



# Orange Blossom Squares News

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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Memorial week end 15 1/2 couples attended the Florida State Square Dance Convention. Of course we danced to callers from all over the state, so there were new voices for some of us. That is always fun, but can also be a little challenging. Those of you that weren't in attendance, missed a goo time.

On May 15th, Duane's Thursday evening class had their graduation. We'd all like to give a BIG THANK YOU to Jennie and Bob Courter for a nice party. We also thank those that helped. There were several of the faithful angels that attended, as well as other club members. We thank you for coming out, this shows support for these new graduates. Let's continue giving them support by inviting them in our squares at our Sunday evening dances.

In the months of April and May, we averaged 13 3/4 squares per week. We appreciate those that continue to support OUR CLUB. As Presidents, Ron and I would also like to give a big THANKS to those that stay for the last tip. This is a show of support to both the Caller and Cuer. If you are ones that leave early, won't you consider giving your support, by staying for that last tip.

Our club bowling activity is scheduled for July 12th. You do not have to be a good bowler to participate. It is fun bowling, with some crazy ways of approaching the alley, and throwing the ball. If Ron and I can do this, anyone can. Bill and Sandy Yakel are in charge of this activity, and they will soon be signing up those that would like to join in this event.

August 30th, CFA will be holding their 5th Saturday dance here at our La Hacienda Hall. At this time, the Caller and Cuer haven't been determined. However, let's all try to attend, making this a large dance.

If you have any questions, suggestions, or concerns about anything, please come to us. We will do our best to address, anything you bring to us.

Yellow Rocks,  
Ron and Sharon

## CALLERS SCHEDULE

JUNE 1 - BOB STERN

JUNE 8 - DUANE RODGERS

JUNE 15 - WHIT BROWN

FATHER'S DAY & PIE NIGHT

JUNE 22 - SUSIE MINICOZZI

JUNE 29 - DON HANHURST

JULY 6 - BOB WILSON

RED, WHITE & BLUE NIGHT

JULY 13 - SAM DUNN

ICE CREAM NIGHT

JULY 20 - R. J. HOGAN

JULY 27 - TO BE ANNOUNCED

AUG. 3 - BOB STERN

AUG 10 - WHIT BROWN

AUG 17 - LON LIGON

AUG 24 - DUANE RODGERS

AUG 31 - DON HANHURST

## CUER

JOANNE HELTON

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Training Director's Report-Bob & Jennie Courter

Monday Night Class - R.J. Hogan Caller – Eileen Dietz and John Wolbeck - Directors

Angel support has been great for this class. So far there has been a lot of fluctuation with student attendance. Hopefully everyone will settle in and we will see a steadier group of students. There have been no problems with the alternating of halls.

Tuesday Night Class - Bob Wilson Caller- Patt & George Jacobs – Directors

Bob has recently started the plus program. Everyone seems to be enjoying the additional calls and finding that they are able to execute them quite well. Several of the students have left for their summer homes up north and hopefully will be able to find lessons to help them complete the plus program. Angel support has been very good in this class.

Thursday Night Class - Duane Rodgers Caller –Florence and Chuck Anderson - Directors

On May 15 we had 5 student couples attend the class graduation. One couple had already left to go up North and the one single lady was out of town. We had a wonderful turnout of OBS Members, (many of which have been angeling this class.) Food was plentiful, Duane was a good sport, and the graduates had a great time.

On June 19 we will hold a Fun Night to introduce a new class start. This will be at the Allamanda Rec Center from 7 to 9. Once again we will probably limit the number of Angels to those who have been regularly angeling this class. We will follow this with two introductory lessons June 26 and July 3; followed by a regular start on July 10.

Florence and Chuck have decided not to continue as directors of this class. New directors for this class will be Jean and Bob Biddinger and Phyllis and Bill Varec.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob & Jennie Courter

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**SHIRTS - CAPS - SOCKS**

To order Orange Blossom Square Polo Shirts, please see us for order forms and sizing information. We also have Orange Blossom Square baseball caps and orange socks for purchase. See us on Sunday nights or phone us at 259-9546. We plan to visit the current square dance classes as they get closer to graduation so that the new dancers will have the opportunity to order shirts.

Don & Kathy Curtis

**54th Florida State Convention – Bob & Jennie Courter**

Well the 54<sup>th</sup> Florida State Convention is now part of the past. We had a wonderful turnout of Orange Blossom Square Members attending this event. There was lots of wonderful dancing, with great Florida Callers and Cuers. As usual many of us enjoyed dancing to those callers who frequently call for OBS, as well as hearing those we have known from other areas of the state. It would be impossible to list all of the names.

Some interesting facts: There was plenty of dancing with halls opening at 9:a.m. and closing at 10:30. There was no closing of halls for lunch or supper breaks. So dancers could come and go as they wished.

There was a Crafty Dancer Display in which you could learn how to complete several very interesting crafts.

The Scavenger hunt, which was held in the Vendor Area, was enjoyed not only by the dancers but the Vendors as well.

**Now it is on to the 55<sup>th</sup> State Convention which will be chaired by the Central Florida Association.** Randy and Carol Poole are the chair people for this event. Reminder: Orange Blossom Square's will be the "Greeters" for this event. Ribbons are \$27.00 per person for the weekend. We will have forms available at our dances.

The Kickoff for this event was great. Once again many of our members participated in the Kickoff, and they did a wonderful job. It was a very peppy program with poodle skirts and black and white shoes. The theme for the 55<sup>th</sup> is "Rock and Roll Times."

Thank you, Bob & Jennie Courter

**CFA Shamrock Swing 2009**

We wish to thank all of those Orange Blossom Square Members Ron & Sharon Paul, Dale and Rita Heins, Bob & Liz Wilson, Larry & Barbara Harding, Gary & Margie Pearce, Hal Bauman and Nancy VanRooy, Sam & Doris Mason, Pat & Jackie Clifford, Don & Kathy Curtis, Tom & Marlene Yaeger, Bob & Jean Biddinger, and our Shamrock caller Bob & Carol Stern who manned the Shamrock Swing Table. Also a big thank you to Ron & Sharon Paul for organizing the table and times that it needed to be covered. Several ribbons were sold and a number of boosters were taken. It was certainly a big help to have them there to answer questions and to promote the event. We appreciate all of you for helping us with this event.

Many Yellow Rocks,

Bob & Jennie Courter

### BANNER RAID REPORT

When Fountain Squares raided us Sunday, April 20, it was the 9<sup>th</sup> incoming raid since October 1, 2007.

When we raided Circle Squares on Tuesday, May 20, to retrieve our Banner, it was our 16<sup>th</sup> outgoing raid since October 1, 2007. We are currently holding 6 banners from other clubs. However, two of those banners belong to the Celebrity Squares and Prestige 55 Squares. Those 2 clubs have now combined into one club – the Celebrity Prestige Squares – so they will retrieve and retire both banners in a future raid. They are presently designing a new banner, badges, and so forth.

We have arranged to raid Royal Squares to retrieve our banner on Monday, October 13. Two clubs currently hold our banners.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary-Ann and Jack Hostetler

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### MEDIA REPORT

**Currently we are working on the publicity for Duane's class which will start in June. The Bow & Swing for June is on the flyer table Sunday nights. Stop by and take a look -- this month besides our monthly article there are two photos that we submitted. One is Frank and Lee Bardsley celebrating their 90 years young birthdays. The other is Roger & Janet Dyke receiving their plaque for 100 banner raids with Orange Blossom Squares.**

**Bob & Liz Wilson, Media**

**PRESIDENTS - ELECT**

Several couples have shared a desire to participate in helping Orange Blossom Squares to have a successful year in 2009. We thank those that have come forth and agreed to accept various appointments. We also have several couples that have maintained various positions for several years and feel it is time to give some one else the chance rather than to hog their position forever since they are not in Congress.

This is an election year and we have been looking forward to witnessing the Orange Blossom Primaries but the slate isn't large enough for a run off. OH MY! Well, the nominating will just have to approach our members. The committee will approach with a smile and a plea and we hope we will find a receptive audience. We need help!

Happy Dancing,  
Larry & Barbara Harding

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**ORANGE BLOSSOM SPECIALS NEWS REPORT**

**SCHEDULE** June 18,-----Marion House Health Care Center in Ocala.

We want to remind club members that they are welcome to go with us to the nursing homes.

The sign up sheet is out on the front table at all of the Sunday dances.

We want to thank all the people that have donate yarn to us. In a little over 4 years, we

have given away over 160 afghan's to various Residence of Nursing homes around the area.

Thanks

Bruce & Roberta Troop

BIRTHDAYS

YAEGER Marlene	06/01
WOLBECK John,	06/02.
KOZICKI Bill	06/05
ARMSTRONG, *John,	06/06,
UNDERWOOD, Bob,	06/07,
JACOBS, Pat	06/09
GARGIULA, Ed,	06/11,
FARIA, Margaret	06/12
PELUSO, Frank	06/12
DRUIN *Jim,	06/14.
MASON, Sam,	06/16,
PEACOCK Sue	06/21
AMERSON, Willie,	06/22,
UNDERWOOD, Murt	06/25
BROMMELAND, Janet	06/28
KUHN Doris	06/28
HEINS, Rita	06/3
STEAD, Bob,	06/30,
MCNAMEE Patrick,	07/02,
ORAZIO Judy	07/13
SWOPE	07/14
YAKEL, Bill,	07/22,
SELL, Donald,	07/22,
SORENSEN, Linda	07/24
PEARCE, Margie	07/24
ANDERSON, Florence	07/24
WILLIAMS, Marian	07/26
PARENT, Michele	07/26
CURTIS, Kathy	07/28
CASSIANI, Pam	07/31

ANNIVERSARIES

HARDING, Larry, Barbara	06/01
SMITH, John, Jean	06/02
CARLSON, Ken, Reita,	06/09
SIERACKI, Jerry, Ginny	06/09
EPPERS, Bob, Jan	06/12
HARBOWY Roy, Gen	06/18
CASSIANI, Vince, Pam	06/20
FARIA, *Dan, Margaret	06/20
METZGER, Norb, Patt	06/20
ALLISON, Gene, Phyllis	06/21
GREEN, Glenn, Libby	06/23
COURTER, Bob, Jennie	06/25
HORN, John, Anna	06/25
WILSON Bob, Liz	06/25
JONES Skip, Joan	06/26
HOSTETLER, Jack, Mary-Ann	06/27
WALKER, *Don, Earlene	06/30
HOWE Lee, Ann	06/7
ARMSTRONG, *John, Sue	07/12
MARSHALL, Bill, Linda Messick	07/16
CIMMINO *Frank, Lois	07/18
FARBER/ SMILEY, Marty, Lenore	07/19
CORTELIZZI, Al, Joanne	07/24
MUELLER, Ken, Doreen	07/25
ZERBE, Roy, Heidi	07/25