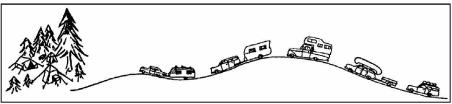


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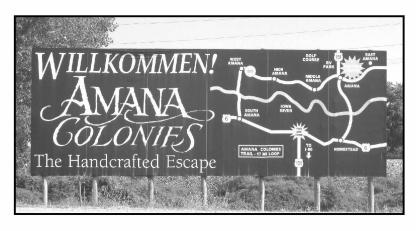
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From your Presidents Ralph & Viv Taylor

Time is really flying by. It is hard to believe that we will soon be attending the 2016 Camporee in Amana, Iowa. If you have not done so please make your reservations. Herman and Pat Meyer and Ken and Fran Smith and their staff are working hard to insure we have a great time. Don't forget that they have planned a special



treat for us on Sunday Night June 26. Tony Oxendine and Jerry Story will be calling a three hour dance with Pauline Angress cuing rounds and lines. The cost is \$7:50 per person.

On a more serious note, as everyone is aware our numbers are down. This is due in part to the aging and health issues of many of our members. The life blood of any organization is in part due to new members. We need to all take every opportunity to make our square dancing and camping friends aware of our great organization and what fun we have. This is not an easy task as you know. In our local chapter #152, we have had an amazing thing happen. We have added 20 rigs and 33 new members since August. This happened partly due to the fact that we got a couple of new members and they added their friends and those friends added their friends. New members are contagious. We just have to find a starting point. The more members we have the more fun we have! Also we have been fortunate to have great South East Area Reps. George and Joann Dunn. All of us would welcome ideas on how to get the word out.

We are sad to report that George and Joann had to tender their resignation. We want to thank them for their dedicated service over the past 5 years. We are happy to report that Don and Susan Wolford of chapter #152 has agreed to fill their vacancy. Don and Susan travel a lot in the South East and will be a great addition to our staff.

Campers and Dancers chapter 152 will be hosting the 2017 Camporee at Pride Resort in Maggie Valley, NC on July 11- 12-13. Registrations will be sold in Amana. Please mark your calendars.

Safe travels and we will see you in Amana!

Ralph and Viv Taylor



From your Vice-Presidents Jerry & Donna Robey

As we write this article, we are now back home in Rockford, IL. We had a great winter camping at the Williston RV Resort in Williston, Florida. It is a great place to spend the winter, with lots of square dancing in the resort as well as in nearby Gainesville and Ocala.



It was fun reuniting with our camping and dancing friends in Florida. In December and January, we were able to camp and dance with Chapters 128 (Square wheels) and 168 (Gypsies) and had a great time. We had five squares on the floor and great weekends were had by all. In March, we camped and danced with these two active chapters for a "Spudtacular" weekend of fun.

Now that we are "home" we're looking forward to a summer of camping and dancing. Our local chapter 014, the Blackhawk Crosstrailers, have some exciting events planned beginning with a three night campout in Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin where we will enjoy dinner and a play at the Fireside restaurant/theater. The play will be "Sister Act" and should be a great evening of fun. Then, we will dance our way through the rest of the weekend with our chapter caller/president Bob (Cinda) Asp. A super way to begin our summer of camping and dancing.

By now, we hope you have made your reservations for the 2016 camporee in Amana, Iowa. It should prove to be a great time and we know Herman and Pat Meyer and their team have some great things planned for this year's event. A special bonus this year is that many camper dancers will be attending the 65th National Square Dance Convention in Des Moines, IA the week prior to the camp-o-ree. We hope many of you will be joining us for both events. In addition, many will stay for the weekend following the camp-o-ree to support our Iowa friends at their camp-o-ree in Amana. This will prove to be a "triple bonus" as we spend a fortnight camping and dancing together.

As always we thank you for your continued interest in camping and dancing. It's a great way to enjoy life. As the newly adopted slogan states, "Live Lively.....Square Dance." Hope to see you in Iowa.

Jerry and Donna Robey



From your Secretary David & Mary Bruun

As your secretary's, we are learning how important keeping all correspondences and membership records up-to-date. All mail comes from the mail handler to the secretary and gets distributed to the correct person. We are trying to do all of



this through e-mail, and it has been working pretty well. When it doesn't come through in a timely manner, some one is on the phone to see why. Usually it is the fault of the United States Post Office for some reason. Maybe you don't realize how much work your board does without gathering for regular meetings. E-mail has been one of our most reliable sources. As of this writing, I believe there has been only a couple of weeks that we have **not** had any correspondence.....I guess that was a break for me.

We appreciated every chapter that got their renewals in by the end of the year's deadline. Yes, we do have those...(DEADLINES)... and I am just like a little kid back in school, waiting until the last minute to do my browsings (like it were my homework). Remember to use the NSDCA website to get your forms for all correspondence, i.e. chapter renewal membership, chapter officer elections, change of address, etc. This makes our job much easier.

We all need to work at getting more members to join our local chapters. Yes, that seems to be harder for some clubs than others. If we all continue to dance and spread the word about our NSDCA, it will become a thriving organization, again. Remember to Dance, Dance, Dance, but most of all have fun. Hope to see you in a square in Amana, Iowa if not sooner.

On the light side. Dave was very much surprised to have the pleasure of going on the Land of Lincoln Honor Flight to Washington, D.C. on April 19th of this year. Our daughter Teena Coffey accompanied him as his Guardian. He said the most impressing part was landing back at home and having a crowd to greet all the veterans. The mail call on the plane ride back home kept him busy, as he had over 100 cards, letters and postcards. After all, most Vietnam Veterans never had much of a welcoming when they came home.

Dave and Mary Bruun



From your Treasurers Tom & Kathy Nickel

Wow our camping season is arriving. Our first campout will be here shortly. The international camporee is just around the corner. It will be great to return to the Amana Colonies. Herman Meyer is planning a great camporee. We would



like to see most of you there. We always have a great time dancing, camping, socializing, playing games, and site seeing.

Most of the dues have been paid. They were due January 1st. Please submit on time as bills are due in January and please submit in <u>US dollars</u>. Returned Times is an NSDCA expense so please keep your address current (\$2.30 ea.)

Do you like to travel? If so 2017 camporee will be returning to Pride Resort hosted by Alabama. 2018 needs a location and host. We would like a surprise destination our country has much to offer. Consider hosting and we will all have a great time.

See you in Amana, IA perhaps even in Des Moines, IA for the National.

Tom & Kathy Nickel





Membership

From your Membership Secretary Roger Tipps

Lets all plan on going to the International Camporee in Amana, Iowa in June. Everyone always has a wonderful time at the National.

With the increase use of computers the listing of chapter contacts is very important. Many members are traveling through out our country and plan on camping and dancing with other NSDCA chapters. They will call or contact the chapter contact person for additional information on your campouts. Make sure your chapters contact is correct. Be sure to double check your chapter contact email address.

For all your new chapter officers I maintain the only membership list. This membership list is used for the mailing of labels for the Times and mail labels for state campouts. It is very important that this listing is correct. When you add new officers send in these updates.

I would like to thank those of you that mailed your renewals early starting in September. This helped being able to mail membership cards before the Christmas mail rush. Thank you again. To help reduce errors in your membership listings please proof read the address for summer and winter. As we retire and change our habits so do your traveling for the winter months. The cost to return the times is increasing so your help is a must so please be sure to check the months your snowbirds will be at each address.

This past year we have had many new chapter officers. All NSDCA forms are available on our web site for your ease of doing what is necessary for your chapter.

Roger Tipps

Area Representatives Reports

Dolly & John Ide; Florida

The last three months have been very exiting in Florida and much has happened. Besides getting ready to attend the "Fortnight of Fun" in Iowa, our seven remaining chapters have been busy planning and conducting some great campouts as can be seen from the individual chapter chats. 082 has been very active in the central Florida area and continues to enjoy strong and fun weekends generally the 4th weekend of the month. Thanks to their leadership, a first ever Spring Fling was planned for the end of April but we could not get the rest of the Florida chapters on a concurrent schedule. We plan to do a better job of advanced planning for the spring of 2017. More on that later.

The often combined chapters of 128 and 168 are both growing as a result of their combined campouts, great calling and cuing, and lots of fun each weekend. You can read all about their fun in the *Chats* section.

If you visit the Bushnell area, you're sure to find 143 camping and dancing at one of the several RV resorts in the immediate area. This chapter continues to draw the remnants of two previous chapters together to enjoy old acquaintances and fellowship.

Chapter 153, although they only meet every other month in the season, continues to attract their faithful members. They share a unique sense of family that they extend to all of their visitors. When you visit, you're not a stranger or a visitor, but one of the family.

Florida's newest chapter, 193, was launched to serve the south-central Florida region and has defied all predictions of failure. They have grown steadily in their brief 3 year existence drawing increasing numbers (15 rigs at the last campout) to their campouts. They have also finished creating chapter outfits so watch for the navy blue and white enhanced with teal fringe. Too bad the *Times* is not in color

Florida chapters are validating my concept that we don't camp to dance, but we all camp to have fun with some dancing as a bonus.

See you in Iowa, and Florida next season.

Dolly & John Ide

NSDCA Times Submission Information

Here's how to submit your chapter's information to the NSDCA Times:

- All submissions must be sent using appropriate e-mail and addressed to NSDCA Times Editors at:nsdcatimes@gmail.com or johnide2016@outlook.com
- Be sure to include a subject in the e-mail heading such as Chapter ### Campfire Chat for NSDCA Times. Because of possible viruses and spam, submissions received without subjects will not be opened and will be deleted.
- Include text submissions of all articles, chats around the Campfire, editorials, chapter camping schedules, etc. either in the body of the e-mail or as an attachment of a text document file from text editors such as MS Word or Works.
- Photos if sent must be included as attachments only in jpg, png or similar formats and should be provided in 250 dpi or greater resolution. Do not embed photos or graphics in the body of your text submission.
- In some cases, pdf files may be accepted. Please check with the editor before submitting.

Content Suggestions for CHATS AROUND THE CAMPFIRE

In order for every chapter to have its news published, you are asked to limit your CHATS AROUND THE CAMPFIRE articles to 200 words or less with one photograph or 250 words or less with no photograph.

Articles should cover the previous three months happenings, and any special events planned for the months after the TIMES is issued.

Please do not include your camping dates within your article as that information is listed separately under the Campout Listings and on the website.

Please note the submission deadline dates on the following page. We cannot promise that submissions received after the deadline dates will be included in the next issue of the NSDCA TIMES.

The editors reserve the right to edit the content of your submissions in order to comply with the space limitations of this publication. We will make every effort to meet the intent of your submission, but cannot guarantee accuracy if the edit is required because the length of the submission has been exceeded.

NSDCA Times Submission Deadlines

Please note, the deadline for all submissions of photos, articles, campfire chats, editorials, photos, advertisements, etc. must be submitted not later than the dates listed below for the specific corresponding issues.



February 1st	March Issue
May 1st	June Issue
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rtms99@aol.com

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2016—2017 NSDCA MEMBERSHIP

The National Square Dance Campers are inviting non-NSDCA members to join us for a weekend (Friday and Saturday nights). Come join us for a weekend of fun and fellowship. Call for a time and location near you or visit our website:

www.nsdca.org

Check the campout schedules posted there.

This may be your kind of relaxation and fun.

Jerry & Donna Robey Cell Phone: (352) 284-7912 Home Phone: (815) 977-5763 Email: jdrobey2@bellsouth.net

If you wish to become a member, send the Membership Application on the previous page, with your payment to:

National annual dues of \$20.00 per couple and \$12.50 for a single member. A one time charge of \$6.00 per person is also required for NSDCA badges.

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PRESS RELEASE Introducing our New South East Area Reps Don and Susan Wolford

Don & Susan started dancing in 2001 when some friends suggested they all needed to find a means of getting exercise. Don and Susan had done line dancing in Florida so they suggested line dancing. Their friend looked and looked and finally came back with the fact that there was no line dancing to be found in the area, but she found square dancing. They decided to try it and from the first lesson on they were hooked. They took lessons at two different clubs each week. Don and Susan are currently members of the Lake Twirlers in Guntersville, AL and Campers and Dancers Chapter 152. They enjoy dancing so much that a lot of weeks they dance at 3-4 different clubs or specials. Don is currently the Vice President for the Lake Twirlers after serving 2 years as President. Susan has served as interim Secretary and Treasurer for the Lake Twirlers. Currently together Don and Susan are serving as Presidents for the 2nd year for the Campers & Dancers #152. They are very excited about their new position as South East Area. Reps for NSDCA.



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Some thoughts about the pictures in this issue.

The extra pictures in this issue vary in content. Some are from the Amana, Iowa area where we hope most of you will be headed in June. Some are from various NSDCA chapters and events, mostly from Florida. That's the case not because the editors for many years have been from Florida, but because we (the editors) don't have any pictures from the rest of you. If you understand that to mean that

you haven't sent us any pictures, you're correct. So how can we change that?

Simple. Send us more of your pictures that you would like to share with your square-dancing friends and the larger NSDCA community. They don't have to include people, but can be of general interest or simply fun activities, like the one on the left.

The "Dropping Pig" was a member of chapter 128/168 (Square Wheels/Gypsy Squares of Florida) answer to the "Dropping of the Ball" in Times Square for their combined New Years dance and celebration. Needless to say, the event was a blast since it also took place at the Ocklawaha RV Resort in Hog Valley (no kidding), Florida.

Come dance with us in Florida next winter.

The Editor.









001 Garden State Square Dance Campers; New Jersey

At the time of this writing GSSDCA has just finished its first campout (April 22-24) for this dance season. We had a perfect spring Friday at Otter Lake Campground in the Pocono Mountains, PA. The balance of the weekend had rain early Saturday morning and then breezy with sun the balance of the weekend.

Don Coy of Brooklyn, NY was our caller for the weekend. He certainly kept our feet moving and brain challenged. At the Friday and Saturday night dances Dot Coy taught some easy line dances for the line dancers in our club. Don also had some recorded rounds for the round dancers. Some of us played Mexican train Saturday afternoon. Following the Saturday night dance we had our traditional wine and cheese party.

Georgi Flandera; 973-427-2889; rgflandera@gmail.com

002 Pine Tree; Wisconsin

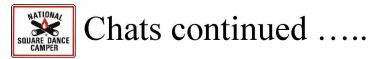
We had 10 members at our first gathering of 2016. Sarah and Gerry Oelberg hosted the party at their home; everyone had a good time. One of our members (Lloyd Gatzke) had a right shoulder replacement; the results of the surgery were excellent (no more pain). He is now recuperating from left shoulder replacement, which was done in March. Betty and Jack Sindorf met Emma and Dave Schueler for lunch in April in Florida. Dave and Emma said hello to all and are looking forward to seeing everyone during the upcoming summer. We're looking forward to the first outing.

Keep dancing and having fun.

Betty Sindorf; 262-510-3657; jbsindorf@att.net

012 The Twirlin' Travelers; Iowa

The Twirlin Travelers are small in number but still in existence! Herman & Pat Meyer are the only ones who camp but the rest of us still dream of the many years we spent camping. We all attended club campouts, Iowa State Camporees and even International Camporees. Chats around the campfire, pot-lucks, eating out and just sitting around the campground were all things we enjoyed, think and talk about and still miss



We now keep in touch by our Meet and Eat get togethers once a month throughout the year. Our favorite spot for the past few years has been the Village Inn in Cedar Rapids. However, it closed suddenly when the landlord raised their rent! They have already torn the building down. So we are trying other places to meet and will decide where we want to spend our once a month meetings. This is something we all enjoy even though there is no campfire!

Still getting together are one of our former callers, Mel & Em Rhodes, Herman & Pat Meyer, LaVonne Sholes, Marge Gorsuch, Bernice Smith and Rudy & Marge Jasa. Not able to join us but still a member is Virginia Sibert who lives in Orange, TX. We keep in touch with her, she is 90+ years of age, lives alone and is writing her life story for her 3 sons! We love and miss her.

We hope you all enjoy the upcoming camping season and when you are sitting around the campfire, be sure to think of your friends who can no long camp and dance! We will be thinking of you! Happy Camping!

Rudy & Marge Jasa; mamaja824@aol.com

022 Pennsylvania Dancing Campers; Pennsylvania

Members of Chapter 022 are looking forward to their first camping weekend on June 3, 4 and 5 at the Twin Streams Campground in Morris, Pennsylvania.

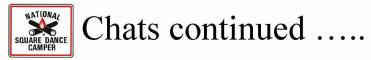
There was no camping activity during the winter months, however, the members did get together for a dinner in October to finalize the 2016 schedule. All the officers were willing to serve another year.

A few members were lucky enough to go south for warmer weather. Those who remained in the north were thankful that there was hardly any snow – only cold and windy. Join us if you are in our area. Visitor are always welcome.

Jeane Weigel; 570-649-5540; rweigel@windstream.net

045 Penn-Dixie Square Campers; Pennsylvania

The camping season is in full swing in Pennsylvania. We had our first campout 15-17 April and it turned out to be a gorgeous weekend. I was a bit apprehensive because we had a couple of inches of snow the previous weekend but it warmed up through the week and the snow disappeared. We had our usual pot luck lunch on Saturday and, as usual, everyone left the table stuffed. We are looking forward



to the rest of the season and welcome anyone who happens to be traveling through Pennsylvania on one of our camping weekends to join us. Be advised that we will not be dancing at the June campout. Our caller will not be able to be there, so we it will be a social campout with a pot luck lunch on Saturday and hot dogs cooked over the camp fire on Friday and Saturday evenings.

I hope to see you on the dance floor or around the camp fire sometime in the future.

Jim Mongiovi 717-349-2298 jmongiovi@pa.net

060 Flutter Wheelers; Iowa

The Flutter Wheelers are enjoying spring camping and are happy to have guest campers from 012 and 017 share our fun. We are excited to have the International Camporee at Amana, Iowa the last week of June. Registrations continue to arrive at a good pace. We need your registration now so our parking and planning committees can get everyone a good campsite and make plans for dancing.

Fran & Ken Smith; 641-754-1839; fksmith2011@yahoo.com

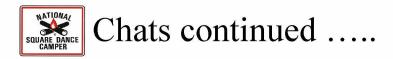
068 Wandering Wheels; Minnesota

We love spring in MN. Our first campout was the three-day Memorial Day weekend in May held at the Isanti County fairgrounds in Cambridge. We looked forward to visiting with our friends after the winter separation. A big part of the weekend was the potluck brunch and the BBQ cookout! Tom Allen is a great caller and kept us dancing for all three evenings plus the Sat. workshop. We especially enjoyed the many visitors who joined us for dancing. We had a successful used clothing sale with a lot of western and/or square dance attire. As usual, there were several outfits that were not sold. Does anyone have ideas as to what to do with the outdated attire?

Many of our members will be attending the National Square Dance Convention and the International NSDCA Camp-O-Ree due to their close proximity. Several of us look forward to the wonderful items, food and others, to be purchased or eaten in the Amana Colonies.

Please come to visit and dance with us as we 'wander' to six different locations in MN. Check the listings for each months location.

Roger & Carol Dahl; 763-434-3924; rcdahl@usfamily.net



082 Hitch-n-Go; Florida

We are in full swing-always ready for dancing and eating.

We had a New Year's campout at Lake Louise. No dancing, just socializing and bringing in the New Year. We enjoyed the surroundings and had good food to eat. In January, we danced at Old Mill Stream in Umatilla. We had our annual auction, yard sale and bake sale. We had a pot luck with lots of delicious food. Before the dance we had installation of officers. We enjoyed dancing to our caller Ron Reardon. We welcomed some Canadian visitors. In February, we had a great campout at Southern Palms in Eustis and enjoyed dancing to our caller, Ron Reardon. Our March campout was held the first weekend in April at Bushnell. It rained all day Saturday so everyone enjoyed "hanging out" in the clubhouse playing cards, visiting, and of course, eating. A potluck with a variety of different foods was enjoyed. We enjoyed dancing to our caller, Ron Reardon.

Joyce Julian; 321-947-7584; ejulian@bellsuth.net

106 Square Up Campers; Pennsylvania

We ended 2015 by attending a dinner/dance in december with the Shippen Squares. Part of our off season visitation program, the many couples that ate and danced at the Memorial Lutheran Church came away with full tummies and tired feet!

In March of 2016 we started the year with our famous "Sour Grapes Luncheon". The non snow-bird campers (in other words those of us stuck up north in the snow squalls) get together for a pot luck lunch and games. Enjoyed by all, this function helps ward off those winter blues!

The next month on April 10 was our spring start up meeting. After the business portion of the get-together we danced a few tips and you guessed it—we ate a lot!

Square Up Campers are a great group-- no matter where we assemble you can bet there will be fun, dancing and plenty of good food!

Why not join us some week-end?—usually the first week-end of the month in a lovely campground in scenic south central Pennsylvania.

Kathy Engel;

112 Horseshoe Squares-N-Wheels; Ontario

At the time of this writing, we haven't started dancing at C-112 yet. However, we did get the May schedule and we're all so ready to see each other again. Our theme for May is "Encouragement" and we're to come in spring colours and encouraging slogans on our clothing. So, that should be encouraging!

If the spring colours would bring spring weather, that would be even nicer!! We really do look forward to Tom Charlton's calling (he always makes me laugh!) and if he brings along his "rap music" I'll be even happier!! Bob and Betty Beck are cueing: they bring such style and finesse with them. Hope they realize we may be a bit rusty.. Anyway, photo's of the event will be coming next time!! Enjoy all your campouts and come and join in our fun when you are in this area!

Joan Klapwyk; j.j.klapwyk@gmail.com

113 Dakota Ramblers: North Dakota

The Dakota Ramblers were fortunate to have a gathering in Mesa, AZ the first Sunday in March. Seven couples showed up for the North Dakota Picnic at Red Mountain Park and enjoyed the festivities there. After that they all gathered at THE RESORT where the Baumstarcks live for a pot luck supper. After the delicious supper the entertainment was some rousing games of Social Security. We are looking forward to our first campout on the third weekend of May in Bismarck. In June we have decided to have the Dakota Ramblers attend the Friends Across the Border Dance at the North Dakota Peace Garden. June 3rd to June 6th. All are welcome to attend this dance. Contact President Rex and Joyce Baker at 701-351-1794 for more information.

Adam and Cecelia Baumstarck; 701-254-4439; abc@bektel.com

116 Camping Squares of Kansas

What a wonderful day we spent at Larry and Renee Phye's. Everyone enjoyed the chicken and noodles and all the dishes that members brought in to share. Several birthdays for the month of February were celebrated. Thanks Larry and Renee

March, let us have a wonderful evening with a large meal at the Orr's Cafeteria. We were able to visit without the worry and work of



preparing something to bring and giving someone a break from having to prepare their home for our visit. it was nice to be able to sit down and enjoy our meal. Several went square dancing with the Village Steppers. Sheldon Lawrence was calling.

April bringing us beautiful day to travel to Eldorado the Austin and Ulala Prewits for a pulled pork meal. What great assortment of side dishes that arrived to compliment the pork. We spent our time visiting and catching up with everyone's coming and goings. We were invited to attend the Chelsea Swinging Squares dance after our evening meal. Several went to the dance and rest of journeyed home. What wonderful time we had while at the Austin and Ulala. Thank you Austin and Ulala for wonderful evening.

As this is being written we're getting ready to have our last barn dance at Carpenters. Due to health problems Lew is unable to host this wonderful weekend. Thank you for a wonderful 30 years of good times and relaxation we have had the pleasure of enjoying. Thanks again Lew. The dance will continue but at different location. I know it won't be as much fun as we have had over the years at Lew's.

Let's enjoy the rest of camping season and have oodles and oodles of fun camping and sighting seeing the wonderful places that Kansas has to offer us to see and enjoy.

Our prayers are with the ones are ill. With the help of the Good Lord I know they will be on the mend real soon.

"Lets go camping"

Melba Reveal; mr_reveal@yahoo.com

123 Swing-N-Travelers; Illinois

April finally arrived and our 2016 season has begun. We had one of the best April weekends in many years. You never know how this first campout will be. However, the weather was GREAT. Twelve units arrived at the Galesburg East RV Park for our Friday activities, another one by noon on Saturday and one drove in for the afternoon. The Sirloin Stockade was our destination for dinner that evening, then back to the park for cards and/or to sit around the campfire (you could take your pick or do both).

On Saturday morning, we had our business meeting followed with a craft of making a beautiful blue or white nylon stocking/tight flower. Thanks Sharon Waller for all your neat ideas. Before our



potluck dinner for the evening, most of the afternoon was spent again playing cards, or sitting around the fire. Our caller, Herb Edwards called a most interesting dance and even his wife Pat got in on helping entertain us. FUN, FUN. Thanks!

Sunday morning our hosts (the Scher's and Waller's) served coffee, juice and sweet breads before Harvey Collett gave us our Sunday devotional. This has become a tradition that all have enjoyed. Some headed for home before our leftover luncheon. We seem to always have food on our minds.....we do that the best.

Check out our schedule and join us sometime. We will be looking forward to dancing with you.....maybe next month (our three day weekend) or in Amana, Iowa in June.

Mary Bruun; 217-381-4041; sewwood69@gmail.com

125 Superstition Square Wheelers; Apache Junction, Arizona

With summer quickly approaching, it will be time to take a break from our monthly camp outs. We usually end our season in May, but with several of us taking off for the summer, April will be our last get together until September. We are returning to High Chaparral RV Park in Casa Grande for our April outing. Their hospitality is outstanding and full hookups are really a bonus with warmer weather

We spent the February campout at McDowell Mountain Regional Park north of Fountain Hills. The weather turned warm for that time of year, but the nights still required some heat. Fortunately it wasn't a replica of February several years ago when we camped there with snow on the surrounding mountains.

In March we camped at Cave Creek Regional Park. We had only 4 rigs with several drive ups. We still had a fun time and the wind settled down enough to allow us to have campfires and cook some delicious Hobo Pies.

We wish everyone a healthy and adventurous summer with safe travels wherever you are headed. Happy Camping.

Kathy Verdino; 928-713-6781; kverdino@gmail.com

128 Square Wheels; Florida

168 Gypsy Squares; Florida

The two sister clubs have so much fun camping and dancing together. Our camping weekends are packed full of activities.



We had a "Spudtacular" weekend in March. Everything was centered around potatoes! There were decorated spuds, different flavored potato chips, and we stuffed potatoes with various kinds of food for our covered dish dinner. Gail Larue, President of the Cympuls is an expetitive and



128 & 168 Potato Heads

of the Gypsy's, is so creative and comes up with great ideas for fun filled weekends

April took us to Summerfield, Fl. Many campers enjoyed the huge flea market down the road, some campers played cards and games, and of course there was plenty of dancing.



Williston RV Resort welcomed our two clubs in May. It was a grand weekend celebrating the Kentucky Derby. There was "horse racing" and women in their beautiful derby hats! Many enjoyed dinner at the Ivy House Restaurant and visited the local gardens.

We do not camp during June and July. Many of our campers are "heading north" in search of cooler weather and looking forward to the conventions in Iowa. We hope to see everyone back for our August campout in Silver Springs at Wilderness RV Resort.

Pat Herscha; (128) 904-673-2896; pehtah@yahoo.com

130 Lakeshore Rolling Squares; Ontario

Our members are looking forward to our campouts with friends and guests. Member snowbirds are arriving back home from their winters spent in warmer weather.

We are planning our Penny Auction and Bake sale in May with Wayne Whatman as caller and auctioneer.

In June, we have a pancake and sausage breakfast on Saturday



morning. Bob Summers will be calling. Wayne Whatman is calling in July. Our corn roast is in August on Saturday at noon. Wayne and Sharron Hall are calling and cuing. The last campout of the season in September, Doug Holmes is calling and Kim Hamilton is cuing.

We do hope you'll plan on joining us at our campouts.

Bill & Jackie Pearce; 705-639-2346; mbbmpearce@gmail.com

145 Old Pueblo Square Wheelers; Arizona

It is with a heavy heart that we remember our dear friend and long-time OPSW member Maria Waldmann. Maria passed away peacefully at her home in Hereford, AZ on Jan 27 of this year.

February we did a Dine-Out at the Golden Corral, Tucson, AZ. The weather has been so cold and most of had to winterize our camping units. In March the OPSW camped at Tom and Gina Crisp's Sonoran Stables, Tucson, AZ. We ate, chatted, played games and some of us saw part of the airshow that was being held at Davis-Monthan AFB. Unfortunately we did not have enough dancers to have Tom call a square dance. OPSW ended their camping season with a campout at Tombstone, AZ (The town too tough to die). Friday evening we all enjoyed a wonderful meal at The Depot Steakhouse with nineteen attending. Saturday was the Rose Festival celebrating the blooming of the "World's Largest Rose Tree" Events included Rose Tree Parade, Rose Queen Coronation, pet parade, Folklorico Dancers and the Nogales Arizona Mariachi Apache Band. Special to us we had square dancing in the city park in the Gazebo. Square dancers from the Thunder Mountain Twirlers joined in. Our caller was Mike Smithers from Sierra Vista, AZ. We had our usual game playing, chit chat and potluck breakfast before we broke camp. It was a great weekend for all! Our club goes dark for the summer due to the heat and that many of our dancers travel in the summer. We plan to hold a dine-out in September to welcome back everyone.

Jane Winkenwerder; 520-975-7868; jane.wink@yahoo,com

149 Bayou Square-A-Rounds; Louisiana

Bayou-Square-A-Rounds met at Lakeside RV Park in Livingston on February 26 and 27. Present were ten rigs, one walk-in and a guest rig from Mobile, Alabama who drove in with our caller Ted Kennedy. Our hosts, Bob and Nancy Davison did an excellent job in setting-up a pot-luck lunch. This was a departure from our regular



routine because our honorary cook, Curtis, had a serious surgery. Our prayers go out for him and his family.

On Saturday evening, Gene and Etta Sonnier taught a phase 4 Cha Cha: "Rock and Roll Cha" by Gene Sonnier. Our turnout might have been small but everyone enjoyed the weekend. Our next outing will be on April 29 and 30 in Rayne, LA. Until then, Happy Dancing!!

Edwin France; 985-345-3353

152 Campers and Dancers; Alabama

Chapter 152 opened our camping season in March with a fun camp out in Somerville, Alabama at the Roaring Pines Campground. We spent time playing games, geocaching, eating, great dancing with Wayne Mahathey, catching up with old friends and welcoming new friends. We were privileged to have Jack Charles and Kathy Wightman of chapter 195 in Manitoba, Canada camping with us.

In April we camped in Gadsden, Alabama at River Country Camp Ground. We had a wonderful time. We danced six squares with our caller for the week end, Ted Kennedy. Ted also treated us to a concert of gospel music before the dance.

We will be camping again in May at River Country where we will be celebrating our thirty year reunion. Our caller for the weekend will be Jerry Handley. Jerry called our first dance thirty years ago.

In June we will be camping at Sugar Sands RV Resort in Orange Beach, FL with Rusty Willoughby calling.

Our club has added 33 new members since last August. We are delighted to welcome these new members and look forward to camping, dancing and fellowshipping with them in the years to come.

We are sad to report that our NSDCA South East Area Reps. for the past five years, George and Joann Dunn have resigned. We welcome Don and Susan Wolford as our new Area Reps.

Chapter 152 will be hosting the 2017 Camporee at Pride Resort in Maggie Valley, NC. Registrations will be sold in Amana.

Ralph & Viv Taylor; 205-999-3099; ravco2@aol.com

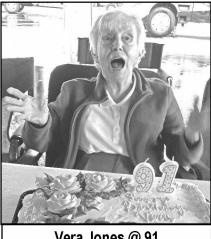
153 Strawberry Travelers; Florida

15 rigs were registered at our February campout at Blueberry Hill in Bushnell, FL. The weekend was unusually chilly and rainy,





but spirits were warm and friendly under our gathering tent. Hosts Bev & Jack Henry and Pop & Sally Holbook provided refreshments and decorations. Jan Friend provided "Valentine Puzzle Pages" booklets



Vera Jones @ 91

for all. Vera Jones's surprise 91st birthday party was a smash! Several weekend guests included Chuck and Ruth Osborne from NSDCA #164, Adirondeck Squares.

The April Campout was at Ocala Sun RV Resort. Steve & Trucy Rogers and Doug & Beth Meyers provided refreshments and table decorations. Hot dog lunch, and pot luck dinner are always a big hit! We had a great time in the gathering tent working on t-shirts for the State Camporee in October.

Caller Charlie Pergrossi provides square and round dancing for all our camporees. His marvelous sense of humor and whimsical singing calls keep the dancing lively!

Jan Friend; 727-798-3839; friendib@verizon.net

175 Riverside Gypsy Squares; Ontario

Our Mid-Winter Dance in February was a lot of fun. We had lots of dancers representing half a dozen clubs and all brought great quantities of food. A big thank you to our callers, Harold Moore, Bob Summers and newbie Marcel Lemay and Dorothy Tweed cued for all those that dance rounds and there were quite a few. It would have been a nice get together and not a great dance without these people. Looking for-





ward to the end of May and our first camp-out with Doug Holmes. Hope the weather co-operates.

Some of our members went south to be Snowbirds while others travelled further afield. The picture is of Freda Moore and Margaret McLean, in Portugal, posing with a old warrior but to their surprise, he was real and moved.

Gypsy Joe says: Hasta la Proxima

Fran Hartin; 613-924-1772; bazzfran@hotmail.com

180 Spinning Wheels; Minnesota

The snowbirds, the robins and the yellow finches have all been sited!!!!! The trees are turning green and the early blooming trees are in bloom as are the daffodils and tulips. SPRING HAS RETURNED TO MINNESOTA!!!!!

Campers are being taken out of storage and I, for one, am getting the urge to go camping. We will be trying out a new campground this May – Crystal Springs RV Resort in Ellendale, MN

Two of our members have had total knee replacements, so we will be expecting good things from them as far as dancing goes,

The new officers will be taking office. And several of our rigs will be making the trip to Amana, Iowa in June. Looking forward to participating in the dancing, crafts and meeting old and new friends!!!!

Safe travels to all.

Pat Dillard; 507-356-8134; pedill@yahoo.com

193 Florida RoadRunner Squares

Happy Camping from the Florida RoadRunner Squares! We had a wonderful spring as we hope you all did. Our fund raiser auction/white elephant sale in April was great fun and provided us with some needed funds for the coming year. One unique item was a donated First Aid Basket



that we raffled off. It was filled with all kinds of "medical stuff" from Band-Aids to a snuggly throw, and everything in between - worth about \$100. What a great idea, wish I would have won that!!

Now as I write this we are finishing up our third full year with a campout at a lovely campground in Sebastian, Fl. next weekend.



(They have one of my favorite halls to dance in.) Most of our members now have our new club outfit shown in the accompanying photo (too bad it's not in color), so be sure to watch for our RoadRunner decal & teal fringe swinging in your square soon. We will be electing the officers, and adopting the new 2016/17 campout schedule, plus going over our "Summer Bucket Lists". I sure hope the "FORTNIGHT OF FUN IN IOWA" is on your bucket list for this summer! That begins Wednesday, June 23 with the NDSC in Des Moines, Iowa and keeps us dancing and partying right thru the 4 of July celebration in Amana! "WOW! That's all within 100 miles!" Sounds like a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to me!

Now here is a "shout-out" to all of our up-north friends who come south to enjoy our lovely mild fall/winter/spring weather. While you are here in sunny Florida check out the **floridasquaredance.com** website. It is loaded with information about the all the wonderful opportunities around the state for you to dance & camp too, then come visit us anytime!

Blessings to all!

Dolly Ide; 352-598-7162; dollyide@hotmail.com



Chapter 193 proudly wearing their new Chapter Outfits.



FORTNIGHT of FUN-59th CAMPOREE NSDCA INTERNATIONAL CAMPOREE REGISTRATION



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Enclose a self addressed, large stamped envelope for your registration confirmation.

Send check or money order payable to "2016 NSDCA Camporee" to:

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2016 ALL-IOWA Registration Form

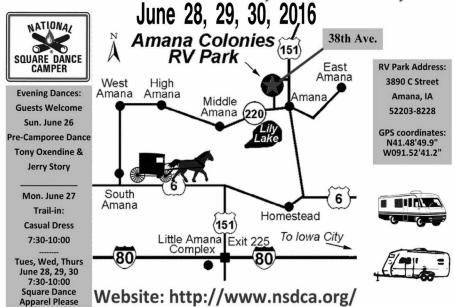


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Information Contacts

For June 26 to July 4, 2016 events

Sunday June 26, 2016: Special Square Dance and Early Camporee arrivals.

For the dance: There is no pre-registration or payment required and will be open to all dancers, campers or visitors that want to see what we are doing. There is to be a dancer donation of \$7.50 per dancer at the door. No charge for non-dancers.

Contact Person for Dance: Herman Meyer 319-310-9913 / hrmeyer40@aol.com

<u>For Early Arrivals</u>: Parking will start after 12:00 p.m. or when the sites become available from the Good Sam Rally group as they conclude their activity. Registrations/Check-In may be made at the NSDCA Check-In area near the main buildings following a stop at the main entrance to notify the RV Campground Office that you are with the NSDCA activities.

Contact Person for Campers: Ken Smith 641-754-1839 / fksmith2011@yahoo.com

June 27-30, 2016: NSDCA International Camporee Parking/Payments.

After stopping at the RV Campground Office to let them know you are with the NSDCA group, the Check-In personnel will collect any funds due for both early arrival days and/or Camping/Camporee fees still due.

Contact Person for this is: Ken Smith 641-7M-1839 / fksmith2011@yahoo.com

July 1-2, 2016: NSDCA ALL-IOWA Camporee Parking/Payments.

All reservations and camping fees for these two days will be collected during the dances by the ALL-IOWA Camporee Host personnel. No Advance registration is required but if desired they can be made with Herman Meyer.

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116 Camping Squares of Kansas

Kansas State Square Dance Convention KOA Campground, Salina, KS Marty Golden; 316-943-4137; fmgolden@sbcglobal.net

179 Gateway Waggoneers

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June 3rd and 4th

152 Campers and Dancers

Sugar Sands RV Resort, 5343 Roscoe Rd., Gulf Shores, AL Caller: Rusty Willoughby Ralph & Viv Taylor; Res: 251-968-2223; Cell:205-999-3926

June 3rd thru 5th

022 Pennsylvania Dancing Campers

Twin Streams Campground, Morris, PA Jeane & James Weigel; 570-649-5540; rweigel@windstream.net

106 Square Up Campers

Paradise Stream Campground, Loysville, PA Ed Shrader; 717-532-5483; karenned@comcast.net

June 3rd thru 5th (continued)

113 Dakota Ramblers

International Peace Garden, Dunseith, ND Larry & Verney Jorgenson; 701-252-2164

181 Montshire Campin' Squares

Danforth Bay Resort, Freedom, NH Bill & Kathy Parry; 603-289-8057; william.parry@comcast.net

June 8th thru 10th

010 Pioneer

Rainbows End, Reedsville, WI GlennKnox; gcknox@plbb.us

June 10th thru 12th

001 Garden State Square Dance Campers

Appalachian Camping Resort, Shartlesville, PA Don & Henrietta Sauter; 856468-1423; dhsauter@verizon.net

002 Pine Tree

Pine Ridge Campground, W5132 County Road N, Waldo, WI Jack Sindorf; 920-988-2625; jbsindorf@att.net

112 Horseshoe Squares-N-Wheels

Green Acre Park, Waterloo, ON Joan Klapwyk; 519-846-9882; j.j.klapwyk@gmail.com

173 The Railroaders

Bedford Fairgrounds, Bedford, PA Ken & Carol Graham; 814-994-0795; kegram@verizon.net

June 17th thru 19th

028 Swing-N-Canadians

Port Glasgow Trailer Park, RR#3, Rodney, ON Hugh & Willie Pillon; 519-251-8453; suvalley1940@hotmail.com

June 17th thru 19th (continued)

O45 Penn Dixie Square Campers (NO DANCING, SOCIAL ONLY) Dogwood Acres Campground, 4500 Enola Road, Newville, PA Jim Mongiovi; 717-349-2298; jmongiovi@pa.net

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182 Bluenose RV Squares

Loch Lomond, Amherst, NS Clyde & Betty Tanner; 902-876-7434; ctnner@ns.sympatico.ca

June 21st thru 25th

116 Camping Squares of Kansas

National Convention, Des Moines, IA Marty Golden; 316-943-4137; fmgolden@sbcglobal.net

June 24th thru 26th

046 Swing-N-Wheels

Forest Fairgrounds, 45 Jefferson St. West, Forest, ON Jean & Jake Hamstra; jean@dsgraphics.ca

074 Keystone Rovers

Bongiorno Conference Center, Carlisle, PA Ruth Raffensberger; 717-873-3097; krpeanuts@yahoo.com

119 Wander Yonders

Good Ole Days, Lyons, CO Leo & Diana Fergel; 307-631-1605; lfergel@bressnan.net

June 24th thru 26th (continued)

175 Riverside Gypsy Squares

#2 Happy Green Acres Rd., Brockville, ON Fran Hartin; 613-924-1772; bazzfran@hotmail.com

June 26th thru 30th

073 Nebraska Camp-N-Dancers

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July 8th thru 10th

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Appalachian Camping Resort, Shartlesville, PA Judi Nordman; 973-334-5122; gatormom761@optonline.net

116 Camping Squares of Kansas

Kansas State Fairgrounds, Hutchinson, KS Marty Golden; 316-943-4137; fmgolden@sbcglobal.net

July 8th thru 10th (continued)

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180 Spinning Wheels

Hidden Meadows RV Park, Pine Island, MN Pat Dillard; 507-356-8134; pedill@yahoo.com

July 13th thru 15th

010 Pioneer

Rainbows End, Reedsville, WI Glenn Knox; gcknox@plbb.us

July 15th thru 16th

152 Campers and Dancers

Mountain Lakes Resort, 1345 Murphy Hill Rd., Langston, AL Caller: Darryl McMillan Rusty & Elizabeth Emmons; 205-492-9663 Don & Sue Wolford; 256-673-0170

July 15th thru 17th

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A letter FROM the Editor

Hello out there! Is anybody there?

Have you ever wondered when you send an e-mail; did my recipient actually get it? Of course you can send it with requests for receipt verification and even read verification, but those still require a response from the recipient. Sometimes I feel the same way when I read the Chats section of the Times. There are currently 72 chapters registered in the NSDCA but the current issue of the Times has only 20 or so Chats submitted by current chapters.

From the chapter schedule section, it seems that only 24 chapters are camping/dancing in June which should be one of the busiest months. Where are you all? Are you not getting together? Are you still camping and dancing, or are you really defunct? Please let me know because my wife and I love camping, and we love square dancing and we'd really be disappointed if we couldn't keep the NSDCA alive and well, so that we ALL can enjoy these two

wonderful activities.

Some of the finest people we've known and some of the best friends we have are members of our chapter 193 or other chapters that we've belonged to or danced with. We know that square dancers, and campers, are in general really fine folks, as I'm sure you all are; but where are you. The NSDCA Times is your magazine and paid for through your membership dues. It can be a really useful tool for all of the NSDCA members IF more people use it and contribute with input about their activities, the fun their having, the places they've been and are going. Let's hear from more of you so we can all continue to enjoy these two activities, dancing and camping.

It seems like our membership is just a microcosm of the national political scene. The so-called silent majority has silently sat in the background allowing this great nation to become second class in the global arena to the point where it may almost be too late to rescue what this country was when many of you were a lot younger. Maybe you don't care, think it's too late, or you're really happy with the way things are going. Is there also a silent majority of square dancers (and campers) out there who have allowed this wonderful activity to decline to irrelevance? Can you remember when national conventions drew 20,000 dancers? Now we're fortunate if the NSDC breaks 4,000. Can you remember Camporees with hundreds of campers? Now we think we're having a great event if we have 100. True, the younger generation prefers line dancing and the bar scene to the old fashioned square dancing and related forms of dance, but there are more of you out there than you're letting on.

OK, I've said my piece and peace. Let's hear from you and get out of the doldrums. I believe that we can do much better than we are currently, but you have to stop being silent couch (no,chair) potatoes content with watching the other people dance and participate. Get off the chair and get into a square. Invite some other campers to come to one of your weekends and let them see how much fun you're having. Then send the editor of the Times a Campfire Chat so everyone of our members can see how much fun you're having. Or just send a letter to the Editor if you want to comment on my thoughts.

Let's hear from you! John Ide Interim Editor, NSDCA Times

Henry Ford and Square Dancing

Modern square dancing actually has ties to Henry Ford. Henry Ford is best remembered for his development of the automobile and the production line, new things for his time. However, Ford actually was passionate about historic things including old-time country dances of his youth.

Henry Ford had met his wife Clara at a grange hall dance and they married in 1888. But within about 20 years, they had virtually stopped dancing as his automobile empire consumed his time and interest. Eventually his wife reminded him that they'd not danced much since they were married. So they attempted to recall their favorite dances and failed. Hating failure, Henry went in search of a dancing master.

While vacationing in Massachusetts, possibly at the Wayside Inn, an historic inn he had purchased and restored, he became interested in a dance program run by dancing master named Benjamin Lovett. Mr. Lovett and his wife had been teaching traditional New England social dancing for some 20 years.

Ford realized that the Lovetts, like himself, also believed that old-fashioned New England style dances could help provide a vehicle for social training for young people. Ford invited the Lovetts to Michigan to organize a series of dances for him. They ended up staying for more than 20 years.

The first dances were held in a Dearborn engineering laboratory. But the dances were basically a review of dance sequences and while Ford, his executives, and their wives tried their best, the first few attempts were mostly a mess of confusion. Ford insisted all participate in lessons every night until they got it right.

Lovett's instruction became compulsory and everyone's dance moves improved over the next two weeks. Friday dances became compulsory too, including any company his executives might have visiting or dining at their homes. The dances included square dances (quadrilles), contras, and round dances such as the varsovienne, the waltz and the polka. He refused to allow any of the newfangled jazz dances of twenties to be included.

Ford was concerned that traditional forms of American

dance would be lost with increasing interest in new forms of ragtime and jazz dancing such as the Charleston. Ford and Lovett sought out and collected masses of information about old dance steps and figures and the songs that traditionally accompanied them.

A large portion of the book that they published in 1926 called "Good Morning" focused on detailed step-by-step descriptions of the Quadrille, as square dancing was known then, and contras as well as the waltz and other old-time round dances. Other portions covered style and deportment.

Ford organized a dancing school for young people shortly after the first dance class in the laboratory with Lovett as the instructor. It quickly grew into a large group. At one time there were as many as 22,000 students from Dearborn public schools in these classes. Ford developed a manual for physical education teachers to teach country dancing in Detroit public schools that was used for many years.

Traditional American dancing became a popular physical education class in colleges and universities as well. The Lovetts, with sponsorship from Ford, taught in as many as 31 different colleges and universities. Even with these programs, square dancing was seemingly dying out as a public form of dance across the United States except for small isolated pockets such as Ford's Greenfield Village.

Ford built a beautiful ballroom with Burmese teak floors, chandeliers, and huge matching fireplaces in Greenfield Village in 1937. Friday night dances were held there and the music and calls were broadcast. The dances continued until America entered World War II. Lovett Hall is still in use today for special events along with a monthly dance although the dances are most likely less formal than those held when Ford was there.

Before Henry Ford, square dancing originated with the French (allemande, promenade, dos-a-dos or now dosie-do) in the early 19th century and was mingled with some early British group dance leading up to what you all now enjoy. Lets keep it going!

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2016 NSDCA State & Province Camporees

Within the NSDCA, there are four state organizations (Florida, Illinois, Michigan and Pennsylvania) that normally hold their own camporees each year. As members of the NSDCA, campers (that means we travel) and square dancers, we should support our sister states and organizations. The list below includes the state, dates, locations and contacts so that you can participate in those events if your travels take you to those areas of the country at an opportune time

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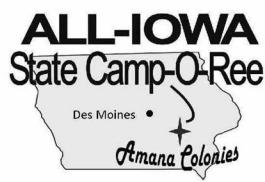
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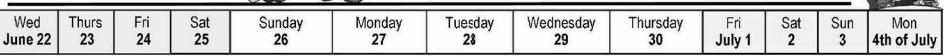
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