

ROCHESTER AREA FEDERATION OF WESTERN ROUND AND SQUARE DANCE CLUBS ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ROCHESTER AREA FEDERATION OF WESTERN ROUND AND SQUARE DANCE CLUBS

September 18, 1962

Over the years there has been a void in communications between the Federation, clubs and dancers in the area. Therefore, in order that your Federation may be of greater service to the clubs and dancers, the board of delegates voted unanimously to publish a monthly newspaper on a trial basis.

The board appointed Bill Bibler and Lew Dietz to serve as co-editors. To assist them and to establish editorial policies, a board of review has been selected from the board of delegates.

Through this medium we will publish the schedules of each club's dances for the current month and extend into the first half of the following month. Space will be available for letters to the editor which will give all member dancers an equal opportunity to speak on any issues. Clubs may list their special dances and have published any other news items about their club as an organization and about their members as individuals. Our dance population will be informed of the progress of the committees for the annual Dance-O-Rama. News items will be published from publications exchanged with federations in other areas. In general, through this newspaper, all the dancers will be kept well informed on what is going on in our dance circles.

This first issue is complimentary, the expenses underwritten by the Federation. But, of course, if we continue to publish, we will have to set up a subscription system to underwrite the expenses of commercial printing based on a nominal charge per copy. We anticipate that the cost can eventually be brought to the minimum for the benefit of our readers through revenue from advertising which we will solicit as soon as our paper is established and the early problems of such a venture have been solved.

YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS PUBLICATION WILL DETERMINE ITS CONTINUANCE!

In support of the friendship found in Square Dancing,

Ralph Weber Executive Secretary Board of Delegates

On Sunday evening, March 17th, a group of square and round dance instructors and callers met at the Didier home. For some time, the idea of forming a local Callers' Association had been growing.

So Lucille and Tink Tinkler, Ed and Helen Principe, Mary and Mike Prado, Bud Macomber, Marion and George Kerridge, Helen and Ernie Johnston, Peg and Myron Huss, Kae and Bob Didier, Dorothy and Howard DeGrave, Dorothy and Bob Brunshidle, Jean and Bernie Boulet met that evening and the Rochester Callers' Association, RCA, was organized.

When elections were completed, Bob Brunshidle was Chairman, Myron Huss was Vice-Chairman and Mary Prado was Secretary-Treasurer. "Tink" Tinkler accepted the post of Program Chairman.

The RCA hopes to promote square and round dancing locally by assisting new leaders and callers. They hope to accomplish this by workshop sessions and exchanging ideas within the group.

A series of summer dances was held by RCA, one each month, to give area dancers an opportunity to dance with our local callers. Everyone, callers and dancers, had a fine time.

The RCA is most happy to be a part of the winter dance program of some of the local clubs. The members are always available for calling or instruction if your social club and other groups would like a square dance party.

...Dorothy Brunshidle

Did "Tink" ever get the house repainted? Be sure to read about it in SNAP-O-GRAPH

DELEGATES TO THE ROCHESTER FEDERATION

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Irondequoit Squares:

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Rochester Rollaways:

Don & Norma Weekes Dick & Doris Wilton

Swinging Eights:

To Be Announced Norman & Peggy Metzinger

Clever and gifted???
Help name the paper.

Make it pay!!! Prize!!!!!!!!!

EUROPEAN EXCURSION

Charlie and Betty Podgers of the Belles & Beaus will join other square dancers in New York City on Columbus Day and climb aboard a BOAC Jetliner bound for England, France, Germany, Switzerland and Italy.

The trip of 3 weeks will include two major square dance events in the countries visited. Bob Osgood of Sets-In-Order arranged the package deal.

Have fun, Charlie and Betty. . . and a safe journey home. Bon Voyage!

CLUB DANCES IN THE ROCHESTER AREA

OCTOBER 1962

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Day</u> | <u>Club</u> | Caller | Place C. | Starts |
|-------------|------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------------------|------------|
| 1 | Mon | **B&B | Harris | West Ridge School | 8:00 |
| 1 | Mon | **FA | Tucker | Henrietta YMCA | 8:30 |
| 3 | Wed | ES | Reilly | Kodak Office Aud. | 8:00 |
| 4 | Thu | Gen | Tinkler | Cutler Union | 8:00 |
| 6 | Sat | Sw8 | Tinkler | Iroquois School | 8:15 |
| 8 | Mon | **B&B | Tinkler | West Ridge School | 8:00 |
| 10 | Wed | ES | Harris | Kodak Office Aud. | 8:00 |
| 11 | Thu | Gen | Duffin | Cutler Union | 8:00 |
| 12 | Frí | * RR | Duffin | The Barn | 8:30 |
| 13 | Sat | CT | RCA Caller | Florence Brasser School | 8:15 |
| 13 | Sat | IrS | Kennedy | Abraham Lincoln School | 8:00 |
| 14 | Sun | * RR | Ben Baldwin | The Barn | 8:30 |
| 15 | Mon | **B&B | Harris | West Ridge School | 8:00 |
| 15 | Mon | ** FA | Tucker | Henrietta YMCA | 8:30 |
| 17 | Wed | ES | Ben Baldwin | Kodak Office Aud. | 8:00 |
| 18 | Thu | Gen | Harris | Cutler Union | 8:00 |
| 19 | Fri | **B&B | To Be Announced | West Ridge School | 8:00 |
| 20 | Sat | Sw8 | Tinkler | Troquois School | 8:15 |
| 22 | Mon | **B&B | Tinkler | West Ridge School | 8:00 |
| 24 | Wed | ES | Harris | Kodak Office Aud. | 8:00 |
| 25 | Thu | Gen | Reilly | Cutler Union | 8:00 |
| 26 | Fri | * RR | Duffin | The Barn | 8:30 |
| 27 | Sat | CT | Tinkler | Florence Brasser School | 8:15 |
| 27 | Sat | IrS | Kennedy | Pardee School | 8:00 |
| 29 | Mon | **B&B | Harris | West Ridge School | 8:00 |
| 29 | Mon | ** FA | Tucker | To be announced | 100 |
| 31 | Wed | ES | Reilly | Kodak Office Aud. | 8:00 |
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| | BER 1962 | _ | | | 8:30 |
| 1 | Thu | Gen | Buzz Brown | Cutler Union | |
| 3 | Sat | Sw8 | Tinkler | Iroquois School | 8:15 |
| 5 | Mon | ** B&B | Harris | West Ridge School | 8:00 |
| 5 | Mon | ** FA | Tucker | To be announced | 0 00 |
| 7 | Wed | ES | Harris | Kodak Office Aud. | 8:00 |
| 8 | Thu | Gen | Duffin | Cutler Union | 8:00 |
| 9 | Fri | * RR | Duffin | The Barn | 8:30 |
| 10 | Sat | CT | Curley Custer | Florence Brasser School | 8:15 |
| 10 | Sat | IrS | Kennedy | Pardee School | 8:00 |
| 12 | Mon | ***B&B | Marshall Flippo | West Ridge School | 8:00 |
| 14 | Wed | ES | Reilly | Kodak Office Aud. | 8:00 |
| 15 | Thu | Gen | Harris | Cutler Union | 8:00 |
| 16 | Fri | **B&B | Tinkler | West Ridge School | 8:00 |
| 17 | Sat | Sw8 | Tinkler | Iroquois School | 8:15 |
| 19 | Mon | ***B&B | Bob Fisk | West Ridge School | 8:00 |
| 19 | Mon | ** FA | Tucker | To be announced | |

All dances are "open" to club level dancers unless indicated otherwise.

* Invitation dance, except that club level dancers from out of town are welcomed

** Semi-open dance, requested that you call ahead and make arrangements.

*** Invitation dance, necessary on National Caller dances, limited space.

SNAP - 0 - GRAPH

F. HOWARD TINKLER...alias "Tink".....
alias "Dearie"...wife Lucille, a Southern belle from Winston-Salem, North
Carolina...three children - Stephanie,
15, Mark, 13 and Scott, 10...chemistry
major at Baldwin-Wallace College in
Ohio...named Man of Science...served
over four years in World War 2 and
later in Korean conflict...Commander
in Naval Reserves...came to Rochester
in 1956...senior chemist at Distillation Products...enjoys tennis, golf and
bowling when time permits.

Six years ago saw Western Square Dancing on T V...became interested in the calling approach...needed a new rug and paint job at the time...bought calling equipment instead...is now a veteran and much in demand...calls for Belles 'N Beaus, Country Twirlers, Swingin' Eights and Genesee Dancers... also in the Canandaigua area.

P.S. — In the meantime has purchased the rug and had the house painted.

HURRY! HELP WANTED PRONTO!

NAME THE PAPER - WIN A PRIZE

We need a name for this paper. All
you clever people think up as many
entries as you can and send them to
the editors. The name should be short,
"catchy" and indicate to some degree
the type of publication that it is
supposed to be.

Entries will be judged by a committee of impartial judges. Ralph Weber is working on a big surprise prize. Deadline is Oct. 25th.

Somewhere in this paper, you can find the reason why Hal Abberger will be dancing on Thursday nights only.

NEXT ISSUE...a "between tips" interview with a popular caller...profiles of a lot of your friends..a history of one of our oldest square dance clubs.. and more..write a letter to the editors

INSTRUCTION CLASSES

BELLES 'N BEAUS

Every Wednesday. 8:00 P.M. Craig Hill School on West Craig Hill Dr. Instructors - Art Harris, "Tink" Tinkler Registration closes October 17th. Call Bob Didier FI 2 - 0167

COUNTRY TWIRLERS

Every Wednesday. 8:00 P.M. First Baptist Church, Chili. Instructor - Bob Brunshidle Call Jim Higgins FA 8 - 4268

EKC-O SQUARES

Every Monday. 8:00 P.M. Kodak Office Auditorium - State St. Instructor - Joe Reilly Call Ed Fox NO 3 - 2414

GENESEE DANCERS

Every Tuesday, 8:00 P.M. The Barn - East Henrietta Rd.&Calkins Instructor - Don Duffin Call Andy Bestram GR 3 - 5890

IRONDEQUOIT SQUARES

Every Saturday. 8:00 P.M.
Laurelton School - 478 Helendale Rd.
Instructor - George Kerridge
Call Don Brewer OS 1 - 2959

SWINGIN EIGHTS

Every Tuesday. 8:00 P.M.
Hosea Rogers School - 219 Northfield Rd.
Instructor - "Tink" Tinkler
Call Mike Prado BA 5 - 0:40

There is still time to enroll in any of the above classes.

Contact your interested friends and sell them on the merits of the SQUARE DANCE PROGRAM.

Remember the friends YOU made and the fun YOU had in YOUR beginners' class!

Smile at your corner, put sunshine in your dancing.



COUNTRY TWIRLERS

The Country Twirlers started their Fall season Sept. 8th with "Tink" Tinkler as our regular caller.

Our open dances are the second and fourth Saturdays of each month from 8:15 to 11:15 The club dances every 2nd, 4th and 5that Florence Brasser School in Chili, with do-nuts and coffee after each dance.

On Sept. 22nd, our dance was open to all dancers that would like to learn Western dancing. Many new couples have shown interest by joining our beginners' club which started Sept. 26th, Bob Brunshidle instructing. Our beginners' club will dance every Wednesday at the First Baptist Church in Chili,

On Nov, 10th we have the one and only Curley Custer from Maryland as our caller. Curley has served as staff caller at institutes in Massachusetts and Georgia and completed his 3rd year at Al Brundage's Funstitute at West Point. Curley is a recording artist for the Top label of the Grenn Recording Co. Sales of tickets are limited. Get your ticket early. See you at the dance.

Esther Fiege

IRONDEQUOIT SQUARES

The Squares, enthused by obtaining Don Kennedy for our caller look toward a good year of square dances. Don is a Buffalo caller who made a hit last Spring when he called a dance or two in Rochester. Don has promised to call several invitational workshops during the year to present the latest movements in western square dancing, and as usual, all of our dances are open to Rochester club members.

The lesson sessions committee, Don and Lois Brewer, Joe and Audree Brodner, Al and Phyllis Pembrook, George and Loreen Phillips launch the new classes Saturday, Oct. 6th at the Laurelton School. George Kerridge will be the caller-instructor.

-- Bob Boorom

ROCHESTER ROLLAWAYS

The Rochester Rollaways is a club made up of dancers who wish to enjoy more advanced dancing than is otherwise available in the Rochester area.

Friday of the month from Mid-September to Mid-June. We dance at the Barn on East Henrietta Road.

Don Duffin is our club caller and has been our caller since the inception of the Rollaways.

From 8:30 until 9:00, the club dances rounds under the direction of Charlie and Perkie Tucker. Square dance time is from 9:00 till 12 midnite.

Our dances are restricted to members and, on specified nights, to prospective members invited by active members. Out of town visitors are welcome as guests anytime.

The Rollaways conducted an advanced workshop series this summer with Don Duffin doing the calling and instructing,

Four national callers are scheduled this season: Ben Baldwin, Lloyd Litman, Ronnie Schneider and George Campbell,

-- Don Weekes

EKC-O SQUARES

The EKC-O Squares 1962-63 season started Monday, Sept. 17th, when a new beginners' class was introduced to the fun of square dance by our caller instructor, Joe Reilly. The club members danced a few tips and they were well received by the enthusiastic newcomers. Classes will meet each Monday at Kodak Office Auditorium for a series of 30 lessons prior to their graduation next April.

The club dancing started Wednesday, Sept. 19th, with a fine turnout. This year, our callers will be Joe Reilly and Art Harris, alternating each week. Joe got things off EKC-O SQUARES Cont'd.....

to a rousing start and was followed on Sept. 26th by Art Harris doing his usual stellar dance calling. A fine year is anticipated. EKC-O Squares dances are held each Wed. starting at 8:00 and they are open to all club level dancers at \$1.00 per person.

On Wednesday, Oct. 17th, we will have our helped a little. Now there's a whole first national caller of the season – Ben crowd dancing at West Ridge School on Baldwin, Jr. of Champaign, Illinois. You Alcott Road, about 81 couples I'd say. will remember Ben for his fine calling at the last Dance-O-Rama. Admission is \$1.00 Monday is the big night for them. They per person, 8 to 11.00, don't have too much room, and when they

The EKC-O Squares wish to thank the Rochester area dancers for the support of their summer program of square dancing. As a result, an equally fine program is being prepared for next summer for all to enjoy.

-- Ed Fox

In the next issue....news about the 1963 Dance-O-Rama....a look at the new dancerscomplete list of November-December dances....another SNAP-O-GRAPH.........

SWINGING EIGHTS

Our club dances the first and third Saturdays of every month at the Iroquois School, corner of Washington Ave. and Colebrook Road from 8:15 to 11:30 P.M.

The first half hour is given over to round dancing with Mike and Mary Prado instructing. "Tink" Tinkler calls the squares for the balance of the evening.

The opening dance was on September 29th and attracted a sizable number of dancers.

"Singing" Sam Mitchell will call for us on December 15th at the Hosea Rogers School.

-- Norm Metzinger

I think that's the name of the Club. Nobody ever tells me anything. If it is the Belles 'N Beaus someone said the club was six years old and they act like it.

The two guys who had something to do with starting the club are Fred Retallick and Bernie Boulet, and I guess their wives helped a little. Now there's a whole crowd dancing at West Ridge School on Alcott Road, about 81 couples I'd say.

Monday is the big night for them. They don't have too much room, and when they goof they need more room, so they have only a partly open club. I think they call it Semi-.

I'll take a guess at who the officers are:

Bob and Kae Didier must be President, because he gets to use the microphone.

Jim and Ollie Shear must be Vice-President because he is in charge of the Coke machine.

Fred and June Krasselt must be Treasurer because he takes everybody's money.

Ed and Sharlyn Taylor must be Secretary, as she is usually looking over her glasses and marking down every time I goof.

Bob and June Muller, Charlie and Betty Podgers and Hal and Fran Abberger must be all Directors, because they're always telling people where to go.

They have a beginner's class started, but if you know someone you don't care much for, tell them they are still welcome to join the class, entries close October 17th. Call Bob Didier at FI 2-0167 or Ed Taylor at FI 2-4950.

The class dances, I think, every Wednesday at the Craig Hill School on West Craig Hill Drive. I must be right because I was there last week and it was the day after Tuesday, that's Wednesday.

Class is taught by our Callers Tink Tinkler and Art Harris, that's the long and short of it. Their wives, Lucille and Vera, help a little. They bring matches. BELLES 'N BEAUS Cont'd......

and ash trays and keep time to the music by stamping their feet.

Well, they asked me to write about the club, I did. So now I'll probably be dancing on Thursday only.

--- Hal Abberger

GENESEE DANCERS

The Genesee Dancers opened the 1962-63 season with two open dances in September at the Barn. At these dances they introduced Western Square Dancing to prospective members of their class in the basics. This class, which starts October 2nd, will meet every Tuesday at the Barn at 8:00 P.M. Don Duffin will be the instructor.

Every Thursday night the Genesees will dance at Cutler Union from 8 til 11 o'clock. The dances are open to all area club members. The admission fees for non-members will be 1.50 a couple except in the case of a National Caller. At this event the admission will be 2.50.

The last Thursday of each month will be known as Party night. There will be a novelty dance, a game or some gimmick, as well as a light lunch.

The HALLOWEEN dance on October 25th will be a costume party.

On Thursday November 1st, the popular Buzz Brown from California will be the caller. An invitation is extended to all the other clubs in the Federation to come and enjoy this dance with the Genesee Dancers.

-- Bea Meyers

The Difference between a high level and a low level club:

In a low level club you walk through first and then dance.

In a high level club you try to dance first then you walk through.

-- Lee Helsel

FIDDLE A ROUNDS

Fifteen enthusiastic couples were at the Sept. 17th go-round of the Fiddle-A-Rounds, a real big showing at the start of the Fall Season, rounds do grow in popularity. If you want to try'um, don't stop here keep reading.

Helen Principe was welcomed from an extended hospitalization. Glad to have you around again, Helen. And guests Betty and Sam Bruce, ex-Binghamton dancers, now from Greece, were round-ly welcomed and arrived just in time to learn another round, "Kiss Waltz". Dig this, it is 32 measures without a "repeat". If this excites your curiosity about rounds, please continue to read.

Prudholm's will attract the Tuckers and Principes for a week-end of rounds on October 6th.

Kay and Jim Doris returned after a long absence, mountain climbing, skiing, square dancing, round dancing — too bad such vim and vigor isn't contagious.

Georgia and Ralph Guenther will be "Host-ing" at the Henrietta Y during October.

You were urged to read to this point because you should know that Perky and Charlie Tucker will welcome all beginners at their Sunday afternoon round dance instruction classes on Oct. 14th. Phone is OS 1-3976. There is no known substitution for the Tuckerway. Be a square if you want to enjoy yourself, but to put whipped cream on the cake, be around also.

-- Joe Anon (Ed note: What club does Joe dance with?)

Under sponsorship of Irondequoit Recreation Commission, Helen and Ernie Johnston, Mary and Mike Prado will teach two classes, basic and intermediate round dancing at the Dake School, Wednesday nights, 8:00. Basics on 1st, 3rd Wednesdays, intermediate on 2nd, 4th. For full details call Norm Metzinger, phone FI 2-7462.

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We, the editors, speak to each of the growing number of western square dancers within our reading area: WELCOME to the first issue of an ambitious project.

Our efforts are most sincerely directed toward making this paper an important and awaited for part of your fun of square dancing.

We plan to write about the people in our dancing clubs here in the Rochester area. We hope to bring attention to those among you who further the movement by serving in elected posts and those who were appointed to "volunteer" tasks.

Our pages will be available to all who care to write letters to the editors; our paragraphs will attempt to report factually our square dance doings in good taste, with humor and clarity.

We wish to link our area with other areas and thus gain recognition for the fine progress our Rochesterian dancers have made since the first western dances were called locally.

At all times, for every issue, we solicit the good will and friendly assistance of all of you. If you have a news bit, send it or call it to our attention. We'd like to see names at the bottom of news articles to show that you care enough to send the news out to the rest of the gang.

Most of all, we'll take the criticism good and bad as long as your subscription remains paid.

Our appreciation goes to Ralph Weber and the Federation board of delegates for their confidence in our ability. May we never let them - or you - down!

- -- Lew Dietz
- -- Bill Bibler

To help you in submitting news:
Lew Dietz, 70 Barons Rd., Roch. 17
FI 2-3317
Bill Bibler, 341 Spencer Rd., Roch. 9
BU 8-2330

Don and Lou Hicks have had 35 years of wedded bliss?

Tip and Millie Costich have put their dancing slippers on the shelf for awhile?

Myron Huss attended a caller's school, run by Al Brundage and Earl Johnson, in Pittsfield, Mass.?

Bob and Dorothy Brunshidle attended the Seattle Fair during the summer?

Ed and Helen Principe, Larry and Doris McConnell and Lew and Ruth Dietz celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversaries within the last few months?

Yachtsman "Tink" Tinkler is the proud owner of a Thunderbird boat?

Joe and Rita Walsh recently added No. 7, a bouncing boy, to their flourishing flock?

Warren and Pat Meeker have left for California where he will be branch manager for the Lawyers Cooperative Publishing Co.?

Frank Beahan is soaring to new heights?

The Mike Prados and the Ernie Johnstons had a square dance vacation in July at the Pairs & Squares in Bracebridge, Ontario?

Bob and Vera Dobbertin are going to Miami, Florida to see their new grandchild?

Bob Fisk's popular call about "Old Buster" (When ya goin' to let the hammer down?) is soon to be challenged by "Old Buster Strikes Back", a sequel written by our own Chuck Prister. We'll sco-o-o-p the nation in our next issue by printing it. Curley Custer and Decko Deck saw it and wanted it submitted to Sets-in-Order. You'll see it first in these columns, next issue!