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DANCE-O-RAMA "69"

Happy New Year to all you enthusiastic round and square dancers from the Rochester Area Federation of Western Round and Square Dance Clubs. Another year has passed and it doesn't hurt to do a little reminiscing.

Square dancing has had another successful year. The evergrowing number of square dancers and clubs is living proof that Rochester people are sold on western style square dancing.

Our Annual Dance-O-Rama is growing more popular every year. Here is a run down on Dance-O-Rama's vital statistics. Organized in early 1959 by Anna Maria and Frank Cady, Dance-O-Rama's membership clubs included Genesee Dancers, Teen Twirlers, Belles 'n Beaus and Swingin' Eights. It was and still is the highlight of every dance season.

The number of its member clubs is now well above a full dozen (15) and Dance-O-Rama is enjoying greater popularity every year. For many, it is the once a year opportunity to meet and dance with friends who belong to other dance clubs.

This year's Dance-O-Rama, which will be held April 12, 1969 in Bishop Kearney High School, promises to be the biggest and best ever. The committees, under the chairmanship of Howard and Arlene Newton of Boot 'n Slippers, are up to their ears in work preparing for this annual event.

Callers will be Jerry Helt from Cincinnati, Ohio Dave Stevenson from Strongsville, Ohio; Jack Lasry from Miami, Florida and Jack Hague from Pittsburgh, Pa.

Round dances will be taught by Charlie and Perkie Tucker of Rochester.

Here are short biographies on Jerry Helt and Dave Stevenson.

JERRY HELT has been square dancing and calling since 1943. As a professional teacher and caller he has participated in many activities coast to coast in the United States. His home is in Cincinnati, Ohio, with his wife, Kathy, and two daughters, Greta and Neva. Jerry conducts regular clubs and classes in the Cincinnati and surrounding areas.

Here are some of his square dance accomplishments:

Featured as caller and choreographer on many stage, television and radio shows throughout the country.

Jerry is associated with MacGregor Records, Gateway Records, Hollywood Records and Blue Star. Conducted callers clinics and workshops in many parts of the United States and Canada.

Serving on the faculty of many institutes and camps held in California, Wisconsin, Maryland, Missouri, West Virginia, Kentucky, Colorado, Alabama, New York, Canada, Michigan, Ohio and Florida.

Has served on the program of the National Square Dance Convention for the past 13 years.

Conducted exhibition groups and taught in many schools. Featured in an article in the National Square Dance Magazine, "Sets In Order", also in other magazines and publications.

DAVE STEVENSON has been a square dance caller for the last 10 years. He calls for 5 regular clubs in addition to conducting beginners classes and workshops.

He conducts his own "White Squaw" square dance weekend in Kentucky which is in its 5th year and serves on the staff for Willard Orlichs' Callers Workshop.

He served on the staff and committee of various festivals and Ohio State Conventions. He has been on the staff of square dance vacations in New York, North Carolina and Pennsylvania.

Aside from this he has his own business with the Clark Oil Company. Do you think we might get a free filler upper when we pull into his place of business?

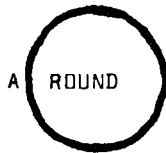
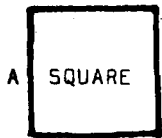
His wife, Jeanne, is Square Dance Columnist for the Chronicle Telegram Daily Newspaper of Elyria, Ohio.

Welcome to Rochester's Dance-O-Rama Jerry and Dave!

... Erich and Kathy Bortfeldt.

18th NATIONAL CONVENTION

The National Square Dance Convention will be held in Seattle, Washington on June 26,27,28 of this year. Next year it will be held in Louisville, Ky. and in 1971, New Orleans will be the host. Among the callers at the 18th will be Jack Lasry, Jerry Helt, Bruce Johnson, Jack Livingston, Dick Houlton, Ernie Kinney and Frank Lesperance.



CUES - n - CALLS

Chuck Trista

HAPPINESS IS ...DANCE-O-RAMA

Where are we now? The holidays are over and the presents all exchanged. Even the bargains on next year's Xmas cards are gone. The memories of sugar plums, candy and eggnogs are coming to life in the bathroom scale. Now it's time to look at the weight problem.

I thought I had come thru the holiday food storm fairly well, until my Taw (in white man's language -- wife) said, "Why is it necessary for me to take three extra steps every time we do DO SA DO?" Well I can take a hint. So I'm going to lose some weight. How? I hate to cut down on my five meals a day sooooo I guess it will have to be my exercise, and the most enjoyable of exercises, square dancing.

I went to a nutritionist, a Dr. Lotta Crisco, for information on calories versus exercise. She sent me to a specialist, a Dr. Ima Quack. He wrote that very popular book "How to Lose Weight Through Surgery." So after two doctors and 20 dollars later, I found the answers in the library. I broke down the amounts and converted the calories used into movements. Maybe you can use the following table:

CALORIE BURNING TABLE

Allemande Left	burns up 10 calories.
Right and Left Thru ...	5 cal.
Allemand Thar Star	10 cal. (20 if you wound up off center)
Star Thru	5 cal.
Ocean Wave	20 cal. (if partner rocks with you)
	30 cal. (if Partner rocks against you)
Tea Cup Chain	30 cal. -- Taw.
	1/2 cal. -- Paw..
Here Comes the Judge ..	10 cal. (40 cal. if you "Sock it to me" instead)
Quetch	5 cal. (double hug 7 1/2)
Cross Circulate	30 cal. (usually goofed first time) 20 second time.

Each Goof is 13 calories but remember while you are standing you are not losing, soooo jump up down while you are waiting. Who knows, the Caller may call "Jump up and down". Ask your Caller to call higher calorie figures.

During a complete night of dancing you burn up about 600 calories, but after the dance:

A "Coffee and " after party equals 400 calories replaced.

A "Foam and bubbles" after party equals 590 replaced.

Add it all up and see how you make out.

Thanks anyway, Hal Abberger

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Tho it sounds formidable now, with basic instruction barely half over, DANCE-O-RAMA is the "really big show" for the nearly or newly graduated dancers. This opportunity to mix and mingle with Rochester's square dancing population is especially geared to introduce dancer to the festival atmosphere at which club functions can only hint.

Qualified callers with varied styles tailor their talents to the vocabularies of the dancers in two halls. For those with only recent experience, the RELAXED dancing hall affords choreography limited to terms acquired in instruction groups. Although relaxing for the experienced dancer the program still affords the challenge and satisfaction of putting to use the skills developed in class. Look for ME there.

What then is the CHALLENGE hall? Much as the student progresses through grade school to high school and occasionally on to college, do does the avid dancer expand his vocabulary over the years. This hall provides opportunities for the more experienced dancer to exercise a translation of basic terms into more intricate composite movements. This pace is also somewhat faster since much of his reaction to the caller's jargon has become automatic and the flow of the patterns carry him along.

The new graduate is ill-advised to partake of the challenge program, risking the frustration of a vocabulary gap and the disappointment of not upholding his part of the team effort this dancing requires. The entire professional calling staff is featured in both halls so nothing is missed in the way of talent by anyone. The dinner intermission has been known to feature local talent displaying their wares, making it a day of almost continuous dancing.

EDITOR'S NOTES

PROMENADER would like to thank JEANNE PERKINS for her assistance in the publication of this periodical and wish her the best of luck in her new position as Vice President of the Genesee Dancers.

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News deadline for the March issue of PROMENADER is Feb. 13, 1969. Thank you, contributors, for your prompt adherence to the deadline.

CLUB REPORTERS - Please send your club news and up-to-date club dance schedule for March and April to Ken and Mary Sorensen, 144 Harvest Road, Fairport, N. Y. 14450

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FEDERATION DANCE DATES IN THE ROCHESTER AREA

FEBRUARY 1969

1	Sat	Batavia Twirlers Guests: Genesee Dancers	Larry Dunn	John Kennedy Sch., Vine St., Batavia	7:30
1	Sat	Swingin' Eights Guests: Boots & Slippers, Triggers	Tom Trainor	Hosea Rogers Sch., 219 Northfield Rd.	8:00
3	Mon	Belles 'n Beaus (Workshop)	Art Harris	West Ridge Sch., 200 Alcott Rd.	8:00
3	Mon	#Fiddle A Rounds	The Tuckers	Echo Club, 26 Sobieski St.	8:30
4	Tue	Triggers	Myron Huss	Parkland Sch., 1010 English Rd.	8:00
5	Wed	EKC-C Squares	Ken Anderson	Kodak Off. Aud., 343 State St.	8:15
5	Wed	Twirl A Rounds	The DeGraves	Fairbanks Rd. Sch., North Chili	8:00
6	Thu	Genesee Dancers Guests: Irondequoit Squares, Swingin' Eights	Art Harris	Cutler Union, 560 University Ave.	8:00
7	Fri	Boots 'n' Slippers	Larry Spaven	Merton Williams Jr. Hi, Hilton	8:30
7	Fri	Geneva Friendship Sqs. Guests: Genesee Dancers	Don Pratt	Gulick Hall, Pulteney St., Geneva	8:00
8	Sat	Country Twirlers	Jim McQuade	Washington Irving Sch., 2400 Chili Ave.	8:00
8	Sat	Henrietta Friendship Sqs.-Don Pratt Guests: Penn Yan Friendship Sqs. - Pot Luck Supper	Don Pratt	Henrietta Town Hall, 475 Calkins Rd.	8:00
8	Sat	Irondequoit Sqs. Guests: Belles 'n Beaus	Bill Bartsch	Pardee Sch., Helendale Rd.	8:00
10	Mon	Belles 'n Beaus	Art Harris	West Ridge Sch., 200 Alcott Rd.	8:00
10	Mon	#Fiddle A Rounds	The Tuckers	Echo Club, 26 Sobieski St.	8:30
11	Tue	Triggers (Valentine Party)	Myron Huss	Parkland Sch., 1010 English Rd.	8:00
12	Wed	EKC-O Squares Guests: Country Twirlers (Valentine Party)	Ken Anderson	Kodak Off. Aud., 343 State St.	8:15
12	Wed	Twirl A Rounds	The DeGraves	Fairbanks Rd. Sch., North Chili	8:00
13	Thu	Genesee Dancers (Valentine Party)	Don Duffin	Spencer Ripley Church, 1124 Culver Rd.	8:00
14	Fri	Boots 'n' Slippers (Valentine Party)	Don Pratt	Merton Williams Jr. Hi, Hilton	8:30
14	Fri	Country Twirlers (Valentine Party)	Jim McQuade	Washington Irving Sch., 2400 Chili Ave.	8:00
14	Fri	Lima Grand Squares	Don Stumbo	Lima Town Hall	8:30
14	Fri	*Rochester Rollaways	Stu Robertson		8:30
15	Sat	Batavia Twirlers (Valentine Party)	Larry Dunn	John Kennedy Sch., Vine St., Batavia	7:30
15	Sat	Swingin' Eights Guests: EKC-C Squares	Tom Trainor	Hosea Rogers Sch., 219 Northfield St.	8:00
17	Mon	Belles 'n Beaus	NO DANCE - School Closed		
17	Mon	#Fiddle A Rounds	The Tuckers	Echo Club, 26 Sobieski St.	8:30
18	Tue	Triggers	Myron Huss	Bethany Church Hall, 3000 Dewey Ave.	8:00
19	Wed	EKC-C Squares (Vernon, Conn.)	Earl Johnston	Kodak Off. Aud., 343 State St.	8:15
19	Wed	Twirl A Rounds	The DeGraves	Fairbanks Rd. Sch., North Chili	8:00
20	Thu	Genesee Dancers (National Caller)	Red Bates	Spencer Ripley Church, 1124 Culver Rd.	8:00
21	Fri	Boots 'n' Slippers (National Caller)	Stan Burdick	Merton Williams Jr. Hi, Hilton	8:30
21	Fri	Geneva Friendship Sqs. Guests: Irondequoit Squares	Don Pratt	Gulick Hall, Pulteney St., Geneva	8:00
21	Fri	Lima Grand Squares	Don Stumbo	Lima Town Hall	8:30
22	Sat	Country Twirlers	Jim McQuade	Washington Irving Sch., 2400 Chili Ave.	8:00
22	Sat	Henrietta Friendship Sqs.-Don Pratt	Don Pratt	Sherman Sch., Authors Dr., Henrietta	8:00
22	Sat	Irondequoit Squares	To be announced	Transfiguration Lutheran, 3760 Culver Rd.	8:00
24	Mon	*Belles 'n Beaus	Don Kennedy	West Ridge Sch., 200 Alcott Rd.	7:30
24	Mon	#Fiddle A Rounds	The Tuckers	Echo Club, 26 Sobieski St.	8:30
25	Tue	Triggers	Myron Huss	Parkland Sch., 1010 English Rd.	8:00
26	Wed	EKC-C Squares	Ken Anderson	Kodak Off. Aud., 343 State St.	8:15
26	Wed	Twirl A Rounds	The DeGraves	Fairbanks Rd. Sch., North Chili	8:00
27	Thu	Genesee Dancers	Art Harris	Cutler Union, 560 University Ave.	8:00
28	Fri	Country Twirlers (National Caller)	Red Bates	Washington Irving Sch., 2400 Chili Ave.	8:15
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28	Fri	*Rochester Rollaways	Deuce Williams		8:30

MARCH 1969

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1	Sat	Swingin' Eights Guests: Belles 'n Beaus	Tom Trainor	Hosea Rogers Sch., 219 Northfield Rd.	8:00
3	Mon	Belles 'n Beaus (Workshop)	Art Harris	West Ridge Sch., 200 Alcott Rd.	8:00

#Space is limited-please call 671-3976 for arrangements

*Closed Dance (Rochester Rollaways-out of town visitors call 392-2534 or 342-5867



Ed. Note: A complete up-to-date roster of the newly elected officers of the Federation Clubs will be printed in the March issue.

Swingin' Eights

With the Holidays and Flu happily over and travelers Allens, Sandersons, Trainors and Maccombers back home, Swingin' Eights settled down to the business of Square Dancing 1969 when Jim May of Magnolia, Mass. called a fine dance January 4th. Welcome to the 27 guest couples, especially so many old friends. Do come again soon and dance to our own Tom Trainor. Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa - Proof is all the new Square Dance Toggery from Ironda Shoppe and the new hair pieces and wigs.

Our Tom had the honor of making the Florida State Square Dance Magazine, Bow and Swing, as "one of the most popular callers on the New York Thruway", "featured caller at many institutes, festivals and conventions" with thanks to Fred Christopher, popular St. Petersburg caller, whom Tom met last summer and was invited to call for his Chris Cross Twirlers December 16. Tom also called in Jacksonville, Ft. Lauderdale, and Sarasota before returning to call in Albany and Ithaca. We are also pleased that our transplanted callers are getting down new roots, - Bill Wilcox with Web Spinners, 2nd and 4th Fridays at Klem Road School in Webster and a special in Utica, - and Dick Frohwein in Fairport. Did you see Dick's picture in Upstate?

Welcome back to Stan and Arlene Kabasiewicz and John and Loretta Barker who visited awhile. Now we await dancing with you. Best wishes to Ruth and Carl Trabert on their 25th Wedding Anniversary February 5th. Our sympathy to Bill Sanderson whose Florida trip was saddened by the death of his Father Christmas Day. Congratulations and a wish for many rewarding years to Slim Kreutter on his retirement from Kodak. We will miss you and Ruth, also Ruthe and Kenneth Plaine while you flee to the sunny south.

With our thanks to Iva,
 . . . Lu and Don Hicks

Batavia Twirlers

The Batavia Twirlers are enjoying the calling of our new caller Larry Dunn. This enthusiastic and capable calling of round and square dances keeps the club on its' toes.

Our Christmas Dance was enjoyed by 81 couples, including our fine beginners class. The gym was decorated in all its' Christmas gaiety. A life size Santa Claus, sleigh and three reindeer were part of the Christmas scenery, thanks to the Waltons. After the tureen supper with such delicious food that was so filling, one could hardly square up. Following the singing of Christmas songs Santa Claus and his helpers came and gave gifts to all.

On January 4th our New Year's Dance was held

but this Hong Kong flu and other sickness kept our attendance to 40 couples. We hope by the next dance all will be feeling well. The gym was decorated with colored crepe paper and balloons which put all in a New Year's spirit. Our special events committee did an outstanding job with the decorating, punch and refreshments.

On February 1st our guest will be the Genesee Dancers. Future dances: February 15th - Valentine party; March 1st - we will enjoy having the Country Twirlers as our guests. Don't forget March 15th, Joe Reilly will be calling for our St. Patrick's Dance.

Come and enjoy the friendship of square dancing. Hope our regular reporters Norm and Vi Huth are enjoying their Southern Vacation.
 . . . Ellen & Horace Price.

Belles 'n Beaus

THE BELLES N' BEAUS HAVE A NEW MEETING PLACE: GREECE OLYMPIA HI SCH., 1139 MAIDEN LANE.

We missed our new presidents, John and Marion Butler at the first dance this year. Unfortunately, John suffered an injury to his knee in an accident at his home.

Earl Hughes is progressing steadily in his bout with a broken hip. However, it will be several months before he shall be able to join us.

Ed and Sharlyn Taylor recently enjoyed two weeks in California visiting Sharlyn's parents. The highlight of their vacation was the Rose Bowl Parade.

Don and Mary Waterman's son, Daniel, will be married January 25th to Carolyn Elworthy. Daniel, who spent 2½ years in Tanzania, Africa as a Peace Corps Volunteer and 6 months at Outward Bound in North Carolina, is employed by the Foreign Service, State Department.

Paul, son of Howie and Evelyn Hillengas is engaged to marry Rosemary Coveney of Long Island. They are recent graduates of Harpur College. Paul is now training for the National Guard at Camp Leonard Wood, Missouri.
 . . . Howard & Evelyn Hillengas

Boots 'n Slippers

Our Christmas party was indeed a memorable evening. Mike Callahan, home on Christmas leave, joined us and our beginners for a real fun evening with Bob Brunshidle doing the calling. Mike called a tip for us. The Army hasn't done anything to his style: the same old Mike, just very good. . .

Bruce Shaw and his Little Squares put on a very impressive show. Those kids are sure good and there callers Jerry and Leslie Bradt and Danny DeGrave do a fine job of cueing them. Thank you one and all. . .



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Santa was there, in the guise of Gene Fox, and helped with the gift exchange. The girls out did themselves in the goodie department and us calorie counters suffered. (P.S. we overindulged.)

Our New Year's Eve party at the Spencerport Fire Hall, presided over by Don Pratt, was a blast. Our beginners were with us again and I must say they showed us what you can do when you listen to the caller. It was not only Happy New Year to all but Happy Birthday to our two New Year's babies, Chet Seeger and Les Kuech.

I hope you remembered what I mentioned in the last issue of the "Promenader" that we are having Stan Burdick on February 21. He is a real smooth caller and always does a terrific job.

I speak for all Boots and Slippers when I say many thanks to the Davies, Furlongs, Wells and Copelands for the swell job they did last year running our club. Your new correspondents will be Dean and Terry Harris. So we want to thank you all for letting us participate in your square dancing fun.

. . . Bill and Helen Steinmetz

EKC-O Squares

"THE SPIRIT IS WILLING, BUT THE FLESH IS WEAK!!" After the hectic holidays the flesh is sure weak, but the indomitable spirit of the square dancer comes thru' - and on we dance! With the New Year comes our new officers and a tremendous

group we have! Hail to our new chiefs - and orchids to the retiring ones for a job well done!

"A BICYCLE BUILT FOR TWO!" that is the mode of transportation being favored by the Heits these days. Shirley caught her finger in the car door - and Joe's Austin tangled with a Buick - the Buick won!!!

Our Thanksgiving dance - Genesee Dancers as guests - was like a MOB SCENE! Looked like nobody stayed home to cook the turkey. Next year we may have to hire the War Memorial!

Helen and Owen Whitehead presented the Club with a gorgeous new banner - yellow satin, no less!!! Helen made it - Owen helped. Thanks you TWO! Note - this banner is absolutely not for swiping!!!

A "howling success" that's what our winter picnic was. The wind howled outside - and we howled inside, with laughter and just sheer joy! The tables were groaning with all the food on them, and then we were groaning with all the food in us! Our Christmas party was lovely. Nancy Austin played piano while we all sang carols - Ed Austin did a "Helen Morgan" - he perched on the piano and sang.

We are sorry space prevents us from listing all our new members - please know we are delighted to welcome you to the fold. Ye Olde Reporters are still here because we have to make up "sick" time! Bear with us.

. . . Mac and Harry Malley

Twirl A Rounds

Parties, Flu Bugs, Ice Storm, No Electricity, New Year's Resolutions all add up to the old year out and the New Year in.

Copes, Botlems, Thomas, Gentles, Shaws, Falls, DeGraves, and Dolans attended the "Happy Holly Daze" Christmas Party at Treadway Inn in Niagara Falls with hosts LaVerne and Doris Reilly. All had a marvelous time.

Election of officers was held in January. A vote of thanks for a job well done goes to our now past presidents Jim and Ann Gentles and also our past treasurers Ted and Evie Thomas.

Due to this wonderful but "nutty" club and all their antics and due also to limited space will try to hit on several highlights with news flashes - - - -

Marv Falls pulled muscle quenching Canadian girls . . . Howie says move up 2 then move back 1. Why?... June Cope's zipper caught in slip at Wenigers - 2 men to the rescue. . . . Audrey Mura spills hair spray on her petticipants can't sit down. . . . Howie DeGrave's modeling suit jackets in restaurant. . . . the hunts on during Niagara Falls Weekend for Evie Thomas' petticoat - home all the while. . . . Ted and Evie Thomas purchased one of the 1000 Islands.

Howie and Dot DeGraves' son Steve, won a Champion Trophy in wrestling tournament at Penfield school. . . Glad to have Dick Laurer back dancing after his disc operation in December.

Now that the Holidays have passed and things are slowly getting back to normal would like to see some of the members that have been missing at recent dances for one reason or another, back with us. Let's all try and make it 100% attendance one of these weeks.

. . . Chuck and Norma Dolan

Fiddle A Rounds

We are sorry that our successors could not begin reporting in this issue; however you will be hearing from them in the March Promenader.

So many of us had the flu bug visiting during the holidays; but the Callahans were happy to have son, Mike, home on a 16 day furlough, and Tip and Millie Costich's daughter, Pam, came home from Frisco for the Christmas holidays... Sincerely hope by now everyone is over the flu and raring to go, especially Perkie Tucker whom we missed for many weeks around the holidays.

How do most dancers spend New Year's Eve? Would you believe --dancing? The Costichs, Guenthers and Muenchs joined other friends at Don and Norma Weekes for their dance party. Owen and Helene Whitehead went to Buffalo to twinkle their toes. Mike and Mary Prado gathered with several others at a friend's home for their annual affair. And Howie and Dot DeGrave entertained some friends at their home for a bit of toe tapping.

Then there are those who have a real champagne New Year's Eve celebration. Irv and Marge Brown did just that while spending 10 days down in St. Lucia, West Indies.

We are happy to say we've been enjoying many sweets at our weekly dances. One evening Helene Whitehead treated with a variety of Christmas goodies and another night Dottie DeGrave surprised the Callahans with a large cake in honor of Ray's birthday that day and Irene's on the following day.

. . . George and Dorothy Risenberger

Triggers

The new year means new officers for the Triggers; so let's begin by bowing to our outgoing Advisors: Helen and Henry Allen, Secretaries: Shirley and Bill Tschorke, and Treasurers: Willi and Don Mondy. Dee and Jack Koch, stepping aside as Presidents, will be our new Advisors.

The flu thinned our ranks, but we still managed to dance the new year in. Passing balloons on paper plates, trying sets with twelve to a "square", tooting horns and sporting funny hats stuffing ourselves with cake and punch, grinning at popping flashbulbs, we all enjoyed our annual safe and sane New Year's Eve dance. Well, safe anyway...Hooray for the committee!

With demonstrations being all the rage, watch for our "dance-in" at the Greece Exposition and again at the Travel Show (War Memorial, February 2). Our new beginners' class started on January 9th; but if the demonstrations make any converts, have them drop in on the classes. We'll try to help them catch up.

The blessed event finally happened, and around the Allens' house you can hear the pitter-patter of forty little feet. Their dog Gretchen unaccustomed to mass catering, has enlisted Helen and Henry in a project of hand-feeding the ten new puppies.

The club extends its sympathy to Fred Dantz on learning of the passing of his brother.

Finally, your new Promenader correspondents want to thank Rose and Bob Kausch for blazing the journalistic trail; they did a fine job of keeping us all in touch with the club news.

. . . Fayne and Paul Doering

Country Twirlers

Congratulations to Olive and Bill McHugh who have adopted a 5 month old daughter (Colleen Agnes). This makes number nine at the McHugh residence.

Many many thanks to all the couples who made our Christmas dinner dance such a big success.. the food was excellent, the decorations were lovely, the movies were "colorful" and the prizes were much appreciated. It was good having so many of the class dancing with us--they seemed to enjoy themselves too!

Our New Year's Eve party proved to be another big "wing-ding"! Jim Higgins as Father Time and Eleanor Balsam as Miss '69 did their thing and called a couple of tips--'twas real good too! Also, Dick Blind performed a parody to



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RED BATES IS COMING!! Circle Friday February 28 on your calendar if you are looking for an evening of unusually good square dancing, come join us...Thanks to Genesee Dancers for inviting us on January 9--we all had a wonderful time dancing to Don Duffin.

We have enjoyed our job as correspondent and secretary for '68, and it has been a pleasure working with our fellow officers. We're sure all the club members join us in thanking the Predmores, Hughes, Balsams and Mastrollos for all the hard work, time and enthusiasm they put into their offices for club's benefit. Good job--well done!

All the best to Arlene and Dave Plummer in their job as correspondent for the coming year--it's really a lot of fun.

. . . Everett and Edith Parr

Genesee Dancers

On behalf of the club, a vote of thanks to the past officers for a wonderful year; and to the social chairman, Carter and Jeanne Perkins; decoration chairman, Neal and Jean Maxon; Promenader reporters, Fran and Hilda Desmond for their outstanding work.

ECK-O Squares and Ken Anderson went all out in giving many of the Genesee Dancers a fine time Thanksgiving Eve.

On December 11 the Bennetts, Enters, Jeffreys, Perkins, Ranscos, George Shaws, Shoales, Sorensens and Vincents danced to the calling of Bruce Shaw at Plymouth Gardens. The residents were very enthusiastic, some were in the recreation room by 6 o'clock for the scheduled 8 o'clock performance! The Little Squares also put on a demonstration and later some of the audience took part in the dancing. Sounds like a good time was had by all.

The class was invited to the Christmas Party and each one was given a cleverly mounted photo of himself from the tree as a memento. As usual the committees made sure it was a real party.

The VanNostrans became proud grandparents for the first time on December 25. Their son and his wife had a girl that day...Gus and Julia Antinora flew to Florida on January 6 for two weeks in honor of their 22nd Anniversary of December 28. It was a surprise for Julia and she was very please about it...Ed Principe is at St. Ann's Home, 1500 Portland Ave., and does enjoy cards and notes from his friends.

Joey and Ollie Ransco will be the new social chairman for the year and Mike and Lorraine Bay, decorations chairman. These are both big jobs and they will need help. Don't turn them down if they ask you.

. . . Jim and Mabelle Bushnell

Geneva Friendship Sqs.

Genevans have been actively visiting during November and December and have danced with the

Lima Grand Squares, Canandaigua Magic Squares, the Cayuga Cut-Ups, Penn Yan Friendship Squares the Elmira Soaring Twirlers and the Marion Westerners.

Our regular club dances are getting close to a 100% attendance and our two Christmas Parties, in spite of the Hong Kong flu and some extremely bad weather, were well attended.

The class Christmas Party was assailed by the flu. Nearly all the club members made it to this one but of the class only 6 couples (the refreshment committee) were able to appear. The worst sufferers were Alice Good, hospitalized with pneumonia and Madelyn Hostetter, wearing a large cast on a broken arm. Milt and Jane Soper made it to the party but have been sick ever since. We understand that all sufferers, and there are many besides the ones mentioned, are now on the mend.

The club Christmas Party occurred during an ice storm but even so we filled Sherrill Hall with dancers. Patti-Jo came from Watkins Glen with a station wagon full of costumes. Sherrill Hall is a beautiful ball room, and I think it is the only real ballroom in this area. We are thankful to Hobart College for making these facilities available to us.

We wish to extend our sympathy to Cliff and Lucille Bull of Penn Yan, whose son died during the holiday.

The Geneva Friendship Squares are sponsoring a beginners class in Western Round Dancing. Instructors are Bill and Joan Newman and Jim and Mary Ellen Waters. The first meeting will be on Friday, January 31st in the First Presbyterian Church here in Geneva at 8 P.M.

. . . Ruth and Clayton Keyes

Irondequoit Sqs.

'Tis reporter changeover time and as junior past presidents, we thank Millie and Bob Scott for the fine job they did for us this past year.

The Poinsettia Prom, under the Welches' able chairmanship, lived up to its name with gala decorations, fabulous door prizes, delicious refreshments and colorful costumes to match the dancers' spirit.

New Year's Eve found the Warschkows with the Buffalo Squares and the Andersons, Zulaufs, Eliasons, ma, pa, and son George Phillips, Wendy Ames, Bill Farrow and Georgianna Gould in Canandaigua at Magic Squares...Not to be outdone, the Atwaters, Boss, Colmans, Davidsons, Hutchings, Aschmanns, Swinks and Wacenskies of our lesson group brought in the New Year at Pairs and Squares in Syracuse...We're happy to have the Hutchings represent their class and keep us informed of its activities. Club members enjoyed their excellent dancing at the Christmas party for the class. We thank Bruce Shaw for bringing his Little Squares to round out the evening with their inspiring performance.

It is with great regret that we learn of Don Kennedy's decision to accept a job in Florida and that he had to leave before we could ex-

press our appreciation for almost 7 years of wonderful dancing and pleasant associations with him and his family.

Our new year started very delightfully with Doug Shultz as our guest caller and Jim Bullock of Syracuse unexpectedly (for him) cueing the rounds...We shall be guests of Genesee Dancers on February 6th and of Geneva Friendship Squares on February 21st.

. . . Lorene and George Phillips

Rochester Rollaways

As we scan the list of members in an effort to write this, it seems that we could end up with nothing but a sickness report. Jack Bacon, Emmett Moulton and Don Mikel have all been out of commission for quite a spell. John Muench has had a stay in the hospital, Dorothy Baker has been through an especially bad siege of the flu and many others have been out with other ailments.

We added two new member couples recently. Andy Kelley and Carol Amsberg and Will and Rhoda Eagle have joined us. We look forward to the Eagle's becoming quite adequate Rollaways, it just takes a certain amount of dancing to become familiar with all of the older figures.

Bud and Claire Young and Earl and Verna Pike spent a pleasant weekend in Niagara Falls, Canada dancing to Frank Lane and Dave Taylor...The Youngs and me and my taw, Norma, were in Niagara Falls, N. Y. in late January for an all-day Script-O-Squares dance with John Hendron calling. Several Rollaway couples went to the Jim Mayo dance at the Swingin'Eights in December and enjoyed the friendly people, the fine caller, tasty refreshments and an excellent dance floor...Our first Lasry Workshop Group danced its final session in early January. The second Lasry Workshop, Ambrose Baker conducting, continues to dance on Mondays.

All of the sickness mentioned earlier gave us a couple of sparsely attended dances but we still did dance. Billy Ryan even called for us after having spent all day sick in bed. We finally had to cancel a dance with Bud Redmond when the weather turned against us too. We hope our club can book Bud again some time.

. . . Don Weekes

Friendship Sqs.

Friendship Squares has been busy during the last month. Our Christmas party was on December 21 with our class as guests, and a mad dash to decorate a tree before we started dancing. The class danced very well. We also sampled the cooking skills of the women and a delicious beautiful cake baked by our newly elected president, Henrietta. It was a nice way for Lucille Pratt to celebrate her birthday.

Dec. 7 - at least 12 couples traveled to Batavia via Twirlers at their invitation. It was a nasty snowy night, but their welcome was warm. Dec. 12 - we were guests of Genesee Dancers. The six couples who were able to get there had a very nice time. Dec. 27 - we visited the Geneva Friendship Squares. Six couples were there, mostly beginners. It was a treacherous night so many who planned to go could not make it.

Jan. 4 - we traveled to Penn Yan to eat until it came out of our ears - then danced until we were hungry again. The grange hall was filled with about 87 couples, 15 or 16 from Henrietta - both club and beginners. Jan. 11 the new officers took over their duties, although they had unofficially been doing it for 1-½ weeks. Jan. 25 - Boots and Slippers were guests. Jan. 30 - a recreation exhibition at Rochester War Memorial.

We will not have a Fashion Show this year due to difficulties in finding an appropriate hall. Instead, on February 22, we will have a Washington's birthday dance and party with all the clubs and their classes invited. It is at Sherman School at 8, Authors Drive in Henrietta. Feb. 8 - we are having a pot luck supper at 7 with dancing at 8 at the Henrietta Town Hall, Calkins Rd. Penn Yan is invited. For further information call the Brewsters, 334-2147 or the Allens, 436-2926.

. . . Fred and Lois Allen

Lima Grand Sqs.

Well, here it is, another new year in the lives of us square dancers, with a brand new slate of officers to guide the destiny of the club for 1969. However, we can not say "good-bye" to 1968 without saying a big "thank you" to this group of officers, who have worked long and hard, not only to give us a wonderful year of dancing, but to produce the largest class of new dancers in our history.

Our Christmas party was a huge success. Many of us had the pleasure of sharing this wonderful evening with our teenage sons, daughters and grandchildren, for at least, one and possibly two couples had three generations of the family present.

We extend our sympathy to the bereaved Lloyd family in the loss of the father of Nelson Lloyd.

Well, we did it again, danced the old year right off the calendar and welcomed in the "baby 69." The hall was beautifully decorated by a committee headed by our good president, Howard Eddy, with special lighting effects installed by Wally Schandell. However, guests were greeted by a strange but familiar voice as they approached the dance floor. Don had succumbed to the flu bug, but Mike Callahan, who was home on leave from the service, came and filled in for him.

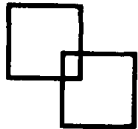
During the evening the new officers were installed and given badges of their office. Badges were also given to Florence and Everett Kingsley, new publicity chairmen; Loren Blood for being such a faithful "girl watcher" and to the January Reception Committee, Helen and Jerry Bischooping. The Reception badge will pass to a new couple each month. For February it will go to Helen and Gene Howlett. Instead of breakfast this year, a buffet supper was served at 1:30 A.M. to the 50 couples.

. . . Florence and Everett Kingsley

The four year old, trying to dress herself, complained, "The buttons are behind and I'm in front."

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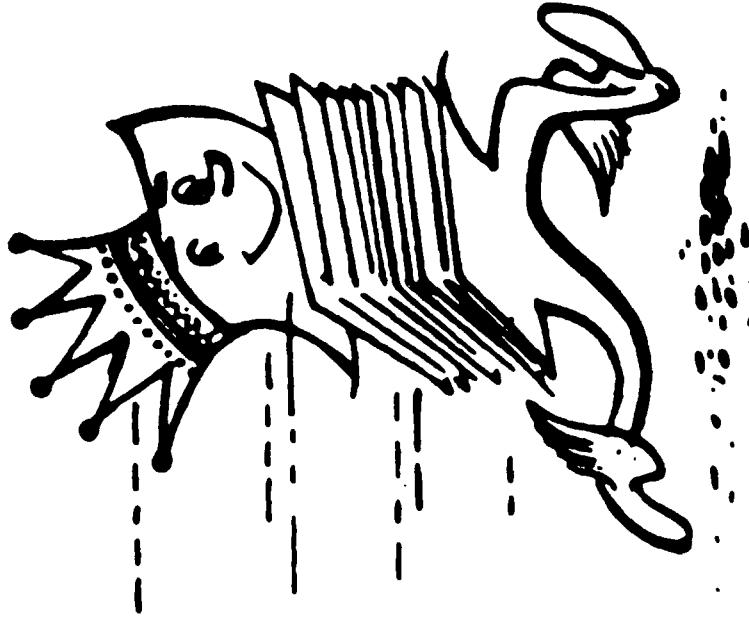
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