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Ralph & Viv Taylor



It is hard to believe that winter is almost upon us! We have had a very busy summer. We visited clubs in Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, North Carolina and Tennessee. We tried to find places to dance in Spain and Portugal but were unsuccessful. It is always fun to visit other clubs where we see old friends and meet new friends.

We had the good fortune to attend the Florida State Camporee in Bushnell, FL in October. Their theme was the Renaissance complete with costumes, skits and food. It was a great four days!

Before we know it the 2017 Camporee at Pride RV Resort will be upon us. We have 100 campsite plus cabins and park models reserved until 30 days prior to the Camporee. As of now Wilburn and Judy Hester (205) 616-4148 have 48 paid reservations.. Please get your reservations in early. On Sunday July 9th Tony Oxendine will call a dance free to NSDCA members. The hosting chapter #152 will be holding their July campout at Pride on the 7th and 8th. Gary Shoemake will be our caller both nights and there is no charge for the dances. Contact Susan and Don Wolford (256) 673-0170. Following the Camporee on Sunday July 16-20 will be a plus week with Tony Oxendine and Ted Kennedy. Contact number (800) 926-8191.

As we all know we need to grow our membership. It is the responsibility of every member to put forth an effort to gain new members. It has been our experience that this is a one on one contact. Invite your fellow dancers to visit for a weekend or a dance. Show them how much fun we have, make them feel welcome and invite them to join.

We asked for your input as to the benefits of belonging to the NSDCA. Look else where in the TIMES for responses.

Please remember to pay your 2017 membership dues by the end of the year, December 31, 2016.



Jerry & Donna Robey



Winter is about to arrive here in Northern Illinois. We've finished winterizing our motor home for the month of November. By the time you read this article in the Dec issue of the "Times" we will be settled into our winter home at the Willliston Crossings RV Resort in Williston, Florida. (Seems a shame to have to "winterize" for one month, but better safe than sorry.)

We want to give a special "thumbs up" to John Ide for the job he is doing as our new editor of the NSDCA Times. John has added many improvements, making the "Times" into a very useful tool for those of us who travel and dance around the country. Thanks John, for a job well done. It's a great way to keep the lines of communication open, and to keep all our members informed of happenings around the world of camping and dancing.

We've been camping and dancing with our home chapter 014 the Blackhawk Crosstrailers as well as with chapter 031, the Badger Rovers of Southern Wisconsin. By the time you read this article, we will have supported the Badger Rovers at their November fund raising dance in Madison Wisconsin. Tom Nickel was the caller and Kathy Nickel did the cueing for this special event.

One highlight of this past Fall was the addition of two new members in chapter 014. They are Phillip and Deb Pickard and the Hile family. They are Wayne and Becky Hile and their 10 year old son Ethan and their 14 year old daughter Bailey. Both Ethan and Bailey are accomplished dancers, and Ethan is trying his hand at calling. He called a tip at our October campout, along with our club caller Bob Asp. Who knows, Ethan may become one of our youngest callers nationwide. That would be wonderful, for we all know we need younger dancers and callers for our activity to survive. Keep it up Ethan, square dancing needs you.

When we camped with 014 in September, we had three of our strongest members "down" with knee injuries. Oh my, does that mean we're all getting older? We hope and pray these three, Darlene Johnson, Bob Foley, and Ed Berridge, will soon recover and be back dancing.

As you read this article, we are back in Florida camping and dancing with chapters 128 Square Wheels, and 168 Gypsies. It's al-

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David & Mary Bruun



Winter is slowly approaching. With that in mind some of us will be leaving for the south and warmer temperatures. We will be leaving right after Thanksgiving this year for Texas. We plan to square dance with one of the callers from our area here in Illinois who winters in Alamo. Down in Texas, a person can dance three times a day, every day of the week to different callers, if you wish. We have other hobbies and activities to share, plus our square dancing.

Communication between all NSDCA members is very important. We always love hearing from every chapter each year. If you have any new ideas on how to get new members, please let us know. We all have the "age" factor, but we can't let that get in our way of square dancing. After all, I think dancing and moving around is what keeps us young.

Keep the NSDCA website (nsdca.org) in mind while filling out all the forms for corresponding with the BOD. For example: **Membership Renewal.....**that is due by December 31st. **Officer Election....**each year whenever your chapter has any changes. **Change of Address....**when any member moves, so they will still be able to receive the TIMES.

We love reading Chats Around the Campfire...this is a way of keeping up with so many of our friends that we have made over the years at National Camporees. Speaking of Camporee, the board is looking for someone to host the 2018 Nationals. Could this be your chapter or a couple chapters in your area to buddy up together and do the hosting???? Please consider! It can be A LOT OF FUN.

If you haven't signed up for the 60th National Camporee yet, you still have time. Registration for Pride of the South -- Pride Resort, July 11-13, 2017 is included in the Times. Tony Oxendine will be calling a free dance on Sunday evening; let's fill the hall again as in 2014.

We are sending greetings for a Very Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year, to you all, wherever you are.

Dave and Mary



Tom & Kathy Nickel



It is sad to report that our 2016 camping season has come to a close for the year. Campgrounds have turned off their water and winterized the campsites. We have done the same with our unit. Our chapter will be having a Veterans Dance on Nov. 12th.

In 2014 we set the record for number of squares dancing at Pride Resort in the main building (23 Squares). Let's break that record next summer. To do it we need your help so plan on attending next year's Camporee. If you were not there in 2014, it is a great place to visit and rich in the history of our nation. We will have all of our great Camporee activities and fellowship with all those joining in with the square dancing and camping. Hope to see you there. As always we are looking for future sites for our Camporee. Think about hosting and invite other chapters to help. Many hands make small work for everyone.

Our insurance comes due in January. We encourage you to send in chapter dues by December 21st to be able to enter them as received by end of the year. Some renewals have come in so keep up the good work.

For those who stay in the north, stay warm and keep on dancing. For those in the south, happy camping and dancing. Hope to see you in Maggie Valley NC at Pride Resort.

Tom & Kathy

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ways a treat for us to return to Florida and be able to camp and dance with our "Southern" friends.

Once again, we want to remind you to get registered for the 60th annual camporee in Waynesville, NC at the Pride Resort in Maggie Valley. We are thrilled that Tony Oxendine will be starting us off with a dance on Sunday, July 9th. Hopefully, Tony's schedule will permit him to spend the rest of the week with us at the camporee. Let's see if we can fill the 100 available sites, and the dance hall as well. We hope to see you there. Until then, have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Remember, "Live Lively....Square Dance".

Yellow Rocks, Jerry and Donna



Roger Tipps Membership Secretary



Many of our northern chapters are not camping but are still getting together for social activities and planning for next spring camping activities. For those of you going south, plan on visiting NSDCA chapters for dancing fun.

This is also the time to decide what your chapter will do about adding new members. If you want to add new members there are things you can do such as visiting non camping clubs, talking to other campers you meet. If you need other ideas contact chapter 152 for help. They keep adding new members each month.

Many of you have emailed me about the dues for 2017. The national dues have not changed. Couples are only \$20.00 and singles are \$12.50. Badges are still \$6.00 each. All forms are available on NSDCA website: *NSDCA.ORG.*

As chapters change officers be sure to email me, rtms99@aol.com, the new list. Please check the emails of the chapter contact so other dancers can make arrangements to dance with your chapter.

Now is the time to make your reservations for the International Camporee at Pride. There will be a lot of dancing with the extenuated schedule.

Roger

Membership Idea

Try inviting your non-camping square dance friends to come to your campouts/dances. You can loan them a tent, but better still, find a motel close by for them. Camping chapters have more



fun at their weekends than non-camping clubs. When your non-camping dancer friends see how much fun they can have at a camping weekend, they may join your group (maybe in a motel at first), but they may even buy a camper (or a tent). Then you have new members.

State & Area Representatives Reports

Florida; Dolly & John Ide

Wow. These three months fly by so fast, it's hardly enough time to enjoy a campout or two before the next article is due. I suppose that means that we're having a great time camping and dancing, which we are. Since the last issue, a great deal has transpired in Florida.

The first great event was our annual Florida State Camporee held just a few weeks ago at the end of October in Bushnell at Blueberry Hill RV Resort. We had a great turn-out, over 80 rigs and several folks in local motels. If you weren't there, you missed a great event and loads of fun.

If you attended our Camporee, you saw that we have a great time in the Sunshine State, but like everywhere else, we're loosing members, but we're also gaining members. I've been told that our net for the year was one member gained. That means we lost several members but gained one more than we lost. We've focused on the concept of bigger weekend attendance. Simply said it means we're trying for larger campouts and dances because they usually mean more fun.

To promote larger groups, we're going to have Florida's first ever, annual (we hope) Spring Fling which is a combined campout of as many of our Florida members and chapters as possible. It will be held at the same location as our Camporee was this year, Blueberry Hill in Bushnell, on April 21 and 22, 2017. This will feature several callers and cuers and be simple in concept, a normal chapter weekend, but more fun because of the larger turnout. We're going to keep it simple so that no one has an extra work-load beyond what their chapter normally does, but we will have a free pan-cake breakfast on Saturday morning and a multi-chapter pot-luck on Saturday afternoon.

A couple of added attractions are a blue-grass music jam fest at Blueberry Hill on Friday from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm and a campground wide yard sale. You sell it, you keep the money.

Hope to see you all there. Yellow Rocks 'till then.

State & Area Representatives Reports (continued)

Dolly & John

A note to all state and area reps, this space is for you to reach the NSDCA members in your area who are waiting to hear from you. They want to know that you're there to help them have fun. This is your chance to do that and build up your area or state.

**** Why We Should Belong to NSDCA ****

Last month we challenged you to give us your reasons for belonging to NSDCA. The responses we received seemed to run in the same vein. Following is a compilation of your responses.

\$1,000,000.00 liability insurance coverage.

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Yearly get together at the International Camporee.

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Access to NSDCA logo merchandising and advertising.

Opportunity to dance with chapters any where you Travel.

Access to our own website www.nsdca.org.

As you can see the NSDCA has a lot to offer for a very small fee.

NEW ATTRACTIONS FOR THE TIMES

It seems that from the few entries we had to our little camper search game, that not as many of you are reading the Times as we hope for. The result is that not only are you missing out on all the important news in the Times, but your probably also not getting the most out of your dancing and camping experiences. We met with several Board members and decided to add some new attractions such as:

- ⇒ An interesting recipe in each issue
- ⇒ Some helpful hints for maintaining/improving your RV
- ⇒ Sewing or other craft suggestions (for future issues)
- \Rightarrow Other items of interest as we come across them

We hope that you will find our extra articles helpful and fun, and that you will help us by sending us your items of interest and suggestions. Let's make this magazine that everyone will want to read, that the pages become worn, markedup and dog-ear for easy reference.

Your editors, Dolly & John Ide

A Fortnight at. . . July 7 - 20, 2017

ALABAMA CHAPTER #152 Hosted Weekend at PRIDE Contacts: <u>Susan & Don Wolford</u> (256) 673-0170

2 Nights Free Dancing

Friday Saturday
July 7 July 8
Caller: Gary Shoemake

10 AM Saturday BINGO

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60 th NSDCA

International Camporee

Special Dance

w/ 'Tony Oxendine'

Sunday

July 9th

Free to NSDCA

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday
July 10 July 11 July 12 July 13

Make your reservations early -

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Friday Saturday July 14 July 15

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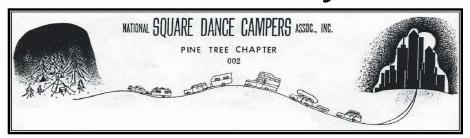
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
July 16	July 17	July 18	July 19	July 20

Only 100 sites are available in Pride Resort

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A Little Bit of History



Have you ever opened up a dusty old box in your attic, basement or garage, and accidentally found something absolutely wonderful that just put a smile on your face and joy in your heart? That's a little like my experience as a result of the little game we started in the last issue where we asked you to find the camper on the bottom of the front page that had gotten lost on his way to the square dance campout. Here's the tale....

I received a call from Howard (Howie) Reoch after both the mention of the loss of his wife Bev in the Chapter 022 Campfire Chat and the lost pick-up camper featured in our little game on page 38 of the last issue got his wanderlust fired up for a trip down memory lane. Howie, a retired caller and charter member of Pine Tree Chapter 002 in Wisconsin, is now somewhere around 90 years old give or take a year or two and lives Arkansas now, had much to share with me while reminiscing of times and friends gone by, and of course his much loved wife Bev. The details that pertain to the little camper caravan sketch above are most interesting.

According to Howie, the pencil sketch shown above was created by Jim Becker somewhere around 1966. I'm not sure if this was the original version and the NSDCA modified it, or the other way around, but it includes the campers of the first five Pine Tree members and their camping equipment on their way to a camping weekend that included and encouraged square dancing.

The first, a car pulling an Avion, belonged to Alex and Jen Brabender; the second, a station wagon and pull-behind trailer belonged to Joe and Bea Sokol; the third was Howie and his wife Bev in a pick-up topper; the fourth with the canoe and pop-up was Sad & Ken Johnson; finally the last was Tony and Lou Bergett who had a tent tied to the top of their station wagon. If some of the details are a little off, or the spelling of the names is wrong, we apologize for that, but in case this also gets other memory lane journeys started, you can reach Howie by phone at 870-257-2914 (Caution: his memory is excellent and he remembers many details.) or by mail (I'm sure he'd love to hear from you.) at:

Howie Reoch; P.O. Box 932; Cherokee Village, AR 72525 Thank you, Howie, for sharing with us. John Ide; Times Editor



and the FUN continues...

Our search for the missing camper from the front cover of the TIMES is on again. In the last issue, it was the pick-up topper, the third in line and if you read page 14 - you know it belonged to Howie & Bev Reoch from Pine Tree Chapter 002. Since I talked with Howie, I'm sure he'd never get

lost or forget anything. Maybe someone else was driving.

Only the five of you listed below joined in the search and found that the camper was hidden on page 46 of the last issue.

- Donna & Jerry Robey of the Blackhawk Crosstrailers, 014
- Susan Wolford of Campers and Dancers, 152
- Paulette Doerhoff of the Gateway Wagoneers, 179
- Ross & Ellie Wade of the Florida RoadRunners, 193
- Phyllis Anderson of from Danville, IL (no chapter given)

We put all the correct entries into numbered envelopes and rolled the dice. The winner was **Paulette Doerhoff of Chapter 179**. Congratulations Paulette! This issue's prizes pictured below, a belt buckle for him and a Christmas ornament for her, were donated by our NSDCA Insignia people (Thank you Larry & Paula Boone) and they are on there way to Paulette.

<u>So get searching and send us</u> your answers for this month's lost camper location. As you can see on the front cover, the last car in the caravan seems to have lost sight of the camper they were following in the snow. When you find him, send us a note or e-mail including your <u>chapter</u>, <u>name</u>, <u>address and where you found our missing camper</u>. We'll have another prize for the winning entry to announce in the next issue. (Also tell us about the fun you had searching & maybe send a picture.)

The deadline is the same as the next issue. We'll take all the correct answers and toss them in a basket & draw a winner.

E-mail your entry to johnide2016@outlook.com or mail to: John Ide, 25210 NE 139 PL, Salt Springs, FL 32134





By the way our prizes (NSDCA Belt Buckle & Ornament) and many other great insignia items are available from Larry and Paula Boone. See page 54 for contacting them.





florida's Renaissance Camp-O-Ree

Dragon Hand Made by Alan Adkison

Thursday Night Ice Cream Social Yum!

The Lord & Lady of the Castle with her Gallant Knights.

Camporee Chairs Gary & Gail LaRue



The Royal Feast

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Magic Moments from Bushnell, Florida Oct. 2016

Dancing Fun



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Dee Casteel - Jim Weismore





Sir Tom & Lady Pat Herscha



Lady Guinevere & Robin Hood Susan& Don Wolford Hosts of NSDCA 2017 Camporee

NSDCA Times Submission Information

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

- All submissions should be sent using appropriate e-mail and addressed to NSDCA Times Editor; 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.
- Handwritten articles and notes, text articles in PDF or text in all capitals will not be accepted.
- Photos if sent must be included <u>as attachments</u> in jpg, png or similar formats and should be provided in <u>250 dpi or greater</u> resolution. Do not embed photos or graphics in the body of your text submission.
- Postal mail items will be accepted but will not be returned.

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 three 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. Submissions received after the deadline dates will not be included in the next issue of the TIMES.

The editor 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 to meet the 250 word limit.

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.





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then e-mail Roger Tipps (NSDCA Membership Secretary) with the information...

rtms99@aol.com

Thank You, Members of the NSDCA

A letter was received by the NSDCA from the El Kahir Shine in Middleton, WI to thank the NSDCA for the donation of aluminum pull tabs collected by NSDCA members and chapters at the 2016 NSDCA International Camporee. The text of the letter reads:

10 October, 2016

Dear NSDCA:

On behalf of the Potentate, Officers and Nobility of El Kahir Shrine, we sincerely thank you for your generous donation of 1 $^1/_4$ barrels of aluminum can tabs. These tabs will be sold to a local recycler with the proceeds going to the El Kahir Hospital Transportation Fund.

Your Transportation Fund Donation will be deposited in a "Restricted Fund Account" and only used for transporting our patients and family to Shriners Hospitals in Minneapolis, Chicago, and Cincinnati. Transportation, overnight lodging (if necessary), food, plus treatment at these hospitals is provided at no cost to all our patients.

Once again, thank you for your support. Sincerely, Richard Bowersox, Recorder FI Kahir Shrine



Don't forget to again save your pull tabs throughout the next year and bring them to the 2017 NSDCA International Camporee in North Carolina. Let's make an extra effort and top the collection of 2016 at the 2017 International Camporee at Pride Resorts next summer.

FUTURE INTERNATIONAL CAMPOREE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ARE YOU WILLING?

Get Together with the Other Chapters in your State or Neighboring States and Submit your Bid.

Host a Camporee.

2018 and beyond are still available.

Bid Packets are available for All Areas!

"WELCOME" to a brand new 'TIMES' feature!



- 4 Cups Trail Mix with Peanuts, Raisons, Almonds and Cashews
 - 1 Cup Mini Marshmallows
 - 1 Cup Pretzels (broken into small pieces)
 - 1 Cup M & M's Chocolate Candies
- 1 24oz. Package Almond Bark White Chocolate

Mix together the first 4 ingredients in a large bowl.

Melt the Almond Bark Chocolate according to package directions, pour over the other ingredients stir till well coated.

Spread on a wax paper lined cookie sheet to cool. Break into pieces and enjoy...

"CAUTION" THIS STUFF CAN BE ADDICTIVE!







001 Garden State Campers; New Jersey

Our August campout was once again at Appalachian RV Resort. It was wonderful having 16 rigs and guest dancers staying in the cabins. We had four squares up dancing over the weekend to the amazing calling of Mark Franks. Saturday evening we enjoyed a pot luck supper with a wide variety of delicious food.

Don Bachelder was our caller at the September campout at Otter Lake Campground. This was the first time Don called for GSSDCA. In addition to the plus workshop on Saturday morning, Don also had an advance teach. The theme for this weekend was Campfire Pies and S'mores cooked over a campfire. Even though it was September it was an extremely hot weekend and the campground left the outdoor pool open for our enjoyment.

Our last campout for the season was again at Otter Lake, the weekend of September 30 to October 2. Betsy Gotta was our caller with Roy Gotta cueing rounds. We had our traditional Halloween party at Saturday evening's dance. Betsy's music was practically all Halloween songs. The prizes for Halloween costumes were judged for "Most Disabled", "Best OCD Couple" and "Most Enthusiastic". The evening was capped off with pies and cider.

It's always sad to winterize the rig. However, we will be seeing one another at raids on home clubs which Patsy Lisak has planned. Through these raids we've met square dancers who camp and weren't aware that there was a square dance campers club in the State of New Jersey.

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

002 Pine Tree; Wisconsin

Winter is almost here and we are having our annual Christmas Party/Dues dance/meeting on November 5. We welcome Bonnie and Frank Stelzel as our new treasurer team. They will fill in for Emma and Dave Schueler who have moved to Fort Myers, Florida. Emma and Dave remain members of our chapter; we are grateful for the many years of excellent work they have done for Pine Tree.

Next year we will have a joint campout with members of the Pioneer 010 chapter; it will be held on the weekend of June 9-11 at Pine Ridge Campground near Waldo, WI. We also invited the Kettle Squares



square dance club of Plymouth, WI to join us for a pot luck dinner and dance on Friday of that weekend. We will be dancing at the Kettle Squares' club on Saturday evening. We are looking forward to a great time; everyone is welcome.

A big thanks to Lloyd and Joyce Gatzke for all they have done for our chapter. Also we are lucky to have Ted and Doris Palmen calling for us.

Keep dancing and having fun
John Sindorf; jbsindorf@att.net

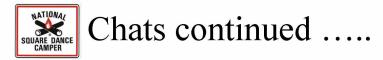
014 Blackhawk Cross Trailers; Illinois

Our chapter continues to grow with the addition of three more member units this Fall. Welcome to Bob & Sally Foley, Deb & Phillip Pickard, and Wayne & Becky Hile and their kids Bailey and Ethan. Ethan (age 10) is an up and coming square dance caller. He called a tip at our October campout.

In August we enjoyed three nights, beginning on Thursday by attending the Fireside Dinner Theater's presentation of "Singing in the Rain". It was great! On Friday, we did a demo dance at the Winnebago County Fairgrounds, site of the 2017 Illinois NSDCA Camporee on June 2-4, 2017 in Pecatonica, IL. Saturday we danced to our great caller/ President Bob Asp.



In September we camped at the Paradise Campground in Garden Prairie, Il and danced tto he calling of member Lottie Buckbee. That is, those who could dance. We actually had three disabled dancers with serious knee issues. Oh my. A good time was had by all with shared meals on



Friday and Saturday nights. A special treat that weekend was a pre-Halloween parade, complete with tricks and treats.

In October we returned to the Paradise Campground for the camper appreciation weekend. The campground hosted a delicious noon meal on Saturday as a thank you to all campers. Of course, we danced both Fri and Sat nights to the calling of Bob Asp. In addition, we welcomed Pickards and the Hile family. Both Hile children, Bailey and Ethan are accomplished dancers. Sally Foley led crafts on Saturday. The crafters made Teddy Bears and Puppy Dogs. Very creative.

Chapter 014 will be hosting the Illinois NSDCA camporee next June, and we hope to have support for our neighboring states. Many exciting plans are in the works. Come and join the fun.

Jerry and Donna Robey, 815-977-5763

022 Pennsylvania Dancing Campers; Pennsylvania

Chapter 022 has reached a milestone - 50 YEARS. A Charter was issued in 1967 to the 15 members required to form a chapter. Membership soared and the chapter enjoyed many years of fun, fellowship and dancing. During recent years membership has dwindled, however, it has not dampened the excitement of celebrating 50 years of existence. Efforts are underway to locate as many former members as possible. The chapter has planned three camping weekends in 2017. These weekends are held at the Twin Streams Campground, Morris, PA. During the August weekend, a CELEBRATION PROGRAM on SATURDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 5, will be open to all former members and climax with a shared meal. Camping is not required. Please spread the news. More information is available from members or by contacting the writer of this chat.

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031 Badger Rovers; Wisconsin

We finished off the camping season with our last campout on September 16 - 18 at Tom's Campground, Dodgeville, WI. We had Six Units for the weekend. Activities included painting clay pots (see next page) to be used at our fall dance. After the craft we moved to the campfire for our traditional doughnut making by Tom Nichols. We had a great afternoon. Earlier in the day we made time for a Bean Bag Toss competition. Tom Nichols continues to give the Badger Rover President grief!

Saturday night was potluck then our dance. The evening ended with a roaring campfire. Sunday came too quickly with hugs and send





offs that we will be back for another year of great camping/dancing.

Winter is fast approaching - we have winterized our camper and are looking forward to snowmobiling for the next few months. Spring will arrive and then we start looking forward to another season of camping with our square dance friends.

Wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable Holiday Season and see everyone at the next Camporee.

David & Sharon Schmidt; 608- 630-7543; sharon.schmidt58@yahoo.com

045 Penn Dixie Square Campers; Pennsylvania/Virginia

We had our last campout of the season last week. It was windy and a bit chilly but it only rained a little bit and we had a great weekend of dancing, socializing and, of course, eating. We had the first freeze warning of the season already so its time to winterize our campers. Though it has warmed up again it looks like winter is coming. Some of our club members will be heading south for the winter in December but even they will have to winterize their campers so that the pipes don't freeze before they go.

The club is looking forward to our holiday dinner and is busy planning for next year's campouts and the PA state camporee which we are hosting in May. The Shippenburg Fairgrounds are under contract and the program for the camporee is being finalized. Committees are being set up, supplies purchased and meals planned. I'll be sending in our campout schedule to the Times when it is finalized and invite you all to stop in if you happen to be in our neck of the woods on one of our camping weekends. Our state camporee will be held the 19th through the 21st of May at the Fairgrounds in Shippensburg, PA. Come join us on the dance floor if you are in the area.

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



046C Swing-N-Wheels; Ontario

As our 45th camping season has come to a close we reflect on the wonderful season we had in spite of the heat wave we endured May – July. Our August campout was warm without the humidity which brought out a larger crowd to our dances. Our campout dances were made possible through the excellent calling/cuing from Denny Howlett, Tom Charlton, Stan McKeen, Jeff & Andrea Priest, and Wayne & Sharron Hall.

We enjoyed many activities at our campouts, from relaxing and visiting with our fellow campers to garage sales, group games, and an Arctic Circle tour which we enjoyed in the comfort of our chairs with large fans blowing over us so we can experience the cool atmosphere. At our final camp weekend several ladies and one gentleman wore a layer of four tops. As soon as the caller called "peel the top" we striped off a top and flung them towards the caller. Wayne Hall was the caller and the stunned look on his face was priceless and caller Tom Charlton was rolling in laughter. Of course we kept the last top on!

We close our weekends with our Sunday morning church service followed by our trail out dance. We bid Farwell to our fellow campers in October and look forward to our next campout in May 2017.

Jake and Jean Hamstra; jean@dsgraphics.ca

060 Flutter Wheelers; Iowa

The Flutter Wheelers Campout in October was canceled because hostess, Fran Smith had a stroke. Fran is taking therapy about 6 hours each week and progress is seen even after just a few weeks. She hopes to make her weak side strong again.

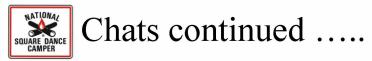
The Flutter Wheelers plan to meet for fellowship at Pizza Ranch in Marshalltown at 11:30am the second Wednesday of each month from November through April. All campers and dancers are welcome.

For information about NSDCA check the website: http://www.nsdca.org/

Anyone needing information about NSDCA or needing a current Flutter Wheelers camping schedule may contact us at 641-485-2087 or fksmith2011@yahoo.com

Please support Square Dancing and ask your friends to learn this great activity.

We hope to see you around the campfire or on the dance floor. Ken & Fran Smith; 641-485-2087; fksmith2011@yahoo.com



068 Wandering Wheels; Minnesota

Wandering Wheels ended the summer camping season in Hutchinson, MN. The October weekend weather was fantastic and we had a great turn out with 18 units attending. Larry Johansen called a great dance. Jerry & Nancy Knoth joined the club and in keeping with tradition, held an open house with their camper. Wine and nibbles always go over well at these events! Several outdoor games were played in the nice weather as well as indoor games. The evenings ended with a great bonfire and no rain!

All rigs are cleaned and stored for the winter (except those heading South). The final gathering for the year was the Holiday Dance on Dec. 3rd. A wonderful array of foods was enjoyed at the potluck dinner and great dancing followed with Dean Libby calling many Holiday songs. Of course, many more calories were consumed from holiday snacks between tips. It was great to have several past members and guests join us to celebrate the season.

The 2017 season starts for us on Memorial day weekend. We wish everyone a safe and blessed Holiday Season.

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

082 Hitch-N-Go; Florida

A fabulous Camporee weekend was planned by our Florida Board of Directors and Chair Persons, even down to the cooler temps. Thank you for your hard work. The weekend was especially nice as we were happy to have George & Sandy Oakes travel from Massachusetts to join the fun.

Now its time to settle into a camping dancing season filled with holidays, friends and family. Looking forward to Thanksgiving, 082 will be celebrating together with all the fixins and a rousing weekend of square and rounds with our favorite caller Ron Reardon. San Lan Ranch in Lakeland is the place and Nov.18-20 are the dates. See you there!

January we will be celebrating Hitch-N-Go and our 42nd anniversary. Squares with Ron and rounds by Ann Hadsall. A special meal is planned. Come join us.

Laureen Kelly; jkelly7760@bellsouth.net

085 Mobile Squares; Colorado

Our camping year has come to an end. Our September campout was held in Gering, NE. It was the balloon fest campout. We thought for a while we weren't going to be able to see the balloon fest due to the weath-



er, but it did clear and we had an enjoyable evening watching the glow. Our October camp out was held at Mc C Ranch up in the hill outside of Loveland, CO. The weather was beautiful and the trees were changing. We enjoyed painting pumpkins and had some great creations. In the afternoon we went on a hayride over the country side, up and down hills. Great fun. We had election of officers with Dick & Sharon Gurney staying on as Treasurer and Darrell & Carolyn Brasier as Vice President.

Our annual Christmas Party will be held December 7, 2016 at the Johnson's Corner Banquet Room. We will enjoy a great buffet lunch and socializing with our members as well as many past members. It is always a great time of reminiscing.

Hope everyone has a great winter where ever you might be.

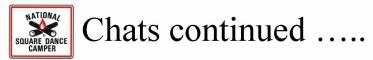
Darrell & Carolyn Brasier; 970-656-3520; carolynbrsr@gmail.com

106 Square-Up Campers; Pennsylvania

Awaiting mouth watering lunch food, the Square Up members and guests stand around a giant chicken at Kauffmans BBQ Chicken Ranch (see below) in Bethel, Pa. Nestled near the hills of Berks County in eastern Pennsylvania this restaurant offers scrumptious food and desserts. After a



square dance workshop the campers are ready to fill there tummies with home cooked food and a nice cool drink! The iced tea and soda's went down quickly as we all were trying to quench our thirsts during this hot muggy weather. The dancers were good sports to do-si-do and swing their partners while mopping their brows. Caller Bob Engel did his best to keep the tips short but still lively and interesting. Being dedicated campers we



had a campfire each evening and enjoyed the fellowship and a few snacks. Sunday morning brought a meaningful church service thanks to members Park Bierbower, Dave Black and Eleanor Rohrer. Why not join us some weekend and take part in the fun and good dancing?

Submitted by Kathy Engel for Square Up Campers # 106 Kathy Engel; kathye@kuhncom.net

112C Horseshoe Squares 'N Wheels

The theme for one of our summer dances was "Clowning Around". What a lot of fun that was! We had clowns in all kinds of funny outfits and big noses and it certainly made for a lot of clowning around and giggles! Instead of a lot of description, I thought we'd share a few pictures with you!



We switched our teach dances from Saturday morning to the afternoon this year. So, now at 10 a.m. we gather in the hall for coffee, cards, Bingo and even one member made up a trivia word game. (yeah, Barb!) The point being that part of the camping experience is to be together socially. In the afternoon, we have a one hour Round Dance teach followed by a Square Dance teach. Many of our callers/cuers know how to make this a very fun experience. Sadly, the trailers are packed away for the Canadian winter but our summer memories continue to make us smile! Wishing all of you a blessed Christmas season and a wonderful New Year!

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

113 Dakota Ramblers; North Dakota

The Dakota Ramblers held their last campout for the season in September. We had a great year and are looking forward to another special schedule for 2017. Our club could be called a Senior Citizen Club now as our members are all retired from the work force. Most of us do a bit of



volunteering for our churches and communities. Several couples are snow-birds and really look forward to getting home in spring to attend the first campout in May. The snowbirds that can make it get together the first Sunday in March for an evening potluck, visiting and game playing. The gathering will be March 5th, 2017 at 1101 S Ellsworth Rd #465, Mesa, AZ. RSVP to 701-321-2820 if you are coming.

We don't do much dancing anymore, but most of us have some recordings of our favorite callers from the past that we bring to campouts. We can at least listen and share our memories of square dances of the past; while we share a meal. The conversations around the campfire in the evenings (is loud we don't hear so well anymore) and the laughter shows how much fun we have.

Our greatest advice to other clubs: dance up a storm today, share great friendships with your members, because we are getting older everyday and we might not make it to the next campout.

Cecilea Baumstack; abc@bektel.com

119 Wonder Yonders; Wyoming

Foremost in all of our minds is the loss of our very dear member, Leona Shade. We will all miss her support of the club as well as the round dance community and square dancing. Leona was the wife of our Club Cuer, Leroy Shade. We want to offer condolences to Leroy and her family.

Our summer camping season has come to an end for another year. We have enjoyed a campout in Saratoga Wyoming. In August, several members traveled to Lolo, Montana to dance with Dave Guille for the week.

Our weekend for the annual Buggy Stomp in Laramie, Wyoming began with a cookout and our Bean Bag Baseball game on Thursday night.





We had 34 members attending. Pictured at the Buggy Stomp, are our members who attended the casual dance on Friday night. It was a great weekend and it was hard to believe that we were in Laramie. NO WIND!!

The Wander Yonders had a potluck breakfast meeting. We have some wonderful cooks in our mist! Suggestions were made as to campouts and activities for next summer.

Nell Coffey; 303-823-6096; gncoffeehaus@msn.com

123 Swing-N-Travelers; Illinois

Club trip continued: our caravan continued down the river road to St. Louis, MO. While there, we visited the Goodwill Outlet, Anheuser Busch Brewery, Soulard Market, Art Museum, Zoo, Grant's Farm, Camping World, the Scott Joplin House and the St. Louis Historical Museum. We ate at Dairy Queen, McDonald's, Pappy's Smokehouse, Favazza's on the Hill and even had a pot luck in the "Upper Room". The Upper Room is also the place where cards and games were played if, we were not too tired after each days excursions.

Several of our members enjoyed the Illinois State NSDCA Camporee in Sandwich, IL. A small group had tournaments of bean bags and washer toss as well as making crafts for the ladies.



Sue Mayer, Naomi Mills, Al Fahsbender

In August we met at Hickory Hollow Campground in Utica, IL with 13 units. Our big event at our business meeting was planning our camp-out schedule for next year. We played Giant Yahtzee with Rita Schneider being the winner. The ladies created Zen tangle greeting cards and made cross sun-catchers like the ones made at the Iowa Nationals. We danced to Herb Edwards on Saturday evening after our wonderful potluck....what we do best is EAT.

Kentuckiana was our destination for our September camp out. Our host and hostess' had a fun filled Decathlon planned for the afternoon. Winners in the



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"GO FOR THE GOLD" were Naomi Mills, 1st; Al Fahsbender, 2nd: and Norma Mayer, 3rd. They had this planned to coincide with the Summer 2016 Olympics. A Taco Bar with all the fixings was served before going to the country opry. We danced on Friday night so we could attend. New members Chet & Janet Bowman joined our chapter.

With cooler weather, the vegetable stew and white chili was perfect for our October camp out. The ladies made a fall centerpiece and after lunch a bean bag tournament was held. Again, this month we have new members Bob & Kathy Baker, and a previous member Ellen Carlson rejoined. That's a total of 7 since Nationals in Iowa.

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128 Square Wheels; Florida

The members of the two sister clubs were glad to meet together after our summer break. September brought us to Cedar Key RV Resort. We were glad to visit downtown and experience the "Pirates Festival." Also in September, our caller, Bill Chesnut, was honored at a surprise party to celebrate his 50 years of calling. We certainly appreciate all he has done to promote square dancing through the years.

The Florida Camporee was supported with about 40 rigs total from our two clubs. Thank you to Gail and Gary LaRue, Chapter 168, for all the hard work and creativity you put in as chairmen. The medieval games were so much fun! The medieval costumes worn to the "Royal Feast" and Saturday evening dance were a sight to behold.

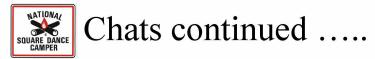
"The Ghost of Oleno Past" dance in November was well attended. The caller and cuer kept us all moving. Thank you to Jay and Teri Peck and their helpers for a delicious dinner Saturday evening.

We look forward to celebrating Christmas together at Lake Oklawaha. January will take us to Lake Park, Ga for camping at Eagles Roost RV Park. The February "Olustee Festival" sponsored by Lake City's Dixie Dancers will have us dancing in the street and camping at Casey Jones RV Park.

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130C Lakeshore Rolling Squares; Ontario

We sadly remembered Dan Wilson during our May campout. Evelyn and Dan had been active members for many years and will certainly be missed. Wayne Whatman was calling in July and included line dancing. There were quite a few members who enjoyed this instead of round danc-



ing. Wayne and Sharon Hall were calling and cuing in August. We also enjoyed a corn roast at noon on Saturday. Doug Holmes was calling in September with Kim Hamilton cuing. This was our last campout for this season but we are looking forward to celebrating our 35th anniversary next year.

Wishing you all a good and safe winter.

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149 Bayou Square-Arounds; Louisiana/Mississippi

Chapter #149 held its September rally on the 10th and 11th in Colfax. Eleven rigs were in attendance. We welcomed eleven individual guests at our dance sessions.

Since our regular caller, Ted Kennedy, was unable to attend, we had as our guest caller Paul Terrell who called a great dance. We were fortunate to have an upcoming cuer, Jack Pointer, who for his premier engagement, had an excellent program. Round dancers will be hearing about him in the future.

The early arrivals on Thursday enjoyed a pot luck supper which was delicious. Afterwards, casual conversation was the program of the evening. A few discussed the so-called "Golden Age" perks. On the down side, all were saddened by the passing of our honorary chef, Curtis Decoteau. He will be missed as well as his wife Deanna.

Our hosts for this rally were Darrell and Theresa Howard. They prepared and served a scrumptious fish dinner with all the trimmings on Saturday. Our thanks and appreciation go out to them. They were great hosts.

Our next rally will be held in Colfax on November 4th and 5th. If you are in the area, come on by to visit and dance.

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152 Campers & Dancers, Alabama

Chapter 152 has had a fun filled fall! In September we camped at the Beach in Gulf Shores, AL. This is always a fun get away.

In October we celebrated an early Halloween with Elizabeth Emmons, a very cute Kitten and George Herndon (unrecognizable) as Fred Flintstone taking our top prizes.

Our last campout of the season will be in Somerville, AL. The building with its huge fireplace and never ending week long fire is one of our favorite places.



It is sad to see our season come to a close and all of our rigs winterized until our 2017 season starts in March. We fill in the time with a Christmas Dinner in December and a Valentine Dinner in February. Our Christmas Dinner will be held at the Irondale Cafe in Irondale, AL. This restaurant was the setting for Fannie Flagg's novel Fried Green Tomatoes.

Eleven of our members attended the Florida State Camporee. We had a ball!

Chapter 152 is hosting the 2017 Camporee at Pride RV Resort in Maggie Valley. We are all hard at work to ensure everyone has a great time. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

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153 Strawberry Travelers; Florida

Strawberry Travelers held our April 2016 campout at Ocala Sun RV Resort and elected the following slate of officers for the upcoming season: President: Jack Henry, Vice President(s): Doug & Beth Meyers, Treasurer (s): Bob & Laura Boucher, Secretary: Bev Henry. Also in April for the third consecutive year, we attended a "social" at the FL Sheep Wool & Herding Dog Festival sponsored by the Meat Sheep Alliance of FL.

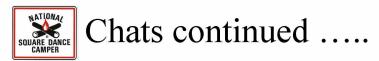
After taking the summer months off, a busy October found us gathered again at Blueberry Hill RV Resort in Bushnell Oct. 14-16 for our chapter camp-out followed by the FANSDC 2016 Camporee Oct. 20-23. Our general meeting followed Saturday's hot dog lunch with a total of 9 units plus 3 guests. Hosts Jack & Bev Henry and Paul & Sue Palmer provided beautiful fall table decorations for Saturday's potluck dinner. Club caller, Charlie Pergrossi, was very good at calling whatever we were dancing! Many members spent the days between our chapter and the state camporee at Blueberry Hill. This has become another great "social" time for us.

For the FANSDC Thursday night trails end dance, our club wore orange t-shirts with a strawberry crest in keeping with the Renaissance theme and many members dressed in costume for Saturday evening's meal and dance.

We are looking forward to our next campout Dec. 9-11, 2016 at Silver Dollar, Odessa, FL where we will celebrate the Christmas season sharing a holiday meal and gift exchange. The first campout in the New Year is January 27-29, 2017 at Blueberry Hill RV Resort.

Happy Camping!

Doug & Beth Meyers; 407 448-5192; dougmeyers@metroc.org



164 Adirondack Dancing Campers; New York

Autumn in it's glory, beauty everywhere, maple trees are crimson, elms do amber wear, hills are multi-colored, oaks and sumac red. Skies blue and whispy, geese fly overhead. Golden-rod and asters fringe the country lanes. Songbirds trill their sweetest aurumn-time refrains..

Summer is gone and fall is passing fast. Soon the air will be filled with frosty white flakes slowly drifting to the cold ground. All the snow-birds will be heading south. The holidays will be upon us and we all will say good-bye to another full year. Time seems to pass quickly when the warm weather is here. We enjoy dancing with our friends at the individual clubs and attend the rallies through the year. It's a great time well spent, and an activity that surpasses all others.

We need to keep working hard to help square dancing stay alive. We the members of chapter 164 wish for all of you a safe and healthy winter. May your holidays be filled with much warmth and laughter and we'll be looking forward to chatting with all of you again in the spring.

Untile then, lots of yellow rocks, and my best wishes.

Maureen "Mo" Wall; 518-747-5942

168 Gypsy Squares; Florida

Hear ye, hear ye!! Thank you to all who attended the 2016 Florida Camporee. It was held in Bushnell, at the Blueberry Campground. We had 76 rigs there, including the Campers & Dancers (Chapter 152) from Alabama. We also had some dancers join us on Friday night from Clover Squares of Williston.

Thursday night we dressed in State Colors and all that orange and white was a sight to see (Picture on the next page. Use your color imagination.). As always, plenty of round dancing and square dancing.

Friday started out with Medieval games; we played marshmallow catapult, checkers, catch a ring on two swords and passing toilet paper on plungers. There was a crafts table. The Grand March was held at 6:30, with most of us wearing club colors. Also in attendance were our Wizard and Gypsy Fortune Teller. The after party was a wonderful skit (story telling) and we all got to vote on how it should end. It was a close decision, but the Lord was killed by the Tiger.

On Saturday, the Market Place began at 9:00am, and had many items for sale. That was followed by the hot dog lunch and laser tag. Our Renaissance evening was fantastic. Many dancers arrived in costume. We had Lords, Ladies, Maidens, Knights, Friars, Jesters, and a King and





Queen. The Wizard and Gypsy Fortune Teller were there. During the Royal Feast, the costumes were being judged, and three winners were chosen. Immediately after the feast, we were entertained by the May Pole Dance of Maidens.

Sunday morning many of us shared a great breakfast, and then it was time to go.

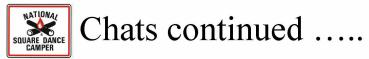
A large thank you to all who contributed in making this weekend a huge success. Fare thee well till next time.

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170 Star City Squares; Iowa, Nebraska

We have a very small group but everyone has a great time when we have our campouts. We have our campouts during the summer months with Friday evening casual visiting or playing games, Saturday morning we usually go for a walk and then games and visiting during the day and either potluck dinner or going out to eat. Sunday mornings we have pancake breakfast prepared by the hosts followed by a short church service. Please stop in to any of out campouts all guests are welcome. During the winter months those that don't go south for the winter plan monthly lunches hosted by different members.

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175C Riverside Gypsy Squares; Ontario

Riverside Gypsy Squares have had a busy end of summer. We began preparing for Fall at our August campout as we celebrated the Harvest Moon. A corn roast was enjoyed by all. Kim Hamilton was our Cuer for the week-end and Harold Moore called the dances for us. The dancers enjoyed some Old Time Square Dance calls as well.

We had apples everywhere for our September get together. They could be found in the decorations, in baskets to eat and baked into the pies that were entered in the pie contest. The judges weren't the only ones getting a bite or two before prizes were announced. We had the pleasure of dancing to calls from Wendy Vander Meulen and John Charman and Gerry Sawtell cued for the Round dances. The entertainment provided by human puppets had us laughing and we all enjoyed the apple pies afterwards. Sunday included our AGM and then a lunch together and fall clean-up of our dance hall. Gypsy Joe snuck out before he had to help with that job but we'll see him at our Mid-Winter Dance February 26, 2017.

Mary Anne Reinhard; mareinhard@sympatico.ca

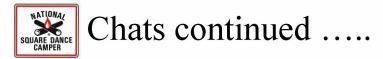
180 Spinning Wheels; Minnesota

We met for our last campout in September 2016 at the Chester Woods Park Campground in Eyota, MN. On the extended weekend, we toured several towns in the SE area of Minnesota including an Amish harvest auction in St. Charles, Rushford, MN to visit the lefsa factory and an apple orchard. The next day the women went in their car for recreational therapy (shopping) to visit Wabasha Days at Grandma's Barn and several boutiques while the men went in their car to the Steam Engines Days in Maple, MN. A fun time and fellowship was had by all who attended.

In October, we will be celebrating our 20th Anniversary and inviting all our former members to celebrate with us at the Hubbell House in Mantorville, MN. Members are then invited to Eddie and Carolyn Pederson's home for our Annual Meeting and dessert. We will have election of new officers. Most campers are now being put to rest for the winter with snowbirds soon heading south while members left behind will look forward to getting together for a "Camp-in" in the winter months.

In October one of our former charter member and caller, Lloyd Knoploch, went to be with the Lord and will be missed by all members. We have many good memories of him and his wife, Bev, who coordinated trips to caravan down to Branson for a week of fun when our club first started. What good friendships developed and have remained out of those trips. Say hi to Jesus for us, Lloyd.

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182C Bluenose Squares; Nova Scotia

Well another camping season has come to an end. We have been very busy in the last three months. In August the chapter rallied and held its annual yard sale. We were able to raise \$432.55 for our club activities.

In September we gratefully celebrated the chapter's 20th anniversary. On Saturday September 10th we invited previous club members back for an afternoon of entertainment and fellowship. We had 14 charter members join us. They were invited to stay for a light supper and a free evening of dancing. We also invited all the clubs in the Maritimes to join us; it was a weekend to remember.

Our final weekend was held at Loch Lomond Campground. After our AGM where our executive was elected, we had our traditional Thanksgiving turkey dinner. The members banded together for the prep work while Sid and his posse prepared our garbage can turkeys. Delicious! That evening we were entertained by the 'Global Gobblers', a group of our club members who dressed as turkeys and danced for those gathered. A couple of square dancers from Germany joined us for the evening and were presented with Nova Scotia pins and our Federation pins. Thank you for joining us.

Have a great winter and enjoy all you activities until spring! Marilyn DesBarres; 902-546-2282; mdesbarres@gmail.com

193 Florida RoadRunner Squares; Florida

Greetings from the Florida *RoadRunner Squares*. We are back on the road again and September found us camping & dancing in Sebastian, FL with a little karaoke thrown in. What fun that was! Our weather is a little cooler now so sitting outside by our campfire is nicer. In October we enjoyed our great Florida State Camporee with 4 days of Medieval FUN!

I have never seen so many KNIGHTS in my life! With Fair Maids & Maidens, Kings & Queens, Lords & Ladies, even a Wizard, Fortune Teller and of course, the dragon. Check the picture on the right. Left to right: Paul Scott, 128; Bill Dees, 153; Dolly Ide, 193; John Ide, 193; Bob Frechette, 128, and John Burzo168.

Our Chapter cooked up the Sunday AM Breakfast of pancakes, sausage and eggs for well over 100 hungry campers.

All of our great Florida Chapters take a part in putting on a fantastic time for all who attend. Our thanks to all the visitors who joined in our fun. We had about 180 campers & dancers this year. Hope a few more of you will join us next year.



Chats continued

We will be experiencing a first this winter due to the scarcity of Florida Camp grounds that will hold rallies in the winter months. Chapter 193's January camping & dancing weekend will be held in a Florida State Park (Highlands Hammock) in Sebring Florida. It is a beautiful state park to enjoy and we'll be able to introduce Square Dancing to a new group of camping folks.



We also want to welcome our new associate members, Ralph and Viv Taylor from Alabama (some of you may know them). Please check out our RoadRunner schedule and all other Florida chapter schedules as well if you will be visiting our great state this winter season.

Along with all your Christmas dances, parties & family gatherings, we at 193 hope you will have a blessed Christmas holiday and that you are truly Blessed to be a Blessing to someone.

Hope to see you in a Square somewhere!

Be Blessed & Keep Dancing!

John & Dolly Ide; 352-208-5980; dloutz9504@outlook.com

Chapter Campouts

DECEMBER 2016

December 2nd thru 4th

128 Square Wheels; Florida

168 Gypsy Squares; Florida Lake Ocklawaha RV Resort

15991 NE 243rd Place Rd., Ft. McCoy, FL Gail & Gary LaRue, 352-861-1563, bloomingail@cfl.rr.com

December 3rd

068 Wandering Wheels LTD.; Minnesota

Brunswick United Methodist Church Crystal, MN Robert Sadler, 763-7575943, bsadlermn63@gmail.com

December 7th

085 Mobile Squares; Colorado

Johnson Corner, CO, Christmas Party; Darrell & Carolyn Brasier 970-656-3520, carolynbrsr@gmail.com

December 9th thru 11th

143 Florida Wheelers; Florida

Red Oakes Carefree RV Resort Bushnell, FL Maynard & Thelma Stratton, 352-465-0667, tmsouthland@att.net

153 Strawberry Travelers; Florida

Silver Dollar RV Resort Odessa, FL Pat Willis, 727-421-4902, bnpwillis@hotmail.com

Chapter Campouts—continued

193 Florida RoadRunner Squares; Florida

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JANUARY 2017

January 13th thru 15th

193 Florida RoadRunner Squares; Florida

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January 20th thru 22nd

128 Square Wheels; Florida

168 Gypsy Squares; Florida

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143 Florida Wheelers; Florida

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082 Hitch-N-Go Squares; Florida

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FERUARY 2017

February 3rd thru 5th

153 Strawberry Travelers; Florida

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February 17th thru 19th

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- 168 Gypsy Squares; Florida

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Most of you have campers of some type, many of which have screen doors with a little slide access door to reach the latch. The problem with these little slide access doors is that unless you're very methodical and fastidiously never leave them open, they invite hordes of mosquitoes, flies, and other bugs in when you forget to close them. Here's a simple little remedy that will keep those access doors closed. See below.

Simply get yourself one of those little 12 inch bungee cords with hooks on the ends, drill two small holes about 3/32" in diameter, one in the door frame near the edge, and one in the little slide door furthest away from the edge of the door. Then simply hook one end of the bungee in the door frame and the other in the slide door.

The pictures show the way I installed the bungee neer the top of the sliding panel. I would recommend that you install your bungee near the bottom of the slidingpanel because at the top, the bungee tends to get in the way of your fingers when you open or close the door.

Last suggestion; keep your fingers out of the open door when the bungee is extended, you may get your fingers snapped.



Inside View



Outside View

If you have any great ideas or helpful hints that you would like to share with the rest of us, please send them to the Times Editor.

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New Things in the *Times*

It's become very obvious that many of you don't read much in the *Times* other than your particular chapter Chat and camp-out listing in the schedules section. So in an effort to make the *Times* more interesting and easier to read, were including some new features other than the search for the missing camper on the front page.

Search for the Best Font

The first things you should notice are some changes on the first few pages that used to be called "Board Browsings". We changed the header and introduced several different fonts. We'd like to hear from you as to which font you find easiest to read. Send an e-mail to johnide2016@outlook.com and tell us which one you like best.

Cooking Up Great Food & Great Ideas

Next, we added a couple of pages for some cooking inputs and camper repair or improvement. We're sure that many of you have other great recipes and helpful hints that you could share since most of you have been around for a looooong time. We're hoping to include some sewing and craft ideas or pojects in the future, so we need your input.

Still on Communications

We left the two chapter and state officer reporting forms in since most organizations will be electing members whose terms of office normally begin with January 1. If this includes your chapter, please make sure that your secretary sends the appropriate form to the NSDCA Secretary and Membership Chair. Addresses on page 54.

Photos

Pictures and photos are always helpful and interesting. Check on pages 16 & 17 to get some ideas of what we can do with some of your "special events". Please make sure that the pictures you take and send (by e-mail) are at least 250 dpi resolution or better so that we can recognize the people when we print the pictures.

Obituaries

In this issues Chats section, I noticed that since the last issue we lost four members. We'd like to have a regular page to honor any members who have passed away, but it would be nice to recognize them not just by their name and Chapter. If you loose a member, please send us some details such as DOB/DOD and possibly something about them. We'll include what we have space for.

Thank you. Your Editors, Dolly & John Ide

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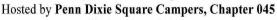
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How and What to Submit for the Chats Section

It would be wonderful if we received more input for the Chats Around the Campfire section. This is for you, our members to let other chapters know the fun things you're doing and tell them about the great times your having. You don't have to be a great writer, just simply willing to let others know what's going on. You can submit a list of activities or a write it up in a paragraph or two, it doesn't matter. A picture or two is also great and an easy way to communicate. Here are some guidelines that would make the editor's job much easier:

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- 6. Don't worry about cropping photos; we can take care of that.
- 7. Tell us who you are. We would like your name (first and last), chapter name & number and you're phone number with your submission in case we need to contact you.
- 8. For the Chapter Campouts section, it would be very helpful if your weekend begins with a dance on Friday night and ends with people leaving on Sunday, that you indicate the start date as Friday and the end date as Sunday unless everyone goes home Saturday night. That way we won't have to list two sections for the same weekend, one for Friday and Saturday, another for Friday to Sunday.
- 9. Make sure all your input reaches the editor before the deadlines of February 1, May 1, August 1 and November 1. We have very little time to get everything ready for the printer.
- 10. Most important, keep your Chats coming!

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