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BEGINNERS BEGIN

Federation clubs have now organized their classes and the beginners are in full swing. The response this year has been fairly satisfactory. All in all about 38 sets will be taught this season -- this is "par for the course" and speaks well for the officers and their committees.

The Belles 'N Beaus tried something new this year in offering a cash prize to the member who brought in the most beginners. The innovation seemed to help for the club ended up with 7 sets. Myron Huss has taken over Art Harris' job while he is recuperating from a recent operation.

A newcomer among instructors is Chuck Prister, an EKC-O Square member, who is doing a good job with his 4 sets at the Irondequoit Squares.

"Tink" Tinkler has been coerced out of retirement to instruct for his first love, the Swingin' Eights. Four sets usually show every Tuesday night at Hosea Rogers School.

The Country Twirlers are running the B's 'N B's a close second with 6 sets of beginners. Bob Brunschidle is again instructing the Twirlers as well as the Boots 'N Slippers, an up and coming new club from out Hilton way, who have put 5 sets on the floor.

Out at the Barn in Henrietta, the Genesee Dancers, with veteran Don Duffin calling, have only 5 sets. However, they are entitled to an off year -- the past three classes have contributed an average of 10 sets to the area's square dancing movement.

Joe Reilly is doing his customary able job for the EKC-O Squares at the Kodak auditorium. Five sets have enrolled so far this

year.

Lima Grand Squares, with Don Stumbo instructing, has only 2 sets at the present writing but expect more within the month.

Several non-federation clubs, Don Pratt's Friendship Squares and Bill Bartsch's Scottsville Stars, have classes but they are not overcrowded.

Again, hats off to the club officers and their committees for a job well done.

RCA SPONSORS WORKSHOP

At a meeting held in the Webster Town Hall on October 18, the Rochester Callers Association voted unanimously to hold free workshops at their future meetings.

The RCA will now meet every other Sunday, instead of once a month, starting November 8 at the Webster Town Hall from 2-5 P.M. All square dancers are cordially invited. It will be sort of a reciprocal deal-dancers will be available and the callers in turn will be able to work out techniques and to teach the latest calls.

BONUS DANCE AIDS SCHOLARS

An exceptional opportunity for all club level square dancers to attend an open dance featuring Bob "Personality" Fisk.

Dance will be held at Eastridge High Gym, 2350 Ridge Road E., Sunday, November 22nd, 2-5 P.M. Admission \$1.25 per person. All proceeds go to Eastridge Home and School Scholarship Fund to help worthy students attend college.

Tickets can be obtained at the door or from Bill Wilkinson HO-7-2218 or Dorothy Magin HO-7-4312.

A SQUARE AROUND TOWN

Well, howdy! By now the new season is in full swing, with everybody dancin' and goofin! Can't forget "goofin" cause that's mah trade.

Here's a new switch, EVERYBODY IS TELLING ME EVERYTHING! Especially about their summer dancing at beautiful and glamorous places like "The Woodlands", Boyne Mountain, West Point, the World's Fair and many others.

Well, you didn't give me a chance or I would have told you that I, too, danced this summer (and goofed). I danced at Ompah, Canada. It is about 100 miles north of Kingston.

It isn't exactly a large town, it's more like a village; to tell the truth it's population is 6, a horse, a cow and 4 people, but what makes it unique is that it is the only place you can buy a beer within an 80 mile radius.

It also has a dance hall, and a square dance is held there every Saturday night. Wow--ee! what dancing and running! The running is done between the dance hall and the beer joint. There were no lights. Who needed them? Most of the natives were lit up. They wore beautiful, authentic Western clothes, like patched-up dungarees, one-sleeve shirts and shorts. I saw one girl with a dress, and found out she was another tourist.

Nearly everyone wore boots, and they had a special iron blade rack outside the dance hall so they could scrape the cow stuff off their heels. There was a three piece orchestra, Fiddle, Jug and Piano.

The caller was very talented, as he was able to close his mouth and call through his nose. The only call I understood was, "Swang, Swang, Swang," at which time the girls swing the boys off their feet.

No, sir! You have never danced until you have danced at Ompah.

Thanks, anyway.

...Hal Abberger

Gigi likes this one. Women come in four sizes: thin, medium, plump, and get-a-load of her.

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SNAP -O- GRAPH

The WEEKES, Don and Norma...chairman 1965 Dance-O-Rama..started dancing in 1958 as charter members of Swingin' Eights...also currently belong to Rollaways and Fiddle Arouds.

Have had varied experience in the management of Area clubs..former officers and board members of Rollaways as well as Federation delegates and for one year handled its finances...learn the ropes of Dance-O-Rama organization by serving as its 1964 treasurer...the "Big Event" is in capable hands.

The Weekes are life long Rochesterians and now reside at 366 Marwood Rd. in the Town of Greece...married in 1950, have three boys: Brian 10, Donald 8 and Richard 5...Don was a radioman during the war (#2 that is)...attended R.I.T. and is now in the Kodak advertising dept...has been very active in the Association for the Help of Retarded Children...was instrumental in forming its Recreation Club...

Dancing, collecting square dance tapes (over 100) and fishing are his hobbies and definitely in that order...Norma is an expert seamstress - makes her own dresses and crinolines (gals-maybe she can help you with your dress problems).

Mike Foes sez: A man can usually tell what kind of a time he is having at a party by the look on his wife's face.

NEWS DEADLINE

Club reporters and other contributors to PROMENADER are reminded that news deadline for the December issue will be Nov. 16. Please include confirming schedule of your club dance calendar. You all are doing an excellent job. Many, many thanks.

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FEDERATION DANCE DATES IN THE ROCHESTER AREA

NOVEMBER 1964

2	Mon	#B&B	To Be Announced	West Ridge School	8:00
2	Mon	**FAR	Tucker	Echo Club	8:30
4	Wed	ES	Reilly	Kodak Office Auditorium	8:00
5	Thu	Gen	Duffin	Cutler Union	8:00
6	Fri	BnS	Bartsch	Henry St. School, Hilton	8:30
6	Fri	LGS	Stumbo	Lima Town Hall	8:30
7	Sat	Sw8	Bartsch	Hosea Rogers School	8:00
8	Sun	LGS	Stumbo	Lima Town Hall	4:00
			Smorgasbord Supper and Dance		
9	Mon	#B&B	Duffin	West Ridge School	8:00
9	Mon	**FAR	Tucker	Echo Club	8:30
11	Wed	ES	McQuade	Kodak Office Auditorium	8:00
12	Thu	Gen	Harris	Floyd Winslow School	8:00
13	Fri	BnS	Brunshidle	Henry St. School, Hilton	8:30
13	Fri	LGS	Stumbo	Lima Town Hall	8:30
13	Fri	*RR	Duffin	Brighton Presb. Church	8:30
14	Sat	CT	Bartsch	Florence Brasser School	8:15
14	Sat	IrS	Kennedy	Pardee School	8:00
			Closed dance: General business meeting		
16	Mon	#B&B	To Be Announced	West Ridge School	8:00
16	Mon	**FAR	Tucker	Echo Club	8:30
18	Wed	ES	Reilly	Kodak Office Auditorium	8:00
19	Thu	Gen	Duffin	Cutler Union	8:00
20	Fri	BnS	Bartsch	Henry St. School, Hilton	8:30
20	Fri	LGS	Stumbo	Lima Town Hall	8:30
			Guests: Irondequoit Squares		
21	Sat	Sw8	Ham Wolfram	Hosea Rogers School	8:00
21	Sat	CT	Brunshidle	Florence Brasser School	8:15
23	Mon	#B&B	Bob Fisk	West Ridge School	8:00
23	Mon	**FAR	Tucker	Echo Club	8:30
25	Wed	ES	Trainor	Kodak Office Auditorium	8:00
			Genesee Dancers' Night		
27	Fri	LGS	Stumbo	Lima Town Hall	8:30
27	Fri	*RR	Duffin	Brighton Presb. Church	8:30
			Anniversary Party		
28	Sat	IrS	Johnston	Abraham Lincoln School	8:00
			Elections, box social		
30	Mon	#B&B	Harris	West Ridge School	8:00
30	Mon	**FAR	Tucker	Echo Club	8:30

DECEMBER 1964

2	Wed	ES	Reilly	Kodak Office Auditorium	8:00
3	Thu	Gen	Duffin	Cutler Union	8:00
4	Fri	BnS	Bartsch	Henry St. School, Hilton	8:30
4	Fri	LGS	Stumbo	Lima Town Hall	8:30
5	Sat	Sw8	Bartsch	Hosea Rogers School	8:00
6	Sun	*RR	Ben Baldwin	Greece YMCA	8:30
7	Mon	#B&B	Kennedy	West Ridge School	8:00
7	Mon	**FAR	Tucker	Echo Club	8:30
9	Wed	ES	McQuade	Kodak Office Auditorium	8:00
			Irondequoit Squares' Night		
10	Thu	Gen	Harris	Cutler Union	8:00
11	Fri	BnS	Brunshidle	Henry St. School, Hilton	8:30
11	Fri	LGS	Stumbo	Lima Town Hall	8:30
11	Fri	*RR	Duffin	Brighton Presb. Church	8:30
			Christmas Party		

*Dances are closed, out of town guests call CO-6-7725 for arrangements.

**Space is limited, call OS-1-3976 for arrangements.

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A LETTER

To the Editors, PROMENADER:

"This letter is in reply to the question asked of the Irondequoit Squares why they have only 20 lessons (60 hours) in the beginners group. The following are our own opinions and may not necessarily reflect those of the other club members.

First: We cannot expect that each club run on the same policies. Each club under Federation rule has freedom to do as they see fit. It reflects the individualities and feelings of its members and still keeps the dignity in square dancing. This is born out by the large number of clubs in the area of varying "levels" of dancing.

Second: It seems that each year more lessons are added to bring the graduates up to "level". We believe that 20 well designed lessons are adequate for membership in our club where fun, friendship and relaxation prevail. It is our personal experience that lessons in excess of 20 and the worry of level has only succeeded in scaring away people from the movement. Furthermore, it is an imposition to require people to attend a long lesson session. This is our form of progress in offering an evening's entertainment to more people."

We would welcome any comments.

...Paul and Anne Mutter

ANOTHER LETTER

To the Editors, PROMENADER:

"We have enjoyed so very much the PROMENADER. We look forward each month to the news you print. Our thanks to your staff for a good job."

...Harold and Gladys Ollerenshaw

BIG "D" SAYS: DIP & DIVE IN '65

Those who are interested in the 14th National Square Dance Convention to be held in Dallas, Texas on June 24, 25 and 26, are advised to write to the following for registration information:

Director of Registration
14th National Square Dance Conv.
Box 8068
Dallas, Texas 75205

DID YOU KNOW THAT big Bill Harvey and his Taw, Norma, are still looking for those delinquent souls who haven't renewed PROMENADER subscriptions.

FROM "THE NATIONAL" TO HAWAII

Note: Travelling Rochester square dancers continue to supply us with wonderful reports from afar, around the world. Here's the latest report for us "home bound sufferers".

The Square Dancers International Club flew non-stop to Long Beach, Calif. The first day was used for sight seeing in the Los Angeles area--Farmer's Market, Grauman's Chinese Theater, Dodge's Stadium. That evening, a parade started the National Square Dance activities. Most of the states had beautiful floats in the parade. Too bad New York was not represented. We spent 3 days at the Convention. The Arena housed 3 floors of squares but the round dancing and discussion groups had to meet at other nearby buildings. The weather was good for walking. Colorful clothes, excellent demonstrations-especially by the teen-agers, lots of dancing, interesting square dance shops. The Toe Stompers were SDI's sponsoring club. Friday eve they treated us to an elaborate after party. Excellent dancing to 2 callers, Hawaiian lunch and Polynesian floor show.

Later, in Honolulu, we were greeted with a lei of orchids, kissed by an Island girl, given pineapple juice and then entertained by dancing girls. Our hotel was at Waikiki Beach, with a view toward Diamond Head. The air is perfectly clear--no smoke, dust, insects, no screens and, in some cases, no doors. Average temperature is 74, water is 70. No one seems to be in a mad rush, casual dress is normal. Women usually wear comfortable muu muus and the men a loose fitting shirt. Bright colors are predominate.

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...Fred and June Krasselt

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CLUB NEWS

ROCHESTER ROLLAWAYS

Welcome to new Rollaway club members Sue and "Chick" Wolfe, Emily and John O'Connor. We're happy that you have joined us.

Another special event will be the Ben Baldwin dance at the Greece Y on Sunday, Dec. 6th, our first national caller dance of the season.

From all reports, the new program of 2 rounds between squares is working successfully and the fine spirit of enthusiasm prevalent at the opening dance has characterized successive ones.

Unfortunately, we've had to miss a few dances. One week-end we returned to Plattsburgh to check on our "baby"-the North Country Squares. What a bouncer we found! A special dance and dinner were held in our honor; Bill oiled his vocal chords and for old times' sake shared the honors with 2 excellent Air Force callers; we also visited their beginners; class; bowed in respect before their trophy awarded for the best float in Plattsburgh's Centennial parade; and for 2 evenings worked with several couples eager for rounds. (The Tuckers we're not; but spirit and nerve we've got!) Those of you who have been active in promoting square dancing can appreciate the warm, wonderful feeling that week-end gave us.

Bakers, Muenches and the Weekes went to Titusville, Pa. Oct. 30th for a week-end of dancing to Ron Schneider. Lucky couples!

Oh yes, I might add that pantaloons by Norma Weekes added to my classy appearance in Plattsburgh.

...Norma Harvey

FIDDLE A ROUNDS

The FAR's opened their fall season with a dinner dance at the Echo Club. From all reports, the food was excellent and a good time was had by all. To add to the festivities, the Tuckers taught a smooth, new two-step: "Dancing on a Moonbeam".

If you think you have trouble learning one round in an evening, just think of Principes

and Tuckers who were introduced to thirteen new dances at the recent Prudhomme Round Dance Week-end. We mention this not only as a news item, but as a bit of encouragement to those couples who have begun their round dance basics on Sundays. By the way, we understand that the new class is well attended and progressing rapidly.

...Ralph and Georgia Guenther

LIMA GRAND SQUARES

Our covered dish supper was a big success and a good time was had by all. The occasion was marred by the absence of our caller, Don Stumbo, who was ill: but the emergency was covered by Don Pratt, who was called at the last minute. Thanks a lot, Don, for filling in at such short notice and helping make the dance a success.

Our beginners' class meets at 8:30 on Thursday night and is being taught by Don Stumbo. We appreciate having members come out each week to give a helping hand.

The Reifstecks joined us on October 9th for a short while, after Leo's recent illness. It was good to have you with us.

And now, we would like to say a belated thanks to all the wonderful couples who supported us at the Barn this summer by their presence each week.

Remember folks, November 20th, the Irondequoit Squares will be our guests. We are looking forward to this evening with pleasure.

...Mary and Ken Sorensen

EKC-O SQUARES

The initial flurry of national caller dances has come and gone and the annual process of assimilating new callera and new dancers into the club has begun in earnest.

Joe Reilly continues to do his usual excellent job with the new dancers on Monday nights--and an exceptionally lively group it is--in addition to his Wednesday chores.

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EKC-O SQUARES (Cont'd.)

First exposure, for many, to Jim McQuade proved to be more than just enjoyable. His Scotch burrrr tends to give him a style all his own. Additional surprise features of the evening were a calling stint by Don McQuade, accompanying father Jim. Don's talent was obvious--I'm afraid mine as a dancer wasn't--wow!

Linc Osborne surprised the club and his wife, Marion, with a huge decorated birthday cake at evening's end. Could those two squares of visitors have known about the refreshments beforehand? It was quite a compliment to us and the McQuade boys to have such a good turn out.

Chuck Rademaker's cueing on the round dances worked out well. Too well for a certain dancer who relied too heavily, too late, on the cues which are calculated to assist in remembering what to do next, not to teach the dance step by step. I'll do better next time, Chuck!

Tom Trainor's "debut" and the Hallowe'en party on the 28th are the next order of excitement on the club schedule. You-all come and visit us in the newly re-decorated auditorium!

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COUNTRY TWIRLERS

The sympathy of the club is extended to Fran Pyritz on the recent passing of her mother.

A fine couple, Grace and Ollie Perry, has been appointed to be our delegate to the Federation.

Time out for the election of new officers--about time. Heading the nominating committee are Fran and Hal Pyritz. They will be assisted by Betty and Charlie Podgers and the Don Merrills.

Some of the club members spent a good evening of dancing with the Skirts and Shirts to the calling of Tom Trainor at the Gates-Chili High School, Oct. 17.

...Don & Dot Goldstein

BOOTS 'N SLIPPERS

The beginners class is going great with 40 new Boots and 40 new Slippers beating out the rhythms each Tuesday night at 8 P.M.

Four of our couples are taking Round Dance instruction at Gates-Chili and two couples at Irondequoit--looks good--so keep it up.

We had some distinguished visitors from Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio and also that wild riding pair from E. Hilton out Manitou way.

Six families went camping at Chaumont Bay and had a wonderful time square dancing (on the rocks).

What really happened to Clayt Fiddler's right hand? Was it a Frontier Whirl or California Twirl--any way, we hear it is a ticklish situation. Understand that Bobbie Molinari will be out of circulation for awhile. Good luck and hurry back.

Boots 'N Slippers extends its deepest sympathy to Fred and Marge Kettenberg in the loss of Fred's father.

...Herb & Gene Hitzke

IRONDEQUOIT SQUARES

Don Kennedy introduced "tandem squares" to us the other night. Your correspondents found this type of figure intriguing and great fun. Don claims that a lot of fun can be had with "tandem squares"--so, Don, let us have it.

Reminder: Nov. 14th is a closed dance. It is a general meeting and the election of officers--a busy night.

Vivian and Ron Clark showed up at the last dance with a new camper. It turned out to be a VW Microbus which they had purchased from Ernie and Helen Johnston. They did a fine job transforming and we hope that they have provided room for the addition-to-be. Happy camping!

...Paul and Anne Mutter

BELLES 'N BEAUS

Oh boy! Lezz dance - square your sets!!

Our apologies to all. We missed the last three dances including (for shame) Ben Baldwins - which from every report was an unqualified success. This bolsters the plan of having National Callers. Anyhow, we got our daughter, Mary Ann, married and settled in her new home (potentials for next years beginners class). It's quite an experience. We figured we had learned our right from our left and this thing came along.

We learned from unimpeachable sources that we were to go into operation "Program Switch". Here we pause to extend our total (that means all of us)-selves to Art and Vera in thought, prayers and Godspeed for a quick return. Art, when this is in print, we will have missed you and we want you to know it comes from the "square dancin' heart" of each and every Belle 'N Beau.

We also learned that two loyal Belles 'N Beaus, Myron and Peg Huss, stepped right into the spirit of "Program Switch" and took the beginners class under their wing.

Now word comes to us that Kevin Murphy up and busted a perfectly good foot. Kevin, we wish you a speedy recovery. Marge, you come every chance you get--we'll see that you dance!

We wish to give acknowledgement to those who work behind the scenes. We are all aware that the fun we have just doesn't happen by chance. Many folks are always "wheel 'n and deal'n" to make "Lezz dance" more enjoyable. At the present time, Jim and Ollie Shear and Doris and Ed Haddleton represent us on the Federation. Fran and Hal Abberger have just finished their two year term. Our point is that if you have constructive thoughts or suggestions, it is well to make them known to your representatives.

Which brings up Bud and Jean DeKing and Cligg and Esther Bushnell. These folks help to form a board together with your officers and have sessions which are for the purpose of improving square dancing in our club.

Our news runneth out---so-o-o "Lezz dance".
...John & Marion Butler

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GENESEE DANCERS

Recently we came across a list of suggestions on how to be a good square dancer--perhaps some of you haven't seen them.

- 1-Be a good listener. Remember your "quarterback" caller has to get his signals across to you. LISTENING really is the most important thing in square dancing.
- 2-Adapt yourself quickly to the fundamentals and become well grounded.
- 3-Be friendly. Welcome newcomers into your set and, if possible, introduce yourselves before you start dancing. Dance with someone different each night and don't stick to your special friends.
- 4-Cooperate. You have the best time when each individual does his part on the team.
- 5-Practice-Practice-Practice until the movements become automatic.
- 6-Get sets formed early. Don't hold up the show.
- 7-Take it easy. Don't overdo. Avoid the skipping and running and learn to slide your feet and relax as you dance.
- 8-Have fun. The prime purpose of square dancing is to enjoy yourself.

Do you remember the 1960 Dance-O-Rama? George and Marian Kerridge were chairman --Lew and Ruth Dietz were publicity chairman and it was one of the best.

"Dancing Through The Years" put on by Bea Westwaters' Teen Twirlers provided delightful entertainment. Authentic costumes were made or borrowed for the young people as they illustrated the most popular types of dancing in the U.S. from 1650-1960.

Sorry- a dearth of news makes a problem. Aren't some of you doing something worthy of publicity?

...Hazel Root

SWINGING EIGHTS

To eliminate the confusion over our dancing hours: round dance instruction 8 to 8:30 each night under Mike and Mary Prado; square dancing 8:30 to 11:30.

Our next travelling caller, Ham Wolfraim, is from Toronto and new to the Rochester area. Come and have a look see. Advanced ticket sales available at reduced rates.

Pat Palmer is recovering nicely from surgery, should be back soon. Bill Bartsch has new sound equipment on order to replace his ailing system.

The Sheplers have the Christmas Party committee hard at work.

...George Dawson

NON-FEDERATION ACTIVITIES

Kodak Park Recreation Building, open Western Square Dance. Saturday, Nov. 14th, 8:00. Employees and friends are invited. Admission \$1.00 per person. Jim Stewart of Chicago, caller.

Sing-a-Longs, 100% singing calls, club level. Nov. 8, 8:00. Joe Reilly calling. Refreshments served.

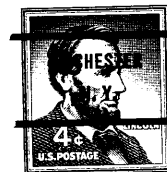
NON-FEDERATION ACTIVITIES

TRIGGERS dance every Tuesday night 8-10:30 P.M. Longridge School, Longridge Drive off Wildwood Dr. Club level. Myron Huss calling.

FRIENDSHIP SQUARES of Henrietta. Floyd Winslow School, Pinnacle Road at Lehigh Station Road. November 7 and 21. Don Pratt is the caller. \$1.50 per couple.

CIRCLE EIGHTS (7th grade thru 12th) 1st and 3rd Saturdays. Greece Branch YMCA, 730 Long Pond Rd. Special activities include Hay Rides, Splash Parties, Winter Cabin Party and Picnics. Ernie Johnston, club caller.

TUMBLEWEEDS (Sr. High Teens). Next dance Friday, Nov. 13 and 27. Ernie Johnston calling, Hosea Rogers School, Northfield Road. 8-11 P.M.



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