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Rayne, Louisiana



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PEOPLE to get the Fun & Friendship in step with the Music!**

BIG NEWS

ADVERTISING INFO & RATES

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Everyone can take advantage of our AD SPECIAL - By taking a non-changing ad in four (4) consecutive issues, and paying in advance, you will receive a 10% discount on your total cost!

To celebrate our new venture with NSDCA TIMES, and to recognize our NSDCA members, the editors are offering a 20% discount off the Commercial Rate for all ads placed for NSDCA chapter activities.

All States, Provinces (chartered or not) and Chapters are entitled to place one (1) ad of any size at half price once each calendar year.

Contact Sarah or Charlie today to place your ad at these fantastic prices!
Questions concerning advertising in the NSDCA TIMES should be directed to the Editors.



Board Broussings

From Your Presidents - Herman & Pat Meyer

What a year of changing events. We have made progress this year in starting a new approach to promotion and communications. Three Amendments were approved at the Annual Meeting in Rayne, LA. However, the 10-Year Review Committee has more work to do as we examine the remaining sections of the Bylaws.



The main concern I have now is that we need more communication to reach out and find those Members that are willing and able to serve on the Board Of Directors. We need your help and ideas as we transform from an organization of the past to an active and viable organization of the future. Please submit all names of those with an interest in helping us grow.

Next year, the BOD will have a new format for the Chapter/Reps Meetings. We will try to establish a seminar for the members to learn more about using the Web Page and Email for faster contact with the NSDCA BOD & STAFF. Another change will be the emphasis that the full membership be invited to have an information exchange on Tuesday before we have the more formal Annual Meeting. The reasoning used here is that with the Annual Meeting we do not have sufficient time for a question and answer session to receive the input from the membership, as there are the formal presentations that are done in the Annual Meeting.

Food for thought this quarter would be that the body considers the benefits and drawbacks of expanding the Board of Directors to six positions, four of which are officers, and shorting the term to three years so that each year two members could rotate on and off the Board. This could provide a training time, to acquaint members with the duties of the Board, and provide a quick supply of appointees in case we have a loss on the Board from illness, death or resignation.

We both would like to thank the Louisiana dancers for a wonderful Camporee at Rayne. We really enjoyed getting time to visit with so many friends and enjoy the many activities arranged by our hosts. The weather seemed to cooperate even on the days it was a bit warm.

Our deep appreciation to Barbara Connelly, and Doc & Peg Terrill, for their years of service to NSDCA as editors of the NSDCA Times. They worked hard to see that each issue was out in a timely manner and provided us news of our member chapters, as well as the National Conventions, ARTS and so many other organizations of square & round dancing. **Thanks** for the job you've done!

From Your Vice-President - Martha Zimmerman



The 2009 Camp-O-See in Rayne, Louisiana, July 21, 22, 23 was a wonderful camporee. Lots of good dancing. We had a great time at the Cajun Nine. Thank you Ron & Laura Harry and your great committee workers. The 53rd Annual International Camp-O-See, July 20, 21, 22, 2010, will be in Orlando, Florida, "Magic Moments in Florida". Start planning your summer vacation in July 2010.

I encourage all of the Chapters to contact your Area and State Reps about your Chapter activities. They have a quarterly report to submit. The form is on the NSDCA web site. Let me know what the Board of Directors could do for you to help with your job. We had very productive meetings with the Area and State Reps in Rayne, LA.

The \$20.00 coupon is still good until Dec. 31, 2009. This is for a non-member to camp with the chapter of their choice. The chapter will refund the \$20.00 to the camper and send the coupon to NSDCA with a proper authorization number and receive a check back for reimbursement of \$20.00.

Let's all get together and encourage non-campers to attend our campouts. Maybe when they enjoy the camping, dancing and friendship they will want to join in.

Tell all of your square dancing friends about all the fun we have camping and dancing. Hope to see you in a square some where.

Have fun exercising and laughing all the same time.

From Your Secretary - Janet Bowen

New Year
New Times
New Beginnings
New Secretary Me!



If you think old article, you are wrong. Secretaries are to take minutes and answer correspondence. And yes I will do that also. But I want to be involved, want to make a difference. About this time you are saying to yourself, "You go girl!" because you have been there and done that. Well I have too but I guess it was Karma that put me in the here and now.

We need new ideas to bring new life to the square dance world. You can make a huge difference in your own club just by doing little volunteer jobs. Anything to add fun to a campout. You remember fun? TRY IT! So in the future you will see new things out of this article. Keep an eye on my articles and I hope to hear from many of you.

My first new survey is to ask how you got hooked on square dancing.

Write me a short note at NSDCA.ORG Click on staff and it will show Secretary. Or you may write me using regular mail at: National Square Dance Campers

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Assoc. Janet Bowen, P.O. Box 628433, Middleton, WI 53562-8433. Results will be in my next article. **Come on try it.** Start making that little difference by writing me.

PS We had a great time in Rayne LA.

From Your Treasurers - Bob & Sally Wilcox

It was nice seeing so many old friends at the Camporee in Rayne. Thanks to Ron and Laura Harry and all the committee people for a fun Camporee. The grilled alligator was better than the deep fried. We look forward to seeing you all again next year in Orlando.



We welcome our new TIMES editors, Sarah and Charlie Pergrossi. Please let them know what you think about the new TIMES. They are very interested in your comments and suggestions. Their email is nsdcatimes@nsdca.org.

Our \$20.00 coupon program will be ending at the end of the year. While it has been somewhat successful we will be introducing a new program that is planned to start Jan 1, 2010. We have a few details to work out so watch the TIMES for information.

NSDCA Fact: On May 8, 1970 the Internal Revenue Service granted NSDCA tax exempt status under the provisions of section 501(c)7. NSDCA is classified as a Social/Recreational Organization. This generally means that we are a membership organization that enjoys social and recreational activities. The membership requirements are such that non-member association is limited and primarily for recruiting purposes. Donations to NSDCA are not tax deductible.

Your Membership Secretary has just gone through an update of his software from a DOS based system to a Windows based system. It is very important that each member verify the address data that was sent to your Chapter. Members-At-Large can send address corrections to membership_secretary@nsdca.org. Please let Roger know of any changes as soon as possible. This will keep your NSDCA Times coming to your mailbox. If your issue gets returned due to an incorrect address, you will not receive any further issues until the address is corrected.

Enlightened Perspective by Andy Rooney

I've learned...that the less time I have to work with, the more things I get done.

From Your Membership Secretary - Roger Tipps

The 2009 Camporee has just past and what a great time we all had in the frog capital of the world. Next year we get to visit Orlando, Florida and perhaps visit the local mouse house.

Many new and exciting things developed at Rayne. We now have a new Times editor and a new look for the Times. Everyone can now email their chapter news and campout dates to NSDCA.org and click on the Times button. You can also email pictures.



Perhaps the most beneficial event this year is that now the membership information is on a Windows program rather than the 1986 DOS version. However, in the transfer of information some data got confused and might have gone to the wrong place or just disappeared. It is very important for each and every chapter to review the membership list that you picked up in Rayne or was mailed to you. Please carefully check the mailing addresses, zip codes (All 9 digits), and email addresses. Since the Times will be printed in a short time, email me the corrections to your chapters membership list at rtms99@aol.com. We will **not** keep mailing the Times to those that have been returned. It is up to each chapter to keep their membership rolls up to date. I must have these corrections by October 1, 2009.

Just as a reminder, the \$20.00 coupon is only good thru December 31, 2009. Take some time and contact those that have visited your chapter and encourage them to join your chapter.

To all NSDCA Members:

Thanks for the 14 years as Editors

For

Helping us with pictures

Getting

Advertisers

Sending in your

News in the Chats

And

Keeping your listings straight.

See you in a square or on the Round Dance floor.



Best of luck to Sarah & Charlie Pergrossi
as they begin their editorship.

Barbara Connelly, Peg & Dock Tirrell Editors 1995-2009



From the Editors' Desk...



Dear Readers,

We would like to take this opportunity to THANK everyone for their encouragement and support as we begin our new venture. Our thanks go out to all of our subscribers, reporters, photographers, and our advertisers. Without your support and input, *The NSDCA Times* would not be what it is. No matter how hard we try as editors, we can't do it without YOU!

We will strive to carry on the tradition set by the editors who have come before us, to publish a quality magazine for camping square dancers of the US and Canada. Our goal is to make *THE NSDCA Times* your first source of news for camping square dance activities. We hope to continue to serve the square dance community and promote dancing to its fullest potential.

Our sincere thanks go to Barbara Connelly and Doc & Peg Tirrell. Your assistance, support and guidance continues to be much appreciated.

Allow us to introduce ourselves to you. Charlie has retired twice. In 1982 he retired from the US Navy and soon began working with the US Department of State in the Foreign Service. In 2005, he retired again. He began square dancing while stationed in the Panama Canal Zone in the early 1970s. It wasn't long after learning to dance that he began calling. Charlie continues to call for camping & non-camping square dance groups. We currently have the privilege of calling for two clubs in Florida—#082 Hitch-N-Go and #153 Strawberry Travelers.

I was an elementary school teacher. I began teaching in Virginia and continued my career while Charlie and I were posted overseas. In 2006, I

retired from teaching after 30 years in the classroom.

I began square dancing as a child while living in San Diego, CA. My parents were active square dancers and it seemed natural to follow their example. It was at a square dance that I met Charlie, and I truly fell for the caller!

Collectively we have seven children, who live across the United States. Five of our children are married and have presented us with eleven beautiful grandchildren.

I love new beginnings. I guess having started a new school year so many times has had its benefits. New starts allow for changes and experimentation. Now change doesn't have to mean anything was wrong with how things were done previously, but it does provide an opportunity to try doing it differently. This is our philosophy as we approach being editors of the *NSDCA Times*.

Let's try something different and your input is very important! Tell us what YOU like, what YOU want to read about, and what YOU don't like. Let us know of errors you find so they can be corrected and not repeated in the next issue. Share your viewpoints! Share your talents! We are looking for contributing editors on a regular basis or for a one-time deal. We've included many new guidelines in this issue—how to reach us, how to submit your Campout Listings and Chapter News, and how to send us photos. We've also reprinted the Ad Policy in order to clarify the guidelines.

Remember, this is YOUR magazine, so let us know what YOU want!

Sarah & Charlie, editors



LETTERS, WE GET LETTERS.....

(This column is for YOUR comments. Let us hear from you! Please remember, letters should be in good taste and must be signed. Names will be withheld upon request)

Hello Everyone,

We hope that those of you who attended the Camporee in Rayne, LA had a great time and got to take in the sights as well.

This was our last year to be Secretary for the NSDCA. It is not a hard job, so don't be afraid to take the job if asked.

We want to thank everyone on the Board for being so gracious. We also wish you lots of success on the next

Camporee in Florida. Thanks to all the callers and cuers who helped to make this Camporee a success also. Ron & Laura, thanks to you and all your crew for a job well done. You can relax now and take it easy, your job is almost done.

VIA LA FLORIDA and full speed ahead for 2010.

Past Secretaries for NSDCA
Cliff DeWitt & June Walker



53rd NSDCA International Camporee
Orlando, Florida

Magic Moments in Florida

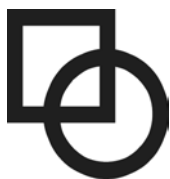
Plenty of nearby attractions - Magic Kingdom, Epcot, Universal Studios, Sea World and Water Park • Easy Interstate Access • Large dance halls with air conditioning • All sites 30 amp and available water • Ice Cream Social • Games - Crafts - Vendors - Golf • Bath houses available • Great Food and Entertainment

July 20, 21, 22, 2010

There are many things for the young and the young at heart to enjoy in Orlando, Florida - just minutes from our Camporee location!

FLORIDA DREAMING
VACATION AGAIN 2010

Visit www.nsdca.org and www.orlandocamporee2010.com for more information.



What's Cooking?

Summertime and the living is easy. What's not to like about summer? Generally it is filled with vacations, swim parties, cookouts with potluck dinners, etc. During the 2009 Camporee, the Florida Chapters, along with some invited guests, gathered for their annual luncheon. This particular recipe was requested by so many and Lori Gawron of #093, agreed to share her secret:

GRAPE SALAD

4 cups grapes washed and stemmed	8 oz Cream Cheese
8 oz Sour Cream	1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup brown sugar	1/2 cup pecans
1 teaspoon vanilla	

Combine cream cheese, sour cream, white sugar and vanilla. Fold in grapes. In a second bowl, combine brown sugar and pecans. In your serving bowl, layer the grape mixture with brown sugar mixture. Chill and prepare for the compliments!

Chocolate Lovers Celebrate!



Interesting chocolate factoids:

- Hershey's Kisses are 102 years old this year?
- If not for chocolate, they would be no need for control top pantyhose. An entire garment industry would be devastated.
- Put "eat chocolate" at the top of your list of things to do today. That way, at least you'll get one thing done!

To help in the celebration of Chocolate we offer this delicious suggestion:

HERSHEY CHOCOLATE BROWNIES

Cream well 1 stick of margarine & 1 cup sugar.

Beat in well 4 eggs.

Add 1 - 16 oz can of Hershey's Chocolate Syrup, 1/4 teaspoon salt, 1 cup flour, 1 teaspoon vanilla, and Nuts as desired.

Bake at 350° for 30-40 minutes.

FROSTING:

1-1/2 cups sugar, 6 tablespoons margarine, 6 tablespoons milk
Boil for 30 seconds. Take off stove and add 1 cup chocolate chips and vanilla.
Beat until consistency to spread. Enjoy!



To locate fellow dancers in your area and learn how to dance, or find more information, check on the internet at www.arts-dance.org, or call toll-free 866-445-ARTS, (2787).

WHAT WE STAND FOR

Individuals passionate about the Dance activity formed a coalition called ARTS, (Alliance of Round, Traditional, and Square Dance), to promote awareness and growth of contemporary Square, Round, Contra and Traditional Dance.

We invite you to join us in this fun, healthy and affordable activity. See for yourselves how worry and depression fade into the background along with the day-to-day stress of modern life.

DANCE YOUR WAY TO A BETTER LIFE

- Cardiovascular Fitness - Dancing, (Round, Contra/Traditional or Square Dance), is a safe way to exercise. The moves are interesting, but the level of exertion is up to each participant. Rev up for a high intensity workout or take it slow and easy for a relaxing, yet beneficial workout. Dancing regularly can lead to a slower heart rate, lower blood pressure and an improved cholesterol profile
- Healthy Environment - Square Dancing clubs are smoke and alcohol free. This allows the participants to concentrate on the calls and socialize in a safe environment.
- Body & Brain Boost - Square, Round and Contra/Traditional dancers react to the calls as they are given. This forces the body and brain to be tightly coordinated. A number of calls are memorized which helps keep the mind sharp.
- Calorie Burn - Dancing burns between 200 and 400 calories in thirty minutes of dancing. That's equivalent to walking, swimming or riding a bike.
- Distance - The President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports recommends 10,000 steps per day to maintain physical fitness. It is estimated that a typical dancer can expect to clock 9,000 to 10,000 steps per dance.
- Sturdy Bones - The side-to-side movements of dancing strengthen weight-bearing bones, and help prevent and slow the loss of bone mass.
- Rehabilitation - Square Dancing is a great way to get back in the swing of things if you are recovering from an injury. Dancing keeps your joints moving, and is a nice alternative to jogging or other high-intensity activities.
- Social Aspects - You never know who you're going to meet on the dance floor. Some types of dance, such as Contra, require you to switch partners every dance, so it's very easy to make friends. Lifetime friendships are formed and some even meet the love of their life. There are dancing groups for everybody - Handicapable people, gay and lesbian groups, youth, singles and married couples.

We hope you dance!

59th National Square Dance Convention®
"Louisville Again in 2010"

June 23-26, 2010 Louisville, Kentucky



InfoGrams

Almost two years ago the 59th National Square Dance Convention® was awarded to Louisville KY. Since that time a lot of work has been done making plans for the convention and promoting it.

Many dancers have asked what is happening with the National. To keep everyone informed, we plan on sending out info grams via e-mail periodically with information about the 59th NSDC. All of the info grams will have the same format, a news or general information section followed by a listing of contact points and updates on registrations. The info grams will generally have only one subject with no attachments so recipients will not have problems opening attachments. All e-mails will contain information on how to add or delete your address from the distribution list.

Anyone wishing to be added to the distribution list for Info Grams can send an e-mail with the word subscribe in the subject line to 59thnsdcinfo@bellsouth.net.

WHY LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY?

You can find great Square Dancing (including Rounds, Lines, Contra, etc) and callers, cuers and instructors all around the world. There are great dance Festivals, Conventions, and local club Specials everywhere. So, why come to Louisville, Kentucky to dance when you have it all elsewhere? Well, we have all of the above, plus some things you may not be aware of.

Our Social & Special Events Chairmen, Ives & Carol Pruett, have put together an array of tours of Louisville and surrounding area attractions, locations and events that many of you may

never have the opportunity to experience again. Also, be sure you don't miss the Wednesday Night (June 23rd) Special Attraction information which follows the listing of tours below. If you have any questions about tours and attractions you can contact Ives & Carol Pruett at social@59thnsdc.com.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SHOW AND DINNER - BLAIR CARMAN AND THE BELLEVIEW BOYS

From Cincinnati, Ohio, the Rockin', Honky Tonkin' Piano Pumpin' Blair Carman has been singing and performing since the age of 12. He and the Belleview Boys are considered as "Midwest's Hottest Piano Pumping Rockabilly Band". Blair has the hands of Jerry Lee Lewis and the look of Elvis Presley. Blair's talent and professionalism has given him the opportunity to open for artists such as Trace Adkins, Marty Stuart and Hank Williams Jr's Bama Band. Blair has recorded at the legendary Sun Records Studio in Memphis, TN.

Our Wednesday evening dinner/show will start at 5:30 pm (or immediately following the opening ceremony) with a Southern Picnic Style Fried Chicken buffet. The Blair Carman and the Belleview Boys show will start at 7:00 pm. Tickets will be available for dinner and show or the show only. Tickets for dinner/show must be purchased no later than June 3rd. Show only tickets will be available via registration or at the ticket office. Blair will make you feel like dancing, so for the young and the young at heart, a dance area will be provided.

Registration/Housing information:

Contact the 59th NSDC Housing/Registration Chairman at: 59th National Square Dance Convention®, 96 Floyd Street, Carrollton, KY 41008. Phone: (502) 732-0979. Fax: (502) 732-4600. You can also download a 59th NSDC Registration Form and find other useful information about the 59th NSDC at our Web Site: <http://www.59thnsdc.com>

CAMPING AT THE 59th NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION®

Camping will be available on site at the 59th NSDC®. Over 100 sites with hook-up will be available and there will be unlimited dry camping. To reserve a camp site you must be registered for the convention. We have heard rumors that there are no more camp sites available with hook-ups. **THIS IS NOT TRUE.** There are still many campsites available. If you want to find out the latest information on camping at the 59th NSDC® and/or reserve a camp site contact a Registration and Housing Representative or go to www.59thnsdc.com/Camping.html.

For the best housing and tour choices, register TODAY for the 59th National Square Dance Convention® to be held June 23-26 2010 in Louisville KY.

CHECK OUT THIS HALF DAY TOUR OFFERED FROM WEDNESDAY (6/23) THROUGH SATURDAY (6/26)

TOUR OF CHAMPIONS: BACKSIDE TOUR OF CHURCHILL DOWNS and THE KENTUCKY DERBY MUSEUM 7:30 am - 11:30 am

Churchill Downs, located on Central Avenue in south Louisville, Kentucky, is a thoroughbred racetrack most famous for hosting the Kentucky Derby annually. It officially opened in 1875, and held the first Kentucky Derby and the first Kentucky Oaks in the same year. Churchill Downs has also hosted the

renowned Breeders' Cup on six occasions. The Kentucky Derby Museum is located at Gate 1 of Churchill Downs. The Museum offers two floors of exciting exhibits giving visitors an in-depth look into Thoroughbred racing and the Kentucky Derby – the first jewel in racing's Triple Crown. Go to <http://www.churchilldowns.com/> for more track info. Information on The Kentucky Derby Museum can be found at <http://www.derbymuseum.org>.

Tour Agenda: As the horses breeze by on their morning workouts, your guide will explain the training process that transforms a young horse into a racing legend. You'll rub elbows with trainers, jockeys and exercise riders as you enjoy a delicious country style breakfast in the track kitchen. Walking through the shed rows allows you to see a thoroughbred up close. You will tour the Kentucky Derby Museum where you will experience Kentucky Derby exhibits and 360 degree multi-image show depicting the panorama of Derby Day. Naturally you will visit the gift shop as well in the museum.

SEW & SAVE: This is always a very popular feature of any National Square Dance Convention. You will be able to trace patterns of square dance fashions that you can take home with you. Knowledgeable experts will be on hand to assist you and answer your questions. You may also want to sit in on some of the sewing seminars, and have your questions answered by experts. Come and see the latest in equipment available for your home projects.

VISIT THE 59TH NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION® WEB SITE
at www.59thnsdc.com

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Don't Forget NSDCA TIMES DEADLINES

February 1st March Issue
 May 1st June Issue
 August 1st September Issue
 November 1st December Issue

**REMINDER
 NSDCA DUES
 ARE DUE
 DECEMBER 31,
 2009**



Your NSDCA Board



Left to right: Janet Bowen - Secretary, Sally & Bob Wilcox - Treasurer, Herman & Pat Meyer - President, Martha Zimmerman - Vice President



**17th Canadian National Square & Round
Dance Convention
Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada
July 29, 30 & 31, 2010**

**World Trade & Convention Centre and Halifax Metro
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116 - 119 - 125 - 130 - 135 - 139 -
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Having sent in a write up for the NSDCA TIMES in the last
four issues. They are now members of the NSDCA TIMES

FOUR STAR CLUB

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- Indicate what program you are using.

Telephone: (352) 463-3829

- Send everything (graphics, pictures, articles, schedules, etc) by email - PREFERRED
- US Postal Service may be used to send copy & ads to the address listed

Computer Program

attachments accepted:

Please do not use any other programs than those listed. Indicate program used in email.

If your programs are a more recent version than these, call or email for instruction on "Saving Down".

Microsoft Office 2007/2003/older
(Word, Access, Excel, Powerpoint)
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Adobe Photoshop 5.0
Graphics in .jpg (preferred), tif, giff,
PNG, text in RTF
PrintMaster or PrintShop
by Broderbund, version 18
Adobe Acrobat PDF files (8.0)

Issue Deadlines:

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT to have copy to the Editor by the first day of the month prior to the month of publication.

Please Note

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

Guidelines for how to submit your articles and pictures are available on page 16 of this issue, or from the Editors. Articles should cover the previous three months happenings, and any special events planned for the months after the TIMES is issued.

It's not necessary to include your camping dates within your article as that information is listed separately under the Campout Listings.

We welcome items sent in earlier than the deadline. Please send your articles, recipes, photos, or items of interest to:

NSDCA Times Editors nsdcatimes@nsdca.org or
Sarah & Charlie Pergrossi, 9660 SW 62nd CT, Trenton, FL 32693-5837

**Remember that the next deadline is:
November 1st**

CHATS AROUND THE CAMPFIRE



A warm welcome to all our chapter reporters, both new and returning. We are appreciative of your efforts to keep us informed on the activities of your chapter. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

Sarah & Charlie, editors

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This year's Camporee theme will be Pirates! AARRRRR Ya Dancin'?

Time is getting close for the boarding of Ship Camporee! Hope you all have ribbons. IF you need any, just get in touch with us and we'll get them to you quick as a wink. Those swashbucklers have some great fun prepared for us. Lots of pillaging, drinking, wenching, flogging, and of course square dancing. Remember, we will be in captivity for 4 days and 3 nights; October 22nd-25th, 2009.

On Thursday there will be a pirate dance, costumes are optional. After the evening dance there will be an ice cream social. Friday - there will be dancing and a whole lot more. Be on guard, you never know what those cunning pirates will think of next. There may be a treasure hunt, but there will definitely be drinking. The Pirates have made some tasty Pirate Grob and donut rings for everyone. For Saturday, be ready for a fashion show with a pirate twist during the day and lots more dancing that night. The skits are always something to see.

By Sunday morning the pirates will be getting tired of chasing us around and will be treating us to a Captain's breakfast. Afterward there will be a church service to allow us to ask forgiveness for all our pillaging, drinking, wenching, and flogging. Everyone is encouraged



These dancers are taking a break from dancing and visiting the sites of Rayne.

001 - GARDEN STATE SD CAMPERS - NJ
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We opened our season with our Early Bird at Otter Lake Camping Resort in Upper Black Eddy, PA. Betsy and Roy Gotta led the dancing. It was unseasonably warm and humid and at the Saturday evening dance, the floor of the dance hall became so wet from the humidity that we had to dance on the front porch! This was the weekend of our Annual Pork Roast, and as usual the table was laden with goodies!

In May, we returned to Otter Lake for our regular weekend, dancing to Dennis Reardon and John Toll. After the Saturday night dance we had our Wine & Cheese Party.

June found us at Holly Acres Campground in Egg Harbor, NJ. We had guests from Pine Squares camping club, who brought their own caller, Larry Kinnard, to join Joe Landi leading the squares. John Toll led us in rounds. Saturday night, we had mem-

bers of Belles & Beaus, who were on a "Mystery Bus Trip" dancing with us.

We are looking forward to the rest of the summer at some of our old favorite campgrounds, Appalachian CG, Otter Lake and Colonial Woods.

002 - PINE TREE - WI

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Six couples attended the June campout at Pilgrims Progress Campground in Fort Atkinson, WI. Four of the couples attended the nearby Fireside Dinner Theater on Thursday evening for a dinner and play, which they thoroughly enjoyed. Although the weekend was very hot, a good time was had by all at the campout.

Low turnout for the July campout at Walworth County Fair Grounds put a crimp in our dancing, but did nothing to spoil our good potluck dinner and other activities. We still got in some square by using volunteers from other camping groups. The weather was excellent.

We were saddened by the sudden passing of one of our members, Roger Heinritz, on May 4th. Roger and Kitty loved to dance. They made a handsome couple on the dance floor as they were always well dressed with smiles on their faces. He'll be missed by us all.

Enjoy the summer weather, keep dancing and having fun.

005 - ROLLAWAYS - MI

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The Michigan NSDCA Camporee at St Joseph County fairgrounds in Centerville Michigan began on July 9, 2009. Rollaways were in charge of parking, therefore, many of us got there on July 8th. By Friday, we had 41 units and 42 couples in which all were preregistered. Our numbers are dwindling probably due to the economy this year. We enjoyed good weather all

weekend.

There was some problems getting to the Fairgrounds. A tire separated on a truck, the trailer brakes weren't working on one unit, two expando problems, on one unit the electrical converter didn't work, and one awning came loose and the awning had to be cut off. However, all arrived safely.

Our thanks to Linda Catey and all those who donated and spent time filling the goody bags. It's like Christmas all over again.

Our hats are off to all the crafty people. Every year they manage to have something different. We had people making bracelets, bags, whirly gigs, fly swatters, toast pickers and Christmas decorations. What fun!

We had one early morning fishing casualty. Rollaway member Ron Moore had to go to the E.R. to have a fish hook removed, but that didn't stop him from dancing that night.

Workshops for round dancing and square dancing were enjoyed by those who chose to attend. Our thanks to all the cuers and callers who so graciously gave of their time. Watch for the round dance that George Edwards choreographed called South Wind.

Our sports weren't delayed due to



Meeting new friends and catching up with old ones was a top priority in Rayne.

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early morning rain on Saturday. A variety of games including horseshoes, golf putting, soccer kick, Jenga blocks., bocce ball, washer toss, ladder golf, and Frisbee toss.

Our thanks to our own cuer Jerry Preston and wife Pat for all the work they have done putting this camporee together.

Pop tabs were collected for the Ronald House. Happy Dancing to those going on to Rayne, Louisiana.

007 - TRAVEL 'N SQUARES

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By the time you read this, the Michigan State Camporee will be over and people will be home from Louisi-

ana. Hope everyone had a good time at both.

Travel 'N Squares had nine units at Walnut Hills for our June campout. One unit was Dick Fortnam and Sue Serven from Ohio who read about our campout in the NSDCA Times. They fit right in. The Powells and Suttons were really great wagon masters, good food, good friends and good dancing - that's what it's all about!

Our August campout will be at Clearwater Campground in Ortonville, Michigan with Morven and Helena Burnett as wagon masters. We hope you were able to join us for another fantastic weekend.

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009 WILD ROSE RAMBLERS - IA
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We had a joint campout with 012 in July in Independence. Most started off with a private lake at their unit but after the rain Mother Nature gave us a beautiful weekend - sunny, but not too hot and no bugs!! We all square danced in the street at Jesup Days followed by lunch at Amfahr's home. We appreciate their hospitality every year. Thanks Jerry and Donna. Also to Les for calling a fun dance. Jensens and Troesters enjoyed the Iowa camporee at Marshalltown. Again starting off with the liquid sunshine, but later a beautiful weekend. A little tricky getting out without getting stuck or tearing up the campground.

I have to report the loss of an associate member, Lee Deck passed away in June. Our prayers go out to Judy. Seems like several in our club have had or need surgery. We wish them all a return to good health.



Keep dancing, see you around the square.

010 PIONEER - WI
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May and June campouts were well attended with lots of square dance fun. New young square dance campers joined our group in May. The \$20.00 coupon from NSDCA must have helped.

One of our callers Marvin & Judy Hechel celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary with a party & live music for our enjoyment.

Hope everyone enjoyed their time in Louisiana in July.

August starts off with a bang, the first weekend is the Wisconsin State Convention in Weston, WI. Our campout at Pine Grove Shawano, WI is the second weekend. All Wisconsin NSDCA WI clubs meet at Vista Royale in Bancroft WI on September 11th.

September brings a close to our season at St. James in Shawano. Have a great fall.

019 Hawkeye Swingin' Wheels
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The 2009 All-Iowa Camporee in Marshalltown is now history. The attendance was down again this year for several reasons. We personally were unable to attend due to a mechanical breakdown en route on Friday afternoon. Our thanks to our friends from the Quad Cities area who filled in for us by helping with the Youth Sports and Games.

In August, we camped at the Thomson Causeway Recreation Area near Thomson, Illinois. This is right on the banks of the Mississippi River so the scenery is great, especially the sunsets. Activities included the usual socializing, square and round dancing to Don & Doug at the Morrison Grand Squares on Sunday afternoon, and of course, good eating at our Saturday potluck and Sunday brunch.

Our final two campouts of the year will follow. Our first destination will be Fisherman's Corner near Hampton, Illinois on the second weekend of September. We will not have a dance of our own but will join the Do-Si-Do's in Bettendorf where Doug, Don & Natalie are calling and cueing on Saturday night. Then on the first weekend of



October, we will return to the Amana Colonies for the annual Oktoberfest weekend. We camp at the Amana Community Park in Middle Amana. On Friday night, we will have a hot dog roast and games. Saturday night will feature a special Oktoberfest Square & Round Dance that shouldn't be missed. The rest of the weekend we take in the many other Oktoberfest activities. Be sure to refer to the Campout Listings for more information. We always have a great time when we get together. You are welcome to join us anytime you are in the area.

will be the caller for June, September and October.

Members will be making an extra effort to attract new campers even though they are not currently dancers. We are always thrilled when visitors join us for a weekend; they are always welcome.

031 BADGER ROVERS - WI

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We can't believe summer is over half way done. Our spring campout in May at Crazy Horse in Brodhead, WI was cool but lot of fun, food and friendship. We enjoyed making dream catchers for a craft on Saturday morning. We were joined by at least two full squares of dancers from Westport Squares (from Madison) for our potluck dinner and the dancing that followed. It was great to share the camping experience with other dancers. Our potluck brunch on Sunday morning, before everyone breaks camp, is always a nice way to say thank you and see you around the square or campfire again.

Our June campout at Deer Creek (Cambia, WI.) was much warmer! We made animals out of cork for our craft on Saturday morning. Then the kids (by kids I include our caller -Tom Nickel) enjoyed a dip to cool off in the swimming pond. After that we enjoyed some ice cream sundaes! The dinner, dancing and campfire conversation is always relaxing when your with family and friends.

We hope our members have safe and enjoyable trip to Rayne, Louisiana. We look forward to hearing all about their adventures at our next campout on Sept. 18-20 at Tom's campground (Dodgeville, WI) We also hope to see the other Wisconsin NSDCA Clubs at the State Convention Aug.7-9 in Weston, and the All Wisconsin Gathering



What would Louisiana be without a Mardi Gras Parade? We all enjoyed this after party in Cajun Country.

022 PA DANCING CAMPERS

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Our September campout at the Twin Streams Campground, Morris, P A will be over including a trip to a nearby winery. However, in October at the Grange Fairground, Centre Hall, PA, we look forward to our annual 'Stone Soup' meal. It seems to get better each year. Howard and Donna Williamson will be on hand to call and cue for us.

At our June weekend plans were made for the 2010 campouts. The schedule includes the PA State Camporee at Shippensburg Fairground in May, weekends in June and October are scheduled at the Grange Fairground, Centre Hall, PA and September will be a return to the Twin Streams Campground, Morris, PA. Andy Glowach

Sept. 11-13 in Bancroft. We will be wrapping up our camping year where we started Crazy Horse (Brodhead, WI) on Oct. 2-4. If you would like to join us check out our web site at www.badgerrovers.com.

036 FIRESIDE SQUARES - IA
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June found us at Marion County Park, in Knoxville, Iowa, where we enjoyed the wonderful weather and an excellent campout. We got to celebrate the birthday of Junann Holmes, with wonderful homemade treats that she provided (Duane you should have baked for her). Their daughter, Julyn entertained all of us with large marshmallows (three times the size as regular) while roasting them over the bonfire.

Summer is just going so fast. Once you hit the 4th of July it is all down hill. We have had some great campouts so far this year. On July 10, many of us enjoyed a tremendous camping weekend with hosts: Rich and Velma Duckworth and Norm and Joann Ritchhart at Fiscus Grove (one of the clubs favorite). Nice campfire for everyone to enjoy. We played games on Saturday and have a lot of competition in our club. This year we have had so many

close games in bocce ball and goofy golf, but it is all in fun and we enjoy yelling for each other. Saturday night we had one of our famous potlucks that was the BEST. We have good cooks and they don't leave anything at home. On Sunday morning the hosts provided a fun breakfast of rolls and coffee.

August found us at Winterset City Park with host Jan and Dale Whitehead taking over and having games and another wonderful potluck. It was a hot weekend, but what do you expect for August and the start of the Iowa State Fair. Even being hot we still had a wonderful campfire with lots of talk and laughter.

Up coming camping dates are September 11 -13 at Roberts Creek West outside of Pella, Iowa but has an address of Otley, Iowa. In October 2-4, you will find Fireside Square members at the home of Steve and Eileen Holmes at Pella, Iowa. If you are interested in joining us please call for directions.

042 SWING/N/HITCHES - MI
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Our June campout was hosted by Keith and Brenda Stutzman with a suggested trip to Cabellas but golf, garage



The dance floor was hopping all week in Rayne thanks to our callers and cuers!

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sales, and a trip to Sam's Club took precedent. Helen and Tim Banyai have a trip to Toledo Zoo planned for our August campout. Eddie and Betty Richey have plans for our September campout. Roger and Millie Burns will host our October dinner dance. Thanks to all of you for your efforts.

Mr. Fix-it, Dick Smiths' list was actually empty by end of June campout but probably won't remain that way for long. 042 has 7 units registered for our State Camporee including George and Pat Satterfield who we warmly welcome as new members. Diana Procy made a great breakfast for everyone one morning that included her award winning coffee cake.

Happy to report Gloria Eberlein's remarkable recovery from hip replacement in April included dancing at June campout. Betty Richey finished with chemo and radiation and acts like there was "nothing to it". She still faces some reconstructive surgery. Katherine Lucius, a non smoker, was diagnosed with lung cancer. This is Katherine's 3rd bout with cancer and is presently undergoing some difficult chemo and radiation in Toledo following surgery in Arizona. She is her usual cheerful self and we certainly wish her another speedy recovery.

C-046 SWING'N WHEELS

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Summer is all to short in Canada, and September is our last campout for the season!

September 18th-20th will see Harry Vander Giessen calling and cueing for our 38th Anniversary Dance and

weekend in Forest, Ontario. We will have a catered dinner in the dining room of our rented complex, to which all dancers are cordially invited. The cost is only \$14 per person, and includes a full course dinner and dessert. Our regular program of Round dancing, 7:30-8pm, followed by square dancing 8-10pm, and then snack time is the norm.

Thereafter, our camping folk will be either stowing their units or headed south where warmer climes beckon the "Snowbirds" to enjoy more of the activity where square dance and camaraderie go so well together.

At least we have square dancing in many non camping clubs over the long winter season, to keep our spirits up. We hope to see many dancing friends in a square.

060 FLUTTER WHEELERS - IA

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060, this year has had some very enjoyable campouts. A little short on attendance because of broken bones, surgeries, & other health reasons. Hopefully it will pick up by the end of the season. A hearty GET WELL SOON to all camping friends. We missed you at the state camporee.

How about that state camporee? Attendance was down but not the fun & games. Thank you to the hosts for a very enjoyable time in Marshalltown. Thanks also go to the Sutters and Jim Oliver for the calling & cueing.

Please mark your 2010 calendar for June 18-19-20 as 060 will be hosting the State Camporee in Marshalltown again.

Sorry to hear about the mechani-

cal breakdown the Sprostys had on the way to the camporee. We missed you. As one old camper told me, if you own a rig, it happens.

Till next time. Happy Camping.

061 DAKOTA WHEELERS - SD
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We are back into the summer camping schedule with good fellowship & friends. The weather has been beautiful and we are eagerly looking forward to our next two campouts. First, we are taking over temporarily, for Helen Kampen, due to illness, so please bear with us.

Our last campout was at Hole In The Mountain camp ground, at Lake Benton, MN. There were 13 campers. We crafted lighted Snowmen thanks to Rose Homer, and danced jamboree style thanks to Dwayne Anderson, Cal Brown & Arnie Tramp, both Friday & Saturday nights. We did not do bean bags on Sunday due to rain on Saturday night.

Our next one will be at Pipestone MN on August 14-15-16. All square dancers in the area are welcome to come and dance with us. We do a potluck supper at 5:30PM and dance at 7:30 pm at the Pipestone RV park. You may want to call for a reservation (507) 825-2455. Until next time see you across the square.

C-067 BLUEWATER ROLLING SQ - ON
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We had a great turnout for our first campout in June 2009. The weather was fine. Our caller, Denny and Judy Howlett, gave us a very enjoyable weekend of dancing. We played lots of card games and a rowdy game of bean bag baseball.

One of our members, Les Moore, celebrated his 90th birthday. He al-



ways seems to be on the floor for square and round dancing. Les is definitely having a great time!

Everyone is welcome to join us at our beautiful Port Glasgow Park campground June through September.

068 WANDERING WHEELS - MN
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Wandering Wheels kicked off our 2009 camping and dancing season at Isanti County Fairground in Cambridge, MN over Memorial Day weekend. This patriotic themed weekend featured Tom Allen as our caller. Barb and Curt Tonsager arrived for the weekend to discover they had locked themselves out of their camper. A local locksmith was able to help them out, plus create many extra keys for other campers.

We were happy to see club member Lynn Anderson this weekend. Lynn's wife Donna passed away in April. Don Keyes had everyone looking for his lost club jacket over the weekend, only to discover (after the weekend) that it was still in his closet at home.

During our second campout of the year, we celebrated our 35th anniversary. Dick Severson was the caller at Stoney Creek RV Resort in Osseo, Wisconsin. Monica Keyes, Linda Marcotte, Carol Pearson, Mary Schauer, and David Lent spent two hours on Saturday working on the 2008 camping season scrapbook. Both nights our dancing was the scheduled entertainment for other resort campers. Many people stopped by to learn basic square dance calls and act like chickens.

070 PENN YORK CAMPERS - PA
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The Penn York Campers met at

Red Oak Campground, May 1st-3rd, with 13 units attending. Saturday afternoon we had a Chinese auction. Friday & Saturday evenings we had dancing with Don Yosten calling.

June 5th-7th, we met at Hidden Valley Campground with 16 units camping. Don Yosten called Friday and Saturday evening. Saturday we had walk-ins, which helped to make a very enjoyable dance. Saturday afternoon Marcy & Durward set up outside games to enjoy a beautiful day. A campfire was enjoyed both evenings.



The teens & young adults enjoyed a luau theme during their visit to Rayne.

074 KEYSTONE ROVERS - PA
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The Keystone Rovers kicked off their 2008 camping/dancing with Jerry Goshorn the 4th weekend in April at PA Dutch Outdoor World. Jerry kept us moving with some unique twists to some of our more "standard" calls. A bit challenging at times, but with Jerry, it's always FUN. We had our wine and cheese part followed by a pound auction. Chocolate seemed to appear in most of the time in the wrapped packages.

In May, the Rovers traveled to the 2009 PA State NSDCA convention at the Grange Fairgrounds in Center Hall PA. It was a great weekend of dancing and fellowship.

In June we were back to PA Dutch

with Mark Franks as our caller. In July we will be back at Outdoor World at Manheim, PA with a "mystery" caller and horse races for entertainment. In August, we will be joining the Yellow Rockers at Lickdale campground. In September and October we will be back at PA Dutch Outdoor World.

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Our last campout was in April, when we returned to KOA Okeechobee. This was to be our last campout with our caller, Mike Doughty, who has been calling for Goldcoast Camper Dancers for 20 years. We had many visitors and lots of past members who came out to wish him good-bye and good luck. We also had visitors from Seminole Cove in Okeechobee and the Sailfish Squares in Stuart to help fill the dance floor - sometimes there were 5 squares on the floor which is a record.

Larry Chatos did his usual great cueing and we had a guest caller, Sonny McCartney from the Suncats in Stuart, who called a tip on Saturday night. He will be calling for us at our next campout in September and may join our chapter.

Our theme for the weekend kept with the holiday and we had an Easter Parade with prizes for the best bonnets. The Easter Bunny even put in an appearance.

We were sorry that some members could not be with us - some were ill and some were traveling elsewhere. This is the first year that we will not meet in the summer months, because our attendance is better in the winter. We will be back at KOA Okeechobee in September and many of us will be at our state Camporee - Ho, in October, at Blueberry Hill in Bushnell, Florida, with a Pirate themed weekend filled with activities.

082 HITCH-N-GO - FL
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Our members met up for our 4th weekend of April at Theme World in Davenport, Fl. Early arrivals on Thursday, April 23rd, spent the day relaxing until they departed for dinner at Cracker Barrel. Before retiring for the evening, they gathered in front of Kelly's outdoor TV, cheering on their favorite Survivor!

By late Friday afternoon, 19 rigs were set up. Three couples were guests visiting from NSDCA's Chapter 018. Another couple, visiting us for the first time, had belonged to Chapter 082 over 20 years ago. Before the weekend was over, they became members again.

Our weekend was hosted by Phil/Deanna Sortore and Jim/Laureen Kelly. They certainly planned an entertaining time for us. We had a 'crazy sock' dance Friday night. Judging was held and prizes were given out. Our hosts served up root beer floats/ice cream sundaes at the after party.

Our two evenings of dancing had us kicking up our heels with our caller, Charlie Pergrossi; he certainly kept us entertained. It was great to see four squares dancing out there on the floor!

Sanlan Ranch In Lakeland, FL was our Chapter's home away from home during the third weekend of May. In honor of Armed forces Day, we decorated the tables with red, white and blue tablecloths along with red, white and blue centerpieces. Laureen even found candy in flag draped wrapping which we scattered about on the tables. We thank George and Sandy Oakes for once again loaning us their Uncle Sam statue. He stood proudly keeping his eyes upon us as we danced and dined.

Thanks to Jim Kelly and Tom Hartwig for serving up our pancake break-

fast on Saturday morning The blueberry pancakes were a big hit. The day was pleasant enough for us to be able to eat outside.

Early in the afternoon folks gathered in the hall to try a new activity. We had a cakewalk, or, as is known to some, musical chairs Laureen baked an apple cake and I baked a carrot cake - our two winners, Bonnie Gearhart, and Eivor Brown, kindly donated the cakes to our pot-luck supper Thanks to all our members (who were able) who were good sports and participated.

Although we endured several storms and two power outages, we still were able to enjoy our two nights of dancing with our caller, Charlie Pergrossi and cuers Jan and Pete Shankle.

Our Chapter's first social campout of the summer took place at Jetty Park, Port Canaveral, FL the 4th weekend of June Eleven couples were in attendance along with 4 grandchildren. Relaxation was the order of all the days there. Activities included beach walking as well as kite flying along the beach, biking and just plain catching up with everyone's news.

Friday evening found us waiting for the Delta rocket launch which eventually was postponed until Saturday evening. Normally we have no definitive plans for our social weekends, but this time, one of our couples wanted to prepare an entree to serve Saturday evening for all to share. Contacts were made with everyone to supply side dishes if they cared to - we had 100% participation - we had the food pyramid completely covered! Thanks Sharon and Steve for the delicious pasta meal and thanks to all for your magnificent sides and desserts.

When we attend our FANSDCA State Camp-O-Ree In October, we want to put on a skit. So, after our potluck

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Sarah & Charlie



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and before we went to the pier to watch the rocket launch, several members put on an 'rough draft' skit to see the reaction of the other members. From the laughter and clapping we believe we may have a shot at first place this year!

Our July plans have some of our members heading for Rayne, LA to attend the NSDCA International Camp-O-Ree while other members plan to camp closer to home.



Tom & Jeanne Hartwig chat with the Frog-Jumping Queen on tips for the care and feed of a prize winning frog.

085 MOBILE SQUARES - CO

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June 26th till the 28th was a wonderful campout with two new couples visiting us. The incentive from NSDCA is a perfect way to invite new people. One couple joined our club and we are hopeful that the other couple will also join.

With a big screen TV furnished by the campground, we enjoyed a "movie night" on Friday watching a movie that was reminiscent of the old our gang comedies. Saturday morning we put kits together for our tri-state crafts with the theme "Birds of a Feather." We will have bird houses, bird mobiles and special cards with birds of every kind on them. At our dance on Saturday evening we celebrated with a special

50th anniversary party for Dwite and Florence Barnett. It was fun to meet their children who served the cake.

July 31st till August 2nd we will camp at Parrish ranch. This is a beautiful setting with a wonderful wood dance floor. It has pictures of callers and dancers that are over 50 years old.

Our caller, Mike Olivieri seems to really be inspired when he calls here. We have invited two new couples to this campout and know that they will enjoy the atmosphere.

Saturday we will take a tour of the Northern Colorado Water Conservancy and an old gas. station museum. We try to see special places everywhere we go. It will be fun talking about all of it around the campfire.

August we will go to Grover, CO and camp at the fairgrounds. This will be a very inexpensive campout and since we have never been there it will be fun to explore. We will also make our final plans for the Tri-State Convention to be held in Akron, Colorado over Labor Day.

Hope that you have all enjoyed your summer as much as we have in Mobile Squares. Come see us anytime!

093 DRIFT AROUND SQUARES - FL

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Hi, everyone. As I write this we have been on the road for a couple of months, and in a few days we will be meeting three other couples from our club. We will be meeting John & Dolly Ide, Charlie & Lori Gawron, and Jon & Harriet Gustafson and heading to the International Rally in Rayne, LA. We are looking forward to having a great time, meeting new friends from around the country and having a great time with old friends. After all, that is what NSDCA is all about – dancing and having fun with friends!!

Our first campout of the season

will be September 11th thru 13th at Blueberry Hill, in Bushnell, FL. This is actually a planning time for our chapter because we are in charge of the decorations for the FANSDC scheduled at the same campground for October 8 thru 11th. Our club has had their thinking caps on for a long time and we have come up with some interesting ideas. Hope to make them come true and have a great time at the Florida Association Camporee.

We had intentions to meet up with Jim & Margaret Cosman, our caller and his wife. But family matters kept that from happening, so we will see you, Jim, in September! Isn't that a song, or what? We love ya, Jim!!

Until next time, hope you all had a great summer, and join us in September at Blueberry Hill.

108 SOUTHERN TIER WHEELERS - NY
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Gary Pruyne did our June weekend, with pretty wife Judy performing as his dance partner, with Brian Adams doing the rounds. Gary will be calling again for our August 14-16 weekend at our Campbell, NY Camp Bell Campground. All other dances will feature ever popular Jeff Bobst, except for our annual Christmas Party, which will again feature Gary & Alice Bubel. Gary calls and Alice does the rounds.



We have been doing a lot of promoting and advertising the \$20 off

NSDCA certificates, and it has been working like magic! We had a full house for the weekend and expect many to become new members.

For our August weekend, contact Wagon Masters Herb & Gerry Brown, 607-857-2973; for our Sept 11-13 weekend, contact Ed & Sybil Briggs, 585-594-9306; and for our October big 4 day Fall Weekend, October 9-12, contact Hank & Harlene Holzschuh at 585-937-9320. Our Christmas Party will be the 6th of December. Contact Gary & Suelvine 585-393-0409.

Happiness is Right Around Your Corner.

C-112 HORSESHOE SQ 'N' WHEELS - ON
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Our camping season is finally here and we've had two amazing camp and dance weekends! In May we did a Mother's Day theme that had us laughing all weekend. Our guys are great sports and we had some pretty funny "moms" on the floor. Amazing what a wig and a dress can do to alter (improve?) ones appearance! The Fashion Show following our Saturday night dance was hilarious! You guessed it more wigs, balloons in strategic places and some interesting ladies wear, modeled by women with big shoulders and hairy legs! !

June brought another fun filled weekend with a Mismatched Theme. You've never seen so many check and floral prints competing! And just try dancing with one boot/one "crock" or one dress shoe/one runner! Even the evening lunch was to be mismatched some new snack may have just been invented. Ever tried chocolate and lemon pie fill on salted crackers? Not bad!

In July we're off to the Ontario Camporee in Orono to try and keep our attendance trophy and promote "our"

We'll Do It Again In 2010 in Fergus Camporee. Oh ya and we also plan to have fun camping and dancing there as well as catching up on Yellow Rocks!



Time to visit and relax at the Camporee.

116 CAMPING SQUARES OF KANSAS
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Well can you believe we had a great time at Spittles Ranch for our first campout in April. Several RVs came for the weekend , while others came just for the day on Saturday. Twenty three members and 3 guests enjoyed a delicious meal at noon and after supper enjoyed a big bonfire for roasting wieners and marshmallows.

The next week rain settled in and several RVs braved the mud and camped at Carperaters. What fun we had at our annual barn dance. Parking conditions were less than desirable because of the mud, but a 4-wheeler, a trailer and several bales of hay became **"THE ROELF SHUTTLE"** for the evening, transporting guests from a solid parking lot to the front door of the barn. They had so much fun some road several times and hope we do this again.

Several attended the state convention in Salina, KS June 5th & 6th.

The next weekend we headed for Spring Lake near Newton, KS. Several of us went on Thursday while others came in on Friday morning. Friday afternoon we went and toured the old Hesston Corporation Plant, which we

enjoyed very much. Saturday started out as a lazy day but by noon became very busy. After lunch we went on a tour of the Kaufman Museum and the beautiful Workintin Victorian home in Newton, KS. If you have never been to either one, you have missed two wonderful places in the state of Kansas to visit.

Everyone is loading the campers to head to Herington Lake July 10-12. Several activities are on the schedule for the weekend.

Several others are planning on attending the International Camporee in Rayne, Louisiana this month.

Prayers are with you and yours. Hope everyone is well and enjoy their summer of camping.

118 - OZARK CAMPER DANCERS - MO
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The dog days of summer have arrived early this year. It is only June and we are already seeing temps in the 90s. That hasn't stopped anyone from getting together at the campouts though.

Missouri has so many campgrounds close to lakes, that we can always find a shady spot to gather and enjoy a fun weekend. We had 7 rigs at our June gathering and a few came just to spend the day and enjoy a delicious potluck.

We will be in Eureka Springs AR in August and Grove OK in September. You can find us on the NSDCA web site for Ozark Camper Dancers Chapter 118. If you are in the neighborhood, stop in and join us.

119 WANDER YONDERS - WY
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One year ago, I was writing our Chats article to inform you all about a



"wall tornado" that damaged the roof of the Quadra Dangle Square Dance Hall in Laramie. This year we were able to hold our May 22-24, Memorial Day Dance in that hall with all the repairs completed. Thanks to all the volunteers who made that a reality with their help of donations of time and money.

Our next outing was in Greeley, CO, for the Colorado State Festival, June 11-13th. Square Dancing is all about having fun, dancing and making new friendships. Andy and Mary Ann Anderson were part of the planning committee for the festival. They made an attempt to attend square dances all over the state of CO and Southeastern WY, inviting clubs to attend the festival. Well, it paid off in grand style with over 900 people attending the dance. The planning was well thought-out for young and old, campers and motel attendees, so that everyone had a good time.

June 25-28th, 12 campers traveled to Lyons, CO for Good Ole Days. We had a great time dancing, as well as, enjoying a tour of the Pepsi Center in Denver and lots of great food.

18 Campers will be heading out of WY on July 17 -20th, to Grand Lake, CO for the annual Buffalo BBQ Square Dance. It is always fun for us to get out into the mountains and hopefully see some wildlife as well.

Several of our members will travel to Lolo, MT for plus dancing, the week of August 11-17th. We will drive back to Medora, North Dakota to take in a dinner and a playhouse show.

September 4-7th we'll be dancing in Akron, CO with the Mobile Squares

and then our final "round-up", will be in Laramie for the Buggy Stomp, September 11-13.

We continue our vigilance in prayer for healing for Mary Ann Guille and Diana Fergel. Happy camping and dancing everyone!

C-122 CENTRAL WHELLING SQ - ON
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At our June Campout the Friday evening was marked by having a Tacky Royal Night. There were some very tacky outfits and "foam crowns"! On Saturday a number of campers joined in some Line Dancing followed by Contra dancing. Saturday evening many visitors joined us and doubled our numbers. The dance ended with everyone enjoying anniversary cake and ice cream. In July instead of a regular campout some of our members attended the Ontario Camporee in Orono, Ontario.

123 SWING 'N' TRAVELERS - IL
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The April 24th campout at Mahomet was the first of the season and great with potlucks, square dancing, crafts and games! Carl & Phyllis Anderson, and Duaine & Bert Dunn were hosts.

The May 22nd weekend was camping at a new place for our club - Henry, IL Fairgrounds. Nice buildings for potluck, crafts, games, and square dancing. We also made lots of home-

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2010 NSDCA INTERNATIONAL CAMPOREE JULY 20-21-22
CENTRAL FLORIDA FAIRGROUNDS
4603 WEST COLONIAL DRIVE
ORLANDO, FLORIDA



Square and Round Dance Interest

Check levels you dance

Square Dance _____ Round Dance _____

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Sports Circle interest for male and female

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I.C.E. NAME AND PHONE NUMBER

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Fees (US funds Only) per unit of two adults and minor children (under 21 years of age) Check all that apply.

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Send check or money order (USD) to "2010" International Camporee" to Roger Tipps, P O Box 100912 Palm Bay, FL, 32910-0912 Phone 321-427-9226 Email RTMS99@aol.com

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

It is recommended that you have extra electrical cord and water hose.

How successful are you?

Success is a very personal thing, but I think most people would agree that true success is **about being fulfilled in life. It's that feeling of deep satisfaction that starts in your soul and radiates through your being. The end result is happiness and peace of mind.**

Excerpt from *Simple Truths News*, Mac Anderson founder
<http://www.simpletruths.com>

made ice cream. Carol & Rita Schneider and Jim & Sharon Waller were the hosts. Saturday night we all went to the Relay for Life pork chop dinner in Henry. Sunday, we had a church service led by Rita Schneider, Faith (Rita's granddaughter) and Marge Kagels.

125 SUPERSTITION SQ WHEELERS - AZ
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Saddle Mountain RV Park, Tonopah, AZ was the setting for our March campout. Wagon masters Thompsons and Gurneys had planned a host of activities for us at this great location. Friday evening found us eating at the nearby Tonopah Family Restaurant where they gave us a room to ourselves and provided great food and service. An ice cream social and a "50's" Night including an appearance by Elvis followed. Saturday morning breakfast was cooked and served by the Park personnel, and it was delicious. After that we participated in a putting tournament, and some of us had never had a putter in hand before

this! It was fun, and something different. Our brown bag lunch followed by pot luck dessert was enjoyable. New members Bob Harper and Kathy Verdino were introduced at the business meeting which followed lunch.

We square danced later in the afternoon with Dick Gurney calling and enjoyed a movie, "Beverly Hills Chihuahua" in the activities building in the evening. The Gurneys led us in an inspiring church service Sunday morning, and we left Saddle Mountain Park with plans to return for another campout.

The April campout was at White Tank Regional Park, one of our favorite camping sites. During the years AD 500-1000 the Hohokam Indians lived here, and petroglyphs on rocks in the area remain as a reminder of their presence. Our tournament was cribbage and Hal Whitehead won 1st place, and Tom Rimert 2nd. The business meeting was held on Friday to accommodate several drive-ups. Potluck on Saturday was bountiful as usual.

Because of the lack of campers in May we decided to join Tucson #145 at

the Beaudry RV Resort in Tucson. Wagon masters Sawyers and Dixon had a very nice weekend planned. Friday evening's meal was sub sandwiches and salads with games following. Saturday's activities included a trip to a rummage sale, pot luck luncheon, and square dancing with Bill George calling. Cards and games followed, and Sunday morning we met for breakfast pot luck, then said goodbye until fall since both our groups do not camp during the summer months. Thanks to #145 for a really enjoyable weekend!

C-130 LAKESHORE ROLLING SQ - ON
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We have enjoyed two successful campouts. In May the hall was decorated for spring, brightening up the tables and room with spring flowers. Our annual penny auction and new bake sale was well attended by park campers as well as our campers. Maisie Tremaine was the auctioneer and we had an entertaining afternoon despite the rain.

In June, our executive treated us to a delicious Saturday morning pancake breakfast. During the heavy rain the barbequers prevailed with lots of overseeing advise from straw bosses. Both weekends had a good turn out for our formal dances.

July will be busy with Ontario Camporee in Orono followed by our camp out in Keene. Jeff and Andrea Priest will call and cue in July.

Our annual com roast in August is always a highlight of the season. Bob Summers will be calling squares in August and Reg Ross will cue rounds. For our last campout of the season in September, Harold Moore is scheduled to call the squares and Reg Ross will cue the rounds.



135 HAPPY HOBOS - CO
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The July 4th anticipated holiday has come and gone and camping activities are happily underway. In late June we went to Castle Rock Campground and found out what a "yurt" is during one windy day. It was a perfect place for picnicking or even playing bean bag baseball. With its round, canvas-covered roof and wooden lattice wall, plus cement floor, it kept us all comfortably warm and out of the rainy weather. (Cross country skiers can utilize a yurt in their trekking at certain locations in the high country, but this one belonged to the campground). We later enjoyed dancing with the Sunflower Squares, called by Bob Riggs. Their fine hospitality included delicious homemade ice cream.

In July we're going to camp at Canyon City's Royal Gorge RV Park and plan an extra day just to be able to take in more of the many choices of fun activities offered in this and Cripple Creek's area. We plan to dance in Canon City with the Royal Promenaders, Debbie Steinkirchner calling.

In August we look forward to camping at Johnson's Corner RV Park in Loveland, and going to Lyons to dance. Whenever you're near, we welcome you to join us!

139 LIMONADERS - FL
143 FLORIDA WHEELERS - FL
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Greetings from North Central Florida. We are into our hot, humid summer days right now and for those who are able to travel we wish them well and hope they have a great summer wherever they go. We have not heard of any bad news from our members so far this season, and hope all stay well and enjoy their travels. Chapters 139

and 143 will be on hiatus until November. They will return to campout at Old Mill Stream in Umatilla on November 20-22. All are welcome to come and join us at that time. The Chapters decided to cancel their October campout and all will try and join together at the Florida Camporee at Blueberry Hill RV Resort in Bushnell on October 22-24.

After we sent in the last NSDCA article we were notified that one of our long time members had passed away. Doug Vollmer died April 15th after a long illness. Doug & Jeanne had been members of NSDCA since 1995. Our condolences to Jeanne and their family from all the dancers.

Don and Ginny Prescott, the long time VP's of Chapter 143 have decided to retire from their position. They have done an exemplary job in that position and the sincere thanks from both #139 & #143 goes to them. To take over that position Roland and Laurel Minch have volunteered to be the new VPs. Roland and Laurel joined Chapter 143 in 2008 and have been active members since then.

Here is hoping everyone is enjoying a really great summer and we hope to see you in the fall on the dance floor.

148 ROLLING SQUARES - NE
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The spring season for Chapter 148 has been eventful. We sponsored the Nebraska State NSDCA campout in May with 27 rigs in attendance. The

weather cooperated with some sunshine, wind and a little moisture but the activities went on without delay. Those in attendance were treated to the usual exercise, campfires, dancing and potluck dinners. With the dinner dishes put away and the lawn chairs in a semi-circle the Rolling Squares presented a short bit of entertainment. The picture above was of those participating in the style show. The ensembles were appropriately described and the runway walks were presented. It is not sure how the audience received the production but laughter could be heard in appreciation of the efforts of the "girls". (No names will be provided to protect the innocent).



The June campout was a bit cool and unfortunately was in conflict with several other events of the members of the chapter. Those in attendance enjoyed the tour of Syracuse during the garage sale expedition and the enjoyment of the games and campfires.

We are happy to report that those who were experiencing health issues at the end of the 2008 are doing much better and are back in action again.

Editor Note

Be sure to include your Chapter's Name and Number, along with the reporter's name and contact info in each of your Campfire Chats. We want to hear about important events which have occurred since your last report. Share news of weddings, anniversaries, chapter elections, special camping events, and deaths in your submissions. Remember to send along photos! You are invited to send your news in early! Deadlines are the final date for receiving information, photos and ad copies! Thank You for your help.

Stan Lockwood and Larry Hoskinson are doing much better and appreciate the prayers of healing.

The remainder of the camping season is ahead of us at Branched Oak, Wilber, Nebraska, Avoca, Iowa and Nebraska City. Come and join us if you are in the area.

152 CAMPERS & DANCERS - AL
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It has been a great summer for our Chapter! In April we camped at Noccalula Falls in Gadsden, Alabama. We had a wet spring and the Falls (right by the campground) had the largest flow in many years. It was fun watching the ducks try to avoid being swept over the drop. Wayne and Brenda Drake were wagon masters and put on a great weekend. Ed and Gail Haney conducted a terrific Fun Night on Friday and on Saturday night we danced with Wayne Mahaffey. Wayne's a very good caller and gave us all a real square-dance workout. The high-light of the weekend was a contest to select our 2009 (non-female) Queen. Sam Goode served us well in 2008 and wore his tiara with pride. For 2009, Wayne Drake will wear it and we all decided that it really looked good on his manly head.



In May we met in Georgia at the Pine Mountain RV Resort (wagon masters, Gary/Florence Salmer and Harold/Ruth Thrasher). Because of all the

family graduations/weddings/ball tournaments, there was a smaller turnout than usual but it was a relaxing and fun weekend for those who could make it. And we discovered a new Chapter passion – jigsaw puzzles! Now we start a puzzle first thing every campout weekend and we take turns at the table as time permits. Great fun and a wonderful way to relax together.

Gail Haney had some health issues and couldn't attend so we missed our usual Friday Fun Night with them. But our caller for the weekend, Terry Stafford, kept us busy and we enjoyed dancing and getting to know him. The Pine Mountain area has lots of fun things to do during the daytime. Nearby is President Franklin Roosevelt's Little White House and the small towns abound with neat little shops and cafes. We're looking forward to a return visit to the RV Park for our August campout.

June found us (where else?) at the BEACH! We all enjoy this campout so much that those who can manage it usually stay for a week or more. Jerald/Evelyn Horton are always our wagon masters (by popular demand) for this weekend. Island Retreat RV Park in Gulf Shores, Alabama, has a big pool and is right next to a nice bike and hiking path for our daily exercise. We enjoyed a vegetable supper one night and barbeque another. And did I mention all those fresh seafood lunches? Some of us were nursing sunburns but we all managed to dance with David Jarrard and had a packed house with visitors from nearby clubs.

The July campout was at Roosevelt State Park in Morton, Mississippi (George/Joann Dunn and Joe/Mary Patt Talton, wagon masters). This park was chosen because it was half-way between Alabama and the Camporee

in Rayne, Louisiana. We were thrilled to have Clyde and Mary Lou Stocker join us for the weekend on their way to Rayne. It was an excellent location for a campout and we enjoyed our stay – except that Ruth Thrasher got slightly bitten by a snake and had to spend most of one day in the hospital. Thank goodness she recovered enough by Saturday night to put on her shoes and dance a tip with us. Some folks visited the Philadelphia casinos while others visited together at the park (and worked on those jigsaw puzzles). Wayne Mahaffey called for us both Friday and Saturday night, with Clyde also calling some tips. Mike Sherman, a 14-year-old caller from Van Cleve, Mississippi, was in the area for a ball tournament and visited us on Friday night. He called us a rousing dance to the Mickey Mouse song, and he and his grandparents danced with us.

The three couples from Campers and Dancers who traveled on to the Camporee want to thank the Louisiana folks for a wonderful time. We enjoyed every minute we spent in Louisiana, and appreciate all the hard work that went into the Camporee. Florida will have a hard act to follow next year! We'll be camping in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, and Mississippi before the end of the year – y'all come see us – we have lots of jigsaw puzzles awaiting your visit!

153 STRAWBERRY TRAVELERS - FL
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The Strawberry Travelers do not camp during the summer but four couples from the club attended the NSDCA 2009 International Camporee in Rayne, LA July 21-23 and we all had a wonderful time. Many thanks to all the chairmen and committees who worked so hard to put on a great Cajun 9. It

was truly Big Fun on the Bayou!. We participated in the skit to promote the 2010 International Camporee which will be in Orlando, Florida July 20 – 22, 2010. We hope everyone enjoyed the skit and will make plans to visit us in Sunny Florida next year.



Our next campout will be October 16, 17 & 18, 2009 at Blueberry Hill RV Park in Bushnell, FL. This is the weekend before the Florida State Camporee which will be at the same location so if you are planning to come to the Camporee join us the weekend before for a great time and stay the week between to do some sight-seeing or just relax. We have a fun weekend planned with eating dinner out Friday night and a casual dance, Saturday's activities will include a hot-dog cookout for lunch and a covered-dish dinner and business meeting followed by a dance (square dance attire). Our very own, world famous, Charlie Pergrossi will be doing the honors at our dances.

Our December campout will be at Theme World in Davenport, FL December 11 – 13.

164 ADIRONDACK DANCING
 CAMPERS - NY
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Hello Dancers...There's a rustling in the treetops when winds of autumn blow, and scarlet leaves go sailing by until they drop below. There's a burst of autumn colors in gardens everywhere to fill the empty vases with flowers blooming there.

Believe it or not autumn is here again. Most of our summer was wet and windy, but we enjoyed dancing and sharing fun times with all of our friends. We always look forward to camping and dancing together. Thank you to those of you who helped make our July campout a big success. We had sixteen units on sight and a fine number of walk-ins. Saturday's breakfast and potluck supper were great as usual. Thanks to all of our members who worked so well together to make it fun for all of us.

The next time we chat, the white stuff will be blowing and the bears will be headed for cover. Good place for them! Enjoy this fall season. We'll chat again soon.

and the 3rd weekend in Sept. at Pacetti's. There are no summer dances.

We camp in October and also attend the Camporee. We Dance at O'Leno in November. Our Christmas dance is held the first weekend in December.

Please check the website www.floridasquare.com or the listing in the back of this publication for updates and campgrounds.

We dance Plus level both Friday and Saturday nights. Friday nights are casual and Saturday night square dance attire is recommended, but optional. Out hosts and hostesses plan activities for the weekend so be sure to check.

Visitors are welcome to camp with us or just to come and dance. We do not conduct banner raids with camping clubs, but we do with clubs in our local area.

See you in a square, we guarantee you a great time!

168 GYPSY SQUARES - FL
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The Gypsy Squares camp the first full weekend of March, April, May,

Well, the camping season is well underway. It started out almost cold and now it is very hot, just in time for the



*Remember our veterans
November 10th
Veteran's Day*



4th of July. Star City Squares has had 2 campouts. In April we met at Wilber, NE and in June we went to Rockford Lake, where several attended some of the Homestead Days events in Beatrice, NE. In June, some members attended the All State Campout at Fort Kearney State Park.

As always there has been plenty of good times and good food & good fellowship! Come and join us sometime. Happy 4th of July to all!

C- 175 RIVERSIDE GYPSY SQUARES - ON
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Our dancing season for Riverside Gypsy Squares started May 22-24. There were 37 rigs registered. Doug Holms was the weekend caller with Gerry Sawtell cueing. They both did a great job, and it was wonderful to see old friends again. The company was fantastic, the dancing superb, and the food excellent.

Several of our Gypsies celebrated birthdays in June. Happy Birthday to all. One member Laurens Stellema celebrated his 80th. Laurens and Diny can still cut a rug with the best of them. congratulations and best wishes for many more. Congratulations to Brian and Ann Gibbs first time weekend coordinators, you did a great job!

Ontario Camporee 2009 is over and what a great weekend of dancing and making new friends. We arrived Wednesday morning and set up campsites. A surprise birthday cake for Myr-

tle Van den Oetelaar with ice cream was just what the doctor ordered.

Trailers started arriving Thursday morning and by 12 noon we had approximately 70 trailers parked. There were 106 registrations. We had 22 guests, one couple visiting from Germany. Dorothy & Echo joined in on all the activities and then thanked us for such a delightful weekend. That is what square dancing is all about - a stranger is just a friend to be.

Our sincere thanks to all the chapters for attending and making it a successful weekend. Before saying good bye, we were able to mingle with some of the other chapters and heard so many positive comments. Everyone congratulated C-175 for organizing a wonderful weekend. The 2010 Ontario Camporee is in Fergus. We met some of the friendly people from Fergus over the weekend and they vowed that 2010 will be every bit as good as 2009. Let's all help them make it happen.

177 YAVAPAI ROLLING SQUARES - AZ
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The Kingman Arizona Kut Ups Spring Jubilee was our destination for April. Five couples enjoyed the dancing in their new location at the Geidenreich Adult Center. Local May dances occupied many of our members and there was no campout, but we socialized at the Cottonwood AZ dances and the Prescott AZ festival.

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Free Hug Coupon
Good for one Free Hug

Redeemable from any participating person
Expiration Date: 12/31/2098

Guess who's 65?



August 9th is the Smokey Bear and this year a recognized symbol of con-America's forests. His mission has helped to reduce the burned annually from approximately 22 million in 1944 to an average of 7 million today.

official "birth date" for he turned 65! He has been servation and protection of sage about wildfire preven-tion number of wildfire acres

Smokey Bear is the center of the longest-running public service advertising campaign in U.S. history. Since 1944, he has been communicating his well-known message, "Only You Can Prevent Forest Fires." In 2001, the term "Wildfires" was introduced to include all unwanted unplanned fires in natural areas such as grass fires or brush fires. The Smokey Bear campaign is a critical tool specially designed to ask for every citizen's conscientious commitment to be responsible with fire.



The living symbol of Smokey Bear was an American black bear who in the spring of 1950 was caught in the Capitan Gap fire, a wildfire that burned 17,000 acres in the Capitan Mountains of New Mexico. The cub was in the Lincoln National Forest. Smokey had climbed a tree to escape the blaze, but his paws and hind legs had been burned. He was rescued by a game warden after the fire.

At first he was called Hotfoot Teddy, but was later renamed Smokey, after the mascot. A local rancher who had been helping fight the fire took the cub home with him, but he needed veterinary aid. The cub was taken to Santa Fe when he was cared for by the family of Ray Bell, a New Mexico Department of Game and Fish Ranger. The story was picked up by the national news services and Smokey became an instant celebrity. He and the Bells were featured in Life, cementing his star status. Soon after, Smokey was flown to the National Zoo in Washington, DC, where he lived for 26 years. Upon his death on November 9, 1976, Smokey's remains were returned by the government to Capitan, New Mexico, and buried at what is now the Smokey Bear Historical Park.



Smokey the Bear has been a staple in popular culture throughout the years. His lessons of preventing forest fires has stuck with many people as they have grown up. Lessons, they themselves will pass on. His message is as critical today as it was when Smokey Bear was introduced in 1944.

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In June we returned to the Payson AZ festival with seven couples. Payson is at the 5000 foot elevation and the weather was beautiful, just a few degrees cooler than normal. Several of our members are also members of an Elks Lodge so we enjoyed a fine meal at the Payson Elks Lodge on Friday before the dance.

We will be going to Show Low in eastern Arizona in July for their annual festival. (Two partnering ranchers decided to split up with the draw of cards, the low card buying out the other - and so the town's name.)

We will be at the Globe AZ festival in October and the Tri-Chapter (Chapters 125, 145, 177) campout at Catalina State Park North of Tucson in November.

178 GYPSY TWIRLERS - MN
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Our May campout was held on a cold and windy weekend. Outdoor activities were at a minimum but a lot of card games were held in the Rec Room at the park.

We needed our Saturday morning "warm up" dance with Jim Kooyer calling. After cards and some "rest periods" we had our ever popular potluck dinner.

Our Saturday evening dance was rather quiet as no one was stirring around too much and our bonfire was cancelled because of the weather.

Our June outing was just the opposite with a small rain shower and then warm days and no wind. We had square dancing Saturday morning and then the chapter meeting. After lunch Dorothy Hoover led her painting class with some Grandma Moses in the class.

Our Saturday evening dance was a success with Jim Kooyer calling and we also had several couples from other

clubs join us. Afterward Bob & Dorothy Hoover did a demonstration of Norwegian folk dancing.

Our camping pastor Bob Amindsen held church serves Sunday morning. A great way to end a nice weekend camping with friends.

179 GATEWAY WAGONEERS - IL-MO
Bob/ Gloria Herr 314-432-6355

We had a great time at the NSDCA Camporee in Rayne LA, that's Cajun Country. We had eleven couples attending. We assisted with parking the rigs and managed to get them in their assigned sites with very little confusion. Our hosts were very accommodating and friendly. Dancing and all activities were fun. Rayne is the Frog Capital of the World so they even had a frog jumping contest on the dance floor. Many of our group were new to Cajun country so we did lots of touring, rice, crawfish farms, swap touring, dancing and consumed lots of Cajun food.



In August we will be at Cole Creek Campground in Carlyle, IL and attend a Balloon Fest in Centralia, IL. In September we will be at DuQuoin, IL so we can enjoy an apple festival. There will also be a pie eating contest. Then our last campout of '09 will be in Branson, MO.

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Membership Secretary, Roger Tipps, distributed the membership lists to all Chapters attending the 2009 Camporee. He then mailed these lists to all other Chapters. Be sure to verify the mailing addresses, phone numbers and email addresses for all your Chapter Members. Without correct mailing addresses, your members may miss receiving their NSDCA Times. Contact Roger with all corrections and changes.

[Editor's Note: Did Roger pass out any Double Bubble gum with the address packets?]

USDA Founders Memorial Youth Scholarship

**Scholarship
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Deadline..... On or before February 1, 2010

2010 USDA Founders Memorial Youth Fund Scholarship

To qualify for the \$1000.00 Scholarship:

- Must be a high school senior or college freshman
- Have a record of volunteer service with square dancing.
- Have outstanding leadership potential and communication skills.
- Be an active square dancer.
- Be committed to promotion and perpetuation of square dancing.
- Completed application and essay on or before February, 1
- Sponsored by a USDA Affiliate Organization
- Application signed by USDA Affiliate Organization President.

Please help us notify Youth Dancers in your area!!

Application may be printed from www.usda.org

Deadline: On or before February 1, 2010

USDA YOUTH DANCERS

For further information about youth dancing contact:

Youth chairmen, Alitia & John Becker, 7547 Westlake Rd., Sterlington, LA 71280 or call (318) 665-9085
E-mail: usda.youth.advisor@usda.org

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The Fine Print

In an effort to clarify the current ad policy for the *NSDCA Times*, we are reprinting the text found in each issue on page 2. It was conveniently printed in small font size to accommodate the allotted space, but this often made it difficult to read. Therefore, here it is in a larger size along with a special offer from the editors.

As your Editors, we reserve the right to condense, omit, or edit articles in order to best utilize available space. .

Material can be submitted for publication by US Mail sent directly to the Editors at 9660 SW 62nd Ct, Trenton, FL 32693-5837 or via email to nsdca-times@nsdca.org. Please ensure that all items are legibly hand printed or typed.

The deadline for input of articles, pictures, and ads is the 1st of February, May, August & November. Due to the escalating costs of postage, pictures received for publication will not be returned, unless accompanied with a self-addressed stamped envelope.

TO CONTACT THE NSDCA TIMES

EDITORS: Sarah & Charlie Pergrossi 9660 SW 62nd Ct, Trenton, FL 32693-5837 Tele: (352) 463-3829 Please leave a message if our answering machine answers the phone. We will return your call as soon as possible.

EMAIL: nsdcatimes@nsdca.org

Send all address changes/corrections to the address on the back cover.

NSDCA TIMES HAS A WEB PAGE AT: <http://www.nsdca.org/times.html>

ADVERTISING INFO & RATES

Payment in advance is expected & appreciated for all advertising prior to the publication deadline. Payment is sent directly to the Editors along with the ad copy. Make checks payable to: **NSDCA**.



RATES for COMMERCIAL and NON-MEMBER ads

Full page \$132.00 Three-Quarter page: \$113.00

Half page \$79.00 Quarter page \$47.00

To celebrate our new venture with NSDCA TIMES, and to recognize our NSDCA members, the editors are offering a 20% discount off the Commercial Rate for all ads placed for NSDCA chapter activities.

Everyone can take advantage of our AD SPECIAL - By taking a non-changing ad in four (4) consecutive issues, and paying in advance, you will receive a 10% discount on your total cost!

All States, Provinces (chartered or not) and Chapters are entitled to place one (1) ad of any size at half price once each calendar year.

Contact Sarah or Charlie today to place your ad at these fantastic prices! Questions concerning advertising in the NSDCA TIMES should be directed to the Editors.

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180 SPINNING WHEELS - MN
Pat Dillard 507-356-8134
pedill@yahoo.com

It is with great sadness that we have to report the death of our long-time Chapter Treasurer. Wilbur Lieske passed away on June 2nd. He was a past president of the Square Dance Federation of Minnesota and enjoyed square dancing, camping, playing cards and collecting teapots. We will truly miss him and his humor at our campouts. Our condolences go out to his wife, Jacie, and his family.



Our first campout at Shady Oaks Campground had 7 rigs attending. Due to the rain on Friday evening, the Putnams entertained 13 campers in their RV. All kept cozy, dry and warm. Seven couples danced the weekend away at the Minnesota State Square and Round Dance Convention in Rochester. Most of those couples camped at the Olmsted County Fairgrounds.

Our next campout will be held this coming weekend, July 10-12 at Hidden Meadows in Pine Island. It is anticipated that we will have 8 rigs participating. We invite any traveling dancers or campers to join us on our campouts.

181 MONTSHIRE CAMPING SQ - NH/VT
Oliver/Kaye Peck 802-886-8273
orkjp@vermontel.net

Our Spring Camporee is history, six squares on the floor some of the time and a full round dance floor kept us busy. Skip and Betty Ann Brown were calling and cueing. We ate well, ice cream and cookies both evenings as well as a potluck dinner and hot dog and chili lunch. For the most part the

weather co-operated but we are in New England and used to fast changes.

It was great to renew friendships and to welcome two new couples to our chapter.

We were reminded of the 52nd New England Convention in Biddeford, ME on April 23 & 24, 2010 by the General Chairs who attended our Friday night dance. Camping will be available nearby.

Some of us will be attending called camp and dance weekends throughout the summer and fall. We will meet again at Thicket Hill Village, in Hinsdale, NH in September at the beginning of foliage season, Come and join us.

183 RAINBOW SQUARES - KY
Roger/Marty Frazier 989-652-6740
rfraz34@charter.net

Our chapter was one of six that attended the July state camporee in Centerville this last week. A very enjoyable time was had by all even with a small turn out.

Jean Corn of chapter 183 and our very diligent recording secretary for the past 11 years has informed us that it was time for a new name in that slot. Many thanks for a great job very well done Jean.

We have two ladies laid up with leg problems Lol Rouleau broken leg (bike accident) and Marty Frazier with knee replacement. Gals, we hope to see you back on the dance floor soon.

Our next chapter outings will be August 14-16 at Hidden Hills, Harrison MI, followed by September 11-13 at Big Bend in Omer MI.

Everyone is welcome. Those who arrive on Friday, usually go to a local restaurant for dinner before the Trail In dance. Saturday and Sunday mornings are reserved square dance workshops. Saturday evening meal is potluck, followed by rounds and squares.

“Appreciation is a free gift that you can give to anyone you encounter – it is completely your choice. And each time you choose to thank someone for a job well done, you are making the world a better place.”

This is a beautiful quote that can be found in a book titled: *The Simple Truths of Appreciation...How each of us can choose to make a difference.* It was written by Barbara Glanz.

C-187 NORTHERN LIGHTS SQ - ON
James/Helen Chisholm 705-368-3390
Chisholm39@sympatico.ca

188 HEARTLAND CAMPING SQ - MO
Marlys Doerflinger 816-763-8754
aedmid@yahoo.com

We have had exciting things happening. In May our first campout it was cold, wet and miserable but we forged ahead. We had workshops and a fish fry and looked forward to better weather.

We had our second annual Camporee with 7 R.V. Clubs attending it. As wonderful callers Clyde Cullings and Doug Holmes sang out we are going to have a party on Manitoulin. We had five days of dancing and workshops. We had a Tee Pee dance at the 10 mile point & danced around a Tee Pee and everyone received a Tee Pee Badge. The view from here was awesome and some got sun burned. We served a picnic lunch to everyone after the dance. Then later back at Batmans Camp Ground for a potluck supper with lots of laughter and good eating. We still had 2 more days of dancing with the Hawberry Hoedowners lots of do-sido, sides face grand square & sore feet. We are looking forward to doing it again in 2011 for our 3rd C-187 Camporee, and along with the Hawberry Hoedowners for another great 5 days and nights of special times to come.

Are we excited? Yes we are and thank you everyone from C-187 Northern Lights Squares for your support! Also thanks to our club workers who helped bring it all together. At the end of the day the proof is in the pudding or the sore feet ha ha. Thank you thank you.

The Heartland Camping Squares just returned from a fun campout in Warsaw, Missouri the middle of August. We had a potluck dinner at the community center, followed by two days of dancing and camping at beautiful Berry Bend park at Truman Lake.

In September we will make the trek to South Fork, Colorado for a week of camping, games, food and dancing to the calling of Nasser Shukayr and Lem Gravelle. The next campout is closer to home, only about sixty miles of travel to Rutladers for the camping and the dancing will be with the Frontier Twirlers.

On October 16 -18 is our 50th Missouri State Round and Square Dance Festival held at the Ray-Pec High School. The Heartland Camping Squares is hosting dry camping in the Ray-Pec parking lot. Those who are camping are invited to join your fellow campers for Hobo Stew on Saturday. Bring veggies or whatever to add to the stew and/or dessert or crackers and your chair and table service. Time 4:30 to 5:45. (stew served about 5:00 p.m.).

You can get more information about our campouts and the club by visiting www.wesquaredance.com.

Cajun Camporee

Rayne, Louisiana 2009



We received so many compliments from those in attendance of the Cajun Nine camporee, that mentioning it risks appearing to be patting ourselves on the back. Their words of appreciation are so kind; and as chairmen of "Fun on the Bayou", we accept your kuddo(s) on behalf of everyone who worked so hard to make Cajun Nine enjoyable.

It all begins with our NSDCA Board members and staff, who like the host chapters, plan years in advance of each camporee. Their plans and goals for NSDCA don't always fall easily into place; and they have to make adjustments, working with the tools they have; which are sometimes quite skimpy. We are so indebted to our board for having patience working with us, and guiding us, to any achievements we may have attained.

Then, our "thank you" turns to our callers and cuers, who, like so many others of our dedicated members attending the Cajun Nine camporee, incurred great expense, and in addition, gave of themselves their time, to give all of us great nightly dances and workshops. Many of our callers and cuers had to double up to cover all the dance time slots. Thanks to Doc and Peg Terrill, Clyde Stocker, Tiny Wright, Ted Kennedy (our Sound Chairman), Billie Weisengel-Lenox, Charlie Pergrossi, Linda Catey, and Bob Wilcox. Additionally, we extend our love to our new Camporee cuer, Gene and Etta Sonnier, whom you first danced to in Coldwater. Shortly before the Cajun Nine camporee kicked off, Gene's retina detached and he wasn't able to attend Cajun Nine. Gene and Etta were Cajun Nine Dance Program committee chairmen and worked diligently to carry out a dance program; but in the end, were deprived of seeing it to fruition and receiving the kuddos, those who attended Cajun Nine, gave us. For those who attended Cajun Nine, we ask that you consider booking our Cajun Nine callers and cuers. Contact information for each of them is published on the page facing the inside rear cover of the Cajun Nine "Program Book". After all ...our Cajun Nine callers and cuers supported us; let's show our appreciation and support them.

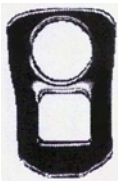
Without the help of Chapters 179 and 188, your Louisiana host chapter [#149] wouldn't have had sufficient man power to carry out all the details of Parking and Registration. The hard work and dedication Marlys Doerflinger in 188 gave "Registration" is truly appreciated. Unless you've been on the hot seat, one cannot imagine the tremendous amount of time and dedication this task requires. And if we hadn't had the manpower provided by Chapter 179 to carry out Parking duties, our Louisiana host chapter members would have really been over taxed. Thanks to the Hagans for encouraging approximately ten of their member rigs to come down and help.

And, now, Laura and I have to turn to our own chapter 149 members and share the kuddos we received. Guys, you know as well as Laura and I know, that it took a team to earn the thanks that were directed to us. You can, and should be, proud that on behalf of everyone participating, we did

receive so many positive comments. We are truly humbled in accepting them. We hope you know how much it is appreciated that we can, on your behalf, accept the many kind words campers in Rayne gave us. We are truly touched because Laura and I didn't make Cajun Nine a success, everyone else did; and we only hope we haven't omitted acknowledging anyone for their contributions. If such an omission exists, it is purely an innocent oversight; and we hope we are forgiven. But above all else, our Lord in Heaven, blessed the activities of the camporee and shined His countenance on us. Let us remember Him, each day, for the blessings he gives us and continue to look towards Him with thanks giving. As Chairmen, we thank God for having guided us, our Board and Staff, our committeemen, and workers through it all. Give God thanks for the fun, fellowship, and the "past time" of square dancing; which we may continue to do in honor of His name and His blessings. Without God, and without you and everyone else, Cajun Nine may have been anything but a success.

We hope the pictures of this TIMES issue can, in some small way, give those who missed Cajun Nine an idea of the fun we had; and offers fond memories to those who did attend. At this time, we congratulate Sarah & Charlie Pergrossi for accepting the position of Times Editor; and we thank Barbara Connelly for her past service.

We are pleased to report that 86 ½ pounds of pull tabs were turned in at the Camporee for the Ronald McDonald House. In addition to individual collections, we wish to recognize the efforts of Chapters #179 for turning in 34 ½ pounds and #082 for saving up 29 ¼ pounds. A member of Chapter #149 turned in her collection of 15 pounds just after the closing of this year's event. Also, prior to their arrival in Rayne, chapter 118, Ozark Camper Dancers turned in 39 pounds to the Ronald McDonald House in Springfield, MO and Michigan NSDCA members turned in 56 pounds to the Ronald McDonald House in Lansing, MI. Our sincere thanks to all who have saved their pull tabs throughout the year. Your efforts this year have resulted in a grand total of 260 ¼ pounds!



These donations result in much needed funds for this very worthy cause. Start saving your pull tabs now so they can be turned in at the 2010 International Camporee in Orlando, FL. Remember to ask your neighbors, family members, colleagues at work, and all your friends to save these pull tabs from their drink cans.

To everyone, we offer our thanks to you for a successful 2009 Camporee ...especially our campers, and friends who attended.

Now, we offer support and "Best Wishes" to our 2010 Camporee hosts.

Laura and Ron Harvy
2009 NSDCA Camporee
Chairmen







Rayne, LA is known as the Frog Capital of the World So...there had to be Frog activities



Our hosts presented a skit of the Frog Prince. What happens if you kiss a frog...twice?



The Frog Jumping Queen and her prize winning frog visited our festivities to rule over our own Frog Jumping Contest. Our adventurous volunteers tried their best to encourage great leaps. Charlie Pergrossi had the winning frog!



2009 Sports Winners - Rayne, Louisiana



Beanbag Toss

1st - Jim & Naomi Mills #123

2nd - Adam Risinger #153

& Geraldine Witkovsky #000

3rd - Joe & Nanch Rosales #179



Washer Toss

1st - Herman & Pat Meyer #012

2nd - Carl Schneider #066

& Patty Mire #149

3rd - Bill & Carolyn Olson #080



Bocce Ball

1st - Hoppy LaCroix #149

& David Bruun #123

2nd - Clyde Stocker #143

& Bill Wallace #139

3rd - Geraldine Witkoresky #000

& Adam Risinger #153

Congratulations!



Horseshoes

1st - Purvis & Al Fahsbender #123

2nd - Tom Rimert #125

& Norm Outinen #149

3rd - George Oakes #082

& Bob Davison #149



Ladder Golf

1st - Phil Sortore #082

& Gene Doerflinger #188

2nd - Carl Schneider #066

& David Brunn #123

3rd - Adam Risinger #153

& Geraldine Witkovsky #000

Mini-Ports - Condensed from the 2009 Committee Reports

52nd NSDCA International Camporee Booklet

(due to space limitations all the reports could not be included here)

President - Herman & Pat Meyer

Welcome everyone, what a fantastic year! It seems a bit easier this year in this position but many hours of work on the computer was needed as the 10 - Year Bylaw Review Committee slowly goes through the Bylaws as requested last year. So far, three proposed changes are to be voted on this year.

We hope that the new look of the NSDCA Website will please the membership.

More documents have been added, for faster response to inquiries from both Members and interested Non-members as well.

We must increase our promotion activities to increase the membership in our local chapters. We have had inquiries of a couple groups wanting to join but we can always use more Chapters in areas like Texas and the western part of the USA.

We would like as many Chapter/Area/State Reps and members to attend the Rep meetings to share their success stories so others can gain ideas on how to build their membership. The BOD needs to have your input as to what we can do to help you as well. We may have some rules that were good 45 years ago but need to be looked at to accommodate bringing in some younger campers to replace those of us that are getting frail and tentative about traveling long distances.

We need to seriously look at the responsibility of our Membership to step up and be willing to serve as a Board Officer at the National level. With the use of the Chat room to replace the Winter Meeting travel, it is indeed easier than ever. In addition, with changing of the Staff Meeting times we all have

more time for the Camporee activities that we all enjoy as well as sight seeing around a new area like here.

Vice-President - Martha Zimmerman

Welcome to the 2009 Camporee in Rayne, LA. This is a wonderful Camporee. It has been a busy year getting all of the information straight about whom are the Area/State Reps and what states do they represent. Now that we have the Rep Reporting form on line, it will be easier to communicate with the clubs.

We also have many of our forms on the NSDCA Web Site, www.nsdca.org, for the chapters to fill out and send in as necessary. It has been a pleasure working on the Board for the past two years and I am looking forward to another wonderful year. The \$20.00 coupon is still good until Dec. 31, 2009. This is for a nonmember to camp with the chapter of their choice. The chapter will refund the \$20.00 to the camper, send the coupon to NSDCA with a proper authorization number, and receive a check back for reimbursement of \$20.00. I look forward to seeing every one in Florida 2010. Let us all get together and encourage non-campers to attend our campouts. Maybe when they enjoy the camping, dancing and friendship they will want to join in. Tell all of your square dancing friends about all the fun we have camping and dancing. Hope to see you in a square somewhere. Have fun exercising and laughing all the same time. Thanks to all of the Square Dancers for keeping this organization great.

Secretary - Cliff Dewitt/June Walker

Welcome everyone to Rayne, LA the Cajun country. Ron and Laura have

been working on and sweating this out now for two years or more and we want to thank them and all their helpers for the great job they have done. We hope you all have a great time and leave here knowing a lot more about this part of the country.

As you know, the Secretary receives all the mail and then sends it on to the right people. It is not a hard job. We are looking for new people to fill vacancies. If you or anyone you know is interested, please let a Board member know. All meetings during the year before the Camporee are held on the chat line on our computers, this saves time and money.

We want to thank all Callers and Cuers who have so graciously given of their time to call and cue for the dancing at this Camporee. If you do not have a good time, It certainly isn't because Ron has not tried to make this the best Camporee ever. Tell him and all his helpers thank you if you get the chance.

We hope you all had a good and safe trip getting here and the same returning home. We hope also that you had such a good time that you are planning on going to the next Camporee in Florida in 2010.

Treasurer - Bob & Sally Wilcox

NSDCA has completed another successful financial year. Our assets are growing albeit slowly and our expenses are being reduced. Your Board of Directors are still working very hard to reduce expenses by doing most of our business via email and in the NSDCA chat room.

Again, this year Membership dues are still trickling in. Please try to get your dues paid by December 31st. Our biggest expense is for our liability insurance and it is due in January of each year. The insurance is a great benefit for our members as It protects you from liability in case of an attributable event.

The NSDCA coupon program is working very well. Out of the 24 coupons, that we have reimbursed chapters, we have 14 new members. The program will continue until 31 December 2009. Sally and I hope you are having a great time here at Rayne and hope to see many of you next year in Orlando, FL.

Membership Secretary - Roger Tipps

This has been the most exciting year for NSDCA that I have experienced since 1999. For the first time your Board of Directors started the campaign of giving possible new members a \$20.00 coupon towards their camping fee to come and visit a chapter and then joining NSDCA. We have succeeded in having over 50% of these new dancers/campers joining NSDCA. Has your chapter been using this new tool in gaining new members?

I am still having a problem with the chapter membership secretaries not proof reading the membership list and keeping address changes sent to me so I can be sure your members receive the Times. Please do this every time a new list is mailed to you.

In the last, several issues of the Times I have asked for ideas that can be shared with other chapters about what you are doing to keep the interest of your members exciting and making sure they are having fun. However, only one member couple, Tom and Jeanne Hartwig of Chapter 082, sent in a list of ideas. One was a sock hop square dance on casual night. What a neat idea!

Most chapters sent their renewals in December. What a help this was in getting all the updates done. Yes, you can send in renewals more than once during the year.

NSDCA Treasurer Bob Wilcox has spent many months and hours converting the old (1986) DOS membership program to a windows program. His

Have You Moved?

Mail address changes or corrections to:

NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CAMPERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
PO Box 628433
Middleton, WI 53562-8433

The NSDCA Times is mailed at Standard Rate, which means it will not be forwarded. Thus, if you move without sending us notification before the deadline, it will be returned and cost NSDCA \$\$ just to find out you have moved. This is a waste of YOUR NSDCA dues. Notify the Membership Secretary today of any address changes, using the form below.

Please print or type clearly. All address changes must be received by the publication deadlines.

Name _____

New Address _____

City _____ State/Prov _____

Zip + 4 _____ - _____ Canadian postal code _____ - _____

Date new address is effective: ____/____/____

Is this a permanent address change? Yes No

Is this a seasonal address change? Yes No

Which issues are to be mailed to this new address:

March June September December All

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long hours has proven successful and we will switch to this new program for the year 2010 at the end of the International Camporee in Rayne LA July 2009.

Please remember the International Membership Secretary keeps the ONLY address mailing list for the Times and any, and all changes of the 911 addresses must come to Membership and not to the Times!

If you have any ideas or suggestions of other things NSDCA can do to help your chapter add new members please let us know ASAP.

Lets all work together to make 2010 a fun, safe, exciting year with each chapter adding some new members and keeping more of your current members.

USDA PUBLICATIONS & EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS

USDA has produced quality club leadership and educational materials for use by dancers and leaders to promote and perpetuate the dance activity. Tri-fold Information Sheets are free, and Pamphlets and



Booklets are free up to 10 copies. You can order or print copies from the web at www.usda.org. USDA materials are not copyrighted and duplication for club and organization use is permitted and encouraged.

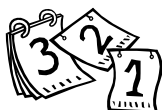
NSDCA FY08 ANNUAL FINANCIAL ASSETS REPORT
Statement of Assets and Liabilities - Modified Cash Basis

Current Assets	FY-2009	FY-2008
Cash	\$46,721	\$46,091
Inventory	6,202	6,202
Advances - 2010 Camporee	500	
Advances - 2009 Camporee	500	
Advances - Mail Handling	327	300
Total Current Assets	53,750	53,093
Fixed Assets		
Office Equipment	1,321	1,321
Other Equipment	263	263
<u>Furniture & Fixtures</u>	<u>104</u>	<u>104</u>
Total Fixed Assets at Cost	1,688	1,688
Accumulated Depreciation	(1,681)	(1,661)
Fixed Assets Net of Depreciation	<u>7</u>	<u>27</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	53,757	53,120
Revenues	FY-2009	FY-2008
Badges	996	370
Camporee	1,491	2,045
Dues	30,190	33,740
Insignia	340	78
TIMES Ads	300	519
Interest	441	667
<u>Miscellaneous</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Revenues Collected	33,778	37,419
Expenses	FY-2009	FY-2008
Advertising	0	0
Badges	1,051	1,130
Bank Charges	60	112
Computer Processing	4,200	4,200
Contributions	100	0
Depreciation	20	20
Gifts	0	50
Insignia	0	0
Insurance	9,673	11,130
Legal & Accounting	1,000	1,000
Licenses & Permits	80	80
Loss of Disposal of Fixed Assets	0	0
Miscellaneous	710	0
NSDCA Times	8,685	11,502
Office Supplies	1,750	1,053
Postage	598	42
Rent	1,800	2,400
Representative Expense	3,108	1,016
Telephone	0	0
Travel & Meeting Expense	307	0
<u>Website Expense</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Expenses	33,141	34,535
Excess of Revenues Collected Or Over (Under) Expenses	637	2,884
Fund Balance - Modified Cash Basis		
Beginning of year	53,120	50,236
End of Year	53,757	53,120



CHAPTER CAMPOUT LISTINGS...

JOIN US FOR CAMPOUTS OR CAMPINS



Please send along your camping schedule for inclusion in each issue. All advance dates are welcome too. Email is the preferred method of sharing. Be sure to include the dates of your campout, chapter # and name, location of your campout (city & state also), and contact person. All the same info as the Chat Forms without the forms. Abbreviations used throughout these Listings:

SP=State Park, PK=Park, CG=Campground, FG=Fair Ground, RST=Resort

September 4-7

- 073 - Camp 'N' Dancers - Tri-State
- 085 - Mobile Squares - Tri-State
- 135 - Happy Hobos - Tri-State
Washington Co FG, Akron, CO

September 6-12

- 188 - Heartland Camping Squares
Fun Valley, South Fork, CO



September 7 **Labor Day**

September 7-9

- C-187 - Northern Lights Squares
KOA, Sprague, ON



September 11 **Patriot Day**

September 11-12

- 036 - Fireside Squares
Roberts Creek CG, Pella, IA
- 080 - Gold Coast Camping Dancers
KOA, Okeechobee, FL
- 106 - Square Up Campers
Camp Swatara, Bethel, PA
- 184 - Heart of Ohio Traveling Sq
Rustic Knolls, Mr. Vernon, OH

September 11-13

- 001 - Garden State SD Campers
Otter Lake CG,
Marshalls Creek, PA
- 002 - Pine Tree
Vista Royale CG, Bancroft, WI
- 007 - Travel 'n Squares
Covenant Hills CG, Otisville, MI
- 010 - Pioneer
Vista Royale CG, Bancroft, MI

- 012 - Twirlin' Travelers
Iowa County FG, Marengo, IA
- 018 - Sunshine State Pioneers
Guests of 093 - Blueberry Hill RV
Bushnell, FL
- 019 - Hawkeye Swingin' Wheels
Fisherman's Corner Rec Area
Hampton, IL
- 036 - Fireside Squares
Roberts Creek CG, Pella, IA
- C-067 - Bluewater Rolling Squares
Pt Glasgow Trailer PK, ON
- 068 - Wandering Wheels
St. Cloud CG, MN
- 076 - River Cities Travelin' Squares
Thomson Causeway, Thomson, IL
- 093 - Drift Around Squares
Blueberry Hill RV, Bushnell, FL
- 095 - Hobo Squares
Little Wall Lake, Jewell, IA
- 107 - Hoosier Swinging Squares
Circle-B CG, Angola, IN
- 108 - Southern Tier Wheelers
Camp Bell CG, Campbell, NY
- C-122 - Central Wheeling Squares
Milton Heights CG, Milton, ON
- 123 - Swing 'N' Travelers
Kentuckiana, Hopedale, IL
- 135 - Happy Hobos
Loveland RV Village, Loveland, CO
- 148 - Rolling Squares
Avoca CG, Avoca, IA
- 165 - Cross Trail Travelers
PA Dutch Outdoor World,
Lebanon, PA
- 173 - Railroaders
Quemahoning Rec PK, PA
- 180 - Spinning Wheels
Deno's Acres, Waterville, MIN
- 183 - Rainbow Squares
Big Bend, Standish, MI

September 12-13

080 - Gold Coast Camping Dancers
KOA, Okeechobee, FL

September 17-19

185 - Central RV Square Dancers
Adams Co FG, Hastings, NE

September 17-20

179 - Gateway Wagoneers
DuQuoin FG, IL

September 18

Rosh Hashanah

September 18-19

010 - Pioneer
St. James Retreat, Shawano, WI

060 - Flutter Wheelers
Fiscus Grove, Liscomb, IA

C-182 - Bluenose RV Squares
Elm River CG, Delbert, NS
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September 18-20

005 - Rollaways
Tri-Ponds Family, Allegan, MI

022 - PA Dancing Campers
Twin Stream CG, Morris, PA

C-025 - Swing 'N' Canadians
Pt Glasgow Trailer PK, ON

045 - Penn Dixie Sq Campers
Dogwood Acres CG, Newville, PA

C-046 - Swing' N Wheels
Forest FG, Forest, ON

050 - Travelighters
Blackhawk Valley, Rockford, IL

073 - Camp 'N' Dancers
Adams Co FG, Hastings, NE

C-112 - Horseshoe Sq 'N' Wheels
Green Acre Park, Waterloo, ON

113 - Dakota Ramblers
Lakeside Marina Comm Center
Jamestown, ND

128 - Square Wheels
Pacetti's Marina
Green Cove Springs, FL

C-130 - Lakeshore Rolling Squares
Shady Acres, Keene, ON

168 - Gypsy Squares
Pacetti's RV, St Augustine, FL

170 - Star City Squares
Adams Co FG, Hastings, NE



178 - Gypsy Twirlers
Country CG, Detroit Lakes, MN

181 - MontShire Campin' Squares
Hinsdale CG, Hinsdale, NH

C-182 - Bluenose RV Squares
Elm River CG, Delbert, NS

September 22-24

009 - Wild Rose Ramblers
Oelwein City PK, Oelwein, IA

September 25-26

082 - Hitch 'N' Go
Floridian RV Resort, St Cloud, FL

106 - Square Up Campers
Outdoor World, Dover, PA

152 - Campers & Dancers
Topsail Reserve SP
Santa Rosa Beach, FL

September 25-27

018 - Sunshine State Pioneers
Blueberry Hill RV, Bushnell, FL

135 - Happy Hobos
Loveland RV Village, Loveland, CO

C-187 - Northern Lights Squares
KOA, Sprague, ON

September 27

Yom Kippur



October 2-3

036 - Fireside Squares
Steve & Eileen Holmes, Pella, IA

152 - Campers & Dancers
Roaring Pine CG, Union Hill, AL

C-182 - Bluenose RV Squares
Lach Lomond, RR6, Amherst, NS

October 2-4

001 - Garden State SD Campers
Colonial Woods CG
Upper Black Eddy, PA

002 - Pine Tree
Country Roads RV PK
Lake Delton, WI

012 - Twirlin' Travelers
Pinicon Ridge PK, Central City, IA

019 - Hawkeye Swingin' Wheels
Amana Community PK
Middle Amana, IA

022 - PA Dancing Campers
Grange FG, Centre Hall, PA

036 - Fireside Squares
Homes Acreage, Pella, IA

October 2-4

068 - Wandering Wheels
Mpls SW KOA, Jordan, MN

070 - Penn York Campers
Spartansburg FG, PA

085 - Mobile Squares
Johnson's Corner, Loveland, CO

095 - Hobo Squares
Marion Co PK, Knoxville, IA

107 - Hoosier Swinging Squares
Elkhardt CG, IN

C-122 - Central Wheeling Squares
Milton Heights CG, Milton, ON

165 - Cross Trail Travelers
PA Dutch Outdoor World
Lebanon, PA

170 - Star City Squares
Rock Creek, Jantzen, NE

188 - Heartland Camping Squares
Rutladers Outpost, Osawatomie, KS

October 3-4

C-182 - Bluenose RV Squares
Loch Lomond, RR6, Amherst, NS

October 7-9

050 - Travelighters
Paradise PK, Garden Prairie, IL

October 8-10

060 - Flutter Wheelers
Smith Farm, Marshalltown, IA

October 9-10

123 - Swing 'N' Travelers
Knoxville Holiday Best, IL

184 - Heart of Ohio Traveling Squares
Back Forty CG, Rushsylvania, OH

October 9-11

005 - Rollaways
Preston's home, Dowagiac, MI

007 - Travel 'N' Squares
PJ's CG, Stockbridge, MI

076 - River Cities Travelin' Squares
Shady Creek, Montpelier, IA

125 - Superstition Square Wheelers
Lake Pleasant, AZ

148 - Rolling Squares
Victorian Acres, Nebraska City, NE

173 - Railroaders
Weimers CG, Altoona, PA

183 - Rainbow Squares
Campers Village, Presque Isle, MI

185 - Central RV Square Dancers
Brader Park, Chapman, NE

October 9-12

108 - Southern Tier Wheelers
Camp Bell CG, Campbell, NY

October 11-13

119 - Wander Yonders
Quadra Dangle Clubhouse,
Laramie, WY

October 12

**Columbus Day
Thanksgiving Day**
(Canada)



October 16-18

005 - Rollaways
Preston's Domain, Dowagiac, MI

C-112 - Horseshoe Squares 'N' Wheels
Green Acre Park, Waterloo, ON

153 - Strawberry Travelers
Blueberry Hill RV PK, Bushnell, FL

188 - Heartland Camping Squares
RayPec School, Peculair, MO
Missouri Festival

October 22-25

Florida State Camporee
Blueberry Hill RV RST, Bushnell, FL



October 31
Halloween

November 6-8

128 - Square Wheels
168 - Gypsy Squares
O'Leno State Park, High Springs, FL

November 11
**Veteran's Day
Remembrance Day**



November 12-15

125 - Superstition Square Wheelers
Catalina State Park, Tucson, AZ

November 13-14

- 152 - Campers & Dancers
Lake Lowndes State Park
Columbus, NS

November 13-15

- 018 - Sunshine State Pioneers
Travelers Rest RST
Dade City, FL
- 093 - Drift Around Squares
Wildness RV Park Estates
Silver Springs, FL

November 20-21

- 082 - Hitch-N-Go
Sanlan Ranch, Lakeland, FL

November 20-22

- 139 - Limonaders
143 - FL Wheelers
Olde Mill Stream, Umatilla, FL

November 26 **Thanksgiving Day** (USA)



December 4

- 068 - Wandering Wheels
Christmas Party,
United Methodist, Church
Crystal, MN

December 4-5

- 080 - Gold Coast Camping Dancers
KOA Okeechobee, FL

December 4-6

- 168 - Gypsy Squares
Ocala Sun RV Park, Ocala, FL

December 6

- 001 - Garden State SD Campers
Brownstone House, Patterson, NJ

December 11-13

- 153 - Strawberry Travelers
Theme World, Davenport, FL

December 12 **Hanukkah**



December 18-19

- 139 - Limonaders
143 - FL Wheelers
Lake Oklawaha, Fort McCoy, FL

December 25 **Christmas Day** **Boxing Day**



December 31 - January 3, 2010

- 082 - Hitch-N-Go
Olde Mill Stream, Umatilla, FL

Chapter and State Association Camporees

- September 4-5-6-7 TRI-STATE
Washington CO FG, Akron, CO
- September 11-12-13 WISCONSIN
Vista Royale CG, Bancroft, WI
- September 18-19-20 NEBRASKA
Hastings, NE
- October 22-23-24-25 FLORIDA
Blueberry Hill RV Resort
Bushnell, FL
- States and Provinces who are conducting Camporees -- please send in your dates & locations.

National Square Dance Conventions

- Louisville, KY - June 23-26, 2010
www.59nsdc.com
- Detroit, MI - June 22-25, 2011
www.60nsdc.com
- Spokane, WA - June 27-30, 2012
www.61nsdc.com

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- Halifax, NS - July 29-31, 2010
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