



Orange Blossom Squares News



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PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

We have just completed a very busy month of March. The Libby/Preston St. Patrick's Day dance was a rousing success. What a pair of talented Gentlemen.

The Shamrock Swing was held this past weekend with Dee Dee Dougherty and Bob Stern as callers. Joanne and Ken Helton were the cuers. A great time was had by all. Thank you to everyone that attended this special event.

April 3 is Badge Night. Everyone is encouraged to wear all of your badges. You have earned them; so proudly wear them on this night.

On April 10 we have another special caller, Jack O'Leary from Iowa will be here. This is our last special caller until October when Dee Dee Dougherty will be back.

This brings us up to Easter Sunday, April 24. No dance on this date.

Starting Sunday, May 1, we go to our summer dance schedule, 7:00 to 9:00 P.M. Also, this is our Summer casual attire period.

Sunday, May 8, we celebrate Mother's Day and May 15 we celebrate Armed Forces Day.

Sunday, May 29, there will be no dance. This is the Florida State Square Dance Convention in Lakeland, Florida.

Remember that you the members are our most important assets. We need your support. Please attend our Sunday dances as this supports the Orange Blossom Squares Club in the best way possible.

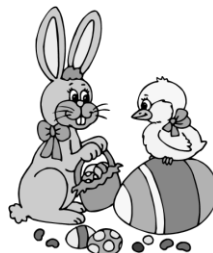
You can always find our dance schedules and other important club information by visiting our website at www.obsquares.org.

Nancy and I wish each of you A Happy Easter. May the Easter Bunny fill your baskets to overflowing.

See you all in a square real soon.

Yellow Rocks,

Hal Baumann and Nancy Van Rooy



CALLERS SCHEDULE

APRIL

- 3 R. J. HOGAN Badge Night
- 10 JACK O'LEARY
- 17 DON HANHURST
- 24 NO DANCE Easter

MAY

- 1 RON LIBBY
- 8 WHIT BROWN Mother's Day
- 15 RED BATES Armed Forces Day
- 22 DUANE RODGERS
- 29 NO DANCE State Convention

JUNE

- 5 DOUG WALDREN
- 12 BOB STERN
- 19 DON HANHURST Father's Day
Dance / Pie Night
- 26 LON LIGON

CUER

JOANNE & KEN HELTON

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PRESIDENTS' – ELECT REPORT

On April 10 we will have Jack O'Leary as our special guest caller. This will then end 2010-2011 Fall & Winter season for special callers. We have had some good opportunities to dance to a nice variety of callers during this period.

Our 2012 caller committee did a great job of reviewing the callers and making suggestions as to which callers should be scheduled for 2012. We will see many of our present callers back, but will also find some new names that should enhance the program. Even though almost all dances have been scheduled we are still waiting to receive some contracts from those callers who primarily live out of state and are probably traveling. We are quite sure that the planned schedule will once again provide a great dancing season.

We will have some special events coming up within the next few months so be sure to check your schedules and newsletter for all of them that are posted.

Hope to see many of you at the Florida State Convention over the Memorial Day Weekend.

Bob & Jennie Courter
President's Elect

TRAINING DIRECTORS' REPORT

Our Monday morning class with RJ Hogan is experiencing the snowbirds starting to migrate North. Then most weeks we have some students missing. This class is averaging between 4-6 couples each week. They are progressing thru the calls very nicely.

Tuesday evening class with Duane Rogers is also experiencing the same snowbird effect. Attendance is averaging between 5-7 couples each week. They are now into the Plus calls, and doing very well.

Both classes can always use more Angels, try to support our future members.

Ron and Sharon Paul
Training Directors

ORANGE BLOSSOM SPECIALS

Sat. Apr.---09---Hoedown for Hospice at the Polo Grounds.

Wed. Apr.---13---Quiet Oaks & TimberRidge Nursing & Rehab in Ocala.

Wed. Apr.---27---Hampton Manor of Marion in Belleview and Summerfield Suites.

Mon. May---16---Avante at Mount Dora & Ruleme Center in Eustis.

On Wednesday, March 9, we danced at Sunrise ARC in Leesburg. It was probably the largest group we have ever danced for in these type facilities. There were about 70 Mentally Handicapped people there. They were really having a good time and told us so after the dancing was over. They were a very well-behaved group & was asking us to please come back. We were also having a very good time dancing for them.

Thanks
Bruce & Roberta

BANNER RAID REPORT

April 8th, we will raid Recreation Plantation.

Top of The World will retrieve their banner on May 15th.

Respectfully submitted,
Rpm & Judy Reborn

Banner Raid Award Recipients:

On Sunday, February 13th, Don & Earlene Walker were honored for attending 235 banner raids. Even though they won't be going to banner raids due to Earlene's health, they will be at the dances on Sunday evenings. Congratulations Don & Earlene for your many years of continued support of square dancing.

Don & Earlene Walker

235 Banner Raids



ROUND DANCE CLASSES

SUMMER ROUND DANCE SCHEDULE TO BEGIN SOON

We update our Round Dance Schedule almost every week for classes, dances, private lessons, etc..

So check our Web Site for the current schedule, and the summer schedule to be announced soon.

<http://www.ioannehelton.com/schedule.htm>.

or

Call: 352-343-4282 or Cell: 352-455-5759

Ken & Joanne Helton





CFA DIRECTORS' REPORT



Shamrock Swing 2011

We thank all of our Orange Blossom Square members that supported the Shamrock Swing. If you didn't attend, you missed a very nice dance. Bob Stern and Dee Dee Dougherty called an exceptional dance, and as always Joanne Helton and Ken did a great job on the Rounds.

Ron and Sharon Paul, 2011 Shamrock Swing Chairpersons



CELEBRATING 50 OR MORE YEARS OF MARRIAGE



The following new members are celebrating over 50 years of marriage.

*Evelyn & Bill Eyermann
May 24, 1958*



Submitted by:
Shirley Genschorck

GOLD MEDAL WINNERS

Celebrating Our 19th Year!



**2011 POLK SENIOR GAMES
FEBRUARY 26 - MARCH 13, 2011**

The Gold Medal Winners for the Plus Level Square Dance Team at the Senior Olympics in Polk County. The only place in Florida that has a square dance competition.

Robert Young tried to get them to do it here in The Villages but they do not realize that square dancing is done by levels, not by age groups.

Submitted by: Sam & Doris Mason



Congratulations to L-R: Kathy, Doris, Don, Sam, Sue, John, Evelyn and Bill.

Monday, February 28

1:30 PM

Square Dancing, Lake Ashton Clubhouse, Lake Wales

Mainstream :

- 1. Space Coast Chicks - Judith Frye, Joan Fryman, Helen Lawson, Lynn Lenoci, Sarah Odell, Ailene Picheco, Onie Senyk, Samantha Smith-Teufel.**
- 2. Shufflin' Square - Jim Anderson, Wanda Anderson, Jackie Ellis, James Ford, Linda Ford, Joe Laurito, Donna Nix, Edward Schwartz.**

Plus:

- **1_ Eight Square - John Armstrong, Sue Armstrong, Don Curtis, Kathy Curtis, Evelyn Eyermann, William Eyermann, Doris Mason, Sam Mason.**
- 2. Shufflin' Squares - Joyce Akeson, Larry Akeson, Lance Baxter, Rita Baxter, Clyde Kitts, Freda Kitts, Carol Schwartz, Edward Schwartz.**
- 3. Space Coast Orbiters - Peter Collette, Sylvia Collette, Helen Lawson, Richard Lee, Lynn Lenoci, Al Martin, Sarah Odell, Samantha Smith-Teufel.**

Recycle Your Square Dance Clothes



FOR SALE: Ladies skirts, blouses, belts and petticoats, size 10.
Men's square dance shirts, size large.

Call Julie Grant - 259-9894



FOR SALE: Ladies size 12 -14 and petticoats.
Men's shirts, size 15 1/2 - 16.

Call Jim Sims - 259-4260



FOR SALE: Ladies dresses size 8 - 10 - 12 & skirts size S - M - L.
Men's shirts, size L - XL.

Call Carol & Bud Quakenbush 750-6642
e-mail: FBCAQ64@aol.com



ORANGE BLOSSOM SQUARES ARE CHALLENGED

The Seventh Annual All-Star PEACHTREE PROMENADE Square & Round Dance Weekend in Commerce, Georgia is July 22, 23rd and the morning of the 24th, 2011. The callers are Ken Bower, Gary Shoemake, Jerry Biggerstaff, Steve Kopman and Darryl McMillian. The round dance cuers are Sandy & David Sturgis. The weekend is \$40 in advance per dancer or \$45 at the door. It is around 425 miles from The Villages. This is a super fun dance on a wood floor.

The Oak Run Twirlers had two squares last year and the club received \$50. The Oak Run Twirlers have challenged us to see who can get the most squares in attendance.

Last year the Friday schedule was 3:00-4:00 p.m. Welcome Dance. In the evening there were Rounds, Plus and Advance dancing. At 10:30 p.m. they had a Pizza Party.

The Saturday schedule included Rounds, Plus, Advance, C1, A2, Plus (hot hash), and Plus DBD tips. At 10:30 p.m. they had an Ice Cream Social and after party skits.

Sunday was gospel singing calls hour.

Fliers are available on the table or see Eldon Genschorck.

ORANGE BLOSSOM SQUARES
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING/ANNUAL MEETING

TIME: Meeting was called to order at 6 PM
DATE: Sunday Feb 13, 2011
LOCATION: La Hacienda Recreation Center
PRESIDING: Presidents Hal Baumann and Nancy Van Rooy

QUORUM: The President declared a quorum present.

Reading of the Minutes of previous meeting: The minutes of the September 10, 2010 General Membership Meeting were circulated in the October/November, 2010 newsletter.

Fran Gargiula made the motion to accept the minutes as circulated.

John Smith seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurers' Report was presented by Treasurers Ron and Ann Marchioni.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented made by Jack Hostetler; seconded by John Smith. Motion passed unanimously.

The complete report is attached to the secretary's file copy of the minutes.

Past Presidents' Report: No report.

Presidents Elects' Report: Jennie Courter reported on the 50+ Anniversary Celebration held on January 30, 2011.

At this time the Presidents Elect are working on the 2012 Caller Contracts. More information will follow when they have confirmation from the callers.

The complete report is attached to the secretary's file copy of the minutes.

Training Directors' Report: Sharon Paul reported on the status of Duane's Tuesday evening class and R.J.'s Monday morning class. Sharon encouraged members to attend the classes. The complete report is attached to the secretary's file copy of the minutes.

Orange Blossom Specials Report: Bruce Troop reported on the Orange Blossom Specials upcoming dances at five nursing homes/care centers. He gave a summary of the 2010 participation in parades, demos, and nursing homes. 275 afghans, most made by Roberta Troop, have been given at the nursing homes since 2003.

Bruce also explained the 2010 Specials Christmas project.

The complete report is attached to the secretary's file copy of the minutes.

Banner Raid Chairmen's Report: Judy Rebhorn gave the upcoming schedule of banner raids. Recreation Plantation and Celerity Squares will be coming to raid OBS; OBS will be raiding Circle Squares and Oak Run Twirlers.

The complete report is attached to the secretary's file copy of the minutes.

Media Report: Linda Lashley reported that she forwarded to Sharon Paul the emails she has received requesting club and class information. She also reported that the article for Bow and Swing is in process.

Resident Agents' Report: No report

SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND REPORTS:

Central Florida Association: No report

ORANGE BLOSSOM SQUARES
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING/ANNUAL MEETING – CONT'D

Finance Committee: Larry Harding gave the report that was presented to the OBS Board on January 16, 2011. After reviewing the OBS financials for the past 9 months since the La Hacienda room rent increase, the committee has determined that the strategies in place are working. No changes are recommended. Attendance at the dances to generate income was stressed. The complete report is attached to the secretary's file copy of the minutes.

OLD BUSINESS: Jennie Courter reminded all that a jar for donations to Operation Homebound will be on the table. The monies collected will be used to build a larger kitchen.

NEW BUSINESS: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The club received a Certificate and \$100 from the 5th Annual Florida Winter Festival for tying for the most preregistrations.

ADJOURNMENT: Sharon Paul moved that the meeting be adjourned; Jack Hostetler seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted
Skip and Joan Jones

OBS IMPORTANT NOTICE

Injury or Accident?

If you are injured or have an accident while dancing at La Hacienda Rec. Center please report the incident to someone, preferably an officer immediately. You can find names and telephone numbers on the orange dance schedule.

This will help in processing your claim and insure that a resolution is reached expeditiously.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Yellow Rocks,

Hal Baumann and Nancy Van Rooy
Presidents



Happy Anniversary

Thacker, Roy	04/02
Harding, Larry	04/03
David, Wanda	04/04
Lashley, Linda	04/09
Curtis, Don	04/16
Metzger, Patt	04/19
Bardsley, Frank	04/20
Kreider, Ernie	04/23
Kaufman, Joann	04/26
Perlman, Alan	04/28
Cimmino, Lois	04/29
Williams, Rolle	05/04
Lyons, Barbara	05/07
Whetstone, Karl	05/10
Meyer, Wes	05/13
Clifford, Pat	05/14
Walker, Don	05/16
Rebhorn, Judy	05/18
Trulson, Muriel	05/18
Smith, Jean	05/20
Strunk, Jerry	05/20
Halferty, John	05/24
Barone, Dave	05/26
Bonini, Mary Beth	05/28

Houston, JoAnne & Jim	04/08
Yakel, Sandy & Bill	04/08
Gargiula, Fran & Ed	04/11
Mentzer, Lois & Jim	04/19
Clifford, Jackie & Pat	04/25
David, Wanda & Mike	05/02
Moldovan, Valerie & Fred	05/03
Heins, Rita & Dale	05/04
Marchioni, Ann & Ron	05/05
Amerson, Brenda & Willie	05/09
Johnson, Buddy & Cindy	05/18
Eyermann, Evelyn & Bill	05/24
Bardsley, Lee & Frank	05/30
Orndorff, Fran & Don	05/30

