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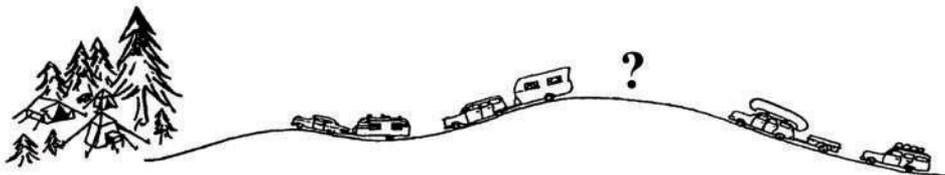
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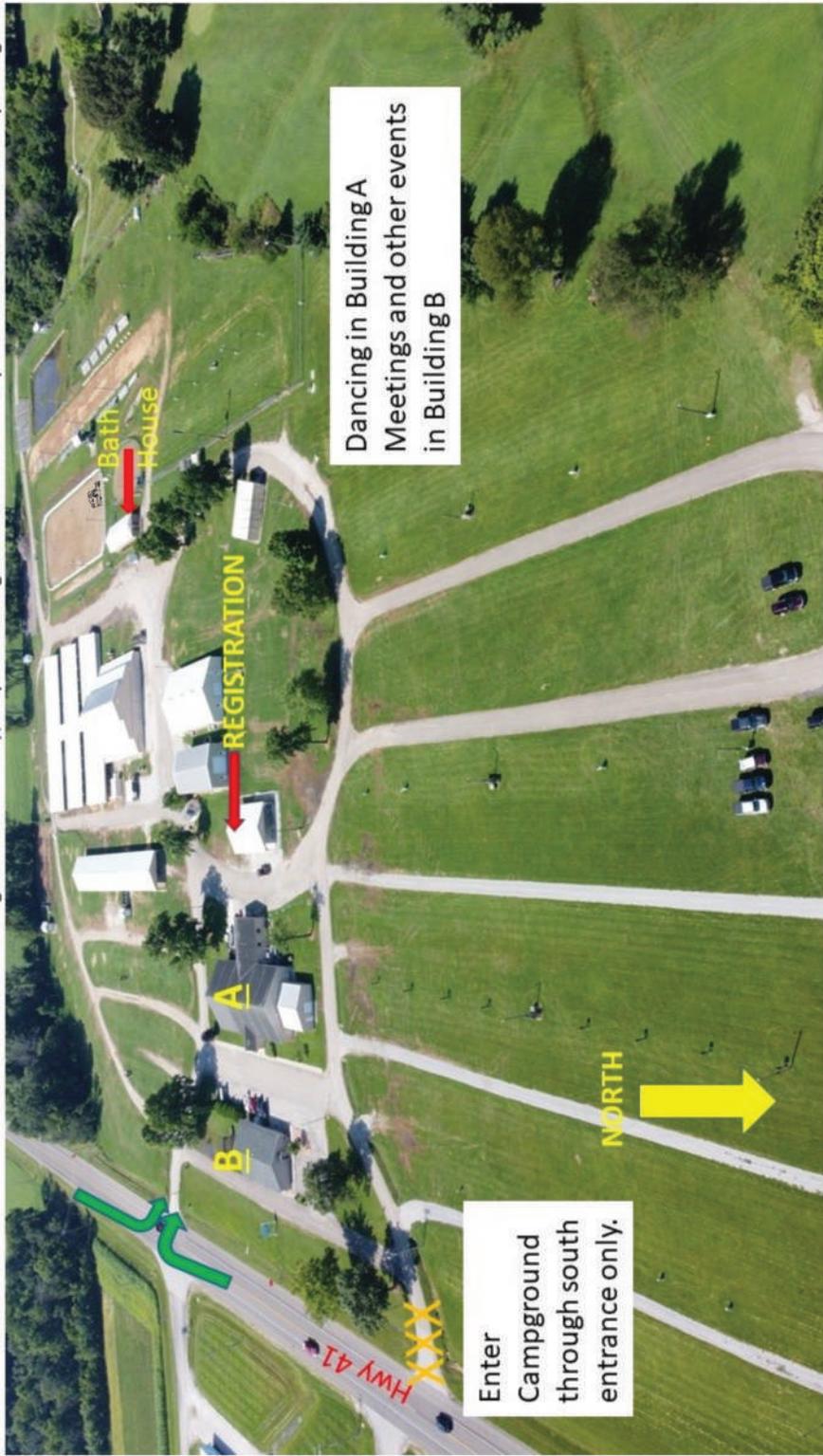


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John & Dolly Ide



Are you ready for another great Camporee? We certainly are after a couple of years of little or no dancing around the country. The Illinois/Indiana Camporee Team has a great event planned for everyone this summer, and it's only 2 weeks away. I've never lived in Indiana, but I suppose that the winter snow will be gone by then, spring will have sprung, and summer will be well on the way.

What better event can we have to look forward to than this year's Camporee? In addition to the dancing, crafts, games and food, there's always the anticipation of seeing our long-time friends from all over the country and Canada, and catching up with what everyone's been up to while hunkered down for COVID or the winter. Fortunately, even according to our national health experts, concerns for COVID seem to be a thing that we can begin to put behind us so we can all look forward to a great event.

Your Board has been working hard since last summer bringing our Standing Rules up to date. That had not been done for more than ten years. The latest version will be printed in this year's Annual Report for your review. Thankfully we have a very hard-working Board ready to tackle some of the necessary things that have been neglected for many years. This coming year, we also hope to bring the Membership Guidelines and some of the Staff Job Descriptions up to date as well.

Have you taken a look at the NSDCA website lately? We've had some great improvements made this past year, thanks to our Webmaster, Bob Summers (Chapter C-175, Riverside Gypsy Squares, ON), and NSDCA *TIMES* Editor, Ken Shacter (Chapter 128, Square Wheels, FL). If you haven't been there lately, be sure to check it out before coming to Rockville next month. You may be able to find some great weekend NSDCA campouts along the way to the Camporee or on your other trips.

When you come to Rockville, IN this year, take a good look at the display that your Historian Scott Rheinhold sets up at each Camporee. The NSDCA was established over 60 years ago, but like most of us, our organization is aging. We can benefit from transplants, therapy, etc., but



Ruth & “Ozzie” Chuck Osborn



As we write this for the *TIMES*, we are heading home from our first 2022 Chapter Campout. As you read this, we will be heading to our second Family Motor Coach Association Rally of the year where we will learn more about RVs and Rallies/Camporees. We do spread the news of NSDCA everywhere we go and fly our NSDCA feather flag. The best PR we have is positive word of mouth, which costs nothing but is PRICELESS! After this FMCA Rally we will be heading right to the International Camporee and we hope everyone is as excited as we are to get together again.

As all Square/Round Dance Clubs &/or Chapters continue to feel the COVID effects as we all resume dancing, it is very important for all clubs and their dancers to support each other, whether they are local brick & mortar Federation clubs or camping chapters. Failure to do so means the end of Square Dancing will creep to the horizon much faster than we want. We greatly appreciate the responses our NSDCA chapters sent us regarding whether or not NSDCA members or chapters receive equal recognition from state/provincial Federation chapters or associations as their members and chapters do. We feel that in some cases, the NSDCA members or chapters are considered distant cousins and possibly not as significant. If you have experiences along these lines, please let us know. There is too much division in this country and square dancing should hopefully be beyond the divide. Unless we all work together, we will all lose together.

As costs go up on everything, we are all looking for ways to reduce duplication. To that extent, we would love to hear from all Dancers and Chapters as to whether they are covered by USDA Insurance through either their NSDCA Chapters or through local Clubs/Associations.

Praying you all have safe travels & stay healthy.

Ruth & Chuck “Ozzie” Osborn, VP2NSDCA@gmail.com

in order to rejuvenate the NSDCA, we need some great ideas for change and volunteers to implement them. That means that we need participation from you, our members, and of course any new members. So come dance, get out to your local chapters, and of course to this year’s 64th Annual International Camporee.

See you there.

Dolly & John



David & Mary Bruun



As we said in our last article, time is creeping past us. This year is one third GONE. Where did it go? The Illinois NSDCA Association has been planning for all of you to join them for another GREAT Camporee. If you haven't signed up, come anyway, it's just around the corner... they still have plenty of room for more campers and dancers. Plans have been made for a Trails-End dance on Monday, June 13 with all NSDCA callers & cuers. Be ready for all the activities to begin on Tuesday June 14 and continue through Thursday June 16 with the Annual meeting at 1 p.m. All paid members of NSDCA are invited to attend this meeting as a Board Member will be elected for the next 4 years. John & Dolly Ide have placed their "hats" in the ring for another 4 years, but anyone can be nominated from the floor with their approval. (We want to see Dolly's hat!!!)

The BOD is happy to announce that the 2023 Camporee is being planned by Chapter 198, Crossfire Campers from Tennessee. Since we were unable to camp and dance in Lebanon, TN in 2020, they have chosen the James E. Ward AG Center for July 11, 12, 13 for the 65th NSDCA Camporee. The location is just east of Nashville; maybe a trip to the Grand Ole Opry before or after? Mark your calendars... NOW.

Remember that any of your Board Members are here to help you with anything (check out the *TIMES* for names, email address & phone numbers). Leave a message if you have to, as some of us don't answer unknown numbers but will always call back if you mention NSDCA. If you contact one of us and we can't help or don't know the answer, we will get help for you. COMMUNICATION is one of the most important aspects to keep any organization running smoothly. Be sure and read Membership Chair Kathy Nickel's column on a few items that chapters and individuals need to do so everyone gets their *TIMES* delivered on time and correctly addressed.

We will be looking forward to seeing you in a square really soon. Hopefully June 14th, 15th, 16th or even sooner. Be There or Be Square!!

Mary & Dave Bruun



Susan & Don Wolford



What a lovely time of year this is. The Mountain Laurel is beautiful, the flowers are showing their brilliant colors and green is everywhere...even in the weeds! Although this description is all relative to where you live; just a few days ago I received a picture from a friend of a beautiful snow covered lake and she titled it as a “Beautiful Spring Day in Ely, MN.” I’m sure all will be getting to their springtime soon. Before long, you will be sweeping the cobwebs off your campers and heading out to a fun camping time filled with dancing, friends and fellowship...except in Florida, where the camping season is soon ending and it’s time to head north.

It was a great time to be had at the Florida State Convention; wonderful to meet up with so many friends we had not seen in some time. Originally Florida was not going to hold a convention in 2023, but with the attendance they received at this convention a couple stepped up to chair it, so it’s on! I hope this is indicative of people feeling like they can get back out and into square and round dancing again.

Don and I were not able to take part in our Chapter, Strawberry Travelers’ (#153) last campout of the season as we had to come back to Alabama for a prior commitment: I instructed Line Dancing for the Alabama Jubilee weekend. I am contracted to do Rounds at the Alabama Jubilee in 2023, but we are contemplating driving up to Birmingham, AL for the Jubilee and turning around and heading back to south Florida after the Jubilee. We have found that we really like that south Florida weather.

If you haven’t sent in your NSDCA renewals, please put it in the mail. You don’t want to miss getting any of your *TIMES* magazines. I hope you also have sent in your registration for the “Crossing Ridges to Covered Bridges” Camporee in Rockville, IN. The committee is working hard to put on the best ever Camporee, and they need you there to help accomplish this. There’s something for everyone: square, advanced, rounds, lines and most of all, fellowship! Did you see the absolutely awesome birds eye view of the fairgrounds, where we will be camping, on the inside cover of the previous issue of the *TIMES*? If not, it’s there again, so go take a look! It was so nice to see the layout before we even get there. See you in Rockville!

Don & Susan



Kathy Nickel

Membership
Secretary



Hi Everyone! Spring and Summer are just around the corner here in Wisconsin. We are excited to get back out camping and dancing. We are also looking forward to our International Camporee and seeing all of you in June. I have really enjoyed taking over the Membership Secretary position this year and just like anything else there is a definite learning curve that came with this responsibility. I have a few observations that I noticed and I would like to pass on to you.

- 1) Please get your renewals in by the end of the year. It really makes our jobs easier and it ensures that your Membership stays active.
- 2) When submitting your renewals, make sure to use the correct form from the nsdca.org website, check all your members' addresses and email information and send changes along with the renewal. I have found a lot of emails that are incorrect and I am then unable to contact you when needed.
- 3) Submitting your renewals as a chapter also helps us maintain your information better. It is hard to know if you have members that are not renewing or just didn't get their information in on time. If you know there are members not renewing, please attach a note to the renewals.
- 4) If you know you are going to be living at a different address during the year, you can send me that information and your *TIMES* magazine can be mailed directly to you there. We use Bulk Mail to help reduce mailing costs, so the Post Office will not forward the *TIMES* to you; the *TIMES* magazine is returned to us and we have to pay an additional fee for this. I can send your *TIMES* to a different address for any 3 month period of March, April, and May, or June, July, and August, or September, October, and November, or December, January and February. You can contact me directly and we can set this up as soon as you know your location.
- 5) If you need new Membership listings, feel free to contact me and I will gladly send them to you.

Thanks again for all your support and patience as we worked through this first Renewal Process. This next year should be much smoother.

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NSDCA Publicity Director

Well, we are getting down to the last few weeks before our “Return to Normal” NSDCA International Camporee. There has been tons of work done to get ready for this event, but there are still things that you can do also.

One: Talk to your Chapter friends and make arrangements to arrive together, arriving together will get you a chance to camp side by side or at least very close. If they haven’t made up their minds yet, help them over that step... If you have square dancing friends that own camping equipment, invite them to come for a day or two or all week if they like, maybe they will join and you can have lots of fun together.

Two: Plan on enjoying the free time that the team has set aside for you. Using good old Google, you can search for things to do in Indiana that are close to Rockville. There are lots of things to do in Parke County and the other close counties, and of course Indianapolis is only 57 miles straight down Highway 36 from the campground; VisitIndy.com has 55 pages of things to do in Indianapolis.

By planning your early morning hours and other free time, you can get more enjoyment out of your trip. Plan it with friends that maybe you only see at the Camporee, a great way to catch up on what’s happen in the last couple of years.

Three: Create your own “Dance Party”. The team is offering the ability to gather together your own group of people, schedule a Caller or Cuer and create your own dance plan. If you want to dance a special Plus only or want to workshop certain things, we can help you make it happen. We purposely left some time open for you to specialize your experiences at this camporee.

FOUR: PLAN ON HAVING LOTS OF FUN. Square Dancing is fun and the ‘U’ in FUN is you. Please plan on having a great time with fun people, fun activities and fun dances. After the last few years, you deserve to have some fun with people that enjoy the same activities that you do. Camping and square dancing are a perfect marriage of two of the best things you can do. Not much beats a comfortable lawn chair, a good book, cold beverage and a quiet campsite, unless it also includes having lots of friends, good conversation, and square dancing. The combination of Square Dancing and Camping may be the best fun you can have with a group with your clothes on ... 😊

We currently have 52 registered units planning on attending, can you help make it 60?

Bill & Kathy Baker
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It was a rewarding fun time for me and I hope that I was able to provide the information you needed.

You still have time to register and support the NSDCA International Camporee. You can get the registration information on the nsdca.org website. Hope to see everyone at the Camporee in Indiana.

Happy Camping and Dancing!

Kathy Nickel, NSDCA Membership Secretary

State & Area Representatives' Reports

Michigan State Representative

Hello from Michigan. As I am thinking about camping and looking out the window, I see snowflakes falling once again in the month of April. I often wonder if winter is going to end this year.

The camping season for Michigan usually starts in May. Plans for the Michigan Annual Camporee is in the planning stages. The dates for the camporee are July 21-23, 2022. If you are planning a trip to Michigan and would like to join us, the registration form is in this issue of the *TIMES* (see page 29) or contact me and I will email you a form.

Chapter #121 from Michigan has planned their camping dates for this summer. The dates are June 20-22, August 19-21 and September 16-18 (outside dancing facilities with a dance floor), plus our Annual State Camporee to be held in July (in an air-conditioned building). The group is looking forward to dancing, fellowship and of course the great food.

Looking forward to attending the Annual International NSDCA Camporee in June. Will meet you in a square soon.

Alberta & Gary Gunsell; gunsell@lentel.com; 989-666-4232

Pennsylvania State Representative

Penn Dixie (#045) had its first campout the last weekend in April at Twin Bridges, Chambersburg. Square Up Campers (#106) began camping and dancing the first full weekend in May at White Oak Campground, Strasburg. From the perspective as State Representative, we are concerned about the dwindling number of callers to support both traditional and camping square dance clubs. Jerry Goshorn, who has been the long time caller for Penn Dixie, has announced his retirement. His calling skills are phenomenal, and he will be sorely missed.

Our 2022 PA State Camporee is scheduled June 3-5 at the Paradise Stream Campground. See our ad in the Spring issue on page 29, and

contact me (Park Bierbower) at ScoutGuyOne@gmail.com or phone me at 717-300-5111 for more information.

Park & Kathy Bierbower; ScoutGuyOne@gmail.com; 717-300-5111

NSDCA Florida State Representative Report

Hitch-N-Go (#082) is meeting socially every month; they are not dancing at this time as they have no caller. Red Oak Campground in Bushnell is their preferred place to keep in touch with good friends.

The Square Wheels (#128) went to Eagle's Roost in Lake Park, GA in February. There were 16 rigs; Bill Chesnut called and Ann Hadsell cued; a good time was had by all. In April they went to Stephen Foster Cultural State Park; all went well – it is a beautiful park, I am sure they will be back there again.

The Florida Roadrunner Squares (#193) and the Strawberry Travelers (#153) camped together in February at Red Oak in Bushnell. The callers were Sam Dunn (#193) and Charlie Pergrosi (#153); the cuers were Chuck Ryall (#193) and Susan Wolford (#153). There were sixteen rigs present.

In March, the Roadrunners were at Highlands Hammock State Park, again with about 16 rigs in attendance. For April, about 12 rigs went to the Joy RV Resort at Cocoa Beach. Unfortunately, John Ide could not make this campout as he was getting a new hip. We didn't have a caller so we used records; it was great as no one could tell us to regroup when we broke down! Chuck Ryall was there, however, and cued the round dances.

Lastly, Ted Hughes of the Sunshine State Pioneers (#018) is looking for more members. Please look them up if you are in the Tampa area.

That's all folks!

John & Mary Burzo

Illinois State Representative

Illinois chapters are really looking forward to hosting the upcoming NSDCA International camporee. Are you registered? You can expect the usual games, crafts, and of course, square dancing and you being here and having a great time are some of the things we're expecting while you are "CROSSING RIDGES TO COVERED BRIDGES." It's a great place to visit.

Since the calendar has made it official (spring) and the weather sometimes agrees, it's camping time in Illinois. Our members are either back from their winter getaway or have gotten their RV out of storage and most chapters have had at least one outing. No time to waste, our season doesn't seem to be that long.

Wishing all safe travels and looking forward to seeing friends, renewing acquaintances, and meeting the new.

Lawrence and Ruthann Sanders



014 Blackhawk Crosstrailers; Illinois



Howdy from the Midwest, where the snow never ends! Our group met for a get-together at Pizza Ranch in Sterling, IL in March. It was wonderful to catch up with everyone. We are anticipating our next campout at Pilgrims Campground in Ft. Atkinson, WI which will be done by the time this is published. We will have enjoyed the dinner theater on Thursday night, "Church Basement Ladies," and feasted on the theater's bountiful food. Crafting was with some winter items making snowflakes and snowmen, which will have fit right in with our spring weather. And, of course dancing, courtesy of Bob Asp, our caller! We will have had 21 in our group for the Fireside Theater. Looking forward to our camping season, and if you are close, don't hesitate to camp and dance with us.

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

031 Badger Rovers; Wisconsin

Some photos from our annual winter dance are on the following page. Winter is hanging tough here in Wisconsin as we are still getting snow showers as I type this the day after Easter. We are ready to camp! The first campout was May 20. Please see our other campouts online or later in this issue.



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

045 Penn Dixie Square Campers; Pennsylvania

Spring has Sprung, or so the saying goes. As I type this, it is the 28th of April and you would think that it would be getting warmer but the weatherman seems to be toying with us. A week or so ago we had a day where the temperature actually made it into the low 80s; this morning we woke up to freeze warnings. We are having our first campout of the season this coming weekend and it is anybody's guess what the weather will be. We're starting a little late this year because Easter fell on the weekend we would normally be camping. The weatherman predicts that it will be warmer and relatively dry but a little windy. It sounds like a perfect weekend but he followed that up with a fire warning. It has been a relatively dry spring so far and the grass is dry; couple that with the wind and the chances for wildfires is high. That means that we will probably not be able to have a campfire. We shall see. Needless to say, fun will be had even if we can't roast hotdogs over the campfire. Our camping schedule for the season should be posted in this issue and on the NSDCA website, so come and join us if you happen to be in Pennsylvania on one

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of our camping weekends.

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082 Hitch-N-Go; Florida

In February several campers attended the FMCA Rally in Lakeland, FL. Paradise Oaks RV Resort in Bushnell was the destination planned for the last week in March. April's planned destination was to Traveler's Rest RV Resort in Dade City, FL the last weekend of the month; however, it was canceled.

Jeanne Hartwig, Secretary; jelohart@gmail.com; 321-443-7489

106 Square Up Campers; Pennsylvania

Square Up Campers' member Pat Donnelly has a very unique and interesting hobby. An accomplished seamstress, she embarked upon a very intricate project for her two grandnieces. Abrianna and Joelle are twins and will soon celebrate their second birthday, so Auntie Pat decided give them a very special gift named a "Busy Book." Pictured are a few pages of this special book. Everything is handmade, keeping in mind the individual skill sets that the girls can help develop. Included are buttons, zippers and Velcro'd items to help with dexterity and learning skills. Bits of lace and felt are skillfully sewn into each page that will help the child with numbers and colors. This project took



100 hours to create and has a total of eleven pages. How did Pat get the idea for this book? Fellow club member Patti Stone made one and aided with some of her own creative thoughts. We have such talented and patient square dancers in our group!

Kathy Engel; kathy@kuhncom.net

116 Camping Squares; Kansas

In early April we had a Gold District Spring Square Dance Festival in Wichita, with no camping. Our first campout was our annual Hobo Stew Dance and campout the weekend of May 5th to 8th at Lake Afton, Goddard, Kansas. On May 10th -12th, we tried a midweek campout at Cheney Reservoir just west of Wichita. The Kansas State Square Dance conven-

tion will be held June 2-5 in the 4-H building at Kenwood Park, Salina, KS. Camping is at the KOA RV park of Salina.

June 14-16, of course, is the International Camporee in Rockville, IN followed by the National Square Dance Convention in Evansville, IN on June 22-24. July will bring a couple of fun campouts: on July 14-17 we're camping at the Kiowa RV park in Great Bend, KS. We'll attend the After-Harvest Festival on Saturday and tour some underground hideouts in Ellinwood. We'll also tour the Barton County Museum in Great Bend. On July 28th to 31st we will camp at the Sharp RV Park in St. Joseph, MO and attend the HASSDA Singles Convention at the St. Joseph Civic Arena, 100 N 4th St.

In August we'll do another couple of weekday campouts: Tuttle Creek Corp of Engineers campground sites at Manhattan, KS; dancing with the Lone Wranglers club at the Riley County Senior Center in Manhattan; and lastly at the El Dorado Lake in El Dorado, KS, camping below the dam. We'll enjoy various tours and the Oil Museum.

Anyone in the area is always welcome to join us! Be sure to view details either in this issue of the *TIMES* or online at nsdca.org, and also check to be sure we haven't cancelled the event! For more information, please contact Marty & Frank Golden at 316-943-4137 or email them at fmgolden9515@sbcglobal.net.

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

119 Wander Yonders; Wyoming

Here we are just waiting for summer to arrive! Even though we have not had any square dance camping activities, there are lots of square dances happening in our area.

Our first outing was on Memorial Day weekend. The club will be camping at the Quadra Dangle in Laramie, Wyoming. It was great fun to be able to dance, play games and most importantly, share in the potlucks. The club meeting and potluck breakfast was on Saturday. The campout coincides with the Quadra Dangle Square Dance Club in Laramie, Wyoming. Our own caller, Dave Guille, and Lynn Strobel (from Montana) were the callers; Steve and Dianne Kline cued rounds. It was great to see greet all our members that we have not seen for quite a while.

We are also hoping to meet up with new and "old" square dancers throughout our dance season! See details on the upcoming July campout later in this issue and the full schedule online at nsdca.org. Contact: Leo or Diana Fergel at 303-635-7312 for details.

Nell Coffey; 303-823-6096

121 Northwood Stompers; Michigan

Northwoods Stompers square dancers, Chapter 121 in Michigan, are excited about their upcoming camping season. The first campout was in Harrison, MI the weekend of May 20, at Hidden Hill Family

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Campground, followed by the weekends of June 17, August 19, and September 16 all in Harrison, MI. Also, July 20-23, Northwoods Stompers will be dancing at the Michigan Camporee at Covenant Hills Camp and Retreat in Otisville, MI. We hope you can join us at one of our campouts.

Marjorie Tudor; mtudor46@gmail.com; 989-275-6197

123 Swing N Traveler's; Illinois

The Swing N Traveler's (#123) met on an early spring day at a brand-new campground, *The Kampground*, near Mechanicsburg, IL on April 29th. The weekend was wonderfully planned by our hosts Jim and Sharon Waller and Dave and Mary Bruun.

Many campers went to a real nice dinner together at Abe's Hideout, a large full-service restaurant in Mechanicsburg: great food, good selection and great service.

Saturday morning brought about our usual business meeting, led by President Chet Bowman. Minutes were read and approved, and the treasurer's report was accepted. Various and sundry old and new business was attended to, with many new assignments passed out. As always, our meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

Special note was given by Wagon Master Bill Baker as he passed out the 2022 Membership Directories to the members in attendance. There were two major changes for our planned campouts, first being the April campout: it was moved from the Galesburg East campground near Knoxville to *The Kampground* near Mechanicsburg. This move was caused by the KOA Corporation buying the Galesburg East campground and not keeping our reservations. The second was caused by difficulty with the

new campground, *Country Side* near Gibson City. The *Country Side* people decided to become a long-term campground and would prefer that we didn't interrupt their plans for monthly rentals only. To replace the August campout location, the Wagon Master found *Camp Navoo*, just south of Navoo, IL. This campground has a large lodge with plenty of room to dance, do crafts, have meals and play cards, plus it is air conditioned. *Camp Navoo* is located at 1095 S Warsaw, Navoo, IL. Call Dawn Durgin at 217-453-9930 to make your reservation; she has created a hold for our club for the campout. Do not make reservations on line, only by calling Dawn.

Following the meeting, the ladies made Crosses from clothespins for the craft part of the weekend. The guys all told each other stories while the women did the crafts, as usual! After lunch, Bean Bag games were played. Dinner was our normal; everyone brought a can of vegetables and we had beef and vegetable soup, with crackers and other side dishes – always good on cool days. Howard Hartsock called a wonderful dance in the evening, followed by card games.

Sunday morning breakfast was coffee, juice and cinnamon rolls, followed by our Sunday Devotions. Leftover soup was served for lunch, followed by goodbyes and heading home.

Bill & Kathy Baker; grandebill@grics.net

128 Square Wheels; Florida

Our chapter has been getting together regularly and the membership participation in the events have been increasing. Our members are happy to be back together enjoying our many activities, both square and round dances and just being together around the campfire.

In January, we camped at Red Oak in Bushnell. We enjoyed our bag dinner Friday evening with special homemade desserts. That evening, Bill Chestnut did double duty as leader of both the square and round dance program. Nonetheless, he managed to deliver a highly spirited dance.

Saturday morning Gail LaRue taught us how to make Yard Birds. That afternoon we had our regular round and square dance workshops. We were visited by cuer Jim Davis, who volunteered to present a round dance workshop. We had 17 rigs, and 26 of us went to Sonny's BBQ restaurant for dinner. Many members commented on the great food and service.

In February, we traveled to Eagle's Roost RV Resort in Lake Park, GA. The weather was great. We all had a great time dancing with our caller Bill Chesnut and his unique choreography. Sometimes what he called is not exactly what we heard or performed, and the result was more unique and fun.

On Saturday, members visited the flea market and farmers' market

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next door. That evening, 30 members went to dinner a few miles away at the Fish Net restaurant. The proprietor and staff were very accommodating; the seafood was good, too!

In March, we attended the Florida State Convention in Daytona Beach. Some changes are in the works for the 2023 State Convention.

Our past presidents, Sherry and Don MacGregor, arranged for us to camp for the first time at the Stephen Foster Cultural Center State Park in White Springs, FL. Wow! There were twenty six rigs, and a grand time was had by all! We enjoyed it so much we are planning now to be there again next April. The membership was over the moon with this gem of a state park, which is a beautiful, quiet camping location by the banks of the Suwanee River. Many of us were treated to the sight of three deer that wandered through at daybreak and dusk. We haven't seen fireflies here in Florida for a very long time, and they were there by the hundreds! The dance hall was big with a wood floor and great acoustics, the campsites were snuggled carefully among the trees, there were great bike and hiking riding trails (Saturday morning, Bob and Terry Wallace led a group of 10 bicyclists on a 15-mile ride on the Big Shoals Path), a carillon (which housed some dioramas depicting songs that Stephen Foster wrote, and information on Stephen Foster's life) and other cultural attractions. We danced Friday and Saturday night, not only to our caller, Bill Chesnut, but to guest callers Mike Gormley (#153) and members Mark Fetzer, Bill Cassidy, and Frank Plunkett. Club cuer Ann Hadsall cued to many round dancers; club member Susan Snider also cued.

We had lucky winners for our 50-50 drawings; thanks to Steve and





Carol Casto's donation: two year-long Passport America memberships were won by Bucky Hersey and George King.

Look for our campout schedule in the back of this issue and online, and consider a visit if you are in the area.

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149 Bayou Square-A-Rounds; Louisiana

We met on March 5th -7th, which is later than usual. This was due to Hurricane Ida, which played havoc with some of our members. Present were nine member coaches and two guest coaches. The weather was pleasant and all had a great time. The Bordelons cooked up shredded pork for our meal's main dish. The meal was rounded out with vegetables, salad and scrumptious desserts. Our president, Jack Pointer, entertained us with another of his card tricks; he is excellent working with numbers. Everyone was waiting for another one of his numerical games in Colfax in April.

Our next campout was held late April in Colfax, LA. Many rigs came in on Thursday. It was nice to have that extra time to spend together. We had six member rigs and two guest rigs. Friday afternoon we had our usual social time; the weather was beautiful but quite windy. That was better than having rain; no one had to comb their hair! That evening we had our dance starting with early rounds by Jack Pointer; squares were called by Ted Kennedy, our club caller. We had a number of visitors from the local clubs; we really appreciated them coming out to dance with us. Saturday, our chefs Bruce and Barbara Bordelon cooked up a large pot of delicious Italian spaghetti. Members helped out with garlic bread, salads, vegetables and desserts. Jack Pointer held a short meeting and did one of his amazing number tricks! After cleaning up it was time to rest up for the evening activities. Ted Kennedy blessed us with thirty

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minutes of singing Gospel music, then Jack Pointer cued early rounds and Ted called squares, alternating with round dancing. Our next campout will be in Livingston, LA September 9th - 10th at the Lakeside RV Park. We would love for you to join us for the weekend if you happen to be in the area.

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152 Campers & Dancers; Alabama

Our chapter kicked off the 2022 camping season on March 18 at Roaring Pines RV Park in Somerville, AL. We had a very good turnout with 17 rigs camping. On Thursday evening we enjoyed a movie with popcorn. Friday and Saturday there was a large craft fair in nearby Huntsville that many of our members attended. On Friday evening we all ate at the Freight House Restaurant in Hartselle, AL and afterwards danced to Kevin Cozad. Saturday morning our Wagon Masters cooked a delicious breakfast followed by the day on our own. Saturday evening was a pot luck dinner and more dancing to Kevin Cozad. A great time was had by everyone.

Our second campout for the year was at the start of April at Florence Marina State Park in Omaha, GA. We had nine rigs in attendance and only danced on Friday evening, with Larry Belcher calling. The main attraction for the weekend was the 55th Eufaula Pilgrimage in Eufaula, AL. Many historic homes were opened for the weekend, and we visited four homes on Friday with lunch at the Shorter Mansion. The weather was fine and Eufaula is a beautiful town. Saturday morning the Wagon Masters provided coffee and donuts, and then we played bingo. Saturday evening we enjoyed a spaghetti dinner prepared by our Wagon Masters, followed by a movie.

Our next campout was held mid-May at the Navarre Beach Camping Resort in Navarre, FL; Miriam Meriweather called for us.

For those traveling from the Southeast to the International Camporee in Indiana, we invite you to stop along the way and dance with us in Chattanooga, TN on June 8-10. We will be camping at Holiday Travel Park, just off I-75 in Rossville, GA. Allen Hall will be calling for us on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. We are also camping July 22-24 (Deer Run RV Park, Troy, AL), August 11-14 (Noccalula Falls Campground, Gadsden, AL), September 23-25 (Yonah Mountain Campground, Cleveland, GA), October 28-30 (Monte Sano State Park, Huntsville, AL), and November 11-13 (Roaring Pines RV Park, Somerville, AL). Complete details for each campout can be found in the Chap-

ter Campouts section of the *TIMES* as well as at the NSDCA website.

Come join us at a future campout if you are able to. We would love to have you!

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153 Strawberry Travelers; Florida

I missed the deadline for the last NSDCA *TIMES* -- did anyone miss me??? Therefore, I would like start this Chat by backtracking a bit in order to report some very exciting news ... as of December 2021, Strawberry Travelers now has a club cuer! Susan and Don Wolford (NSDCA Treasurers) joined Chapter 153, and we are very blessed and so happy to have them! At our December campout, Susan “cooed” and cued us through two-steps, waltzes, Cha-chas, and some line dances as well! Many of our members had never danced rounds before, so we tried something new and had fun doing it! We also learned something old too; many of us had not danced in quite a while (we’ll blame COVID) but our skilled caller, Charlie Pergrossi, coaxed us through some fun and festive square dances. Both caller and cuer did a great job in getting our minds and our bodies all going in the right direction! Also at our December campout we celebrated **Strawberry Travelers’ 37th Anniversary!**

Our club does not camp in January. For February we co-camped with the Road Runners (#193) at Red Oaks RV Resort in Bushnell, FL. We had four callers: Charlie Pergrossi (#153), Sam Dunn (#193), and two guest callers, Mike Gormley (#153) and George Ferguson, and two cuers: Susan Wolford (#153) and Chuck Ryall (#193). It was a busy weekend, and the dancing was great. We had some guests come join us on Saturday night. It was nice to have a large group gather together.

Some of us attended the Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention in March, held in Daytona Beach. We were able to dance and visit with friends we hadn’t seen in a long while and others that we are blessed to see often. It was a nice time with some great callers and cuers and, of course, fellow dancers.

We went to a new campground for our April campout. Cedar Key RV Resort was very nice, the weather was great and the dancing was great as well. Our club cuer, Susan Wolford, was unable to be with us due to a prior commitment but our newest club member, Mike Gormley, a caller who also can cue as well, stepped right in to cue us through the rounds. Thank you, Mike! Charlie called and again coaxed us through the squares. We had a few couples from the park come in to watch us dance and Charlie invited them up to join us in a demo square. Charlie also had Mike call the last tip of the night which was a Do Paso pattern dance. Thank you both for a job FUN DONE!!!

Strawberry Travelers does not camp during the summer. Our club has ‘Snowbirds’ and ‘Summer Flies’ who tend to “take off” seeking some

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other "cool" adventures and dances during the summer season. Our next club campout will be at Southern Palms RV in Eustis, FL October 14-16, 2022. Most of us, however, will be staying all the way through that week as we await the start of the **46th Annual FANSDC "OVERLOAD the BOAT" Camporee!** (See page 32.) Chapter 153 will be very busy that week prepping, decorating, opening the portholes, and lining up the loading dock for an exciting (and hopefully) weather perfect cruise themed camporee! Come on down and join us for some bright Florida sun and tons of fun!

The 2022 Florida State Camporee is on schedule for October 20th - 23rd at Southern Palms RV in Eustis, FL. All the "crew" members are busy working on their responsibilities and planning for a "smooth sailing" weekend. If you have not sent in your registration form yet, please do so ASAP so that we can make sure to have an accurate count for food, space, and festivities for all. Flyers and Registration Forms can be found and downloaded from the new FANSDC website: www.FANSDC.net and click on **Annual FANSDC Camporee** on the top bar of the page. Thank you, Mike Gormley, for all your work on getting the new FANSDC website up and running!

We all have noticed that attendance has been down in local clubs, conventions and camporees all over the USA for the past two years now. COVID has put a dent in a lot of things. Let's not let it dent our resolve and our camaraderie. If square and round dancing bounces back, it will be because we all have made an effort together. We do not want to sink! We want it to float, so come to Camporee and help us **OVERLOAD THE BOAT!**

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C-175 Riverside Gypsy Squares; Ontario, Canada

Today, April 27th, it snowed in Ottawa. People keep saying that Spring is here but I think she is doing a slow sashay in. It has been a quiet winter for the Gypsies. Some clubs in the area are beginning to dance again and the Gypsies are looking forward to our first campout the weekend of May 13-15th. We will be doing a Grand March to Lower Beverley Lake Campground to circle right and allemande as we meet up to dance, chat and enjoy some warm weather and friendship. The members come from different parts of Quebec and Ontario, so we may not have seen each other since last Fall; we have some catching up to do!

We will also be camping the weekend of June 16-19 and July 14 to 17. See the Campout schedule for more information.

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193 Florida RoadRunner Squares; Florida

Hello to everyone! Spring is gone and Summer is finally here. Oh, these lazy, crazy days of summer, and I am so looking forward to them! We had our March campout in Sebring at our favorite state park, Highlands Hammock, one of Florida's most beautiful camping parks. The weather did not disappoint us either. Our Florida winters (which always come in the spring) bring us cool days and almost 'COLD' nights, but that is why so many of our campers are snowbirds this time of the year and we really love having you all with us. We began our state park weekend by putting up our large canopy (below), with (as the saying goes) far too many "Chiefs" and not near enough "Indians." Once it is up, we all really enjoy playing games, eating, or just gathering to chat.



We dance during the daytime at the Methodist church hall nearby and then have our evenings free for cookouts and campfires. Food is sure good cooked on the grill, over the fire and yes, in the fire. Craig (our campfire cook) sometimes brings his cast iron Dutch ovens and makes all kinds of great stuff in them (cobblers, cakes, and so on!) Besides all the great thrift shops in Sebring, I try to never miss the '50s diner there. Do you remember back in the '50s and '60s when you could get a huge (and I do mean *huge*) banana split or chocolate sundae and it would take two or three people to eat it? Well, that's what you get at the '50s Diner in Sebring! (See the following page for a photo.)

Cocoa, Florida was our April weekend location, the same weekend that the very first SpaceX and Axiom Space all-private mission was launched. With a perfectly cloudless day we stepped outside to watch the AX-1 Falcon 9 rocket with the Dragon capsule and a crew of four

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soaring through the sky on their way to the International Space Station. What a thrill! (Of course, some of us chose to watch it on TV which was



actually better than being there.) With Cocoa Beach just minutes from the campground, you can play in the ocean, visit the seaside gift shops, and then have lunch in an awesome restaurant on the beach. Add square and round dancing with friends to that and you have one great campout weekend. We will be back there in October, so come out camp with us.

Our (Chapter 193) President, John Ide, had been limping badly during most of those campouts but is now recovering nicely since his hip replacement surgery on March 22. We are hoping he is back dancing soon. Anytime you are in the area, check the camping listings online at NSDCA.org or in this newsletter to find out where the Florida clubs are dancing, then come by and camp with friends. After all, friendships are the backbone of our organization!

Is your camper packed and ready for the Camporee in Rockville, IN? It's hard to believe that our 64th NSDCA International Camporee is less than two weeks away? I hope you have already registered and made your plans by now, but I bet they can get you in if you haven't, so 'get packing' right away! You absolutely do not want to miss it out on the fantastic event Illinois and Indiana have planned for all of us. **Hop to It!**

And as always **"We hope to see you in a square somewhere!"**

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Chapter 193 website: www.whirlaways.org/rr_193_index.html

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

I'm preparing this for submission from our first camping trip of this season. It is the last week of April and we are blessed with great weather for our event at a campground near Evansville, IN. We started our outing with a dinner trip to a local restaurant. It is the oldest original log inn and stage coach stop in the United States; Abraham Lincoln was here in November of 1844. Our waitress, Kelly, was very attentive and entertaining. She expected a group called the Wheel-a-Rounds to all be in wheelchairs and was expecting us to be a bit of a challenge to serve. She was pleasantly surprised to discover we were a square dance group. Just so you know, in case you are ever in the Evansville, Indiana area, the food was served family style and was excellent. We all took leftovers home! We had potluck the next two evenings and they were just as good. We are looking forward to our June outing at the NSDCA 64th International Camporee at Rockville, IN. So many fun activities are planned a good time is assured.

We are saddened to not have Bill and Janet Bode with us this camping season. Bill passed away in March after a courageous battle with cancer. His obituary is in the "Remembering Our Friends" section of this *TIMES* issue. His friendly smile and optimistic attitude made him a joy to be around. Please keep Janet in your prayers as she also battles health issues.

Our camping schedule for this season is on the NSDCA website. We would invite any and all to join us at any of our outings; we will do our best to make you feel welcome. Some of us may even make it to one of your events! Safe travels everyone.

Karen Gerbers; dkgerbers1@gmail.com; 260-403-4846

198 Crossfire Campers; Tennessee

Happy Spring everyone. Its warm sunshine with budding trees, blooming flowers and a few rain drops in between the rays of sun. Hope you had a blessed Easter with family and friends.

We've been traveling, visiting friends, and dancing a few jigs along the way.

Crossfire Campers, in conjunction with Campers & Dancers (#152), is coordinating a Trail-Thru dance before heading to Indiana for the 64th International Camporee. The dance will held on June 8th & 9th at the Holiday Travel Park in Rossville, GA. See the campout schedule for details, and contact Tim Kittle at 865-719-0614 for information.

May God bless you and keep you safe, happy and healthy.

Yellow Rocks.

Ann and Harold Sharland, Treasurer; asha13a@yahoo.com

NOTES FROM YOUR EDITOR



Our NSDCA webmaster, Bob Summers (C-175), is still tweaking our newly designed website. You hopefully have noted there's a new section under the Camping/Dancing Camporees menu item: State Camporees. Now, instead of having to search through the entire campout listing to find State or Province Camporees, they are conveniently grouped in one spot (but they still are included along with all the chapter campouts). Pennsylvania holds their State Camporee near the beginning of June, closely followed by the International NSDCA Camporee in Rockville, IN around the middle of June. Michigan holds their State Camporee towards the latter part of July, while Florida's State Camporee is towards the end of October.

Regarding the International Camporee, several chapters are holding campouts shortly before or after, so if your travels take you near one of these events, consider joining in. We have dropped in on other chapters' campouts and enjoyed good company, food and of course, dancing.

Our NSDCA website also provides links to individual chapter sites. There are only 11 links listed out of 50 chapters, or 22%. I was wondering if the reason more chapters didn't have their own websites was due to cost or the assumed expertise needed to build a website. When I taught high school, one superintendent required each teacher to have their own website. At that time there were a few companies that would host a small freely-available site, and typically it was limited to a single page which was totally insufficient for my needs. One of my web-savvy students told me about Google's Blogspot (www.blogspot.com), showed me the basics, and I was off and running; I stuck to the basics, but you can get fancy if desired. If anyone wishes to build a website for their chapter, please email me and I will send you instructions using Google's Blogspot. Once you get your chapter's website up and running, be sure to let me know the URL (i.e., the <https://> information) so we can get it posted to our Association's website so others can find out about other events your chapter might host.

Lastly, several recent campouts have either been canceled or the location has moved for one reason or another. Please let me know when this occurs so the website can be updated; others may be planning to attend.

Have a safe journey wherever your travels take you. And be sure to visit other chapters' campouts when you are in their area.



Helpful Hints: RV Water Heater (Part 1)

Has your RV water heater ever stopped working? A spider or other insect may be the cause; if they get into the flame tube they can build a web or some other obstruction that can either block the flame tube or the gas orifice. This can result in several kinds of failure, or there may be another issue.

An RV water heater is a relatively simplistic device, and often troubleshooting is relatively easy if you understand the unit's basic operation. Covering everything that can go wrong with an RV water heater is beyond the scope of this article, but hopefully this brief overview will help you troubleshoot a few common and easily solved problems.

Disclaimer: Working with propane and electricity can be dangerous. Caution must be taken when performing this work. Servicing your RV water heater can be an easy Do-It-Yourself task; however, if you are not comfortable with any of the potential risks, have a professional do this for you.

There are two major categories of water heater used in an RV: those with tank reservoirs (typically six or ten gallons) and those that are "tankless". The tankless variety is fueled by propane which is used to produce a gas flame which heats the water, while the tank reservoir type heats water with either a propane gas flame or using a submerged electric element, which can either be used instead of the propane flame or simultaneously with it to heat the water faster. This article will focus on the tank reservoir type of water heater, which come in two varieties:

- **Manual Gas Valve:** The gas valve controlling the propane is activated by the RV user. The valve is accessed via a hatch on the outside of the RV and operates a standing pilot light (i.e., one which is on all the time) which has to be manually lit.
- **DSI (Direct Spark Ignition):** This is the most common type of water heater in modern RVs. These models allow the user to flip a switch (typically inside the RV) to ignite the water heater's propane burner; there is no standing pilot light.

There are three major RV manufacturers of tank reservoir water heaters: Suburban, Atwood and Dometic. The brands are similar in design and operation, although Suburban uses a sacrificial anode rod (attached to the drain plug, which should be replaced yearly) inside the tank to minimize tank corrosion, whereas Atwood and Dometic employ a different strategy.

Before you start to troubleshoot, I strongly suggest you visit the manufacturer's website and download a service manual (if available) specific to your model of water heater. If the manufacturer does not offer the service manual, it may be available on another site; do a Google search to see if it can be found. Follow their troubleshooting tips before attempting

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This insurance is issued in the name of the association, all its affiliated chapters, and includes all officers and directors, of either the association or any chapter while it engages in any activity on behalf of their group. The limit of the liability is \$1,000,000.00 per incident (\$2,000,000 aggregate) for either bodily injury or property damage or both when NSDCA is negligent.

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The application Forms for Insurance Certificates, are available from the NSDCA at www.nsdca.org. There is no charge for the 'Proof of Insurance' certificate and it may be obtained by contacting:

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46TH Annual Michigan N.S.D.C.A. Camporee July 21-23, 2022

ATTENDANCE AT THE CAMPOREE IS LIMITED TO 2022 PAID UP NSDCA MEMBERS
Potential NSDCA members may join us on a one-time basis
Walk-Ins are welcome at the evening dances - \$10 per couple

PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINES

Caller/Cuer: June 7, 2022 Campers: June 21, 2022

NO REFUNDS OR TRANSFERS AFTER JUNE 21

LATE REGISTRATION: Add additional fee of \$5.00

Pre-registered units will be parked with their chapters. Registration after cut-off date may be assigned to 000 area. Early arrivals welcome. Arrivals before 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 20 may be relocated by parking

committee.

FACILITIES

Full Hookups

DANCING

Thursday, Friday, Saturday Nights
Square & Round Dance Workshops

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Sports

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

Last Name _____ His _____ Hers _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Chapter Name _____ Chapter # _____

Youth's Name _____ Age _____ Youth's Name _____ Age _____

Type of camping unit _____ Size _____

Expected arrival date _____ Number of nights _____ Email _____

Dance program preferred: SQUARES Mainstream Plus Advanced ROUNDS PH II PH III PH IV

Camping Fees: \$40 per day WED THU FRI SAT SUN (check boxes) \$40 x _____ nights \$ _____

Weekend Dancing & Activities fee: \$50 \$ _____ 50.00 _____

Late registration or cancellation fee: \$5.00 \$ _____

Non-Camper Fee: \$10 per couple per day. Includes all activities including evening dance!!! \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Make check or money order payable to: Michigan N.S.D.C.A. Camporee. Mail with this form to
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CALLER/CUER PARTICIPATION DATA

I CERTIFY that I am licensed by BMI and ASCAP to perform copyrighted music at the Camporee

Signature _____ Email Address _____

Square Dance Caller: I regularly call Mainstream Plus

Round Dance Cues: Will cue S/D ROM Phase I & II Phase III Phase IV Classics

Available for programming: Thursday Friday Saturday MC

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CROSSING RIDGES TO COVERED BRIDGES

64TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL NSDCA CAMPOREE

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

NSDCA Membership # _____

NON-Member (Requires \$20 -see below)

Information for PARKING by LOCATION & RV NEEDS

(To camp together must arrive together)

STATE _____ CHAPTER # _____

ELECTRIC 30 amp _____ 50 amp _____ (only 20 available)

Length of Rig _____ ft No. of slides _____

Adult Name #1 (Please Print) _____

Adult Name #2 (Please Print) _____

Mailing Address (Include Apt and/or Box number) _____

City _____ State/Province & ZipPostal _____

Phone Number (Cell phone preferred-include area code) _____

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Emergency Contact Name _____

Phone Number _____

Additional persons per Unit (Base Fees are for two Adults per unit and unmarried children under age 21)

Youth Name _____ Age _____ M F

Adult Name _____

Youth Name _____ Age _____ M F

Adult Name _____

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NSDCA Camporee Fees 30amp 3 Day..\$160 2 Days...\$110 1 Day...\$55 (ALL FEES IN US FUNDS)

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Please Check which days you will be camping (Extra days Campsite Fees (\$30 per day)

Sun12th _____ Mon13th _____ **Tues14th** _____ **Wed15th** _____ **Thur16th** _____ Fri17th _____ Sat18th _____

Unit with only one person (check): _____ Deduct \$10; Extra adults # _____ \$10 each; Non NSDCA _____ \$20

Registration \$ _____ .00 US Extra Fees \$ _____ US Addt'l Days \$ _____ US Total Fees \$ _____ .00US

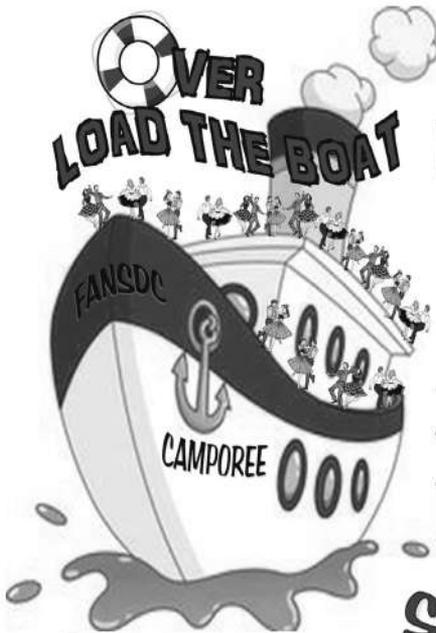
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**Send check or money order payable to "64TH NSDCA Camporee" to:
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Square & Round Dancing

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We Remember Our Friends

As we all get older, the certainty of an empty position in our squares becomes a recurring reality. We've shared good times, great dancing, wonderful food and hours of chats and laughter around flickering campfires. It's no surprise that we occasionally need to include some of those dear to us in this newsletter column.

Jayne Farr Blackwell Neary (#021, Rovin' Squares)

Jayne started in the music field during her school days by taking all kinds of dance lessons. She also studied piano, marimba, and violin. She danced solos at local dance recitals and performed on the marimba at churches, schools, hotels, and restaurants for local organizations. Jayne directed the children's choir at the Lawrenceville Presbyterian Church, which started with three children, and within three years 40 children were part of the program. She was also a tennis and bridge enthusiast.



In 1983, Jayne and her husband Jay became active in the square dance world. They were presidents of their club (#121, Rovin' Squares) and later held the office of president of the PA State Chapter of NSDCA from 2002 to 2005. They were PA State Representatives to the NSDCA for 15 years and visited all eight state clubs. Jayne and Jay traveled all over the United States in a motor home and for 15 years, wintered in Texas, and more recently they spent time in Lady Lake, FL. Jayne hopes you will remember her when you hear the sounds of a marimba or the voices of young children singing a church song. Jayne is survived by her husband of 65 years, two sons and daughters-in-law, and two grandchildren.

Submitted by Park Bierbower

Herbert "Herb" O. Edwards, Jr. (#123, Swing N Travelers)

It is with great sadness that I must announce the loss of one the finest gentlemen I've ever met. Herbert "Herb" O. Edwards, Jr. of Chillicothe, IL passed away on March 18th, 2022. He was a young and happy 75 years old. Herb leaves his wife Pat Edwards, one son, two daughters, a stepson and stepdaughter, a sister-in-law, thirteen grandchildren and twenty-two great-grandchildren, plus many nieces and nephews.



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Herb was a US Navy veteran; after his service to his country he worked as a pipefitter for over 50 years. He enjoyed his large family, family reunions, his square dance clubs and working in his yard.

Herb started his square dance calling 45 years ago and is well known in the Central Illinois area. He joined the NSDCA Swing N Travelers (#123) in 1992 and instantly became their club caller. Herb also called for Twin City Twirlers in Bloomington, IL and many others. Herb and Pat loved going to State and International Camporees where he could offer his unique blend of square dance calls.

Herb was also a recording artist; he created three records for Eagle Records in the late 1980s – 1990s. His records are *Candy Man*, *Indian Lake* and *Sugar Town*.

His always smiling face, happy demeanor and wonderful square dance patter and singing calls will be missed by his large family and many, many fans. Rest in Peace, my friend.

Submitted by Bill Baker

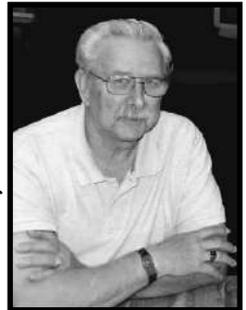
Ken Brasfield (#139, Limonaders)

We just received word that Ken Brasfield passed away on March 21st. All of his children were there and he passed quietly.

Ken and his wife Sandy were very active in the square dance community in the West Coast Association area of Florida. They were part of a group of square dancers headed up by caller Susanelaine Packer and her mother, Bettylee Talmadge, and participated in the 4th of July Celebration at Disney World twice (1987 and 1988), danced in the Citrus Bowl halftime with Larry Gatlin and the Gatlin Brothers, and Mickey's Very Merry Christmas.

Ken and Sandy were the presidents of the Left Allemanders in 1988-1989, West Coast Vice Presidents in 1993-1994 and 2006-2007, Presidents in 1994-1995 and 2007-2008, Co-presidents in 2008-2009, Florida Federation President in 2001-2002 (a five year commitment) and West Coast Association Fall Fun Fest Chairpersons in 1994 and 1996. They were delegates to the Florida Federation for many years. They received the Circle of Service Award in 1996 and the West Coast Association President's Choice Award in 2001.

They were members of the Left Allemanders in St. Pete, and NSDCA Chapter 139, Limonaders.



Submitted by Penny Green

William (Bill) Bode (#196, Wabash Valley Wheel-A-Rounds)

William "Bill" Louis Bode, 76, of Greenwood, IN passed away on March 7th at his home. He was born August 9, 1945 in Enid, OK. Bill married the love of his life, Janet Nichols, on February 4, 1967. He was employed as a Project Manager for Lockheed Martin for 20 years, retiring in 2012. Prior to that, he worked for IBM for over 25 years.



Bill enjoyed traveling, square dancing and especially spending time with family. Bill is survived by his wife Janet, a daughter, a grandson, brothers, and several nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews. The family encourages all to plant a tree in remembrance of Bill.

Bill and Janet loved square dancing and enjoyed their many square dance friends both in Indiana and Arizona. Bill's friendly smile and welcoming ways will be remembered by the Wabash Valley Wheel-A-Rounds. Bill and Janet were some of our first members when the club was formed.

Submitted by Karen Gerbers

Remember, if you would like someone included/remembered in the "We Remember Our Friends" section, please let us know their name, important dates, chapter name and number, and one or two important things about them. And please provide a high-resolution photo if one is available. Thank you.

71st National Square Dance Convention®

Clothes Packing Considerations



"Convention Badges Required for Entrance to all Convention Activities; Dressy Casual Attire Allowed Until 6:00 pm. Proper Dance Attire Required After 6:00 pm for Entrance for all Dancers"

Appropriate Dance Attire is required which means modest, neat, and clean. No shorts after 6 pm. Slacks and jeans can be worn in the evening.

Gentlemen, please wear long-sleeved shirts to cover sweaty arms.

Many things are changing in our square dance activity and one of those is dance attire. While Square Wear is admired and worn by many attendees, it's not required.

Come Explore Evansville and "DanceIndiana."





and the FUN continues...

For the Spring issue's contest, there were 34 correct entries identifying the location of the lost campers. Herb & Pat Edwards of the Swing N Travelers, Chapter 123 (IL) were randomly chosen by the computer as the winner of this contest. Congratulation

Herb and Pat; your 2023 NSDCA membership fee will be waived. I received several clever comments with submissions: Jim Sebesta (#045, Penn-Dixie Square Campers (PA), last issue's winner) said "The lost campers are on page 2 on Hwy 41 and are about to turn into the Park County 4-H Fairgrounds arriving early (WAAAAAAAAAY early) for the Camporee. I guess some people will do anything to get the best site at the campground. Are Howie and Bev really the lost campers? Seems to me, in this case, the rest of the caravan are the lost campers since they're all still out on the road over by Question Mark Hill at the bottom of the front cover. I'm thinking the caravan needs directions to find Howie and Bev moreso than vice versa." I think Jim nailed the problem on the head! Kerry Richmond (#196, Wabash Valley Wheel Arounds (IN/IL)) said "The lost camper doesn't appear to be lost at all. They are on page 2, heading south on US 41 just north of Rockville, IN. They are in front of the fairground offices and about to turn into the south drive just as directed. Although a little early they have found the location for the 64th NSDCA Camporee! Unfortunately we haven't received Howie & Bev's registration yet." And Mary Bruun (#123, Swing N Travelers (IL)) said "Well, Howie & Bev's camper is definitely going to be at the Camporee in Rockville, as they are almost to the gate at the fairgrounds. I can see they are heading south on Route 41 to enter the fairgrounds south gate." So, you get the picture as to where the lost campers were; in this case—not so lost!

In spite of our good luck locating Howie & Bev, we have lost track of them once again. Recall they are in the middle of the caravan with the slide-in trailer (see the Summer 2019 issue for background on the caravan and images of each traveler, or page 46 for the image only). Please see if you can locate them in this issue and give them directions to the 2022 Camporee in Rockville. Please note: The lost camper is not on page 46!

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 (but in order to win, a current membership is required). This is *your* newsletter! Good luck! Send your answer no later than July 31th, 2022 to either address: 1) via

Chapter name	chapter #	Entrant
Rollaways (MI)	005	Wayne & Joan Adams
Blackhawk Crosstrailers (IL)	014	Marie Berridge Sally Foley Joan Pagels Cherie Arch Cinda Asp Deb Pickard Darlene & Larry Johnson
Badger Rovers (WI)	031	Virginia & Eldon Boehm
Illiana Square Wheelers (IL/IN)	044	Larina Sanders
Penn-Dixie Square Campers (PA)	045	Jim Sebesta
Dakota Wheelers (SD)	061	Richard Wooten
Hitch n Go Chapter (FL)	082	Tom Hartwig
Square-Up Campers (PA)	106	Michael Gelinas
Wabash Valley Wheel Arounds (IN/IL)	196	Kerry Richmond James Huffman
Swing N Travelers (IL)	123	Bill & Kathy Baker Mary & Dave Bruun Jim & Sharon Waller Barry & Joy Vlad Herb & Pat Edwards Dwayne & Bret Dunn Jerry & Judy Boutelle Joe & Lois Schaefer Al & Charlene Fahsbender Chet & Janet Bowman Norma Schertz Sue Mayer Jim & Naomi Mills
Square Wheels (FL)	128	Carolyn & Russ Ueber Debbie & Bill Cassidy
Strawberry Travelers	153	Susan Wolford
Wabash Valley Wheel Arounds (IN/IL)	196	Kerry Richmond James Huffman
Crossfire Campers (TN)	198	Ruth Osborn

email to NSDCAtimes@gmail.com or 2) by regular mail to **Ken Shacter, Box 366, Cape Neddick, ME 03902**. Please provide the page

("Lost Camper" continued on page 52)

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 campout information, and please check with the noted chapter contact(s) to confirm the status of the event before making your plans to attend. Thank you. (current as of 2022/06/01)

June

Thursday June 02 → June 05

116 Camping Squares of Kansas: Kansas

KOA RV Park

Salina, KS

Attending the Kansas State Square Dance Convention, Salina, KS

4-H Building, Kenwood Park

Frank & Marty Golden; 316-943-4137;

fmgolden9515@sbcglobal.net

♥♥♥ NSDCA Pennsylvania Chapter State Camporee ♥♥♥

Paradise Stream Family Campground

693 Paradise Stream Rd, Loysville, PA; 717-789-2117 or

<http://www.campparadisestream.com>

Be sure to tell the staff you are with the NSDCA PA State Camporee

Trails In dance Thursday evening (June 2)

Dancing Friday and Saturday evenings (June 3 and 4)

Park Bierbower; 717-300-5111

June 03 → June 05

002 Pine Tree: Wisconsin

Cliffside Park Campground

7320 Michna Rd; Caledonia, WI

<http://www.realracine.com/hotels/camping>

Tricia Chartier; 414-807-4083

198 Crossfire Campers: Tennessee

Cove Lake State Park Campground

110 Cove Lake Ln; Caryville, TN; 423-566-9701

We plan to dance in Knoxville (35 minute drive) leading up to the

TSASRDC meeting on Sunday. Please make site reservations with the campground.

518-859-0734

Wednesday June 08 → June 09

152 Campers & Dancers: Alabama

198 Crossfire Campers: Tennessee

Holiday Travel Park

1623 S. Mack Smith Rd; Rossville GA; 800-693-2877

Trail Thru campout to the National Camporee. The campground is just off I-75 in Chattanooga, TN.

This is a joint campout between the two Chapters.

Tim Kittle; 865-719-0614

June 10 → June 12

001 Garden State Square Dance Campers: New Jersey / Pennsylvania

Appalachian RV Campground

60 Motel Dr.; Shartlesville, PA; 877-570-2267

Caller: Mark Franks

Theme: Pot Luck breakfast; bring a dish to share.

Howard Schnuck; 732-257-1434; angels9346@yahoo.com

073 Nebraska Camp'N'Dancers: Nebraska

Harry Strunk Lake

Harry Strunk Lake, Nebraska

50th Wedding Anniversary: Charley and Mary Lee; Heritage Senior Center on June 11th; 1312 West 5th Street McCook, NE; 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Charley Lee; 308-882-4174 or Mary Lee; 308-883-4174

Tuesday June 14 → June 16

♥♥♥ 64th International NSDCA Camporee ♥♥♥

Parke County 4H Fairgrounds

1472 US 41; Rockville, IN

64th International NSDCA Camporee

Dan Hatfield; 618-554-3929; DanAndMarian@hotmail.com

123 Swing-N-Travelers: Illinois

NSDCA National Camporee; Parke County 4-H Fairgrounds

1472 N US Hwy 41; Rockville, IN

Registration forms and flyer at the centerfold or at NSDCA.org

Bill Baker; 309-696-1948

June 17 → June 19

108 Southern Tier Wheelers: New York

CampBell Campgrounds

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

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

121 Northwood Stompers: Michigan

Hidden Hill Family Campground

300 N Clare Ave; Harrison, MI; 989-539-9372 or

<https://www.hiddenhillcampground.com/>

Please contact Campground for reservations

Bill Tudor; 989-275-6197; mtudor46@gmail.com

Chapter Campouts—continued

June 17 → June 19

C-175 Riverside Gypsy Squares: New York / Ontario / Quebec

Lower Beverly Lake Park

146 Lower Beverly Lake Road; Delta, ON; 613-928-2881

If you are planning on joining the Riverside Gypsy Squares for a weekend of fun & dancing, please contact Barb Mazerolle

613-330-5950 or email: bmazerolle@icloud.com

June 22 → June 25

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Vanderburgh 4-H Center

201 E Boonville-New Harmony Road; Evansville, IN

See information at the following website:

<https://www.71nsdc.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/long-form-11.12.21.pdf>

Richard & Nancy Fulaytar; registration@71nsdc.org; 765-662-2553

July

July 08 → July 10

014 Blackhawk Crosstrailers: Illinois

Lowden State Park

1411 N River Rd; Oregon, IL

We will be taking a riverboat dinner cruise. Contact Bob Asp for your reservation.

Bob & Cinda Asp; 815-624-4330; sgbobasp@aol.com

Wednesday July 13 → July 15

123 Swing-N-Travelers: Illinois

Hickory Hills Campground

973 CR 2250 E; Secor, IL

Reservations please by June 30; Campground # 309-744-2407

Norma Schertz; Jerry and Judy Boutelle; or call 309-696-1948

Wednesday July 13 → July 17

119 Wander Yonders: Wyoming

Deer Haven Campground

706 N 1st St; Saratoga, WY

Diana Fergel; 303-635-7312

Thursday July 14 → July 16

073 Nebraska Camp'N'Dancers: Nebraska

I-80 Lakeside Campground

3800 Hadley Dr, North Platte, NE; 308-534-5077 or

<http://i80lakesidecampground.com/>

Charlie Duffield; 308-340-1086 or

Winifred Cooley; 308-546-9037 or 308-546-2768

Thursday July 14 → July 17

116 Camping Squares of Kansas: Kansas

Kiowa RV Park

Great Bend, KS

Attending the After-Harvest Festival on Saturday and tour some underground hideouts in Ellinwood, KS.

We'll also tour the Barton County Museum in Great Bend.

Frank & Marty Golden; 316-943-4137;

fmgolden9515@sbcglobal.net

July 15 → July 16

C-175 Riverside Gypsy Squares: New York / Ontario / Quebec

Lower Beverly Lake Park

146 Lower Beverly Lake Road; Delta, ON; 613-928-2881

If you are planning on joining the Riverside Gypsy Squares for a weekend of fun & dancing, please contact Barb Mazerolle

613-330-5950 or email: bmazerolle@icloud.com

July 15 → July 17

001 Garden State Square Dance Campers: New Jersey / Pennsylvania

Appalachian RV Campground

60 Motel Dr; Shartlesville, PA; 877-570-2267

Caller: Bob Engel

Theme: Ice Cream social; bring toppings to share

Ron & Pauline Vande Vrede; 973-343-3152;

vandevrede@optionline.net

045 Penn-Dixie Square Campers: Pennsylvania

Dogwood Acres Campground

4500 Enola Rd; Newville, PA; 717-776-5203

Please email me or phone me ahead of time so that we can make sure we can get you a site. You can also call the campground and make your own reservations.

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

Thursday July 21 → July 23

♥♥♥ **46th Annual Michigan NSDCA Camporee** ♥♥♥

Covenant Hills Camp & Retreat

10359 Farrand Rd; Otisville, MI; 810-631-4531 or

<http://covenanthills.org/>

46th Annual Michigan NSDCA Camporee; Registration required.

Potential NSDCA members may attend on a one-time basis.

Camporee for 2022 paid members.

Walk-ins welcome at evening dances, \$10 per couple

Gary & Elaine Demand; 989-777-5697; GandEDemand@gmail.com

PLEASE BE SURE TO KEEP YOUR CHAPTER'S CAMPOUT SCHEDULE UPDATED. PROVIDE AS MUCH LOCATION INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE. VISITORS AND GUESTS CAN'T FIND YOU IF YOU DON'T LET THEM KNOW WHERE YOU ARE. BESIDES HERE IN THE *TIMES*, THIS LISTING IS ALSO POSTED ON THE NSDCA WEBSITE (NSDCA.ORG) WHICH IS UPDATED WHEN YOU SUBMIT NEW OR REVISED CAMPOUT INFORMATION. PLEASE BE SURE TO USE THE NSDCA WEBSITE VERSUS EMAIL FOR THIS TASK. THANK YOU!

Chapter Campouts—continued

Thursday July 21 → July 23

121 Northwood Stompers: Michigan

Covenant Hills Camp & Retreat

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July 22 → July 24

152 Campers & Dancers: Alabama

Deer Run RV Park

25629 Highway 231 Troy, AL; 334-566-6517

Ken Waites; 205-601-2485

Thursday July 28 → July 31

116 Camping Squares of Kansas: Kansas

Sharp RV Park

18890 Highway 59; St. Joseph, MO

We'll be attending the HASSDA Singles Convention at the St. Joseph Civic Arena,

100 N 4th St, St. Joseph, MO

Frank & Marty Golden; 316-943-4137;

fmgolden9515@sbcglobal.net

July 29 → July 31

002 Pine Tree: Wisconsin

Happy Acres Kampground

22230 45th St; Bristol, WI

This is the weekend that Doris & Ted have their church festival.

On Saturday we will spend the day at the church festival.

Tricia Chartier; 414-807-4083

031 Badger Rovers: Wisconsin

Buffalo Lake Camping Resort

555 Lake Avenue; Montello, WI

608-297-2915

August

Wednesday August 03 → August 06

198 Crossfire Campers: Tennessee

Camp LeConte RV Resort

1739 E. Parkway; Gatlinburg, TN; 865-436-8831

We plan to dance at the TN State Convention.

Please make site reservations with campground.

518-859-0734

Monday August 08 → August 11

014 Blackhawk Crosstrailers: Illinois

Rustic Barn Campground & RV Park
3854 Dry Hollow Rd; Keiler, WI; 608-568-7797
Bob & Cinda Asp; 815-624-4330; sgbobasp@aol.com

Tuesday August 09 → August 11

123 Swing-N-Travelers: Illinois

Country Side Campground
403 E 200 N Rd; Gibson City, IL
Reservations please by July 25th; Campground # 217-369-8314
Bill and Kathy Baker; Barry and Joy Vlad; or call 309-696-1948

Thursday August 11 → August 14

152 Campers & Dancers: Alabama

Noccalula Falls Campground
1500 Noccalula Rd; Gadsden, AL; 256-543-7412
Kevin Cozad; 205-928-2618; kevincizad1@gmail.com

August 12 → August 14

001 Garden State Square Dance Campers: New Jersey / Pennsylvania

Appalachian RV Campground
60 Motel Dr; Shartlesville, PA; 877-570-2267
Caller: Mark Franks
Theme: Wine and Cheese; bring a bottle of wine, cheese and crackers.
Diane Wilson; 516-228-1095; djwilson2436@gmail.com

073 Nebraska Camp'N'Dancers: Nebraska

Methodist Cove Campground, Harlan County Dam
Alma, NE; <https://www.recreation.gov/camping/methodist-cove/r/campgroundDetails.do?contractCode=NRSO&parkId=73273>
Activities and program coming out later.
Steve Magorian; 308-340-2731 or Joan Magorian; 308-340-2713

108 Southern Tier Wheelers: New York

CampBell Campgrounds
8700 NY-415; Campbell, NY; 607-527-3301
Patricia Mosher; 607-857-1553; patmosher116@gmail.com

Tuesday August 16 → August 18

116 Camping Squares of Kansas: Kansas

Tuttle Creek Corp of Engineers campground
Manhattan, KS
This is a weekday campout and Tuesday we will be dancing with the Lone
Wranglers Club, Riley County Senior center, Manhattan, KS. We'll also have
some fun activities.
Frank & Marty Golden; 316-943-4137;
fmgolden9515@sbcglobal.net

(Campouts continued on page 44)

Chapter Campouts—continued

Thursday August 18 → August 20

196 Wabash Valley Wheel Arounds: Illinois / Indiana

Bill Monroe Memorial Park and Campground

5163 N State Rd 135; Morgantown, IN; 812-988-6422

Mention Wabash Valley Wheel-A-Rounds when reserving.

Please reserve prior to March 31 - cost \$40/night

Mike or Nancy Holzhausen; 317-989-4533

August 19 → August 20

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.

After Aug. 5th sites will be released and you may not get in. One night deposit is required and you must cancel 48 hrs. before with a \$10 cancellation fee.

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

Angela Brown; hlangel17@gmail.com

C-175 Riverside Gypsy Squares: New York / Ontario / Quebec

Lower Beverly Lake Park

146 Lower Beverley Lake Road; Delta, ON; 613-928-2881

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613-330-5950 or email: bmazerolle@icloud.com

August 19 → August 21

002 Pine Tree: Wisconsin

Pilgrim Campground

W7271 County Rd C; Fort Atkinson, WI

Tricia Chartier; 414-807-4083

121 Northwood Stompers: Michigan

Hidden Hill Family Campground

300 N Clare Ave; Harrison, MI; 989-539-9372 or

<https://www.hiddenhillcampground.com/>

Please contact Campground for reservations

Bill Tudor; 989-275-6197; mtudor46@gmail.com

August 26 → August 28

045 Penn-Dixie Square Campers: Pennsylvania

Dogwood Acres Campground

4500 Enola Rd; Newville, PA; 717-776-5203

Please email me or phone me ahead of time so that we can make sure we can get you a site. You can also call the campground and make your own reservations.

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

Chapter Campouts—continued

August 26 → August 28

198 Crossfire Campers: Tennessee

Start Point Resort Campground

4490 Star Point Rd; Byrdstown, TN; 931-864-3115

Attend Dale Hollow Lake SD Weekend, Henry's Hideout

RSVP for Dance 765-620-3813/317-504-3894 or dhenrycaller@aol.com.

Make RSVP with campground or Obey River Park Campground at

<https://www.recreation.gov/camping/campgrounds/232654> or 518-859-0734

August - September

Tuesday August 30 → September 01

116 Camping Squares of Kansas: Kansas

El Dorado Lake - below the dam

El Dorado, KS

This is a weekday campout; we'll be doing some fun tours & see the Oil Museum.

Frank & Marty Golden; 316-943-4137;

fmgolden9515@sbcglobal.net

Jiffy Mix cookies

Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup soft butter or margarine
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1 egg
- 2-3/4 cup Jiffy Pie Crust Mix or Bisquick
Pancake & Baking Mix)
- 1 cup chocolate chips



Courtesy of:
Wendy Brock, #128

Steps:

- 1) In a large bowl, mix all ingredients but the chocolate chips together
- 2) Fold in the chocolate chips
- 3) Spray a cookie sheet with PAM brand spray (or similar)
- 4) Spoon out ~1 tablespoon of dough mixture onto the cookie sheet, spaced 1 inch on center apart
- 5) Bake at 350°F for 10 minutes
- 6) Cool



The number of cookies you make depends on the size of the dollop, but there are plenty to be had from this batch!

Ed: The website I use to determine the nutrition data of a recipe is temporarily unavailable; I apologize for there being no information on this aspect of the recipe.

64th NSDCA International Camporee

June 14, 15, 16 2022

Rockville, Indiana



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47872**

Contact
Dan Hatfield
(618) 554-3929
danandmarian@hotmail.com

Trails Through to Evansville
Friday June 17
7 to 9 pm
\$8 per person
Bob Asp, Curt Braffet, others
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- 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

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Middleton, WI 53562-8433



Membership Application or Renewal

Rev.10/01/2021

Application or Renewal (Check One) Date: ___/___/___
Assigned to Chapter # _____; Chapter Name: _____

This application is only to be used for new membership applications or renewals of members whose membership has lapsed for a period of 3 months or more. If the lapse is between 3 months and 3 years, the fee is \$20. For a renewal after a lapse of 3 years or more, the fee is \$10 as a new member.

Name(s):	First:	Last:
	First:	Last:

How should your name be printed on your badge? IF the same, write in SAME.

For your Badge:	First:	Last:
	First:	Last:

Address 1:	Street:		
	City:		
	State/Province:		Zip +4/PC:
Phone:	Home:	His Cell:	Her Cell:
E-Mail:	His:		Hers:

If you live at a different address for part of the year, please provide it here:

Address 2:	Street:		
	City:		
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March Issue	June Issue	September Issue	December Issue
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For a Member Couple: \$10.00	For a Single Member: \$5.00	\$.
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For a Member Couple: \$20.00	For a Single Member: \$10.00	\$.
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Cost of Badges:

Safety Pin Attachment: \$10.00 ea.	Magnet Attachment: \$13.00 ea.	\$.
Total Submitted:		\$.

Make check payable to NSDCA. Please send your completed application with your remittance (in US funds only) to:

NSDCA Membership Secretary
P.O. Box 628433
Middleton, WI 53562-8433

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"MEMBERSHIP"



Check us out at NSDCA.ORG Are You a Member Yet?

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 & dancing

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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Middleton, WI. 53562-8433

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

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the following.

Visually check for leakage around the water heater, inside the RV (you’ll probably have to remove an access panel) and outside the RV (via a metal access hatch). If there is water puddling by any fittings, you should come back to tighten them *after* you depressurize the system.

Next, carefully check the following to ensure the water heater is receiving the appropriate energy sources (again, do not attempt these steps if you are uncomfortable working with gas or electricity; leave the troubleshooting to a professional):

- **Propane:** Make sure your propane cylinders are turned on and other appliances (such as the stove) are operating correctly. Next, try to light the water heater; sniff or listen for any signs of propane coming through the gas valve. I strongly discourage verifying gas flow by “cracking” open the gas line where it enters the gas valve to check for propane escaping the gas line by smell, sound, or using soapy water sprayed on the fitting.
- **12 Volts DC** (aka house battery power): If you have a DSI water heater, use a voltmeter to verify 12 volts DC is reaching the water heater control board when the water heater switch is turned “on” (usually located inside the RV). A wiring schematic is usually found in the water heater owner’s manual or taped to the inside of the access hatch.
- If you have a DSI water heater, there should be a “thermal resistor” (really a heat-sensitive fuse) wired to (and standing somewhat above) the control board that resides inside the access hatch. The purpose of this thermal resistor is to turn off the burner in the event of a flame-back event, which is usually caused by an insect constructing an obstruction in the flame tube. This protects the control board’s electronics and kills the flame before it can catch any of the RV’s structure on fire. Verify continuity through the thermal resistor (i.e., ensure it has not “blown”) using an ohmmeter.
- **120 Volts AC** (aka shore power): If your water heater is equipped with an electric element, verify the switch that controls the electric element is turned on and 120 volts is present by safely using a voltmeter.

If the above items all check out with acceptable results, you can be reasonably assured your water heater problems are not due to water or energy supply issues. If one of the above items does not check out, see if the issue can be easily remedied (i.e., opening the valve on the LP tank, refilling an empty LP tank, or replacing a blown fuse for the 12V DC supply). If one of the other energy sources seems to be the problem, do the following *before* you start to service your RV hot water heater:

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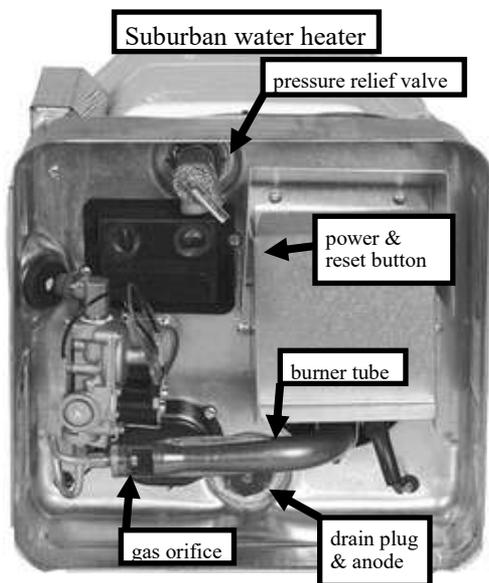
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- Turn off the energy source (gas and/or electricity, 12V "house" power as well as the 120V "shore" power). Check your breaker box inside the RV; there should be fuses labeled for the 12V supply and a circuit breaker for the 120V supply. Verify there is no electricity at the water heater using a voltmeter.
- Turn off the water supply to the heater. The easiest way to do this is to turn off the shore water source (via faucet and hose) or turn off the RV's internal fresh water supply pump.
- Depressurize the system, as follows:
 - 1) Relieve pressure by opening a hot water faucet at a sink inside the RV or at an outside kitchen.
 - 2) Open the pressure relief valve on the water heater. It is often best to wear rubberized gloves and stand to the side when doing this.

At this point, if there was any indication of leakage around pipe fittings, gently tighten the fittings but be sure to not over-tighten or strip the threads.

If you didn't find a supply issue using the above steps, the next installment of this article will present some common problems with RV water heaters and ways to hopefully correct them.



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