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AT LONG LAST DANCE-O-RAMA MOVES IN

Cutler-Union will again be the focal point of western New York square dancers on Saturday, April 6th

Hundreds of couples, colorfully attired for the occasion, will fill the two spacious halls of this historic building to take part in Rochester's festival of square dance fun "Dance-O-Rama".

These couples, whose occupations are as varied as the colorful clothing they wear, will bring one thing in common - an enthusiasm for all that square dancing represents. To them square dancing is unadulterated fun with a group where ages, occupations, creeds and politics are blended into what might be called the purest form of democracy.

A project as large as this fifth annual Dance-O-Rama obviously required detailed planning many months in advance of the big day. Numerous meetings were held at the home of Earl and Bonnie Stafford, who, as general chairman, had the responsibility of directing the various committee heads.

As a result of these meetings many small problems were resolved and the hundreds of details that must be taken care of ahead of time were accomplished.

Those couples who worked on Dance-O-Rama did their jobs willingly and well - not because they sought recognition for their efforts but simply because they like square dancing and square dancers.

Working with each committee head were volunteers from each of the Federation member clubs. It was hoped that some of these couples who offered help could be mentioned here, but, as of this time, the complete list of workers is not available. In addition to Earl and Bonnie Stafford, general chairman and Al and Jane Manning, co-chairman, the heads of the committees are. Don and Norma Weekes, treasurer. Doc and Eleanor Chandler, soft drinks. Al and Ruth Niblack, house. Ambrose and Dorothy Baker, decoration. Ray and Dottie Handell, catering. Chuck and Doris Rademaker, ticket. Jim and Mary Ann Higgins, printing. Ed and Marge Fox, callers. John and Kay Welch, social hour. Frank and Stella Beahan, Publicity

A LETTER OF THANKS

To **PROMENADER**:

We would like to express the appreciation of the patients at the Canandaigua Veterans Administration Hospital for the beautiful and entertaining program put on by a group of Rochester Square Dancers on February 17th.

It is wonderful thing to think that these twenty volunteers have been willing to share the pleasure they get from dancing with our hospitalized veterans.

Please extend my personal thanks.

Co-signed:	Mrs. Ione Dawson VA Hospital Repr. American Red Cross
	L. V. Lopez, M.D. Hospital Director

DID YOU KNOW THAT Genesee Dancer, Dick Henn, has been named senior research associate by Kodak Research Laboratories? He holds 20 U. S. patents and has written 30 scientific articles...John Gosling, Belles 'N Beaus, was promoted to the scientific committee of Kodak Research Laboratories? TENNESSEE TWO - STEP

Position: Open, inside hands joined. Footwork: Opposite, Directions to man.

1-2 Walk, 2. 3, 4; Turn Away, 2. 3. 4:

- 3-4 Right Star (Two-Step) 2, 3, 4; With R hands joined star once and a half around to end in OPEN POS. facing RLOD, inside hands joined.
- 5-8 Repeat all of above in ROLD to end facing LOD in open pos.
- 9-10 Walk, 2, Side, Behind: Roll 2, 3, 4; (L face twd LOD ending in Closed Pos.)
- 11-12 Two-Step Turn, Two Step Turn; Two Step Turn, Two Step Turn;
- 13-16 Repeat all of above in LOD ending in open pos.
- 17-18 Walk 2, 3; Step/Step; Back up, 2, 3, Step/Step; (face partner, join both hands)
- 19-20 Chase, 2, 3, Step/Step; Back-Up, 2, 3, Step/Step; (on last step both turn to face RLOD)
- 21-24 Repeat Meas. 17 20 in RLOD and end facing LOD in OPEN Pos. ready to start dance from the beginning.

Dance Sequence: ABC, ABC, AB.

Ending: On Meas 16 of Part B, man walks four steps fwd as lady twirls ______and both bow

DID YOU KNOW THAT Cutler Union was the scene of the 3rd annual Teen-O-Rama on March 2nd when over 300 teenagers frolicked and danced to seven callers under the sponsorship of the Rochester Teen Twirler Square Dance Club? During the evening a gay, lively and colorful pageant, "The Wonderful World of Square Dancing", was so professionally performed by the young people that it "brought down the house".

Brownie Johnston, son of Helen and Ernie, is a disc jockey from 10 to 11 p.m. every Thursday on Station W W R C, Rider College, Trenton, N.J.?

SNAP - O - GRAPH

EARL & BONNIE STAFFORD...General Chairman of the 1963 Dance-O-Rama...moved here from California in 1950 when Earl joined the Research Engineering Division of Eastman Kodak...prior to this time he had been manager of a date plant in the Coachella Valley.

The Staffords were introduced to Western square dancing while out on the Coast... continued their interest in this area when they became charter members of the Swingin' Eights and are currently president of the club. represented the Eights as Federation delegates in 1961 and 1962 and also served as treasurer for the Dance-O-Rama in those years.

Earl and Bonnie are avid pinochle and bridge players and are also pretty fair at knocking down the ten pins. Earl has always been interested in Scouting and was a Commissioner for seven years. Bonnie, an expert dressmaker, makes all her Western dresses and Earl's fancy shirts -the trimmings are mostly gifts from her folks who live in Tucson, Arizona,

The Staffords reside at 318 Pinecrest Drive and have three children: Craig 14, Dale 10 and Shelley 7.

BEHIND THE MIKE AT RCA

Bill Harvey, Ernie Johnston and Don Pratt will call for the Genesee Dancers at Cutler Union, Thursday, May 9th

The Rochester Callers Association will hold a Callers' Workshop with Art Harris in May. Anyone interested in calling is welcome to attend. For reservations call: Myron Huss, 122 Wheeldon Dr., NO 3-7284 or Helen Principe, 310 Tarrington Rd HU-2-7641.

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CLUB DANCES IN THE ROCHESTER AREA

APR I	L 1963							
1	Mon	**B&B	Harris	West Ridge School	8:00			
_	Abberger says: "No foolin'"							
1	Mon		Tucker	The Barn	8:00			
3	Wed	ES	Reilly	Kodak Office Auditorium	8:00			
4	Thu	Gen	5	up for Dance-O-Rama				
6	Sat	DANCE-		Cutler Union	2:00			
				callers, day long program.				
8	Mon	**B&B	Tinkler	West Ridge School	8:00			
10	Wed	ES	No dance, Holy Wee	e e				
11	Thu	Gen	No dance, Holy Wee					
12	Fri	*RR	No dance, Holy Weel					
13	Sat	IrS	No dance, Holy Weel					
13	Sat	CT	No dance, Holy Weel					
15	Mon	**B&B	No dance, Easter V					
15	Mon	**FA	Tucker	The Barn	8:00			
17	Wed	ES	Dick Jones	Kodak Office Auditorium	8:00			
18	Thu	Gen	Harris	Cutler Union	8:00			
20	Sat	Sw8	Tinkler	Iroquois School	8:00			
22	Mon	ES	Reilly	Kodak Office Auditorium	8:00			
		Gradua	tion Dinner Dance					
22	Mon	**B&B	Tinkler	West Ridge School	8:00			
25	Thu	Gen	Tinkler	Cutler Union	8:00			
26	Fri	*RR	Duffin	The Barn	8:30			
27	Sat	IrS	Kennedy	Pardee School	8:00			
27	Sat	CT	Tinkler	Florence Brasser School	8:15			
28	Sun	*RR	George Campbell	The Barn	8:30			
29	Mon	B&B	Bob Fisk	Barnard School	8:00			
OPEN DANCE - Annual scholarship fund dance								
MAY					0 00			
1	Wed	ES	Harris	Kodak Office Auditorium	8:00			
2	Thu	Gen	Frannie Heintz	Cutler Union	8:30			
4	Sat	Sw8	Frank Myerske	Hosea Rogers School	8:00			
6	Mon	**B&B	Tinkler	West Ridge School	8:00			
7	Class Graduation Night							
6	Mon	**FA	Tucker	The Barn	8:00			
8	Wed	ES	Reilly	Kodak Office Auditorium	8:00			
9	Thu	Gen	RCA Night	Cutler Union	8:00			
10	Fri	*RR	Duffin	The Barn	8:30			
11	Sat	IrS	Kennedy	Pardee School	8:00 8:15			
11	Sat	CT	Tinkler	Florence Brasser School	8:00			
13	Mon	**B&B	Harris	West Ridge School	0:00			
14	Trail End Dance 16 Thu Gen Harris Cutler Union 8:00							
16	Thu	Gen	Harris Exemt Lene	Cutler Union Kadak Office Auditorium	8:00			
16	Thu	ES S- O	Frank Lane	Kodak Office Auditorium	8:00			
18	Sat	Sw8	Tinkler	Iroquois School The Born	8:00			
20	Mon	**FA	Tucker	The Barn	0:00			

*Invitation dance, except that club level dancers from out of town are welcome. **Semi-open dance, requested that you call ahead to make arrangements.

CLUBS IN REVIEW.....

FIDDLE A ROUNDS Round dancing in the Rochester area started in the Fall of 1957, at Pardee School. The instructors were Charlie Tucker and his lovely wife, Perky. The founders of the round dance movement in this area were Jean and Harris Hammond, Perky and Charlie Tucker, Millie and Tip Costich.

The history of the movement is more readily recalled when we started in the Lincoln School, January, 1958. Our first dance of note was "Gadabout".

A group of about 29 couples attended the first class. We had instructions twice a month until June '58, when we concluded our activities with a party at the Odd Fellows Hall on Gregory St. and recessed until Fall.

We resumed dancing in the Fall on a very informal basis for about one year. No officers, no name, just a lot of dancing and fun. Since September, 1958, we have been dancing twice a month the year round.

We were invited to a party in the Smiths' basement in August, 1959. After considerable partying and unrestrained discussion (from the floor and atop chairs) the name "Fiddle A Round" was suggested by Ruth Dietz and adopted as the club name.

Early in 1960, we elected our first officers: Mr. & Mrs. President, Ed and Helen Principe; Mr. & Mrs. Secretary-Treasurer, Bob and Dot Brunshidle; and about the same time we joined the Federation.

The design of the club pin is the result of the efforts of Jean Hammond, Millie Costich and Isabelle Tucker. The badges first decorated our attire in April, 1960. The Smiths, Dick & Carrie, have been most helpful in procuring the Barn for our use.

The Tuckers start a new beginner class every Fall at the Barn. These classes are held on Sunday afternoon. We are indeed indebted to the Tuckers for their excellent instruction and their unfailing effort in the round dance movement. We all join in saying, "Thank you, Charlie & Perky, for a job well done."

...Walt McKenna

SQUARE DANCE VACATION NOTICES By the time our huge presses will have ground out this issue of PROMENADER. Spring will have sprung and summer will not be far behind.

PROMENADER thought you readers might like to think of these square dance vacations coming up:

UTICA, N.Y.-Mohawk Valley Festival Sat., April 27th..Curley Custer, Lloyd Litman, Ed Gilmore, Write Mrs. Peg Sherwood, 178 Main Street, Whitesboro, N.Y. Tickets \$3.50 per couple.

CAPON SPRINGS, WEST VIRGINIA-Capon Capers-June 16-21. Decko Deck, Ron Schneider. Write Capon Capers, Box 78, Annandale, Virginia. Rates begin at \$81.25 per person, includes everything.

SYRACUSE. N.Y.-Holiday Week-end September 27-29. Decko Deck, Curley Custer. Write Holiday Week-End, Box 78, Annandale, Virginia. Rates at \$37.50 per person, includes everything.

TROY, NEW HAMPSHIRE-The Inn at East Hill Farm offers excellent set-up if your club or group wants to organize your own week-end of dancing, all other recreation, etc. Write for free folder.

NEW LONDON, CONNECTICUT-Me can, You can, Mohican week-end June 28, 29, 30...Jack Livingston, Chet Smith, Write Chet Smith, Bay Path Barn, Boylston, Mass. Rates \$37.50 per person, tips included.

ASHBY, MASSACHUSETTS-Camp and Dance weekend, July 12, 13, 14...Jim Mayo, Jack Ambrose. Write Jim Mayo, 11 Brucewood Rd., South Acton, Mass.

SANDISFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS-Lost Wilderness Ranch, May 24, 25, 26. Gloria Rios, Red Bates, Write Red Bates, 222 Glendale Road, Hampden, Mass.

NEWBURY, NEW HAMPSHIRE-Lakewood Manor Lodge. Write Frannie Heintz, 27 Flynt Ave., Monson, Mass. for brochure. Full week in August, week-ends in May and June.

More coming up in the May issue!

QUICKIE WORKSHOP

Your editors admit that they are perplexed and confused at times (at times?) when a new square dance figure is called. We thought it would help us and perhaps you, dear dancer, if we had a caller to put it down in black and white. George Kerridge, RCA, graciously accepted the chore and PROMENADER will present his concise explanations from time to time under the heading, "Quickie Workshop".

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ROLL THRU

Position: Same as for Right and Left Thru.

Turn opposite person with <u>Right Forearm</u> <u>a full turn around</u> - step forward and Courtesy Turn partner to face same couple in the opposite position.

SPIN THE WHEEL Position: Lines of Four Facing

Center Couple do a Right and Left Thru.

Ends Pass Thru and Star Thru behind a couple to end in <u>Double Pass Thru Position</u>

<u>SPIN THE WHEEL</u> <u>WITH A FULL TURN AROUND</u> Position: Lines of Four Facing.

Center Couple do a Right and Left Thru with a full turn around to the outside two.

Ends Pass Thru and Star Thru to face a couple in <u>Eight Chain Thru Position</u>.

Good dancing. Take five and rest awhile.

DID YOU KNOW THAT Bill Bartsch is calling and instructing for a square dance group at the J Y every other Sunday at 8 p.m.?

On March 7th, Myron Huss, RCA, and a square consisting of Bill & Mary Lee Grimm, Verne & Margaret Merle, Bud & Clare Young and Ed & Sharlyn Taylor entertained and instructed members of the Rochester Ski Club?

Old Webster says that a POLTERGEIST is a noisy ghost; a spirit assumed as the explanation of rappings and other unexplained noises? Thank Goodness! The PROMENADER honestly thought it was an old time basic coming back to haunt us. Those spirited Pristers, Gerry and Chuck, are always one jump ahead.

NOT SO QUICKIE WORKSHOP SWING THRU

Position: Ocean Wave

Center people drop inside hands and Right Hand Swing $\frac{1}{2}$ around to the end of the line and wait.

End people Right Hand Swing ½ around in to the center and Left Hand Swing ½ around out to hold Right Hands with person waiting at end of the line and all balance forward and back in new Ocean Wave.

After first Swing Thru is completed <u>new</u> <u>center people</u> and <u>new</u> end people repeat <u>as above</u>.

Each Swing Thru, for the active end people, should be one continuous movement from the first hand turn to the new Ocean Wave.

<u>Note</u>: Swing Thru from regular Allemande Thar position is the same movement as above except the hand turns are reversed.

Men, in center in a back-up Right Hand Star drop inside hands and do a Left Hand Swing $\frac{1}{2}$ around <u>out</u> and wait.

Ladies on outside do a Left Hand Swing $\frac{1}{2}$ around <u>in</u> to a Right Hand Star and turn it forward $\frac{1}{2}$ around to join Left Hands with opposite man and all balance forward and back.

Girls are now in center and men on outsiderepeat as above-men will end up in a Right Hand Star in center holding Left Hands with original partner on outside and all balance forward and back.

It's easy when you know how

DEADLINE DATE FOR NEWS...Club reporters are notified that deadline for news, May issue, will be April 15. We thank you in advance for being prompt. SPRING FESTIVAL at Akron, Ohio on May 25th. Staff: Lee Helsel, Lloyd Litman, Dub Perry, Ralph Pavlik, Frank & Carolyn Hamilton. Register before May 11 - write to Joe and Mary Ann Riedl, 1004 Northview Ave., Barberton, Ohio for more info. COURTESY CORNER: If someone makes a mistake

dancing, don't tell them. They know! Unless they ask you "what happened" don't hold post mortems. Every one goofs sometime or other.

CLUB NEWS

FIDDLE A ROUNDS

This comes a little late, but we wish to say "Thanks" to the "Teen Twirlers" for sending us an invitation to the "Teen-O-Rama". We enjoyed every minute of it. Rochester couldn't have better boosters for Western round and square dancing than these eager, lively youngsters.

Bill and Eileen Stackman, our guests March 4th, certainly seemed to enjoy learning "Anytime", our new dance for the month. We're so glad you came, Bill and Eileen

As this goes to press, two big-hearted gals, Lu McKenna and Carrie Smith, are completing their plans for making a beautiful new club banner. So long as we have members who voluntarily give of their time and efforts, our clubs are certain to flourish.

Our review dance of the month carefully chosen by Howie and Dottie DeGraves was "Little Girl".

Recommended for every Paw and Taw with a sweet tooth: some of Maybell Bushnell's "Congo Bars".

....Ray and Irene Callahan

EKC-0 SQUARES

Not too much exciting has happened we fear. Lots of folks went to D. C. Lloyd Litman came here.

The dance was a classic most people did tell. Lloyd dined at the Duckers' said, "Edna cooks swell!"

Gwen and Carl Presgrave hosted him with delight. No one got much sleep they yakked half the nite.

Liz and Jack Bacon were on the dance scene. They're just back from Europe and 3 weeks of "skiin"

Came the following club night, St. Patty's Day week Our beginners danced with us it, again, was a treat. Lou Stork has been pushing the big DANCE-O-RAMA Claims most folks bought tickets to partake in the "glamma".

Last but not least are the following bits-'Bout demonstration dances which both were big hits:

at Genesee Valley Conservation League were the Duckers, the Pikes, the Presgraves, the Rademakers, the Wolffs.

at St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church were the Foxes, the Hares, the Osbornes, the Storks

Gerry and Chuck Prister

BELLES 'N BEAUS

NOBODY EVER TELLS ME ANYTHING. But I found out that the Belles 'N Beaus are sponsoring a dance at the Sheraton Ballroom, air-conditioned, two national callers, Marshall Flippo and Johnny LeClair. All clubs invited, Monday April, refreshments, cost \$.25 per couple. This would be fine but for one little fact. They are not dancing that week. April Fool!

There is an unwritten rule about not walking out of a set, but what about not walking out of a round dance before it is finished? I overheard;

She Let's dance this round.

- He : I forgot how it starts, finishes and that little part in between.
- She: What a memory! Like a mice.
- He. Whose turn is it to lead?
- She: You can lead if you promise to take short steps
- He: The last time I took short steps I stepped on myself.
- She. You going to try this one no hands? Take your hands out of your pockets.
- He: I'm only trying to get my balance, putting an equal amount of change into each pocket.
- She: Oh, let's dance.
- He: You're two beats behind.
- She: If you would only lose a little, I wouldn't have so far to go around.
- He: Well! Pardon me, Miss Metrical.
- She: You just stepped on my knee.

BELLES 'N BEAUS (Contd.) He: You're leading again. She: Smile, they are looking at us. He: Well they won't learn anything. She: They will learn how not to. He: Oh heck, I quit!

....Hal Abberger

GENESEE DANCERS

Begorra. It sure was clanish on March 14th when we celebrated the Wearin' of the Green. The following committee is to be commended for a real fun night: Charles & Irene O' Vickerman, Chairman; Verne & Joe O'Howland, Larry & Doris O'McConnell and George and Lila O'Shoales.

Eleanor Hudson says: An expert is a dancer who has tried and failed and can tell you why.

Congratulations to the 40 couples who were graduated on April 2nd. Be sure to attend the April 18th dance at Cutler Union when you will be welcomed to the club. On May 2nd you will have an opportunity to dance to a national caller-Frannie Heintz. Mark the date now and plan to attend.

ROUNDANCE TIME - A salute to our wonderful round dance teachers, Ed & Helen Principe. Each Thursday from 8 to 8:30 p.m. Ed and Helen take over the floor and reward us with their vast knowledge and untiring efforts of how to twinkle in and twinkle out, or pep it up in a Maple Leaf Rag. Twentytwo couples circled the ring one Thursday night to show their appreciation for a job well done. Thanks cannot be measured in words in this case but the results do show up when we each try to take our share of the ring.

Heard at the roundtables on a certain Thursday night: I can hardly wait until the PROMENADER comes each month. I enjoy keeping UP on everything. You know what my husband did - he reread all the back PROMENADERS from cover to cover. When I came home tonight my wife was reading PROMENADER and I had to WAIT.

Don Hicks says: A pretty girl is like a melody - after you marry her you have to face the music.

That's all - we thank the nice people and take four.

....Helen & Edward Gosch

SWINGIN' EIGHTS

On Saturday, May 4th, that ever popular Frank Mayerske will be our caller. Frank is from Cleveland and is well known for his hash calling and colorful costumes. He has a fine singing voice and if you have never danced to his calling please-don't miss this opportunity. As usual we are inviting all club members in the Federation and admission will be \$2.50 per guest couple. The dance will be held at the Hosea Rogers School on Northfield Road in Irondequoit from 8 to 11:30 p.m.

Our beginners class graduated in March and many of our club members attended. All members of this year's class are invited to dance with the 2 Steppers on April 24th at 8 p m. at the Ruben Dake school. Admission is free and of course round dancing is the attraction.

Helen and Bill Klein, Arline and Will Shepler have been appointed directors of the 2 Steppers Round Dance Club for the next season.

Kay and Dick Bowllen did an excellent job in heading the committee for our St. Pat's dance Door prizes were won by Ken and Lill Boss, Marge and Ernie Crewdson, Helen and Bernie Schoen, Fran and Bud Macomber and guess who else-Chris and Bob McKelvie (three in a row - honestly now!)

Pat and Jim Palmer recently made a four day flying trip to Florida. The news was given to your reporter by Bud Young in this way-"Did you know that Jim Palmer flew his family to Florida? Gosh-I bet his arms must be tired." (Oh well!)

Jean and John Muench spent the March 17th weekend in Washington at a Spring Festival of square dancing

....Norm Metzinger

COUNTRY TWIRLERS

John & Loretta Baker and Ollie & Grace Perry, recent Country Twirler graduates, spent a very enjoyable Sunday in Buffalo recently. They attended the First Winter Carnival conducted by Don Duffin and Joe Reilly. The afternoon was devoted to workshop for new dancers--then a Smorgasbord supper followed by an evening of fine dancing.

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COUNTRY TWIRLERS (Contd.)

All Country Twirlers wish a speedy recovery to Vickie Fornarola who is home from the hospital.

The March 9th regular club dance was well attended and a large crowd of "Irish" Country Twirlers danced to Bob O'Brunschidle's calling at a St. Patrick's dance on March 15th.

...Kay & Marve Falls

ROCHESTER ROLLAWAYS

The Rollaways danced to tapes the night of March 8th. Don Duffin phoned earlier in the day to tell us that he had lost his voice. Our round dance team, Charlie and Perkie, were absent too--the Principes did a good fill-in job.

Our nominating committee; the McKennas, Principes and Smiths report that their job was a breeze. They found that just about everyone approached was willing to run for the Board of Directors. The new slate will be announced in the next PROMENADER.

The Rollaways' summer workshop will be held on Tuesday nights this summer from July 9th through August 13th. Don Duffin will be the caller and it will once again be held at the Barn. This workshop is for experienced

dancers and Don will keep the dancing at a good level. Contact the Boyds (Ly4-8273) or the Nitschs (Co6-7725) to register and other details. Flyers will be sent to all clubs early in April.

Those real cowboys with the ten gallon hats are Ken Moyer and Bud Young--anyone for spurs?

...Don Weekes

IRONDEQUOIT SQUARES

The big day is almost here-April 6th-Rochester Dance-O-Rama. Irondequoit Square fellows are sporting new shirts and the gals are sewing rows of rick-rack on their new dance dresses.

During March the club had two workshops under the direction of Bill Harvey to help prepare the members for the Big Day.

Our club members were guests at the Country Twirlers on March 23rd and they, in turn, joined us for our March 30th dance with Bill Bartsch calling.

There were additions to our square dance families during the month. Anne and Paul Mutter have a little girl and Peggy & Phil King have a little boy - future members of our club.

... Grace Boyer

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ROCHESTER AREA FEDERATION OF ROUND AND SQUARE DANCERS



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