



Orange Blossom Squares News

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our year as your club Presidents is winding down, and this is our last newsletter article for 2007-2008. We want to thank our entire slate, those that were elected, and also those that we appointed. Each of you were supportive and served faithfully. All of you did a great job for our club. It was our pleasure to work with each of you. We don't want to forget all of our club members that have been good supporters of the club this year, by helping with whatever they could, bringing refreshments, helping in the kitchen, and greeting on Sunday evenings. A huge Thanks to those that attended on a regular basis, regardless who the caller was. It takes all of us working together to keep our club the great club it has been.

Our attendance for June was averaging a little over 12 squares. July we averaged just over 12 3/4 squares. We aren't seeing those at our dances that have to travel very far. It's a sign of the times. Our members aren't signing up to go on raids and retrievals that require driving very far. It has been great to see so many dancers staying until the dance ends. The Callers really appreciate seeing the floor still full when they call that last tip.

On July 12th was our OBS annual bowling outing. We played 3 games, the first was Doubles, with Robert and Sharon Young taking 1st place, Tom and Marlene Yaeger 2nd, and Bill and Sandy Yakel 3rd. The second game was Low Score (not as easy as it sounds), Robert and Sharon Young 1st, Wes and Elaine Meyer 2nd, and Art Mc Cartin and Larry Harding 3rd. The third game was Fun Bowling (all sorts of crazy things), once again Robert and Sharon Young 1st, Bill and Phyllis Varec 2nd, and Bill and Sandy Yakel 3rd. After bowling several couples went to Golden Corral for lunch. We give a great big Thank you to Bill and Sandy Yakel for a fun day.

CALLERS SCHEDULE

AUG. 3	BOB STERN
AUG 10	WHIT BROWN
AUG `17	LON LIGON
AUG 24	DUANE RODGERS
AUG 31	DON HANHURST
SEPT. 7	JOHN SWINDLE (PATRIOT'S DAY)
SEPT 14	R.J. HOGAN
SEPT 21	GARY BROWN
SEPT 28	BOB STERN
OCT. 5	R.J. HOGAN (ANNI. DANCE & PAST PRESIDENTS)
OCT. 12	BOB WILSON
OCT 19	WHIT BROWN
OCT 26	RED BATES

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JOANNE & KEN HELTON

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COMING UP

September 7th is our last General Membership meeting for 2007-2008. This will also be our election of officers. We need a quorum in attendance to hold the election . Since it is election night, we want to start the meeting at 5:45, and try to be done by 6:15, (we do have those that arrive for our dances around 6:15).

Our second Golf Scramble for this year will be September 20th. Watch for Larry and Mary Taylor to make the announcement for signing up.

Our Installation of Officers for 2008-2009 will be an evening affair. It's September 27th, 5:00 pm - 8:30 pm at Laurel Manor. We are having a catered dinner buffet, with square dancing, and hopefully round dancing. The actual cost of the buffet is \$19.05 per person. The Board of Directors voted to subsidize some of this cost, so your price will be \$30.00 per couple.

Let's make this a welcoming affair for our incoming Officers and Directors.

This year we've implemented a few changes, mainly to our class programs. As Mark Twain said "the only one that likes change is a baby".

Last we'd like to say, it has been our pleasure to serve as your Presidents.

Yellow Rocks, Ron & Sharon

BANNER RAID REPORT – AUGUST -SEPTEMBER 2008

UPCOMING RAIDS:

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, THE FRIENDLY SQUARES WILL RAID US TO RETRIEVE THEIR BANNER.

THURSDAY, SEPT.25 WE WILL RAID FOUNTAIN SQUARES TO RETRIEVE OUR BANNER.

MONDAY, OCT. 13 WE WILL RAID ROYAL SQUARES TO RETRIEVE OUR BANNER.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 22 WE WILL RAID STARLIGHT PROMENADERS TO STEAL THEIR BANNER.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
MARY-ANN AND JACK HOSTETLER

2008 Fall Golf Scrambles

Are you ready for OBS golf? Well then mark your calendars for the Fall scramble.

The Fall scramble is scheduled for Saturday September 20, 2008 on the Silverlake Executive Golf course. It is an afternoon golf scramble with the first tee time at 1:02pm.

Sign ups for the scrambles will start about four (4) dances before the scheduled outing. Plan to participate. The one rule for our scrambles is that everyone has fun.

Larry & Mary Taylor; 750-9092

PRESIDENTS ELECT

This Newsletter is the last Newsletter of the club year. The October November Newsletter will be introducing the new club year with many new people writing the articles. To us it is a very exciting time. We are sure it is a very exciting time for all the new people that are looking forward apprehensively to enjoying their new roles in the club. The slates are filled unless there are Independent candidates that want to campaign against the volunteers we have asked to fill the slate.

The Caller List is complete for 2009 with some new and exciting callers that will be here for the first time. Some of them will be replacing Paul Place and others just to make a difference.

We feel confident about next year but we do have some concerns. Dues will start to be collected in September, before the new "Club Year" starts so that we can get an early start on our 2009 Directory with our new directory staff already in place and anxious. This same staff will also be collating the October - November Newsletter. Frank Peluso and Wes & Elaine Meyers will be retiring from the Directory and Newsletter after years of service. We know we can speak for our club when we say THANK YOU!

We love our club and we found that our club has many other people that love it also. It became evident when we spoke to people about serving together with us next year. To all those people that showed us their love we extend our deepest thanks.

**Larry & Barbara Harding
Presidents Elect**

MEDIA

You will find a copy of the latest monthly Bow & Swing on the flyer table Sunday evenings. Please stop by and look it over. Orange Blossom Squares has an article and photo in the current issue. There are listings and information for the Central clubs---as well as information for the entire State of Florida. Maybe you would like to subscribe and receive your own copy each month. Look in the book for information on subscription price and address to send in your request.

We have submitted information to The Villages Daily Sun and other areas we post the class information for the new class beginning July 31st. This class will be open also for new dancers on August 7th and 14th.

Bob & Liz Wilson, Media

CFA SHAMROCK SWING -2009

The 2009 Shamrock Swing on March 20 & 21 at LaHacienda Center is well on its way. Our first committee meeting was held on July 30, and we were happy to see so many of our committee in attendance. A lot of wonderfully dancing will be available to meet the needs of all of our dancers. We really need your help in supporting this event. If you have not bought your ribbons please see us or Sharon & Ron at a dance. Remember it is not too early to buy your ribbons. If necessary money will be refunded right up until the start of the dance on Friday evening March 20. All it will take is a phone call or email. If you have not taken a \$1.00 booster (which will put your name in the program book – one name per line) please see any of us on the committee and we will be happy to sign you up. You will recognize us because we are always wearing our ribbons.

Thank you,
Bob & Jennie Courter

Additional CFA news

The CFA 5th Saturday dance will be held on August 30 at LaHacienda Center. This is the President's Ball with Caller: Jim Louder and Cues: Loretta Hanhurst. There will be a CFA General Meeting & Election of Officers at 6:00 p.m. Early rounds start at 7:30 p.m. followed by the Grand March at 8:00. There will alternating Mainstream & Plus tips and round dancing from 8 to 10. Members \$3.00 pp Others \$4.00 pp. It has been a long time since the CFA has held a dance here in The Villages. *Please come out and support this event and show them OBS is a supportive caring club*

Reminder: CFA is also hosting the 55th Florida State Convention in 2009. *More will come on the convention in upcoming reports.*

Yellow rocks to all, Bob & Jennie Courter

ORANGE BLOSSOM SPECIALS

SPECIALS SCHEDULE

Aug. 19——Superior Residence of Clermont—Alz.Unit

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Aug. 25——Altera Sterling House of Leesburg.

Aug. 25——Altera Clare Bridge Cottage.

Aug. 27——Lake Port Square in Leesburg.

Sept. 15——Lake Harris Nursing Home in Leesburg.

Sept. 15——LRMC nursing Center in Leesburg.

Thanks , Bruce & Roberta Troop

Training Directors Report – Bob & Jennie Courter

Monday P.M. Class Report

R.J. has completed Basic and is progressing with Mainstream for the class which averages 4 and ½ couples. Angels remain faithful and supportive with 10 to 11 couples per week.

John Wolbeck & Eileen Dietz, Class Directors

Tuesday Night Class Report

The Tuesday night class with Bob Wilson is doing well with the plus calls and we think they are able to relax now and the lessons are more enjoyable for them. Student attendance has been averaging nine students per night.

George and Pat Jacobs, Class Directors

TD comments: As you can see both classes have settled in averaging 4 and ½ couples. Many of these couples are double dippers – taking lessons from both RJ and Bob. Though, the Tuesday night class did have a new couple in attendance this week. This couple has previous experience. We continually see couples missing in both classes each week. Some due to illness, others because of company or out of town commitments.

Thursday Night Class Report

On July 10 only ½ a couple showed up for the new class. It was decided not to continue this class. Duane, who was on vacation at the time, was contacted by us. We explained the situation and discussed some options.

We would attempt to start a new class. However there would be no introductory lessons. The first night of class new students would be required to pay \$8.00.

In speaking with Duane we decided that July 31 would be the start for this class. That will give him ample time to return from his trip.

The first three weeks will still be open to New Dancers to join the group.

One final option for consideration is starting a DBD class, if the basic class does not go. I discussed this with Duane and he would be interested. However, it would really depend on how much support we would have from our present dancers. We would appreciate hearing from our members in regard to this possibility. Please email us or talk to us at a dance. Of course this would depend on whether this new attempt for a class is successful or not. Will keep everyone informed through announcements at the dances.

Respectfully submitted

Bob & Jennie Courter

BIRTHDAYS

FARIA, *Dan,	08/01,
BIDDINGER, Jean	08/02
CARLSON, Reita	08/05
PEASE, Jerry	08/05
BRADSHAW, Charles,	08/06,
STONE, Bette	08/08
Morrison Fran	08/08
AMERSON, Brenda	08/12
LEIGHTON, Lillian	08/14
CASSIANI, Vince,	08/15,
PANAVAS Lyn	08/16
TAYLOR, Mary	08/19
ORAZIO Allen,	08/20,
HALFERTY, Bev	08/24
SMITH, John,	08/24,
HOUSTON, JoAnne	08/26
YOUNG, Sharon	08/30
DUNLOP, Helen	08/31
HARDING, Barbara	09/01
DYKE, Janet	09/02
INGERICK, Susie	09/03
GREEN, Glenn,	09/09,
CIMMINO *Frank,	09/11.
MOLDOVAN Val	09/14
PALMER, Bob,	09/15,
SWOPE Harold,	09/15,
TAYLOR, Larry,	09/20,
COUSINS, Ralph,	09/21,
HOWE Lee,	09/25,
JONES Skip,	09/25,
HORN, Anna	09/27
GERVAIS, Earl,	09/29,
HOUSTON, *Jim,	09/29,

ANNIVERSARIES

HUBERT, Art, Faith	08/05
BUSS, Bernie, Jan	08/06
TOMPKINS, Lee, Wylene	08/06
MORRISON, Freeman, Fran	08/07
PAUL, Ron, Sharon	08/10
DRUIN *Jim, Barb	08/14
DYKE, Roger, Janet	08/16
STONE, Malcolm, Bette	08/20
HALFERTY, *Jon, Bev	08/25
SPINKS Al, Jo	08/26
CONNOLLY, Steve, Millie	08/28
SPANIERMAN, Gary, Andrea	08/30
DUNLOP, Jim, Helen	09/01
McCARTIN, Art, Barbara	09/02
YOUNG, Robert, Sharon	09/02
COUSINS, Ralph, Domenica	09/04
LABBE, Tom, Donna	09/04
TAYLOR, Larry, Mary	09/04
KUHN *Richard, Doris	09/07
CHILDS Hank, Mary	09/09
PARENT, Don, Michele,	09/12
BUCH, Steve, Linda	09/17
GODISH, *John, Doris	09/25
BROMMELAND, Kris, Janet	09/28
SWOPE Harold, Janet	09/6

DUES FOR 2009

TREASURES ARE NOW COLLECTING
DUES FOR NEXT YEAR. PAY NOW
SO YOU CAN BE INCLUDED IN THE
NEW DIRECTORY.
PLEASE CHECK OLD DIRECTORY TO
MAKE SURE YOUR INFORMATION IS
CORRECT.



CHARLIE CRIST
GOVERNOR

SQUARE DANCE MONTH

WHEREAS, square dancing is one of the oldest recreational heritages of the American people; and

WHEREAS, this folk art has enjoyed a sustained and widespread popularity through the centuries, and interest is still intense today; and

WHEREAS, folk and square dancers are an integral, important and expressive part of American art and culture; and

WHEREAS, square dancing eased the danger and hardships of life on the frontier; and

WHEREAS, the outgoing social exercise of this wholesome physical and old-time cultural activity offers a valuable antidote for the tensions and pressures created by the conflicts of modern American life; and

WHEREAS, various square dance associations throughout the United States and Florida will celebrate the month of September as *National Square Dance Month*.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Charlie Crist, Governor of the State of Florida do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing September 2008 as *Square Dance Month*.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capitol, this 30th day of April, in the year two thousand eight.



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Handwritten signature of Charlie Crist in black ink.

Governor