 31, 1981, our Association suffered a great loss when our Blood Bank Chairman, *John Berger*, passed away. John was a faithful, tireless worker for this very worthwhile cause. Those of us who worked closely with him miss him very much. Shortly before his death, John asked *Roland Hamel* to be his Vice Chairman and Roland agreed. We feel very fortunate that Roland has now accepted the Chairmanship of our Blood Bank. He is an enthusiastic promoter of the program and has been a regular donor to our account for some time. It was at his suggestion that the members of our Association voted at our business meeting at DeBary on August 29, 1981, to change the name of our account to the Central Florida Square & Round Dance Association's John F. Berger Memorial Blood Bank.

The greatest tribute any of us could possibly pay to John would be to donate blood in his memory.

### GIVE THE REAL YOU! GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE!

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#### BLOOD DONORS — June 1981 thru September 1981

Mary Bischof  
Richard Bischof  
Roland Hamel (2)  
Don Lutz

Billy Nobles  
Harry Prather  
Jim Rivers (2)  
Jane Sewell

#### BLOOD BANK DATA:

Balance May 31st.....	41
Donations.....	10
Member Withdrawals.....	0
Outdated Units to Hemophilia Association	2
Credits this period.....	8
Balance September 30th.....	49

Come join us —

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onto the center back. Logos with clear instructions for use are available for \$1.00 each from Barbara Holt. She will give you instructions for making the lady's sash and the man's tie upon request or she will make them for you at a reasonable price.

We do make one request of our members. Just as you would not join a club and attempt to change its "club dress" to suit yourself, we ask that you do not change the "Association dress" to your own liking. Our group public appearances at State Conventions, parades, etc., will be

ever so much more effective and leave a good and lasting impression on our viewers if we all wear the Association dress as it was originally designed. It is recognized within The Florida Federation of Square Dancers and throughout the State as Central's own. Of course, the special outfit is optional and is only mentioned here because so many members have inquired about it from time to time.

See you at the next dance! Be sure to bring along your friends and let us share our fun and good fellowship with them!

# THANK YOU

## NOTES . . .

*From Frances Berger:*

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who attended the October 10th Square Dance sponsored by the Firehouse Squares as a tribute to John's memory. It was an evening spent with many of our closest friends, an evening I will always remember. Your many kindnesses and your generosity touched me deeply.

I also want to thank the Firehouse Squares, our home club for twenty years, for sponsoring the dance and for presenting me with the club's original Orlo Vista banner which I will always cherish.

God Bless You All!

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*From Melva Best:*

Thank you so much for the blood you so willingly gave John during his recent surgery.

The "Square Dance" Blood should keep him swinging.

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heartwarming to have many of them tell us what a good time they had at the dance in spite of the heat. We all had a good laugh together as we shook hands and said goodnight.

Square Dance Week has come and gone. We know there was a lot of exhibition dances held all over our area during that week. We thank all those who worked so hard scheduling the events, the callers, the cuers, and the dancers who came out to help make Square Dance Week a big success in our area.

Now there are a lot of beginner square dance classes in progress. We look forward to the time when these beginners will graduate and then join our Association.

We encourage them to continue dancing, even when the going gets tough, and to try for perfect attendance at their lessons. It's not hard to get into the mood when we enter a square dance hall and the music starts. The catchy repetitious chanting of the caller soon has the toes tapping. A couple can have a whole evening's entertainment for much less than it costs to go to a movie.

The Association Halloween Dance at Slovak Gardens on October 31st was a real winner. We had over 23 squares in spite of the fact that many of our members told us they wanted to come but needed to be home either to celebrate Halloween with their children or to greet the Halloweeners at their doors for Trick or Treat. *Whit Brown* and *Jan Shankle* worked hard to give us a great dance full of holiday spirit. We had so many happy round dancers that at times they formed two circles to give every couple enough room to dance comfortably. The hall was beautifully decorated and everyone enjoyed the decorations as well as the dance.

We thank the Starlight Promenaders for hosting the August dance and the Tiffany Squares for hosting the October dance. Both clubs did an outstanding job of preparing and serving refreshments for us.

The Association's next business meeting will be held at Ben White Raceway at 4 P.M. on Saturday, January 16, 1982. This meeting will be followed immediately by a meeting of the 1983 State Convention Committee. *Howard Wilson*, 1983 Convention Chairman, is working very hard to find the best possible place for the convention. We hope all members will mark their calendars and plan to attend these meetings.

Our next dance on Saturday, January 30, 1982, will be held at Carpenters Local Union Hall 1765, 333 East Oakridge Road, Orlando. This dance will feature National Caller *Ed Foote* with *Joe Augenblick* cuing the rounds. The hall will hold at least 40 squares. We plan to begin distributing flyers for this dance in December and to include a map with directions. See you there!

Bob & Frances

Through the diligent efforts of Square Dance Leaders from numerous State Square Dance Organizations all across the country, the *United Square Dancers of America, Inc.* is now a reality.

Final adoption of the organizational documents to officially create a National Square Dancers Organization took place on June 26, 1981, in Seattle, Washington, during the 1981 National Convention.

Membership in *United Square Dancers of America, Inc.* is open to "any organized non-profit Square Dance Group or other organized groups representing the Square Dancers within a State that will subscribe to the Purpose, Rules, By-Laws, and Policies of the *United Square Dancers of America, Inc.* States which do not have a Statewide Square Dance Organization, or where the State Organization elects not to join the *United Square Dancers of America, Inc.* then area or regional organizations may join to represent the dancers of their State.

Charter Memberships will be granted to those Organizations that qualify and join the *United Square Dancers of America, Inc.* between June 26, 1981 and June 25, 1982.

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At the May 24, 1981, meeting of the Florida Federation of Square Dancers, a roll call vote of the delegates defeated a motion "that the Florida Federation of Square Dancers endorse the movement to make a National Square Dancers Association and elect or appoint two (2) voting delegates and alternates to represent the Square Dancers of Florida at the formation meeting to be held in Seattle during the 1981 National Convention". (June 25, 26, 27, 1981)

After much discussion a motion was passed "that the Florida Federation send two (2) representatives to the organizing meeting of the National Square Dancers Association for the purpose of bringing more information back to the next Federation meeting". Frank Smith, President of the Florida Federation, then appointed Joe

Vaccari from the Northwest Association and Frank Hamway from the Northeast Association to attend the Seattle meeting as observers.

At the September 6, 1981 Federation Meeting, the appointed observers reported that many, if not most, of the objections to the original By-Laws, voiced at the May Federation Meeting, were deleted. Only those items necessary to satisfy IRS Non-Profit Exemption Requirements were retained.

The Northwest Association has indicated an interest in joining *United Square Dancers of America, Inc.* if the Florida Federation does not join within the next year. On the strength of Northwest's indicated interest, Joe Vaccari (NW) was elected Treasurer of the newly formed *United Square Dancers of America, Inc.*

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Copies of the By-Laws, Constitution, Standing Rules, Minutes of the June 26, 1981 Meeting, and the latest Press Release in its entirety are available from the Officers of the Central Florida Square & Round Dance Association to all interested dancers in our Association who wish to read and/or study these documents in detail.

Our Association plans to hold a special meeting early in 1982 to discuss in depth the proposals of this new organization. It is possible that at some future date we will have the option to join as an Association. To make that decision our members will need to be well informed. More details concerning this meeting will be published in the February issue of "Keepin' Posted".

## CENTRAL FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

President:	Bob & Frances Jernigan Titusville—267-2721
Vice President:	Bob & Carol Woodard DeBary—668-8241
Secretary:	Leo & Mary Richardson S. Daytona—767-1717
Treasurer:	Hank & Betty Bruce Winter Park—678-4261
Blood Bank Chairman:	Roland & Marcy Hamel Orlando—647-1585

## INTRODUCING

Our caller for the next  
Association Dance



Ed Foote is a national caller well-known throughout the country to dancers of all levels. He travels over 70,000 miles a year and calls over 375 dances. He is a full-time caller and calls on a regular basis for four clubs in Western Pennsylvania.

He is recognized for his knowledge of choreography and material, has conducted many caller clinics and colleges throughout the country, and runs his own caller school at home in Wexford, Pennsylvania, about 15 miles from Pittsburgh.

Ed is widely known for his teaching ability and is in heavy demand for workshops. He has written numerous articles on square dancing — many having appeared in regional and national publications; he has also helped author and edit several books on square dancing, and is a staff writer for News 'N Notes — a national monthly note service for callers.

A member of Callerlab's Board of Governors, Ed has been an active member of a number of committees in that organization for many years.

We feel very fortunate to have Ed Foote as the caller for our next Association dance on January 31, 1982 at Carpenter's Hall in Orlando and we welcome him to our area. All of us are looking forward to a great dance.

## NEW

## DANCE

## DIRECTORY

NOW AVAILABLE

The 3rd Edition of the *NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE DIRECTORY*, a comprehensive listing of when and where to dance in the United States, Canada, and 35 overseas nations, is now available. Information includes contact address and phone number for over 8000 square, round, contra and clogging dance clubs.

According to editors *Gordon Goss* and *Charles Waelde* of Jackson, Mississippi, this edition has many new features. There is much more coverage of round dancing, clogging, and contra. The updated book includes sections describing major square dance organizations. Also provided is a products/services directory, a useful guide to everything that the dancer needs.

With information on area contacts, clubs, halls, festivals, and conventions, the Directory is a valuable aid for traveling and planning vacations. For further details write:

*NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE DIRECTORY*  
P.O. Box 54055  
Jackson, MS. 39208  
or call (601) 825-6831.

### CENTRAL FLORIDA SQUARE & ROUND DANCE ASSOCIATION '81-'82 DANCE SCHEDULE

- August 29, 1981 (RENEWAL DANCE)  
DeBary — John Barrett  
Phyllis Williams
- October 31, 1981 (HALLOWEEN  
DANCE)  
Maitland — Whit Brown  
Jan Shankle
- January 30, 1982 (SUPER SPECIAL)  
Orlando — Ed Foote  
Joe Augenblick
- May 1982 (ELECTIONS DANCE)  
Date to be announced.

# A HEART TO HEART

From The Editor

With this issue we enter our second year of publishing "Keepin' Posted". During our first year we received many compliments, sometimes from unusual and totally unexpected sources.

We appreciate the kind words from members of the Florida Federation, the best wishes from the long-time members and former officers of our Association, the praise from many of our new members and from visitors to our area.

We are grateful to the Editors of the other four association publications within The Federation for their words of encouragement, their offers to share material and/or help us along our way.

The words of wisdom from *Bob Osgood*, Editor of *Square Dancing* magazine, the unexpected compliment from *Gordon Goss*, Public Relations/Publicity Committee of *Legacy*, the favorable comments from *Ed Foote*, the vote of confidence given us by *Ray & Barbara Holt* permitting us a free hand to develop our new ideas, the moral support of many special friends, AND the continuing interest and support of our current officers have all been tremendously important to our work on this newsletter. To all of you we express our gratitude.

We did not take on the job of editing "Keepin' Posted" as a life's work. We simply volunteered to get some kind of publication off the ground for Central. Our purpose is to establish a line of communication between The Association and its members and to provide news and educational material for them. Our aim is to publish a newsletter that is neither controversial nor opinionated. We are not in competition with anyone. We have great respect for all the other square dance publications available to us.

This past year has been a very interesting, educational, and, at times, frustrating experience. It has required many long hours of hard work, a tremendous amount of time, and a lot of self-discipline. But it has also been very rewarding. My co-worker and I have had a lot of fun and a lot of laughs along the way.

It is our sincere hope that sometime in the very near future Central will be blessed with the arrival on the scene of a very talented, experienced editor who, with an appropriate staff, will guide "Keepin' Posted" to a special place on the long list of outstanding square dance publications. We will be the first in line to sing his or her praises.

Many thanks for listening.

Betsy Bruce

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

### PLEASE PRE-REGISTER

Star thru in '82'

Registration fees: \$8.00 per person until April 1, 1982  
\$9.00 per person after April 1, 1982

Mail Checks and Registration to:

29TH FLORIDA STATE  
SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE CONVENTION  
P. O. BOX 40914  
ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA 33743

Name \_\_\_\_\_ last (please print) his hers

Address \_\_\_\_\_

city state zip

Childrens' Names \_\_\_\_\_

(No charge for children who do not dance but all children must register)

Total Adults and Children who will dance \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ See Rates above



*On the occasion  
of the  
First Anniversary  
of  
"Keepin' Posted"  
the Staff  
and  
the Officers  
of the  
Central Florida Square & Round Dance Association  
extend  
to all our members,  
to dancers, callers, cuers everywhere,  
and  
to all those  
in any way connected with our favorite pastime,  
our Best Wishes  
for  
A Happy and Abundant Thanksgiving,  
A Very Merry Christmas  
and  
A Healthy and Prosperous New Year!*

## WHO ARE WE . . .

This is the official publication of the *Central Florida Square & Round Dance Association*. We reserve the right to condense, rewrite or omit any items submitted for publication.

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### ANNOUNCEMENT

The Plantation Squares are pleased to announce they now have a new Club Caller, Ken Anderson. Ken is a National Caller of note who has recently settled in the Orlando area. Plantation Squares dance at the Ben White Recreation Center the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month from 8 to 10:30 P.M. They invite all dancers to join them and enjoy their outstanding new caller.

### Central Florida Square & Round Dance Association

C/O Bruce  
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Winter Park, Florida 32792



## GOOD IDEAS!

U ARE IMPORTANT:

We cannot have a CL B without U.  
We cannot have F N without U.  
We cannot have M SIC without U.  
To have a F LL and S CCESSF L CL B —  
WE NEED U!

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Always do right — it will gratify few and astonish the rest!

From the *SQUARE UP* publication of the Magic Valley Square Dance Association of Texas

### SPECIAL NOTICE

The Florida Federation of Square Dancers will hold a business meeting on Sunday, November 22, 1981, at the Jamaica Inn or West Colonial Drive in Orlando, at 10:00 A.M. Election of Officers will be held at this meeting.

All delegates and alternates are requested to attend. Every interested dancer is welcome.

