



Orange Blossom Squares News

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PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Orange Blossom Squares Installation Dinner, hosted by Presidents Ron & Sharon Paul was a lovely event and much enjoyed by all who attended. Nice table settings, good food, great company and the best cuer, callers and dancers available. Ron and Sharon planned a delightful evening and an impressive Installation Ceremony marking the beginning of the end of the club year.

We have a new Board, Directors and Appointees that will be working together to create fun and enjoyment for our club. Our Hospitality Committee consists of 12 beautiful couples, each volunteering for one month in the kitchen, acting as hosts, to help create an enjoyable night for our club and its guests.

Tonight as we read Dale and Rita Heins' first newsletter publication of our 2008 – 2009 Orange Blossom Squares club year, we honor our Founders and Past Presidents on our 22nd Anniversary. As Presidents we consider this the most meaningful night of our club year. The people we are honoring started our club, wrote the bylaws and made it work for 22 years.

As part of the ceremony, we also have the opportunity to honor our immediate Past Presidents, Ron & Sharon Paul for their hard work and efforts to better our club. Our club also honors all the people whose efforts made the club work last year some of whom held their positions for extended terms.

We have contracts with a great list of callers for the 2009 Club Year including a few new faces. We will have bios on the table a few weeks beforehand to introduce new callers. If Sunday night isn't enough we have many other outlets for fun. Our classes can always use qualified help. There are also Class Dances for all to attend as the different phases of instruction are completed.

Our club has many guests and we always have a couple at the door to greet them. The Greeters act as hosts for our club and our club can always use volunteers. Banner Raids are another outlet where we exchange visits with other clubs in mass wearing club colors and either steal their banner or retrieve ours. They in turn raid us in the same fashion. Sign up sheets are always on the table. Banner Raids nourish club treasuries and create atmosphere and friendships that represent the Themes of Square Dancing.

Another special year awaits us, if we participate.

Happy Dancing,
Larry & Barbara Harding

CALLERS SCHEDULE

OCTOBER

- 5 RJ HOGAN Anniversary Dance /
Past Presidents
12 BOB WILSON
19 ALLEN SNELL
26 RED BATES Halloween Dance

NOVEMBER

- 2 DUANE RODGERS
9 BOBBY KEEFE
16 RON LIBBY
23 RED BATES
30 GARY BROWN

DECEMBER

- 7 DON HANHURST Toys For Tots
14 TIM MARRINER
21 RON LIBBY Christmas Dance
28 NO DANCE

CUER

JOANNE & KEN HELTON

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Officers of the Orange Blossom Squares 2008 - 2009

Presidents
Presidents Elect
Secretaries
Treasurers
Assistant Treasurers

Larry and Barbara Harding
Jack and Mary-Ann Hostetler
Skip and Joan Jones
Byron and Cissie Veath
Pat and Jackie Clifford
Tom and Marlene Yaeger

Directors

Immediate Past Presidents
Banner Chair
Training Directors
Media/Publicity
Orange Blossom Specials/Badges
Resident Agents

Ron and Sharon Paul
Norb and Pat Metzger
Bob and Jennie Courter
Bob and Liz Wilson
Bruce and Roberta Troop
Byron and Cissie Veath

Appointments

Badges
Bylaws Committee
Class Coordinators

Bruce and Roberta Troop
Past Presidents
Don and Kathy Curtis
Bill and Phyllis Varec
Monday 7 – 9pm
Allen and Judy Orazio
Tom and Marlene Yaeger
Tuesday 7 – 9:00pm
Bob and Jean Biddinger
Bill and Phyllis Varec
Thursday 7 - 9:00pm

Directory
Golf Scrambles
Greeters
Historian/Photographer
Hospitality
Newsletter
Shirts, Socks, and Hats
Sunshine
Telephone Tree
Round Dance Instruction

Dale and Rita Heins
Larry and Mary Taylor
Gene and Phyllis Allison
Sam and Doris Mason
OB Sqs. Members
Dale and Rita Heins
Don and Kathy Curtis
Steve and Millie Connolly
John and Jean Smith
Joanne and Ken Helton at----343-4282,
Joanne@joannehelton.com

PRESIDENTS' – ELECT REPORT

Anniversary and Past Presidents Dance, Oct 5, 2008

Invitations have been issued to 19 Past Presidents and 6 Charter Members. To date 10 couples have indicated they plan to attend.

Annual Picnic, November 8, 2008

Initial meeting of volunteers was held Sept. 20. We met with the Supervisor of the Paradise Recreation center and mapped out the room layout for the picnic. Since the picnic has recently been held indoors, the name of the event will be changed to " Annual Fall Festival and Hoedown". Announcements and tickets became available Sunday, September 28.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary-Ann and Jack Hostetler

TRAINING DIRECTORS' REPORT – BOB & JENNIE COURTER

Monday 7:00 P.M. Class Report - R. J. Hogan, Caller

The August 18th Class dance was a success with R. J. calling for 5 squares. A new couple has joined to keep class size at 4 and 1/2 couples. Angels continue to be very supportive and are always greatly appreciated.

We have enjoyed being directors for the past 2 years and know Kathy & Don Curtis and Phyllis & Bill Varec will do a good job for the remainder of this session.

John Wolbeck/Eileen Dietz - Directors

John & Eileen have been extremely faithful to this class in spite of John's health's problems. We will miss them, and hope that they will overcome their health problems.

Tuesday 7:00 P.M. Class Report – Bob Wilson, Caller

One more week of lessons before graduation!! The class will have completed all of the mainstream and plus calls. We will have eight students graduating from Bob's class. Congratulations Students!

We want to thank all of the Angels for their dedicated support throughout the past year. Great Job "ANGELS" and many thanks from all of us.

Thanks also to both, Judy and Allen Orazio and Marlene and Tom Yeager for volunteering to be our new duo set of class directors for the upcoming year. We all wish them the very best in their new endeavor, and that they all find it enjoyable.

Pat and I have enjoyed working with Liz and Bob, all of our angel friends and especially meeting and becoming friends with the new students of our upcoming graduation class.

Pat and George Jacobs, Student Class Directors

By the time you read this report this class will have had their graduation ceremony and hopefully will be dancing with us at the club dances. Please welcome them into your squares. We know they will enjoy your support.

TRAINING DIRECTORS' REPORT – CONT'D

Thursday Night Program – Duane Rodgers, Caller

The DBD program is moving right along with approximately three squares of dancers. Unfortunately, we have not been able to attract many of the OBS members other than the OBS Specials.

Duane is moving right along with various calls that most seem to enjoy working with.

We hope this program will continue and perhaps others will join. It is not to late to attend this program. If you are interested please contact us or just show up on Thursday at 7 P.M. at the Allamanda Rec Center.

Graduation was held on September 30th!

Bob Wilson graduated 4 couples at this graduation. Three of the couples are planning to come back as Helping Hands with his new class that will actually begin on Tuesday, October 14th. We hope many of OBS members joined us in this celebration. If you have not had an opportunity to dance with the new graduates, please invite them into your squares on Sunday evenings.

On October 7th we will be holding a Fun Night that we hope will attract some of The Villagers to come and see what square dancing is all about. Please take flyers and try to help us promote this event. We hope you will all invite your friends and neighbors to come to the Fun Night to learn more about square dancing. If they cannot attend the Fun Night, please bring them to the first dance on Tuesday, October 14th at Saddlebrook Rec Center.

Thank you, Bob & Jennie Courter

MEDIA REPORT – BOB & LIZ WILSON

We have been working on the usual inputs for the October 7th 2008 Free Fun night. Also, the starting of the new class on October 14th 2008.

We have requested coverage by The Villages Daily Sun and/or VNN for two events coming up. The Installation Dinner on Sept. 27th and the Class Graduation on Sept. 30th. We had not heard anything back from them so on Sept. 22nd we went down to their Media Offices with Programs from each event so they can see the schedule for the evenings.

By the time this newsletter comes out we will know if they attended these events and we did get coverage in The Villages Daily Sun.

Bob & Liz Wilson, Media

BANNER RAID REPORT – NORB & PATT METZGER

Congratulations Rita and Dale for taking on the responsibility of bringing the news of our activities to the members of Orange Blossom Squares. We all look forward to the Newsletter every time it has been published.

We are happy to be the new Banner Raid Chairmen, and hope we can do as well as Jack and Mary-Ann have done in the past.

Our raids for the next few months, are as follows:

Thursday, Sept. 25th, We raid Fountain Squares to retrieve.

Friday, Oct. 3rd, We raid Sunshine Promenaders to retrieve.

Monday, Oct. 13th, We raid Royal Squares to retrieve.

Wednesday, Oct. 22nd, We raid Starlight Promenaders to Steal.

BANNER RAID REPORT- CONT'D

Sunday, Nov. 2nd at Orange Blossom, Whirl and Twirl from Orlando will come to retrieve their banner. Let's give them all a wonderful welcome as they drive quite a distance to be with us.

Friday, Nov. 7th, We raid Recreation Plantation to retrieve. This is their first night of dancing and will appreciate many members of Orange Blossom to join us dancing to the calling of Bob Stern.

We hope to have many of our members join us as some of the smaller clubs certainly do appreciate us coming to dance with them.

Yellow Rocks, Norb and Patt Metzger

ORANGE BLOSSOM SPECIALS – BRUCE & ROBERTA TROOP

We are still dancing for 2 to 4 Nursing homes a month, Plus some other Parades and various Social Clubs around the area.

SCHEDULE

Monday, Sept. 29-----Hampton Manor of Marion & Summerfield Suites.

Wednesday, Oct. 8-----Italian Fest Parade.

Wednesday, Oct. 15-----TimberRidge Nursing & Rehab Center & Quiet Oaks - Both in Ocala.

Monday, Oct. 20-----Mayfield Retirement Center INC. & Leesburg Health & Rehab - Both in Leesburg.

Thanks, Bruce & Roberta Troop

OBS September 15, 2008



Joan & Skip Jones present an afghan to a resident of Lake Harris Nursing Home in Leesburg



Bruce & Roberta Troop present an afghan to a resident of LRMC Nursing Facility in Leesburg



Norb & Patt Metzger present an afghan to a resident of Hampton Manor North in Ocala



SHIRTS - CAPS - SOCKS

SHIRTS FOR SALE

**Sunday, October 19th
6 P.M. – 8 P.M.
and
Sunday, November 2nd
6 P.M. – 8 P.M.**

**Sample shirts will be available to try on.
We also have golf caps and orange socks.**

**Payment is due at the time of your order with cash
or a check made out to *Orange Blossom Squares*.**

Call Kathy and Don Curtis 259-9546 if you have questions.



Recycle Your Square Dance Clothes



**Nancy McAnnally, a new dancer from Stonecrest, has a medium orange skirt
that she would like to sell.**

Her phone number is 352-307-0530.

**For Sale: Sq. dance dresses, skirts, blouses, soft crinolines, belts, petti pants.
Most like new. Includes orange club colors. Sizes: Small & Medium.**

Mens shirts Size Med. I5 I/2. Ties, belts, includes orange club colors.

Call Lynn Brooke for more information. 352-233-8889

CFA PRESIDENTS' CORNER

Well we officially take over as CFA President's on October 1, 2008. We look forward to having the support of Orange Blossom Squares during the next year. We are working on the Fifth Saturday Dances, which will of course be held in various clubs within the Central Florida Association. The first fifth Saturday dance will be held at Whirl & Twirl in Orlando. John Swindle will be the caller (we know many of you enjoyed dancing to John when he was recently at OBS) and Phyllis Williams will be the cuer for the evening. Early rounds start at 7:30 and there will be alternating Mainstream & plus tips from 8 to 10 p.m. Members \$3.00 each and all others are \$4.00 each. If you have not renewed your membership please see our CFA Reps. Sharon & Ron Paul.

We welcome your comments and would like to hear from you if you have suggestions. Remember the Association works for all of the Dancers in Central Florida. They oversee all of the clubs and try to provide as much support as possible to all of the officers and dancers within Central Florida.

CFA has two very special programs this year. On March 20 & 21 the 2009 Shamrock Swing will be held at La Hacienda Center right here in The Villages. This will be the first time it has ever been held in this area. We need your help to make this as successful as possible. The advance price for Ribbons is \$17 per person for Friday Evening and All Day Saturday. There will be two halls offering Mainstream, Plus, DBD, Advance and Round Dancing. Friday evening begins at 7:30 with early rounds and dancing in both halls from 8-10p.m. Saturday there will be workshops from 1-5:30, and Saturday evening we will have Early rounds at 7:30 with dancing from 8 to 10. If necessary, all ribbons are refundable right up to the start of the dance on Friday evening.

We are also promoting boosters for our program book. They are \$1.00 per name per line. This will help to defray the cost of printing the program book. Check out the front table to take a booster. If you belong to another club and your members would like to take an AD in the program please see us or Pam & John Conrad.

We need your help!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Bob & Jennie Courter

CFA DIRECTORS' REPORT

Ron and I are now Area Directors for Central Florida Association. If you have been a member, and haven't yet renewed your membership, we can take care of that. If you have not been a member, but would like to support CFA, we can also take care of that.

You ask WHY should I be a member of CFA??? CFA is the nucleus of the Central Florida Square Dance Clubs. CFA sponsors the 5th Saturday Dances, at which they have callers throughout the Central Florida Area. The January caller will be Bob Stern. CFA also has the Shamrock Swing. In March the Shamrock Swing will be right here at La Hacienda with Bob Stern and Tony Oxendine the callers, and Joanne Helton as the cuer.

Another BIG reason, CFA has a blood bank. All members are eligible to use this blood bank if needed.

Bob and Jennie Courter are now CFA Presidents. Let's support them, and the CFA.

Annual membership is \$10.00 per person. Renewals are \$5.00 per person.

Sharon and Ron Paul

ROUND DANCE CLASSES

DANCE TO A WIDE VARIETY OF UPDATED MUSIC FROM THE ROARING 20'S, BIG BAND MUSIC, AND TODAY'S TOP 40

Meet new friends, have great fun, exercise, and free the dancer in you. Learn modern sophisticated rhythms such as the Waltz, Foxtrot, Swing, Cha-Cha, Rumba, Merengue, Charleston, and other fun rhythms. We dance choreography, but with the look and feel of ballroom dancing – to a variety of great music. We take it one step at a time with the basic steps and you're dancing in no time.

**ROUND DANCE CLASSES BEGIN TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2008
FOR PHASE II+, PHASE III, AND PHASE IV LEVEL.**

AND

**NEW BEGINNER ROUND DANCE CLASS WILL BEGIN
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2008 @ 1:00 PM (NOTE DATE FOR BEGINNER)**

**THE BEGINNER CLASS IS OPEN FOR 3 WEEKS – NO EXPERIENCE NECESSRY
TWO LEFT FEET WELCOME**

**LOCATION FOR BEGINNER THRU PHASE IV CLASS IS AT THE
FRUITLAND PARK RECREATION BUILDING
604 WEST BERCKMAN, FRUITLAND PARK, FL
RED BUILDING ON THE CORNER OF WEST BERCKMAN & ROSE AVENUE (CR 468)**

**PHASE IV+ & V LEVEL CLASS BEGIN
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2008 @ 7:00 PM
EUSTIS SERVICE CENTER, 301 W. WARD AVE, EUSTIS, FL**

**ROUND DANCES ARE HELD AT VARIOUS TIMES & LOCATIONS
CONTACT: KEN & JOANNE HELTON-CUER & INSTRUCTORS
352-343-4282 OR joanne@joannehelton.com**

Orange Blossom Squares 2008 Fall Golf Scrambles

Were you ready for OBS golf? The Fall OBS golf scramble was held on 20 September at the De La Vista Executive Golf Course. After golf, the golfers were joined by other square dancers for a meal at the Terra Del Sol Country Club for dinner. The winners were recognized at the dinner.

The Winners were:

- First Place with a score of a two under par -- 27 went to the team of Sam & Doris Mason and Gary & Marge Pearce.

There was a tie for second place with two teams scoring one under par 28. The rule for breaking the tie was used and the result was:

- Second went to the team of Bob & Jean Biddinger and Bill & Phyllis Varec.
- Third Place went to the team of Vince & Pam Cassiani and Bill During & Diane Kent.

The Closest to the Pin contest was won by:

- Doris Hoffman with a 17'1" shot.
- Ron Reborn with a 9'6" shot.

Congratulations to winners.

A good time was had by all. Watch the newsletter for the next OBS golf scramble which should be sometime next May.

Larry & Mary Taylor; 750-9092



Leonard, Jim	10/02
Wilson, Bob	10/04
Buss, Bernie	10/09
Prezioso, Karen	10/10
Godish, John	10/13
Mueller, Ken	10/16
Whetstone, Becky	10/17
Sorensen, Elmer	10/23
Brooke, Gary	10/26
Buch, Steve	10/31
Eppers, Bob	11/03
Willoughby, Betty	11/04
Zerbe, Roy	11/05
Clifford, Jackie	11/10
Spinks, Al	11/11
Eppers, Jan	11/13
Farber, Martin	11/14
Palmer, Barbara	11/16
Lyons, John	11/18
Varec, Bill	11/19
Courter, Bob	11/22
Cousins, Domenica	11/30
Labbe, Donna	11/30

McNamee, Jane & Patrick	11/02
Trulson, Muriel & Roy	11/09
Anderson, Florence & Chuck	11/10
Pearce, Margie & Gary	11/10
Curtis, Kathy & Don	11/13
Orazio, Judy & Allen	11/15
Palmer, Barbara & Bob	11/18
Rouze, Joan & Robert	11/22
Meyer, Elaine & Wes	11/24