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NEFSARDA News

**Next NEFSARDA meeting will be July 13, 2025, at
St Catherine's Episcopal Church**

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From the Grapevine Editor



This issue of the Grapevine is late again. This stamina thing is for the birds. Last time I broke a bone I was up and around after 4 weeks. Given that was when I was seven years old. Red Hair, About four feet tall and boundless energy. What happened?

I am getting everything going again. I ask your patience. This issue I have done for two months again. Depending on my stamina you will have back-to-back issues. Thank you for your cards and prayers.

The May issue deadline is April 22, 2025

God Bless You All

Stephen F. Bigelow

Dance Club News

The Moose Promenaders – Jacksonville – Caller Bill Chesnut



Mark your calendars - July 24
THERE'S TO BE A DANGLE
DANCE!

Moose Promenaders is hosting a **dangle dance** on Thursday, July 24, 2025, all square dancers. It's our annual Pink Cadillac Dance but with a little extra. Dress style is the 1950s style - poodle skirts, jeans and tee shirts, greased back hair, bouffant flips. The songs will be from the 1950s cued by the lovely and talented Susan Snider and sung by our wonderful caller, Bill Chesnut (newly inducted into the Florida Square and Round Dance Hall of Fame with his taw Mary).

There haven't been many (if any) dangle dances in several years, so the Moose Promenaders is going to revive an old custom. Dangles

JACKSONVILLE
Moose Promenaders
Mainstream & Plus Square Dancing
and
Occasional Line and Round Dancing

Square Dance Lessons 7:00 - 8:15 PM
Plus Level 8:15 – 9 ish PM

Moose Lodge 2020
5051 Collins Road
Jacksonville, Florida
Caller - Bill Chesnut

President
Wayne and Debbie Miller
904 652-5326

Banner Chair
Hanna Watts

are 1" diameter discs that should be worn "dangling" from your name badge, usually on a "Fun Bar". This new dangle, the Pink Cadillac dangle, will be given to each dancer who comes to the dance. Hope to see lots of dancers there.

Scenes of our recent Mar 20th, another fun night of dancing.

It was great dancing with the Rollaways!

Our great caller Bill Chesnut joined by Rollaways caller Mark Fetzer. And rounds cuer Susan snider



More of the march 20th Dance





Above; Rounds in progress

Coastal Georgia Squares - Brunswick, GA - Caller Don Heins

Our small group is energetic, enthusiastic and enjoy dancing-both squares along with a few line dances mixed in from time to time. We also welcomed a new dancer class of seven new dancers that are just beginning their enjoyable journey in our wonderful activity.

We dance most Thursday nights at 7:00 at College Place Methodist Church, 3890 Altama Ave., Brunswick, Ga. unless the church is using the room where we dance, holidays or some other reason that keeps us from dancing.

We appreciate visitors and ask that you please contact caller Don Heins at 912-269-7909 to be sure we're dancing.

**Grand Squares – Gainesville, FL –
Caller Bill Cassidy**

The Grand Squares dances every Tuesday night to caller Bill Cassidy at Meizon Church at 3411 NW 83rd Street in Gainesville. Entrance to fellowship hall is around back. Caller Bill Cassidy is currently teaching a mainstream class as well as plus. Contact Robin at robin.frazer@yahoo.com for more information.

In March we celebrated St. Patrick's Day with a photo booth, live Irish music, an Irish jig demonstration (with group participation), Irish Blessings and some Irish Trivia. Two raffle prizes and plenty of good food made it a perfect dance!













Dixie Dancers - Lake City, FL - Caller Bill Chesnut

Dixie Dancers in Lake City

We hope you will come out and enjoy all the fun any Tuesday night at Teen Town. It is located at 533 W. Desoto Street, Lake City.

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The Dixie Dancers have been a partying bunch this past month. Dancing on Tuesday night's, we were able to hold our Mardi Gras dance on Phat Tuesday. The gold, purple and green came out in full fashion, complete with the snacks to go along with the theme. I don't know who came up with the baby from the King Cake. We also had a great time with our St. Patrick's dance. Green was the color of the night, as we all became Irish for the evening. Now some of the club members are looking forward to making the trek over to Jacksonville for the 5th Saturday dance with Bill, Mark Fetzer and Susan Snider calling and cueing.

We have been getting some regular visits from Frank Plunkett and his bride, Donna. Frank is working hard on his calling and is coming along nicely. They are working on getting a new club going in Gainesville on Sunday nights. More details to follow.

During the summer, we are planning to review and workshop the mainstream and plus calls. Come join us if you need a brush up or if you just want to come have a good time with your neighbors to the west.

Hopefully, all of our dance cancellations are done, so come out to Lake City and dance with us almost any Tuesday evening, starting time is 7 PM. We do encourage you to contact Bill Chesnut 352-256-8628 or Bob and Barbara Rosenthal at 386-365-7136 if you are coming out. We dance in a city owned building so they occasionally don't have the building available. We dance at Teen Town. It is located at 533 W. Desoto Street, Lake City.

We look forward to welcoming you at the Dixie Dancers.

Clover Squares – Chiefland, FL - Caller Jim Duncan

We meet every 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays from 2 to 4 at the Chiefland Methodist Church (Fellowship Hall) in Chiefland
And our Caller is Jim Duncan. Scoop Jesk

Clover Squares met this week and had an Easter Dance and we have pics of two who wore their special hats Katherine and Greg.
We also have a Club picture as we had most everyone there. We always have some who go up north in the summer months. We
Hope to have some youth join us during the summer school break to learn the art of Square Dancing . Our Caller is Jim Duncan
And we do the Main Stream and learning some Plus level of dance

Clover Squares April, 2025





Katherine and Greg in their Easter Bonnets

High Springs Dance Club - High Springs, FL
Caller Bill Cassidy
Cuer Ann Hadsall

High Springs Dance Club is conveniently located halfway between Gainesville and Lake City. We dance at the Civic Center off Highway 441 near Winn Dixie. The dance is every Thursday night from 6:30 to 9 pm with the setup starting at 6:00 pm with the first half hour dedicated to round dance lessons. The address is 19107 NW 240th Street, High Springs, FL. Contact Deborah Cassidy 352-262-0760. Or Becky Thompson (386-216-6976)

There are two holidays in March: Mardi Gras and St. Patrick's Day. We coordinated with our sister club, the Grand Squares in Gainesville, and celebrated Mardi Gras at the High Springs club and St. Patrick's Day at Grand Squares. Many of our dancers go to both clubs.

The Party Gras dance was well planned by our special events coordinator, Katherine Rothgeb. We had lots of decorations and Mardi Gras costumes. As usual, the snack table was overloaded! Best of all, we had games with prizes and a 50/50 drawing with an excited winner.

We relentlessly market the High Springs Square dance club. Our most productive advertising tool is our Facebook group. Postings to our group are often

shared by local townships and posted to their "What's Happening" Facebook pages. Through this and other marketing, we occasionally get people walking in the door with no square dance experience. Our policy is to dedicate one absolute beginner tip to them. At best, maybe 10% return, and they gain more experience each week. It can be a slow process, but we have added dedicated members to the group this way. In this environment, you don't want to miss any opportunity to get a new dancer into your club. Our Facebook group has continued to grow and now has 181 members. We dance at the High Springs Civic Center off Highway 441. The dance is every Thursday night from 6:30 to 9 pm with the first half hour dedicated to round dance lessons. The address is 23760 NW 187th Ave, High Springs, FL.

Contact Deborah Cassidy (352-262-0760)
Becky Thompson (386-216-6976)













High Springs Dance Club

Square Dance Class

Classes start Thursday, June 5, 2025
7:00-8:00pm



High Springs Civic Center
19107 NW 240th St.
High Springs, Florida



Square Dance Caller: Bill Cassidy
Round Dance Cues: Ann Hadsall

Debbie 352-262-0760
Becky 386-216-6976
Dress - casual



enjoy! **SO MUCH FUN** smile+

courtesy of High Springs Parks and Recreation

Seabreeze Singles Jacksonville FL - Caller Mike Akers

Seabreeze Singles Square Dance Club
The Place To Find a Dance Partner Or Bring Your Own
Frances Padgett Senior Center
1078 Rogero Road
Jacksonville FL



Indeed, March was a very lucky month for the Seabreeze Club. We began the month by joining the Rollaways for their touted Chili Cook-Off. Ten members and four club representatives enjoyed an evening of tasting and judging chili entries as well as square dancing in between bites.

The following week we savored apple treats as we learned the true history of John Chapman better known as Johnny Appleseed. Everyone enjoyed dancing a tip to Mike's "Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree."

Our St. Patrick's Day Dance was pure gold. We were blessed with a surprise visit from our past president, Jane Johnson, who was visiting Jacksonville. The lively Irish themed tips contributed to what anyone Irish would describe as truly craic.





We ended the month with a “Hoop”-La when we celebrated March Madness by donning our favorite team’s attire and colors. No rivalries, just fun!

Some Demonstrating Team Spirit



The whole group demonstrated Seabreeze Spirit!



No foolin', April will bring lots of dancing accompanied by entertaining themes.

April 1 April Fool's Day Dance No telling what hijinks will occur.

April 8 Recognizing National Coffee Cake Day We always have coffee, now we're adding the sidekick.

April 15 Tax Day Dance We promise there will be nothing taxing about this dance.

April 22 Celebrating Earth Day Reuse, Repurpose, Recycle

April 29 Blooming Good Time

Join us, fun is awaiting!

Should you have any questions or would appreciate more information about the Seabreeze Square Dance Club, please contact Pam at: gabbygirl_pam@gmail.com



Mixed Nuts Gainesville FL - Caller Bill Chesnut

Mixed Nuts Advanced square dance club meets on Mondays at Grace Presbyterian Church in Gainesville 13 St. & 32 Ave. **from 4-6 pm (note new time change until listed otherwise)**. We try to do "A" Dancing so come on out and join us in the fun and exercise both mentally & physically.

- Scoop Jesk



Left to Right: Mary & Bill Chesnut our Caller and taw, Barbara and Bob behind her, Cheryl, Alicia & George, and on the end is Mark holding the flowers. His wife Susan was the photographer, also a round dance cuer. (Take note of the beautiful Easter Bonnets they are wearing)

Salty Bobbers – Steinhatchee, FL - Caller Charlie Pergrossi

7:00 - 9:00 PM at Community Center, 612 SW 812th Street, Steinhatchee.
Caller Charlie Pergrossi Tuesday night from 7-9 pm
Club Contact Jeanette Geer (352) 507-9425
Banner Chairman Doug Moore (512) 605-7773

Joy Seas – St. Augustine Shores, FL - Caller Mike Akers

This means the Joy Seas will resume regular dances Monday Night 7-9 pm.
We dance from 7 to 9 PM. In the St Augustine South clubhouse on 709 Royal Road in
St Augustine FL 32086
Call before you go to verify, they are dancing Call Mary Burzo 904 501-1817

Square Dance- Camping Club - Caller Bill Chesnut

You had to be there or be square- last weekend was a blast!

Let us talk about luck. Barbara R won the Friday night half and half- yay, and then Marilyn S, who won at her home club Moose Promenaders on Thursday night, won again on Saturday night! Maybe if we rub on her shoulder or something it will work for someone else- like rubbing a Budda belly for good luck.

After our traditional brown bag dinner Friday night- at which several conscientious eaters had salads- (you know who I am talking about Steve and Carol C), we proceeded to have a not so typical Friday night dance- because of visitors we had not only a large audience, but five squares much of the evening! Bill called one of my favorites King of the Road, which surprised some of our newer dancers with its changing tempo. Laura from the campground joined us so we had 4 Lauras most of the evening. Audrey and Bruce, the honeymooners returned to us- congrats! Gail and Gary L paid us a visit. Susan, as always cued some wonderful dances including Uptown Girl, and I don't think I have ever mentioned how pretty it is when she plays Tumbleweed. Those of us not too tired enjoyed an after party in the club house.

Saturday morning residents of the campground served a delicious breakfast, tempting even those of us who normally don't indulge- many thanks! A small group of us played cards-(Bob, Martha, Laura R and Wendy) and then Marilyn and Ron led a group of us who are planning a transatlantic cruise leaving in just two weeks. Lolly and Allan were perhaps the most creative, Marilyn providing the materials and she and Ron providing the technology.

Bill and Susan both led workshops that afternoon- I am sorry that I can't dance in the afternoon and again in the evening because my knee won't take it- so of course Bill and Susan both taught things to be danced later in the evening, and let's just say that for some of us the results weren't pretty for those of us who missed the workshops.

It always pleases me to see the variety of excellent food served at our covered dish dinners. Mary C and I both made meatballs (next time I will check with her). Jill prepared a wonderful pineapple and cheese dish. Can someone tell me who made what I learned to call the red neck caviar (beans, tomatoes, chopped veggies etc)- it was yum. Everything was terrific, let's not forget the desserts!

Ed and Evelyn visited us on Saturday night- you guys are always appreciated. The music flowed, the friendships flourished, many wearing the green to celebrate St Patrick's Day which was Monday. Following the dance, some of us went to the campfire sponsored by Ron and Allan- so peaceful and to me hypnotic.

Dennis and I want to give a big shoutout to Tom, Marshall, and Adam who did plastic surgery on our camper which was missing some panels- you guys' rock! Thank you, Mary C who keeps us, organized, Bill and Susan who lead our dancing, and everyone who attended.

Don't forget our April campout which will be at Stephen Foster State Park.

Keep our ill members in your thoughts and prayers- especially Carolyn S.

Thank you for being friends!

Laura R

SQUARE WHEELS
Chapter 128
CAMPING SCHEDULE – 2025
(Subject to change – Please verify – Revised 11/24/24)
(All Rally Rates Subject to Change Due to Inflation)

June 19-21 **67th NSDCA International Camporee – Shreveport, Louisiana Fairgrounds**
dances. **See nsdca.org, Camping/Dancing, Camporee for registration forms & additional**

Jun 25-28 **74th National Square Dance Convention – Shreveport, LA. See www.74nsdc.com/**
for details

- Aug. 15-16 **Wekiva Falls RV Resort – Campground Not Ready To Take Our Reservation – Call Back Next Spring**
- Sep 19-20 **Southern Oaks RV Resort – Campground Not Ready To Take Our Reservation – Call Back Next Spring.**
- Oct. 23-25 **FANSDC 49th Annual State Camp-O-Ree – Southern Palms RV Resort, One Avocado Lane, Eustis, FL 32726. For more Information see Flyer**
- Nov ?-? **Northeast Florida Sq & Rd Dance 71st Fall Festival. Recommended campground: Kathryn Abbey Hanna Park (904-249-4700). For more Information see ????.**
- Dec 5-6 **SQUARE WHEELS CHRISTMAS PARTY Not Reserved Yet. Too Early The Springs R.V. Resort - 2950 N. E. 52nd Ct, Silver Springs, FL 34488. 352-236-5250. Rally rate ??? per night. Also, they will honor Passport America for 3 days. If staying longer than 3 days, additional days will be at ??? per night. Must call campground to make your reservation. Any deposit will not be refunded but will be honored for future reservation within a year.**

For additional information please contact one of the following:

Mary Chesnut	Tim Hill 352-205-0596
352-475-2550, cell (352) 214-5880	Angela Brown 352-408-5721
marynut4@gmail.com	doramiata62@yahoo.com

You can also dance to Bill on Tuesday nights, with the Dixie Dancers in Lake City or Thursday nights with Moose Promenaders in Jacksonville.

Rollaways Jacksonville, FL - **Caller Mark Fetzer; Cuer Susan Snider**

The Rollaways had a wonderful March. Thank you to everyone that came to our Chili Cook-Off. Having all the visitors is what makes it so much fun. Our new dancers are doing great. We were dark on the 18th due to Sandalwood's Spring break. We have had several Rollaways that have had health scares. Most are on the mend. Sawyer spent his Spring Break in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania having surgery on his small intestine. He is traveling home as I write this. Joan Amarino and Dianne Syphard are also recovering from surgery. Carolyn Shacter is back home recovering from a stay in the hospital with the flu and other issues they are still trying to have explained to them.

We have a busy April. Starting with an Easter dance planned on the 15th, so get working on your Easter Bonnet for our Easter Bonnet competition. We will celebrate our 37th Anniversary on April 22nd. Then we will have our Red Solo Cup dance on April 29th. You are always welcome at the Rollaways. We dance on Tuesday evening at 8:00 p.m. in the cafeteria at Sandalwood High School, 2750 John Prom Blvd, Jacksonville, FL 32246. We park in the parking lot #2.

Mark Fetzer



Lots of Fun was had by all Dancing to the calling of Mark



Mary Dean Winner of the Chili Cookoff



Grill cheese by Mary Ann and Linda



16 bowls of chili to choose from.



Moose Promanders Retrieving their Banner

First Coast Rounds

Beginner Two Step Classes

Start Friday, March 28th

St Catherine's Church

4758 Shelby Ave, Jacksonville, FL, 32210

10:00 am

To

11:00 am



\$7

Per Dancer

Contact Susan Snider

CALL (not a cell phone) 904-908-5184

Outreach to the Community

Mary Ellen Ludeking called a square dance at the Riverside YMCA in Jacksonville on March 27, 2025. The theme of the Spring Fling square dance was "Swing your feet to a healthy beat". Mary Ellen & Bill are grateful to the Moose Promenaders – Jim Moss and Steve & Cathy Grant for participating in the square dance as angels and for all of their help. (See picture below.) The purpose of the dance was to introduce folks to square dancing. The participants enjoyed the dance and especially liked dancing to "When the Saints Go Marching In" and dancing with an attitude to the call "Single File Promenade".



Fall Festival 2025



71st
Northeast Florida Square and Round Dance
Fall Festival!

October 31st and November 1st, 2025
Jacksonville, Florida

Caller

Ted Kennedy

Location:
Trinity Lutheran Church
1415 McDuff Ave S.
Jacksonville, FL, 32205

Cuers

Earle & Carol Collins

\$20 per Person

Recommended Hotels
Hilton Garden Inn Orange Park
145 Park Avenue, Orange Park, FL 32073
904-458-1577

Recommended Campground
Sunny Oaks RV Park
www.sunnyoaksrvparkjacksonville.com
8654 & 8406 New Kings Rd
Jacksonville, FL 32219

Schedule
Friday
7:00 p.m. - Early Rounds
7:30 p.m. - 9:30 - Squares with Rounds
Saturday
12:00 - 2:00 Round Dance workshop
2:00 - 4:30 Square Dancing
Mainstream, Plus and Advanced
7:00 p.m. Early Rounds
7:30 Squares with Rounds

Contact Susan Snider for information: (904) 908-5184

Camping for the Fall Festival

Northeast Florida
Square and Round Dance
70th Fall Festival!
October 31st and November 1st, 2025
Jacksonville, Florida



CONVENIENTLY LOCATED

8654 & 8406 New Kings Rd
Jacksonville, FL 32219

sunnyoaksrvparkjacksonville.com

904-619-6118

- \$60.00 day
- 50% deposit, refundable up to 10 days before reservation
 - Full hook-up, all sites 50 amp
- 12 miles, 20 minutes to Fall Festival
- Must make own reservations

Ramblings from beautiful downtown Melrose – by Bill Chesnut

I told it through the Grapevine: Ramblings from beautiful downtown Melrose.

The March winds will soon subside and hopefully give us April showers and flowers.

Pollen has been crazy this year. That completes the weather report.

It seems that bad news always comes in 3's. I received more bad news recently that a longtime friend and fellow caller Tom Miller passed away. Tom had dealt with a bunch of health issues but continued his active calling and teaching schedule. Tom recorded on ESP records with Elmer Sheffield, who recently passed away. Tom made a bunch of us callers better and I will miss him.

One of our square dance traditions has kind of slipped away. A Knothead Trip was planned by most clubs shortly after class graduation. To make Knothead, you had to travel with a square to a dance at least 100 miles away. You were expected to return that same night. The trip could not be to a convention, but preferably a club dance. Great friendships were made by these trips, and it was a perfect way to welcome new dancers into your group. We had a Knothead Konvention Labor Day weekend, originally in Clearwater, then Tampa and finally Lakeland. I always looked forward to the Konventions because it was my weekend as a dancer. State conventions are a working weekend for most callers and Knothead was just fun. Maybe as we grow our activity back post covid, we can see some of the big weekend dances return. Recruit a new dancer to join in.

Speaking of conventions, the planning is well underway for the 71st State Square and Round Dance Convention in Deltona again, January 15, 16, 17 and 18. Prepare to be danced a bunch and entertained. The committee always has a few new wrinkles, and I look forward to what is in store for next year.

Are you going to the national convention in Shreveport, LA this year? I enjoy nationals but have not been as much as in the last few years. They are all fun to attend, and you do get to meet great people and dancers from around the country.

I feel so fortunate that my parents forced me into this activity and so very blessed that Mary decided to join in on the fun 39 years ago.

Now wash your hands and go recruit some new dancers. Bill & Mary Chesnut

Tom Miller, another great caller, gone too soon



I heard one time that you should never complain about getting older because it is denied to so many. I agree, but there are a bunch of things that I don't care for with getting older. One of those is the lack of mobility and the extra pain of trying to move around. Another is the almost constant doctor appointments and the little ailments that come with age. But most of all it is the almost constant loss of friends. We added another this month, the multi-talented and true professional in the calling business, TOM MILLER.

Tom and I have crossed paths several times over the last 50 years, and everyone was a truly enjoyable experience. He put on a couple of clinics for the Florida Callers Association, and they were always well attended by both new and very experienced callers.

Tom recorded on a number of square dance labels, but mostly ESP. With the loss of Elmer Sheffield still fresh on our minds; Tom went to join him on that heavenly dance floor. Tom had just released a tribute singing call dedicated to Elmer, Road Dog Lament, ESP 371. This song fits both of them and so many more of the callers that have passed on.

Jerry Story, another caller that left us too early, released a singing call on Royal Records to the George Jones hit, "Who's Gonna Fill Their Shoes" RYL 628. Jerry did this as a tribute to some of the callers that were gone. I use the record to remember some of my mentors, and now I shall add Tom to the list.

Tom, the pain is gone, and your rest is well earned, but you will be missed by the callers and dancers you touched.

NEFSARDA's 5th Saturday Afternoon Dance Schedule

The plans for the 5th Saturday Dances in 2025 are May 31, August 30 and Nov 29



Sunshine Dance!
Dancers of All Experience Levels
Welcome!
May 31, 2025

Don Heins - Caller Ann Hadsall - Cues Bill Cassidy - Caller

Location:
Trinity Lutheran Church
1415 McDuff Ave S.
Jacksonville, FL 32205

Contact:
Virginia Bomhold
(904) 521-2754

Early Rounds
1:30-2:00
Squares/Rounds
2:00-4:00
\$5 per person

Fifth Saturday Dance
by NEFSARDA

Virginia Bramhold
Vice President NEFSARDA

Cares and Concerns

We have several dancers in our community who are not well. Their situations are sometimes temporary and sometimes serious. We ask that you keep these dancers in your thoughts and prayers, plus we hope for speedy recoveries for all. Please notify us

about all dancers who should be on this list by contacting us on grapevine@sfbigelow.com

John Allen – Moose Promenaders
Ralph Beekman – Dixie Dancers
Victor Figueroa - Grand Squares
Ken Shacter – Rollaways
Sawyer Gray Rollaways
Linda Tester Rollaways, Treasurer, and Past President of NEFSARDA.
Tom Herscha – Moose Promenaders
Sarah Edinboro - Coastal Georgia
Dianne Syphard - Rollaways
Carolyn Shacter - Rollaways

In Memory Of



Dee Dee and Bessie Stovall

Donald Terry Stovall, also known as Dee Dee, 91, passed away peacefully on March 3, 2025. He was born on July 21, 1933, To parents Margie Elizabeth B. and Clyde Stovall. Donald graduated from Andrew Jackson Senior High School in 1951. Dee Dee pitched a no hitter against Fletcher High School. He was selected to be a member of the All-County PREP baseball Team. He went on to proudly serve his country as a United State Marine. In 1954 he married his high school sweetheart, Bessie Wynn Stovall. He was employed with Western Auto Supply Company. As a service tech for over 25 years. Donald joined the Jacksonville Fire Department in 1960, He earned his Associate of Science degree in Fire Science and Prevention in 1988. After 32 years of dedicated service, he retired as a District Fire Chief from Jacksonville Fire and Rescue in 1992, Dee Dee was an active square dancer for over 34 years and served as President of the NEFSARDA in 1996. He and Bessie traveled with fellow square dancers to most of the National Conventions. He was also an active member of the First Coast Golf Association. He had 2 notable accomplishments in his golfing career. One was a hole in one in 2009 at Mill Cove Golf Club and Shooting a score of eighty-two at his age of 82. He was always up for a round of golf with his friends. Donald was preceded in death by his mother, Margie Elizabeth Stovall-Jenness; Father Clyde Stovall; sister Betty Carolyn "BB" Rogers; and son Raymond Brian Stovall. Donald survived by his wife, Bessie W. Stovall of 71 years; son Donald Terry Stovall, Jr.; daughter Mary Elizabeth Stovall; grandson

Matthew Preston Stovall and great granddaughter Riley Elizabeth Stovall." DeeDee was buried in Arlington Park Cemetery, Jacksonville, FL. In 2025 Bessie lived at [2730 Pine Summit Dr E, Jacksonville, FL 32211-4049](https://www.google.com/maps/place/2730+Pine+Summit+Dr+E,+Jacksonville,+FL+32211-4049)

DeeDee and Bessie served as:

2012 – Teddy Bear Squares President

2001 – Fall Festival Chairmen "Run for the Roses"

1998 – NEFSARDA Dance Couple of the Year

1998 – NEFSARDA Visitation Chairman

1996-2001 – **FLORIDA Federation of Square Dancers (Parliamentarian – President)**

1997-1998 - NEFSARDA Immediate Past President

1997 – NEFSARDA Visitation Chairman

1996 – FL State Square & Round Dance Convention Housing Vice Chairman

1996 – NEFSARDA President

1995 – NEFSARDA Vice President

1995-1997 – NEFSARDA Visitation Chairman

1994 – FL State Square & Round Dance Convention Housing Chairman

1994 – NEFSARDA delegate from Teddy Bear Squares

1993 – Circle of Service Award

1993 – NEFSARDA Fall Festival Chairman

1991-1994 – NEFSARDA delegate from Teddy Bear Squares

1991-1992 – Lone Star Swingers Treasurer

1989 – FL State Square & Round Dance Convention Registration & Housing Chairman

They were members of:

Fun n' Frolic

Happy 2 Be

Rollaways

Lone Star Swingers

Seaside Squares (1964)

Teddy Bear Squares

National Square and Round Dance Convention

2025	<u>74th National Square dance Convention Shreveport LA</u>
June 25-28	<u>https://74thnsdc.com/</u>
2026	75th National in Waco Texas
	<u>https://75nsdctx.com/</u>
2027	76th National in Loveland CO
	<u>https://76nsdc.com/</u>

This is the current list that I have for all NEFSARDA clubs in the Northeast area. If your information is wrong or changes, please have an officer of your club notify the Grapevine editor, Stephen Bigelow. If you would like your club added, consider joining NEFSARDA, then send me your club information.

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Monday Clubs

Mixed Nuts

Mixed Nuts Advanced Square Dance Club, Dancing Monday afternoons 4 – 6 pm
Grace Presbyterian Church, 3146 N W 13th Street, Gainesville, FL
Caller Bill Chesnut 352-256-8628

Joy Seas

7 to 9 PM. St Augustine South Club house in St Augustine FL 32086
Call before you go to verify they are dancing Call Mary Burzo 904 501-1817. See our current article for updates.
Mike Akers Caller

Tuesday Clubs

Rollaways

7:00 – 9:00 PM at Sandalwood High School 2750 John Prom Boulevard, Jacksonville
Caller Mark Fetzer
Cuer Susan Snider
President Anna Nickelson
Banner Chairman Virginia Bomhold (904) 521-2754

Seabreeze Singles

Dance Review 7:00 to 7:30 PM, Club Dance 7:30 to 9:30 PM at Frances Padgett
Arlington Senior Center, 1078 Rogero Road, Jacksonville.
Caller Mike Akers
President Pamela Newman (904) 516-7115
Banner Chairman Vickie BeLue (904) 707-8188

Salty Bobbers

7:00 – 9:00 PM at Community Center, 612 SW 812th Street, Steinhatchee.
Caller Charlie Pergrossi
Club Contact Jeanette Geer (352) 507-9425
Banner Chairman Doug Moore (512) 605-7773

Dixie Dancers

7:00 – 9:30 PM at Teen Town, 533 NW DeSoto Street, Gainesville.

Caller Bill Chesnut

President and Banner Chairman Bob and Barbara Rosenthal (386) 466-2984

Grand Squares

6:30 to 8:30 PM at Meizon Church, 3411 NW 83rd Street, Gainesville, FL

Callers Lon Ligon

Club Contact Robin Frazer (352) 317-1636

Wednesday Clubs

Clover Squares — 1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays of the month from 3-5 at the First United Methodist Church in Chiefland, 707 North Main Street, Chiefland, FL

Caller Jim Duncan

Club Contact Gerry Jesk (352) 949-4446

Thursday Club

Coastal Georgia Squares

7:00 to 9:00 Christian Life Center behind College Place UMC, 3890 Altama Ave, Brunswick, GA. If you're planning to attend the dance from out of town, **please contact me prior to the dance** in case there is a conflict with a church activity.

Don Heins – (912) 269-7909. donheins@MSN.com

High Springs Dance Club is conveniently located halfway between Gainesville and Lake City. We dance at the Civic Center off Highway 441 near Winn Dixie. The dance is every Thursday night from 7 to 9 pm with the setup starting at 6:30 pm. The address is 19107 NW 240th Street, High Springs, FL. **Contact Deborah Cassidy to confirm we are dancing. 352-262-0760.**

Moose Promenaders

Club dance 7:00 to 9ish PM at Moose Lodge,
5051 Collins Road, Jacksonville.

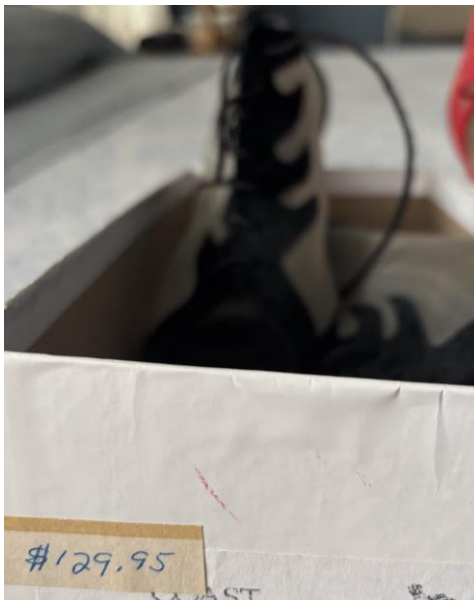
Caller Bill Chesnut

President Wayne and Debbie Miller

Banner Chairman Hanna Watts (904) 387-6287

For sale by a square dancer

I have attached a photo of 6 pairs of dance shoes I am interested in selling All size 9.
The original cost of shoes is shown on the one box of \$129.95
I AM ONLY ASKING \$150 FOR ALL 6 PAIR. The colors are BLACK, RED, SILVER
GLITTER, BLK/SILVER, TAN, AND GOLD GLITTER, In case the pictures are not clear.
I know many of the dancers' dance to Rod Barngrover and I can get the shoes to him
should anyone be interested.
Thank u much
Lorraine Spicer Piccora telephone 386 847-6907



First Coast Rounds

Beginner Two Step Classes

Start Friday, March 28th

St Catherine's Church

4758 Shelby Ave, Jacksonville, FL, 32210

10:00 am

To

11:00 am



\$7

Per Dancer

Contact Susan Snider

CALL (not a cell phone) 904-908-5184

Fall Festival 2025



**71st
Northeast Florida Square and Round Dance
Fall Festival!**

**October 31st and November 1st, 2025
Jacksonville, Florida**

Caller



Ted Kennedy

Location:
Trinity Lutheran Church
1415 McDuff Ave S.
Jacksonville, FL, 32205

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\$20 per Person

Recommended Hotels
Hilton Garden Inn Orange Park
145 Park Avenue, Orange Park, FL, 32073
904-458-1577

Recommended Campground
Sunny Oaks RV Park
www.sunnyoaksrvparkjacksonville.com
8654 & 8406 New Kings Rd
Jacksonville, FL 32219

Schedule
Friday
7:00 p.m. - Early Rounds
7:30 p.m. - 9:30 - Squares with Rounds

Saturday
12:00 - 2:00 Round Dance workshop
2:00 - 4:30 Square Dancing
Mainstream, Plus and Advanced
7:00 p.m. Early Rounds
7:30 Squares with Rounds

Contact Susan Snider for information: (904) 908-5184

Camping for the Fall Festival

**Northeast Florida
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CONVENIENTLY LOCATED

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Jacksonville, FL 32219

sunnyoaksrvparkjacksonville.com

904-619-6118

- \$60.00 day
- 50% deposit, refundable up to 10 days before reservation
 - Full hook-up, all sites 50 amp
 - 12 miles, 20 minutes to Fall Festival
 - Must make own reservations

Plus, Advance, and C1

(2 Halls)

Knoxville Jamboree

July 25 & 26, 2025

Dancing starts Friday at 2:00pm

DANCING AT SQUARE DANCE CENTER
828 TULIP AVE.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37921



Steve Kopman



Jet Roberts

**WOODEN FLOORS
GREAT SOUND**

Weekend Dance Cost: \$125 per couple

Make Checks Payable to: Knoxville Jamboree

Your cancelled check is your receipt

Square Dance Attire Suggested for Evening Sessions Only

Recommended Hotel

LaQuinta Hotel

1317 Kirby Rd. • Knoxville, TN
37909

Rate: \$139+tax/night

(865) 321-1840

Mention "Knoxville Jamboree"

Pizza Party Saturday Night!

Weekend Dance Fee - \$125 • For additional dance schedule information, contact Steve & Debbie Kopman
PO Box 51142, Knoxville, TN 37950 • email: stevekopman1@gmail.com • (865) 599-3841

Last Name: _____ His First Name: _____ Her First Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Email: _____

Dance Level (Please Check One): ☐ Plus ☐ A2 ☐ C1

Check # _____ Amount _____ Date _____

Send to: Steve & Debbie Kopman, PO Box 511422, Knoxville, TN 37950 • email: stevekopman1@gmail.com

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The 74th National Square Dance Convention® is proud to present...

KEYNOTE SPEAKER TONY OXENDINE

DATE:



Thursday,
June 26,
2025

TIME:



10-11 am



LOCATION:

Level 1, Hall 2
(Auditorium),
Shreveport
Convention
Center



*The 74th NSDC thanks
Tony for bringing
Tom Miller's message
to Shreveport!*

Topic: Leadership - Being Someone Who Makes Our Hobby Better

What is leadership & what does it really mean?

What are the benefits of being a leader, both to you & those that you lead?
Leadership IS for everyone & being a leader doesn't have to consume your life.

Tony was introduced to square dancing in 1972 through a teenage square dance program sponsored by the local Parks and Recreation Department. In 1974 Tony attended Promenade Hall Callers College in Indiana where he first met Dick Jones. Tony was so impressed with Dick that he "borrowed" much of his style and started using this new style in his own calling. In 1980 Tony made calling his full-time career and he now travels almost 300 days annually doing festivals and dances all over the world. He routinely calls in over 30 states each year, and has called in all 50 states. Tony has also called in Canada, Saudi Arabia, England, Sweden, Germany, Japan, Holland, Denmark, Belgium, Czech Republic, Taiwan, Australia, Norway, and Austria. In 1985 Tony and Jerry Story founded Royal Records. Tony is an Accredited Caller Coach and an accredited member of CALLERLAB. He has served on CALLERLAB's Board, its Executive Board of Governors, and two terms as Chairman of the Board. In 2000, Tony received CALLERLAB's highest award - The Milestone.

For more information on Tony Oxendine, go to <https://www.tonyoxendine.com>.

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CAMPING & SQUARE DANCING TRAIL-IN BONANZA

If you are attending the

74th National Square Dance Convention in Shreveport, Louisiana

**June 25
thru
June 28
2025**



Gabby Gator invites you to begin your camping/dancing fun with the TRAIL-THRU Event being held before the 74th Convention at the at La. State Fairgrounds 3701 Hudson Ave, Shreveport

Nightly After Parties will be held at the State Fairground facility during the convention.

**67th
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**June 19
thru
June 21**

**Camporee
Trail-In Dance
June 18**

Square Dance Bash on the Bayou

Come, enjoy 4 plus days of Camporee Fun with Square & Round Dancing, Line Dancing, Workshops, Games & Crafts, save 'Time & Money' sharing in our Pot Luck Dinners instead of eating out. Meet friendly fellow campers & enjoy time to relax and visit area attractions. What a BONANZA!

Visit us at NSDCA.org or contact **Susan Wolford (256) 673-0170**

Sign up for the Camporee and stay camped in the same site for both events.

PUBLICATION DEADLINES

Association	Publication	Due Dates	Contacts
Central	<i>Keepin' Posted</i> (Folded in 2023)	Email to Ailene and she will distribute in Central.	Ailene Picheco apicheco@att.net 321-652-0680
Northeast	<i>The Grapevine</i>	The 22 nd of each month	Stephen Bigelow grapevine@sfbigelow.com 904-612-1081
Northwest	<i>Panhandle Press</i>	Dec 15 for Jan/Feb/Mar Mar 15 for Apr/May/Jun Jun 15 for Jul/Aug/Sep Sept 15 for Oct/Nov/Dec	Barb McDonald Barbaramcdonald310@gmail.com 850-217-2890
Southeast	No publication	Email to Cathy and she will distribute in Southeast.	Cathy Waltz Seflaemails@gmail.com 954-801-4101
West Coast Area	<i>DANCERgram</i> <i>This & That Planner</i> <i>Directory</i> <i>Joys, Concerns, & Sympathies</i>	25 th of each month Every Friday As Needed As Needed	Penny Green sqdnxfan@gmail.com 863-224-3393
National Square Dance Campers	<i>NSDCAtimes</i>	January 31 – Mar/Spring April 30 – Jun/Summer Jul 31 – Sept/Fall Oct 31 – Dec/Winter	Ken Schacter NSDCAtimes@gmail.com 904-677-2694
Florida	<i>Bow & Swing</i>	15 th of each month	Stephen Bigelow bowandswing@sfbigelow.com 904-612-1081
Florida	Florida Website	No deadlines	Cliff Reiss dgramwebmaster@yahoo.com 813-390-1984
International	<i>USDA News</i> ¹	Jan-Mar - 12/1 Apr-Jun - 3/1 Jul-Sep - 6/1 Oct-Dec - 9/1	Art & Lilly Harden News@usda.org 970-262-6415
Federation	Florida Email Tree	No due dates	Penny Green sqdnxfan@gmail.com 863-224-3393