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2006-7 CFA PRESIDENT

Presidents Message

My how time flies. This is our last message in Keepin' Posted as your Presidents. We have struggled each quarter to write this short column because neither of us are very good with words. So, A very big HURRAH has gone up in this house.

It has been a pleasure being Presidents of CFA for the past two years. We want to give our heartfelt thanks to all the board members for the past two years. It has been great working with each and every one of you. all of you. We sincerely appreciate all the time and effort you put into keeping square dancing in the hearts and minds of our dancers, not the least the time, energy and expense of being our dancers representatives on the CFA Board. And then you keep it running. And for this, Barb and I say a heartfelt THANK YOU.

Here comes the hard part-foretelling the future. This is the October edition with a September due date which means Barb and I are responsible for the October message but our term ended September 30. So gazing into our crystal ball, we can proudly proclaim the Presidents' Ball a resounding success at the Ag Center in Cocoa. The new Board was installed. We proudly present your new 2006-7 Board: Judy Frye President, George & Shirley Knapp Executive V-President, Ailene Picheco Secretary, Jack & Barbara Hoffman Treasurer, Bruce & Colleen Morgan Area V-President, Terri Little Membership V-President, Jim & Jan McConnaha Blood Bank V-President, Randy & Carol Poole Insurance Chairman, Tom & Eivor Brown Keepin Posted Editor, John & Jane Mills Historian.

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Support dancing and the CFA. Thank You!

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**CENTRAL FLORIDA SQUARE & ROUND
DANCERS ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING**

St Cloud Senior Center, St Cloud

July 29, 2006 Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Presidents Jack & Barbara Hoffman called the meeting to order at 3:05 PM. Judy Frye gave the Invocation which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Presidents Jack & Barbara Hoffman welcomed members and guests. Guests included: Liz Littlewood, Jo Santoro, Keith & Angie Olds, John & Jane Miller.

ROLL CALL: by Ailene Picheco

SECRETARY'S REPORT: George Knapp moved *to accept the April 9, 2006 Board Meeting minutes* – Judy Frye *seconded*. Motion passed.

TREASURERS REPORT: Donna Hendricks passed out the treasurer's report to all members present. Report filed for audit.

CORRESPONDENCE: September is Square Dance Month. Let's get the word out to non-dancers. The Orlando Patriots disbanded after a year of dancing sent us a check for the \$200.00 which was left in their treasury. Jack Taylor thanked everyone for the cards, calls and prayers while he was in the hospital. It is good to see him in good health again.

AREA REPORTS: Area Vice President – Bruce & Colleen Morgan sent their report. The club information sheets for each club are **WAY** out of date, current information is necessary to communicate with your club (we need to know who to contact) and who to mail the free copy of Keepin' Posted to. **Please keep your club information up-to-date.** I can e-mail you the form or you can go to <http://www.floridasquaredance.com/central/club.html> and get a copy in MS Word or PDF format. Please forward the info to me so that I can keep the data base current. **There are a lot of clubs that I have no information on at all.**

Club Maps are being created for the Federation Web site. The pages are not yet linked to the Federation Page but you can view it by going to <http://www.floridasquaredance.com/maps/index-new.html>. The State will be divided in four parts (4 pages): the southern part of the state, the central part, the northeast part and the northwest part. Each map has a red marker at each dance location; if you click on one of the red markers, a window will pop up with that club's listing. It also links

to another page with details about the club. If more than one club dances at a location then each club is on the pop-up with a link to each of their informational pages. A club's web site is on their informational page and you can migrate to the club's web site by clicking on the link on this page. Most, if not all, Northwest and Northeast Associations data has been added already. The Central Association is lacking an awful lot of information. The following clubs are not yet on the site as of yet because of the lack of information! If you have any information on these clubs, please contact me with an update.

Club Name	Location		
4 Corner Squares	Kissimmee	Pirates MnStrm (TU)	Apopka
Advance Dance	Vero Beach	Pilot Squares	Oklawaha
Clermont Squares	Clermont	Prestige 55	Ocala
Dancing Shadows	Bellevue	Run Arounds	
Evergreen Rounders		Round Dance Club	Satellite Bch
Fountain Squares	Summerfield	Sharpes Assembly	
Friendly Squares	Bellview	Spin Drifters	New Smyrna
Heron Run Twirlers	Vero Beach	Wagon Wheels	St. Cloud
Holiday Squares	Leesburg	Wagon Wheel	
Motivators	St. Cloud	Rounders (Closed)	St. Cloud
Oak Run Twirlers		Wheel A Rounds	
		Yellow Rock Squares	

You can use the form located on <http://www.floridasquaredance.com/central/club.html>. After all clubs are listed, we'll go live with the map program. If you have any suggestions to improve the program, please feel free to drop me a line. Please remember there are no dumb ideas! So suggest anything you think will help. If it can be done and it helps, we'll do it. On the next page is the list of Central Florida clubs now on record. Please visit the site and review the your club information. Send me an e-mail with corrections. Are there any other clubs out there? **Let me know, PLEASE.** Is all the information for your club correct—do you dance more than once a week? **Let me know, PLEASE.** Do you know of a change to one or more of the clubs list above? **Let me know, PLEASE.**

Club Name	Location	Club Name	Location
Allemanders	Satellite Beach	Pirates –	
Barefoot Bay		Plus (SA)	Apopka
Spinners	Barefoot Bay	Pirates –	
Barefoot Bay		Adv (TU)	Apopka
Twirlers	Barefoot Bay	Royal Palm	
Canaveral Squares	Rockledge	Squares	Ocala
Casselberry		Royal Squares	Leesburg
Hoedowners	Casselberry	Space Trackers	Cocoa
Celebrity Squares	Ocala	Starlight	
Dixie Diamonds	Melbourne	Promenaders	DeBary
Dixie Squares	Daytona Beach	Strato Squares	Daytona Beach
Garden Patch			Shores
Squares	Ocoee	Sunshine	
Granada Squares	Ormond Beach	Promenaders	Leesburg
Honey Bees	DeLand	Top of the	
Merry-Go-		World 99 th St.	Ocala
Rounders	Winter Springs	Top of the	
Orange Blossom		World 94 th St.	Ocala
Squares	The Villages	Whirl & Twirl	
Orlando Singles		Mnstrm (WE)	Orlando
Orlando		Whirl & Twirl	
Palm Bay		Rounds (TH)	Orlando
Promenaders	Melbourne	Whirl & Twirl	
		Plus (FR)	Orlando

Brevard/Indian River – Club members/presidents reported. Tom Brown reported **The Allemanders** are on their summer schedule, 2nd and 3rd Saturdays and are averaging 4-5 squares. **The Barefoot Bay Twirlers** do not dance until October. **The Canaveral Squares** are maintaining 3-4 squares. Have not had lessons as there is no place to rent on weekends for our “Blast Class,” and Jerry travels a lot. **Palm Bay Promenaders** are finishing their plus class. Dance every Thursday. The **Run-A Rounds** dance club meets Sunday afternoons in Satellite Beach. Attendance unknown at this time. Terri Little reported the **Space Trackers** are maintaining 4-5 squares this summer. August 12th they raid the Allemanders, a rare occurrence. The 1st Saturday Friendship dinners before the dance (at a restaurant or at the club) have been well attended. Our 24th Anniversary will be celebrated on September 16th. The new class starts Monday, September 11th at 7:30 p.m. We have had 3 squares for the DBD summer workshop. We are planning a bus trip to the 2007 National Convention in Charlotte, NC. Everyone is welcome. See our website.



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BLOCK HOUSING REQUESTS

Several requests have come in from dancers asking about Block Housing (21 rooms or more) and Group Housing (20 or less rooms). Please contact the Registration & Housing Chairman (Jack & Linda Cauble) about the details. Telephone 1+704-636-2007) or E-mail Registration@56thnsdc.com

Follow the BIRD To Florida's 53rd

South Lake & West Orange – Vacancy. No Report.

North Lake & Sumter – Bob & Jennie Courter sent a report. **Orange Blossom Squares** are going strong. We average about 15 squares each Sunday during the summer. Bob Stern is back calling after his heart surgery. His A-2 dance has about 3 squares each Monday. **Sunshine Promenaders** have closed for the summer. Ken & Joanne Helton have a beginner Round Dance on Monday in Oxford.

Marion – Vacancy. No report.

East Orange & Seminole – Ian & Sandy Ogilvie sent a report. **The Hoedowners** average 3 or 4 squares Sunday, at the Casselberry Senior's Center. Gene McCullough is work-shopping plus figures from 1:30 to 2:30, then dancing regular plus until 4:30. A beginner's class begins on September 3rd; the first two sessions are free. The club welcomes singles and couples, ages 10 and up, and continue to maintain an enthusiastic and active club, with monthly special events and raids to other clubs. **The Orlando Singles** held a great 4th of July party at the Singles. We had several squares and many visitors, and have happily maintained good regular attendance through the summer. Another well attended special event was our "Cake Walk". Plans are in the works for series of raids over the next couple of months, we're firming them up now. We Demo Danced July 19th in Celebration; we'll keep looking for such opportunities to promote square dancing in general, and the Singles in particular. Whit Brown calls some great square dances, and Phyllis Williams does a great job on rounds. That has helped to keep this club running well.

Whirl & Twirl is fortunate to welcome Paul Place as its new club caller. The club has responded enthusiastically to his calling! Cuers, Jan and Pete Shankle start a new basic Round Dance Class at 7 p.m. on August 3rd. The program consists of one hour lessons, followed by a dance for all including advanced dancers. Also, a new beginner class will begin with "Shindig" on Tuesday September 5th, and will run for 15 weeks. A visit by 45 "mystery" dancers from out of town clubs, will occur on August 11th. Volunteer Whirl and Twirl members will board them for a night and day, including taking them to the Friday night dance, and getting them back to the train station on Saturday. This may lead to some reciprocal visits, and should be fun. These events, plus a very full fall and winter program of fund-raisers, including the Larry Letson dance, and raids to other clubs, are on the calendar.

Osceola –Howard & Thelma Bitler reported. **The Motivators** start dancing October 15th with Chris Phillips. **The Wagon Wheels** are closed until October 4th. Do not have a caller scheduled yet. There is line dancing between squares.

East Volusia – Kenly & Alice Spilman – No report.

West Volusia – Roland Morin reported. The **Starlight Promenaders** are on their summer schedule, and dance the 2nd and 4th Wednesday evenings of July and August. Whit Brown calls a workshop tip before the dance and it is being enjoyed by all. Our small summer class is moving along nicely on Thursday evenings. They are about half way through the mainstream list. It is a small but enthusiastic group and will certainly be an asset to the club. One student even accompanied the club on a recent banner raid. Great to see them getting involved. **The Honeybees** in Deland run plus workshops on Monday evenings. Instead of shutting down for the summer this year, Rick Yates is teaching dances and has been averaging two or more squares. A new crop of plus dancers for the fall season. As a side note, Rick and his wife Marilyn will accompany the Handicapable dance group, **The Yellow Rock Squares** from Daytona Beach, to their National Convention in Baton Rouge the last week of July. Great Job! Let's all try and support this effort in the future and keep the Yellow Rockers dancing!

MEMBERSHIP: Terri Little reported as of 7/29/ 2006. Active Individual 2006 memberships: 285 (26 New Members & 259 Renewals) Active Individual 2007 memberships: 6 Renewals

Effective with 2007 membership, the new member fee is \$10 per person and the renewal fee is \$5 per person. Also, since the Area Representatives are handing out the membership bars, it is **IMPERATIVE** that you initial and date the membership form in the block marked "FOR CFA USE ONLY". There is a spot for your use that states "Bars given". This **MUST** be completed in order to ensure that all of our members receive their membership bars. If any of the reps or the clubs in their areas would like to hold a "membership" dance, please contact me at (321) 427-7950 or e-mail . We would be happy to attend the dance and set up a table for CFA membership. We need to encourage membership...we are still down in membership by a little from 2005's peak of 308.

BLOOD BANK: Jim & Jan McConnaha reported. One of the major benefits of belonging to the CFA is access to the Central Florida Blood Bank. This facility collects blood from donors and then as members have a need for blood, it is made available at no charge. One thing to keep in mind, you don't have to be a member of CFA to donate to account 54. Non-dancing family members and friends can give to this account if they don't have an account they give to ordinarily. However you must be a member or member's family to withdraw from the account. CFA members have a large amount of blood on deposit as of the end of March 2006. At that time we had available 831 units. Any member who donates a pint of blood to our account, Number 54, receives free admission

to one CFA dance. We have some prolific donors to our square dancer account. One member has given over 50 gallons. If you have any questions or need to make a withdrawal, contact the CFA Blood Bank Vice President, Jim & Jan McConnaha.

INSURANCE: Randy & Carol Poole sent a report. 21 clubs insured for 2006; 1192 members enrolled. One accident reported this year. Claim has not been received.

KEEPIN' POSTED: Tom & Eivor Brown reported. Another volume is closed, October begins a new one. The postmaster criticized our July issue for being oversized. Jack Hoffman measured it at .23 inches. Our permit allows .25. We'll do better next time. The January issue took forever to get to press. It was very hard to edit the passing of so many Square Dancing Friends. Way back last summer, a suggestion was made to incorporate a "Where to dance in Central List". We asked Bruce to provide us a list of the compiled clubs. Look for the list as the data becomes available. Our ISP has proven unreliable over the last several weeks. We are moving to different provider, possibly Road runner. You will get an email advising you of the info.

HISTORIAN: Judy Frye reported. Finally the last of the pictures found their places in the scrapbooks, but several pictures remain nameless. Please check the recent books where there are the yellow post-it-notes and write down names of my missing "stars". The recent State Convention is not yet in their proper place, mostly because I did forget to take my camera. Can you believe that? One was borrowed from a friend and many of the pictures were taken, however, she still has the film in her camera and not developed yet. Also, if anyone still has their ribbon from this convention and do not want it, may I have it? I have the button. Let me say a big THANK YOU to all of you who have helped me by donating pictures and articles. We really want to have as complete a history of the CFA as possible. I hope you checked the Federation's scrapbook at the State Convention. Manny Gonzales did include most of the meridian of pictures sent to him. We are back in the State's history, let's keep it that way!

FLORIDA FEDERATION: Randy & Carol Poole sent a report. The last Federation meeting was held Sunday, May 28, in Hollingsworth A at the Lakeland Convention Center. The reorganization committee reported and the following motion was approved:

1. That we eliminate the rule in our by-laws that restricts the location of the State Convention to along the I-4 corridor in a fifty mile radius, to any location more centrally located and with the approval of the Federation Board.

2. Beginning in 2010 the State Convention Chairman will be appointed by the Federation President four years out and it will be up to the General Chairman to appoint his board and workers from around the state. He may ask members of any Association to participate and it will be the responsibility of that Association to assist in anyway they can in order to share in any proceeds from the convention.

3. The proceeds from the State Convention would be divided equally between the Federation, Callers, Cuers, and the Associations. This means each Association would receive a share from each convention, an amount equal to one fifth of the Association share which is one fourth of the total.

4. This proposal is contingent upon approval of one of the other two organizations.

The other organizations being the Florida Callers Association and the Florida Round Dance Council Jim and Jan McConnaha have been appointed chairman of a committee to investigate alternate locations to hold the State Convention. The Extra Mile Award was presented to Bob Barnes, Skip Cleland, Bill Chestnut and Lisa Wall.

A motion was carried to open up the website to callers, cuers, prompters & leaders. YTB Travel offers a fund raiser for the ARTS. Any travel fare, hotel, cruise, etc. that is booked thru this agency, ARTS will get a percentage back. Their prices are compatible with or sometimes lower than other agencies. Check it out! ARTS have a lot of valuable information on their website.

The next meeting will be held Sunday, November 19, 2006, 9 AM in Jacksonville. The time and location will be announced later. All dancers are invited to attend.

OLD BUSINESS

Shamrock Swing 2007 – Bruce & Colleen Morgan sent a report. We have a contract with Tim Marriner, Whit Brown and Jimmy & Carol Griffin for this dance on March 9 & 10, 2007. Ribbons are in. Next year we may not be able to afford the hall and must find a new hall or cancel the Shamrock Swing entirely. Bruce made the following motion - *If we cannot get the Presbyterian Church to honor the \$1,700 commitment from Lynn Huff, that we cancel the 2007 Shamrock Swing and attempt to go with the One-Night Dance and Working Weekend at Whirl & Twirl.* Seconded by Terri Little – Motion defeated.

George Knapp made the following motion – *If we cannot get the Presbyterian Church to honor the \$1,700 commitment from Lynn Huff, that we cancel the 2007 Shamrock Swing provided we can cancel contracts with*

the callers and cuers. Seconded by Jack Taylor. Motion passed.

(Per email dated 08/01/06 (enclosed with minutes): The Presbyterian Church honored the Lynn Huff commitment. There is no need for any change in 2007 dance location for the Shamrock Swing.)

55th Florida State Convention 2009 - Randy & Carol Poole sent a report. We have been working on job descriptions for the chairmen that have not been involved before. We have been looking at the positions that are still vacant and coming up with some possible candidates. The camping weekend fund raiser may be held at Deerhaven Retreat and Conference Center in Paisley. It is six miles from River Forest Campground. Bruce, Carol and I visited the campgrounds and were impressed. Unfortunately we could not get a firm date until the church firms up their usage schedule. Possibly, we will know something in September. The campground has 39 full hookups, 12 motel style cabins and other cabins in the woods. All halls and cabins are air conditioned and the kitchen is fully stocked with utensils. We attended the Florida Association of National Square Dance Campers meeting. They were receptive to promoting and attending as individuals. They would not commit as a club because we could not give them a date for their yearly schedule. We got email address of all the camping groups. Today we will submit our letter to CFA requesting a loan for the checking account.

5th Saturday Dance, September 30th, 2006 – Flyers are ready. This will be the General Meeting, Election of New Board Members and President's Ball. Dance will be in Cocoa at the Agricultural Center on Lake Drive. Susan Elaine Packer will be the Caller and Phyllis Williams will cue.

5th Saturday Dance, December 30th, 2006 – Jack Hoffman reported they have not found a place to hold this dance. Even though it is a ways off, it must be set up before the new president takes office.

Advertising Fee – 52nd State Convention - During a phone/email discussion, it was decided to waive the fee for advertising because of the low attendance at the convention. Garland & Carole MacKenzie said to send them a bill as it would offset the distribution of funds if not submitted.

NEW BUSINESS

Nominating Committee Report - Shirley Knapp reported. Nominations were read. Floor was opened for nominations. No new nominations were made. George Knapp made a *motion to accept the nominations for the board as read* – Jack Taylor seconded. Copy of nominations is enclosed.

Other New Business

The CFA coffee pots were left at the Presbyterian Church in Maitland where the Shamrock Swing was held in March 2006. Because they were so old, we will not pick them up. Roland Morin made a *motion to buy new coffee pots* – Judy Frye seconded. Motion passed.

Our next meeting –The next meeting will be held September 30, at the Agricultural Center in Cocoa. There will be a General Membership Meeting at 3:00 p.m. followed by a potluck dinner.

ADJOURN –Roland Morin *moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Tom Brown. Motion passed.* Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ailene E Picheco , Secretary

56TH NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION—CHARLOTTE

From: Charlie Newsome

Sent: Sep 16, 2006 4:21 PM

To: Tom Brown , Keepin' Posted

Subject: 56th NSDC - Short Publicity Release

56th National Square Dance Convention(R) Charlotte, NC June 27-30,
2007 E-Publicity Release #2 September 2006

This is our 2nd Electronic Internet Publicity Release and it appears that the 1st one was well received. About every six weeks we will use the Internet to spread the word about the "Greatest Square Dance Event" in the world and we have you to thank for forwarding this on to your dancing friends, clients, organizations and other interested dancers. Nothing sells better than word of mouth! So, make sure you tell someone about the 56th NSDC.

REGISTRATION: Over 4,700 dancers, from all 50 and many countries, are registered for the 56th NSDC in the Queen City, Charlotte, NC.

WEDNESDAY SPECIAL EVENT -BBQ DINNER FOLLOWED BY EDDIE MILES WITH A "TRIBUTE TO ELVIS." Over 1,000 tickets sold. Traditional Carolina BBQ Dinner and a Tribute To Elvis with Eddie Miles. Don't miss this one!

ATTENTION INTERNATIONAL DANCERS: About two weeks ago the we received 31 registrations from England. The International numbers are growing and glowing with excitement. There will be a special Hospitality Room for our International friends at the 56th NSDC. Please join us in Rm 104 on the Main Concourse of the Charlotte Convention Center. Drop by anytime and stay as long as you wish. Enjoy a snack, relax, meet friends, make new friends and register for door prizes. Be at home.

YOUTH CALLERS SEMINAR: A special seminar for "Youth Callers" on Wednesday, June 27, 2007 from 8:00 am to 4:00pm by Tim Marriner and Tom Miller. Register by contacting CALLERLAB.

"Under The Carolina Stars" FASHION SHOW will be preceded by 30 minutes of Gospel Songs (A Carolina Tradition), Saturday afternoon, June 30th at 12:00pm. is an event you won't want to miss! Settle back and enjoy singing and models from across the country. The show features a park like setting under a "Carolina Moon" and a backdrop of stars.

"FREE" CALLERS SCHOOL: Sponsors: 56th NSDC and Grand Square, Inc. Dates: Sunday-Wednesday, June 24-27, 2007 Location: Westin Hotel Instructors: Tony Oxendine, Jerry Story, Jon Jones and Deborah Carroll Jones To Register for school: Grand Square, Inc Ashley Foster (704-377-5554) E-mail: Ashley@grandsquareinc.com

TRAIL "END" DANCES: Wednesday, June 27, 2007 Charlotte Convention Center American Callers Association, "One Floor Program" CALLERLAB - Plus Hall Grand Square, Inc - Ghost Riders Live Band - Mainstream United Square Dancers Association - Youth Hall with Families 56th NSDC - Contra Hall 56th NSDC - Round Dance Hall

CAMPERS - "HERE'S MORE" JUST FOR YOU: For those campers arriving Tuesday, June 26, there will be a "free" Hot Dog and Hamburger dinner just for you, followed by square dancing in a 10,000 square foot pavilion. The 400 full service hookups are filling up!. Register now!

GOLF TOURNAMENT: Wednesday, June 27, a four man Captain's Choice with a shotgun start. Please visit our web site for greater details.

WANTED! Callers, Cuers, Contra Callers, Clogging Instructors, Country Western Leaders. You are extended a warm invitation to attend the 56th NSDC and share your special skills with the dancing community. Visit the 56th web site for a Profile Form and send it in so you can be programmed to perform. The deadline for submitting forms is Feb 1st.

Don't forget to thank the Editors of your State and Local Publications for providing more detailed information in their fine publications. So much to tell and so little space! But we are trying to keep this short and informative. Remember to forward this on to your dancing friends and if you want more information just visit the 56th web site.



Thanks and happy dancing

Paul & Nita Walker Publicity Chairman 56th NSDC

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 Newton)
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

AIA 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 schedule)
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;
Cuer: Joanne Helton
Phone: 352-751-1009 Banner Raids:
(352) 753-2325
Email: bradshaw1986@webtv.net
Website: www.obsquares.org

SATELLITE BEACH RUN AROUNDS ROUND DANCE CLUB

David Schechter Community Ctr. 1089
S Patrick Dr.
1:00-2:15 Ph. 2 w/teach;
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

ST. CLOUD 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**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; AIA 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

**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

**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 Un-
 ion 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 &
 Mainstream 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: Apicheco@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 Paul Place
 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: johnsa@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 Fun Plus Dance
 Caller: Lon Ligon
 Phone: (352) 237_2972
 E-mail: tjhotow@juno.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

**ST. CLOUD
WAGON WHEEL SQUARES**

St. Cloud Senior Center, 3101 17th St. (Oct. April)
 6:30-7:30 Beg. Class FREE to everyone (Instructor: Dan Erwin); 7:00-8:00 Line Dancing(Dot and Dusty Wilkinson); 8:00-10:00 Mainstream/Plus Dance
 Caller: Paul Place
 Phone: Steve and Diana 407-847-6055
 Email: Kehrbear@earthlink.net

WEDNESDAY (Cont'd)**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

THE LARGEST
SQUARE DANCE
ORGANIZATION
IN THE WORLD

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

Barefoot Bay Community Center, 626
Barefoot Blvd.
12:45-2:45 Mainstream Dance (No
Rounds)
Caller: Dale McClary
Phone: 772-664-5562

**DAYTONA BEACH
DIXIE SQUARES**

City Island Rec Cntr, 108 E Orange Av
6:30-8:00 Class (Oct to May); 7:30-
8:00 Workshops (May to 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: joengum@cfl.rr.com

**MELBOURNE
TRAILER HAVEN
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); 7:30-9:45 Plus Workshop
(1st, 3rd & 5th TH.), 7:30-9:45 Plus
Dance w/Rnds (2nd & 4th TH.)
Caller: Don Hanhurst
Cuer: Loretta Hanhurst
Phone: Ron Lockwood 352-347-9025

**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: rmordine@juno.com

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

Council of Aging Building, 800 S.
Daytona Ave., Corner of 7th St. and
Daytona Ave.
6:30-8:00 Beginner Square Class (Oct-
May); 6:30-8:00pm Plus Square Class
(May-Sep); 8:00-10:00 Plus Dance w/
Rnds

Caller: R. J. Hogan

Cuer: Irene Knapp

Phone: 386-586-3805

Banner Raids: 386-445-7980

Website: [www.floridadancing.com/
flagierow](http://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

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

H&R Ballroom, 847 S.W. 99th St.

2:15-4:15 Plus Dance w/Rounds

Caller: Don Hanhurst

Cuer: Loretta Hanhurst

E-mail: tjhotow@juno.com

ORLANDO**ORLANDO SINGLES**

College Park Presbyterian Church, 118
E. Par Street

At the corner of Par and Formosa

7:00-8:00 New Dancer Class;

8:00-8:15 Early Rounds;

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



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Charlotte, NC

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

**COCOA
SPACE TRACKERS**

Agricultural Center, 3695 Lake Drive
 7:30 Early Rounds
 8:00pm Plus/Rounds
 Callers: Whit Brown 1st and 3rd,
 Guests 2nd and 4th;
 Cuers: Phyllis Williams 1st and 2nd,
 Vera Smith 3rd and 4th
 Phone: 321-449-0805 or 321-427-7950
 Email: islandmom74@cfl.rr.com

**SATELLITE BEACH
ALLEMANDERS**

Satellite Beach Civic Ctr., 565 Cassia
 Oct-Jun 1st-3rd Sat.; (Jul-Sep 2nd & 3rd only)
 8:00-10:00pm Plus/Rounds
 Caller: John Saunders
 Cuer: Bev Landwehr
 Phone: Burnetts 321-773-6420 or Pauls
 321-777-8352

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March 9 & 10, 2007
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 the Griffins

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Dance Levels
Throughout
weekend:
Mainstream, Plus
& Advanced
Squares

**2006 NWFSRDA
32nd Annual Round Up**

Rounds
between tips
with Saturday
Workshop!



October 27-28, 2006

**361 N. 10th Street, DeFuniak Springs Florida
Community Center**

Callers: Tony DiGeorge, Chuck Myers

Bob Poyner & Willis Simmons

Cuer: June Leverette

Weekend \$10.00 per person NSFSRDA Member / \$20.00 Non-Member

Split Ticket—Non Members Friday Night \$10.00 pp

Saturday Workshop & Dance \$15.00

Information contact: Louie Flowers 850-951-0987 or Dave Henn, email dhenn@aol.com

F A S S R D

I have been hearing good reports about the National Dance-A-Rama in Rochester; unfortunately, I was unable to attend.

Our 27th Annual Single Rama is fast approaching and will be held at the historic Kenilworth Lodge in Sebring on October 20th & 21st. We stay at and dance in their beautiful ballroom with wood floors. Sam Dunn will be calling and Phyllis Williams will be cueing. John Dean and Anne Oliver will join us again this year to DJ the after parties on Friday and Saturday. Please bring finger foods for the refreshment tables. Sandy's Boutique will be our vendor for the weekend. The ribbons are \$25 per person for the entire weekend, which includes a dance on Friday and Saturday nights, a round dance workshop on Saturday morning and a square dance workshop on Saturday afternoon. If we have enough A2 dancers, we will have an hour of dancing at that level on Saturday afternoon. It's a fun weekend and you won't want to miss it.!

We will be holding our annual meeting on Saturday morning. Please join us so you have input into decisions being made for FASSRD.



Tim & Terri Wilaby, General Chairman, and many of their committee members have been making trips to dances/weekends in the State as they publicize "FOLLOW THE BIRD TO THE 53rd!" We hope to have some interesting stories to tell about their travels in our next release.

Remember, if you haven't registered NOW is the time to do it! From now until October 31, 2006, you can register for just \$25.00 per person. After that time advance registration will increase to \$27.00 per person. Now, where can you get 2 days and 3 nights of great dancing to that many callers & cuers, and at the

same time renew old friendships and make new friends with other dancers in the State of Florida? You don't have an answer - - of course not...it's a fun weekend with lots of great dancing for a little money. You know the drill...get your registration in, along with your check, now! Where do you get a registration form, you ask? From any of the individuals selling ribbons in your area (sufficient ribbons and registration forms have been distributed to each Association) and, if you can't find anyone with a registration form or a ribbon, send us an email (newsome.charles@comcast.net) or call us at (904) 683-3512, and we'll have you an answer where to get one...or have a registration form mailed to you.

There are some strange, secret goings on in the Northwest, but we promise to keep you informed about everything we learn about (we're like the wise old OWL...everything about the 53rd is feathered, you know...and we have ways of finding out these things). So, watch the space in this publication for news about the all-new Sew & Save; the fabulous Fashion Show put on by some special "feathered friends"; and all about our great dance program!

Check out our website(<http://floridasquaredance.com/convention/index.html>) for all the 53rd items you can purchase.

We've heard the Associations are doing their job with the Fund Raising items we gave them in the pink basket.

The raffle items are really great.

Remember, it's a *STATE Convention* and we need your help.

After all that, isn't your interest peaked enough that you are going to RUSH RIGHT OUT AND GET REGISTERED...not tomorrow, TODAY!

FOLLOW THE BIRD TO
FLORIDA'S 53rd
STATE SQUARE & ROUND DANCE
CONVENTION!!



Charlie Newsome

Club News

CLERMONT SQUARES

Our club is in limbo as of this writing (Sept 13). We are waiting for new owners of Clerbrook RV Park, where we have been dancing, to either approve or not approve our proposed contract for the coming season. If we get to return to Clerbrook, we will start back dancing in November. Don Hanhurst will be our caller and his wife, Loretta, will be our cuer. Our club is really looking forward to a fun season with them and hope we can return to Clerbrook. We have looked into other places to dance just in case, but so far nothing has turned up. Hope to see you in November.

Bob and Bobbe Hutchins

Please pass the word that we were unable to renew our rental agreement at Clerbrook this coming season. Since no other location has been found to accommodate the club, the club is forced to fold. As you know we were scraping the bottom to keep going but Clerbrook owners raised our rent almost threefold. We were excited about getting back to dancing with Don and Loretta and an enthusiastic bunch of dancers but we just can't agree to that much increase. Please pass the word on to your banner chairs in case they were planning to raid.

Bobbe Hutchins

Dixie Squares

Editor's Note: Joanne sent me this one electronically earlier this year for the April issue originally. It disappeared into cyberspace. It still has not surfaced. The picture that was attached got here as did the header, the address element of the message, but not the actual message. So if you find it, please let either Joanne or me know!

New and exciting news from the Dixie Squares in Daytona Beach. We are very pleased to have Paul Place as our new Caller. The Welcome party on March 2nd was a huge success with 90 dancers, a special cake and a table overflowing with goodies..the beginning of great things to come. He got a thumbs up from John Barrett, the clubs previous caller, who along with Mo attended this special dance. If you haven't squared up at a Paul Place dance, do yourself a favor and come visit the Dixie's any Thursday evening. If you have, we know you won't need any coaxing!

The following slate of officers was installed in January: Stanley and Alice Brittingham, Presidents. (Stan and Alice have been Dixie members for 23 years). Joanne Engum , Vice President

Kenly and Alice Spilman, Treasurers. Delores Browning, Secretary Board Members are Fred and Julie Zarek. Glenn and Jacquie Stafford and Paul and Joy Barnes. Paul and Joy as the new Banner-Meister's have many exciting raids planned for the Dixie's. If any Club would like to raid the Dixie's please get in touch with them. Paul's email address is cribbage@clearwire.net, and the telephone number is 386-671-6164.

Fall classes are underway and the Dixies are assured that Paul will have the new dancers ready and eager to join the club in a few months. Good luck to all the clubs...new members are what keeps Square Dancing alive!

The Dixie's have an exciting and "special dance" filled three months. Along with our regular dances every Thursday, we begin with our Luau Dance on the 5th of Oct (dig out those mu-mu's and leis) and bring along a teddy bear for our charity dance that night also. Costumes are in order (optional) for our Halloween Dance on the 26th. Veterans Day will be recognized on Novem-

ber 9th and you will have another opportunity to participate in the Dixies "Toy's for Tots Charity" by bringing along something to put a smile on a little ones face this season. We will not dance on Thanksgiving Day, we will dance on the 30th, and we will assemble for our "Pearl Harbor Day Color Guard" dance on December 7th...plan to join us on this special day. Our Christmas dinner on the 14th kicks off the holiday season. We will dance on the 21st but not on the 28th. Our grand farewell to 2006 will be our New Years Eve Gala on the 31st. Paul and Irene will send you into the new year with some fantastic calling and cuing...our "Dynamic Duo" never lets anyone down...so come celebrate with us, dance, enjoy Alice's fabulous buffet of goodies and swing into the new year with the Dixie's. Tickets are still available, contact Kenly Spilman or better yet, come to a Dixie dance and pick some up...you will be glad you did. Have a Happy and Successful Fall Season. Yellow Rocks



Joanne Engum

The Orlando CHOO CHOO

"GET ON BOARD....ONCE AGAIN!"

Get on Board once again was the theme ... however, this time nobody knew where we were going... who we would have dinner with...and who we would spend the night with! Who could have ever thought up such a crazy idea? Must have been a few real crazies..hahaha..BUT who would have guessed just how much FUN we could have had!



We have been in square dancing over 10 years now...and been very active in its activities. We believe being involved is where the FUN is! However, throughout all these years we believe that this may be the icing on the cake! We had a wonderful time.

The Rollaways, Seabreeze Singles and Teddy Bears got together for a Mystery Trip. It all started when Jerry Kangas of the Seabreeze singles approached me and asked if it would be possible to have a Mystery Trip this summer when the Rollaways and Seabreeze Singles would be dancing together. I told him I would look into it...but the charter bus we used to use is out of business. With the gas prices so high it may not be feasible to take a long bus trip. However my mind didn't stop there. I approached Colleen Morgan at our last Federation Meeting. Colleen and Bruce dance with the Whirl and Twirl, a very active club. I told her what my goal was. I knew that the Amtrak passenger service stopped in Winter Park (from my Red Hat days..heh heh). But my predicament was how to get from the train station to the dance...AND where could we spend the night? Are there any motels nearby. Colleen offered her home to me...I said..."to 40 people...ha"...So then the next task.... Colleen held a meeting at her club and proposed the Bed & Breakfast dinner/dance concept to their members! They LOVED it...and the event was on its feet and running!

Jack and I met with Bruce and Colleen in Palm Coast one weekend and laid out our plans. We need to coordinate how we would match our guests and hosts. How many accommodations did we need, etc. After some time it all came together.

Code names were assigned to 80 people...our end and theirs. For example, Jack and I were Fred & Ethel Mertz...guess who we had to find at the train station...right...Lucy and Desi Arnez...get the picture? This was no small task finding 80 coordinating names...keeping in mind we had several singles sharing a home, therefore some of the categories had to include possible 3 men and 1 woman, or 3 women and 1 man...etc. Finding our counterparts was lots of fun. Some of the hosts offered to take some of our members to a motel. We had more guests than they had hosts so we needed a block of motel rooms. Also, for medical reasons, some of our travelers needed motel accommodations. But it worked out soooooo smoothly!

The hosts in Orlando really really really went above and beyond to make our trip so fantastic! They had to pick us up at the train station, transport us to their home or motel, take us to the dance, prepare a covered dish dinner, take us home after the dance, pick us up for breakfast in the morning, (and there was a major hitch there that they handled without out a problem) then...take us back to the train station for departure! Whew...can you EVEN imagine all that???

WELLLLLLLLLL...START IMAGINING because...they all want to come up here for pay-backs!!! Ha...I just don't know how we can ever meet their generosity!

I believe that over 125 people in their club brought covered dishes..like...turkey, ham, ribs, fried chicken, pulled pork, pastas, vegetable casseroles, salads, appetizers, desserts...etc...etc...I have NEVER seen that much food in one place...not even at Golden Coral...(where they took us for breakfast).



Speaking of breakfast, they had planned to take us to the Whistle Stop Café (how appropriate) but the sewer lines broke through the night and when we arrived we had to make emergency alternate plans...they did it without a hitch. Bruce contacted Golden Corral and told them he had 90 people or more wanting to come to breakfast all at once. They told him... Come On! And it was great. Bruce and Colleen stayed at Whistle Stop until everyone was directed to the proper location.



On they trip home all of the travelers chatted for 3 hours about how much fun they had...

how awesome their hosts were and HOW CAN WE EVER RECIPROATE?

Jack and I stayed with a couple who are brand new dancers! They haven't had all the mainstream calls...and no plus calls...but they were one of the very first to open their home to guests! (Even through stressful circumstances for them...another story at a later

date..hahaha...but they felt they earned their code names, Lucy and Desi..haha). Our accommodations turned out to be just AWE-SOME. We have stayed in many B&B's around the country and this was one of the finest ever! We just wished we would have had more time.

In closing, we want to thank Bruce and Colleen Morgan so very much for helping us make this possible. And all the members of Whirl and Twirl for making this a trip of a lifetime and making us all feel so welcome!

We are already planning on your visit up here! We are extremely excited. And....we are requesting all dancers in Jacksonville to "Get on Board" and help us welcome Whirl & Twirl to Jacksonville... Who knows...we just may do this again real soon....it was just toooooo much fun!

One more notation....a "special thank you" to Bill Moore the photographer for Whirl and Twirl who spent the whole event taking pictures and putting them on the internet for us all to look at and relive fond memories. If you want to go to his site and see them.

Canaveral Squares

The Allemanders, Space Tracker and Canaveral Squares collaborated on surprising Richard Bradley and Joan Cleland during the recent raid to the Allemanders. Both Richard and Joan were awarded the "Order of the Star" for outstanding service to their clubs. Both have been Secretary & Treasurer; angeled classes, banner raid chairs, performed innumerable tours of KP, and, worked the community to advance square dancing. Richard is an Allemander past president and taught square dance for the Shepherd Center in Melbourne. And if that isn't enough, they spend most Sunday afternoons rounding. They are currently baby sitting Irving.

After a grueling July schedule, Irving has returned to Malabar for a well earned rest before resuming his travels to publicize the 53rd Florida State Convention. During the month of July, he visited the Sun Cats, Sailfish, Space Trackers, Dixie Squares, Orlando Singles, Hoedowners, Starlight Promenaders, Merry Go Rounders, and attended the square dance wedding of Roscoe and Dottie Coss. He received a new name tag from FASSRD and a photo dangle of Paul Place. His



small bobble head flamingo daughter, Elizabeth continues to ride around in the truck of Canaveral Squares Secretary, Richard Bradley, always exhorting everyone to, "Follow the Bird to the 53rd". Irving relaxes at home with his friends J. Ethelrodd Von Zoomer the third and also displaying his many new dangles as he relaxes at the organ.

Whirl & Twirl

August, another busy month at Whirl & Twirl. Watermelon nights happened on the 16th and 18th. Over 40 members showed up for clean up day on August 19th. The club looks great as usual. Jan and Pete's new round dance class enjoys 5 student couples. (Do round dancers whirl or do they twirl?) The newer square dancers really appreciate Paul's extra teaching before the Wednesday night Mainstream dances.

Whirl & Twirl's Blue Bandits raiders kept up a good pace this summer. We had 59 members go on a raid to the Casselberry Hoedowners on August 20th. More incoming and outgoing raids are scheduled for the next few months.

Our August event was a Mystery Dancer weekend. Jack & Kathy McKinney from Jacksonville and our own Bruce & Colleen Morgan worked behind the scenes on this venture for several months. Forty Mystery Dancers arrived from the Jacksonville area via Amtrak on Friday afternoon only a few hours late. We matched up our "badges" to theirs and took them to our homes (or the Best Western) so they could freshen up; then back to Whirl & Twirl for a fantastic potluck. We all really out-did ourselves on food. Paul Place called a great dance; Pete and Jan Shankle cued the busy floor. Lots of fun by all. Saturday we took our guests to breakfast at the Whistle Junction; but there was an odious problem! The sewer gods worked against Whistle Junction. We reconvened quickly at Golden Corral. Worked out great; then on to the Amtrak station for their return trip to Jacksonville. By the time they departed, they were no longer a mystery, but indeed friends. The clubs from Jacksonville were the Rollaways, Teddy Bear Squares, Seabreeze Singles, and the First Coast Rounds. Many of our visitor stayed with Whirl & Twirl host couples. A full contingent of our members led the kitchen and table set-up brigade, and everyone pitched in to clean up.

Bruce and Colleen Morgan ALL involved in this super event for their super effort. The Morgans and McKinneys deserve three cheers for their initiative and planning in putting this great event together for us. Remember a stranger is just a friend to be. What fun!

Our introductory square dance Shindig happened Sep 5th with Jim & Lili-Ann Gallagher as coordinators for this 16-week class. Paul Place started a Kicks-It-Up-a-Notch class for Plus dancers Sep 19. Sep 15 was Italian potluck and our annual General Meeting night.

Join us for our annual Larry Letson Dance on Sunday, October 15th. Contact Bruce Morgan for tickets (\$6 now and \$7.50 at the door). Whirl & Twirl will have the Halloween Dances on October 25th and 27th. Dig out your favorite customs and join the fun. We dance Mainstream each Wednesday and Plus with Rounds on Fridays at 8:00 p.m.

Ray Helmuth

GRANADA SQUARES

Square dancing is all about family. The following bit of "non"sense gives evidence to that statement. Treasurer Kenly Spilman planned to go on vacation. Secretary Jess offered to be Treasurer in his place while he was gone. At the next club dance Charlie came to pay for the dance. He said he had no money. That's all right, said Jess and gave him \$10 from the treasury. Charlie gave the ten back to pay for he and his wife. He then bought a 50/50 ticket. He now had one dollar left. At the 50/50 drawing Charlie won \$6. He took the winnings and the one dollar and gave Jess the money to pay for the dance. Like I said, this is a bit of "non"sense, but it makes a great story. It also illustrates that we are all family.

Two deaths have occurred within the club family. Kenly and Alice Spilman's son Paul died, at age 43. Joe Hodge's mother died, in West Virginia. We remember both of these families in our thoughts.

July was a great month for dancing. While the numbers were not all that great many guests came to enjoy the calling and friendship.

We were raided twice by other clubs. Tit for tat, we will be going back in August to retrieve one of the banners stolen. Our sights are now set on September, seeking to recruit those who are interested in square dancing. The plans are to form a class. If you know of someone who has Tuesday night open tell them to come and learn how to have a great time square dancing. It sure beats some of the stuff they put on TV.

Come by and visit what we believe is one of the friendliest clubs in central Florida. You won't be disappointed. And the food's great!

Jess and Fay

GRANADA SQUARES

The square dance club is a family. There are joys and sorrows as well as laughter and sharing. This month we report on our joys and sorrows.

August 22 one of the "giants" of our club died. Charlie Sapp was an ardent supporter of square dancing. He and his wife, Winnie, encouraged and participated to the fullest. They were expert banner "raiders". They participated in over 200 raids. This brought many clubs together just to "steal" and "retrieve" banners. Charlie was at the computer playing his favorite game of solitaire when he died suddenly. Winnie appreciates the prayers and support of square dancers not only in our club but in others throughout central Florida. He will be greatly missed. He has passed on the love of square dancing to many of us. Another club member, Romeo, died about the same time. He came down in the winter to dance with us.

September 3 Al "Doc" and Martha Hixon celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary. They, too, are enthusiastic in their love of square dancing. Doc was a caller in the 50's. He loved teaching new dancers. He still teaches by example. They are just fun being with; their laughter rings throughout the hall. Last year Martha broke a hip. In just six weeks she was back to being with us! How's that for fast recovery!

And now it's time for new dancers to be recruited. The pickings seem slim but we try all kinds of publicity to get folks inter-

ested. At this writing we are vigorously pursuing this task. It's really not hard and is fun to get others interested in what we really enjoy doing, whirling around the floor to our international caller, John Saunders. He and his wife Linda are taking some dancers on their latest trip, down the Danube River to Vienna. My guess is that somewhere along the way John will find opportunity to call.

Come and dance with us. We dance on Tuesday nites at the Ormond Beach Adult Center. We always have room for another square or two, or three, or more. See for yourself why we're one the "funnest" clubs in central Florida.

Jess and Fay

SPACE TRACKERS

Space Trackers are going strong. We dance Saturday night at the Brevard County Agricultural Center on Lake Drive in Cocoa. Early rounds are at 7:30 with Phyllis Williams on the 1st and 2nd Saturdays and Vera Smith on the 3rd and 4th Saturdays. Squares start at 8:00 with Whit Brown on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays and guest callers on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays. Join us if you can... I guarantee a good time! And, of course, we attend the CFA dances on any 5th Saturday.

Several Trackers attended the 52nd Florida State Square Dance Convention in Lakeland over Memorial Day weekend. We had a ball. It was great fun. Congratulations Ray and Elsa Huddleston for a job well done!

A special ceremony introduced 6 new members to the Square Dance community; our course graduates are: Ellen Abuelo, Bob and Sarah Kirsch, Dennis and Nancy Taylor, and Laura Parrish. Congratulations to them all!

Our **DBD workshop** was a great success. Most Mondays saw thre to four squares and Whit was amazed with our dancing skills! Really, he claimed we were **very entertaining**... isn't that the same thing?

Our 4th of July, Red White & Blue dance was preceded by our First Saturday Night Dinner (dubbed "Friendship Dinner") for August. We had hot dogs with chili, cheese, sauerkraut, mustard, ketchup, relish, onions, chips, baked beans and brownies. It was

a typical Independence Day celebration. The only thing that wasn't typical was one of our visitors! Irving the Flamingo! He was awarded a Space Tracker Dangle for being a first time visitor. FOLLOW THE BIRD TO THE 53RD!!!

Our August, our Friendship Dinner consisted of "Mexican Delight", followed by the Palm Bay Promenaders "banner banditos" AND we fed our Hairy Antelope. August 12th, we had the opportunity to do something we can't normally do...we raided the Al-lemanders! Our hall was booked for another event, so we went to Satellite Beach and danced instead. After, of course, a WONDERFUL dinner at Texas Roadhouse on Eau Gallie Boulevard.

Don't forget that we are trying to get a bus full of dancers for the National Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina, in June of 2007. If you're interested, please contact me at or (321) 427-7950. We've got about 20 people so far...I'd like to know by the summer's end to coordinate with the Hospitality Committee. We'll have a block of hotel rooms that will only be available for a few months. With the price of gas being what it is (and who knows what it will be this time next year!), this would be a great way to get to the convention without having to mortgage the house for gas money! The cost per person will depend on how many people and the size of the bus we'll need to get. More information on this adventure will follow!

Until next time...hope to see you in a square!

Terri Little

USDA NEWS

United Square Dancers of America has many education publications available to assist square, round, contra, clogging, and other folk dance clubs. We would like to highlight upon Recruiting new dancers. Recruiting new dancers is a never-ending task within the square dance movement. How do we find new prospective dancers? How do we approach them? How do we persuade them that square dancing is the hobby for them? WE RECRUIT, RECRUIT, RECRUIT!

Preparation is essential for a successful recruiting program. To conduct a successful and prosperous recruiting program, a club must design and develop their recruiting plans and guidelines well in advance. Their

plans should consider class dates and schedules, length of class sessions, class size, class fees, class facilities, caller, angels or club helpers, attire, training materials, handouts, literature, interaction and interface with the club members and the club activities, class publicity and promotion, and club member support and involvement with the class. Educate the club members (recruiters) by developing an information sheet that provides answers to questions that will most likely be asked by the new prospects. These information sheets should include data about the club as well as the total square dance activity.

Perform square dance exhibitions or demonstrations at shopping centers, malls, fairs, community events, church events, etc. Be sure to present a colorful, fun and friendly atmosphere to the spectators. Involve the spectators if possible to demonstrate how easy it is and how much fun can be experienced in just a short time. Pass out flyers regarding your club and its class information.

Offer to sponsor a Western Square Dance Party for a church group, civic organization or business group. Sponsor a Benefit Dance for a charitable cause that is open to the public. Demonstrate the club dancing and then involve the spectators, to let them taste the fun and fellowship that goes with square dancing. This recruiting method offers the potential of signing up a complete group of prospects at one time for the lessons.

Advertise via electronic billboards and the community service features of local radio and TV stations. Advertise and publicize by writing club, class, square dance articles for local newspapers and local square dance publications.

Invitations may be developed and sent to prospects or to previous dancers that have dropped out of the dance activity. Promote the square dance activity as a wonderful source of wholesome entertainment, exercise and an opportunity of great fun and fellowship. Offer to pick up your prospects and take them to the first few lessons. Meet with your prospects for a light snack before or after class. Call prospects immediately if they are absent.

The most successful method is soliciting your friends, family members, acquaintances, business associates, etc. Encourage these potentials to bring their friends. For further information go the USDA website .

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