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## June 30, July 1 & 2

### 63<sup>rd</sup> International NSDCA Camporee



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## John & Dolly Ide



Here we are only 20 days from the first day of Spring. I bet no matter what Punxsutawney Phil says, you are all ready to get past snow and ice and cold, ready to get the campers out of winter storage and hit the road for some great camping and dancing. We are as well, even though we can't say that we're tired of snow and ice here in Florida. Actually, winter is the best time for camping in Florida. Nonetheless, we're ready for some great camping and dancing with our great NSDCA members all across the country.

One special event we're looking forward to the last week in June is the International Camporee in Lebanon, TN, from June 29<sup>th</sup> to July 3<sup>rd</sup>. The really great opportunity this year is that it's so close to Nashville that we can do lots of sightseeing before the Camporee, then afterward on Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, attend the Grand Ole Opry with about 40 square dance camping friends. See the details elsewhere in this issue. Finally on Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, we can watch the greatest fireworks in the area right from our camper at the Lebanon Fairgrounds.

Don't you wish times and opportunities like this would always be available? They could be, but we need your help — everyone's help, to make it all happen. The sad part of volunteer organizations like the NSDCA is there just aren't enough volunteers. Everyone likes to participate in events and have a great time, but very few are willing to help make the great times a reality. We're asking our members, all of you, to help us bring future events together and ensure that the NSDCA will stay a strong and viable organization for years to come. Don't let square dancing, particularly combined with camping, become lost in history. Check out the opportunities elsewhere in this issue of the *TIMES* and consider stepping up to help.

One simple way to help that all chapters can participate in, is to let all of our members know how much fun you have on your weekends by submitting your Chapter "Campfire Chats". Along with that, send in your upcoming campout schedule to the *TIMES* editor to be included in the next *TIMES* and online at [www.NSDCA.org](http://www.NSDCA.org) so that as we all travel, we can plan to visit, camp and dance with your chapter. If you keep your activities a secret, you will most likely fade into obscurity. That's a reality.

Looking forward to dancing with you somewhere this year.

*Dolly & John*





## Tom & Pat Herscha



As we all gear up for springtime camping, it is also time to prepare for summer vacations. We would love to see everyone at the International Camporee this June 30-July 2 in Lebanon, TN. This site is only a short distance from Nashville where there are many sightseeing opportunities. One such opportunity is a visit to the “Grand Ole Opry” being arranged by Ron Imus from Chapter 128. Don’t wait too long to reserve your spot, because payment needs to be received by April 1<sup>st</sup>. If you would like to stay a few extra days there will be a fireworks display that we can watch right at the fairgrounds! The committees are all working hard to make this a wonderful time of dancing fun and fellowship.

Unlike Florida, where we camp all year round, many of our chapters winterize their rigs and do not camp until the Spring. We would love to know what great things you plan for 2020. What new activities are you planning? What will your chapter do to attract new members? Do members at your local square dance club know about the NSDCA? What you share with us may help another club too! We all need to hear fresh ideas.

As many have already heard, we will finish our term as your Vice Presidents at the end of the 2020 International Camporee. We have enjoyed our time on the Board but we know that a healthy organization needs to bring in new people with new ideas and a willingness to be a part of what makes this an exceptional organization. Please let us know if you would be interested in serving. It is not a difficult job, and it brings many rewards.

*Tom and Pat Herscha*



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## David & Mary Bruun



Winter here in South Texas has been more like what we have expected. We have had cool nights with nice sunny days and very little rain. At least there is no snow. Perfect! We are looking forward to getting back to Illinois and camping again with the Swing-N-Travelers, which will start in late April. We are planning to dance with our Illinois State Chapters in Pecatonica, IL where the Blackhawk Crosstrailers will be hosting at the Winnebago County Fairgrounds on June 5 - 7, 2020.

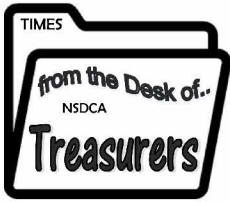
Our next BIG adventure will be traveling to Lebanon, TN for our 63<sup>rd</sup> International NSDCA Camporee (June 30, July 1-2) which the Board is hosting with the help from many volunteers from several different Chapters. If you haven't registered yet, we need to have you send it in as soon as possible (see pages 31 and 34 for the form). We know you will have a GREAT TIME as preparations are being made for three fun-filled days with dancing, crafts, games and of course the annual meeting.

Some things to REMEMBER: 1) send your "Chats around the Campfire" to the *TIMES* editor by the deadline (see the front inside cover); 2) remember that we are still taking late dues; 3) we still have the "new member promotional offer" available, with \$10 per couple/\$6 for a single, plus and a one-time fee of \$6 per badge (see page 52); and 4) use the forms on the NSDCA.org website to keep us up-to-date with respect to your Membership Renewals, Officer Elections, and most importantly, any Change of Address. Only by working together, can we become a stronger organization.

We are looking forward to seeing you all in Lebanon, TN at the Fairgrounds at the Wilson County Expo Center. Come be with us as we will be "ROARING INTO THE 20's".

*Dave & Mary Bruun*





## Tom & Kathy Nickel



Winter has settled in the north country; the ground is covered with snow. Snow shoveling has been a chore because the snow contains a lot of moisture. We have 140 feet of sidewalk, a two-car driveway, and a camper driveway which I keep clean because we use it to let people into our house for round dancing. It takes two of us about two hours to clean up. Our winter has been a little warmer than normal with highs in the thirties.

Lebanon awaits you for the Camporee on June 30<sup>th</sup>, July 1<sup>st</sup>, and July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020. The Board would like to see many of you there for a great time. The Board will be hosting and are planning a fantastic event with games, fellowship, and of course dancing and camping. The Board is looking for a chapter or chapters to host subsequent Camporees. It is lots of fun to host and show off your part of the USA or Canada. So please consider hosting a future Camporee.

There is always an upcoming opening on the Board; per our By-Laws, one position should be elected each year. Some get reelected but others must retire from the Board, as your Treasurer will in 2021; we will have served for ten years, which is the maximum for continual service. It has been a great camping and dancing experience working for the NSDCA. Please consider keeping our organization great. Also check with your new dancers in your weekly clubs as some of them just might be campers as well.

The *TIMES* is your newsletter and it can be only as good as you make it. We look forward to each issue so we can try your ideas of great things to do at our campouts. Because of our mailing rate structure, the USPS will not forward the *TIMES* and charges the NSDCA \$2.60 for each newsletter that is returned. So please keep your address up to date, especially you snowbirds!

Hope to see most of you in Lebanon, TN. It will be another great Camporee!

*Tom & Kathy Nickel*



## Roger Tipps Membership Secretary



Now that the holiday season is over, I am sure we all had a great time with family and friends. As some of you watch that white soft cold stuff fall on your RV, ideas and plans for the spring were being made. Please remember that being with friends and having fun is why we camp and dance.

NSDCA is planning a great International Camporee in TN the last week of June. The registration form can be found in this issue. As always, if you register before May 15 you will be camping with others from your chapter and state. If you wish to camp next to a special friend from another chapter, be sure to mark your registration form and I will do my best to carry out your wishes. We will be only 35-40 miles from Nashville; a trip to Nashville to the Grand Ole Opry is being planned. Look for the announcement in this issue.

If you need help in finding new members, contact your chapter representative who knows what to do to get the help you need from the area/state representative or the Vice President of the National Board. Their job is to keep NSDCA strong and growing.

Unlike some of you, my eyes are getting older and some handwriting is very hard for me to read. Please either print clearly or type all forms like new members, changes in addresses and emails. New forms can be found on the web at [NSDCA.org](http://NSDCA.org).

I have had several calls from members asking if they can continue to be members of their chapter even if they no longer are able to have a RV. Yes, they can continue with their membership and belong to the chapter with their friends of many years.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you in Tennessee this June. As always, a great time will be had by all!

*Roger Tipps*



# State & Area Representatives Reports

## NSDCA Pennsylvania State Representative

Pennsylvania's square dance camping clubs had a terrific year in 2019; fun and friendship and great camping weather (it's always great to be camping no matter the weather). The two central Pennsylvania camping clubs – Penn Dixie #045 and Square Up Campers #106 – officially joined the regional square and round dance association to join with 12 non-camping clubs. This gives them greater visibility and allows them to promote their clubs and include their camping schedules into the regular square and round dance clubs annual schedule. Both clubs note on their brochures that walk-ins and non-campers are welcome.

Penn Dixie was delighted to have *TIMES* editor Ken and Carolyn Shacter join them on a fall weekend dance on their travels though Pennsylvania. In September we visited Southern Tier Wheelers on the border of Pennsylvania and New York. Their caller and cuer were Howard and Donna Williamson, both renowned in their field from Altoona, PA. The Pennsylvania State Camporee is being held June 5, 6 & 7 in Loysville, PA. Plan on joining us if you would like a great camping experience and fantastic square dancing. See the flyer on page 29 in this edition of NSDCA *TIMES* for more details. If we don't see you at the state camporee, we will see you in Lebanon.

*Park and Kathy*

*(Representatives continued on page 10)*

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### Board of Directors Nominee—Martha Zimmerman

The NSDCA Board of Directors nominee Martha Zimmerman has been square dancing since 1983 and started square dance camping in 1991. She was President of the FANSDC (Florida Association of NSDCA) in 2000 and 2008. In those days one had to sequentially serve one term for each of the Board positions, so it would take 6 years on the Board to become a President. She was on the NSDCA Board from 2007 to 2015 as Secretary, Vice President and President. She enjoys being on the Board and helping the Square Dance Association. Several years ago Martha met Bob Jenkins who told her he would like to be married to her; she said “yes” and they have been happy ever since. It will be a great pleasure to be on the Board again.





*(Representatives continued from page 9)*

## **NSDCA Florida State and Area Representative Report**

Hi everyone; we hope you had a wonderful Christmas and New Year. We started the season at Lake Oklawaha with the best Christmas party ever! With the now-merged chapters (128 and 168 into 128) we had four to five squares on the floor every dance all night. It was a real pleasure. Our caller, Bill Chesnut, had a wonderful time calling and our cuer, Ann Had-sall, was so happy with a full dance floor. Gail LaRue (the *best* craft person ever) had us make gnomes; that was so much fun! Everyone (mostly the ladies) made one, and then we used them for tree decorations and for place settings – then home they go. New this year was an early lunch outside with a fire in the pit. The potluck was a variety of hot soup and chili. It was a cold night; the soup and chili were welcome additions to keep us warm. The ‘formal’ dinner was by our own Jay and Terry Peck; great job! We all dressed in our best Christmas attire for the dance, which was great. Gail threw in a few games, like “fill a person’s outfit with balloons, then pop them,” for the afterparty. After all that fun we had our Christmas gift exchange; the 10-dollar gifts went ’round and ’round until it landed at a good home. Sunday was a great breakfast, then home and rest.

The next trip was with the Roadrunners #193 in early January. There were 16 campers. Thursday night we went to dance at the Lake Placid Promenaders; they are a fun group. We met some friends that we haven’t seen in a long time. Guest caller Mike Doughty was great; we haven’t seen him in a long time either. On Friday we danced in the afternoon. Our caller, Sonny McCartney, had trouble keeping up with us. Chuck Ryall cued rounds; he always does a good job – Chuck, thank you for your patience! After the dance about 24 of us went to Cody’s Restaurant for dinner; we kept the waitress very busy. After dinner we spent some time around the fire and socialized. On Saturday we again danced in the afternoon and some dancers came from Lake Placid to dance with us; a good time was had by all. Saturday was also the chili cookoff; it was fun tasting all the chili. It was hard to pick a winner – we had to keep tasting and tasting until we found one, and the winner was a tie between Dolly Ide and Judy McCarney.

The next trip was with Hitch-N-Go #082 in late January. We went to Southern Palms in Eustis. Ron Reardon was the caller and did a great job. There were 12 campers, a good-sized group. They took the Roadrunners’ idea and danced in the afternoon. We danced in the afternoon on Friday then went to dinner, then back to the hall to play cards and games. Good times, great fun! Saturday the club provided a great spaghetti dinner with all the trimmings. Hitch-N-Go had the installation of officers that night in a lovely ceremony. Did you know that Hitch-N-Go is 47 years old?

*John and Mary Burzo*



# We Remember Our Friends

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

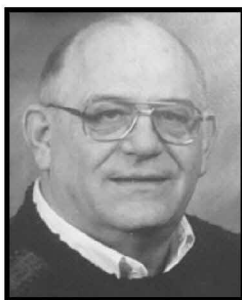
## Lyn Sebesta (#045)

Lyn Sebesta passed away on August 16, 2019 from the ravages of dementia. Lyn learned to square dance in the 1992-93 season and met her future husband, Jim, at a square dance class in January of 1993. She and her husband crossed paths with the Penn-Dixie Square Campers in June of 2002 when they went camping at the Round Top campground in Gettysburg, PA. Upon arriving and getting out of the car, they heard a mystery voice say "allemande left and swing your partner." They looked at each other, smiled and said, "We speak this language. Let's investigate." They enjoyed the weekend dancing and socializing with the Penn-Dixies and in June of 2003 met them at Round Top a second time and joined the club. They danced thereafter with the Penn-Dixies through the 2016 season. They attended a non-dancing Penn-Dixie campout in 2017 and another in 2018. In October, 2018 Lyn had to go to live in a memory-care unit in an assisted living center and she never danced again on this earth. Praise the Lord, she dances this day in heaven.



Submitted by Jim Mongovi

## Roger M. Frazier (#121 and #183)



Roger passed away December 28, 2019 at age 85. Roger was a charter member of Chapter 121, Northwood Stompers. He was active in that chapter until Chapter 183, Rainbow Squares, was chartered with the NSDCA. While a member of #183 he was Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Membership Chair. Roger also was the contact person to National for #183 from the chapter's inception. He also co-hosted the Michigan State Camporee held in Alpena and assisted in an advisory position for other Michigan State Camporees. Roger was a member of NSDCA for 40 years and served as national Membership Chair for five years.

Submitted by Gerald Preston

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Remember, if you would like someone included/remembered in this 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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# NOTES FROM YOUR EDITOR



It's been a year since some intrepid souls in our Chapter woke our caller at 2 a.m. and had him call an "Idiot" dance – much to our delight (and chagrin, ever do a *beermug chain* when you really haven't woken up and can't think clearly?). That got me thinking – when I was a teenager my family square danced and camped (although to the best I can determine, not as part of the NSDCA). Afterparties were a family affair with lots of antics and opportunities to earn special badge bars. Some that I still managed to not lose through many moves and years are the "Turtle", "Aunt Fanny", "Crackpot", "Black Cat", "Stinker", "Pogo", "Mummy" and "Elevator". I earned my initial "Idiot" and "Purple Heart" at that time, too. Some of those bar names are self-explanatory and others I don't have a clue – do you?

Maybe because there were so many youths involved at that time that afterparties were that way. Most afterparties these days are purely social affairs – there's nothing wrong with that – but some opportunities to dance in strange places (witness the "Crackpot" and "Elevator") might make for interesting conversation later and it will certainly provide a good time for all involved.

As I write this in the middle of January, our high temperature has hovered in the low to mid-80s, with overnight lows in the low-60s. If the weather forecasters are correct that is about to change, with highs in the low-50s and lows in the middle to low-30s. This being Florida, however, those kinds of temperatures usually don't last long. If we don't get a semi-prolonged freeze soon the mosquitoes are going to have a field day when they start hatching in the spring; actually, there are still plenty around to harass anyone who walks outdoors.

A list of questions for your Chapter Callers and Cuers has been distributed via the e-tree to your individual Chapter contacts. I'm hoping to have an occasional column in the *TIMES* highlighting those people that help make our camping weekends possible. I recognize many Chapters are hibernating at present due to the local temperatures. What better a time to take care of this request so you won't have to worry about it when all the fun starts with the advent of warmer weather? I look forward to hearing from all



of the Chapters. You don't have to worry about trying to arrange your caller/cuer answers into a narrative – I'll take care of that. But I need those responses before I can do anything – so please make some time to get them answered. Thank you!

As previously mentioned, please feel free to submit your camping schedules as soon as they are finalized or if there is a revision; there is no need to wait until the deadline for a new issue of the *TIMES*. Our NSDCA webmaster, Dave Seay, is prompt about updating the scheduling information as he receives it from me, but I can't provide it to him unless I get it from you! And remember, as you are making your travel and dancing plans, be sure to check with the listed contact to ensure there haven't been any last-minute changes.

### **How to Keep Your RV Safe from Theft**

- ◆ **Get in the habit of always locking your doors.** One of the easiest ways to deter thieves is to simply lock your doors anytime you leave, no matter how long you're going to be gone. Be sure to lock both the handle and the deadbolt; the handle is often keyed to a master for service work at the dealership, and a thief may have a copy of this key. Also make sure to close and lock exterior storage compartments.
- ◆ **Shut the windows and close the blinds/curtains/shades when you're away.** Not only does this dissuade thieves, but it also keeps the sun from shining in, which can cause fabric colors to fade.
- ◆ **Hide expensive items, or just leave them at home.** Before leaving your RV, hide valuables like your iPad/tablet, Kindle, laptop, cell phone, camera, or jewelry. Better yet, leave costly items at home. You may also want to invest in a safe for your irreplaceable items.
- ◆ **Keep the interior lights on if you leave your RV after dark.** With the interior lights on and your blinds/shades closed, criminals will have less of an idea if someone is inside. Exterior motion-detecting lights can also work as a deterrent.
- ◆ **Befriend your neighboring RVers.** Even if you're not staying in a park for long, start up a conversation with your neighbors. They can keep an extra set of eyes out and will know when someone does not belong.
- ◆ **Put items away if you're leaving the campground.** To eliminate temptation for thieves, put away or lock down your camping items prior to leaving your site, such as chairs, cooking equipment, or bicycles. Don't make it easy for the thieves to take your stuff.
- ◆ **Upgrade your RV's locks.** Most RVs come with a set of default keys from the factory. Consider having your door deadbolt locks rekeyed, but not the ones on the handle as they are typically mastered for maintenance. You could also swap these locks out for the keyless entry variety.

[Adapted from <http://www.doityourselfrv.com/rv-thieves/>]



# and the FUN continues...

The lost camper in the Winter issue was in a good place—on Chapter 193 caller Sonny McCartney’s shirt, just below his name (see page 36). For this issue’s contest there were 28 entries, and all were correct. Congratulations to Maxine Thomas of Chapter 128 for winning the Winter issue’s contest. Your

2020 NSDCA membership fee will be waived.

Please keep sending in your answers and remember that we’ll have a special recognition and award at the June 2020 Camporee at Lebanon, TN for the chapter with the most entries.

Chapter Name	#	Entrant
Garden State Square Dance Campers Assn (NJ)	001	Joan Anfinen
Rollaways (MI)	005	Wayne & Joan Adams
Blackhawk Crosstrailers (IL)	014	Marie Berridge
		Bob & Sally Foley
Swing'n Canadians	028	Hugh & Willie Pillon
Badger Rovers (WI)	031	Virginia Boehm
Square -Up Campers (PA)	106	Michael Gelinas
		Dan & Judy Alex
Camping Squares of Kansas (KS)	116	Frank Golden
		Mike Huddleson
Swing 'N' Travelers (IL)	123	Bill Baker
		Phyllis Anderson
		John Scher
		Pat & Herb Edwards
		Norma Schertz
		Dwaine & Bert Dunn
		Chet & Janet Bowman
		Norma Mayer
		Jerry & Judy Boutelle
		Jim & Naomi Mills
		Al & Charlene Fahsbender
Dave & Mary Bruun		
Square Wheels (FL)	128	<b>Maxine Thomas</b>
Rolling Squares (NE)	148	Marion Niemeyer
Spinning Wheels (MN)	180	Marcia & Jim Partridge
Wabash Valley Wheel Arounds (IN)	196	James Huffman
		Kerry Richmond
Crossfire Campers (NC)	198	Susan Wolford

This time it seems as if the caravan's fearless leaders, Alex & Jen Brabender, are safely making their way to Lebanon, but Joe & Bea Sokol—in the wagon and bumper pull trailer—have gone astray (see the Summer 2019 issue for background on the caravan and images of each traveler). Please see if you can locate them and give them directions to get back to the caravan so they make it to Lebanon on time.

Good luck! Send your answer no later than April 30<sup>th</sup> either: 1) via email to [NSDCAtimes@gmail.com](mailto:NSDCAtimes@gmail.com) or 2) by regular mail to **Ken Shacter, 5418 Weller Place, Jacksonville, FL 32211**. Please be specific as to the location in this issue; provide the page number *and* where on the page our wayward campers are located. Simply providing something like “on page 2” or “on the bottom of page 2” is insufficient; however, something like “on the bottom of page 2 immediately above the page number” or “on the bottom of page 2 below the ad for badges” gives a good indication you have properly located our campers.

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

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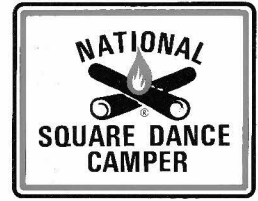
# **REGISTRATION TODAY**

Page 31 of this issue or on line [WWW.NSDCA.org](http://WWW.NSDCA.org)



*"Roaring into the 20's"*





## 001 Garden State Square Dance Campers Association; New Jersey



Photo: Dinner Dance in 2019

During the cold months, when camping is not an option for those of us in the Northeast, we like to visit local clubs. On November 4<sup>th</sup> we danced at *Lakeland Squares* in Towaco, NJ to the calling of Ed Foote. On December 6<sup>th</sup> we visited the *Ironia Reelers* in Randolph, NJ to dance to Don Bachelder. December 28<sup>th</sup> we danced at *Western Wheelers/Hix & Chix* to Matt McGovern, and on January 22<sup>nd</sup> we were at *Cross Trail Squares* in Caldwell, NJ dancing to Ken Ritucci. We will be visiting two more local clubs, *Belles & Beaux* in Elmwood Park and *Middletown Ramblers* in Leonardo, NJ before our camping season begins in May.

Joan Anfinzen; 908-876-4457; anfinzen@embarqmail.com

## 068 Wandering Wheels; Minnesota

Our Christmas Party/Dance was held December 7<sup>th</sup> and was called by Mike and Sandy Driscoll. It included 14 visitors, some of whom were former members. It is always a treat to see these special friends! Speaking of treats, we had many tasty dishes for the potluck and hopefully, no one went home hungry.

Some of our members are fortunate to be able to go South/Southwest for the winter; others hold down the fort at home. In any case, we look forward to our 2020 camping season. We would love to have you join us in May at the Isanti County Fairgrounds in Cambridge, MN.

Jackie Mann; 612-616-8952; jackiemann10@gmail.com





# Chats .....

## 082 Hitch-N-Go; Florida

In December we gathered at Fredda Barlow's for a New Year's Eve camping event. We had a FUN time, with plenty of food, square dancing, a bonfire and charades, and we watched the ball come down at midnight. What could be better? We celebrated the New Year with great friends!

In January we camped at *The Pines RV Resort* in Eustis. We had our installation of officers. Our dinner was put on by the Chapter's officers. It was a great meal. We also manage to find places to go out to eat, and had a great time playing cards on Friday night. There were 12 campers present. Our caller, Ron, gave the dancers a fun filled weekend; everyone enjoyed the great calling that Ron does. We even had a few round dancers that wanted to dance.

We welcome all to join us and look forward to dancing with you. Save the dates (see the *Campouts* section in this issue and at NSDCA.org) and come dance with us. Any questions? Please contact me, either email or text.

Sue Reardon; 813-788-7857; charliesue44@gmail.com

## 106 Square Up Campers; Pennsylvania

December is a very busy month for all square dancers and members of the Square Up Campers are no exception. Pictured at a holiday dance are Jack and Patti Stone along with Doug and Sherry Sensenig -- ready



and waiting for the next do-si-do! They traveled quite a distance to join the festivities and commune with other club members. This function has become a non-camping activity which aides in keeping the Square Up's friendships going strong during the dreary winter days. In a few months members will be dusting off their rigs, shining the wheel wells and awaiting the first spring campout! The group is very energetic and wel-

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comes all dancers to join the fun and dancing at our campouts!

Kathy Engel; [kathye@kuhncom.net](mailto:kathye@kuhncom.net)

## 116 Camping Squares; Kansas

We're in the "winter mode" with no campouts, but a fun Winter party each month. Our first party was our annual Thanksgiving Meal at the Spittle's home outside Council Grove in November. We had a nice gathering. In December, we had our annual Christmas dance and a good time was had by all those attending.

In January, we had a winter party at a buffet restaurant in Wichita with a good group of members and lots of fun visiting. We will have a couple more winter parties in February and March before our camping season starts in April the weekend of the 23<sup>rd</sup> through the 26<sup>th</sup> with our Hobo Stew Dance. We will also camp twice in May; check the *Campouts* schedule for details. Also be sure to mark your calendars for the 1<sup>st</sup> week of June so you can attend our *Kansas State Square Dance Convention* in Salina, KS.

Anyone in the area is always welcome to join us! For more information, contact Marty & Frank Golden 316-943-4137, at email: [fmgolden9515@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fmgolden9515@sbcglobal.net)

Cheryl Ferris, 316-640-4273, [marshfur@att.net](mailto:marshfur@att.net)

## 119 Wander Yonders; Wyoming

My, how time flies when you are having fun! This winter we have had a couple of meetings, one occurring in November to elect new officers and make plans for next year. We are thankful that Leo Fergel, president, Tom Matson, vice president, and Sharon Matson, treasurer will remain in their office for another year. Rhonda Buescher was elected as treasurer. We appreciate these members and everything that they do to keep our club viable. Of course, without Diana Fergel, we would not know when or where we are supposed to be. Our thanks for all that Dianna does.

Our Christmas Party was attended by 30 members. Our members selected names and Christmas wish lists for children being raised by grandparents. Gifts were also provided for seniors. As usual, we all enjoyed the wonderful food and time to connect with each other.



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At our January 25<sup>th</sup> potluck meeting we tried to finalize our calendar. Some new ideas for camping and dancing this summer were brought up and those members in attendance were very receptive. So, it looks like we will have a couple of more campouts. YEA! It will be several months before we get our campers out of storage and get on the road again. I, for one, can hardly wait. I am ready!

Several of our members are having health problems and we want each of you to pray for healing for them.

Our club would love to have you join in with us anytime you are in our neighborhood. Please check out the *Chapter Campout Schedule* and plan on joining us.

Our Chapter Contacts are Leo and Diana Fergel; 303-635-7312.

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

## **123 Swing-N-Travelers; Illinois**

Our October 25-27 campout was the last for the season. The weather was cool but we had a warm room with a fire place to keep us warm. Several units arrived on Thursday, more on Friday and a few came for the day on Saturday. We ate supper on Friday at *JT Walker* in Mahomet, IL. We enjoyed the food so much. We played cards or chatted at the *Mahomet Sportsmen's Club* after that. Saturday was our meeting followed by crafts and games for the rest of the morning and afternoon. We had a soup supper with the hosts providing the soup and the rest bringing go withs and desserts. This was our last campout of the season.

We had a day long gathering in November at Bloomington's *St. Luke Union Church*. We began with a potluck lunch with pulled pork provided by our hosts Larry and Marilyn Maffett. Caller Herb Edwards called a dance in the afternoon while several played games. We left the church about 4 PM with full stomachs and happy hearts from being with our friends for the day.

Our next campout will be April 24-26, 2020 at Galesburg East campground near Knoxville, IL.

Maurine Collett, 309-258-2393; hmcallit@gmail.com

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## 128 Square Wheels; Florida

I know that some will disagree with me, but I think December 2019's campout in *Hog Valley* was the best weekend ever! Gail LaRue set the tone for the weekend giving us a craft of making our own gnomes that we used first as Christmas tree ornaments and then as table decorations - they were precious! The Hog Valley Christmas parade was longer than last year and included a marching band! Jay and Teri Peck and their dedicated crew fixed us first a hotdog lunch and later that evening a fabulous pork with cranberry sauce dinner with all the trimmings - we are truly blessed by their talent and hard work. The desserts were to die for! And the holiday gift exchange was a hoot!

Our wonderful caller Bill Chesnut and cuer Ann Hadsall were joined on Saturday night by Rod Barngrover and Susan Snider - what talent! At one point I counted 19 couples waltzing to "You Lift Me Up" - it was gorgeous. Did you know we had 135 people in attendance on Saturday night?



In January we ventured out of state to *Eagle's Roost* campground near Valdosta, GA. The weather was cool but not cold, the rain held off until we hit the road back home, and the turnout was great. Bill Chesnut, our most-excellent caller, was joined by Georgia-based Don Heins as a guest caller on Friday night. Bill was joined over the weekend by caller/chapter-member Mark Fetzer and our newer caller Bill Cassidy. Our terrific cuer, Ann Hadsall, was backed up by the talented Susan Snider; talent surrounded us.

Bill Chesnut taught us Hex Dancing on Saturday afternoon; he will



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be teaching that at our state convention in February - much fun but challenging for spatially challenged people like me. Gail LaRue taught us how to make beautiful thread art Saturday morning. Several of us went to the *Farm House* restaurant on Saturday morning, and as usual we had a large group eat out at the *Fish Net* restaurant on Saturday night. Square Dance campers do eat well! We had a pot luck breakfast Sunday morning.

Laura Ramsey; ramseydp@comcast.net

## 149 Bayou Square-A-Rounds; Louisiana

Our Fall/Thanksgiving campout was held in Colfax November 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. Our usual Friday get-together was interesting as always with information on how to fix non-functional equipment to hilarious tales about happenings to us in situations in which we found ourselves. Fourteen member rigs were in attendance and one guest rig.

Later that evening our cuer, Jack Pointer, taught a round (called *Paper Roses*) which he choreographed for our caller, Ted Kennedy. He continued for a half-hour afterwards with early rounds. Ted did excellent calling to three squares on the floor and Jack cued to six couples most of the evening. Four couples from area clubs were our guests plus the president of the Louisiana Square Dance Association, Alicia Becker. The LSDA Board met on Saturday afternoon for their meeting.

The Bordelon's again outdid themselves with fried turkeys. Side dishes were a variety of salads, beans, corn, sweet potatoes, jambalaya, hot sauces and cranberry sauce. Not to be outdone by the main meal, the desserts were highlighted by puddings and baklava.

It was much cooler than usual for our fall weather but everyone enjoyed themselves visiting, eating and dancing. Happy holidays to all!

Our March campout will be in Livingston, LA. Come join us for a fun weekend if you are in the area!

Edwin France; 985-345-3353; carbarger@bellsouth.net

## 152 Campers & Dancers; Alabama

Campers & Dancers are eagerly awaiting the arrival of Spring! We have campouts planned in Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi & Tennessee during 2020, where we'll enjoy various activities and crafts and eat lots

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of good food. And there will be plenty of dancing to some of our favorite callers!

At our November campout we elected officers for 2020:

Presidents – Jan and John Bloodworth

Vice-Presidents – Joyce and Barry Herndon

Secretaries – Martha and Hank Sweetman

Treasurers – Cil and George Herndon

We had a Christmas luncheon and dance on December 21<sup>st</sup>. Our first campout for 2020 will be on March 6—8 at *Roaring Pines Campground* in Somerville, AL. We would love to have you come and dance with us.

Our campout schedule for 2020 can be found later in this issue and at the NSDCA website. We are still working out details for the August campout. New friends are always welcome - please join us!

Hank Sweetman; 615-406-6917; hanksweetman@gmail.com

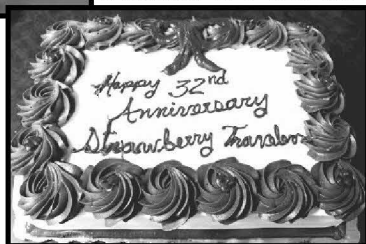
## 153 Strawberry Travelers; Florida



Happy New Year! The Strawberry Travelers wish all our camping dancing families the best of wishes for 2020.

Our December campout at *Silver Dollar RV Resort* is always a very special time for #153 because it's our an-

niversary gathering. This year we celebrated 32 years as an organization & member of NSDCA. Friends and guests gathered for the weekend of merriment with dancing, shopping and our annual Chinese gift exchange. What a blast we have with our







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gift exchange too!!

Check out our schedule and make plans to visit with us one weekend. We've got plenty in store for the upcoming camping season. In February we'll be co-hosting our campout at *Red Oaks* in Bushnell with The Roadrunners #193. That means double the fun, double the dancing and double the pleasure. As we move into April our FL camping clubs will welcome Spring as we gather in Eustis, FL at *Southern Palms RV Resort* for the Spring Fling. This is ALWAYS a fabulous time to meet up with friends from near and far.

We're making plans for our Halloween *State Camporee* October 22, 23, 24 & 25, 2020. No telling what monsters & ghouls will show up for a spooky good time.

Best of all, we love gathering together visiting with friends and sharing the simple pleasures of camping and square dancing. We hope to meet up with you on the dance floor real soon!

Sarah Beth Pergrossi; sarahbeth@pergrossi.net

## **193 Florida RoadRunner Squares; Florida**

Wow! 2020 is well under way and winter is almost over. Of course, here in Florida we love the wintertime; it is our best camping time. A 'special thank you' to all the Snowbirds (as we Floridians refer to our friends from the north) for camping and dancing with us again this year. You all increase our numbers and as a result we enjoy more squares at our dances. We love you and really enjoying having you here even if it is just for a short while.

In January, Chapter 193 (for the 4<sup>th</sup> year) camped at *Highlands Hammock State Park* in Sebring, an immensely beautiful park in central Florida where we enjoyed a completely causal weekend with campfires every night, dancing and eating during the days with lots of time for games, bike rides, walks and fun. We have a beautiful white 20' lighted canopy that covers at least 3 picnic tables and allows us to have a great time, even after dark.

If you still happen to be in Florida in March, please consider camping with us and joining us under the big canopy. We will be back at *Highlands Hammock State Park* in Sebring. As I said above, not only do we have lots of fun, but the park also offers tram rides through the

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non-public areas of the park that provide a look at wild Florida with alligators, deer, birds and lots more.



As I'm writing this in January, we're looking forward to a great time in February co-camping with Chapter 153 (Strawberry Travelers) in Bushnell, FL at the *Red Oaks RV Resort*. Our clubs enjoy camping and dancing together because more people always seem to translate into more fun. Valentine's Day is also just around the corner and is always a great February theme, especially if we (and we will) include lots of fun and chocolate!

NOW I have a question for you: Are you registered for the 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual NDSCA Camporee which is planned for June 30<sup>th</sup> thru July 2<sup>nd</sup> in Lebanon, TN?

Your Board is busy putting together three full days packed with dancing and fun plus extra events on the preceding Sunday and Monday. A 1920s theme dance is planned for the 1<sup>st</sup> night (Tuesday) including a little group participation game for everyone – a murder mystery. There will be more great games (with a few new ones for you to enjoy) Tuesday through Thursday along with great dancing to some of the best Callers & Cuers in the country. There will also be lots of time to recon-



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nect with old friends from far and near, and if that is not enough for you, to top off a great week of dancing, plan to stay over until Sunday and enjoy a trip to a performance at the *Grand Ole Opry* on Friday with a lot of your friends, all the great tourist opportunities in Nashville, and the Grand Finale, end the weekend with a great 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks display that you can watch right from your camper!

Now if you are not registered . . . . . WHY NOT?

HOPE TO SEE YOU IN A SQUARE SOMEWHERE!

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

## 196 Wabash Valley Wheel Arounds; IN

The Wabash Valley Wheel Arounds, #196, held their final camporee of the decade October 15 through 17, 2019 at the *4-H Campground* in Rockville, IN. This was the 4<sup>th</sup> consecutive year that we camped at Rockville to attend the annual *Covered Bridge Festival* held in Parke County, IN. During the days we had the choice of hundreds of vendors to visit. We rented the social area of the office building to gather for a breakfast potluck, square dance to Sheila Terhune's calling, and play 'Catch Phrase.' It was a great day. The second evening we gathered for a soup potluck, square danced to Sheila, and held a meeting to plan our 2020 camporees. The third evening we square danced. The weather was such that we could have a campfire, which we all greatly enjoyed. It was a great camporee with nearly all of our members attending.

Marian Hatfield; 618-554-6591; marian4873@gmail.com



## Schedule of Meetings at 63<sup>rd</sup> International NSDCA Camporee, Lebanon, TN:

Tuesday, June 30<sup>th</sup>:

1:00 – 2:00 pm, Board & All Staff

2:00 – 3:00 pm, Board & All Area and State Representatives

3:00 – 4:00 pm, Board & All Chapter Representatives

Thursday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>:

3:00 pm, General Membership Meeting

# Grand Ole Opry Excursion

Welcome Square Dancers!

We are booked at the *Grand Ole Opry* for the 7 p.m. show on Friday, July 3, 2020. The cost is \$78 (single) or \$156 (per couple). You can send your payment to:

**Ronald Imus**  
**8560 SW 90th Street Unit C**  
**Ocala, FL 34481**

Please include your mailing address, a contact phone number and your email address. Also denote how many tickets you are requesting. There is no rush, but I will need your payment **no later than April 1, 2020**.



Cancelation policy: the last day to cancel is May 25, 2020 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.

The Opry has not yet posted who is going to be there on July 3<sup>rd</sup> (see <https://www.opry.com/show/2020-07-03-grand-ole-opry-at-7-pm/>); I will report it in a future email and in the *TIMES*. I was able to reserve great seats: center section 4, rows N, P, Q, R rows 16, 17, 18, 19 from the Stage.

As of February 1<sup>st</sup> (the date of this submission to the *TIMES*) I have 56 seats booked with 50 filled; only 6 remain—first come, first serve. If you know anyone that may want to attend, have them text me at 574-370-9169 with their name, phone number, email and how many tickets they want. If you have any questions please text me and I will get back to you.

Ronald Imus, Opry coordinator.

**The object of the NSDCA** shall be to provide an opportunity for and to encourage those interested in square dancing and camping to:

- a) Combine these two activities for mutual enjoyment.
- b) Permit each member the opportunity of sharing in the responsibility of membership.
- c) Promote interest in square dancing and camping.
- d) Promote Square Dance Camporees as may be decided upon by the membership.

[Reference NSDCA By-Laws as amended July 2012, Article II]

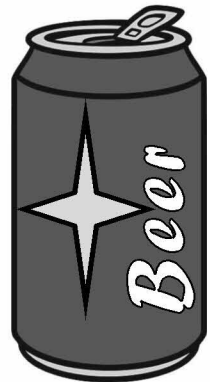
# WE'VE ROARED INTO 2020

And, our  
**POP TAB PROJECT**  
is underway.

Once again, we are building a  
**TOWER of TABS**  
and we need everyone to  
participate. The more **TABS** that  
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In 2019, we had 181.2 lbs of tabs.  
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ONLY BEVERAGE CAN tabs are accepted since  
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911 (Genesee County Sheriff's Dept)



**REGISTRATION**

Gary & Elaine Demand  
 6150 East Townline Rd  
 Birch Run, MI 48415  
 989-777-5697

GandEDemand@gmail.com

**45<sup>TH</sup> Annual Michigan N.S.D.C.A. Camporee**  
**July 23-25, 2020**

*ATTENDANCE AT THE CAMPOREE IS LIMITED TO 2020 PAID UP NSDCA MEMBERS*  
*Potential NSDCA members may join us on a one-time basis*  
*Walk-Ins are welcome at the evening dances - \$10 per couple*

**PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINES**

Caller/Cuer: June 9, 2020

Campers: June 23, 2020

**NO REFUNDS OR TRANSFERS AFTER JUNE 23**

**LATE REGISTRATION: Add additional fee of \$5.00**

*Pre-registered units will be parked with their chapters. Registration after cut-off date may be assigned to 000 area. Early arrivals welcome. Arrivals before 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 22 may be relocated by parking committee.*

**FACILITIES**

Full Hookups

**DANCING**

Thursday, Friday, Saturday Nights  
 Square & Round Dance Workshops

**ACTIVITIES**

Crafts  
 Sports

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ His \_\_\_\_\_ Hers \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter Name \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter # \_\_\_\_\_

Youth's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Youth's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Type of camping unit \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_

Expected arrival date \_\_\_\_\_ Number of nights \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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

Camping Fees: \$38 per day  WED  THU  FRI  SAT  SUN (check boxes) \$38 x \_\_\_\_\_ nights \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

**Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Make check or money order payable to: Michigan N.S.D.C.A. Camporee.** Mail with this form to Gary & Elaine Demand (address at top right of this form).

**CALLER/CUER PARTICIPATION DATA**

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

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Square Dance Caller: I regularly call  Mainstream  Plus

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

Available for programming:  Thursday  Friday  Saturday  MC

Will Workshop:  Squares  Rounds



# NSDCA PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER



## State Camporee

June 5, 6 and 7, 2020

Loysville, PA

### Camporee location:

Paradise Stream Family Campground  
693 Paradise Stream Rd, Loysville, PA

*Paradise Stream is located in the gentle rolling hills and farmland of Perry County*

#### THE CAMPGROUND OFFERS:

- Full hook-up sites
- 30 and 50 amp sites
- Pull-thru sites
- Free Wi-Fi

#### AMENITIES:

- Swimming pool
- Picnic table and fire ring at each site
- 18 hole miniature golf
- Hiking and nature trails
- Fishing lake
- Campground store
- Planned activities



Dancing Friday and Saturday  
Evenings 7:00—9:00



Call the campground directly for reservations: [\(717\) 789-2117](tel:7177892117)

Tell the staff you are with the NSDCA PA State Camporee  
Good Sam attendees will receive a discount on their camping fee.

FOR MORE INFORMATION  
ON THE CAMPOREE  
CONTACT:

Park Bierbower  
717-300-5111  
[ScoutGuyOne@gmail.com](mailto:ScoutGuyOne@gmail.com)

# Roaring into the 20's



Dance with us in Lebanon, Tennessee

## June 30, July 1 & 2, 2020

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

### 63<sup>rd</sup> NSDCA International Camporee



Located at  
945 E Baddour Pkwy  
Lebanon, TN 37087



1000 Camp sites available  
30-50 Amp No Sewers  
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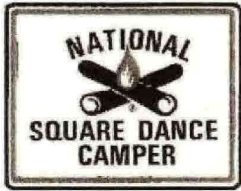
### Wilson County Grand Squares

Invites you to a Special Dance  
Sunday, June 29  
Gladeville Community Center  
Lebanon, Tenn.  
Contact: Sue House - 615-714-7153

### NSDCA Board Hosting

Contacts: John & Dolly Ide  
johndide2016@outlook.com  
(352) 208-2980

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# ROARING INTO THE 20'S

## 63<sup>rd</sup> NSDCA INTERNATIONAL CAMPOREE

Wilson County Expo Center, Lebanon, Tennessee

945 E Baddour Pkwy

NSDCA Board HOSTING - June 30, July 1 & 2, 2020



NSDCA Membership # \_\_\_\_\_  
NON-Member - (Requires \$20 Surcharge) See Fees Below

Site Location Information and Utilities Requests:  
STATE/PROVINCE: \_\_\_\_\_ CHAPTER #: \_\_\_\_\_ HANDICAP: \_\_\_\_\_  
ELECTRIC Plug: 30 Amp \_\_\_\_\_ 50 Amp \_\_\_\_\_  
RV Length: \_\_\_\_\_ Feet # Slides \_\_\_\_\_

A dump station is available for all. We're also looking into providing a honey wagon for longer term campers.

All Board of Directors, please check here ( )

Adult Name #1 (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Name #2 (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (Include Apt and/or Box number) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province & Zip/Postal \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (include area code) \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

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 \_\_\_\_\_

Square and Round Dance Interest (Check all that apply)  
Square Dance Round Dance Line Dancing  
\_\_\_\_ Mainstream \_\_\_\_\_ Phase II \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ Plus \_\_\_\_\_ Phase III \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ A-1 \_\_\_\_\_ Phase IV \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ A-2 \_\_\_\_\_ Phase V \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ Youth/Teen Dance Program \_\_\_\_\_

SPORTS Interest (Signup on arrival)  
Horseshoes M \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_ Corn Hole M \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_  
Washer Toss M \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_ Bocce Ball M \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_  
Golf M \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_

Crafts Interest M \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_

Callers and Cuers Participation (Due by April 1)

Square Dance Round Dance  
\_\_\_\_ Main stream \_\_\_\_\_ Phase II \_\_\_\_\_ Line Dancing  
\_\_\_\_ Plus \_\_\_\_\_ Phase III \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ A-1 \_\_\_\_\_ Phase IV \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ A-2 \_\_\_\_\_ Phase V \_\_\_\_\_ Youth/Teen Dance Program \_\_\_\_\_

Caller Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Caller Availability (Check all that apply) M \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ W \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_

Cuer Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Cuer Availability (Check all that apply) M \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ W \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_

Line Instructor Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Line Instr Availability (Check all that apply) M \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ W \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_

EXPECTED ARRIVAL DATE \_\_\_\_\_

EXPECTED DEPARTURE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

### 63<sup>rd</sup> Camporee Fee (June 30, July 1 & 2):

3 days.....\$140.00 2 days.....\$105.00 1 day.....\$65.00

If only 2 days, which 2? Tues \_\_\_\_\_ Wed \_\_\_\_\_ Thurs \_\_\_\_\_

If only 1 day, which 1? Tues \_\_\_\_\_ Wed \_\_\_\_\_ Thurs \_\_\_\_\_

Units with one person may deduct \$10.00 from their registration.

# of extra adults in your rig @ \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Non-NSDCA Members \$20.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Camping fee: days prior to & following the camporee date \$25.00 # of days \_\_\_\_\_

Refunds are available by written request.

### Camping Fee for days prior & following the camporee:

Please note: You may be required to move your rig if you arrive before June 29 (Mon) and plan to stay for a few days after July 2 (Thurs). Extra day fee is \$25.00/day

June: Fri (26) \_\_\_\_\_ Sat (27) \_\_\_\_\_ Sun (28) \_\_\_\_\_ Mon (29) \_\_\_\_\_

July: Fri (3) \_\_\_\_\_ Sat (4) \_\_\_\_\_ Sun (5) \_\_\_\_\_ Mon (6) \_\_\_\_\_

### Summary of Fees Submitted:

Registration Fee: \_\_\_\_\_ US Funds  
Additional Fees: \_\_\_\_\_ US Funds  
Additional Days: \_\_\_\_\_ US Funds  
Total Submitted \_\_\_\_\_ US Funds

Please make all checks payable to 63<sup>rd</sup> NSDCA Camporee and send (along with this form & self addressed envelope) to:

**Susan Wolford: 6000 Wyeth Rock Rd., Guntersville, AL 35976**

For additional information contact: John Ide (johnide2016@outlook.com); 352-208-5980 or Dolly Ide (dloutz9504@outlook.com); 352-598-7162





# 2020 Square Dancing Fun Valley Family Resort



SOUTH FORK, COLORADO

Square Dancing has been a part of Fun Valley Family Resort for over 57 years. Square Dancers and Round Dancers alike come from all over the country to dance in the picturesque San Juan Mountains. Each week our guests have fun dancing on our **floating wood floor** to some of the **finest, national and local callers and cuers** available. Guests also enjoy a variety of activities planned to make their stay with us memorable.

**Book a 2020 reservation today with a \$150 deposit per week / couple**

**May 24 – 30**

A2 & Hard Plus



Jeff Holley



Monty Hacker

**May 31 – June 6**

Plus Dancing & Rounds



Jeff Holley



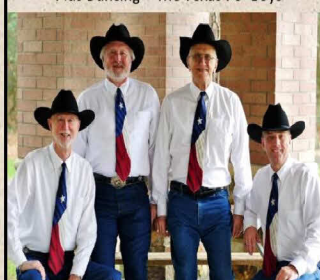
Bobby Willis



Carolyn & Tony Ahart

**June 7 – 13**

Plus Dancing – The Texas Po' Boys



Stu Ringer, Gary Sanders, K.O. Jeanes and Pat Kotal

**August 9 – 15**

Mainstream, Announced Plus Dancing & Rounds



Jerry Gilbreath



Gary Shoemake



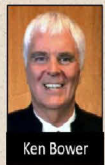
Steve & Lori Harris

**August 16 – 22**

Plus Dancing & Rounds



Melton Luttrell



Ken Bower



Jerry Junck



John & Karen Herr

**August 23 – 29**

Plus Dancing & Rounds



Brad Caldwell



Charlie Robertson



Jerry & Lucy Pate

**August 30 – September 5**

Plus Dancing & Rounds



Brad Caldwell



Dee Dee  
Dougherty Lottie



Jerry & Lucy Pate

**September 6 – 12**

Plus Dancing & Rounds



Jerry Gilbreath



Gary Shoemake



Steve & Lori Harris

Fun Valley Family Resort  
36000 US Highway 160 W  
South Fork, CO 81154  
<https://funvalley.us>

Phone: (719) 849-9556

Email: [kathie@funvalley.us](mailto:kathie@funvalley.us)

## 2020 Fun Valley Square Dance Package Rates'

### Loft Cabin w/ AC

One Couple	.....	\$1,295
Two Couples	.....	\$ 950 /couple

### Vintage Cabin

One Couple	.....	\$1,050
Two Couples	.....	\$ 745 /couple
Three Couples	.....	\$ 675 /couple

### Motel with Kitchenette

One Couple	.....	\$ 875
Two Couples	.....	\$ 625 /couple

### Motel Room w/o Kitchenette

One Couple	.....	\$ 770
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### Rental Trailer w/ AC

One Couple	.....	\$ 850
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### Rental Trailer

One Couple	.....	\$ 800
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### RV Site – Full Hookups

One Couple	.....	\$ 600
Two Couples	.....	\$ 500 /couple

<sup>1</sup>Plus applicable tax. All prices are subject to change. Fun Valley is not equipped to accommodate special meal requests.

**Check-in Time** for RV sites is noon.

**Check-in Time** for lodging is 3pm.

Bedding and towels are provided.

**Check-out Time** is 11am

### PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- Lodging or Full Hook-up RV site
- Meals (**a week of NO cooking, NO cleaning**)
- Square Dance Workshops
- Round Dance Workshops<sup>2</sup>
- Tournament Play
- Staff and Guest Skits
- Guest Callers
- Free Fishing for your supper on Tuesday
- Evening Dances and snacks

The program begins on Sunday with a Welcome Supper and dancing that evening.

Several tournaments are held during the week including miniature golf, paddle boat, fishing and horseshoes. *Bring your competitive spirit* -Trophies are awarded on Friday night.

On your free day consider taking a trip to Creede for dancing in the Firehouse, a tour through the mine, a hike to a waterfall, shopping, fly fishing, soaking in the hot springs, golfing, Great Sand Dunes, etc.

The square dance program ends on Saturday morning with a farewell breakfast.

Receive a **FREE SATURDAY NIGHT STAY** (lodging / RV site only) between square dance weeks when the guest books consecutive weeks of dancing. The square dance package resumes on Sunday evening.

<sup>2</sup>not included the weeks of May 24 and June 7, 2020

## ----- Rewards Program -----

Fun Valley Family Resort is pleased to continue a rewards program for our current square dancers and round dancers who bring a 'new' couple (never danced at Fun Valley) to dance at the resort. The new couple may also be square/round dancing guests who have not danced at Fun Valley in at least the last 5 years. New guests may attend a different week in the same year. **The new guests must mention your name at the time of booking their reservation for you to receive the reward.**

	CURRENT GUEST	NEW GUEST
1 <sup>st</sup> New Couple	10% Discount	10% Discount
2 <sup>nd</sup> New Couple	15% Discount Total	10% Discount
3 <sup>rd</sup> New Couple	20% Discount Total	10% Discount
4 <sup>th</sup> New Couple	25% Discount Total	10% Discount
5 <sup>th</sup> New Couple	30% Discount Total	10% Discount

Book a 2020 reservation today  
with a \$150 deposit per week / couple

Call Kathie at (719) 849-9556 or  
email [kathie@funvalley.us](mailto:kathie@funvalley.us) for details





# 2020 Illinois State NSDCA Camporee

June 5 – 7, 2020

*Sponsored by Chapter 014*

Winnebago County Fairgrounds Gate #2  
500 West First Street  
Pecatonica, IL

**CRAFTS**

**GAMES**

Just two miles North of U.S. Route 20  
in Pecatonica, Illinois

Send Registration to Cherie Arch, PO Box 298, Sublette, IL 61367  
Make check payable to Blackhawk CrossTrailers, postmarked by May 15, 2020.  
For Information - SGBobasp@aol.com or 815-262-9080

Camporee - one unit w/elec. & water - Fri & Sat                      \$90.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ # Extra days w/elec. & water ..... @ \$28.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ # Extra Adult in unit ..... @ \$12.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ # Brat & Hot Dog Dinner - Friday night 5:30 PM @ \$ 7.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 (with baked beans, chips, beverage, & cookie, \$1each for extra Brats or Dogs)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ # Sunday Breakfast 7 – 9 AM                      free will offering \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 (donuts, fruit, coffee & juice)  
 Total                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Name \_\_\_\_\_ Adult Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Please Print) (Please Print)

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ St \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ (for directions & additional info) Chapter # \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Length \_\_\_\_\_



# 43<sup>rd</sup> NSDCA Ontario Camporee 2020

Blyth and District Community Centre  
377 Gypsy Lane, Blyth, Ontario

Hosted by the Ontario Board & Chapters of the  
National Square Dance Campers Association

## Friday, August 14 to Monday Aug17, 2020

Camping area open Friday, August 14, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Monday, August 17, 2020  
Club colours are preferred for Saturday evening, otherwise square dance dress is optional.  
Pot-luck-supper Saturday @ 5:00 PM. The hall is scent-free.

Please print NSDCA Chapter No. \_\_\_\_\_

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

First Names \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Prov./State \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Dance Level

Please check off your preferred dance level

Squares/Mainstream  Plus  Adv  Rounds/Phase II  Phase III  Phase IV

### Fees

Camping fees/night, inc. HST (\$30.00) X \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Camporee Activity fee/couple \$ \_\_\_\_\_ free for 2020

Camporee Activity fee/single \$ \_\_\_\_\_ free for 2020

Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: There is a \$5.00 cancellation fee after May 1, 2020.**

**We will accept cheques post-dated to May 1 2020**

Non-camping NSDCA Dancers are welcome Friday, Saturday and Sunday at \$10.00/ couple per day .

Non-camping, non-member dancers are welcome Friday, Saturday & Sunday at 15.00/couple per day.

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**This section to be completed by Callers and Cuers who wish to be leaders at the Camporee.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ S/D Caller Call Levels \_\_\_\_\_ Workshop Yes  No

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ R/D Leader Cue Levels \_\_\_\_\_ Workshop Yes  No

**Callers/Cuers: Please register by June 15, 2020.**

We follow the National- No payment to callers and leaders. Every effort will be made to feature registered callers and leaders.

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If you have questions, please contact:

Deb and Denis Bertrand 705-522-4529 cell 705-929-5645

Make cheques payable to "Ontario NSDCA Camporee" and mail to:

Deb and Denis Bertrand, 7404 Hwy 17 West Worthington ON Canada P0M 3H0

# FANSDC 45<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CAMPOREE

invites you to a...

## Halloween Haunting

**\$50.00**

Registration Fee  
(FANSDC Members)  
Until Oct 1, 2020

Non-Members \$70.00  
Until Oct. 1, 2020

3 full  
Spooky Days  
of Fun & Dancing  
All Dancers  
WELCOME

October 22, 23,  
24 & 25<sup>AM only</sup>  
2020

SOUTHERN PALMS  
RV RESORT

1 Avocado Lane, Eustis, FL  
352-357-8882  
Campers Rally Rate - \$28.00

Area Motels are available  
For Non-Campers

Your Haunted Weekend will include;  
Frightfully Fun Square & Round Dancing  
Wickedly Wild Workshops & Ghastly Games & Parties  
A Creepy Catered Dinner  
Bewitching Breakfast and.....'EEEEK'  
much, much MORE



[www.NSDCA.ORG](http://www.NSDCA.ORG)

### Camporee Chairmen

Bob & Barbara Rosenthal (Chapter #128)  
(386) 356-7136 rar123@comcast.net

### Camporee Co-Chairpersons

Marilyn Scott -(904) 264-9392  
Sherry MacGregor and Pat Herscha

## Tales from the Road

What a small world we live in! As you know (or maybe not ...), we are living the dream and traveling the USA full-time in our new motorhome. As we tour, we are always on the lookout for local dances or NSDCA Chapter campouts. We just left Alamo, TX, where we attended two of Joe Saltel's weekly club dances. At the first one we didn't know a soul, but we were warmly welcomed and had a great time. They invited us to join them again the following Saturday night at Tropic Star, Joe's home park. The first tip is always open (typically, squares are determined by dance cards, to ensure everyone gets a turn on the floor) and we found ourselves opposite a couple from Alabama that looked mighty familiar. Turns out, the Howards (whose first names I'm embarrassed to admit I do not recall) remembered having danced with us at Peachtree Promenade, in Commerce, GA, as well as the International Camporee at Pride Resort, in Maggie Valley, NC! We had fun dancing and catching up with them, then we found ourselves in another square with a couple that were asking if we were part of the group that had put on the camper skit in Sedalia. Sadly, no, we hadn't been able to attend that Camporee, but we were proud to say that was our group that hosted it! Hear that, Square Wheels? They're still talking about how much fun it was!! Then there was another square, and another couple mentioned that they were also NSDCA members! So, at that one dance, there were 8 squares on the floor, and NSDCA supplied 4 of the couples! It wasn't until we were leaving the dance at the end of the night that we thought, "Dang! We should have taken a picture!" Oh well, hindsight is always 20-20, right?

Well, we moved up the Gulf Coast and we are now in Rockport, TX.



We went dancing again last night, and guess what!? There was a whole new square of NSCA campers! Mike Huddleson, Camping Squares of KS, Chapter (#116), and his Taw, Iris (who has a lovely singing voice by the way) was our caller, and he challenged 10 couples with interesting choreography all night long. He even got creative, calling a hex tip, when there were 6 couples that wanted to dance the plus tip. (We all chickened out on the *Coordinate* maneuver though, opting for a successful *Scot Back* instead.)

This time, though, we remembered to take the picture (previous page) AND get the names of all the NSDCA members present. Pictured, L to R, are Dick and Karin Callander, Square Wheels (#128 FL); Mike and Iris Huddleson, Camping Squares of KS (#116); NSDCA publicity director Bill and Kathy Baker and Chuck and Sandra Richoz, all of Swing 'N' Travelers (#123 IL).

We're not sure where we're going next, but we are sure that we will find good fun and fellowship in square dancing. And we HOPE to see some familiar faces along the way! Perhaps you will find us crashing your next Chapter campout! Safe travels to all and yellow rocks around the circle! You can follow our adventures by subscribing to our blog, [www.TenwheelsTurning.blogspot.com](http://www.TenwheelsTurning.blogspot.com). You just never know where we'll turn up!

Karin Callander (NSDCA Communications Director)

336-971-5656

Kcallander989@gmail.com



# Are You In ?

**We need to know that  
you are coming !**

## **63<sup>rd</sup> NSDCA International Camporee Roaring into the 20's**

**Lebanon, Tennessee**

**June 30, July 1 & 2, 2020**



# Chapter Campouts

The following listings are believed to be accurate. Before making any plans, please double-check with the contact listed to ensure the campout is scheduled as noted. (current as of 2020-02-01).

## March 2020

March 6<sup>th</sup> ⇨ 8<sup>th</sup>

- 149 Bayou Square A Rounds; Louisiana**  
Lakeside RV Park;  
28370 S Frost Rd, Livingston, LA; 225-686-7676  
Reservations required – call campground  
Jack Pointer; 225-294-2118

- 152 Campers & Dancers; Alabama**  
Roaring Pines Campground;  
83 Roaring Pines Road, Somerville, AL  
Caller: Wayne Mahathey; Cuer: Pauline Angress  
Joe Hester & Nancy Ursery; 256-738-5266  
John & Jan Bloodworth; 256-508-9331

March 12<sup>th</sup> ⇨ 15<sup>th</sup>

- 193 Florida Roadrunner Squares; Florida**  
Highlands Hammock State Park;  
5931 Hammock Rd, Sebring, FL; 772-577-3882;  
Reserve America for reservations  
Louise Woodward; 772-577-3882

March 21<sup>st</sup> ⇨ 22<sup>nd</sup>

- 128 Square Wheels; Florida**  
Red Oaks RV Resort;  
5551 SW 18<sup>th</sup> Terrace, Bushnell, FL; 352-793-7117;  
Nightly rate \$30+tax. Call to make your own reservation.  
Mary Chesnut; marynut4@gmail.com; 352-214-5880  
Don MacGregor; dmacgr@comcast.net; 904-375-1252  
Gail or Gary LaRue; glarue2775@gmail.com; 352-861-1583



## Chapter Campouts—continued

March 26<sup>th</sup> ⇨ 28<sup>th</sup>

- 082 Hitch-N-Go Squares; Florida**  
Blueberry Hill RV Resort;  
6233 Lowery Street, Bushnell, FL; 352-793-4112  
Friday dance: 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. (early rounds at 1:30);  
Saturday dance: 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.  
Please contact the campground directly to make your reservation.

**April 2020**

April 2<sup>nd</sup> ⇨ 5<sup>th</sup>

- 193 Florida Roadrunner Squares; Florida**  
Zachary Taylor RV;  
2995 US Hwy 441 SE, Okeechobee, FL; 863-763-3377  
Note: this campground honors *Passport America*.  
Louise Woodward; 772-577-3882

April 3<sup>rd</sup> ⇨ 4<sup>th</sup>

- 152 Campers & Dancers; Alabama**  
Florence Marina State Park; Omaha, GA  
Reservations: 220-635-6870 or 800-864-6870  
Caller: Ted Kennedy; Cuer: Susan Wolford  
George & Cil Herndon; (334) 740-0649

April 16<sup>th</sup> ⇨ 19<sup>th</sup>

**Florida State “Spring Fling”**  
Southern Palms RV Resort;  
1 Avocado Lane, Eustis, FL; 352-357-8882  
Make your own reservations.

- 082 Hitch-N-Go Squares; Florida**  
Please contact the campground directly to make your reservation.
- 128 Square Wheels; Florida**  
Don MacGregor; dmacgr@comcast.net; 904-375-1252  
Gail or Gary LaRue; glarue2775@gmail.com; 352-861-1583
- 153 Strawberry Travelers; Florida** (start on April 17<sup>th</sup>)  
Doug Meyers; 407 448-5192; dougmeyers@thefoundryc.org
- 193 Florida Roadrunner Squares; Florida**  
Louise Woodward; 772-577-3882



## *Chapter Campouts—continued*

**April 17<sup>th</sup> ⇨ 19<sup>th</sup>**

- 045 Penn Dixie Square Campers; PA**  
Mt. Creek Campground;  
349 Pine Grove Road, Gardeners, PA; 707-486-7681  
Elizabeth Powell; 249-271-8106; ephiker@hotmail.com

**April 23<sup>rd</sup> ⇨ 26<sup>th</sup>**

- 116 Camping Squares of Kansas; Kansas**  
Lake Afton; 24600 W. 39th St., Goddard, KS  
Annual Hobo Stew Dance on Saturday; West Side Rec Hall  
Frank & Marty Golden; 316-943-4137

**April 24<sup>th</sup> ⇨ 25<sup>th</sup>**

- 198 Crossfire Campers; Tennessee**  
Big Meadow Family Campground;  
8215 Cedar Creek Rd, Townsend, TN  
Reservations – call campground at 865-448-0625  
Jim & Susan Russell; 865-207-7444; sunsetbeach537@gmail.com

**April 24<sup>th</sup> ⇨ 26<sup>th</sup>**

- 123 Swing-N-Travelers; Illinois**  
Galesburg East Campground;  
1081 E. US Hwy. 150, Knoxville, IL  
Reservations required – call campground  
Dave & Mary Braun; 217-381-3041

- 149 Bayou Square A Rounds; Louisiana**  
Colfax RV Park;  
150 Control House Rd, Colfax, LA; 318-627-2640  
Reservations required – call campground  
Jack Pointer; 225-294-2118

**May 2020**

**May 7<sup>th</sup> ⇨ 10<sup>th</sup>**

- 193 Florida Roadrunner Squares; Florida**  
Whispering Palms RV;



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## Chapter Campouts—continued

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

Note: this campground honors *Passport America*.

Louise Woodward; 772-577-3882

**May 7<sup>th</sup> ⇔ 10<sup>th</sup>**

- 116 Camping Squares of Kansas; Kansas**  
Big Brutus Campground; West Mineral, KS  
Tour Big Brutus Museum (2<sup>nd</sup> largest mining shovel in the world)  
& Columbus, KS  
Frank & Marty Golden; 316-943-4137

**May 14<sup>th</sup> ⇔ 16<sup>th</sup>**

- 152 Campers & Dancers; Alabama**  
Navarre Beach Camping Resort;  
9201 Navarre Parkway, Navarre, FL  
Reservations: 888-639-2188  
Larry and Paula Boone; 205-529-2245  
Wilburn & Judy Hester; 205-616-1472

**May 15<sup>th</sup> ⇔ 16<sup>th</sup>**

- 128 Square Wheels; Florida**  
Recreation Plantation RV Resort;  
609 Highway 466 Lady Lake, FL; 352-753-7222 X 466  
Rate \$35 + tax/night. Call to make a reservation.  
Mary Chesnut; marynut4@gmail.com; 352-214-5880  
Don MacGregor; dmacgr@comcast.net; 904-375-1252  
Gail or Gary LaRue; glarue2775@gmail.com; 352-861-1583

**May 15<sup>th</sup> ⇔ 17<sup>th</sup>**

- 031 Badger Rovers; WI**  
Token Creek Campground;  
62009 US Hwy 51, Deforest, WI; 608-224-3730  
[https://www.countyofdane.com/lwrp/parks/token\\_creek.aspx](https://www.countyofdane.com/lwrp/parks/token_creek.aspx)  
Sharon Schmidt; 608-830-7543; sharon.schmidt58@yahoo.com

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.

## *Chapter Campouts—continued*

**May 21<sup>st</sup> ⇔ 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**082 Hitch-N-Go Squares; Florida**

Wekiva Falls RV Resort;

30700 River Road, Sorrento, FL; 352-268-9556

Friday dance: 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. (early rounds at 1:30);

Saturday dance: 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Please contact the campground directly to make your reservation.

**May 21<sup>st</sup> ⇔ 24<sup>th</sup>**

**119 Wander Yonders; WY**

Quadra Dangle Club; Laramie, WY

Leo & Diana Fergel; 307-631-1605; lfergel@bresnan.net

**May 22<sup>nd</sup> ⇔ 25<sup>th</sup>**

**068 Wandering Wheels; MN**

Isanti County Fairgrounds; 3101 Hwy 95 NE, Cambridge, MN

Timothy Hansen; (651) 272-6995; ilsdljm@gmail.com

**May 22<sup>nd</sup> ⇔ 26<sup>th</sup>**

**123 Swing-N-Travelers; Illinois**

Putnam-Marshall Fairgrounds; 915 University Ave., Henry, IL  
No reservations needed

Jim & Naomi Mills; 309-256-6752

**May 28<sup>th</sup> ⇔ 31<sup>st</sup>**

**116 Camping Squares of Kansas; Kansas**

Warnock Lake; Atchinson, KS

Tour Amelia Earhart museum, dance in St. Joseph, MO

Frank & Marty Golden; 316-943-4137

**May 29<sup>th</sup> ⇔ 31<sup>st</sup>**

**181 Montshire Campin' Squares; New Hampshire/Vermont**

Danforth Bay Campground; 196 Shawtown Rd; Freedom, NH

Reservations: contact the campground 603-539 2069 or email

danforthbay@puritysprings.com



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## *Chapter Campouts—continued*

Please notify Bill Parry if attending; 603-289-8057 or  
603-867-4871; William.Parry1@comcast.com

### **June 2020**

**June 5<sup>th</sup> ⇨ 6<sup>th</sup>**

- 152 Campers & Dancers; Alabama**  
Logan Landing RV and Cabin; Alpine, AL  
Reservations: 220-635-6870 or 800-864-6870  
Caller: Kevin Cozad; Cuer: Pauline Angress  
Barry & Joyce Herndon; 205-559-2312  
Kevin & Tina Cozad; 205-928-2618

**June 5<sup>th</sup> ⇨ 7<sup>th</sup>**

- 045 Pennsylvania State Camporee**  
**Penn Dixie Square Campers; PA**  
Paradise Stream Campground;  
693 Paradise Stream Road, Loysville, PA; 717-789-2117  
Elizabeth Powell; 249-271-8106; ephiker@hotmail.com

- 123 Illinois NSDCA Camporee**  
**Swing-N-Travelers; Illinois**  
Winnebago County Fairgrounds; 500 W. First St. - Pecatonica, IL

**June 30<sup>th</sup> ⇨ July 2<sup>nd</sup>**



**63<sup>rd</sup> NSDCA International Camporee**  
Wilson County Expo Center; Lebanon, Tennessee  
(see registration form on pages 31 and 34)



### **July 2020**

**July 8<sup>th</sup> ⇨ 12<sup>th</sup>**

- 119 Wander Yonders; WY**  
Deer Haven RV Park; Saratoga, WY  
Leo & Diana Fergel; 307-631-1605; lfergel@bresnan.net



## *Chapter Campouts—continued*

**July 10<sup>th</sup> ⇨ 12<sup>th</sup>**

- 123 Swing-N-Travelers; Illinois**  
Ramsey Lake State Park; 621 E 2900 Ave., Ramsey, IL  
Reservations required – call campground  
Jerry & Judy Boutelle; 217-899-2946

**July 17<sup>th</sup> ⇨ 19<sup>th</sup>**

- 045 Penn Dixie Square Campers; PA**  
Dogwood Acres Campground;  
4500 Enola Road, Newville, PA; 717-776-5203  
Elizabeth Powell; 249-271-8106; ephiker@hotmail.com

**July 17<sup>th</sup> ⇨ 19<sup>th</sup>**

- 068 Wandering Wheels; MN**  
Autumn Woods; Rochester, MN  
Timothy Hansen; (651) 272-6995; ilsdrm@gmail.com

**July 23<sup>rd</sup> ⇨ 25<sup>th</sup>**

- 121 Northwoods Stompers; MI**  
Michigan State Camporee  
Coven Hills Camp & Retreat;  
10395 E. Farrand Rd.; Otisville, MI  
Gerald & Pat Preston; ghpap3538@gmail.com

**July 24<sup>th</sup> ⇨ 26<sup>th</sup>**

- 31 Badger Rovers; WI**  
Buffalo Lake Camping Resort;  
555 Lake Avenue, Montello, WI; 608-297-2915  
This will be a Christmas in July weekend so plan accordingly!  
Sharon Schmidt; 608-830-7543; sharon.schmidt58@yahoo.com

**July 31<sup>st</sup> ⇨ August 2<sup>nd</sup>**

- 181 MontShire Campin' Squares; New Hampshire/Vermont**  
Horseshoe Acres Campground;  
1978 Weston; Andover Rd; Andover, VT  
Bill or Kathy Parry; (603) 289 8057 or (603) 867-4871;  
William.Parry1@comcast.com

## Proposed By-Laws Changes

A motion was made at the 2019 General Membership Meeting to correct Article XI, Section 4, dealing with the number of members required to form and maintain a chapter. A By-Laws Committee was appointed in accordance with Article VIII, Section 2, consisting of Mary Bruun (Secretary and current Board Member), Bill Wilcox (past Board Member), Park Bierbower (PA State Representative), and Donna Seay (Chapter Representative and who introduced the motion). This committee met during 2019 to consider the current text as shown below and proposed that the text be changed to that proposed. A motion will be entered by the Secretary at the 2020 General Membership Meeting to amend the NSDCA By-Laws accordingly.

### Current Article XI, Section 4 Text:

- a) The number of members needed to form a chapter shall be determined by the Board of Directors.
- b) The minimum to retain a chapter shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

### Proposed Article XI, Section 4 Text:

- a) A chapter per Article XI, Section 2 that is compliant with the conditions of Article III, Section 1 shall have a minimum of 8 adult members. A “probationary” chapter shall consist of 4 to 7 adult members who are otherwise compliant with the conditions of Article III, Section 1, may retain the “probationary” status for not more than 3 years. A probationary chapter shall not be chartered.
- b) If a probationary chapter fails to increase its membership to 8 members or more in 3 years following its formation, the chapter shall be disbanded, and its members shall be reclassified to MAL (Members At Large) status. The probationary term may be extended for one year on the recommendation of the Board or the corresponding State or Area Representative.
- c) As of the approval date of these amendments, a currently established chapter whose adult membership falls below the eight-member minimum of Article XI, Section 4. a), shall be exempt from the requirement and retain its charter.

In accordance with Article XIII, Section 1, a two-thirds (2/3) vote for the amendment from those in attendance is required for the motion to pass. Please consider the proposed amendment before your vote this summer.

John Ide, President, NSDCA



## Helpful Hints for your RV:

### How much trailer can you safely tow?

The simple answer is, “It depends!”

What does it depend on? This discussion will stick to a truck used as a tow vehicle (TV) with a bumper-pull travel trailer (TT) versus a fifth wheel or using a Class A or C to pull a toad, but similar calculations could be made.

All trucks and trailers since late 2005 have had (by federal law, 49CFR575.6) a yellow sticker label on the driver’s side providing tire type and pressure information as well as maximum payload. There is also a white sticker label (per 49CFR567.4) that provides (at a minimum) the manufacturer, VIN, gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR), gross axle weight rating (GAWR) and date of manufacture.

To determine if you are safely towing you need to know the following about your TV: GAWR, GVWR and payload (from the aforementioned labels), towing capacity (from the year-specific towing guide produced by the TV manufacturer) and GCWR (gross combined weight rating, obtained from the owner’s manual; note you will probably need to know your rear axle differential ratio, which is listed in a code on the white sticker label). You also need to know the GVWR for your TT (from its white sticker label) and the TT’s loaded hitch weight/tongue weight (preferably from a CAT scale weighing of your fully loaded TT; in lieu of that use 12.5% of the TT’s GVWR – do not use the manufacturer-provided sales brochure value as it is based on dry weight – and you never travel with a trailer having this weight).

For bumper pull TTs, first ensure your TT’s tongue weight can be handled by the class of the hitch receiver on the TV, found in the owner’s manual. Note: you also need to verify you have a proper hitch and ball, but I’m assuming you are using (at a minimum) a load equalization/weight distribution hitch (WDH) properly sized and set up — either by you or by the RV dealer. I know it’s hard to believe, but verifying the TV hitch receiver class is not often done by the RV dealer. In fact, I’ve noted too many overloaded TVs on the road; recently I was at a local RV dealer and someone drove out of their lot pulling a new 35-foot fifth wheel with a Ford F150, severely sagging in the rear. No, they don’t use a bumper pull hitch receiver, but they were sold a TT with a pin weight in excess of what they should probably have, overloading their rear axle. The chart on the following page provides the various hitch classes (see <https://www.curtmfg.com/types-trailer-hitches>).

Hitch Class	Receiver	GTW (lbs.)	TW (lbs.)	WD (lbs.)	WDTW (lbs.)
Class 1	1-1/4"	Up to 2,000	Up to 200	--	--
Class 2	1-1/4"	Up to 3,500	Up to 350	--	--
Class 3	2"	Up to 8,000	Up to 800	Up to 12,000	Up to 1,200
Class 4	2"	Up to 10,000	Up to 1,000	Up to 12,000	Up to 1,200
Class 5 - XD	2"	16,000 to 17,000	2,400 to 2,550	17,000	2,400 to 2,550
Class 5 - CD	2-1/2"	18,000 to 20,000	2,700	18,000 to 20,000	2,700

For the above chart: GTW = gross trailer weight (i.e., TT GVWR), the maximum weight of the trailer you can tow with the hitch; TW = the maximum tongue weight supported by the hitch; WD = using weight distribution, the maximum trailer GVWR; WDTW = using weight distribution, the maximum tongue weight.

Next, tongue weight plus actual payload (which should include the weight of the WDH assembly) should not exceed the payload value on the TV's yellow sticker label. The only way to verify the axle ratings are within limits is to get your fully loaded (meaning as you would normally travel) TV and TT weighed on a CAT scale (or equivalent). Note the curb weight of the TV is obtained by subtracting the stated maximum payload from the TV's GVWR; the curb weight typically includes a full load of fuel and a 150-pound driver with no passengers or other payload. When determining the TV's payload, don't forget all the other "stuff" you have in the cab and bed – it adds up!

Towing capacity is different than GCWR; towing capacity is the maximum weight of the TT you can tow (similar to the GTW or WDTW in the table above; this should be based on the TT's GVWR), whereas GCWR (from the owner's manual) is the maximum combined weight of the fully loaded TV and TT (which may be different than the sum of each vehicle's GVWR, but using the sum is conservative). Determining the TV's towing capacity is a little convoluted. First you need the TV's axle code (which specifies the your rear axle differential ratio, obtained from the white sticker label) and the TV manufacturer's year-specific towing guide (available online from the manufacturer's website); you use axle ratio, drive type (2WD or 4WD), the TV cab style (regular, extended or crew), bed type (standard, short or long), number of tires (single rear or dually) and engine values to locate the appropriate limit in a table in the towing guide. As previously stated, unless you have actual numbers from weighing the TT and TV (loaded as you would for normal camping use) use the TT's GVWR as the towing weight; always ignore the UVW (unloaded vehicle weight). The TT's GVWR should be less than or equal to the TV's towing capacity.

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For a fifth wheel (versus a bumper pull) TT, the pin weight (about 12.5% to 15% of the TT’s GVWR if a true value is not known) should be less than the rear axle’s GAWR. Remember to include the weight of the hitch sitting in your TV’s bed in your calculation of payload.

How much cushion should you have between your true weight of the TV/TT combination and the TV’s GCWR? For my TV/TT combination, I typically travel with 21% or more margin to GCWR (verified by CAT scale weighing); fully loaded (maxed out GVWR on both vehicles, a condition I have yet to meet) yields 6% margin. The more margin you have, the safer you are. Of course you don’t want to buy a TV much larger than is necessary, but having one with ample margin may provide ‘room to grow’ allowing you safely upgrade to a larger TT (without getting a new TV), it will save you money (not spent) on repairs from overstressed engines, transmissions and suspensions, and you won’t have white-knuckle experiences while driving due to inadequate steering or braking control.

Here are some other factors to think about when towing:

- ✓ How you feel (tired, irritable, ...)
- ✓ Road surface condition
- ✓ Visibility
- ✓ Potential distractions
- ✓ Traffic
- ✓ Your own experience level towing similar loads
- ✓ Your experience with this towing rig
- ✓ TV condition
- ✓ Towing load relative to TV capacity
- ✓ TV load relative to capacity
- ✓ TV weight relative to trailer weight
- ✓ Type of TT
- ✓ TT front and side area
- ✓ Wind speed
- ✓ Wind direction

A side wind is more problematic than a head or tail wind, and a fifth wheel TT will be more stable than a bumper pull TT, even with an anti-sway WDH. Also, a heavy TV (regardless of capacity rating) relative to the TT will be more stable.

Always do your own due-diligence when determining an acceptable TV-TT combination – don’t rely on a salesman; educate yourself and work the numbers. Safe travels!



## 63rd NSDCA International Camporee Preliminary Daily Schedule

**Wilson County Fairgrounds**

**945 Baddour Parkway, Lebanon, TN 37087**

### *Sunday, June 28th, 2020*

Time To Be Announced	Wilson County Grand Squares	Gladeville Community Center
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### *Monday, June 29th, 2020*

7:00 - 10:00 PM	Trail-In Dance	Education Building
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### *Tuesday, June 30th, 2020*

8:00 AM- 9:00 AM	Meet-n-Greet Social	Education Building
9:00 AM- 12:00 PM	Games & Crafts	Education Building
9:00 AM- 12:00 PM	Workshops	East/West Building
12:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Lunch Break	
<b>1:00 PM - 4:00 PM</b>	<b>Board/Staff/Representative Meetings</b>	<b>Education Building</b>
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Games, Crafts, Workshops	TBD
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Mainstream/Plus	East/West Building
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Advanced/Rounds	Education Building
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Dinner Break	
6:00 PM - 6:30 PM	"Speakeasy" Opens	Education Building
6:30 PM - 7:00 PM	20's "Speakeasy" Entertainment	East/West Building
7:00 PM - 9:15 PM	***Mainstream/Plus	East/West Building
7:00 PM - 9:15 PM	***Advanced/Rounds	Education Building
<b>9:15 PM - 9:30 PM</b>	<b>Last Tuesday Dance; Mainstream</b>	<b>East/West Building</b>
<b>9:30 PM - 10:00 PM</b>	<b>1920's Afterparty &amp; Costume Awards</b>	<b>East/West Building</b>

**\*\*\* 1920's Theme Dance; 20's costumes or normal square dance attire.**

### *Wednesday, July 1st, 2020*

8:30 AM- 11:30 PM	Games & Crafts	Education Building
8:30 AM- 11:30 PM	Workshops	East/West Building
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM	Lunch Break	
1:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Games, Crafts, Workshops	TBD
1:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Mainstream/Plus	East/West Building
1:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Advanced/Rounds	Education Building
4:30 PM - 6:30 PM	Dinner Break	
<b>6:30 PM - 6:45 PM</b>	<b>Parade of State Line Up</b>	<b>Education Building</b>
<b>6:45 PM - 7:00 PM</b>	<b>Parade of States &amp; Presentation of Colors</b>	<b>East West Building</b>
7:00 PM - 9:15 PM	Mainstream/Plus	East/West Building
7:00 PM - 9:15 PM	Advanced/Rounds	Education Building
<b>9:15 PM - 9:30 PM</b>	<b>Last Wednesday Dance; Mainstream</b>	<b>East/West Building</b>
9:30 PM - 10:00 PM	Afterparty	<i>East/West Building</i>

### *Thursday, July 2nd, 2020*

9:00 AM- 12:00 PM	Games & Crafts	Education Building
9:00 AM- 12:00 PM	Workshops	East/West Building
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM	Hot Dog or Pizza Lunch Provided	East/West Building
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	Mainstream/Plus	East/West Building
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	Advanced/Rounds	Education Building
3:00 PM - 4:30 PM	Annual General Meeting	Education Building
4:30 PM - 7:00 PM	Dinner Break	
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Squares/Rounds/Lines	Both Buildings
<b>9:00 PM - 9:15 PM</b>	<b>Final Camporee Dance; Mainstream</b>	<b>East/West Building</b>
9:15 PM - 9:30 PM	Door Prizes/Closing Announcements	<i>East/West Building</i>
<b>9:30 PM - 10:00 PM</b>	<b>Tear Down &amp; Clean-Up</b>	<b>Both Buildings</b>

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## Membership Application or Renewal

Application  or Renewal  (Check One) Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Assigned to Chapter # \_\_\_\_\_; Chapter Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

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

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

Address 2:	Street:		
	City:		
	State/Province:	Zip +4/PC:	

*If you completed Address 2, please indicate to which address you would like the specific issue of the quarterly mailing of the NSDCA Times, sent:*

March 1 Issue	June Issue	Sept. Issue	December Issue
Address #:	Address #:	Address #:	Address #:

*New Membership Fee (Valid from Camporee date to December 31 of the following year):*

For a Member Couple: \$10.00	For a Single Member: \$6.00	\$ .
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*Annual Membership Renewal Fee (Valid from Camporee date to December 31 of the following year):*

For a Member Couple: \$20.00	For a Single Member: \$12.50	\$ .
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*Cost of Badges:*

Safety Pin Attachment: \$6.00 ea.	Magnet Attachment: \$9.00 ea.	\$ .
<b>Total Submitted:</b>		\$ .

*Send this application complete with your remittance (US funds only) to:*

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# 2020 NSDCA MEMBERSHIP

The National Square Dance Campers are inviting non-NSDCA members to join us for a weekend (Friday and Saturday nights). Come join us for a weekend of fun and fellowship. Call for a time and location near you or visit our website:

**[www.nsdca.org](http://www.nsdca.org)**

Check the campout schedules posted there.  
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**Special Limited-Time New Member Offer: National annual dues are \$10.00 per couple and \$6.00 for a single member. A one time charge of \$6.00 per person is also required for NSDCA badges. A past member who has been absent for three years or more will be accepted as a new member.**

If you wish to become a member, send the  
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**You are encouraged to make copies of the Membership Application.**



# Looking for Volunteers

A big ***Thank You*** to everyone currently helping and serving in any capacity to keep the NSDCA viable and fun for us all.

We all love to have a good time, relax, dance and socialize. What we don't often think about is that it takes lots of people to plan, provide for, host, and otherwise put on the events so that ALL OF US can enjoy the good times we love. In other words, a lot of people give of their time and skills to manage the NSDCA and put on each year's Camporee. The four Board members serve for four years each with staggered terms of office which means that one new Board member is needed each year. Other staff positions are available as they become vacant. Some of our staff simply continue (what seems like forever) simply because no one else is available to take over or provide relief. We are currently in need of an Area Representative for the Southwest. Finally, there are always opportunities to help with the many tasks it takes to put on a Camporee for your enjoyment.

The various opportunities aren't burdensome, but are wonderful ways to get to know people and make new friends. Please consider serving in one of the many opportunities we have and help us keep the NSDCA and the square dance/camping fun and alive for years to come .

Specifically for the Camporee, we're looking for ...

- A photographer
- Security patrol
- A Tuesday morning Meet-n-Greet host
- A Wednesday after party host
- Water and coffee set-up
- Vendors (RVs, square dance clothes, shoes, jewelry)

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# Portuguese Vegetable Soup

Courtesy of Gail LaRue #128

## Ingredients

- 1 chopped onion
- 3 (or more) stalks of celery (I really like celery!)
- 1 box of beef broth
- 1 large can of Old Glory mixed greens  
(that kicks it up a notch !)
- 1 large can of chopped tomatoes
- 2 large sweet potatoes, cut in chunks  
(love the color it adds or use some carrots if you like)
- 1 can of black beans
- 1 or 2 zucchini or summer squash (in my case I use both)
- Any kind of vegetable you need to clean out of your freezer!
- 1 package (contains 4 sausages) Quijote Chorizos Caseros  
(The real secret to the Portuguese soup! I get it at Publix or Aldi's)



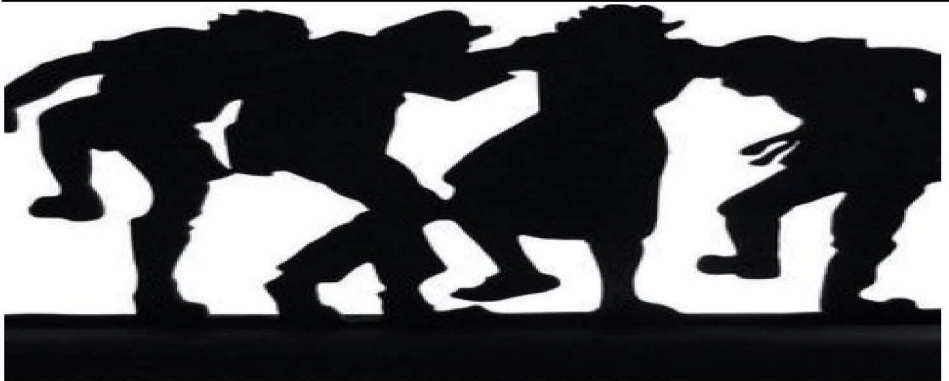
## Steps

- 1) In a large pot, cook the onion and celery with a little olive oil until it makes the house smell good.
- 2) Take casings off the sausages, then slice them in pieces. Go for it! Use all four sausages.
- 3) Stir in the remaining ingredients.
- 4) Cook on medium-low for 20-25 minutes until the vegetables are al dente firmness.

The soup stores well and should be reheated over medium-low heat.

Serves twenty (makes about 5 quarts). ~192 calories/1 cup serving.

Total fat:	11 g	Total carbs:	15 g	Sugars:	4 g
Saturated fat:	4 g	Protein:	9 g	Dietary fiber:	4 g
Sodium:	606 mg	Potassium:	171 mg	Vitamin A:	156%
Vitamin C:	14%	Calcium:	7%	Iron:	7%



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