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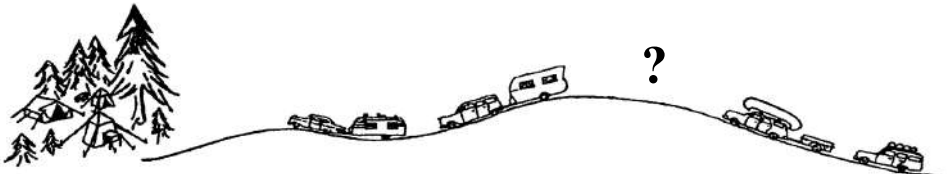


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John & Dolly Ide



This is a great time of year. If you're wondering why, well it's time to look ahead and plan for all the great times we're going to have this year. I remember when I used to work, January was the month when I planned all my trips and long weekends, taking advantage of holidays, sick days, vacation days and anything else I could manage. That left me with a full year of fun times to look forward to every month with the major attractions like a Camporee and other special events to anticipate. Most of our members are retired, so interference from work should not be an issue. So what's your excuse for not planning ahead for lots of your chapter campouts and definitely the Camporee in Lebanon, TN this year? It's centrally located for the eastern US and Ontario, and has no end of things to do and see.

Just a reminder, we're all getting older, including you and your square dancing friends. We recently attended a thank-you luncheon for Florida Chapter #082, the Hitch-N-Go Squares, who have been together for almost 50 years. It was sad to think of these close friends giving up on such a great activity as square dancing, but that's totally understandable since most of them, for various reasons, are not able to participate anymore. Nonetheless, it was wonderful to see everyone come together. They're still good friends and our friendships shouldn't fade away just because someone doesn't dance anymore. I want to encourage everyone not to give up your chapters and let friendships fade. As long as there are a few dancers, you can maintain your chapter and charter. Just keep up the campouts with maybe one or two very easy basic tips that most can do, then you can follow that with a lot of campfire time and a great deal of fun sharing memories of wonderful times together. Remember what we've said so many times in the past: square dancing is friendship set to music. Just because your legs don't move as they used to, two out of the three important aspects of square dancing are still there; friendship and music can be enough to keep you together.

At this time, it's only a few months away from our 65th International NSDCA Camporee. You don't want to miss this because the host team is doing a super job putting this together. Special trail-in and trail-out

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Ruth & “Ozzie” Chuck Osborn



Pray everyone has had a Blessed Winter & safe travels. We are so very thankful for the Square Dance Family we have and look forward to the ones we have yet to meet. As we write this, we are going through a “chilly” spell in Florida, but warmer weather is coming! We had a great time at the Florida State Convention.

Please check the email addresses on file for your Chapter contacts as we are still coming up with errors. It would be great if ALL Chapters had an email address, even if said address belongs to another member of your Chapter. Please also verify our Membership Secretary has your current address. If you are having your mail forwarded, please be sure to send your temporary address to our Membership Secretary to ensure you get your issue of the *TIMES*.

We are saddened to hear some of our Chapters have still not renewed their memberships. If you have not received your 2023 membership card, please check with your Chapter’s membership person. We appreciate life gets in the way and things get missed. If you unfortunately belong to a Chapter deciding to fold, your membership with NSDCA is not over; you still have options. You can join another Chapter or you can become a Member-At-Large (MAL—Chapter 000). Please contact the Membership Secretary or any Board member with any questions. This is a membership-driven organization, which means we cannot continue to do what we do without YOU.

We would like to continue to thank Mary and Dave Bruun for serving as the National Board Secretary for many years and for being such wonderful support to us on the Board. Their terms on the National Board are coming to the close in July 2023. Nominees are welcome to submit their profiles to the Board, and information about this process is on the Website under “Forms.” We welcome Tricia & Neal Chartier (#002, Pine Tree, WI) as a Nominee for the Board of Directors. Their biographical information is listed on page 33 in this issue.

We encourage all Chapters to support the PULL-TAB project as a fun way for all Chapters to compete for a great cause. There will be an additional prize for the Chapter which donates the largest volume of TABS at the 65th Camporee, although monetary donations will also be appreciated.

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David & Mary Bruun



If you haven't already done so, it's time to register for the 2023 Camporee at the James E. Ward Ag Center in Lebanon, Tennessee. Chapter 198 is hosting this year and has been working very hard for you to enjoy the three-day event with dancing, crafts, games and sharing a good ole time hoedown. BUT WAIT!! They are hosting two special dances for you all to enjoy: one with Wilson County Grand Squares with Ken Burke on Sunday July 9th and one on Saturday July 15th with the Barnlofters Squares with Ted Kennedy calling and Susan Wolford cueing. See pages 2 and 59 for more information on these great dances.

We are still needing anyone that hasn't renewed their membership to do so as soon as possible, as this will be your last *TIMES* otherwise. At this time, there are a few chapters that haven't done so. PLEASE let Kathy Nickel know the status of your club. We hate to lose members, but we all know we are getting older and some just can't dance or camp anymore.

Knowledge regarding your Election of Officers is very important for both Kathy Nickel (Membership Secretary) and Ken Shacter (*TIMES* Editor). Your Election of Officers form is kept in your Chapter file and forwarded to these two very important staff members. So please check out the NSDCA website under forms/officer election and send them to the NSDCA at P. O. Box 628433, Middleton, WI 53562-8433.

At the present time Neil & Tricia Chartier from Chapter 002 (Pine Tree, WI) have agreed to accept a position on the BOARD. THANK YOU for stepping forward. We can always accept nominations from the floor at our regular meeting. With the Bruuns fulfilling their second 4-year position, a new BOARD member is needed.

NEEDED: A host for the 2024 International Camporee. Contact John Ide or any member of the Board.

We hope if you are in the South you have enjoyed the warmer weather and dancing; if you're in the north, that warmer weather is coming. Wishing you all a Happy Easter, safe travels, and hope to dance with you soon.

Mary & Dave Bruun



Susan & Don Wolford



South Florida is slowly recovering from Hurricane Ian. Really nice that all the stop signs and most of the street name signs have been put back up. So glad to see all the debris picked up from neighborhoods and main roads. Just a few weeks ago we got our roof replaced and are slowly getting all other repairs made. Don worked very hard at removing the downed palm trees and now he's working on planting new palm trees. Such is the cycle of life we live in.

So glad to see each and every Chapter renewal that has been sent in. If you haven't sent in the renewals for your Chapter, please do so now.

Each time your Chapter changes / elects new officers, don't forget to send a completed "Elected Officers of Chapter" form, found on the nsdca.org website under the menu tab "Forms & FAQ," then click on "Forms." Some Chapters have State Federation organizations where they send the names of their officers but, please, also mail it to the NSDCA Office, Middleton, Wisconsin address which is on the form.

Have you made your registration for the Camporee in Lebanon, TN? The hosts are planning a fun time for us. It helps the hosting committee to get the registrations early so that they can know how many to plan for. You can come early and dance with some of the local Tennessee clubs, The Wilson Country Grand Squares and Crossfire Campers are having a Trail In dance on July 9th. This is not part of the Camporee, but will be a lot of fun of dancing and making new friends and you can settle into your campsite early. Enjoy a dance on July 10th of all callers and cuers, *AFTER* enjoying the (potluck) Chuckwagon meal on Monday. After the Camporee, you can get tickets for "A Night at the Grand Ole Opry" for Friday, July 14th by contacting Ron Imus (see page 24 for details). A day later, on Saturday, stay for more local Tennessee clubs, the Barnlofters and Crossfire Campers, who are hosting a Trail Out dance on Saturday, July 15th. This is not a part of the Camporee, but a fun time to dance. Bring your Hawaiian outfit for a Rock-A-Hula Dance.

Do you have books you've read and you won't read again? Bring them to the Camporee in Lebanon for a book exchange. Swap your books for ones you haven't read.

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Kathy Nickel Membership Secretary



Hi! We made it through the holidays and now we are getting our snow and cold weather here in Wisconsin. But that means spring is just around the corner, so it makes it more bearable. I hope that everyone took time to enjoy their holidays and spend time with family and friends.

Our Membership Renewal timeframe was December 31st. We still have a few Chapters that have not submitted their dues. For your 2024 dues, please try to get your renewals in before the end of 2023 as we have to provide membership numbers in early January for our insurance. It is hard to get good numbers when not everyone has submitted their renewals. Hopefully, by the time everyone gets this, I should have all the renewals processed. A big *Thank You* to everyone for getting in your renewals. Also, if I could have each of the Chapters submit an updated officer information form, I would like to get that information up to date. I think there are some that are outdated with members that may not be with their club any longer. I have had a good year being your Membership Secretary and I feel that I am getting to know a lot of you and getting to know the process a little more every day. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions or updates that you need processed.

I would like to extend an invite to all of you to come to our Wisconsin State Square and Round Dance this summer on August 11—13, 2023. Tom and I are the General Chairman, and we know that you will have a great time. Our theme is the Fifties, and our slogan is “Let the Good Times Roll in 2023”. We are working to show everyone a good time. You can find more information on our website <http://wisquaredanceconvention.org/>. Wisconsin in August is a beautiful time. Grab your Poodle Skirts and Saddle Shoes and we hope to see you there. Next year, 2024, Wisconsin will be hosting the 73rd National Square and Round Dance Convention in Milwaukee, and Tom and I are the Vice Chairman of RV and Camping. Hope to see a lot of you there.

Happy Camping and Dancing!

Kathy Nickel,
NSDCA Membership Secretary

State & Area Representatives' Reports

Illinois State Representative

Greetings from Illinois!

While it's cold and snowy the day of this writing by the time you read this presumably we'll be seeing more springlike weather. One thing for sure, the Illinois Snowbirds are getting ready (perhaps reluctantly) to head home and those who stayed in state for the winter are getting ready to get the RV out of storage, cleaned up, and ready to go. No matter which group we belong to, all are looking forward to summer camping in Illinois and perhaps elsewhere too. We have lots to look forward to: Chapter campouts, the State Camporee (June 16-18) and of course the International NSDCA Camporee - "Hoedown Time in Tennessee 2023" July 11,12, 13. You're welcome to attend the Illinois State Camporee and of course we hope you'll be attending the NSDCA event.

Wishing all SAFE TRAVELS.

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

Florida State Representative

Sunshine State Pioneers (#018) and Hitch-N-Go Squares (#082) are still meeting socially. In November, Square Wheels (#128) attended the Northeast Florida Square and Round Dance Association's *Fall Festival* in Jacksonville and in early December held their annual Christmas campout in Silver Springs (a new venue for them as the old campground was taken over by new owners who are catering more to selling lots than weekend visitors). In January, #128 attended the Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention in DeLand, camping out at the Volusia County Fairgrounds where the Convention was held. Strawberry Travelers (#153) camped and danced at Red Oak in Bushnell in December, celebrating their 35th anniversary as affiliated with the NSDCA. The Florida Roadrunner Squares (#193) unfortunately had to cancel their November and December events, but did have their January campout at the Highlands Hammock State Park in Sebring.

That's all folks!

Mary & John Burzo

Michigan State Representative

Hello from Michigan to all of our square dancing camping friends. I don't have much news to share as it is cold with some snow on the ground. Due to the 'beautiful weather' in Michigan there is no camping currently.

Chapter #121 (Northwood Stompers) is working on the Michigan

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NSDCA Publicity Director

I am somewhat confused; if everything is slowing down a little in these winter months, then why are we so busy? It seems like more and more things are piling up this month. Maybe it's because we are stuck inside more than normal.

Everyone in Square Dancing seems to think that we are declining in numbers, and there is some evidence of that. However, this year's Square Dance classes in our local winter areas are showing large increases in people taking the lessons.

In our RV park we have about 16 people taking the classes, and another park close by has almost three squares of new people. I have heard of other areas teaching large numbers of new students also.

A lot of this increase is because of more advertising and the use of social media. Flyers in local businesses and word of mouth at some of the other places where dancers intermingle with people gets others interested. Wearing your name badges to and from the dance gets people asking about square dancing.

Social media is a simple way to get others involved. It provides a simple manner to share photos, movies and script about the great times you can have with your favorite dancing group.

Another way is to have demo dances where you can actually get some new ones to join in Allemande Lefts and Dosados. Get them smiling and maybe you can get them to try it for real.

Many people are growing tired of being restricted in the activities they can do as a group. This desire to get out and have some fun in a new way could also be impacting our growing numbers. But, we must be aggressive in reaching these people before they discover some other activity. Our particular pastime of square dancing have great advantages: safe, no smoking, no alcohol, family-friendly and good exercise in an low impact way.

One of our local callers talked a couple into coming by, not stressing the dancing part, but by stating that it was "Directed Walking to Music". They bit and are taking classes right now and having a great time.

The numbers at National events are showing growth since our shut down years. This will show up in Lebanon, TN when you arrive in July for the next NSDCA International Camporee. Please sign up now and make your plans for travel soon.

Maybe we should get our editor of these *TIMES* to add a section on "We tried this and it worked great!" We can always use good ideas from other chapters to help our chapter grow. [Editor note: see page 57.]

Keep the word about the NSDCA out there.

Bill Baker, grandebill@grics.net

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dances, a trip to the Grand Old Opry, and much more. For those of you who like Cracker Barrel restaurants along the way, did you know that Lebanon boasts the corporate home of Cracker Barrel?

With this year's Camporee coming up fast, it also means that it's time for our annual meeting. Mary and Dave Bruun have been Secretaries for over 8 years and per the Charter must relinquish their seat on the Board. We're fortunate to have Neal and Tricia Chartier agree to be nominated, and if elected, serve on the Board. You can read all about them elsewhere in this issue. In addition to the Board, there are many opportunities to help with the NSDCA. At this time, we still don't have a location or host group for next year. Talk it over with some of your friends and see if you couldn't get a group together to host the next Camporee. Anyone or any group can do the job. Maybe you could just suggest a location that you like. Any help will be graciously welcomed.

Lastly, we hope to see you and dance with you somewhere this year. We love to travel and may, just maybe, find our way to one of your chapter campouts.

Dolly & John

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The 65th Camporee is well on its way. We urge everyone to send in their registration forms as soon as possible to assist in making sure there is enough of everything. We are focusing on a great time to get together and socialize as well as dance. Coffee & Conversation is planned every morning and campfires every night, weather permitting.

We look forward to seeing you across the Square & Campfire soon.

Ozzie & Ruth Osborn, VP2NSDCA@gmail.com

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Have you "corralled" your stuffed animals yet? Grab them before they get away. Bring them to the Camporee. There will be an emergency drive for these stuffed animals that will be donated to a local organization to be available when disasters occur.

We danced with our Chapter in December and had a fun time with our Christmas Santa Gift Exchange. The Strawberry Travelers have two callers now so we enjoyed dancing to both of them for the weekend. A potluck was included, of course! As of this writing, we're looking forward to our February Chapter campout.

Hope to see you in Lebanon, Tennessee in July.

Don & Susan



002 Pine Tree; Wisconsin

Up here in Wisconsin we have our campouts planned for the year. We are just waiting for warmer weather and looking forward to camping season already. We camp from May - September then it starts to get brisk. We do enjoy the trees turning colors in the fall.

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014 Blackhawk Crosstrailers; Illinois



It's a bit brisk here in the Midwest with snow and chilly temps, but we are thinking about the camping season just around the corner. Crosstrailers will be meeting in April for a Pizza Ranch potluck to kick off our season. May will find us at the Pecatonica fairgrounds, June in Henry Illinois for the state, July at Pilgrims Park for great camping and also seeing Mary Poppins at the Fireside Dinner Theater. August takes us to Blackhawk Valley in New Milford, and September will wrap up the camping at the Thomson Causeway on the Mississippi River. We are looking forward to campfires, dancing and seeing all our dear friends. Please join us if you are near our campouts; we welcome you!

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

031 Badger Rovers; Wisconsin

Hello from Wisconsin where camping is done for 2022 and the 2023 season starts around April. Our first Badger Rover campout is in May. We have a winter meeting that will be done by the time this goes to print

to get the excitement brewing for the upcoming season.

My recently retired husband and myself were lucky enough to exit Wisconsin for most of the cold January and attend the Florida State Square and Round Dance convention - here we danced in DeLand, Florida with many NSDCA members. We also registered for the International Camporee in Lebanon – we cannot wait to attend another Camporee. Yeehaw – love the Nashville area!

While in Florida we also registered a fellow NSDCA member, Brian Ziegler, for our Wisconsin state square/round dance convention.

Looking forward to warmer days and another successful camping/square dance season!

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

106 Square Up Campers; Pennsylvania

Square Up Camper member Michael Gelinas is a man of many talents. His musical abilities are one of them. He was an integral part of our morning church service at our campout at Twin Bridges. After a very meaningful message from fellow camper Pat Donnelly, he led us in a touching gospel hymn sing. Michael has been interested in music due to the influence of his second grade teachers



in Catholic school. The nuns first taught him “Michael Row the Boat Ashore” and his interest in music began. He likens singing and playing guitar to praying, keeping him close to the Lord. His interests are varied from hymns to rock, folk and bluegrass. He has been part of a contemporary and a gospel band. Square Dancing since 1979, as a youth he camped and danced with his family enjoying music around their campfires. Pictured is Michael strumming his guitar for his 7-year-old grandnephew Landon at our campout at Shady Oaks. Landon loves accompanying his favorite uncle! Come and visit the Square Ups some weekend!

Kathy Engel; kathye@kuhncom.net

116 Camping Squares; Kansas

It’s cold here in Kansas, but we’ve been having some fun winter parties this year – Christmas, New Year’s, Valentine’s Day, and St. Patrick’s Day! We’re looking forward to the end of the cold and getting back into camping season!

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We’re having our annual Hobo Stew Dance and Campout Thursday, April 27 through Sunday, April 30. The dance has been changed to Sunday, April 30 this year from 4:30 – 7:00 p.m. with Kelly Kennedy calling. It should be fun – join us if you can!

May 11th – 14th we have a campout at Sand Hills State Park at Hutchinson, KS and will be dancing with the State Fair Promenaders of Hutchinson at Burrton, KS.

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

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

119 Wander Yonders; Wyoming

Our members all hope that you had a Very Merry Christmas and happy holidays. This new year has brought us more snow than usual (not complaining, as we really need the moisture), but it does limit our travels to square dance clubs in our area. Need I say that lots of dances have been canceled. Bummer! Can’t wait for warmer weather and we can get our campers out and get them ready for camping and dancing!!!

Our Christmas Party was held at *Dave’s Dancing Acres* in Cheyenne, WY on December 20th. We were excited to see the 20 members who were able to attend. As a Club we decided to donate to the Foster Families in Cheyenne. Their greatest need is diapers, and we donated \$400 to that cause. As usual, lots of wonderful holiday food enjoyed by all.

The officers for the new year are: Leo & Diana Fergel – President; Tom Matson – Vice-President; Rhonda Bueschler – Secretary; Sharon Matson – Treasury; and Nell Coffey – Historian. They are willing to serve us another year.

We will have a potluck meeting on January 28 to finalize the calendar for 2023. Details will be in a future issue of the *TIMES* and posted on the NSDCA website.

Club contact: Leo or Diana Fergel at Lfergel@bresnan.net or 303-635-7312.

Nell Coffey; 303-823-6096

123 Swing N Traveler’s; Illinois

After our last campout for the year in October, our square dancing camping family splits into smaller parts. Some travel south to several locations, some stay in the local area and some take trips and excursions to other places in the world.

The southern travelers usually go back to their normal winter homes;

many have units that they use every year if possible. The south Texas group gets together each month to dine out, chat about what's happening and to keep track of all the various and sundry health issues that we all seem to be sharing. The northern group also finds the time to meet for the same reasons, we may also receive a nice email "catch up" note on a monthly basis about how things are going around the group.

I spoke at the top about the camping family and after reviewing for this article, it really struck me that although we didn't all grow up in the same house or with the same parents, over time, with shared interests, we have become a family. During the winter months, it is more difficult to keep up with all the events happening to our family but we still work to keep that connection.

Since this is a light news period, I would like to take the time to talk about some great people that we lost in the last year. First in my mind is Herb Edwards, our club caller. Herb was such an easy-going guy with a constant smile on his face. He and his wife Pat drove their Class C camper all over to bring us the music and calls that we enjoyed dancing to. Plus, he made some super homemade wine!

Another of our losses last year was Lloyd Schumacher. Lloyd and his wife Patsy pulled a small pop-up camper to our meetings. Lloyd was an engineer at heart, he made several additions to the standard equipment to make camping better. Another friendly guy, when Patsy could no longer dance, Lloyd would dance with any other unattached lady. He was always having a good time at our get-togethers.

One other thought that popped into my head was the difference in what used to be important to our age group. When we were younger, we looked for neater cars, nicer houses, more adventure and what we thought of as 'better stuff.' Now, I think most of us want closer families, better health, safer living conditions, and we do worry less about owning 'better stuff.' High maintenance used to be fancy dinners, faster cars and bigger houses; now it looks like pacemakers, new knees and hips, doctor and hospital visits. Oh, I forgot pills, lots of pills and lotions.

I am thankful that we discovered square dancing when we did because it is keeping us more active and there is joy in adding the camping aspect because that adds a new family of friends to enjoy life with.

Bill Baker; grandebill@grics.net

128 Square Wheels; Florida

Greetings fellow dancing campers!

Our December camp out was at the Springs RV Resort, a place we never had visited previously. The route coming in to the campsites was just a little perilous; the man in the golf cart leading us to our spaces had to remove stop signs along the way to accommodate our wide turns, but the campsites themselves were ample. The dance hall was spacious and

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the campground owners were kind enough to accept our Passport America rates for over the weekend; not all camp grounds do.



Because our cuer's husband had surgery on the day our weekend began, club member Susan Snider agreed to step in as our round dance cuer. Three cheers for Susan! We had 26 couples attend for all or part of the weekend. We began the afternoon on Friday with a craft activity presented by Gail LaRue; it was amazingly cute, with ribbons, plastic plates, small buckets with lids and sprigs of Christmas flowers and mistletoe. We created cookie containers that we could give away with filled with our home made cookie gifts (that is if you are generous!) I intend to keep mine because it adds to my holiday decor. Thank you Gail!! Following our brown bag dinner, our most excellent caller, Bill Chesnut and cuer, Susan Snider, led us through our steps with holiday music. Bill called one very funny (and appropriate) song: "Stretchy Pants." Club members Mark Fetzer and Bill Cassidy also took turns calling. I may be exaggerating a bit, but it seemed that a dozen couples took to the round dance floor at the height of the evening. Saturday morning began with a \$5 breakfast sponsored by the campground. It was varied, generous, and delicious. After that was free time. Several members played tourist and went to the Appleton Museum, which was just a mile away and was free that weekend. It had various displays including a Dickens Christmas village, artifacts from ancient Egypt and the Far East, a 'Beauty and the Beast' display, as well as intricate origami; I was so glad that we went.

Saturday afternoon, Ron, Linda and Gene Imus cooked the main dish of our Christmas pot luck dinner. Most of us would have enjoyed stretchy pants after that! Thank you so much to the Imus family! Dancing Saturday night was beautiful as always. And then, the moment we all look forward to: the gift exchange! The gift exchange began a little slow-

ly as no one took anyone else's gifts, but finally the action began! Someone brought a set of lights for the toilet which were a total hit! Club president Tim Hill got and lost maybe four different light and flashlight sets, Mark Fetzer constantly had his gifts stolen, Sherry MacGregor tried hard to keep a warm holiday wrap, and as always, wine stayed popular for gifting and stealing. You had to be there to experience it; I am grinning just writing about it.

A few members of the Square Wheels attended the Florida State Convention at the Volusia County Fairgrounds in DeLand. This was a new venue for this event and it seemed that it was well received by the participants. The camping situation was adequate. The sites were very convenient to the dance halls, specialty halls and the vendors. On Thursday at the Trail End Dance there were 20 squares on the dance floor. There were also four circles of round dancers. This year there was a special dinner/disco dance with a live band on Friday evening. Saturday the skits were very creative and well received by the audience. A couple from our group ended up at the wrong camping location 18 miles away, but good news, the state convention is going to be at the same place next year.

On a serious note, many of our group are dealing with significant health issues; I won't name them because of their privacy and because I am afraid of leaving out anyone. Please keep in your prayers the sick as well as those who have passed away from our dancing community.

Laura Ramsey, Secretary; ramseydp@comcast.net

152 Campers & Dancers; Alabama

Campers & Dancers wrapped up the 2022 camping season at Roaring Pines RV Park in Somerville, AL in November. We danced to Wayne Mahatney, enjoyed a pot luck supper and breakfast on Saturday morning and stayed close to the fire in the pavilion. It was a chilly weekend!

The Chapter reelected our current officers to serve another term for 2023:

Presidents – Jan and John Bloodworth
Vice Presidents – Paula and Larry Boone
Secretary – Martha and Hank Sweetman
Treasurer – Cil and George Herndon

A full year of campouts have been planned for 2023, starting with the March campout at Roaring Pines on March 16-18. Complete details for each campout can be found in the Chapter Campouts section of the *TIMES* or online at nsdca.org. Come join us at a future campout if you are able to. We would love to have you!

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153 Strawberry Travelers; Florida

A belated "Berry" Happy New Year to all you dancers and campers!

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The last NSDCA Chats was written waaaaay back in October of 2022 – WOW! – that seems like ages ago. The Strawberry Travelers had our Christmas campout at Red Oaks RV Resort in Eustis. Our hosts for the weekend were Bob & Laura Boucher. It was a grand and festive weekend that began with cookies under the club tent on Friday afternoon, followed by eating out at the Mexican restaurant just a short walk up the road from where we were camped and then much “prancing and dancing” squares, rounds and lines to fun and festive music to the gentle cooing and cuing of Susan Wolford and the glorious calling of Charlie Pergrossi and Mike Gormley. What talented and fun cuer and callers we are blessed to have!

Saturday morning began with a bountiful breakfast of pancakes, sausage, coffee, and of course, Florida Orange Juice prepared by Stu Hall, Steve Rogers, and Bill Dees, along with a breakfast casserole provided by Bev Henry to cover those with gluten-free needs (we try to be accommodating). Our business meeting followed the bountiful breakfast – that’s one way to get the members there – feed them! We had a new couple, Don & Carol Graber, come join us for the weekend and had such a good time prancing, dancing and visiting with them. We welcome them as new Associate Members of 153 and look forward to getting to know them even better!

Saturday evening was our Christmas dinner with turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy provided by our club officers and covered dish sides brought by club members and several guests that also came to join us for our Saturday evening dinner, dance, and “Sneaky Santa” gift exchange game that has become part of our Christmas Camp tradition.

Some members of our club attended the New Year’s Eve Dance at Strawberry Square in Plant City. I heard it was wonderful calling and cuing and a lot of FUN! There were a couple of our members who camped at a state park and attended Mike Gormley’s New Year’s Eve Dance in Sebring, FL. It was cozy and small with some great calling by Ed Richey and Mike Gormley and even a few cues as well, courtesy of Mike.

Our most recent club campout was scheduled for February 10-12, 2023 at Red Oaks RV Resort in Bushnell. Originally, this was planned at another venue; however, due to a conflict with the RV park hall schedule we had to make an almost last-minute change. As of the publication of this NSDCA Chat, the campout will have already taken place and hopefully all went well and a good time will have been enjoyed by all!

Our last campout for the season (we don't camp during the summer off because several of us take off then) will be April 14-16, 2023 at Cedar Key RV Resort, Cedar Key. See the *Campouts* section or the NSDCA webpage for details.

Trucy Rogers; trucyrogers@gmail.com; 863-537-1386

C-175 Riverside Gypsy Squares; Ontario, Canada

It is the last day of 2022. The Gypsies have enjoyed a full camping season for the first time in two years! We were able to camp and dance each month from May to September. We enjoyed some special events such as tours of the local Mill and the historical building in Delta, Ontario as well as some special meals together. We had fresh strawberries, a corn boil, and delicious stews and desserts. Thanks to our callers, cuer, and also the line dance leader we were able to dance two different times each week-end.

We have already set our dates for the 2023 weekends and are also looking forward to our Mid-Winter dance the last weekend in February. Our dancers come from a wide geographic area and this dance gives us a chance to get together and catch up with everyone's news, and more importantly enjoy the chance to dance together.

Wishing all of you a Happy New Year and a great camping year.

Mary Anne Reinhard; mareinhard1@outlook.com; 613 838 5781

193 Florida RoadRunner Squares; Florida

Hello everyone! We hope you are all excited to begin a new year of camping and dancing. We finished off our 2022 season with an awesome campout in September and then enjoyed two awesome events in October. Our 2022 Hurricane season got off to an early start in September with Ian (one of Florida's worst ever) so when Hurricane Nicole headed our way in November, we expected the worst. Campgrounds in the projected path canceled and we all hunkered down for the worst. Nicole came in near Vero Beach on Friday, Nov. 10, just a Category 1 (but still doing considerable damage at the coast), swept across the state and then north to Georgia. By Saturday she was gone from our area and the weather was beautiful, but our camping weekend had been canceled. 😞

Then came December, and we were feeling very bad about the brutal cold weather that all our friends up north were having to endure. Our Christmas campout was set to go when early in the week we got a call from our December campground (different than the November campground) to cancel our reservations as many of their snowbirds were arriving earlier than usual this year due to the extreme cold weather up north. Sadly, no December campout for us this year. 😞😞

At last, our campout in January was on! 🥰🥰🥰 Highlands Hammock State Park in Sebring, FL was awesome AND freezing

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‘COLD’ (for Floridians anyway).

“HOW COLD WAS IT?” you ask. Well, this is John holding the water from our bird bath!! (→) Actually, we took that picture in December as it got really cold down here too!

We were blessed to have Berthe Simons and Yves Chenier (↓) of the Riverside Gypsy Squares (#C-175) from Canada camp with us also. Not sure, but they just might have brought their cold weather with them! They were lots of fun and a delight to have



with us. We had three squares dancing, lots of folks round dancing, nice warm campfires, cards, games, even some of our members willing to brave the cold to cook breakfast outside under our canopy on Saturday. Later for dinner we all enjoyed a delicious HoBo Stew with lots of fixings and goodies.

As I am writing this, we are getting ready for our February campout in Bushnell, FL, along with the Strawberry Travelers (#153). I just love it when we can get groups together for a larger gathering to enjoy the great cueing and calling by our fabulous NSDCA callers and cuers! March will take us back to Highlands Hammock State Park in Sebring, where we always have an awesome time camping and dancing, and hopefully no cold weather this time! Plus, there happens to be a nearby diner that serves giant Banana Splits. Yummy! And great way to end a weekend!

Since you are reading this in early March, give us a call and join us for a great weekend: March 9, 10, 11 & 12th if you happen to be nearby.

So as always... “We hope to see you all in a square somewhere!”

Dolly Ide; dloutz9504@outlook.com; 352-598-7162

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

It is a snowy day in Indiana as I prepare this article for the *TIMES*.

2022 was a great year for our group and we are definitely looking forward to our 2023 season.

I would like to share our activities from our last two camp outings in 2022. Our October outing was to the Parke County Covered Bridge Festival at Rockville, IN. This is a repeat location for us and one of our favorites. It is particularly fun in the fall when the leaves are in full color and the harvest is underway in the countryside. The tours of the various small-town festivals and many covered bridges are especially scenic. For a number of years the town of Mecca and square dance caller Gaylord Shull held a square dance during the Covered Bridge Festival at the covered bridge in Mecca. That tradition ended in the early 80s. The Wabash Valley Wheel-a-Rounds, with the help of caller Janet Lewis and the local Historical Society, brought back that tradition this year. We held a dance on Sunday afternoon and it was a great success. Many of the locals and visitors got up and formed squares with our experienced dancers. Square dancing got a real boost that day! To make the day even more special we had the pleasure of having Gaylord Shull's daughter with us; Kathy is on the right in the picture in the front with the dark shirt on. We will be doing this dance again in 2023 so come join us if you can. We also enjoyed a meal at a local "biker bar" in Rockville with a very unique décor and great food. If you are ever in Mecca, IN don't miss the dinner plate size breaded tenderloins at the original 1800s tavern in the center of the town – delicious! One of our members also found some persimmon pulp that I made into some good cookies and muffins. I am looking forward to getting more next year!



To close out the year several of our group attended the Indiana State Convention at French Lick, IN. It was very well organized and a good

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time was had by all. We were also fortunate to add another new member couple, Don and Carol Graber from Ohio, to our group recently. We now have three states represented in our group. Welcome Don and Carol!

We will be posting our schedule for 2023 in this newsletter and also on the NSDCA website. You will be welcomed if you can share a campfire outing with us. May God bless all our NSDCA groups in 2023 with good health and good times!

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

198 Crossfire Campers; Tennessee

Hoping everyone has had a great winter. Several of us have traveled to warmer climates and are working our way back homeward.

We are working on a campout in late April to coincide with the Council of East Tennessee Dance.

We are working on the 65th National Square Dance Campers Association Camporee in Lebanon, TN July 11-13, 2023. We will be cohosting with Wilson County Grand Squares a Special Trail In Dance on Sunday, July 9th. Monday, July 10th we will have the official Trail In Dance, which is “red nose” themed. During the Camporee we will kick off every morning with “Coffee & Conversation” followed by games, crafts and



2023 Camporee display at the Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention

RV workshops. The afternoons will feature dance workshops and nightly dances. Friday includes a night “Excursion to the Grand Ole Opry” with bus transportation to the Opry and back (see page 24 for details). Saturday night will include a Trail Out Dance we are cohosting with The Barnlofters in Hermitage. All Square Dancers are welcome and a camper is not required to join us.

Look forward to seeing you across the Square and Campfire.

Ozzie (Chuck) & Ruth Osborn; CrossfireCampers198@gmail.com;
518-859-0734

Beware of Scammers!

Recently I’ve received several emails that have slipped by the spam filters that were obviously not from the identified sender. These emails are couched in language that sounds as if the sender knows me, of course either asking for help/money or providing a hyperlink to a supposed photo I would be interested in viewing.

Of course all of these were either attempts at fishing for personal information or to redirect my browser to a website that would more than likely download a virus, trojan horse or keyboard tracker.

Most email programs allow you to see the actual email address that sent the message if you hold your cursor over the name of the sender. Recognize, however, that spammers are clever, and can spoof an address close to what you are expecting or use a different return address (one that is usually not shown in most email programs). Even if the email address is valid, this could mean that the user’s account was hijacked and any response will go to the spammer and not the intended recipient.

Scammers also use phone calls or text messages to lure their prey. You should never feel pressured to give information (such as your credit card number or account password) over the phone or via text, especially if the call/text was unexpected. Scammers may try to use calls, texts, and emails to impersonate your bank, credit card or utility’s customer service. If you’re ever unsure, it’s safest to end the call/chat and reach out directly to customer support through the entities’ website or phone number (as listed on the bank or billing statement or credit card).

You should also never pay over the phone unless you absolutely know who you are dealing with. The company should already know your payment information, and reputable companies do not accept gift cards (or “verification cards” as some scammers call them) for payment or products or services over the phone.

Also be wary of false urgency. Scammers may try to create a sense of urgency to persuade you to do what they’re asking. Be wary any time someone tries to convince you that you must act now.

If responding to a friend or family member’s plea for help, double (and triple) check with an independent third-party before sending money or credit card information. Scammers can pose as grandchildren or police (who have supposed custody of the grandchild) to extort money and other personal information. Again, do not provide any information over the phone.

Lastly, be wary when you use websites. It can be challenging to differentiate a faked company website from a genuine one, but the site’s Uniform Resource Locator (URL), the information you type in after <http://www> is usually the key. Any company that collects private information from their customers use the “https” protocol, which encrypts the data being transmitted to them. Also ensure the URL is what is listed on the credit card or billing statement you received from the company.

Grand Ole Opry Excursion

Welcome Square Dancers!

We are booked at the Grand Ole Opry for the 7 p.m. show on Friday, July 14, 2023. This is the Friday *after* the 65th Camporee. The cost is \$103.67 (single) or \$207.34 (per couple). This price includes round trip bus to the Opry and back. I was able to reserve great seats in section 6. The Opry has not yet posted who is going to be there on July 14th, but I'll have more details after January.

Make checks payable to Ronald Imus and send your payment to:

Ronald Imus
8560 SW 90th Street Unit C
Ocala, FL 34481
574-370-9169
Rlius46@aol.com



Please include your mailing address, a contact phone number and your email address. Also denote how many tickets you are requesting. If you are going to the Opry and would like to sit with fellow dancers, one person in your group will need to email me a list of names in your group. I would like to get your order as soon as possible, but I will need your payment no later than June 1, 2023.

The cancellation policy: The last day to cancel is June 1, 2023 with a full refund; after that day there will be no refund, but I will help you try to sell your tickets to someone else.

I will report updates in a future email and in the *TIMES*. We have a 56 passenger bus we need to fill. As of Feb 1, 2023, there are 25 seats left on the bus. If you know anyone that may want to attend, have them text me at 574-370-9169 or email at Rlius46@aol.com with their name, phone number, email and how many tickets they want. If you have any questions please text or email me and I will get back to you.



Ronald Imus, Opry
coordinator



From the Desk of the 65th Chair

Your 65th Camporee Committees have been working to bring you a GREAT Camporee. We have included our Tentative Schedule for the Camporee to assist you in planning your time in Lebanon; see page 26. We are planning a lot of community services during the 65th Camporee, including Corraling Stuffed Animals, The Red Nose Program, a Book Exchange, Military Appreciation and more. We can always use more volunteers to assist with these endeavors.

While we are a Square Dance Camping group, our time together is so much more. We heard there should be more time for Fellowship and welcoming new folks. We planned a (potluck) Chuck Wagon “Meet & Greet” on Monday afternoon, with hot dogs and Cowboy Chili supplied.

Our Official Trail In Dance is free to ribbon wearers with a \$5/person fee for non-ribbon wearers. This will be a proud supporter of the Red Nose Program (noses will be provided), a campaign with the mission to end child poverty by funding programs that keep children safe, healthy, educated and empowered. All proceeds from this dance will be donated to a local food pantry.

On Tuesday through Thursday mornings we are planning a “Coffee & Conversation” Fellowship hour for the early risers. It’s much more fun planning and exploring with friends. There will also be “Sports & Crafts” each morning. Tuesday’s craft will include beaded bandanas and participants are asked to bring a bandana and scissors. Thursday will be a T-shirt craft, so bring a couple of old T-shirts to try some new ideas.

During the Camporee we are currently planning two dance halls at night with square, round and line dancing. We are planning for Dance Workshops Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. We need our Callers and Cuers to register and sign up to assist.

We feel our Veterans should be acknowledged and thanked for their service as often as possible. While we appreciate some do not wish to share, we would like to hear from our Veterans with their service branch, and the years and/or the locations they served. A little something special is planned.

We will be rounding up stuffed animals for the SAFE program (Stuffed Animals For Emergencies) which will be donated to a local Emergency Management Agency. We will have a Book Exchange table, where you donate some previously read books and pick up new ones; any leftovers will be donated to a local thrift shop. We will be having RV Workshops and we would like to know what kinds of information you would like to have presented (e.g., repairs, modifications, etc.).

We are wondering if a couple of Chapters would be interested in helping host the 8 a.m.—9 a.m. morning coffee on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. This would be a great way to start the day and extend our

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Fellowship. Please let us know if you are interested.

We are working on a Honey Wagon Service (for an additional fee in cash or check) Wednesday, but we need to know who is interested in this service. There are two dump stations located on the premises. If you want to park your rigs together with friends, we strongly encourage you to arrive together. We will do our best to accommodate all. Most of our sites are on pavement with electric and water. We do recommend bringing a water splitter, as some water will be shared. If you would prefer a grassed site, please let us know. There are a limited number of these available which are a further distance from the dance hall. If you wish to arrive before Sunday or stay after Saturday, please let us know so we can coordinate with the AG Center.

Ozzie & Ruth Osborn (65thNSDCACamporee@gmail.com)

**TENTATIVE SCHEDULE - 65th NSDCA CAMPOREE at
the JAMES E. WARD AG CENTER in LEBANON, TN on JULY 11-13, 2023**

SUNDAY JULY 9

4-5 PM Camporee Staff Meeting (Wine & Cheese Pot Luck)
6:30-9:30 PM A SPECIAL Trail In Dance On Site w/ Squares & Rounds \$8/P (\$)

MONDAY JULY 10

2-3 PM Staff Meeting
3-4 PM NSDCA Board of Directors Meeting
4:30-6:30 PM "Chuck Wagon" Pot Luck/Meet & Greet – BYOB (Beverage)
7-9 PM Trail In Dance (Red Nose Dance Theme)
9:30-???? Campfire (weather permitting) (WP)

TUES JULY 11

8-9 AM Coffee & Conversation
9-10 AM Sports
10-11 AM Crafts
11-Noon RV Workshop
1-2 PM NSDCA Chapter Rep Meeting
2-4 PM Dance Workshops
4-5 PM Golf/Bingo
6:15 PM Parade Line-up
6:30 PM Grand March/Opening Ceremony
7-9 PM Dance
9-9:30 PM After Party – 65th Team
9:30-???? Campfire (WP)

THURS JULY 14

8-9 AM Coffee & Conversation
9-10 AM Sports
10-11 AM Crafts
NOON Pizza lunch BYOB (Beverage)
1-4 PM Annual NSDCA Membership Meeting
7-9 PM Dance
9-9:30 PM After Party – Awards
9:30-???? Campfire (WP)

SAT JULY 15

6:30-9 PM SPECIAL Trail Out Dance W/ Squares & Rounds \$8/P (\$) ~ 1/2 hr drive
9:30-???? Possible Campfire (WP) if interest

WED JULY 12

8-9 AM Coffee & Conversation
9-10 AM Sports
10-11 AM Crafts
11-NOON RV Workshop
TBA Honey Wagon (\$\$)
2-4 PM Dance Workshops
4-5 PM Golf/Bingo

7-9 PM Dance
9-9:30 PM After Party
9:30-???? Campfire (WP)

FRI JULY 15

?? PM Excursion– Bus Trip
7 PM Grand Ole Opry (\$\$\$)

The Lowdown on the 72nd NSDC Campgrounds around Mobile, AL

(obtained from <https://www.72nsdc.com/campgrounds-in-mobile/>)

The information below was obtained from the NSDC website identified above.

Eagle Point Campground: 7970 Bellingrath Road, Mobile, AL
www.paynesrvpark.com; 251-653-1034

I would give this campground a 4 out of 5 rating. It is a rural area about 15 miles (~18 minutes) from the convention center. The campsites are level but gravel instead of concrete. All sites have full hookups. The grounds are clean and well maintained. There is a small recreation room available and two covered pavilions. The staff is exceptionally nice and accommodating.

I-10 Campground: 6430 Theodore Dawes Road, Theodore, AL
I-10kamp.com; 251-653-9816 (\$45/night)

It is located about ½ mile off exit 13 on I-10 about 15 miles west of convention center. There are 10 nice sites at the front of the park for short term rentals. The sites are level with concrete pads and full hookups. The staff is very nice and helpful. I would rate this campground 4 out of 5.

All About Relaxing: 8950 Three Notch Road, Theodore, AL
www.allaboutrelaxingrv.com; 251-375-0661 (\$60/night)

This is a small and very modern, beautifully landscaped campground. It is gated with concrete pads, covered pavilion and swimming pool. The campsites are close together. A maximum of 15 sites could be available. I give this campground a rating of 5 out of 5.

Homestead RV Park: 10550 Pioneer Road, Theodore, AL
Ed@homeRVC.com, www.HomeRVC.com; 251-973-2484 (Ed Bridgeman)
Brand new campground with nice level sites but NO TREES. Full hookups; 40'×80' & 20'×70' concrete pads. About a 20 minute drive.

Live Oak Landing: 8700 Live Oak Road, Stockton Way, Bay Minette, AL
Liveoakalabama.com; 251-800-7464

This is a county owned park, and the campground is new. All 26 sites are level with full hookups. It is in a remote area, ~35 min from the venue. It's new and quiet, but there's no shade. It is about 15 minutes from the closest stores. Hiking trails and fishing. If you like a quiet remote campground this works for you. I'd give it a 4.5/5.

Historical Blakeley State Park Campground: ~20 minutes/5 miles north of I-10 on Hwy 225, Spanish Fort, AL
www.blakeleypark.com; 251-626-0798

All gravel roads and gravel campsite; in the woods in a historical park. 28 total sites, all large pull through, sites with full hookups. If you like CAMPING in the woods this is great.



and the FUN continues...

There were only 20 entries this time (of which 19 were correct) identifying the location of the lost campers for the Winter issue's contest. Dwaine and Bert Dunn of (yet again!) the Swing-N-Travelers, Chapter 123 (IL), were randomly chosen by the computer as the winners of this contest. Congratulation Dwaine and Bert; your 2023 NSDCA membership fee will be waived. I received several clever comments with submissions:

Jim Sebesta (#045, Penn-Dixie Square Campers, PA) provided, "(In regards to it's location) all I have to say is it's a good thing it's 'Hoedown Time In Lebanon, Tennessee 2023.'" If it was "sHoedown Time ..." then Howie and Bev would be goners for sure.

Marjorie Tudor (#121, Northwoods Stompers, MI) said, "Looks like they have finally made it to the 65th International NSDCA Camporee in Lebanon, TN on the registration page. They have a bead on the cattle roper doing some high steppin' dancing' with his dressed-to-the-hilt

Chapter name	chapter #	Entrant
Rollaways (MI)	005	Wayne & Joan Adams
Blackhawk Crosstrailers (IL)	014	Cherie Arch Marie Berridge Sally Foley
Illiana Square Wheelers (IL/IN)	044	Larina Sanders
Penn-Dixie Square Campers (PA)	045	Jim Sebesta
Square-Up Campers (PA)	106	Michael Gelinis
Camping Squares of Kansas (KS)	116	Marty & Frank Golden
Northwoods Stompers (MI)	121	Marjorie Tudor
Swing 'N' Travelers (IL)	123	Al & Charlene Fahsbender Barry & Joy Vlad Bill Baker Chet & Janet Bowman Dave & Mary Bruun Dwaine & Bert Dunn Jim & Sharon Waller John & Carol Scher Norma Schertz Ron & Sue Mayer
Strawberry Travelers (FL)	153	Susan Wolford

partner on the very top left of (not numbered) page 30. Have fun Howie and Bev!”

Our winners, Dwaine & Bert Dunn (#123, Swing-N-Travelers, IL) provided, “They had better get moving because it looks like they are about to get stepped on by the man spinning the rope making the heart over the girl.”

Michael Gelinis (#106, Square-Up Campers, PA) commented, “These guys were really lost this time! It took me a while to locate them! I did find them on page 30 in the upper left hand corner of the page. They’re in such a hurry to fill out the 65th International NSDCA Camporee application that they are about to be crushed beneath the foot of the cowboy throwing the lasso. It’s a heart shaped lasso, so maybe he’s just lending them a helping tug into the correct line to start the application.”

Connie Goodman (#198, Crossfire Campers, TN) wrote, “From the direction the camper is facing and the proximity to the Lebanon banner, it appears to be around Nashville heading down I-40 toward Lebanon. I think they may make it in time for the Camporee!”

Sue & Ron Mayer (#123 Swing-n-Travelers, IL) provided, “You have put the lost camper in danger of being stomped flat by the cowboy roping his dancing partner. Is this possible for a poor lost camper?”

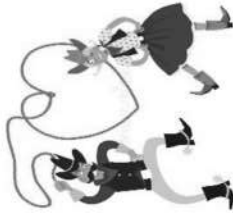
In spite of our good luck locating Howie & Bev this time (they need a better navigator!), once again they have gone astray. Recall they are in the middle of the caravan with the slide-in trailer (see the Summer 2019 issue for background on the caravan and images of each traveler). Please see if you can locate them in this issue and give them directions to the 2023 Camporee in Lebanon, TN.

Remember we’ll have a special recognition and award at the July 2023 Camporee at Lebanon, TN for the chapter with the most entries. Let’s see if a chapter can best the reigning champs! Good luck!

You can’t win if you don’t enter (but in order to win you must be a member in good standing). This is *your* newsletter! Send your answer either via: 1) email to NSDCAtimes@gmail.com or 2) by regular mail to **Ken Shacter, 5418 Weller Place, Jacksonville, FL 32211-6965** (either method to arrive no later than April 30) . Please provide the page number *and* where on the page our wayward campers are located. Simply providing something like “on the bottom of page 2” is insufficient; however, if you write something clever like the contributors listed earlier did, it gives a good indication you have properly located our lost campers, and you may get your answer published!

As a reminder, be sure to include your Chapter’s number and name, regardless of the way you choose to communicate. Thank you.





IT'S HOE DOWN TIME IN TN

65th ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL NSDCA CAMPOREE

JAMES E. WARD AG CTR, 945 BADDOUR PKWY, LEBANON, TN 37087

July 11, 12, 13, 2023: Camporee Events



NSDCA Membership # _____
NON-Member - (Requires added \$ _____)

Information for PARKING by LEADER
ARRIVAL 07 _____ 2023 DEPARTURE _____

STATE _____ CHAPTER # _____
ELECTRIC: 30 Amp _____

Length of Rig _____ ft. No. of _____

Adult Name #1 (Please Print) _____

Adult Name #2 (Please Print) _____

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

HYPERLINK FOR ON-LINE FORM:

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1st Round Dance Interest (*Check Dance Interests*)
Ice _____ Round Dance _____ Line Dance _____
Stream _____ Phase II _____ Lines _____
2-3 _____ Phase III _____ Contra _____
4-5 _____ Phase IV/ V _____ Partner _____
Teen Dance Program _____
Workshop _____ MS Workshop _____
GAMES (*Check interests*)
M _____ F _____ Washer Toss _____ M _____ F _____
M _____ F _____ Urban Golf _____ M _____ F _____
M _____ F _____ Other _____
ests Male _____ Female _____ Youth _____
Maintenance Workshop _____

Cuer Participation (Due by April 1)
Square Dance _____ Round Dance _____
Mainstream _____ Phase II _____
Plus _____ Phase III _____

City _____ State/Province & Zip/ Postal _____

_____ A-1 _____ Phase IV
_____ A-2 _____ Phase V
_____ Youth/Teen Dance Program _____ Other _____

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

Caller Name _____

Availability (circle) _____ M T W Th F

Email address _____

Cuer Name _____

Availability (circle) _____ M T W Th F

Emergency Contact Name _____

Phone # _____

Lines Instructor _____

Availability (circle) _____ M T W Th F

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

Youth Name _____ Age _____ M F _____ Youth Name _____ Age _____ M F _____

Adult Name _____

Adult Name _____

NSDCA Camporee Fees: 3 Days...\$150 2 Days...\$125 1 Day...\$90 (ALL FEES IN US FUNDS ONLY)

Please Check which days you will be camping: (Extra Days Campsite Fees \$20 per day) NonCampers \$90

Sun 9th _____ Mon 10th _____ Tues 11th _____ Wed 12th _____ Thu 13th _____ Fri 14th _____ Sat 15th _____

Unit with only one person (check): _____ Deduct \$45; Extra adults # _____ \$45each; Non NSDCA \$20.00

Registration \$ _____ Extra Fees \$ _____ Add'l Days \$ _____ Total Fees \$ _____

If you would like your ribbons sent to you with your mailed confirmation, please include a self-addressed, stamped business (#10) envelope with your registration. Refunds are available with a written request.

Send check or money order payable in US Funds to "65th NSDCA Camporee" to:

Ann Sharland, P.O.Box 157, New Tazewell, TN 37824

For more info, contact Ozzie or Ruth Osborn, (518-859-0734, 518-669-3337) 65thnsdcacamporee@gmail.com

NOTES FROM YOUR EDITOR



Spring may be nigh, but the National Weather Service reports that during the current winter, La Niña (which is returning for its third consecutive winter) typically brings above-average precipitation and colder-than-average temperatures along the U.S. northern tier, and below-average precipitation and above-average temperatures across the South. So far, at least in the northeast corner of Florida where we reside, the weather has been quite odd: temperatures in the upper-70s/lower-80s one day and a few days later near freezing (or even below). Winter storms in the family stomping grounds of southern Maine have been particularly brutal, and there have been heavier than usual lake-effect snow in the Great Lakes area, bomb cyclones over the Midwest, and heavy rains along the Northeast. Adding to the complication of winter weather have been tornadoes and other weather extremes in the Deep South and flooding in the West. Averages may conform to the NWS predictions, but the daily impact is strongly felt. We hope everyone has been remaining safe and also remaining free of the triple-whammy disease-wise: the flu, RSV and COVID.

Our weekly brick and mortar square dance club has seen a swell in the number of new students this year. While it is still too early to determine how many will see their lessons through to the end and then continue dancing after that, this is a hopeful trend. The new students range from the twenties up through retirement age – so there is the possibility that some may join the ranks of square dance camping in the future.

I've served as the family photographer ever since my great-grandfather gave me his old Argus C3 camera. We've been preparing to celebrate my parents' 70th wedding anniversary, and my siblings asked me to go back through the slides, photos and digital images to compile a photo-montage that can be shown during their party. Among those photos are pictures taken when we square dance camped as a family in the 60s and 70s. While our group, the Weekend Warriors, was not part of the NSDCA (and I cannot tell you why), one thing I noticed was the large number of youths that were in attendance at the campouts. Whether this was because they were dragged along by their parents (or not), I do recall that the vast majority of them did participate in the squares, so perchance they also participated with their parents in the weekly square dance clubs like my siblings and I.

I am hopeful that the “youngsters” that are now taking lessons will one day catch the camping bug (if they already do not have it) and help sustain the viability of the NSDCA. I'm also hoping that some of the new students in my age cohort will consider camping and square dancing as a doubly enjoyable recreational activity, something that will certainly inevitably be brought to their attention by me and our brick and mortar caller,

who is also a member of the NSDCA.

Bill Baker, our NSDCA Publicity Chair, is always coming up with ideas to attract new dancers. His latest, “We tried this and it worked great!” has great potential; look for our first contribution on page 57 if you already have not found and read it.

As always, please feel free to submit your campout schedule (via the NSDCA website) irrespective of the *TIMES* deadline. The earlier you submit it, the sooner it will be posted to the NSDCA website for all to view and allow them to make plans. If there are changes to your schedule you can also accommodate these through the website, just be sure to denote (in the comment area) the newer entry is a change *from* which venue (or date) to the current one.

Candidates for NSDCA Board of Directors: Tricia & Neal Chartier

The Chartiers have been members of the Pine Tree Campers (#002, WI) since 1997. They’ve held (or are currently holding) leadership positions in the ‘brick & mortar’ and camping square dance organizations: president of the Pine Tree Campers (1999-2009 and 2016-present) and the Swingin’ Single Square Dance Club (current), as well as positions in business (president, Women’s Council of Realtors: Milwaukee Chapter and State Chapter; and treasurer, Women’s Council of Realtors: Milwaukee Chapter), in addition to being Queen of the *Udderly Adorable Cow Girls* (Red Hat) *Society* from 2008-present. The Chartiers have also been trustees at their church for the past five years.



Newsletter Delivery Woes!

I’m not sure why, but there were a large number of newsletters that, for one reason or another, did not make it to their intended destination. I’m not one that latches onto conspiracy theories, so I do not believe there is a cabal within the USPS that is intentionally thwarting delivery of the *TIMES* to its readers. That said, please recognize that we do not print a sufficient quantity of extra copies to fulfill requests for missing issues. We *do* want to know if you did not get your printed copy, for this allows us to pursue an investigation into the reason and hopefully get it remedied. If your copy of the *TIMES* happens to show up damaged (one reader indicated they only received the outer cover this last issue) or goes AWOL entirely, please let me know (via email) and then either borrow a fellow chapter member’s copy or view a copy on the NSDCA website (where we have back issues dating to September, 2009). We apologize for any issues you may have in receiving your copy of the *TIMES*, and are doing our best (within our capabilities) to ensure these problems are identified and fixed.

Chapter Campouts

The following listings are believed to be accurate. The starting date of the event is Friday unless otherwise noted. Due to potential disruption of group activities because of possible COVID-19 restrictions, campouts or other listed events may have been cancelled due to local conditions. Always check the NSDCA website for the most up-to-date information, and please check with the noted contact(s) to confirm the status of the event before making your plans to attend. Thank you. (current as of 2023/02/01)

Thursday March 9 → 12

193 Roadrunner Squares: Florida

Highlands Hammock State Park

5931 Hammock Rd, Sebring, FL; 772-577-3882

RR weekends begin w/ Early Bird Thursday & end w/ Breakfast Sunday.

Sites are pre-registered. Call John Ide at 352-208-5980 for available sites.

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

Thursday March 16 → 18

152 Campers & Dancers: Alabama

Roaring Pines Campground

83 Roaring Pines Rd. Somerville, AL

George Herndon; 334-740-0649

March 17 → 18

128 Square Wheels: Florida

Red Oaks RV Park

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

Make your own reservation.

Rally rate \$30/night

Tim Hill 352-205-0596 or Angela Brown 352-408-5721

Thursday April 6 → 9

193 Roadrunner Squares: Florida

Wekiva Falls RV Resort

30700 River Road, Sorrento, FL; 352-268-9556 or 352-383-8055

RR Weekends begin w/ Early Bird Thursday & end w/ Sunday Breakfast.

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

April 14 → 15

128 Square Wheels: Florida

Stephen Foster Cultural Center State Park

11016 Lillian Saunders Dr. Hwy 41, White Springs, FL; 800-326-3521/386-397-4331

Make your own reservation. This is a state park; they do not hold sites for us. Rate \$20/

night (\$10 for FL seniors) + \$7/night electricity and a one-time reservation fee of \$6.70.

Tim Hill 352-205-0596 or Angela Brown 352-408-5721

152 Campers & Dancers: Alabama

Pine Mountain RV Resort

8804 Hamilton Rd, Pine Mountain, GA; 706-663-4329

George Herndon; 334-740-0649

April 14 → 15

153 Strawberry Travelers: Florida

Cedar Key RV Resort

11980 SW Shiloh Rd, Cedar Key, FL; 352-543-5097

Call the campground in advance to make your reservation.

Trucy Rogers; 863-224-1991; trucy.rogers56@gmail.com

Sunday April 16 → 18

196 Wabash Valley Wheel Arouds: Illinois / Indiana / Ohio

Winton Woods Campground

615 Lakeview Drive, Cincinnati, OH; 513-851-2267

Wednesday April 26

014 Blackhawk Crosstrailers: Illinois

Roscoe Pizza Ranch Dinner Meeting

4797 Bluestem Road, Roscoe, IL

Spring Get-Together before camping begins!

Bob Asp; 815-262-9080

Thursday April 27 → May 01

116 Camping Squares of Kansas: Kansas

Lake Afton Campground (west side)

25513 West 39th St S, Goddard, KS;

Annual Hobo Stew Campout & Dance with Kelly Kennedy calling;

Dance changed to Sunday, April 30 from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Marty & Frank Golden; 316-943-4137; fmgolden9515@sbcglobal.net

Thursday April 27 → 29

123 Swing-N-Travelers: Illinois

Hickory Hill CampGround

973 CR 2250 E, Secor, IL; 309-744-2407

Call for Reservations by April 10th

Hosts: Bruuns and Wallers

Dance in Carlock on Friday the 28th

Bill Baker 309-696-1948

April 28 → 30

198 Crossfire Campers: Tennessee

Douglas Dam Tailwater Campground

829 River View Way; Kodiak; TN; 37764; 865-361-1522; garrett@camprrm.com

Please let us know if you can attend. Make camp RSVP online with campground. Current

rate \$33/night (\$24/night w/ senior disc) for water & electric. Council Dance @ SDI 4/29

7-9:30 pm by Donation (\$)

Liz Kennedy; 802-633-4395

May 5 → 7

106 Square-Up Campers: Pennsylvania

White Oak Campground

3156 White Oak Rd, Quarryville, PA; 717-687-6207

Kathy Engel; 717 532 5654

Thursday May 11 → 14

116 Camping Squares of Kansas: Kansas

Sand Hills State Park

4207 E 56th Ave, Hutchinson, KS; 316-542-3664

Mother's Day campout, dancing w/State Fair Promenaders of Hutchinson at Burrton, KS

Marty & Frank Golden; 316-943-4137; fmgolden9515@sbcglobal.net

Chapter Campouts—continued

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Thursday May 11 → 14

193 Roadrunner Squares: Florida

Hammondell Campsites And RV Park

5601 Cypress Gardens Rd, Winter Haven, FL; 863-324-5775

RR Weekends begin w/ Early Bird Thursday & end w/ Sunday Breakfast.

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

May 12 → 14

002 Pine Tree: Wisconsin

Happy Acres Kampground

22230 45th St, Bristol, WI; 262-857-7373

It's Veteran weekend so it's free if you are a veteran.

Tricia Chartier; 414-807-4083

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

Lower Beverley Lake Park

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

These are the campout dates but some dancers come Thursday and stay until Monday.

Helen MacCallum; 613-330-4873; helenmaccallum@sympatico.ca

Thursday May 18 → 20

152 Campers & Dancers: Alabama

Navarre Beach Camping Resort

9201 Navarre Parkway, Navarre, FL; 850-203-9850

Paula Boone; 205-529-2245

May 19 → 21

001 Garden State Square Dance Campers: New Jersey / Pennsylvania

Otter Lake Camp Resort

1639 Marshalls Creek Rd, East Stroudsburg, PA; 570-223-0123

Caller, Paul Ingis

Rena Durette/Diane Wilson; 631-903-0368; renadurette@hotmail.com

031 Badger Rovers: Wisconsin

Token Creek Campground

6200 US Hwy 51, Deforest, WI; 608-224-3730

David Lust; 608-289-7582

May 19 → 20

128 Square Wheels: Florida

Southern Oaks RV Resort

14140 SE Hwy 441, Summerfield, FL; 352-347-2550

Rally Rate \$34 (subject to change).

Must make your own reservations at campground.

Mary Chesnut; 352-475-2550, cell 352-214-5880; marynut4@gmail.com or Tim Hill;

352-205-0596; or Angela Brown; 352-408-5721

Monday May 22 → 24

196 Wabash Valley Wheel Arounds: Illinois / Indiana

Shipshewana Campground South

1105 S. Van Buren Street, Shipshewana, IN; 260-768-4669

May 26 → 29

014 Blackhawk Crosstrailers: Illinois

Pecatonica, IL Fairgrounds
500 West First St, Pecatonica, IL
Water and Sewer Hookups will be available.
Bob Asp; 815-262-9080

123 Swing-N-Travelers: Illinois

Marshall-Putnam Fairgrounds
915 University Ave, Henry, IL; 309-364-2814
No Reservations Needed
Hosts: Maffets, Mills, Bowmans
Dance on May 27th, Bill Baker and Don Seaman Calling
Bill Baker 309-696-1948

June 2 → 4

031 Badger Rovers: Wisconsin

Buffalo Lake Camping Resort
555 Lake Avenue, Montello, WI; 608-297-2915
David Lust; 608-289-7582

106 Square-Up Campers: Pennsylvania

Paradise Stream Family Campground
693 Paradise Stream Rd, Loysville, PA; 717-789-2117
Kathy Engel; 717-532-5654

June 9 → 11

001 Garden State Square Dance Campers: New Jersey / Pennsylvania

Appalachian RV Campground
60 Motel Dr., Shartlesville, PA; 877-570-2267 or 610-488-6319
Caller, Dave Black
Paul & Susan Schwarz; 610-996-7674; susanjaneschwarz@gmail.com

181 MontShire Campin' Squares: New Hampshire / Vermont

Horseshoe Acres Campground
1978 Weston-Andover Rd, Andover, VT; 802-875-2960
Caller: Don Bachelder
Cuer: Barbara Connelly
Norma Burns; njburns40@gmail.com

June 16 → 18

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

Lower Beverly Lake Park
146 Lower Beverly Lake Road, Delta, ON; 613-928-2881
These are the campout dates but some dancers come Thursday and stay until Monday.
Helen MacCallum; 613-330-4873; helenmaccallum@sympatico.ca

♥♥♥ Illinois State Camporee

Marshall-Putnam Fairgrounds
915 University Ave, Henry, IL; 309-364-2814
Callers: Lottie Buckbee, Tom Nickel, Bob Asp, Curt Braffet
Registration form at http://nsdca.org/camporeeFiles/2023_IL_State_Flyer.pdf
Liz Hand; lizhand92@yahoo.com

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June 16 → 19

123 Swing-N-Travelers: Illinois

Marshall-Putnam Fairgrounds
915 University Ave, Henry, IL;
Illinois NSDCA State Camporee
Hosts: Swing N Travelers #123
Callers: Lottie Buckbee, Tom Nickel, Bob Asp, Curt Braffet
Bill Baker 309-696-1948

June 23 → 25

002 Pine Tree: Wisconsin

Cliffside Park Campgrounds
7320 Michna Rd, Caledonia, WI; 262-886-8440
Tricia Chartier; 414-807-4083

Sunday July 9

198 Crossfire Campers: Tennessee

Wilson County Expo Center
945 E Baddour Pkwy, Lebanon, TN; Building C
A Trail-In Dance to the 65th Camporee, Co-Host: Wilson County Grand Squares.
Pre-Rounds 6:30 Dance 7-9:30 P.M. Ken Burke calling/Diane Martin Hamilton cue-
ing; \$8/person
Mike Jones; 615-260-6235; MJones01@tds.net

Tuesday July 11 → 13

♥♥♥ 65th NSDCA International Camporee

James E. Ward Ag Center
945 E Baddour Pkwy, Lebanon, TN;
Registration page at <http://nsdca.org/camporees.php>
See the NSDCA website and other entries in this *TIMES* issue for details.

Saturday July 15

198 Crossfire Campers: Tennessee

Hermitage Presbyterian Church
421 Highland View Dr, Hermitage, TN 37076; 615-883-8944
A Trail-Out "Aloha" Dance from the 65th Camporee, Co-Host: The Barnlofters
Pre-Rounds 6:30 Dance 7-9 P.M. Ted Kennedy caller/Susan Wolford cuer; \$8/person
Hank Sweetman; 615-406-6917

Thursday July 20 → 22

♥♥♥ Michigan State Camporee

Covenant Hills Camp & Retreat
10359 E Farrand Rd, Otisville, MI; 810-631-4531
Gary Demand; 989-777-5697; gandedemand@aol.com

Thursday July 20 → 23

014 Blackhawk Crosstrailers: Illinois

Pilgrims Campground
W7271 County Rd C, Ft. Atkinson, WI; 920-563-8122
Corn Boil & Fireside Dinner Theatre
Mary Poppins - Thursday night, advance tickets necessary contact Bob Asp for further
information to sign up
Bob Asp; 815-262-9080

July 21 → 23

001 Garden State Square Dance Campers: New Jersey / Pennsylvania

Appalachian RV Campground

60 Motel Dr., Shartlesville, PA; 877-570-2267 or 610-488-6319

Caller, Bob Engel

Dennis Hunsberger/Jane Mastroliia; 732-406-1450; j.mastroliia@comcast.net

002 Pine Tree: Wisconsin

Pilgrims Campground

W7271 County Rd C, Ft. Atkinson, WI; 920-563-8122

Mary Poppins is playing at the Fireside. If you plan to attend we are going on Thursday evening. Call so we can get tickets together.

Tricia Chartier; 414-807-4083

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

Lower Beverly Lake Park

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

These are the campout dates but some dancers come Thursday and stay until Monday.

Helen MacCallum; 613-330-4873; helenmaccallum@sympatico.ca

Wednesday August 2 → 4

123 Swing-N-Travelers: Illinois

Arrowhead Acres

3315 Weldon Springs Rd, Clinton, IL; 217-935-8442

Call for Reservations by July 10th

Hosts: TBA

Dance on August 3rd at Lincoln with Ron Betzelburger

Bill Baker 309-696-1948

Thursday August 3 → 6

014 Blackhawk Crosstrailers: Illinois

Blackhawk Valley Campground

6540 Valley Trail Road, Rockford, IL; 815-874-9767

Bob Asp; 815-262-9080

August 4 → 6

106 Square-Up Campers: Pennsylvania

Ferryboat Campsites

32 Ferry Lane, Liverpool, PA; 717-444-3200

Kathy Engel; 717-532-5654

181 MontShire Campin' Squares: New Hampshire / Vermont

Horseshoe Acres Campground

1978 Weston-Andover Rd, Andover, VT; 802-875-2960

Registration fee INCLUDES campsite fee

NSDCA member: \$135, non-NSDCA member: \$140

Caller: Don Bachelder; Cuer: Barbara Connelly

Norma Burns; njburns40@gmail.com

August 11 → 13

001 Garden State Square Dance Campers: New Jersey / Pennsylvania

Appalachian RV Campground

60 Motel Dr., Shartlesville, PA; 877-570-2267 or 610-488-6319

Caller, Mark Franks

Ron/Pauline Vande Vrede; 973-343-3152; vandevrede@optonline.net

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Sunday August 13 → 15

196 Wabash Valley Wheel Arounds: Illinois / Indiana

Camp Nauvoo

1095 S Warsaw St, Nauvoo, IL; 217-453-9930

August 18 → 20

002 Pine Tree: Wisconsin

County View Campground

S110 W26400 Craig Ave., Mukwonago, WI; 262-662-3654

We will be square dancing during the day. Spring City has a dance that evening in Waukesha, WI

Tricia Chartier; 414-807-4083

August 18 → 19

128 Square Wheels: Florida

Wekiva Falls RV Resort

30700 River Road, Sorrento, FL; 352-268-9556 or 352-383-8055

- They accept PassPort America for up to 6 days. PPA rally rate will be updated next year but will be approximately \$35/day. You must call campground and pre-register with a deposit.
- Reservations must be made at least a week before to receive rally rate. If your RV is over 40' please call Tim Hill (below).
- Rental Cabins available.

Mary Chesnut; 352-475-2550, cell 352-214-5880; marynut4@gmail.com or Tim Hill; 352-205-0596; or Angela Brown; 352-408-5721

152 Campers & Dancers: Alabama

Noccalula Falls Campground

1500 Noccalula Rd, Gadsden, AL; 256-543-7412 or 256-549-4663

Kevin Cozad; 205-928-2618

August 18 → 20

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

Lower Beverly Lake Park

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

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Helen MacCallum; 613-330-4873; helenmaccallum@sympatico.ca

September 8 → 10

001 Garden State Square Dance Campers: New Jersey / Pennsylvania

Otter Lake Camp Resort

1639 Marshalls Creek Rd, East Stroudsburg, PA; 570-223-0123

Caller/cuer, Betsy & Roy Gotta

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

031 Badger Rovers: Wisconsin

Ledge County Park

N7403 Park Road Horicon, WI

David Lust; 608-289-7582

PLEASE BE SURE TO KEEP YOUR CHAPTER'S CAMPOUT SCHEDULE UPDATED. VISITORS AND GUESTS CAN'T FIND YOU IF YOU DON'T LET THEM KNOW WHERE YOU ARE. BESIDES HERE IN THE *TIMES*, THIS LISTING IS ALSO POSTED ON THE NSDCA WEBSITE (NSDCA.ORG) WHICH IS REGULARLY UPDATED WITH EVERY NEW ISSUE OF THE *TIMES*, AND IS ALSO UPDATED WHEN YOU SEND IN NEW OR REVISED CAMPOUT INFORMATION. PLEASE USE THE ONLINE CAMPOUT SCHEDULE FORM AT NSDCA.ORG.

106 Square-Up Campers: Pennsylvania

Shady Oaks Family Campground

40 Round Barn Rd, Newmanstown, PA; 717-949-3177

Kathy Engel; 717-532-5654

Wednesday September 13 → 15**123 Swing-N-Travelers: Illinois**

Kentuckiana Kampground

27585 Kentuckiana Rd, Mackinaw, IL; 309-449-3274

Call for Reservations by August 30th

Hosts: TBA

Dance on August 14th in Pekin with Curt Braffet

Bill Baker 309-696-1948

September 15 → 16**128 Square Wheels: Florida**

Blueberry Hill RV Resort

6233 Lowery St, Bushnell, FL; 352-793-4112

Rally Rate TBD.

Must make your own reservations at campground two weeks before rally.

Mary Chesnut; 352-475-2550, cell 352-214-5880; marynut4@gmail.com or Tim Hill;

352-205-0596; or Angela Brown; 352-408-5721

September 15 → 17**C-175 Riverside Gypsy Squares: New York / Ontario / Quebec**

Lower Beverly Lake Park

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

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Helen MacCallum; 613-330-4873; helenmaccallum@sympatico.ca

Thursday September 21 → 23**196 Wabash Valley Wheel Arounds: Illinois / Indiana**

Kamp Komfort

21408 North 600th East Road, Carlock, IL; 309-376-4411**September 22 → 24****002 Pine Tree: Wisconsin**

The Playful Goose Campground of the Horicon Marsh

2001 Main St, Horicon, WI; 920-485-4744

They have an indoor pool so bring your swimsuit.

Tricia Chartier; 414-807-4083

152 Campers & Dancers: Alabama

Yonah Mountain Campground

7618 Helen Hwy, Cleveland, GA; 706-865-6546

Susan Holzhausen; 770-601-4423

Thursday September 28 → October 1**014 Blackhawk Crosstrailers: Illinois**

Thomson Causeway

100 Lewis Avenue, Thomson, IL

Information will be provided to club members so we will be able to camp as a group.

Sally Foley 815-275-1567

September 29 → October 1**001 Garden State Square Dance Campers: New Jersey / Pennsylvania**

Cherry Ridge Campground

147 Camp Rd, Honesdale, PA 18431; 570-488-6654

Caller, Dane Bragg

Ron/Pauline Vande Vrede; 973-343-3152; vandevrede@optonline.net

WELCOME TO TENNESSEE (THE VOLUNTEER STATE) &
The 65th International Square Dance Camporee



Time In Lebanon, Tennessee 2023

James E. Ward Ag Ctr, 945 E Baddour Pkwy, Lebanon, TN 37087

July 11, 12, 13, 2023



Round Dancing



Square Dancing

Plenty of 30 & 50 Amp Sites without sewers. (Pre-Reg Honey Wagon service available,)
Many Local Hotels Available for Non-Campers

The Official Trail In Dance is "Red Nose" Themed on Monday, July 10th 7 to 9:00 pm

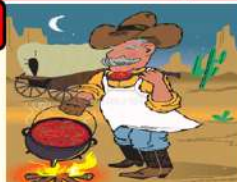


Corralling "Stuffed Animal For Emergency" Drive

Book Exchange



SWAP YOUR BOOKS



**Chuckwagon (Potluck)
Monday 4:00 p.m.**

Military Appreciation



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

**SPECIALS
INCLUDE:**

TRAIL IN DANCE Hosted by Wilson County Grand Squares and Crossfire Campers 198 at the James E Ward AG Center Sunday July 9, 2023 7 to 9:30 pm Pre-Rounds 6:30 pm \$8/p

A Night at the Grand Ole Opry Friday, July 14, 2023, Time TBA. Tickets are \$75/person & must be purchased in advance by contacting Ron Imus (574)370-9169

TRAIL OUT & Aloha Rock-A-Hula Dance Hosted by The Barnlofters & Crossfire Campers 198 at 421 Highland View Dr—Hermitage, TN Saturday—July 15, 2023 Pre-Rounds 6:30—Squares 7-9 \$8/p

Why not Explore & Enjoy...Fiddlers' Grove Historical Village, Museums, Trolley Tours, Antique Shops, Train & Show Boat Adventures, short drive to Nashville., Lots of History to discover

Hosted by:
Crossfire Campers 198
For More Info:
NSDCA.ORG

Contact: Ozzie & Ruth Osborn
65thNSDCACamporee@gmail.com
(518)859-0734
Facebook: 65th NSDCA Camporee



Registration form link www.wybatap.com/NSDCA_2023_convention_application.pdf

DON'T MISS THE CHANGES!



New "Single" Membership Fee

For a New Single Membership:

\$5.00

For a Renewal of a Single Membership

\$10.00



Cost of "Badges" Increase

NSDCA Membership Badges

Safety pin Attachment \$10.00

Magnet Attachment \$13.00



- Please use the new correct forms found on the **NSDCA.org** site.
- When renewing please submit your renewal to your chapter for processing.
- Members at Large (000) please send your renewal to the **NSDCA** Wisconsin address:

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

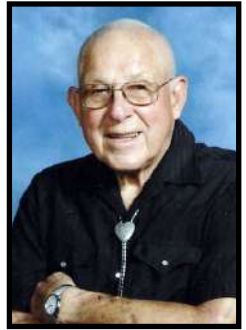
All changes are announced through our NSDCA E-Tree. (If you are not getting NSDCA announcements, please check with your chapter or area representative. All announcements are sent by email to them and should be forwarded on to each member. Be sure that they have your correct E-mail address or phone number.

STAY CONNECTED!

We Remember Our Friends

Lloyd W. Schumacher (#123, Swing N Travelers)

A caring and full-of-fun man is greatly being missed by each and every person at the campouts in Illinois with the passing of Lloyd Wayne Schumacher, 90, of Decatur, IL. Even after his wife Patsy was unable to dance, they still came to our campouts in their fold-down camper, with him coaxing each woman to dance with him. He put many of them at ease as they danced through each tip together; he was still dancing at age 89.



Lloyd passed away on September 3, 2022. He enjoyed gardening, camping in their fold-down, and square dancing with Patsy. For the last 10 years they spent their winters in South Texas. Swing N Travelers will miss his energetic ways and his willingness to help anyone in need.

Submitted by Bill Baker

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

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State Camporee and all of their summer camping events. The Michigan State Camporee will be held July 20, 21 and 22, 2023. The Camporee will feature square dancing workshops, round dancing workshops, nightly square and round dances, sports, crafts and potluck. A good time will be had by everyone attending. If you would like a registration form emailed to you, email me and I will gladly send it to you.

Michigan would like to think spring is right around the corner, but we still have a few months to wait. Hopefully soon it will start warming up a little bit and give us hope there is better weather ahead. May will kick off Chapter #121’s camping season. It can’t get here soon enough. Stay safe and stay well.

*Alberta & Gary Gunsell, Michigan State Representatives
989-666-4232, gunsell@lentel.com*

Pennsylvania State Representative

Pennsylvania dancing clubs are looking forward to spring and the beginning of our camping season. In the past five months our members have been keeping their dancing skills through traditional square dance clubs. A number of our members representing Square Up Campers

No-Bake Cream Cheese Cake Balls

Are you looking for a tasty treat to serve at afterparties? If so, this recipe may be just the one you've been waiting for!

Ingredients:

1 package Pillsbury Funfetti cake mix
8 oz softened Philadelphia Cream Cheese
4 squares of white almond bark



Courtesy of Marian Hatfield, #196



Steps:

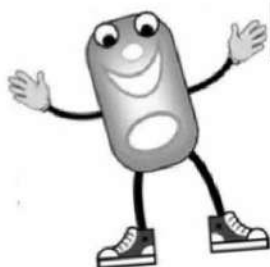
- 1) Using a mixer, combine the softened cream cheese with the dry Funfetti cake mix until thoroughly blended.
- 2) Form into about 24 balls (approximately 1 tablespoon/ball, making a generous 1-inch diameter ball).
- 3) Dip into melted white almond bark, draining excess from each ball.
- 4) Cool.

Keep the balls refrigerated until use.

Makes about 24 servings: ~115 calories/serving.

Total fat:	4 g	Total carbs:	18 g	Sugars:	11 g
Saturated fat:	2 g	Protein:	1 g	Dietary fiber:	0 g
Sodium:	187 mg	Potassium:	0 mg	Vitamin A:	0 %
Vitamin C:	0 %	Calcium:	5 %	Iron:	2 %

Above information is based on using Philadelphia Neufchatel Cream Cheese versus regular cream cheese.



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Park and Kathy Bierbower

Helpful Hints: RV Water Heater (part 3)

If you didn't find a supply issue using the steps listed in the first two columns (see part 1: Volume 60 Issue 3, Summer 2022 and part 2: Volume 61 Issue 1, Winter 2022), here are some more of the most common problems with an RV water heater and hopefully how to correct them.

An obvious place to check first is to ensure you have a supply of LP gas. Ensure the tank valve is open, and if you have a two-tank regulator, it is receiving gas from the proper tank. Also purge the gas line by lighting the gas cooktop. If you have LP, then proceed to the steps listed below.

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

Manual Valve Water Heater problem (non-DSI): the pilot remains on, but main burner won't light

- A. Make sure the valve is turned to the "ON" position (versus the "PILOT/STANDBY" position).
- B. Check for obstructions in the orifice; clean if needed as described in Part 2.
- C. If the pilot is lit but no gas flows from the valve when turned to the "ON" position, then the valve most likely needs to be replaced.

DSI water heater problem: Burner won't ignite (nothing happens when the switch is turned on inside the RV)

Check the fuse (usually located immediately adjacent to the voltage converter) to ensure 12 volts is reaching the control board. If the fuse is good, voltage can be interrupted by the thermostat or a high limit switch (which has a reset button).

- A. When 12 volts reaches the board (assuming the board is properly grounded), three things should happen:
 1. The board will send high voltage to the igniter.
 2. The board will send 12 volts to the gas valve.
 3. The board will sense if a flame is present and if so, continue sending 12 volts to the gas valve. If no flame is sensed, the board will shut power off to the gas valve and igniter.

If items 1 and / or 2 do not occur, check to see if the fuse on the control board is good (NOTE: not all control boards have a fuse). If the fuse is good, the board is more than likely defective and needs to be replaced. Most RV service centers have a circuit board tester that can check all three functions of the board; you could remove the control board from the heater and take it in for checking. A replacement board can either come from the original equipment vendor or a third party, such as provided by Dinosaur (<https://www.dinosaurelectronics.com/>).

Another issue may be the "thermal resistor" which is a heat-sensitive cutoff fuse, as described in part 1. You'll need to verify continuity of this device with a VOM. If a bug built a web in the flame tube and a backflash occurred, this thermal resistor will have opened, cutting power to the board (in order to pro-

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tect it). Corrosion on the contacts could also be an issue.

DSI water heater problem: Sparks appear at the igniter, but the burner won't ignite

- A. There may be no gas delivered from the control valve. Verify 12 volts is reaching the valve (using your VOM) and the valve is grounded. If 12 volts is present, try lightly tapping the valve as it may be stuck; if the valve is stuck or non-responsive, the valve most likely needs to be replaced.
- B. If the valve opens but there is no gas to burner, check for obstructions in the orifice.

DSI water heater: Burner ignites, but won't stay lit

- A. Check the wiring connections for the igniter; the signal that a flame is present may not be received by the control board.
- B. Ensure sure the igniter is centered in the flame and can "sense" the flame. Adjust its position if needed.
- C. If the igniter is dirty, clean the soot or corrosion off the igniter.

For both manual and DSI water heaters

Problem: Main burner "roars" excessively, causing soot to form around the exhaust port, or has a yellow flame

- A. Make sure the burner tube is free of obstructions like spider webs, wasp nests, etc. Clean as needed.
- B. The air / gas mixture is incorrect. Adjust the air following the manufacturer's instructions until the flame is blue in color. This is accomplished by adjusting a sleeve on the burner tube.

Electric Element

Many water heaters are "dual fuel" – meaning they an operate solely on LP gas, on 120 V shore power, or both simultaneously. The issues listed below pertain to operating the water heater on shore power and *not* using the LP.

Problem: There is no hot water when operating the water heater solely on electric energy

- A. Check to make sure 120 volts AC is supplied to the heating element; there should be a circuit breaker (like found in the panel at your house) inside the trailer in the same general location as the 12 V fuses. Voltage to the water heater can be interrupted by the thermostat or high limit switch, which has a reset button. Due to the location of the heating element (check your owner's manual) it is not recommended you use a VOM to verify electricity is reaching the element.
- B. With the power shut off (at the circuit breaker panel and with the remote power switch) and the wires disconnected from the element, check the element for resistance using a VOM. The correct resistance can be found in the owner's manual. If no resistance or extremely high resistance is measured, the element is bad and needs to be replaced.

NOTE: Make certain there is water in the water heater tank when operating on electric, as an un-submerged electric element will quickly burn up.

Here is a helpful video (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SJKz_Cohg5Y) outlining the different components of RV water heaters, what they do, and where they are located, along with maintenance and some additional RV water

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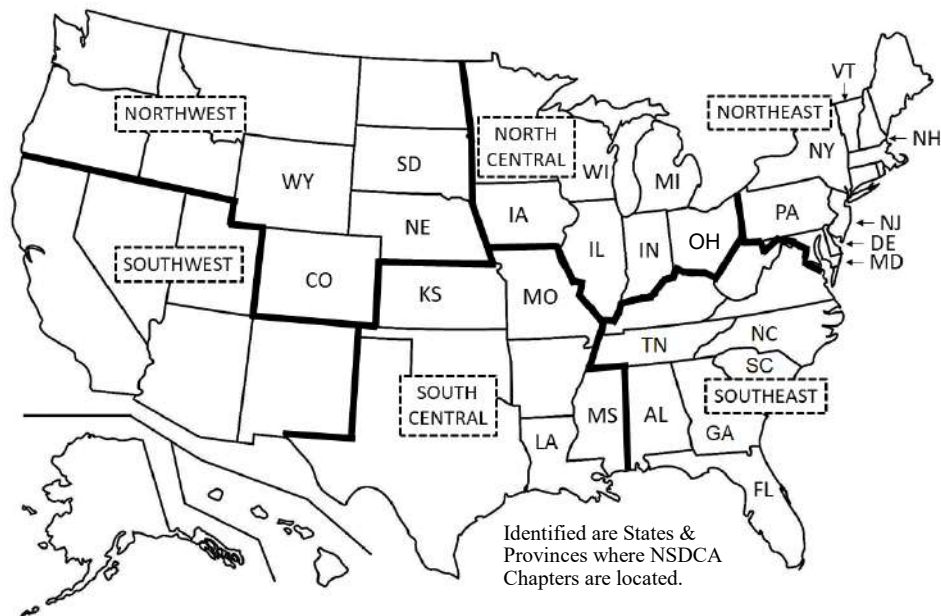
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“We tried this and it worked great!”

As mentioned by Bill Baker in his *Publicity* column, here is the first entry for sharing ideas to increase membership and participation in our campout dances. The Square Wheels (#128, FL) has occasionally had a drop-in couple join us on our weekend festivities. As they did not own an RV, one of the following was used for temporary housing:

- * Use a campground park model or cabin rental
- * Stay in camper with member (must be a large enough unit)
- * Stay in local motel

We also have attracted members of local brick & mortar clubs to attend, either by providing flyer information or getting one of the brick and mortar club members to provide information on our campout to club members via their newsletter.

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heater troubleshooting tips.

RV water heater trouble shooting can be easily and quickly performed with a little knowledge and basic tools. Hopefully the information you have learned will help you be more prepared.

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