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EDITORIAL

Editorial by Mary Giera

It is getting harder and harder to find dedicated workers to step up to positions of importance - positions that will ensure our activity continues. The Moose Promenaders club is proud to announce a couple, Steve and Cathy Grant, fairly new to square and round dancing who have done just that. [Remember when you graduated from square dance class we spoke about Democracy, Duty, Friendship and Fun? Steve and Cathy are fulfilling the duty part.] They have accepted a position on the Board of Florida Federation of Square and Round Dancers starting in January 2026. I'm sure we'll be hearing their names often in the coming years. Thank you, Steve and Cathy Grant.

Also a big thank you to Linda Tester and Shirley Wright who have been serving on that same board from Northeast Florida for several years (term now ending), and in Linda Tester's case, several other terms.

Thank you to all persons who serve on the NEFSARDA Board and to all Club officers. You, too, are fulfilling the Duty part of our pledge.

NEFSARDA News

In regard to the above editorial. NEFSARDA has the following openings in their upcoming election President and Recording Secretary. Please consider these positions

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From the Grapevine Editor



This issue of the Grapevine is on Time for the third month in a row.

I danced a square for the first time this year

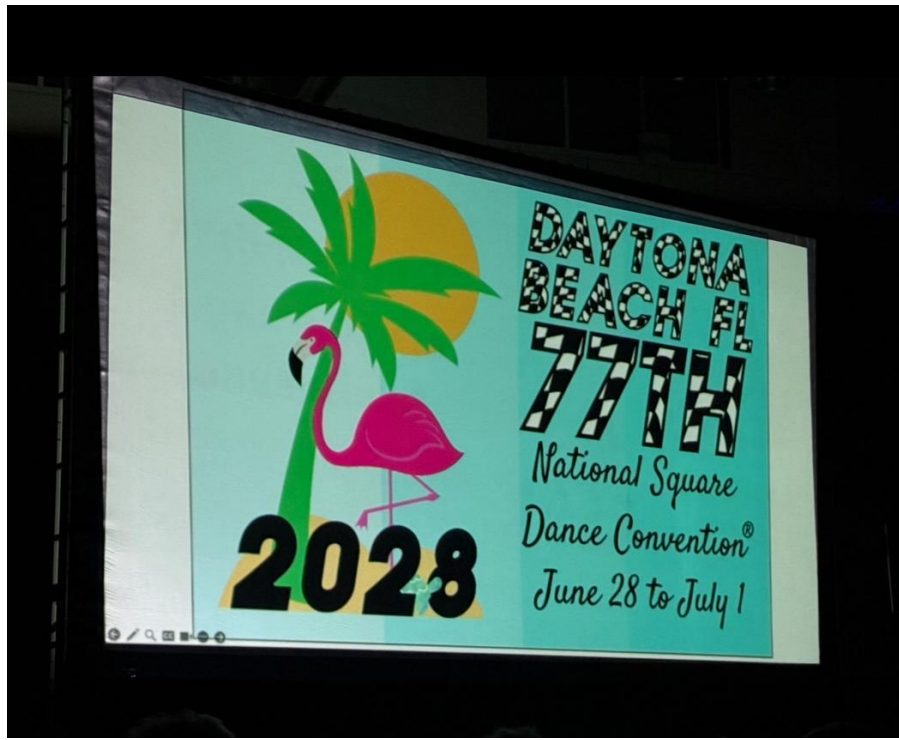
Tell your friends and family. Tell everyone that you associate with Lessons are starting. Bring the people that you know into this hobby that we all enjoy

The October issue deadline is September 22, 2025

God Bless You All

Stephen F. Bigelow

Florida Will Host the 77'th National Square Dance Convention in 2028!





Dance Club News

Moose Promenaders

5051 Collins Rd
Jacksonville, FL 32244

6:15 PM – advanced square dancing

7:00–9ish - square dance plus lessons with round dancing between tips

August was a HOT and sizzling month, both inside (as the air conditioner went out at the Moose Lodge again) and outside. Also hot were our amateur caller and cuer who performed during amateur caller and cuer night. Mary Giera sang "Ob-La-Di, Ob-La-Da" while the square dancers followed her calls, then Fran Bitter took the mike and cued the round dancers.

There were lots of Arrrrrhs and other pirate talks the night we held the Pirate Ball. Bill Chesnut, our illustrious caller, finished up teaching the plus calls so we, as a club, are ready (as angels) to greet a new class of students now that September is here. The more, the merrier.

So good to see Stephen Bigelow up and dancing after a long recovery on his leg! There he is dancing a round with Mary Gierra

JACKSONVILLE
Moose Promenaders
Mainstream & Plus Square Dancing
and
Round Dancing

Advanced Dancing 6:15 to 7:00
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

Upcoming Dances



Action shot of our Amateurs, Mary Gierra on the left and Fran Bitter on the right, and our beloved Bill Chesnut making ALL the FUN come together!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sep 4
Sep 11

Open House for new dancers – invite someone!
Open House (2nd week) for new dancers – Let us get a big class!

March 7-15, 2026

Cruzen for Bob #9 (Sign up soon!)
[Itinerary: Port Canaveral – Grand Turk – San Juan – Saint Maarten – Saint Thomas – and back to Port Canaveral]

And we all said...Thank you!



Coastal Georgia Squares - Brunswick, GA - Caller Don Heins

The Coastal Georgia Squares are pleased to announce that our current new dancer class is having their graduation Thursday, Oct. 2, 2025. at 7:00 PM. It will be an honor to welcome them into our wonderful activity.

Our small but enthusiastic group dances at College Place Methodist Church, 3890 Altama Ave., Brunswick, Ga. Come to the back of the church. We dance on Thursday nights from 7:00-9:00. A few times per year we have to cancel as the church uses the room where we dance.

If you're planning a visit. Please contact Don Heins at either 912-265-1504 or 912-268-7909 to be sure we're dancing.

Don Heins

High Springs Dance Club **Caller Bill Cassidy** **Cuer Ann Hadsall**

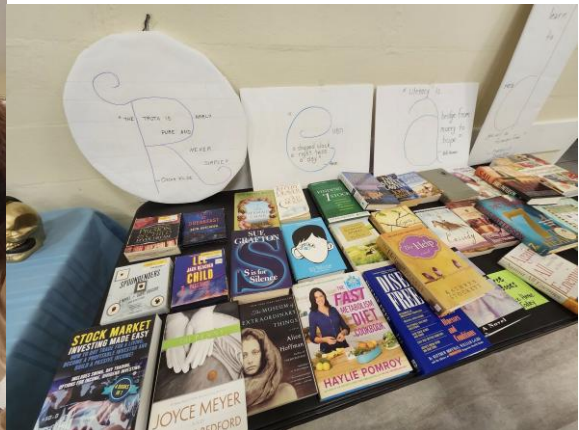
High Springs Dance Club is conveniently located halfway between Gainesville and Lake City. We dance at the Civic Center off Highway 441 near Winn Dixie. The dance is every Thursday night from 6:30 to 9 pm with the setup starting at 6:00 pm with the first half hour dedicated to round dance lessons. The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

Our Thursday night High Springs dance club is full of happy, fun people. We gather to enjoy each other's company and dance the night away. Our group consists of dancers at all levels of square dance and round dance proficiency. We try to divide the square dance tips between beginner/student dancers and those with more experience. Occasionally, we will call a plus-level tip. Everyone continues to learn and to become better dancers.

The August special themed dance was called. Read a book. Who would have thunk people could dance while reading a book! Just kidding, everyone brought books to share and to donate to the High Springs little library. The dance had a very high level of participation. Many dancers were dressed as characters from books. We had little bow peep, the big bad Wolf, two Dorothy's from the Wizard of Oz, a dancer dressed as Crayola crayons because she loves coloring books, an inspector, and several more.

The special party dance for September will be a '50s/'60s sock hop. The dance will be held on September 11, 2025, from 630 until 9 PM.

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













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

The Grand Squares, led by caller Bill Cassidy, dances every Tuesday Night from 6:30-8:30 at Meizon Church at 3411 NW 83rd Street in Gainesville, Florida. The dance hall is around to the back of the church. We have some dancers taking classes, so we dance beginner, mainstream and plus.

Some musicians gather before the dance at about 5:15 to have a little jam session and sing along, just for fun. So, if you play an instrument, like to sing or just like to listen, feel free to join in. Marc Frazer has dubbed the group the Meizon Mountain Boys and Gals!















Dixie Dancers - Lake City, FL - Caller Bill Chesnut

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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Dixie Dancers in Lake City

The Dixie Dancers have had some new visitors come check us out lately and we hope they will keep coming. The travelers are mostly back and we should be on track for a good fall dance season. We are always affected by the football field next door this time of year. Now, if we could only find a way to get those parents and kids to come back and dance with us. We would need a bigger hall. And a friendly reminder, our new dance lessons start after the youth football season is over. Parking is a challenge the next few weeks.

The Dixie Dancers have a very nice wood floor to dance on, the air conditioning is good and the caller is Bill Chesnut with occasional visits by Frank Plunkett. Come on down and have a great time.

We welcome visitors any Tuesday, but make sure you check with us before coming out this summer. 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, Cheifland FL, Caller Jim Duncan

We are Clover Squares of Levy County. Our caller is Jim Duncan and his taw is Sandra Duncan. We are a Basic, Mainstream club with announced Plus tips.

We dance from 3-5 the First, Third and Fifth Wednesdays making it a good time for folks to travel and be home before dark. We dance at the *Florida United Methodist Church* 707 N. Main Street Chiefland, FL 32626 where we meet now in the fellowship hall.



Seabreeze Singles Jacksonville FL - Caller Mike Akers

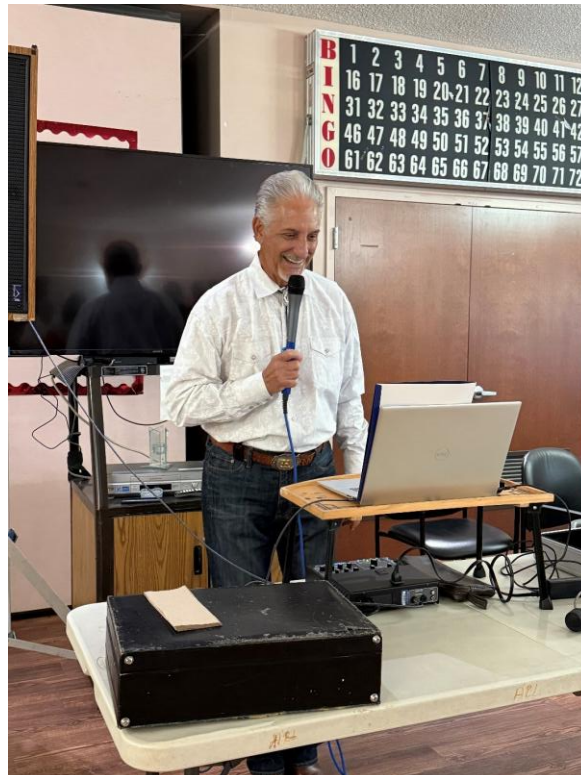
Seabreeze Singles Square Dance Club
The Place To Find a Dance Partner Or Bring Your Own
Frances Padgett Senior Center
1078 Rogero Road
Jacksonville FL 32211



The Seabreeze Club is devoted to ensuring a fun square dance set in a relaxed atmosphere of comfort and fellowship.

As our custom, here our highlights from one of our August dances. Oh, what enjoyment was derived from our step up to the mic with Mike night. With the exception of Jim Riddle who was gung-ho with this idea of giving the dancers a chance to call, there was a bit of apprehension in the air among the other amateurs. Overall, it was a great experience for the newbie callers as well as the dancers.

Jim Riddle even dressed the part!



Janet Riddle takes a turn.



Jim Wemore shows us how it's done!



Pamela Newman participates as well.



Floretta Tysver performs a lovely duet with Mike.



We have very special memories of a very special dance.

More opportunities for your dancing enjoyment are ahead in September.

September 2 Celebrating Labor Day (Another great opportunity to sport your red, white, and blue.)

September 9 Recognizing and Celebrating National Grandparents' Day

September 16 Seabreeze Club's 49th Anniversary Celebration!!

September 23 Fall Frolic Dance

September 30 Denim and Lace Dance

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



Blast from the Past



Front and center is Mrs. Nettie Wimpee Cribb. The photo was taken at August 30, 2025 Fifth Saturday Dance. Nettie is my neighbor, but she's so much more than that. In 1976 her 1st husband, caller Matt Wimpee, started Seabreeze Singles Square Dance Club. Nettie was the workhorse behind its success. Like all good taws, Nettie made the phone calls, greeted people at the door and supported the club in every way. Seabreeze Singles (not restricted to just single members) will be celebrating their 49th anniversary on **September 16 at 7:00 PM** at the
Arlington Senior Center
1078 Rogero Road
Jacksonville, FL

Nettie hopes to be there to help them celebrate. All square dancers are invited to do the same. Seabreeze Singles' President **Pam Newman** and their current caller, **Mike Akers**, will make sure we all have a great evening of fun and dance. Incidentally, Mike Akers learned to square dance from Matt Wimpee in Matt's 1st Seabreeze Singles Square dance class. What goes around comes around. - written by Mary Giera

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

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

Contact Jeanette Geer (352) 507-9424 Banner Chairman Doug Moore (512) 605-7773

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

Caller Mike Akers and the Joy Seas square dancers welcome you to St. Augustine Shores, Florida.

We dance on Monday Night
7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

Our location is:
St. Augustine South Clubhouse
709 Royal Road
St. Augustine, Florida 32086

Please call and verify we are dancing by contacting
Mary Burzo (904) 501-1817-

You'll always experience "Joy" when dancing with the Joy Seas.

Square Dance- Camping Club - Caller Bill Chesnut

We are getting so close to the end of the summer doldrums. Hooray! After two months of no square dance camping we are back in motion. Due to the combined efforts of Tom H, Marshall B and Adam C, Dennis and I were able to once again go camping because they installed our new camper AC- it was deliciously cold!

We are excited to welcome new members, Fran and Chuck Bitter, who are also members of the Moose Promenaders. Fran is a former cuer who showed her stuff this weekend, when Susan shared the mic with her. And, in my 11th year of dancing I finally got to see Bill Chesnut cueing- a waltz and it was just lovely.

We had two visiting couples- Robin and Marc Frazer and Julie and Mark Dicks- they both round and square dance, so Susan had a full floor of beautifully spinning couples. Bill Chesnut and Mark Fetzer entertained us as they danced as a couple to a two step, Sunflower. Barbara Stiver was the top at "kick and shake".

Elvis was in the building Saturday night- or anyway, Susan cued to Are You Lonesome Tonight and Bill called to Moody Blue. Bill called an advanced tip on Friday and a fast paced plus tip on Saturday- showing all of us we need more practice.

As always, we ate well. Seven of us went to Hollerbach's German Restaurant in Sanford on Friday (missing three of our men folk when Marshall and Tom, once again, came to the rescue of the Ramsey's who came with the wrong power cords- it would have cost \$480 plus tax to purchase a replacement one!) At our potluck Saturday it was chicken night- prepared five different ways. Michael Dick prepared a scrumptious ratatouille- please bring it again next month! Susan made her wonderful oatmeal raisin cookies. Wayne carved our cute watermelon trees. Anyone who went home hungry was obviously dieting.

The lucky winners of the 50-50 were Mark F and Laura R. Thank you very much (as Elvis would say).

Our September 19-20 campout will be at Southern Oaks RV Resort
14140 SE Hwy 441, Summerfield, FL 34491 (352) 347-2550. Rally Rate \$33
rally rate also available for the 19th. You must
make your own reservations at campground.

Hope to see a lot of us there!

Laura Ramsey

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)

Sept. 19-20

Southern Oaks RV Resort – Campground is now expecting us. 14140 SE Hwy 441, Summerfield, FL 34491 (352) 347-2550.
Rally Rate \$33.00 (subject to change) - rally rate also available for the 19th. Must make your own reservations at campground.

Oct. 23-25

FANSDC 49th Annual State Camp-O-Ree – Southern Palms RV Resort, One Avocado Lane, Eustis, FL 32726. For more information see Flier

Oct 31-Nov 1

North East Florida Sq & Rd Dance 71st Fall Festival. Recommended campground: Sunny Oaks RV Park (Closest) 8654 New Kings Rd (904-619-6118) or Hanna Park (904-249-4700). For more information, see Flier.

Dec 5-6

SQUARE WHEELS CHRISTMAS PARTY Campground is now expecting us. The Springs R.V. Resort - 2950 N. E. 52nd Ct, Silver Springs, FL 34488. 352-236-5250. Passport America Rate \$28.00 per night. They will honor Passport America for 3 days. If staying longer than 3 days, additional days will be at the rally rate of \$50.80 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 Rollaway also look forward to starting a new class after Labor Day. We love visitors and dance from 7:00 to 9:00 pm on Tuesday evenings at Sandalwood High School, 2750 John Prom Blvd, Jacksonville, Florida, 32210
President: Anna Nickelson 904-557-1879

Hello from the Rollaways. After a summer break, we have returned to dancing at Sandalwood High School. We had our annual Dog Days of Summer on August 19th and

thank the Moose Promenaders for coming to celebrate with us. The Rollaways will be doing workshops on Mainstream and Plus until we have a class of new dancers. Erik Burton has stomach cancer and needs prayers. The doctors do not consider this to be curable, and he is not able to start treatment without first putting on weight.

Also, longtime Rollaways member Macie Jackson passed away. Her services will be on: Wednesday, September 3, 2025 Hardage-Giddens Memorial Funeral Home 7242 Normandy Blvd Jacksonville, FL 32205 Phone: 904-781-9262 Visitation 10:00 AM Service 11:00 AM Please come out and join us.



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.sunnyoaksvparkjacksonville.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 preparations have begun for the 2028 National Square and Round Dance Convention in Daytona. You will hear lots about it over the coming months. I look forward to the convention, but also aware of all the work involved. Volunteer if you can to assist the committee and go out and recruit some new dancers so we “experienced” dancers don’t have to work so hard.

New classes are kicking in at most NE Florida clubs during the next few weeks. If you can get somebody interested in joining us, help them get to that first class or two. If they cannot dance on your club night refer them to another group. Every new dancer helps us all. If you are a member of a church or civic group, see if they would like to start a club of their own. We have callers available for most evenings. Have you thought about taking up calling? The FI Callers Assoc can help you get started. Contact me or any member to learn more.

While I am excited about the National Convention in 2028, I am even more excited about the Camporee in Eustis in October, the NEFSARDA Fall Festival with Ted Kennedy Oct. 31, and Nov. 1. Then lots of Christmas parties leading up to our state convention in Deltona in January. Come on out and support these dances. Meet new friends and see old ones.

The new Mainstream and Plus programs that Callerlab has approved is beginning to take shape. Basically, it will be a mainstream program of 50 calls and 50 more on the Plus program. The lists have not been finalized so we don’t know what will or will not be included for these programs, and full implementation does not happen until 2026. The more I hear, the more I feel it is a lot of to do over nothing. No matter what the calls are, square dancing is still the best activity you can belong to and we need all of us to go out and find new dancers. Most clubs start classes in September, so it is time to get busy. I spend a lot of time thinking about our activity and those people I have crossed trails with over the years. Some have gone on to the great beyond and some have just gotten out of dancing and calling. I heard from Jim Maroldo and Laura the other day. They moved off and I miss them. I also talk with Ernie Rollen often, but I miss seeing him and Frances. Ralph Beekman and Barbara no longer dance but were so integral with dancing in Lake City and Live Oak. I still use some of his rounds, but he was also a very good caller. I am thankful that Facebook keeps me in touch with some, but it’s not the same as seeing them. Thank you to all who have been a part of my square dance family.

There are so many of our dancers with special needs for prayers. Please remember to add a kind word for all that are going through so much.

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

NEFSARDA's 5th Saturday Afternoon Dance Schedule



The banners for the clubs most represented at the 5th Saturday dance

Linda Tester is announcing the award winners

Left to right Moose Promenaders, High Springs, Grand Squares, Seabreeze Singles.
Joy Sea's

We had over 5 squares representing a lot of clubs this past Saturday. We thank Jim Duncan, Mike Akers and Barbara Blackford for their leadership and leading us through these amazing calls and Cues







Requirements for Square Dance Couple or Single of the Year Award

1. Person's name or Couples' names
2. Number of years they have square danced
3. Number of years they have danced in The NEFSARDA area
4. Clubs they currently belong to
5. Clubs they belonged to in the past
6. Offices they have held in the NEFSARDA area
7. Type-written essay about the nominees and their contributions to square dancing over the years. This must be signed.
8. Information about nominees should be mailed or given to the Chairman on or before October 1.
9. Person or couples may not have received this recognition previously.
10. The Committee Chairman and the Association President will make the presentation at the Fall Festival.

Chairman Mary Giera
10835 Percheron Dr
Jacksonville, FL 32257-1289
maryvmusic@comcast.net

Dance Couple/Single of the Year Award

1990 – Aaron & Erma Fry	2007 – Bud & Dianne German
1991 – Dave & Shirley Nihart	2008 – Joe & Martha Hardcastle
1992 – Don & Bonnye Bell	2009 – Martha Zimmerman
1993 – Hollis & Mary Fowler	2010 – Jerry & Donna Robey
1994 – George & Nancy Wolfert, Sr.	2011 – Walt & Dianne Syphard
1995 – Al & Virginia Cook	2012 – Linda Tester
1996 – Charlie & Val Newsome	2013 – Sam & Mary Starling
1997 – Grover & Marcella Jacobsen	2014 – Paul & Marilyn Scott
1998 – Dee Dee & Bessie Stovall	2015 – Tom & Pat Herscha
1999 – Jack & Kathy McKinney	2016 – Wayne & Debbie Miller
2000 – Howard & Jettie Crowe	2017 – Chuck & Mary Giera
2001 – Linda Riggs	2018 – Don & Sherry MacGregor
2002 – Kim Keffer	2019 – Jim Maroldo & Laura Martin
2003 – Bud & Anita Taylor	2022 – Erik & Robin Burton
2004 – Manny & Sherry Gonzales	2024 – Stephen F. Bigelow
2005 – Shirley White/Lorvale Smith	
2006 – Ouida Taylor & Tom Tramel	

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
Erik Burton – Rollaways



Jackson, Macie Marglin Wilson - born Nov 16, 1932 (dec'd 28 Aug 2025) [m. John Waldo Grieder 26 Nov 2012] Macie was sister of Coleta Wilson Mathis. Macie was born near Hatch Bend, FL; graduated from high school in Branford, FL; had 3 children with husband Nathan Jackson (dec;d before 2000); worked as a travel consultant and cruise organizer for Cruises 'N More, Inc.; enjoyed travel, **square and round dancing**, sewing, crocheting, reading and working puzzles. Macie started square dancing in 1957. Obit: "Macie Marglin Jackson was born on November 16, 1932 and passed away on August 28, 2025 and is under the care of Hardage-Giddens Riverside Funeral Home & Riverside Memorial Park.

Visitation will be held on September 3, 2025 at 10:00 am at Hardage-Giddens, Riverside Memorial Park & Funeral Home, 7242 Normandy Blvd, Jacksonville, FL.

Funeral Service will be held on September 3, 2025 at 11:00 am at Hardage-Giddens, Riverside Memorial Park & Funeral Home, 7242 Normandy Blvd, Jacksonville, FL.

Committal Service will be held on September 3, 2025 at 12:00 pm at Hardage-Giddens, Riverside Memorial Park & Funeral Home, 7242 Normandy Blvd, Jacksonville, FL

2009 – NEFSARDA delegate from Plus Fox Squares

2006 – Circle of Service Award (w/John Grieder;

Unknown Year- Plus Fox Squares President

She was a member of:

First Coast Rounds

Dixie Chain Gang

Plus Fox Squares

Rollaways

Seabreeze Singles

Touch of Class

Western Cutters

National Square and Round Dance Convention

- 2026 75th National in Waco Texas
<https://75nsdctx.com/>
- 2027 76th National in Loveland CO
<https://76nsdc.com/>
- 2028 77th National in Daytona Beach Fl.

Moose Promenaders member Glorianne Parker (dressed as a panda) performed at the National Square Dance Convention in Shreveport, Louisiana with a group from California who dressed as animals. She and her husband Frank wrote that they saw and danced there with our Moose Promenaders club presidents, Wayne and Debbie Miller. From Shreveport Frank and Glorianne Parker were off to the attend the USA West Square Dance Convention in Spokane, Washington, then to the Tennessee State Square Dance Convention.



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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904-612-1081

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 904-797-7554

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 Bill Cassidy

Club Contact Robin Frazer (352) 317-1636

Wednesday Clubs

Clover Squares – 1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays of the month from 2-4 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

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


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

SURVIVE THE CURSE AT THE 71'st



71'st FSSRDC 2026

**FLORIDA STATE SQUARE AND ROUND
DANCE CONVENTION**

January 16-17, 2026 – Deltona FL

Florida RoadRunner Square Dance Campers
AND
The Shuffling Squares
Invite you to an

Oktoberfest Trail-In Dance

October 9 **2 Great Callers**

2025

6:30 to 9:00 PM

Lake Aston Retirement Community Center
4140 Aston Club Drive
Lake Wales, FL 33859



Dave Muller



John Sweeney



**6:30 Early Rounds
with Awesome Cuer
Chuck Ryall**

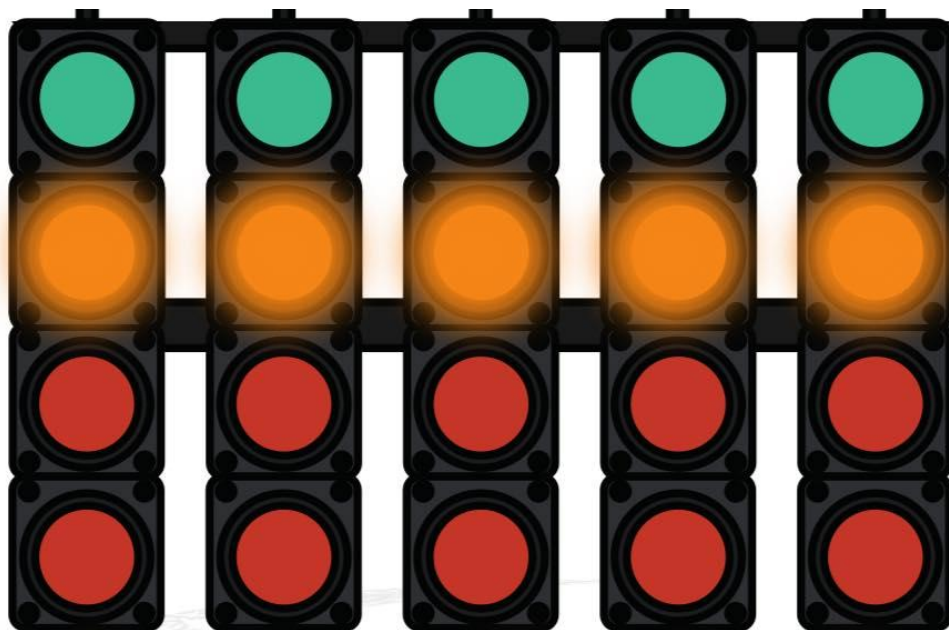
Trail-In to a Great Weekend of Camping & Dancing

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a great fun-filled weekend of camping,
Square & Round dancing, homemade breakfast, crafts & Pot Luck dinner at
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October 9, 10 & 11, 2025

Please let Tom Biehn know your coming. 757-672-9978 or rtb6273@gmail.com

Friday & Saturday Dancing - Early Rounds 6:30 PM - Squares w/ Rounds 7- 9:00 PM
Come out and camp with us for the weekend or stay near by. Everyone is welcome!



77th Fundraiser Donation Dance!

Sept 6, 2025 | 6:45 to 9:00 pm
(6:45-7 Early Rounds)

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The Village Squares Square Dance Club
Burnsed Recreation Center, The Villages
4019 Deskin Ln, The Villages, FL 32163

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Mark Fetzer, Mike Gormley, Dave Muller, Scotty Sharrer,
Keith Stevens, Susan Snider, & Lloyd and Ruth McKenrick



77th National Square Dance Convention®

- CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach
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Mike Sikorsky

Apache Junction, Arizona

October 17-18, 2025

Florida Callers Association
Seminar Location Info:

Comfort Suites
1202 Avenida Central
The Villages, FL 32159

BOOK YOUR HOTEL ROOM NOW!
\$104 for single or double bed
Last day to book this rate is September 30, 2025



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Microphone time with personal coaching!

FCA Members free, non-members \$50

Recommendations for class:

Notepad and pencil

Thumb drive and/or computer

Your Square Dance music

Your heart for performance

Passion and Desire

FCA Callers Seminar

October 17, 2-5 PM, 7-9 PM

October 18, 9-11:30 AM, 2-5 PM



For Questions Contact Mike Gormley Email: mike@mike-gormley.com

Florida Callers Association

presents

Mike Sikorsky from

Apache Junction, Arizona



Saturday October 18, 2025



DANCE WITH Mike Sikorsky

7-9 PM \$8 p/p

Plus Program with an Advanced tip



Rounds with
Susan Wolford



Location

La Hacienda Recreation Center

1200 Avenida Central
The Villages, FL 32159

For Questions Contact Mike Gormley Email: mike@mike-gormley.com



January 30-31, 2026

WINTER FIESTA

2026

PLUS! ADVANCED! DBD! PHASE II-IV ROUNDS!

Strawberry Square with Hardwood Dance Floor
 4401 Promenade Boulevard Plant City, Florida, 33563


TONY OXENDINE


JACK PLADDYS


ROD BARGROVER

PLUS ROUND DANCE CUERS EARLE AND CAROL COLLINS





LIMITED CAMPING is available at the Strawberry Square. Call, text, or email Cherylene Sorrells for details at 770-825-6513. sorrellscherylene@gmail.com

SEVERAL HOTELS within 10 minutes of the hall. Hampton Inn Winter Fiesta rates will be available after April 2025. Contact Jack at jpladdys@gmail.com for details.

DANCING SCHEDULE

Day	Time	Location	Activities
Friday	2:30pm – 4:30pm	Main Hall	Plus Squares & Rounds
	2:30pm – 4:30pm	Hall B	A2 Square Dancing
	7:00pm – 7:30pm	Main Hall	Early Rounds
	7:30pm – 9:30pm	Main Hall	Plus Squares & Rounds
	7:30pm – 9:30pm	Hall B	A2 Square Dancing
9:30pm	Main Hall	Announcements & Last Tip	
Saturday	9:00am-10:30am	Main Hall	Round Dance Workshop
	9:00am-10:30am	Hall B	Plus DBD Dance
	10:30am-12:00pm	Main Hall	Plus Dance
	10:30am-12:00pm	Hall B	A2 Dance
	1:30pm-3:00pm	Main Hall	Plus Dance
	1:30pm-3:00pm	Hall B	A2 Dance
	3:00pm – 4:30pm	Main Hall	Round Dance Workshop
	7:00pm-7:30pm	Main Hall	Early Rounds
	7:30pm-9:30pm	Main Hall	Plus Squares and Rounds
	7:30pm-9:30pm	Hall B	A2 Dance
9:30pm	Main Hall	Announcements & Last Tip	

REGISTER WINTER FIESTA 2026 MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: GRAND SQUARE, INC.

Name (Last): _____ His: _____ Hers: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address: _____ Primary Dance Level : PLUS _____ A2 _____

Amount Enclosed: _____ US Monetary Value, Tax Included, Lodging Not Included

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2025 FALL WEEKEND OF ROUNDS

NOVEMBER 21, 22, & 23, 2025

STRAWBERRY SQUARE DANCE CENTER
4401 Promenade Blvd.
Plant City, Florida 33563

FOCUS ON WALTZ
COST: \$75.00 PER COUPLE



*Featuring
Barbara and Tom Buchanan*

Friday Schedule

7:00 - 9:00 Dance Ph. 3-5 (Session 1)
Cued by RDCF members

Saturday Schedule

10:00 - 10:15	Coffee, Doughnuts, Fruit
10:15 - 10:30	Warm Up Rounds
10:30 - 12:00	Clinic - Waltz Phase 4+ (Session 2)
12:00 - 1:30	Lunch
1:30 - 2:50	Clinic/Teach Phase 4+ (Session 3)
2:50 - 3:00	Break
3:00 - 3:50	Teach Ph. 3+ Rhythm TBA (Session 3)
4:00 - 4:30	RDCF meeting
7:00 - 9:30	Dance Ph. 3-4+ cued by Barbara and Tom Buchanan (Session 4)

NWFSRDA's 51st Annual Roundup October 24-25, 2025

Grand Square Hall
1105 Bob Little Rd Panama City, FL

Featured Caller:
Tony Oxendine



Featured Cuer:
Sandy Sturgis



Schedule of Events

Friday & Saturday Nights

7:00 - 7:30: Early Rounds
7:30 - 7:40: Introductions
7:40 - 9:45: Squares w/ Rounds

Saturday Morning & Afternoon

9:00 - 11:00am: Plus /Plus workshop
11:15 - Noon: NWFSRDA Meeting
Noon - 1:00pm: Potluck Lunch
1:00 - 3:00: Advanced level dancing
3:00 - 5:00: Rounds (Teach & Dance)
5:00 - 7:00: Dinner on your own

Square dance attire requested, but not required

See reverse for Motel / Rv info

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Ribbon Pricing



Roundup Coordinator- Tim Tharp

tgtharp@gmail.com 703-585-7177

MOTELS

(Convenient to Grand Square Hall)

Holiday Inn Express (1.7 miles)
5627 E Highway 22, Panama City, FL 32404 Ph: 850-215-3200

Comfort Suites (1.7 miles)
264 North Tyndall Parkway, Callaway, FL 32404 Ph: 850-215-5551

RV Parks

(These are the closest according to Google. Others may be available)

Gulf Oaks RV Park & Smuggler's Cove Marina
5612 E Hwy 98, Panama City, FL 32404 Ph: 850-704-8435

Nautical Point RV Park
317 Blackshear Dr, Panama City, FL 32404 Ph: 850-596-9052

Tyndall AFB FamCamp (Military and Veterans)
101 Fam Camp Rd, Tyndall AFB, FL 32403 Ph: 850-283-2798

Ribbon Pricing

Through 01 Oct 2025: NWFSRDA members \$15.00pp, non-members \$30.00pp
After 01 Oct 2025: NWFSRDA members \$18.00pp, non-members \$36.00pp
Youth (13 or younger) Price: Through 1 Oct 2025: \$8.00pp. After 1 Oct 2025: \$9.00
One day only pricing, at the door: Friday night \$18.00pp. Saturday workshops & dance \$24.00pp

*Initial NWFSRDA membership cost: \$15.00. Annual renewal \$10.00
Florida residency not required.

Ribbon Order

Name(s) _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Number of Ribbons: ____ Amount of enclosed check: _____
Make check payable to NWFSRDA and mail to:
Alec Schmidt, 116 Bayou Drive, Niceville, FL 32578.
Please include a SASE for ribbons to be mailed. Otherwise, ribbons will be held at the door.

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 F. Bigelow grapevine@sfbigelow.com 904-612-1081
Northwest	<i>Panhandle Press</i>	Dec 15 for Jan/Feb/Mar Mar 15 for Apr/May/June 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 sqdnfan@gmail.com 863-224-3393
National Square Dance Campers	<i>NSDCA times</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 every other month. Aug, Oct, Dec, Feb, April, June	Stephen F. Bigelow bowandswing@sfbigelow.com 904-612-1081
Florida	Florida Website	No deadlines	Cliff Reiss dgramwebmaster@yahoo.com 813-390-1984
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