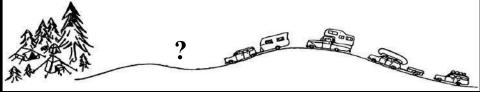


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John & Dolly Ide



It seems totally impossible to focus on Christmas being right around the corner. It's been a busy and eventful year with the problems of COVID now mostly behind us. As we look forward to 2022, we see opportunities for better times and better dancing ahead. We hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful fall with cooler temperatures, the smell of campfires, and of course turkey for Thanksgiving.

For now, we hope you all enjoy the holidays with gatherings of friends, family, and special events with your chapters. For us in Florida, this is the best time of year for campouts with the cooler yet not freezing temperatures and NO SNOW. As you enjoy this time in either the north, south, east and west or in-between, we want to encourage you to look ahead to next year.

Spring will come again with many opportunities for new fun and campouts. In the coming year we hope for a resurgence of membership and a great time in Rockville, Indiana at the 64th NSDCA International Camporee. Most of you missed the great time we had in Rayne, LA this past summer, so don't miss out again this coming year. The Illinois and Indiana Chapters have joined together to bring you a great event. The only thing necessary is for you to renew your membership in the NSDCA and then register for the Camporee. You can find a registration form in this issue of the *TIMES*: just tear out the centerfold, fill it out and mail it in.

With regards to renewing your membership; please make sure you renew with your chapter early so that they can send in the complete registration for your chapter before the end of the year. For Members at Large, please download the membership registration form from our website (please see page 27). Please be aware that the dues for a single member has been reduced to \$10. The renewal for a couple is still \$20. We also found it necessary to raise the cost of badges because of the cost of the material and mail expenses to \$10 and \$13 respectively for pin or magnetic backs.

One more thing with regard to memberships; I'm sure that everyone knows by now that Roger Tipps had to resign as Membership Secretary for health reasons. Roger has been a fixture in the NSDCA for over two decades, since February of 1999. All of us owe him a sincere thank-you for his dedicated service. In the last several years, he has come to the annual NSDC for no other reason than to help promote the NSDCA at their annual 'Showcase of Ideas' display. I think it would be appropriate for any or all of you to let him know that he will be missed. The position being filled by Kathy Nickel, the wife of

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Ruth & "Ozzie" Chuck Osborn



We pray everyone had a blessed Thanksgiving. Among other things, we are very thankful for the guidance and patience from John & Dolly as well as Mary & David as we work to organize our "NSDCA desk" and learn the inner workings of NSDCA! While learning everything, we are all taking the time to update a lot of documents to bring them current.

We ask everyone to send extra prayers for Roger Tipps as he deals with health issues. We would also like to give him extra thanks for his years of dedication to NSDCA and his constant smiles. We look forward to seeing him, "unofficially" and his Yellow Rocks.

We would like to welcome Kathy Nickel as she steps into a new role for her, as Membership Secretary. It was a very short retirement for her, but we look forward to working with her and her years of experience with NSDCA. This is a great time to remind everyone their Annual Dues are now due! Let's make Kathy's first round of renewals an easy one.

As the end of the year approaches and Chapters' annual meetings conclude, we would like to remind everyone of the need to complete and forward your "Election of Officers" form. This form is important to keep the Board & Staff informed of who to contact at each Chapter as circumstances may arise. It is also very important for all Area/State Representatives to check their contact information as listed in each issue of the *TIMES*, as we have found a few cases where the information needed updating. It is a team effort to make sure we can all communicate, efficiently, as a membership driven organization.

In closing, we wish everyone a very Happy, Healthy New Year. We look forward to seeing you across the square and/or campfire.

Yellow Rocks.

Ruth and Chuck "Ozzie" Osborn VP2NSDCA@gmail.com









David & Mary Bruun



To keep our organization strong and healthy, we need all chapters to send in their renewals. We would appreciate you sending them to the NSDCA at P.O. Box 628433 in Middleton, Wisconsin 53562-8433 no later than or before the December 31, 2021 deadline. Dues for the 2022 year are \$20 for a couple and \$10 for a single person. All forms can be found on our website at NSDCA.org (under 'Forms'). Try to recruit new members to join your chapter. New members are \$10 (couple) or \$5 (single) plus the badge fee, which is \$10 for a pin back and \$13 for a magnetic back. Information again can be found on the website and on page 48 of this issue.

Just a year ago, we reminded everyone that each year a Board position is available for election. This year there is ONLY one, not like last year when we had to elect two, as John & Dolly Ide can run for a second 4-year term. Nomination guidelines are also on the website under 'Forms'. Check it out if you are interested; the deadline is December 15th.

Your new Board has been diligently working together to help any chapter with any issue that they may have. We are all here to help, reach out to us. Communication is one of the most important factors to keep any organization moving forward. All email addresses and phone numbers of the officers are listed in the *TIMES*.

We are saddened to have Roger Tipps, our Membership Secretary, step down after serving in that position since 1999. However, Kathy Nickel has agreed to try to fill his shoes. So as you can see we are trying to keep your NSDCA organization going forward. Please help us, and Kathy, by using the forms that are found on our website at NSDCA.org.

Please sign up to join us in Rockville, Indiana at the Parke County Fairgrounds June 14 through 16, 2022 for the 64th NSDCA International Camporee. The NSDCA Illinois State Association is planning for a fun filled 3-day Camporee for you. Check out Bill Baker's article on the facilities. Registration is in the centerfold of this (and every) issue.

We are hoping that you all are staying healthy, well and safe. The Bruun's are sending belated Thanksgiving Blessings, wishing a Very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous 2022.

Mary & Dave Bruun



Susan & Don Wolford



We are settling into our new position and getting a good handle on how the process works. It takes a team to make everything work smoothly and I do believe that we have an excellent team working for y'all.

If you missed the 63rd NSDCA International Camporee in Rayne, Louisiana, you missed a great time of dancing, socializing, and of course, ice cream! We didn't have as many rigs as we had hoped, but we were excited to see each and every one that was able to attend. We even had some rigs that jumped on the Rayne Train on the trail from the NSDC National Convention in Jackson, Mississippi to Rayne and danced with some clubs along the way in Mississippi and Louisiana. We do hope that you have already made plans to attend the 64th NSDCA International Camporee in Rockville, Indiana from June 14-16, 2022. They are also planning a Trail End Dance plus you can stay an extra day and add on a going away dance as you head on over to the 71st NSDC Convention in Evansville, Indiana.

We want to express a huge THANK YOU for all the hard work that Tom & Kathy Nickel have done over the past ten years as the Treasurer. An added thank you goes out to Tom also for agreeing to remain as the Mail Handler for the NSDCA. We also thank Kathy Nickel for stepping up to assume the role of Membership Secretary when, because of health reasons, our long time Membership Secretary, Roger Tipps had to step down.

We attended an annual dance in Fontana Dam, North Carolina in October where we did a bit of advertising for NSDCA. We put out some *TIMES* magazines and a few of them were taken. We will continue to try to get the word out there about this great organization.

Florida put on a great State Camporee (FANSDC) in October in Eustis, Florida. It was fun to join with the Florida NSDCA camping clubs for dancing, fun and fellowship.

We hope y'all have a safe and happy Thanksgiving and Christmas. Dance all you can. Stay healthy.

Susan & Don Wolford



Kathy Nickel Membership Secretary



s the new Membership Secretary, let me introduce myself to you. Many of you probably will recognize me, as my husband Tom and I served as the NSDCA Treasurers for the past 10 years. I am from Middleton Wisconsin and I started Square Dancing with my parents when I was just eight years old. I then got Tom Square Dancing once we were married. We took a few years off of dancing to raise our 4 children. Once the kids were old enough, we got them involved into Square Dancing. Three of our daughters are still dancing today and are now getting our grandchildren involved as well. My husband, Tom, has been a Square Dance Caller since 1991 and I started Round Dance cueing in 1996. We are very active and hold several leadership roles in our local and state Square and Round dance community. Both of us have been inducted into the Wisconsin Caller/Cuer Hall of Fame. Recently we were elected the General Chairman for the Wisconsin Square and Round Dance Convention in 2023 and as the Vice Chairmen RV Camping for the 73rd National Convention in Milwaukee, WI in 2024.

We have a true love of camping. We started camping with our family early on and continue camping as a family today. My husband and I both worked full time while we were raising our family and when Friday night would roll around, we would pack up our vehicle and go camping for the weekend. In 1990, we joined the NSDCA and our local Chapter 031, Badger Rovers. We have attended almost every NSDCA Camporee since then and have worked on several of the Camporee committees. We have truly enjoyed being part of the NSDCA and it has given us the opportunity to see a lot of the United States and to meet a lot of new friends.

I am only a couple weeks into the Membership Secretary position and I am still learning a lot. I ask for your patience and support as I continue to learn the associated tasks. Your Membership Dues are due, and I ask that you submit them as promptly as you can. Please be sure to update all membership changes using our online forms. We have been updating and adding new forms, so be sure to check them out online.

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State & Area Representatives' Reports

Illinois State Representative

ello from Illinois. Barbara Perkins, of the Trade-By-Travelers (#066) deserves special recognition and she recently got a bit. At the fall meeting of the Illinois State NSDCA Board of Directors, Illinois State President Al Fahsbender, on behalf of the NSDCA, presented Barbara Perkins with an NSDCA plaque for her 12 years service as State Representative (photo). Barbara served from 2009 until 2021 and represented Illinois well. We doubt

we're up to doing this for 12 years but will try our best to do a good job while we have this assignment. Congrats, Barbara, on a job well done!

While it will be December when you read this it's not when it's been written, but that make no difference as in Illinois the camping season is over; the RVs are winterized, or soon will be unless it's owned by a snowbird who will soon be headed south. Get the picture ... it's cold "up north." The weather, however, has no influence on the plans Illinois chapter members are making for the upcoming 2022 NSDCA International



Camporee - CROSSING RIDGES TO COVERED BRIDGES. Soon everything will be in place and waiting for your arrival. BE SURE TO GET REGISTERED for the NSDCA International Camporee and for the NSD Convention. We just came back from a quick trip to Florida and drove the route between Rockville (the Camporee location) and Evansville, IN (the site of the National Square Dance Convention the following week). It's an easy drive, leaving you lots of time to spend in Rockville checking out the covered bridges and the multiple shops (many antique) in Rockville. The only thing you'll need to keep in mind is Rockville is in Central Times Zone and Evansville is in Eastern Time Zone. Yes - same state - different time zones.

The Holiday Season is upon us. No matter which way you celebrate, our wish for you is that it is enjoyable and memorable. May the New Year bring you good health, some additional wealth, and great camping and dancing. Stay well and stay safe.

Lawrence and Ruthann Sanders; RSRN4@aol.com; 708-946-6102

NSDCA Florida State Representative Report

Wheels (#128) camped at Cedar Key, FL; there were 20 rigs (40 dancers!). All had a good time with Bill Chesnut calling and Ann Hadsall cueing. Robinson Seafood was the restaurant of choice; no one had a bad meal. It was good to see all and dance with our friends again. Ron Imus kept the campfire going all weekend.

Hitch-N-Go (#082) is still social camping and going to dinner and other events when possible. This November they are going to Jetty Park at Cape

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NSDCA Publicity Director

The 64th International NSDCA Camporee team has been very busy making 2022 one of the best. What we need now is some more registrations and this show is on the road. Currently we are at 33 registered, so lots of room for more. There are only 20 50-amp sites available with only 7 of those not spoken for. If you think you are going to need 50 amps, you might want to sign up now.

There are two additional dances added to the agenda. There will be a Trails End dance hosted by the Camporee Committee on Monday June 13th, which is free to all registered campers (any others that would like to attend will be charged \$5 per person). The dance will be called by Bob Asp, Curt Braffet and other NSDCA callers. Maybe even me!

There will also be a Trails Through to Evansville dance on Friday night with the same callers; all attendees are at \$8 per person. More information on that will be provided at the Camporee. By the way, camping is allowed at the Camporee location from Sunday, June 12th to Sunday, June 19th.

There is a great website called www.SouthernIN.com which covers all of southern Indiana. Call it up, click on 'County Pages' in the left margin, find Parke County in the upper left of the map, click on that county and here comes links restaurants, antique shops, shopping, activities, camping in the left margin, plus a great list of all the Covered Bridges. You can also try this URL: https://www.SouthernIN.com/Pages/counties/Parke/index.html (all on one line) versus navigating as described above.

The Camporee committee has worked on giving our attendees ample time to savor the flavor of this location. We will not be filling all your days with events at the headquarters, you will have free time to do what campers do: see what's happening where you're parked. All areas of America have some portion of America the Beautiful; this location is no exception. I have personally attended the Covered Bridge Festival many years and you can't find a much better, prettier place to relax and enjoy.

Of course, we are still going to have dancing, workshops, crafts, games and fellowship, just like before but not a jampacked agenda. Please come, relax, reconnect with others from years ago and have a great time in Parke County, Indiana.

Now, I need help. After our event, the National Square Dance convention is in Evansville, IN. I have been asked to sit on a forum to work on how to attract new dancers. Any of your ideas are very welcome. Next, I have been asked to make a presentation regarding the joys of Camping and Square Dancing. I really need some insights into why you think adding those two together is better than either one separate. Email me at

grandebill@grics.net with what your thoughts are. I think it boils down to having ice cream or pie for dessert! Either one is great, but both are FANTASTIC TOGETHER.

Also, please send pictures of unusual places you have danced and camped; let's wow them!

Bill & Kathy Baker

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our most recent Treasurer, Tom Nickel. Kathy is also an accomplished round dance cuer and with Ted Kennedy, has treated everyone at the last several Camporees with a simultaneous and combined square/round (Squ-Round) dance. We welcome Kathy to the NSDCA Staff and are confident that she will serve our members well.

All things considered, we can look forward to a brighter year of camping and dancing with our friends. See you at a campground and in a square somewhere next year.

John & Dolly

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Canaveral; I will tell you about it in the next issue.

For Strawberry Travelers (#153) most of their members travel to see family and friends in August and September. The only square dance-related camping they did was the State Camporee in October. The Strawberry's are great thrift store shoppers, and there are plenty of those outlets in Eustis where the Camporee is held. They come a week prior to the Camporee so they can go shopping as well as spend time visiting with their chapter members.

The Roadrunners (#193) are doing OK. They had a campout in early October and it was a success. They had 15 campers and stayed at Central RV Resort. They had a Hawaiian themed dance; everyone looked great. Their new caller is Sam Dunn, and Petey – Sam's service dog – was a hit. Also, Sam's powder puff camper van can't be missed. Chuck Ryall is their great cuer.

Now, the best news ever! We had our State Camporee. Barbara and Bob Rosenthal, chairmen, were so happy. It had been in the planning for two years. The Camporee was Halloween-themed and held at Southern Palms RV Resort in Eustis. We had the best callers and cuers ever: Bill Chesnut (chair), Charlie Pergrossi, Mark Fetzer, Sam Dunn, and Mike Gormley – and cuers Susan Snider and Susan Wolford. We had 40 rigs (80 dancers) present. Jay and Terry Peck prepared a wonderful chicken dinner with all the trimmings. We even had some skits: one from the Strawberry Travelers (#153) and one from Square Wheels (#128). Next year's Camporee will be hosted by the Strawberry Travelers.

This is sad news: we've lost six members over the last two years: Steve Cormier (#082, 11/1/19); Vinnie Piecora (#128, 2/6/2020); Sonny McCartney (#193, 9/26/20); Vera Jones (#153, 1/23/21); Bob Frechette (#128, 5/26/21); and Bill Calton (#128, 9/15/21). Please keep their families in your prayers.

That's all folks!

John & Mary Burzo







014 Blackhawk Crosstrailers; Illinois



The Crosstrailer's enjoyed a great campout at Pilgrim Park Campground in September. We saw the play *Joseph and the Technicolor*

Dreamcoat at the Fireside Theater along with a scrumptious buffet. We crafted making scarecrows for the fall season. We also spent some time by the fire – the whole day! We had a fire going from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. We enjoyed visitors, dancing, a potluck and friendship. We're planning a get-



together in November, but we'll be trailer-less as cool weather is upon us. Happy Holidays from all the Crosstrailers!

Bob & Sally Foley; barksnpaws42@gmail.com; 815-275-1567

021 Rovin' Squares; Pennsylvania

The Rovin' Squares continue our visitations to other Pennsylvania camping clubs, most notably Square Up Campers (#106) and Penn Dixie Campers (#045). Callers Bob Engel, Jerry Goshorn and Dave Black provide excellent dances and have welcoming club members. Consider visiting these clubs if you are traveling in south central Pennsylvania in 2022.

Park and Kathy Bierbower



031 Badger Rovers; Wisconsin

We enjoyed our last campout of the year at a new campground. The weather was wonderful and many great memories were made at Derge County Park. Tom's famous donuts filled many bellies. A fall craft was done before the chili spread was served. We danced



under the stars with



neighbor campers viewing our activities. We were glad to have some local Swinging Beavers fill the squares. Thank you, Wayne and Elaine (#002), for joining us.

Winter is in the air as I type this chat. We wish everyone a safe and

happy holiday season!

Sharon Schmidt and David Lust; sharon.schmidt58@yahoo.com

044 Illiana Square Wheelers; Illinois/Indiana

While our membership is spread across the country making it impossible to camp and dance together, our members keep doing both in their home area and when possible when they travel. For most of our chapter members the camping season is over, but winter dancing is possible. There is also an occasional long distance travel event to get together for an afternoon of table games and eating, of course.

Lawrence and Ruthann Sanders; RSRN4@aol.com; 708-946-6102

045 Penn Dixie Square Campers; Pennsylvania

We only managed three campouts this year (July, September and October) but it was great to get back to camping and dancing with the club. I, for one, was very rusty. I hadn't danced in two years and made many mistakes but we all had fun. At lunch on the Saturday of our October campout we celebrated the chapter's 50th anniversary with a cake. The club was started in 1971 and grew to a peak of 40 camping units in the late 1980s. At that time the club actually had a waiting list because there weren't very many campgrounds that could handle more than 40 units in this area. The last few years we have been struggling a bit. Some of our



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members have gone on to the dance floor in the sky and many of us are feeling our age and can't dance as much as we used to. We are still having a great time when we get together and the hot dogs cooked over the campfire still taste great.

Though our season was short this year, we had some good times and are planning our schedule for next year. Our long-time caller, Jerry Goshorn, is planning to retire from calling next year and we will be dancing to a new caller, Dave Black, so our schedule will be changed some to fit in his schedule; we are planning on camping five weekends next summer (April, July September and August, October) and attending the State camporee in



June. We will send the dates in as soon as they are firmed up with Dave and the campgrounds. If you are passing through Pennsylvania, please join us for a tip or two and a hot dog cooked over the campfire.

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

068 Wandering Wheels; Minnesota

Our September campout was in St. Cloud, MN. We had 8 camping units; two were out of town guests: Ralph & Celeste Prinz from St. Louis, MO and Rod & Mary Fetter from Alexandria, MN. Dan Sahlstrom was our caller for the weekend. We had exactly enough people to form two squares; no resting or we would be short! After our Friday evening

dance, 13 brave souls came to sit around the campfire; it was quite chilly – the temperature dropped to 45° that night.

Saturday morning Dan had a workshop; we had two squares with Dan in one of the squares using his headphones. Then Sally had to stop dancing and take care of the "tire guy" who came to fix their flat tire. So, Dan being the great caller he is, had us dance with six couples in a "rectangle". Amazing how that works. Brilliant! Dan's focus the whole weekend was working on plus moves. Saturday afternoon Floyd and Judy were in charge of games. They brought a lawn game called 'KUBB'. You use wooden dowel batons to throw and knock over the kubbs (wooden blocks 7"x7"x15"). We had a great potluck supper, then back to dancing at 8:00 that evening, and afterwards another campfire with 12 attending.

Sunday morning, we say our goodbyes and headed back home. It was a perfect "fallish" weekend! This will be the last campout for the season as we had to cancel our October campout in Hutchinson. Have a great winter! See you next spring! Check out our website at http://WanderingWheels.weebly.com for any updates. If you are in the area and interested in camping with us, email Don Keyes at speck1948@usfamily.net.

Monica Keyes; Heartbeat20@usfamily.net;763-213-7952

082 Hitch-N-Go; Florida

Our small but mighty group of campers returned from their summer hiatus for a wonderful 4th weekend of September at the Blue Parrot RV Resort in Lady Lake, FL. We had 9 members and 2 guests enjoying beautiful weather in a very quiet campground! It was wonderful seeing everyone again, catching up on our travels and lives.

We enjoyed a surprise Thursday when Fredda brought KFC for supper. Other members chipped in sides. Several members went for dinner and a show Friday evening.

Saturday morning Phil, with help from the two Toms, served up his delicious croissant breakfast. A wonderful way to start a laid-back day.

We played the card game 'Hand & Foot' several times; it is always a time of fun and laughter. Going for ice cream into the Villages was fun and it was amazing to see the growth in that area.

The theme for our potluck on Saturday was Italian, a nice array of delicious food! We sure do eat well at our campouts.

At the October Camporee, Hitch-N-Go President Sharon Cormier and Chapter Reps Phil and Deanna Sortore served up floats at the ice cream social. They enjoyed seeing folks they hadn't for a long time and enjoyed the catered meal.

Jeanne Hartwig, Secretary; jelohart@gmail.com



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085 Mobile Squares; Colorado

August found us in Pinebluffs, WY. We had a good camping trip and enjoyed Pinebluffs Days and all the festivities. Then we set our sites for Drake, CO in September with all the wasps and aphids; aside from that we had a great campout with the host making breakfast one morning and the host ladies made breakfast burritos and a hotdog feed that evening, with donuts and coffee the last morning. We played several games and enjoyed lots of visiting. Our next adventure – off to McC Ranch in October, where we enjoyed food and games and food and visiting and food (are you getting the theme of our campouts?) We were lucky to have two couples camp with us and join our merry group! The main craft of this campout was a pumpkin painting contest. Ardis took first with her white pumpkin and great drawings, Suzie took second and Ken came in third. A great job by all who participated.

December 1, 2021 will be our Christmas party at the Eaton Country Club (more food) and visiting!

In a review of our camping season we had a wonderful time, and a great BIG THANK YOU goes out to all the hosts, a lot of effort and well worth it!

If you find yourself in Colorado, please come join us; our members are already busy planning great campouts for 2022. Your faithful servant, Senior Vice President Ron Skaley; rskaley@msn.com

106 Square Up Campers; Pennsylvania

Square Up Camper member Cindy Yingling has such an interesting hobby I would like to share with my fellow square dancers. She has 2 special pets (photo) named Kiwi and Bluebird. They are Indian Ringneck Parakeets that Cindy acquired during her volunteer work at an ex-



otic bird rescue habitat near Lancaster, PA. Kiwi is near 20 years old and Blue is only 5. These birds can live for many decades and caring for them is a devoted endeavor. At home the birds enjoy a nice large cage with a play gym that is kept open during the day. They do best with 12 hours of sleep at night. Their diet includes fresh fruit and vegetables, especially peaches and cherries. These birds had not been properly cared

for in their earlier years, but now enjoy the "good" life including accompanying Cindy and Paul on their weekend camping/square dancing trips.

Kathy Engel; kathye@kuhncom.net

116 Camping Squares; Kansas

After a rather quiet summer, we had a great campout in Hutchinson and attended the Yoder Festival and danced with the Hutchinson club the end of August. We started September with a fun time at Shawnee Lake, Topeka for the annual Balloon Festival and activities at the lake. Then on to the Guthrie, OK Bluegrass Festival for lots of fun, fellowship and music at the end of September.

The 2nd weekend of October a small group camped at our Chanute campout for some fun and dancing. In mid-October a small group also attended the campout at Pomona Lake and enjoyed the Maple Leaf Festival in Baldwin City and dancing in Ottawa. The Wichita Fall Festival was October 22-23 and a good time was had by all who attended. In November we start our Winter Parties with a Thanksgiving celebration. We also have our annual Christmas Dance on December 7 from 2-4:30 pm with our own Mike Huddleson calling.

Anyone in the area is always welcome to join us! Be sure to check and be sure we haven't cancelled the event! For more information, contact Marty & Frank Golden at 316-943-4137, fmgolden9515@sbcglobal.net.

Cheryl Ferris; marshfur@att.net; 316-640-4273

119 Wander Yonders; Wyoming

This is a year that I pray that we will never repeat! It appears most everything that we had planned to do has been cancelled. My calendar for 2021 has so many dates crossed off.

We were all looking forward to the campout in Laramie, WY to attend the annual Buggy Stomp! It, too, was cancelled by the club in Laramie. What a disappointment. That has usually been our last campout for the summer and so some of us have winterized our units and will wait for next summer. A few members will travel south for a while this winter.

Many of the square dances have also been cancelled. Cheyenne and Laramie have held some dances and that has been a blessing. Our members are from quite a range of locations including Wyoming and Colorado, so it is not always easy for us to travel a long distance for one dance. We all miss camping and attending dances in the same location, the potlucks, and the games we play. Most of all, we miss seeing each other.

We will have our annual meeting in November to elect new officers for the coming year. We pray for pleasant weather and that many of our members will be able to attend. Praying that 2022 will bring us a VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR with lots of camping and dancing.



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123 Swing N Traveler's; Illinois

The August campout was held at Kentuckiana Kampground near Hopedale. We had 26 campers and a couple of guests. The weather was near 100 degrees, so the shade and the air conditioners were greatly appreciated. The theme was Tex-Mex with cowboy hats, boots and western wear. The group dinner was at Jacks in Tremont.



The rain that helped to make the humidity higher forced several changes in the agenda, but we had a nice meeting and games when the weather calmed down. Games were unusual: Cow Pattie Accuracy Toss and Cowboy Golf with various "holes" from washtubs to tiny cowboy boots. Jon Sher won the Cow Patty Toss and Mary Bruun won the Golf match. Square dancing with Curt Braffet followed an Authentic Mexican Dance Team of young girls from Peoria, IL.

September found us at Kamp Komfort near Carlock, IL. The plan was for 30 campers for the weekend but then disaster struck several. Illness and slips and falls brought the numbers down to only 5 units and 10 people for the event. The group dinner at the Carlock Family Restaurant was super with a great wait staff. The potluck became a wiener roast followed by games. All in all, a small group but lots of fun.

In October we were back at Hickory Hills Campground near Secor, IL. Attendance was better; 17 people came in 9 units. Dinner was at Busy Corner Restaurant in Goodfield, a great place for homemade pie.

The crafts were many and varied and will go into the 2022 NSDCA Camporee gift bags. The afternoon game was "It isn't your Grandma's Bingo," while later



many played miniature golf. The Wednesday evening meal was Sloppy Joe by Norma Shertz. Herb Edwards called a fun dance with line dances thrown in. Thursday breakfast was juice, coffee and rolls followed by devotions led by Jerry Boutelle.

Bill Baker; grandebill@grics.net

128 Square Wheels; Florida

The Square Wheels is indebted to our past presidents, Sherry and Don MacGregor, who served us well for the past seven years. The new presidents, Angela Brown and Tim Hill, will continue to seek their counsel as we move forward.

We are happy to tell you that we had a great state camporee. Our Chairpersons, Barbara and Bob Rosenthal, left no stone unturned in

bringing us a joyful event. The weekend was flawless. We had great dancing, wickedly delicious food. lots laughter, spooky campfires, useful crafts, fun afterparties and the attendees put on a show with terrific Halloween costumes! Friday evening we were treated with a skit by Chapter depicting next year's camporee theme.

In early November we traveled to Jacksonville and danced to local



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callers and enjoyed two days of dancing at the NEFSARDA Fall Festival. The theme was "Star Spangled Dance". Everyone was prepared with their red, white and blue attire. We camped at Hanna Park; the dance was held at Palms Presbyterian Church. The group made us feel most welcomed.

For many of our members, December is one our favorite campouts as we celebrate the season with many traditions. Friday evening we will have our regular round dance session then the square and round dance begins. Saturday morning is a trip to the local thrift store; some donate but many leave with goodies. The highlight of the day begins with the Hog Valley Christmas Parade: it includes local scouts, dancers, floats, band, lots of candy tossing to the spectators, off road vehicles, and of course, Santa. We provide pre-parade entertainment by square dancing in the street. A craft is planned for the afternoon, and later, our caterers/campers Terry and Jay and their assistants, will prepare and serve us a delicious gourmet meal. After the clean-up we get gussied up for the evening dance, but the event isn't finished until we have our Chinese gift exchange. It is a hoot with all the "stealing" of gifts that take place.

Please, come visit us when in the area of our campouts. You will be happy you did!

Square Wheels campers wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year filled with many happy days camping and dancing!

Angela Brown and Tim Hill, Presidents; HLAngela17@gmail.com

153 Strawberry Travelers; Florida

Strawberry Travelers met at Southern Palms RV, Eustis, FL October 15-16, 2021. October is always our first meeting for the new camping season. Our first order of business after getting parked and settled was to erect the club tent. That was a real team effort which was carried out with great precision! The tent served as our gathering place for weekend and the following week. Once set up, we had a very merry un-birthday party with mini cupcakes and coffee punch. After an afternoon of conversing, several of us went out to dinner and upon returning, we headed over to the Rec Hall for our Friday night dance. Many of us had not danced in a 1-o-n-g time! Our caller, Charlie Pergrossi, put us through some paces and also worked with us on a "new" call that he put together for our club skit (photo next page) that we would be performing at the Friday night afterparty for the upcoming "Halloween Haunting" FL state camporee. After the dance, we returned to the tent for more snacks, fellowship, conversation, and card playing.



Saturday was also busy. At the tent we had our Hot Dog Lunch followed by our business meeting. That evening we met in the hall for our covered dish dinner and then to dance. We did much better since we had our "practice and refresher course" the previous night, and a good thing too, because we had two guests that came to dance with us.

Sunday morning some of our members left to return home but most of us had planned to stay through the week since the 45th Annual FANSDC State "Halloween Haunting" camporee was set to begin on Thursday. We enjoyed several days of thrifting, one of our favorite things is visiting local thrift stores.

Thursday was the first day of the "Halloween Haunting" camporee. Some rigs came rolling in on Wednesday and a few more on Thursday. Overall, attendance was really down from years past. We've heard that's the case all over, not just for camporees but for square dancing in general. Let's all do our part to share the joy of square and round dancing with others. When we combine square dancing and camping -- what (on this side of Heaven) is any better for good clean fun? Plus we get the added benefit of exercise too, for body and brain! All in all it was a great camporee thanks to Barbara and Bob Rosenthal, the chairmen for this year. They did a great job but they also had a lot of help. That reminds me of an old Amish saying, "many hands make light work." Some of the

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people those hands belong to have already volunteered to help with next year's "Overload The Boat" camporee. Thank you all so very much! Great events like these just would not happen if we did not all pull together.

On Friday night after the dance our club put on a skit which helped explain the theme of "Overload the Boat" for our next year's camporee. The idea for the skit was the brainchild of Carolyn Dees. We took parts of her original outline and built some scenes for four different couples to play parts in order to depict some of the different ways one could dress for the casual theme night: Bob and Laura, dressed in PJs, were settling their brains for a restful nap; Trucy surprised Steve with a seaweed wrap treatment, complete with a mud mask, at the ship spa; Jack and Bev relaxed by the poolside where the steward took their (soft) drink order; and Bill and Carolyn, in full ballroom attire, were on their way to attend the Cap-



tain's reception. However, much chaos ensued and everyone had to answer the emergency call to report to the Dance Hall where we all ended dancing a tip to introduce the new call that our Captain, Charlie Pergrossi, created just for "Overload the Boat." Thanks to all who made this a fun and eventful night! I received lots of compliments on the skit and it did the job of giving ideas to others for their costumes for next year.

There is even more encouraging news to report. Our outgoing FANSDC president, Angela Brown, had asked all FANSDC members to fill out a survey. All members were asked to put in order camporee events from the most important to the least important to them. The results will be very helpful as we plan for future camporees. The survey also asked members for their opinion as to whether or not FANSDC should dissolve, take a break, or continue. Overwhelmingly the result

was to continue! In addition, at the FANSDC General Meeting, Sam Dunn almost made Angela cry when he agreed to be webmaster and to set up the FANSDC webpage. Thank you, and way to go Sam! We all are very appreciative! Also, it doesn't stop there; two couples stepped up to host future camporees: Bev & Jack Henry of #153 to host the 2023 camporee and Debbie & Wayne "Catfish" Miller of #128 (Square Wheels) to host the 2024 camporee. What a blessing! AND in addition to all that, we voted in new FANSDC officers: Presidents: Barbara & Bob Rosenthal (#128); Vice Presidents: Carolyn & Bill Dees (#153); Secretary: Marilyn & Paul Scott (#128); Treasurer: Debbie & Wayne Miller (#128). THANK EVERYONE SO VERY MUCH!!!!

Now, to let you all know the future camp dates and plans for Strawberry Travelers: December 10-11, 2021 at Silver Dollar RV Resort, 12515 Silver Dollar Drive, Odessa, FL 33556 and February 11-12, 2022 at Red Oaks RV Resort, 5551 SW 18th Dr., Bushnell, FL 33513.

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C-175 Riverside Gypsy Squares; Ontario, Canada

The Riverside Gypsy Squares have wrapped up another camping season. The last two campouts were in August and September. The August one was a really warm one for sure! I think everyone enjoyed the shade that can be found in our new campground and a few had a cooling dip in Lake Beverley. I am sure that the Canteen had a brisk business in ice cream sales that weekend. The Gypsies enjoyed a corn roast that weekend and Gypsy Joe snuck off with an extra cob or two for a late-night snack.

In September we enjoyed another nice weather weekend. We had a good turnout for our Annual General Meeting and we had enough people agree to Executive positions for another year of camping and (hopefully) dancing. We were happy to see some faces that hadn't been able to join us for a while, but missed those who were not well enough to come or who couldn't join us because of continued restrictions.

We don't want anyone to think that September was a dull weekend with just meetings; it's never a dull time when the Gypsies meet. We enjoyed a campfire and a chance to visit on Friday night, a hilarious alphabet scavenger hunt that proved that our members have vivid imaginations and a great soup/stew supper on Saturday finishing with delicious homemade pies. A great wrap up to the season and many have secured their sites for next year's Gypsy campouts. Gypsy Joe is getting ready for a quieter time but who knows he might have a chance to visit somewhere warm before next spring. If not, then like some of our rigs, we will tidy, clean and tuck him in for a winter nap.

Warm wishes for a good winter and looking forward to the spring.

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193 Florida RoadRunner Squares; Florida

The summer has flown by, and we are well into our 21/22 camping and dancing season. Our chapter had ten members attend the International Camporee in Rayne this summer and we all had a fabulous time; it was great to see all our friends again. The 4th of July picnic was great even without fireworks and we all really got into the 1920s' theme dance on Tuesday night. We now have plans to attend the 2022 Camporee in Rockville, Indiana under way and we hope you all are making plans for that as well.

In September we were in Hawaii ... well actually, Lake Wales, with a Hawaiian theme. Even though no one came in a grass skirt, we all had a wonderful time. Our Burrito Breakfast was totally awesome, and we had more fixings than anyone could possibly get onto a burrito! But I must say some of us really tried to get everything on ours!

In October Louise & Lana showed us just how beautiful decorations can be with all those fabulous fall colors in our Halloween themed weekend. Have you ever eaten pumpkin pancakes? Craig whipped up a batch for us and we couldn't stop eating. They were so good; so good in fact you did not even need syrup on them!! After we stuffed ourselves, we were already looking forward to the leftovers on Sunday morning. Whispering Palms RV Resort is one of our favorite campgrounds. They have a



great dance floor, plus we have both a great cuer, Chuck Ryall, and a great caller, Sam Dunn, so you can't lose. Together they helped us all attempt to dance off all those pancakes.

November will find us stuffing ourselves once again, this time with Thanksgiving turkey and fixings in Cocoa, FL. It just may be that all this food and great eating is why the NSDCA clubs only camp and dance once a month. I hope that you had plenty to eat at your Thanksgiving celebrations also and enjoyed a blessed and thankful holiday as well. I remember my mother telling us so often "Be thankful for what you have, for you don't have to look very far to find someone less fortunate than you." That is so true!

Well, that is Chapter 193's adventures for last quarter in a nutshell! All of the "Florida RoadRunners" want to wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a happy and blessed New Year!

Next time you happen to be in our area, please stop in and be a part of our weekend. The dates and addresses of our upcoming campouts can be found in the Chapter Campout Schedule section of this issue, or just visit our website, www.whirlaways.org/rr 193 index.html.

As always, "Hope to see you in a square somewhere!"

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196 Wabash Valley Wheel-a-Rounds; Indiana/Illinois

It has been a very interesting year for the Wheel-a-Rounds – lots of highs and some very low lows.

We began the year cancelling our first campout due to COVID complications and clubs not dancing yet. However, things got better in May.

A good time was had by many of us at a campout at a KOA near Indianapolis: we joined the Swinging Singles in Lawrence on Friday, the Riley Wranglers in Cumberland and the Swinging Mates 65th anniversary dance in Terre Haute. Such a good time when we can join other clubs and dance as part of our club activities!



In June some of us attended the Illinois State Camporee Convention and also the 70th National Square Dance Convention in Jackson, MS.

July found some of our group at the 63rd NSDCA Camporee in Rayne, LA. Yes, it does rain in Rayne. Congratulations to the Hatfields,



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Gaucks, and Richmonds for winning door prizes at the afterparty. It also should probably be noted one of our members was particularly lucky and won the 50/50 two nights in a row: congratulations Don Gauck! Some of our group took part in the skits to welcome everyone to attend next year's 64th NSDCA Camporee at Rockville, IN. The registration forms are in the centerfold of this issue of the *TIMES* and we hope all will join us. It is a great area to explore and fun times with good food will be available for all.

August took us to a fun area of Illinois. The campground included an amphitheater and gospel barn. Dinner and a gospel music program with Crossties Ministries were enjoyed one evening. A trip to this area wouldn't be complete without a trip to Moonshine, IL for a burger or to Casey, IL to view all of the "World's Largest" items such as a mailbox, bird cage, pencil, rocking chair and many others. An oilfield museum was also a highlight of this trip along with dancing with the Star Prowlers of Robinson, IL.

In August, Jim and Diane Wahl arranged for us to venture into new territory at Thornton, IN to attend the 'Falling of Leaves Festival'. Having our caller Sheila Terhune joining us from Florida was a highlight of this trip. It was on this trip that we found out how amazing Jim Wahl is at miniature golf. Larry Cleary also found the best onion rings ever at our restaurant night out and he doesn't even like onion rings!

We held our October campout at our usual spot in Rockville, IN. Rain again dumped on us but we overcame and had dinner in a restaurant that had no electricity but good food cooked with gas and terrific service. We had our usual breakfast/dinner potluck and the gentleman in the picture prepared some excellent pancakes. We also welcomed Ruth Olson to our

group and hope to claim her as a new member next year.

We look forward to ending our year at the Indiana State Convention at French Lick in November.

I have shared many of our highs and I would also like to share our low. Please lift up our President Dan Hatfield and his wife, Marian, and their family in prayer. They lost their daughter in a tragic traffic accident recently. Kerrie left behind two beautiful young



daughters, ages 8 and 9. She was an amazing young lady with a smile for everyone she met.

We will be posting our schedule for next year soon and hope all will join us around the campfire as well as in a square.

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198 Crossfire Campers; Tennessee

What a fantastic fall season – warm days and crisp nights – leaves turning red, yellow and gold. It's perfect weather for square dancing.

We have traveled from Tennessee to Texas and to New York this summer and enjoyed seeing other clubs and friends we have not seen for a long time. Due to COVID restrictions a couple the clubs we used to dance with had not resumed dancing.

Although we have not been able to square dance often, we enjoyed the Tennessee State Square and Round Dance Convention, seeing our square dance family and friends from near and far.

Our congratulations to Ruth and Chuck Osborn as our newly elected NSDCA Vice Presidents.

Crossfire Campers annual meeting was held on October 2nd. We are slowly growing with the addition of two new members. Our first dance for 2022 will be held in April, date and location TBA. With no other dances scheduled for this year, we will endeavor to support the local square dance clubs in the promotion of square dancing.

May God bless you and keep you safe during this holiday season. Have a Happy Thanksgiving and a very Merry Christmas with family and friends.

See you across the square!

Ann and Harold Sharland, Treasurer

Forms on the NSDCA.org website

Many forms are available to facilitate your and your Chapter officers' communication with the NSDCA. The key ones are:

• Bulk Camper Membership Renewal:

Used yearly, to renew membership for all chapter members.

• Individual Camper Membership Application or Renewal:

As required, to register new member or renew lapsed membership.

• Change Address or Request Transfer:

When member has a change of address or moves to a new chapter.

• Badge Replacement:

When a badge is lost or destroyed.

• Elected Officers of Chapter:

For use by all Chapters after election of new Chapter officers.

• Elected Officers of State Association:

For use by Florida, Illinois, Michigan and Pennsylvania.

• State Area Report

Helpful Hints: RV Electric Systems

Modern RVs have two separate electric systems to power the various appliances and lights in the RV. One system is akin to the familiar power source you are used to using in your "sticks and bricks" home: 120-volt alternating current (120 VAC). The other is a 12-volt direct current (12 VDC) system. This column will focus on the former.

Modern RVs are either wired for 30 amp (30 A) or 50 amp (50 A) service, the usual differentiating factor being the latter has (or is wired for) two separate air conditioning units. What is an *amp*? It is a shortened form of the word *ampere* (named after a famous French scientist who provided an understanding of electricity) and indicates the number of electrons flowing past a point in the wire or appliance. One amp (1 A) is approximately one million million million electrons (or 1 followed by 18 zeros) passing a given point in the wire each second. In an alternating current (or AC) system, the electrons jiggle back and forth, not really moving from their original location any great distance, whereas in a direct current (or DC) system they continually move very slowly in one direction.

A volt (represented by a V) is a measure of the energy carried by a set number of electrons. A common analogy is to relate electric voltage to water pressure and electric current to water flow rate. Recognize voltage is not pressure; it is an analogy to visualize how it functions. Voltage is always measured with respect to a reference point, and with 120 VAC electricity the voltage swings back and forth between a positive value and a negative value, taken with respect to ground. The US electric grid provides electric energy at a nominal value of 120 VAC oscillating at a rate of 60 times each second (identified as 60 Hertz, or 60 Hz). This nominal voltage can vary up or down based on numerous factors. For an RV, the typical governing factor is the way the campground 'shore power' system was wired. Another factor is how many users are presently drawing their electric power from the campground system, and how much in total is being used. Summertime heat implies lots of air conditioner use, and air conditioners require a lot of electric energy, so voltage will 'sag' if there's a large demand and the system is unable to provide it.

If you've ever compared 30 A and to 50 A shore power cables, you'll have noticed the 50 A cable is much larger in size and is heavier. This is because more current is needed to operate two air conditioners along with all the appliances and lights in use, so a larger wire is required to safely handle the increased number of electrons that will be flowing in the wire. Here's a related analogy: you're at the mall in April and hardly anyone is there, so it's easy to window shop and quickly stroll without running into others or having them block your view. On the other end of the spectrum, consider being in the same mall during the Christmas shop-



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64TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL NSDCA CAMPOREE

Parke County 4-H Campgrounds 1472 N. US 41 Rockville, Indiana June 14, 15,16 2022

NSDCA Membership #	Square and Round Dance Interest (check Dance Levels		
NON-Member (Requires \$20 -see below)	Square Dance	Round Dance	Line Dance
Information for PARKING by LOCATION & RV NEEDS	Mainstream _	Phase II	Line
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ping season; it is often difficult to move quickly due to the large number of people moving in varying directions, and the constant flow of foot traffic often blocks your view or makes it difficult to stop in front of a store display and see what's being shown. If the mall enlarged their pedestrian corridors, the foot traffic situation would appear to improve as there's more room for everyone to travel and maneuver. The same idea holds for electrons moving in a wire: more electrons (i.e., the larger current or amperage that is traveling in the wire) needs a larger diameter wire so they don't bump into each other as much. This bumping into each other produces heat (like rubbing your hands together when they're cold) and too much heat can cause things to melt or even catch fire.

Another electric unit of measure to consider is the watt, which measures power: the energy being used each second. Most appliances list the voltage and power or current demands somewhere on a label (or 'boilerplate'), so you can determine how much current or power is required to safely operate the device. To determine current given voltage and power, take the appliance's stated power requirement (in watts) and dividing it by the voltage (in volts); this will yield the current needed (in amps). Conversely, to obtain power (in watts) multiply voltage (in volts) by current (in amps). Remember that even though an appliance may state 120 V on its boilerplate, the actual voltage delivered to the appliance may be somewhat higher or (more often than not) lower. This is where problems can occur: if voltage drops then current demand is increased to provide the necessary power. If too much current is required for the individual circuit the appliance is connected to, a circuit breaker will hopefully 'trip' or open to interrupt the flow of electricity. The circuit breaker provides a safety measure to prevent the wires carrying the electric current from overheating and causing a fire. However, if the breaker doesn't trip (meaning the appliance is not drawing an excess of current for that circuit) this does not mean it's safe for the appliance. Remember – increased current means increased heating and heat is the enemy of electric components, thus if an outright failure does not occur immediately the appliance (especially air conditioner compressors) could be seriously compromised which would lead to early failure.

A 30-amp circuit can deliver a maximum of 3,600 watts at 120 V (remember, power may be determined from current multiplied by voltage). A circuit with a 50-amp circuit breaker can deliver 6,000 watts at most, but (and this is a big but) a 50 A RV circuit actually provides two separate 50 A 'legs' (or circuits, another reason the shore power cable is bigger as it contains four wires versus three) for a maximum of 12,000 watts! Of course, each leg of the RV circuit can only support a maximum of 6,000 watts; the RV manufacturer determines how the load is divided between each leg when they build the RV. If you ever have the situation

NOTES FROM YOUR EDITOR

web search offers the following: "The policy or practice of volunteering one's time or talents for charitable,



educational, or other worthwhile activities, especially in one's community." Volunteer work is a two-sided coin: it has its personal pros and cons. A few to note are (on the 'pro' side): it's rewarding; it allows you to apply industry-related skills in retirement; for those that never had to before, it provides the ability to work in a team and develop (or apply) leadership skills; and it fine-tunes your time management — and (on the 'con' side): it can be a considerable time commitment; you can get emotionally involved; and it can prove to be a source of frustration (especially if it's hard to get others to volunteer to help with the tasks involved).

What are some characteristics of a person that would be a good volunteer candidate? They have a lot of patience; they are a creative thinker; they are not afraid to take initiative; they can work in teams; they are not focused on recognition for their work; and they are driven by passion.

Do you have to have all of these characteristics to be a good volunteer? No, you do not. Any one of the characteristics will suffice, plus others that I have not identified. As an example, in most of the volunteering positions I have filled I have been able to work basically by myself and perhaps one other person - not in a vacuum - but not necessarily with a bunch of other people. Among the various positions I volunteered for over the years have been: one-on-one tutoring reading skills to illiterate adults; reading the news for a radio station dedicated to the blind and print handicapped; running the lights and sound booth for a community theater organization; editing the regional newsletter for a division of an international horticultural organization; filing books for a Friends of the Library group; and of course this position, editing the newsletter for the NSDCA. Two positions where I was basically not working alone were serving as vice president and/or secretary of our weekly square dance club, and serving as delegate and alternate to the state square dance governing body. Each of these noted activities required varying commitments of time and effort, but to me they are all worthwhile.

So, the question I put to you, the readership of the NSDCA TIMES, is the following: Is square dance camping (and square dancing in general) something you want to exist for the foreseeable future? I think we all know that finding volunteers to fill the various positions within the square dance community (whether local club or camping-related) is challenging; it seems the same people are the ones who always step up to help. You might think "We are all aging, have competing interests and obligations, and consider our calendars relatively full – so certainly there's no time to

volunteer." But what was one of the 'pro' items identified above? Fine tuning time management skills. If you truly want square dancing—and square dance camping in particular—to remain viable, you need to find the time to help sustain the NSDCA organization - at the local, state and the national level. In the big scheme of things, it doesn't really take a lot of your time. Remember the old adage: "many hands make light work." Volunteering is a personally rewarding experience for me, and I suspect it will be for you also. Give it a try; what do you have to lose? You may find out that you have found a new outlet for your creative energies and ideas. According to WebMD, "Volunteers experience greater satisfaction with life and life purpose, increased self-confidence, and a greater sense of identity. ... [Many] people have found that volunteering may reduce the onset of cognitive decline and is related to lower rates of depression and loneliness." Regardless of your reason for volunteering with an NSDCA-related group, in the end you'll help preserve this activity for the future that we all love: square dance camping. Please think about it.

Things to do near the 2022 NSDCA Camporee!

- Trails End Dance June 13th, 7 to 9, Special Callers- Free to Registered Guests
- Go to southernIN.com for this list of things to do in Parke County:
 - 12 Attractions
 - 30 Specialty Shops
 - 13 Restaurants plus some fast food places
 - 4 Indiana State Parks
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and the FUN continues.

For our last issue's contest, there were 20 correct entries identifying the location of the lost campers: page 11 on the bridge of the glasses worn by the chipmunks (once again this equivalence with the number of correct entries is quite a coincidence;

however, there were five incorrect entries. Part of the problem was an editorial error; when some pages got rearranged the reference to the page to ignore was overlooked. I notified everyone who did identify this wrong page and some resubmitted a correct response).

Chapter name	chapter # Entrant		
Rollaways (MI)	005	Wayne & Joan Adams	
Blackhawk Crosstrailers (IL)	014	Sally Foley	
		Marie Berridge	
Illiana Square Wheelers (IL/IN)	044	Larina Sanders	
		Ruthann & Lawrence Sanders	
Camping Squares of Kansas (KS)	116	Frank Golden	
Swing 'N' Travelers (IL)	123	Barry and Joy Vlad	
		Dwaine & Bret Dunn	
		Herb & Pat Edwards	
		Ron & Sue Mayer	
		Chet and Janet Bowman	
		Bill Baker	
		Jerry & Judy Boutelle	
		Dave & Mary Bruun	
		Al & Charlene Fahsbender	
Square Wheels (FL)	128	Don & Sheri MacGregor	
		Debbie & Bill Cassidy	
		Maxine Thomas	
Rolling Squares (NE)	148	Marion Niemeyer	
Wabash Valley Wheel Arounds	196	Kerry Richmond	

Marie Berridge of Chapter 014, the Blackhawk Crosstrailers (IL) was randomly chosen as the winner of the last issue's contest. Congratulation Marie; your 2022 NSDCA membership fee will be waived.

Even though Alex & Jen Brabender were found and provided proper directions to Rockville, IN, they have once again gone astray. They are leaders of the caravan with the Airstream-looking bumper pull travel trailer (see the Summer 2019 issue for background on the caravan and

images of each traveler, or pages 2 or 29 for the image only). Please see if you can locate them in this issue and give them directions to get back to the caravan so they get back on the trail to the 2022 Camporee in Rockville on time. Please note: The lost camper is <u>not</u> on pages 2 or 29!

Please keep sending in your answers and remember that we'll have a special recognition and award at the June 2022 Camporee at Rockville, IN for the chapter with the most entries.

Remember, you can't win if you don't enter. This is *your* newsletter! Good luck! Send your answer no later than January 31st, 2022 to either: 1) via email to **NSDCAtimes@gmail.com** or 2) by regular mail to **Ken Shacter**, **5418 Weller Place**, **Jacksonville**, **FL 32211**. Please provide the page number *and* where on the page our wayward campers are located. Simply providing something like "on the bottom of page 2" is insufficient; however, if you write something clever like Jim Sebesta did in the last issue, it gives a good indication you have properly located our campers, and may get your answer published!

Be sure to include your Chapter number and name regardless of the way you choose to communicate. Thank you.





"NSDCA Times Magazine"



We just love hearing from you! Please take time to write to us.

Don't Forget...

All submissions, articles, photos, etc. must be received by the last day of..

January	March	Issue
April	June	Issue
July Sep	otember	Issue
October De	ecember	Issue

Chapter Campouts

The following listings are believed to be accurate. The starting date of the event is Friday unless otherwise noted. Due to possible disruption of group activities because of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, campouts or other listed events may have been cancelled due to local conditions. Always check the NSDCA website for the most up-to-date information, and please check with the noted contact(s) to confirm the status of the event before making your plans to attend. Thank you. (current as of 2021/11/09)

December 03 → **December 04**

128 Square Wheels: Florida

Lake Ocklawaha RV Park

15991 NE 243rd Place Road, Ft. McCoy, FL; 352-546-5500

Square Wheels/Gypsy Squares Christmas Party

Rate is \$29.70 including all taxes. Make your own reservation.

Mary Chesnut; marynut4@gmail.com; 352-214-5880 or

Angela Brown; hlangela 17@gmail, com

Saturday December 04 → December 04 068 Wandering Wheels: Minnesota

Non-camping event

TBD

Christmas Dance

Donald Keyes; Speck1948@usfamily.net; 763-213-7948

Tuesday December 07 → **December 07**

116 Camping Squares of Kansas: Kansas

Annual Christmas Dance

2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Call for location and other information.

Marty & Frank Golden; 316-943-4137,

fmgolden9515@sbcglobal.net

Thursday December $09 \rightarrow$ December 12

193 Roadrunner Squares: Florida

Little Willies RV Resort

5905 North East Cubitis Ave; Arcadia, FL; 863-494-2717 All weekends begin with "Early Bird Thursday" and end with Sunday Breakfast Louise Woodward; 772-577-3882; wlouise5712@gmail.com

December $10 \rightarrow$ December 11

153 Strawberry Travelers: Florida

Silver Dollar RV Resort

12515 Silver Dollar Drive, Odessa, FL

Bill Dees; billdees3@msn.com; ; 863-984-3253

Thursday January 06 → January 09, 2022

193 Roadrunner Squares: Florida

Highlands Hammock State Park

5931 Hammock Road; Sebring, FL

Contact John for available sites.

All weekends begin with "Early Bird Thursday" and end with a Sunday Breakfast.

John Ide; 352-208-5980

January 21 \rightarrow January 22, 2022

128 Square Wheels: Florida

Red Oaks RV Resort

5551 SW 18th Terr., Bushnell, FL; 352-793-7117

Rally rate is \$30/night.

We will be dancing in the larger "Boots Hall".

You must call the campground and pre-register with a deposit.

Mary Chesnut; marynut4@gmail.com; 352-214-5880 or

Angela Brown; hlangela 17@gmail, com

Thursday February 10 → February 13, 2022

193 Roadrunner Squares: Florida

Red Oaks RV Park

5551 SW 18th Terrace; Bushnell, FL; 352-793-7117

Contact the campground to make reservations then let Louise know.

All weekends begin with "Early Bird Thursday" and end with a Sunday Breakfast.

Louise Woodward; 772-577-3882; wlouise5712@gmail.com

February $11 \rightarrow$ February 12, 2022

153 Strawberry Travelers: Florida

Red Oaks RV Resort

5551 SW 18th Terrace; Bushnell, FL; 352-793-7117

Bill Dees; billdees3@msn.com; ; 863-984-3253



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February 18 \rightarrow February 19, 2022

128 Square Wheels: Florida

Eagle Roost RV Resort

5465 Mill Store Rd., Lake Park, GA; 229-559-5192

Rate is \$38.34/night including all taxes.

Must make your own reservation; deposit required.

Mary Chesnut; marynut4@gmail.com; 352-214-5880 or

Angela Brown; hlangela17@gmail,com

Thursday March 10 → March 13, 2022

193 Roadrunner Squares: Florida

Highlands Hammock State Park

5931 Hammock Road; Sebring, FL

Contact John for available sites.

All weekends begin with "Early Bird Thursday" and end with a Sunday Breakfast. John Ide; 352-208-5980

Thursday April 07 → April 10, 2022

193 Roadrunner Squares: Florida

Joy RV Resort

245 Flamingo Drive; Cocoa, FL; 321-631-0305

Contact the campground to make reservations then let Louise know.

All weekends begin with "Early Bird Thursday" and end with a Sunday Breakfast.

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April 22 \rightarrow April 23, 2022

128 Square Wheels: Florida

Stephen Foster Cultural Center State Park

11016 Lillian Saunders Dr./ Hwy 41, White Springs, FL; 800-326-3521

Rate normally \$20 but \$10/night for seniors plus \$6.70 reservation fee.

Dance donation will be \$10 more per couple for weekend because of having to rent the hall.

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Thursday May $12 \rightarrow$ May 15, 2022

193 Roadrunner Squares: Florida

Whispering Palms RV

10305 US Hwy 1; Sebastian, FL; 772-589-3481

Contact the campground to make reservations then let Louise know.

Honors Passport America.

All weekends begin with "Early Bird Thursday" and end with a Sunday Breakfast.

Louise Woodward; 772-577-3882; wlouise5712@gmail.com

May $20 \rightarrow$ May 21, 2022

128 Square Wheels: Florida

Southern Oaks RV Resort

14240 US Hwy 441, Summerfield, FL; 352-347-2550

Rally Rate \$34/night (subject to change).

Must make your own reservations at the campground.

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Angela Brown; hlangela 17@gmail, com

May $20 \rightarrow$ May 22, 2022

108 Southern Tier Wheelers: New York

CampBell Campgrounds

8700 NY-415, Campbell; NY; 607-527-3301

Patricia Mosher; 607-857-1553; patmosher116@gmail.com

June $17 \rightarrow$ June 19, 2022

108 Southern Tier Wheelers: New York

CampBell Campgrounds

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Patricia Mosher; 607-857-1553; patmosher116@gmail.com

August $12 \rightarrow$ August 14, 2022

108 Southern Tier Wheelers: New York

CampBell Campgrounds

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August $19 \rightarrow$ August 20, 2022

128 Square Wheels: Florida

Starke/Gainesville NE KOA Holiday

1475 South Walnut St. (US 301), Starke, FL; 904-964-8484

Must make your own reservation and mention Square Wheels to get rally rate. Rally rate is \$40.50/night and you must make your reservation before Aug. 5th, 2022. After Aug. 5th sites will be released and you may not get in.

One night deposit required and you must cancel 48 hrs. before with a \$10 cancellation fee.

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September $09 \rightarrow$ September 11, 2022

108 Southern Tier Wheelers: New York

CampBell Campgrounds

8700 NY-415, Campbell; NY; 607-527-3301

Patricia Mosher; 607-857-1553; patmosher116@gmail.com

September $16 \rightarrow$ September 17, 2022

128 Square Wheels: Florida

Sunkissed Village RV Resort

14330 S. US Hwy 441, Summerfield, FL; 352-480-5000

Located next to Camping World.

Rally rate \$37/night.

You must make your own reservation at the campground.

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Angela Brown; hlangela 17@gmail, com

October $07 \rightarrow$ October 10, 2022

108 Southern Tier Wheelers: New York

CampBell Campgrounds

8700 NY-415, Campbell; NY; 607-527-3301

This is our Halloween weekend held over the Columbus Day Weekend. If attending bring candy to share with the kids in the campground on Saturday.

Patricia Mosher; 607-857-1553; patmosher116@gmail.com

Thursday October 20 → October 23, 2022

128 Square Wheels: Florida

Southern Palms RV Resort

One Avocado Lane, Eustis, FL

FANSDC 46th Annual State Camporee

Contact club members for details or see flyer at http://floridasquaredance.com/fansdc/index.html (scroll down for flyer)

Mary Chesnut; marynut4@gmail.com; 352-214-5880 or Angela Brown; hlangela17@gmail.com

November $04 \rightarrow$ November 05, 2022

128 Square Wheels: Florida

Hanna Park (anyone) or Mayport Naval Base (active & retired military only)

500 Wonderwood Dr., Jacksonville, FL; 904-249-4700;

hannapark@coj.net or https://www.navymwrmayport.com/programs/5003cca3-ba5a-44dd-af6b-5435e193860e

NEFSARDA Fall Festival in Jacksonville Beach

Mary Chesnut; marynut4@gmail.com; 352-214-5880 or

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December $02 \rightarrow$ December 03, 2022

128 Square Wheels: Florida

Lake Ocklawaha R.V. Park

15991 N. E. 243rd Place Road, Ft. McCoy, FL; 352-546-5500

SQUARE WHEELS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Rally rate is \$35/night.

Must call campground to make your reservation. You may have to remind them of the rally rate.

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Ghost Riders band to perform at 71st NSDC

General Chairmen John and Carolyn Cook recently announced the *Ghost Riders Square Dance Band* will be performing at the convention, June 22-25, 2022 in Evansville, IN.

With the addition of the *Ghost Riders*, registration numbers for the convention keep rising. More than 1,000 dancers have committed to attend. As of late September, Indiana had the most registrants with 145, followed by Ohio with 101 and Texas with 64. Alabama, California, and Florida all had around 50 registrants or more.

There's still room for more! While the Doubletree Hotel is full, there are still plenty of hotels close to the Ford Center, the convention head-quarters. The Courtyard by Marriott, Drury Inn and Suites, Hampton Inn and Holiday Inn Express have more than 380 rooms (combined) available for the days of the convention, so what you are waiting for? Come join us Down the By River by visiting https://www.71nsdc.org.

Camping at the 71st NSDC

RV camping will be at the Vandenburgh 4-H Center (a 4-night minimum base fee plus additional days). 50-amp service with water and sewer are available on first-come, first-served basis. There is a free sewage dump station. If you plan to camp together you must arrive together. For more information contact RV Vice-Chairman Larry and Paula McCleary at campvchair@71nsdc.org

where some of your outlets/appliances work while others don't, the usual cause is one of the legs coming from the power pedestal has problems.

RV owners that have 50 A service typically do not have to worry (too much) about load balancing, or translated into English: having too many appliances on at the same time. For an RV owner whose trailer only accepts 30 A service, load balancing can sometimes be a challenge. One cannot typically run the air conditioner, water heater (on electric versus LP) and microwave all at the same time as it draws too much current. Something has to give – and it is the large power requirement device (in this case the air conditioner, as the water heater can be switched to LP). Sometimes you forget and overload a particular circuit – say someone is using a hair dryer at the same time the coffee maker is running and an electric space heater is in use; this will result in a tripped circuit breaker or a ground fault interrupter trip (depending on how your RV is wired). There's not much of a concern here for early appliance failure – and even if they did, they're relatively inexpensive - but things with motors (like the air conditioner's compressor) can be very expensive to replace (RV air conditioner compressors are not replaceable; you need to purchase a new air conditioner).

An energy management system (like described in *TIMES* Volume 58 issue 3, Summer 2020) will help protect you against a campground-induced voltage sag (or spike), but won't protect you from self-inflicted issues like overloading a circuit in the RV. Many energy management systems do provide a readout of the voltage and current demands of the RV, which allow you to see how much current each device is requiring and allows you to better manage your internal electric load.

The question often arises of powering a 50 A RV off of a 30 A circuit at a campground. First, an adapter (called a dogbone due to its shape) is required. The dogbone adapter has a 30 A male plug (three prongs) on one side and a 50 A female socket (four slots) on the other, where the shore power cable from the RV is inserted. The two 'hot legs' that provide the electricity are wired together in the dogbone, so you are limited to drawing a total of 30 A from the shore power pedestal. Extra care must be taken by 50 A RVs in this situation as the owners usually do not have to worry about load management issues, but in this case they must. It is unlikely they would trip an RV breaker, but the power pedestal breaker would be the 'weak link'. For a dogbone adapter that allows a 30 A RV to run off of a 50 A circuit, only a single leg of the 50 A circuit is connected to the plug where the trailer is connected. In this case you are relying totally on the 30 A circuit breaker in your RV to protect you from any excessive current-draw situations as the 50 A breaker on the shore power pedestal will not trip to limit current drains that exceed the 30 A limit for the RV. The 50 A running off 30 A is conservative, whereas the 30 A running off 50 A is not.

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Creamy Mac 'n Cheese

Ingredients:

8 oz. elbow macaroni

1 cup milk

1³/₄ cup water

4 oz. grated American block cheese (~1 cup)

4 oz. grated Cheddar **or** Gruyère block cheese (~1 cup)

2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce



Steps:

- 1) Bring water and milk to boil in a medium large saucepan.
- 2) Stir in macaroni and reduce heat to medium-low.
- 3) Cook, stirring frequently, until macaroni is soft (~8 minutes)
- 4) Do not drain! Add grated American cheese and Worcestershire sauce.
- 5) Cook, stirring constantly, until cheese is completely melted (~1 minute).
- 6) Remove from heat.
- 7) Stir in grated Cheddar or Gruyère cheese until evenly distributed.
- 8) Cover and let stand for five (5) minutes.
- 9) Stir until sauce is smooth, and serve.

Reheats well in the microwave with a little extra added milk.

Makes about 4 one-cup servings: ~292 calories/serving.

Total fat: 15 g Total carbs: 21 g Sugars: 3 g Saturated fat: 10 g Protein: 20 g Dietary fiber: 1 g Sodium: Potassium: Vitamin A: 14% 375 mg 42 mg Vitamin C: 1% 4% 46% Calcium:

Above information is based on 2% milk and 50% reduced fat white cheddar



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New "Single" Membership Fee

For a New Single Membership: \$5.00

For a Renewal of a Single Membership \$10.00



Cost of "Badges" Increase

NSDCA Membership Badges

Safety pin Attachment \$10.00

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• Please use the new correct forms found on the **NSDCA.org** site.

 When renewing please submit your renewal to your chapter for processing.

 Members at Large (000) please send your renewal to the NSDCA Wisconsin address:

P.O. Box 628433. Middleton, WI 53562-8433

All changes are announced through our NSDCA E-Tree. (If you are not getting NSDCA announcements, please check with your chapter or area representative. All announcements are sent by email to them and should be forwarded on to each member. Be sure that they have your correct E-mail address or phone number.

STAY CONNECTED!

An experiment ...

Google maps allows "pins" to be dropped identifying an event or place.

All campouts listed in this issue of the *TIMES* may be found on a Google map (shown below) at the following URL (all one line, or go to the NSDCA website, find this issue in its pdf format, and click on the link below):

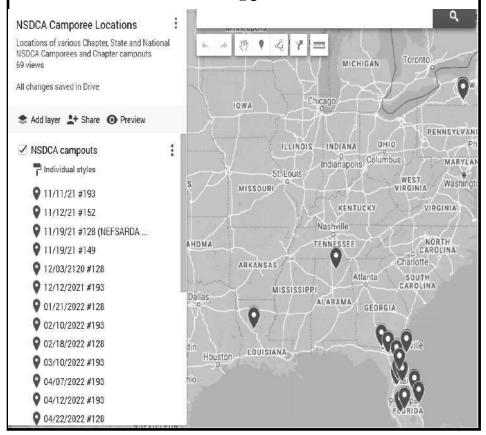
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Please provide feedback on your opinion of this way of viewing campout events. This would be provided in addition to the current NSDCA listing of campout events.

Does this experiment make it easier to find a campout while on the road?

Does this experiment make it easier to plan a route to travel so you can attend a campout event?

Please let me know! NSDCAtimes@gmail.com



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"MEMBERSHIP"



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We, campers & dancers of the NSDCA invite our friends who are not members yet, to come join us for a weekend of fun, fellowship and great Square and Round Dancing. Whether a



seasoned camper or dancer or not, we want you to share a weekend with us and see what combining "2 Loves" is about.

Camping is the way to go in these days of post pandemic times, so why not give it a try. Many of our camping locations offer a park model or other campers for rent. Once you get a taste of camping & danc-

ing together, we know you will be hooked!

Low annual dues, a quarterly magazine listing the locations of all the campouts in the nation plus much more... we know you will want to fill in the membership form on the previous page right away!

Mail it to: NSDCA

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The deadline for submission of articles, pictures and advertisements is the last day of January, April, July and October.



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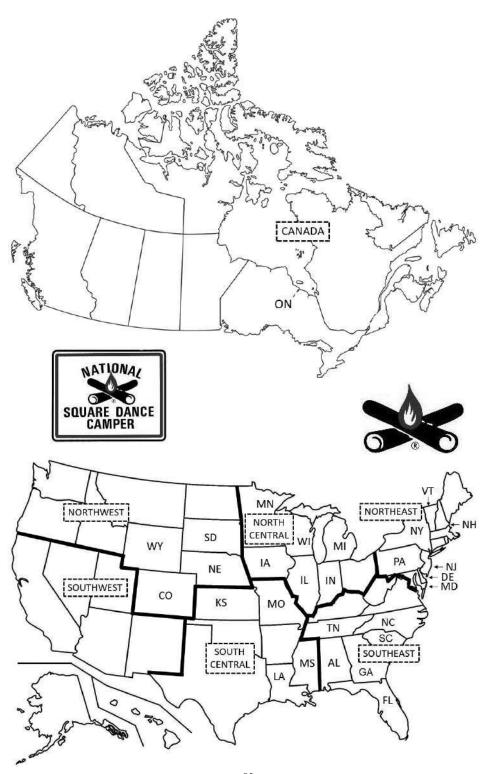
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