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NOTES FOR CORRESPONDENTS....

Next issue is the SUMMER (June, July, and August) issue, and copy is due on <u>May 10</u>. We will need schedules from June through the first week of September, so if you have summer dances planned, get your schedules (and ADS) together now.

If you are passing on your correspondents' duties over the summer, be sure your correspondents put a big XX on August 1 and another big XX on August 10 of their calendar; the first is to remind them to start working on the September schedule and column, and the second is when FROSTS (not WILLERS) will be needing it to put the September issue together.

WE'RE STILL LOOKING.....

for new subscription editors to work on the PROMENADER staff next year. No special training or ability is required other than that someone be able to type, and that you have an interest in helping advance western square dancing in the Rochester Area. If you even think you might like to try it, let us know who you are.....we'll be happy to discuss the job with you (with no strings attached.)

OR if you know of someone you think would be a particularly good choice, let the editors know too....

COPY VS. ADS.....

This year your editors have tried to encourage additional editorial input. We feel that the <u>content</u> of the PROMENADER is the best of any area paper we've seen. To continue this policy we need two things:

- 1.) Reasonable judgement regarding length and content of columns (Bigger is not necessarily better.)
- 2.) Ads If we had no advertising, our operating budget would be nearly cut in half, with a corresponding cut in the size of the PROMENADER. Increased advertising gives us the freedom to enlarge the paper and make room for more articles and special features. Support (in the form of ads) from your club or business will help us and it will help you!

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SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

This special calendar of events is a project of the Rochester Area Federation of Square and Round Dance Clubs. It's purpose is to aid area clubs in planning their activities and to avoid the conflict of big events on the same dates.

Dates already booked for special events (National Callers, etc.)

<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>
May - 7 (DOR) June - 11 Sep 10,20,24,30 Oct 15,22 Nov 12,13,16,18,29	Mar ? Apr 21 May 5 Oct 22

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Next Federation Meeting --

May 10, Tue

*8:00 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church Corner S. Clinton and Court Streets Rochoster, NY

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It's here! The Dance of the Year! The DANCE-O-RAMA! It's the only Federation dance of the year. Much time has been spent by many people to insure everyone who attends of

having a good time.

We again commend the editors of the PROMENADER for their excellent publication. Everyone enjoys reading the editorials and the articles, and appreciates the artistic format. Each issue is the result of many hours of preparation.

We welcome the JACK OF HEARTS club to the Federation. The club is comprised of experienced dancers and their representatives will be a great asset to the Federation.

Don't let your club's Trail End Dance be your last dance 'till September. There are enough dances scheduled in our area to keep everyone in shape. Many of these dances are tailored for the new class graduates. Check the schedule in the PROMENADER for times and places.

See you at the D.O.R. - - - -

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XPERIMENTAL WORKSHOP CALL OF THE MONTH Star the Route

by Don Williamson, Tennessee

The term ROUTE should rhyme with OUT, not ROOT. The action starts from a squared-up set. On the call Heads Star the Route, the heads will right hand star 3/4 to meet the couple on their right with a left hand star one full turn. The heads will meet back in the center of the set to star right 1/2 way to meet the other sides with a left hand star one full turn. The heads will meet back in the center for a right hand star 3/4 to home or to the corner for a left allemande. The action times out to 32 beats so it can be used to ake the place of Grand Square in singing calls nicely.

(The calls featured in this column monthly are sent to us by Jerry Carmen's XPERIMENTAL WORKSHOP, a Mainstream level group that meets once a month to try out the latest in experimental calls...for more info, check the listing under NON-FEDERATION NOTES...Ed.)



Well, the Dance-O-Rama is nearly here. Hope you're going, I'll see you there. My fee is still the same for staying out of your set and as the fisherman said when the fish stole his last worm, "there will be no re-baits."

I went to Brockport college last week to get a preview of the ballrooms and to find the Raths-keller. You see, the Raths-keller is necessary to provide courage to my dancing.

Especially my Round dancing. Speaking of Round dancing, I often wondered, there is an unwritten rule about not walking out of a Square Dance set. But, what about not walking out of a Round dance before it As finished. The following happened to me. Ever happen to you?

Fran: Let's dance this round.

I forgot how it starts, finishes and ah, that

little part in between.

Fran: What a memory! Like an elephant...a dead one.

Very funny. Whose turn is it to lead?

Fran: You can lead if you promise to take short steps.
Me: The last time I took short steps I stepped on

myself.

Fran: You going to try this one no hands? Take your hands out of your pockets.

I'm only trying to balance myself by putting an

equal amount of change into each pocket.

Fran: Oh, let's dance.

You're two beats behind. Me:

Fran: If you would lose a little, I wouldn't have

so far to go around.

Well! Pardon me, Miss Metrecal!

Fran: You just stepped on my knee!

Well don't stoop.

Fran: Smile, they are all looking at us. Well they won't learn anything.

Fran: They will learn how not to...

You're leading again! Me:

Fran: Well somebody has to ... now you're two beats ahead.

Look, you do a half a Vine forward and I'll do a half a Vine back, then we'll be even again... Fran, Frrann.... where are you going? # \$4 !!! I didn't want to dance anyway.. think I'll go to the Raths-keller.

Thanks anyway,

(Me)... Hal Abberger



Round of the month selection for May is:

CYNTHIA -

Hi Hat #953

For information call Sylvia Copeland at 247-3383

Next Meeting - September 3

Dance-O-Rama Caller Profile



BILL AND RUTH WINKLER MICHIGAN Bill and Ruth Winkler have been round and square dancing about 20 years and teaching rounds for 16 years.

They have four R/D groups including easy, intermediate, advanced, and a once a month dinner dance group.

Bill also cues

rounds for two square dance clubs.

Bill and Ruth have been featured teachers at many festivals an Michigan, Ohio, Oklahoma, Iowa, and Canada. They have also conducted workshops at four national conventions including a two hour clinic on International for Round Dancers at the 25th National in Anaheim.

They have written round dances including "Charade '75";
"I just Need Your Lovin'", "Waltz Charade", and
"Wives and Lovers".

Rochester Area Federation Dance-o-rama

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CALLERLAB

REPORT

by Ed Butenhof

<u>CALLERLAB</u> is a national organization of square dance callers.

Since Barbara and I have just returned from the last meeting in Kansas City, we'd like to share our impressions with Promenader's dancers.

First of all, being a member of CALLERLAB does not mean one is a great caller. It only means the caller is interested in the future of square dancing and is willing and able to invest time and money in the organization's efforts to provide a forum for discussion of square dancing's problems. Hopefully, we can help to define those problems and suggest solutions.

The thing that impressed us most about CALLERLAB was the tolerance of variation in interests and opinions. There were challenge callers and one night stand callers; traveling callers and one club callers; traditional callers and mainstream callers; contra leaders and round dance leaders. All listened to each other and managed to find common ground.

We listened with tolerance to discussion of advanced and challenge movements and listened as well to discussions of traditional dancing, contras, teaching techniques and one night stands. We respected each other's skills and their point of view.

CALLERIAB is aimed at inclusion of all square dance related dancing, not at exclusion by specialty. All callers, regardless of their individual interests seemed to agree on the need for clear definitions of various types of dancing and on the need for acceptance of appropriate labels by clubs. It seems obvious that different styles of dancing appeal to different dancers (or perhaps the same dancers at different times). Isn't it equally obvious that dancers should be told what to expect before they come to a dance?

* Each club has the obligation to decide what kind of dances they wish to have, the caller has the obligation to call that kind of dance - every time.

CALLERLAB has established the following labels to help clubs and callers decide and describe what they wish to be.

BASIC
EXTENDED BASIC
MAINSTREAM
MAINSTREAM PLUS ONE
MAINSTREAM PLUS TWO
ADVANCED
BASIC CHALLENGE
EXTENDED CHALLENGE

Variety is great but confusion is not. To get information about the above labels (and others) ask your caller. Decide together with the caller what you wish to do, advertise it and <u>stick</u> to <u>it</u>. We'll clear up a lot of confusion and just maybe we'll lose fewer dancers.

Happy dancing no matter which label turns you on



The Rochester Area Federation
19th Annual

DANCE-O-RAMA

State University College at Brockport, New York

MAY 7, 1977

12:30 p.m. until midnight

DANCE AROUND THE WORLD



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BILL & RUTH WINKLER MICHIGAN

DEWEY BERRY — Ohio

GARY BROWN - Ohio

BOB GAMBELL — Mass.

ROSS HOWELL -N.Y.

RON SCHNEIDER — Fla.

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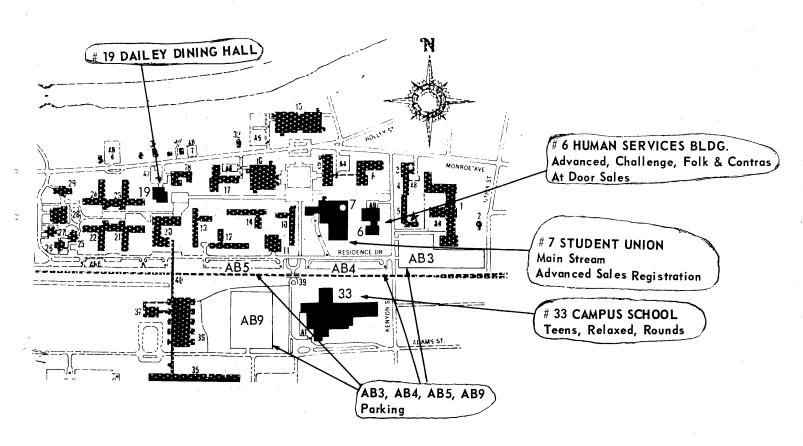
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PLUS MANY LOCAL CALLERS, CUERS, and CONTRA CALLERS





DANCE-O-RAMA '77 NEWSLETTER #4

May 1977

We can count the days, minutes, and hours now --the Big Day is just about here! In less than one week
we'll all be headed toward Brockport to listen for the
call "Square 'em up!" at the 19th Annual Dance-O-Rama.
To help you get ready, this final newsletter will
describe some of the highlights of the day and evening
programs. Take out your 'dance card' and make some
notes in anticipation.

PRINTED SCHEDULE The cover of this issue of the Promenader shows the overall schedule of dancing room by room with each national caller rotating thru the various rooms. Each couple will receive a small program booklet at the dance showing the schedule, caller and cuer profiles, and many more items of timely interest, such as lists of calls to be used in each room, etc.

RELAXED DANCING Specially planned for the new graduate and for all who enjoy the basics and many singing calls. Local and national callers will appear in this room.

CLUB LEVEL DANCING The main ballroom, holding 40-50 squares or more, will be going all day and evening with mainstream dancing to all the national callers. Club level dancers can also enjoy other rooms featuring relaxed dancing, rounds, and cntras.

CONTRA AND FOLK In the "contra" room, you'll find Eastern Squares, contras, folk dancing, clogging, old-

time rounds, and some high-level contras to a number of local and visiting callers. This room promises great variety and interest. All are invited to watch AND to participate.

ROUND DANCING National round-dance cuers Bill & Ruth Winkler headline this room, supported by several well-known local cuers. The Winklers will give a special round dance demonstration during the 7-8 p.m. ceremonial hour in the main ballroom. This is always a highlight!

CEREMONIAL HOUR 7-8 p.m. in the main ballroom, everyone will gather to attend the grand march, award presentations round and contra demonstrations and a "pass the mike" session with the national callers. As each caller finishes his stint at the mike he will head for his scheduled room to begin the evening hours of dancing (8:00 till Midnight).

A special part of the ceremonies again this year is the awarding of the Tucker Trophy to the club doing the most to promote and participate in Dance-O-Rama '77. Question: Will the current holders of the trophy - the Village Squares - have to surrender the cup this year? They've been working hard to retain it but many clubs are after it also. The club who wins it may be the one with the most (percentage-wise) members in attendance. Soon we'll know.

ADVANCED DANCING Advanced dance enthusiasts will find both an advanced and a challenge room at Dance-O-Rama this year. Each room will use the calls printed in the program booklet under Advanced Dancing's Basic Calls and Challenge Dancing's Basic Calls. Anyone not familiar with these calls, yet interested in the idea of advanced dancing is invited to stop in and watch -- or better yet to sample this level of square dancing by attending the Introduction to Advanced Dancing sessions scheduled with Ron Schneider at 12:30 - 1:30 and with Jerry Carmen at 7:00 - 8:00. All Position Dancing and certain advanced calls will be introduced at these sessions and all club level dancers are most welcome.

Well, 'nuff said about this year's program. We hope your appetite is whetted and that we'll see you on the 7th. Let's hope we meet in a square!

In expectation of a great time --

George & Eileen Howard



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eall Betty 352-5564

Teen Topics

S.T.A.R. TWIRLERS will be dancing April 30th, May 14th, and May 21st from 2 to 4:30 p.m. at the Genesee County Fairgrounds, Batavia. We will meet again to practice for the state fair August 27th at the camp grounds. This will be a teen day at our camp and all teens are welcome to join us for the fun. Remember you are welcome to dance with us at the campgrounds every Sasturday night 8:30 to 11:00 p.m. starting Memorial Day weekend. RON FOTCH is our caller.

Paid Announcement

GLASS SLIPPERS "MIDNIGHT MADNESS" dance will be at Spring Creek Recreation Area on June 4th from 9 p.m. to Midnight. Welcome summer with us, enjoy a lively dance and a "hot dog" roast at Midnight. RON FOTCH calling. We'll be looking for you. See ad in this issue for Recreation Area location.

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** PLEASE-HELP US CURE!

Leukemia Dance Newsletter

The green grass, beautiful crocuses springing up everywhere are a sure sign Spring has finally sprung! Just as the caterpillar gives new life to the beautiful butterfly, we would like to give new life and hope to the children with Leukemia and Cancer, thru our Leukemia Dance 1977. The dance will be held at Burger Jr. High School, Erie Station Road, West Henrietta, NY on Saturday, June 11th, from 2:00 - 10:00 p.m. You will have a tremendous time dancing to 15 great callers and cuers throughout the day, at a very reasonable price. At the same time you will be giving these kids new hope for life! What a terrific way to get double your money! All funds raised by CURE will go directly to help fight childhood cancer. These children need our help now, for they may not have time. The average life span for a child with Leukemia is about 16 months after diagnosis, so LET'S GET BUSY... COME TO THE DANCE!!

We will have some great dancing, as well as other activities to keep you occupied between dances......

Tickets will be available thru your club representative.

Trophies will be awarded to the club (of at least one set) coming the furthest distance and to the club who has the largest percentage of their club present.

Everyone is welcome! Pick up the BLUE LEUKEMIA DANCE flyer at the next dance you attend, and remember, the butterfly is symbolic of giving new life to these children with Leukemia/Cancer, as "WE CARE FOR A CURE,WON'T YOU?"

Leukemia Dance Committee....Jim & Connie Harper

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Advanced Dancing News

Advanced dancing is a level of square dancing intermediate between Mainstream and challenge. For those whowish to dance a little above club level, but not advance there is Mainstream Plus and Mainstream Plus Two.

With the publication of the Callerlab approved lists of calls for the Advanced Level, Basic Challenge, Extended Challenge, etc. higher level dancing has now been generally standardized, enabling dancers from all parts of the country to get together at special weekends, all knowing and enjoying the same material!

At Dance-O-Rama this year for the first time, there will be an hour of Introduction to Advanced Dancing from 12:30 to 1:30 with Ron Schneider and again from 7:00 to 8:00 with Jerry Carmen. These two hours will give club level dancers an idea of what callers teach at Advanced Workshops, and also give them the opportunity to try "the basics" from several different positions. Try it! You'll find it intriguing and enjoyable!

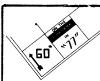
In the Advanced Hall callers will be using the material from the Advanced Basics List*. Dancers who are familiar with most of the calls on the Advanced List will find enjoyable and successful dancing in this hall.

In the Challenge Hall, dancers gather who know all the calls on the Basic Challenge List*. Callers are restricted to material from this list except during special half-hours indicated with an * when they will use material from an "Extended" List. Without these restrictions, even Challenge dancers would not easily find a level at which they were comfortable, yet still "challenged".

Club dancers are urged to attend one or both of the Introduction to Advanced Dancing sessions mentioned above, and also to come and watch in the Advanced and Challenge Halls. Flyers will be available describing further opportunities to participate in advanced workshops and classes. Advanced Dancers are always eager to find new couples wishing to join them in this fascinating type of square dancing!

- * These lists will appear in the Dance-O-Rama program book.
- ** Questions, comments, and contributions to this column are welcomed.

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2 Mon	Belles & Beaus	Art Harris	Holmes Road School, 300 Holmes Road, Greece	8:00 G
	Glass Slippers	Ron Fotch	Campus School, Brockport	8:00 G
	Swinging Singles	Jerry Carmen	St. Nicholas Hall, East Rochester	8:00 R&
	Village Squares	Dick Casper	First United Methodist Church, Fairport	8:30 RW
	Merry Mixers	Ben McGilvery	Seneca Methodist Church, 121 Scholfield Road	8:00 R
3 Tue	Pioneer Squares	Jon McNally	E. Roch. Pres. Church, 109 East Ave., E. Roch	8:00 GK
	Tecumseh Squares	Bruce Shaw	Red Men's Club, 1001 Lexington Ave.	8:00 ?
	Triggers	Myron Huss	Parkland School, 1010 English Road	8:00 R+
4 Wed	Singing Squares	Al Howe	Thomas Edison School, 1612 Buffalo Road	8:00
	Which Way Whirlers	Bruce Shaw	Pavilion Central School, Pavilion	8:00
	Belles & Beaus	Art Harris	Holmes Road School, 300 Holmes Road, Greece	8:00 W
	Jack of Hearts	Ross Howell	Northlawn School, Rawlinson Ave., Irondequoit	8:00 A
	Rainbow Squares	Ken Boss	Harper Park Rec. Hall, 702 Linden Ave.	8:00 RE
5 Thu	Genesee Dancers	Mike Callahan	Green Lantern Inn, Fairport	8:30 X
	Wayne Westerners	Harold Pierce	Williamson Primary School, Williamson, NY	8:00
6 Fri	Boots 'n Slippers	Mike Callahan	Merton Williams Jr. High School, Hilton	8:30 XG=
	Promenading B's	Ron Fotch	Byron-Bergen Elem. School, Bergen	8:30
	Lima Grand Squares	Dick Casper	Lima Town Hall, Lima, NY	8:30 X
7 Sat	DANCE-O-RAMA DANCE-O Thank you to all the clubs		State University Campus at Brockport, NY egularly scheduled dances to support DANCE-O-R	12:30 AMA!
8 Sun	Cloverleaf Squares	Ed Butenhof	Lutheran Church of Concord, 485 Holmes Road	8:00 M
9 Mon	Belles & Beaus	Art Harris	Holmes Road School, 300 Holmes Road, Greece	8:30 X
	Glass Slippers	Ron Fotch	Campus School, Brockport	8:00 ww
	Swinging Singles	Jerry Carmen	St. Nicholas Hall, East Rochester	8:00 R&
	Merry Mixers	Ben McGilvery	Seneca Methodist Church, 121 Scholfield Road	8:00 R
10 Tue	Pioneer Squares	Jon McNally	E. Roch. Pres. Church, 109 East Ave., E. Roch	8:00
	Triggers	Myron Huss	Parkland School, 1010 English Road	8:00 R+
11 Wed _,	Singing Squares	Mike Callahan	Thomas Edison School, 1612 Buffalo Road	8:00
	Belles & Beaus	Art Harris	Holmes Road School, 300 Holmes Road, Greece	8:00 W
	Jack of Hearts	Workshop	Northlawn School, Rawlinson Ave., Irondequoit	8:00 A
	Rainbow Squares	Ken Boss	Harper Park Rec. Hall, 702 Linden Ave.	8:00 RG
12 Thu	Genesee Dancers	Mike Callahan	Green Lantern Inn, Fairport	8:30 X
	Kuntry Kuzzins	Dick Leger	Kelly School, Newark	8:00
	Wayne Westerners	Harold Pierce	Williamson Primary School, Williamson, NY	8:00
13 Fri	EKC-O Squares Swinging BB Boots 'n Slippers Promenading B's Friendship Sqs. of Geneva Web Spinners Lima Grand Squares Rochester Rollaways WYCO Promenaders	Ken Anderson Bob Brunshidle Mike Callahan Ron Fotch Don Pratt Bill Wilcox Dick Casper Ross Howell Chip Kellogg	Kodak Office, 343 State Street, 9th fl. Aud. Town Line School, Spencerport Merton Williams Jr. High School, Hilton Byron-Bergen Elem. School, Bergen Carter Road Firehouse, Geneva Klem Road School North, Webster Lima Town Hall, Lima, NY Oakview School, Irondequoit Warsaw Elem. School, Warsaw	7:45 NR¢ 8:00 8:30 XT= 5:30 8:00 * 8:00 * 8:30 X 8:30 # 8:00
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18 Wed	Singing Squares	Al Howe	Thomas Edison School, 1612 Buffalo Road	8:00
	Belles & Beaus	Art Harris	Holmes Road School, 300 Holmes Road, Greece	8:00 W
	Jack of Hearts	Ross Howell	Northlawn School, Rawlinson Ave., Irondequoit	8:00 A
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Non-Federation Notes

COUNTRY DANCERS OF ROCHESTER*****CONTRAS

- May 5 Rich Castner from Brockport
 - 12 No dance
 - 13 Dick Leger at Cutler Union; N. Goodman &

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- 19 Dave Valentine
- 26 Ed Butenhof

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Special Square Dance at the United Methodist Church of North Chili; Saturday, May 21st from 7:30 to 10:30. RON FOTCH calling. Fee is \$3.50/couple. Refreshments and babysitting will be provided. Come join us.

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SWINGING TURTLES will be dancing every Wednesday evening starting 8 p.m. in May, at St Mary's Church, Ellicott St., Batavia, with RON FOTCH calling. Plans are now to continue next fall on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month. Everyone welcome. Phone Ron at 548-2578 for information.

Paid Announcement

Round dance lessons with the GLASS SLIPPERS every Monday night starting May 9th, 7 - 8:30 p.m.; then plan to stay for intermediate dancing from 8:30 to 10:30. These dances will be planned to help the new dancer bridge the gap from class to club dancing. The Campus School, Adams Street, Brockport. RON FOTCH instructing.

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NEWS



Batavia Twirlers

Dan Dedo of Buffalo will be calling squares on May 14.

Larry Dunn will call for the May 21 dance. A pot-luck dinner for the Batavia Twirlers will precede the 8 p.m. dance.

The Batavia Twirlers class will not graduate until September 10, so if you have or know of any new club members who can use some review, we'd welcome them to the class sessions at the Salvation Army, 529 East Main Street, Batavia. It's a new hall. The class will continue all summer from 8 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. every Tuesday.

If you'd like to camp out with the Batavia Twirlers at the Myomoco 4-H Camp for Memorial Day Weekend, May 27 - 30, call 343-8312. Dave & Eileen Coughlin, chairmen, have planned an excellent program. Larry Dunn and Jim Wheeler are the callers and cuers.

Our sympathy goes to Terry Drennan in the death of her husband, Don. He will be missed at our dances.

The Presidents



Belles & Beaus

Our thanks to Ed Friedenburg who called for us on March 14th. It was a pleasure dancing to him.

Following the class graduation May 2, three workshops have been planned for May 4, 11, and 18. Get in touch with our Fresidents, Jim and Jean Fatrick-Maxwell at 647-1715 for further information.

We are looking forward to our 15th year Trail End Dance at the 3 Acres Party House on May 20th.

Congratulations to proud grandparents, Mary & Evan Smith and June & Alex Elich. They're swapping statistics since their grandsons were born only a couple of days agart.

Norm Rosenburgh, get that hand in shape! We miss you and Althea.

If you're wondering how Bob Maurinus broke his toe, ask Myrt Dilaurol. Can a game of racquet ball get that rough?

The Hills and Abbergers had a lovely two week Caribbean cruise. Hal and Fran then joined Art & Vera Harris who were vacationing in Florida. By the way, this was written on the run, as we are on our way to Myrtle Beach with the five kids to bathe in the ame sunshine everyone else seems to have enjoyed over the previous months.

Happy Squaring

Jerry & Ellen Linger.



Boots n' Slippers

First order of business is a great big congratulations to the Boots 'n Slippers class of '77. This enthusiastic class, consisting of 22 couples, graduates May 3, Tuesday evening. The class of '76 heads the committee. We welcome these graduates into our club. Advice? Keep on dancing!

We have two dances left in May.

May 6 - Mike Callahan open to all

May 13 - Trail End. Closed Dance

Trail End is a dinner dance at VFW in Hamlin; Sign Members only.

Glad to see Herb off the sick list.

Sympathy goes to the Hough family due to a recent death in the family.

Congratulations to Jane and Rick.

Jane's sister had a baby last winter, congratulations

Joe Uebelacker called for our club April 29th. We had a nice turnout. Thank you everybody.

Hey, did everybody get a look at Mike's new "Girlfriend"? and that big kiss "she" gave him at April Fools? Rather funny. Broke up the floor.

So with just two dances left on our schedule,
Come, dance with us,

Kay & Jerry Miller



Cloverleaf Squares

After much hall-hopping, Cloverleaf Squares have moved to what we hope is a permanent home --Lutheran Church of Concord, 485 Holmes Road....
right behind Long Ridge Mall.

On April 17, 22 enthusiastic class members received diplomas during the fun-filled graduation ceremonies planned by Cindy Brust and her committee. We extend a warm welcome to the new graduates -- Pete Balcom, Sue Barnatones, Jim Baybutt, Cindy Coomber, Sue Connor, Gary DeTaeye, Herman Giancola, Jerry Hargrave, Carolyn Jermyn, Jean Jermyn, Judy Jermyn, Bob Jermyn, karen Kosbab, Joanne Mitchell, Charles Newell, Bernet Farkins, Linda Sauer, June Shaver, Ralph Shaver, Andy Smith, Eric Stahlecker, Nancy VanDerBrooke, and Kees Van Egmond. Cloverleaf Squares also welcome Alma Boyd and John Thompson as new members.

On April 9, Cloverleafs traveled to Copy Cats to enjoy their hospitality and the calling of Mike Callahan. On April 20 we danced as guests of the Rainbow Squares with Ken Boss Calling.

Bill Wilcox called a good dance for us as our guest caller April 24.

Cloverleaf Squares CONT'D

Our best wishes go to our treasurer Kathy Simmons on her engagement to Bob Crumrine, a Swinging Singles class member.

New graduates and "experienced" club members look forward to Dance-O-Rama May 7 at Brockport.

Mother's Day, May 8, will be celebrated with a special dance. If you are married (not necessarily a "Mom") you and your spouse can enjoy an evening of fun and good dancing for half price admission. Ed Butenhof will be the caller.

A progressive dinner is tentatively planned for May 21.

The following clubs are invited as our guests during May -

> May 1 Merry Mixers, Swinging Singles, Promenading B's

May 8 Rainbow Squares

May 15 Rochester Rollaways

May 22 Spin 'n' Wheels

Come and join Cloverleaf Squares in our new hall at the Lutheran Church of Concord, Sunday evenings from 8 to 10:30 p.m. Mike Callahan is our caller.

Nancy Fraser



Copy Cats

Our club went on its annual mystery ride on March 26th. Twenty couples boarded a bus at Lum's, Eastway Plaza, and wound up dancing with the Country Squares, Syracuse, NY with Dick Schweitzer calling. A good time was had by all; tired, but hungry, the gang finished up the evening with a 1:00 a.m. snack at Lum's.

Mike Callahan was back with us again calling for our Dessert Social on April 9th. Both class and club enjoyed the delectable spread of pastries and unusual offerings - why unusual? well, these desserts were baked by the male members of the couples attending. Thanks, guys!

We have deferred our club dance on April 23rd to support the MD Dance at Churchville-Chili High. Hope to have a good group there to enjoy the great dance this always is!

May 14th is our graduation dance. Both Chip Kellogg, class caller, and Mike Callahan, club caller, will be there. Eighteen couples will be welcomed into the club.

Save June 11th for the Trail End Dance.

Ralph & Nancy McGarrity

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Country Twirlers

With May flowers popping up all over, we wistfully realize that another dancing season is drawing to a :lose.

We had a great turnout for our Dick Leger dance. Everyone enjoyed dancing to the unique style of the "Man with the Guitar."

The Muscular Dystrophy Dance was a fantastic event. A totally enjoyable evening with never a dull moment, even if you didn't go to dance.

Our workshops are moving right along - there's still time to join us with dances scheduled for May 3rd, 10th, 17th, and 24th. How about brushing up on your recycle, teacup chain, spin chain the gears, and others.

Hope to see everyone at our Trail End Dinner and Dance on Saturday, May 14th at the Chili Baptist Church. Festivities start with cheese, srackers and punch, followed by a roast beef dinner. Dancing will start at 8:00 p.m. at Washington Irving School with Jim McQuade calling. The evening will be climaxed with dessert at 11:00 p.m.

If you're looking for something special to do on Memorial Day Weekend, come dance to our own very special caller, Jim McQuade, on Saturday, May 28th at 8:00 p.m. Washington Irving School.

The last event of this dancing season will be our Potluck Dinner Dance and Campout to be held June 3, 4, and 5 at Hamlin Beach State Park. The committee has planned games and prizes for Saturday afternoon for the young and the young-at-heart, followed by a picnic supper and square dancing of course. I understand there will be fun badges galore. Reservations will be necessary so be sure and sign up right away.

Hope you are all planning on going to the DANCE-O-RAMA - See you there!

Tom & Betty Wachob



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EKC-O Squares

Congratulations to all our new graduates and club members. We wish you many happy hours of fun and dancing. Don't hesitate joining a square if you are the only "new" couple. A devout square dancer is very willing to give a helping hand and a friendly smile of encouragement. If you are willing to learn, someone is always eager to assist you. The more you dance and go to other clubs, the better dancer you'll become.

Remember - We will have a free Open Dance to all interested non-dancers and dancing friends at Kodak Office on Wednesday, May 18th, at 8:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. (Regular dance - Friday, May 20th.) The second Open Dance will be September 16th at Kodak Park.

We realize it's hard to remember where and when we are dancing. Keep people informed if you know or refer to the Fromenader for the schedule. No dance on May 6th. We are dancing at Kodak Office in May. Our callers will be: Ken Anderson, May 13th; Jerry Carmen, May 20th; No dance, May 27th. We will remain at Kodak Office thru June, July, and August. The club will switch to Wednesday dancing on June 29th thru August 17th.

With Memorial Day weekend nearing, it's hard to believe summer isn't far off. All of us are anxiously waiting for lots of warm weather and sunshine. Have a safe trip for all those traveling the long weekend.

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The Summer Schedule begins on June 2nd, continuing thru August 4th with a bevy of area callers. (Look for our AD this issue.)

Our Trail ends at the Green Lantern Inn, Thursday May 19th with dinner at 7:00 p.m. Mike Callahan and Bob Slomcenski will call for dancing at this closed affair.

**** HAPPY HAPPENINGS ****

Lou & Bob Vincent are the proud Grandparents of a little grandson - Michael Robert Lewis. Congratulations to all.

More happy news - - -

Ken Paul and Sallie Emmons tied the knot on Friday, March 11th. Congratulations and all good wishes to

Not very happy is the news that Carter & Jeanne Perkins are moving to Raleigh, North Carolina. We'll surely miss them, but wish them all good things in their new verture.

Those at our dance on 3/31 enjoyed a delicious treat of dates and pecans. These goodies were sent by Charlie & Perkie Tucker with loving thoughts.

Lets everybody meet at DANCE-O-RAMA on Saturday, May 7th, at Brockport.

Please include another special dance in your June calendar: The LEUKEMIA DANCE on June 11th.

Joe & Anna Jean Caracci



Glass Slippers

We hope you all had a fine Easter. I'm sure the Fotch's did, with Jane coming home April Fools' Days All, I'm sure, were surprised. Also, we at the Slippers want to wish Bob Freitag the very best of luck on his retirement.

Quite a few people got "Spring Fever," on the 18th of April. We really enjoyed a full evening of singing calls by Ron. It was an enjoyable evening for all in attendance. Again, THANKS, RON.

Hey, we hope to see you all on May 7th, at the Glass Slippers' Ham Buffet. Imagine, riding the bus to and from the DOR to the buffet and back, without moving your car from the parking lot at the college. A good buffet, a ride to and from, and all for \$4.00 a person.

Well, class, are you ready? For what, you ask? Don't tell me that you have forgotten that on the 2nd of May you graduate! Believe me, we, the members of the Glass Slippers, haven't. Betty and Ron said they haven't either. If our Square Dance friends can't make our graduation, please come and dance with us. We will be dancing on the 9th, 16th, and 23rd. We dance at the Campus School from the hour of 8:00 until the hour of 11. Please join us. Oh yes, on the 16th we will be having a badge night....earn all that you can. Please join us for this fun-filled night. You know that the dangles are not only fun to earn but also to wear and get many eyes. Right Bud?

We'll be seeing you in one of our squares.

George Burch

Henrietta Friendship Squares

Our class, which included thirteen teens and five couples, graduated with flying colors. We are looking forward to having them join our club.

Two of our members, June Harndon and Jackie Herendeen have been recent surgical patients. We are

> happy to report they are well on the road to recovery and will be dancing again soon.

Our Trail End Dance and dinner will be held at Fillars South on East Henrietta Road on May 21st at 6:00 p.m. This will conclude a very successful and enjoyable square dance season.

Please keep in mind the Leukemia Dance on June 11 from 2 - 10 p.m. This benefit dance is sponsored by C.U.R.E. (Counseling, Understanding, Research, and Education.) This will be held at Burger Junior High School in Henrietta. Connie & Jim Harper lost an 8 year old son to this dreaded disease in February 1976. We sincerely hope many of you square dancers will turn out for this very worthwhile cause.

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Irondequoit Squares

In the springtime a square dancer's fancy turns to the thoughts of earning dangles. What better way to start for the new club members, than the dangle for the M.D. Dance on April 23, the Dance-O-Rama on May 7, the Cancer Dance on April 30, and the Leukemia dance in June. The benefit from each dance is for an extremely worthy cause, so start your dangle collection now.

On April 2nd, Irondequoit Squares hosted forty people, Syracuse "Pairs in Squares". This is a yearly event that the members of both clubs look forward to. The women were gracious hostesses, providing the delicious refreshments and the beautiful table settings that gave the occasion a Spring-like atmosphere.

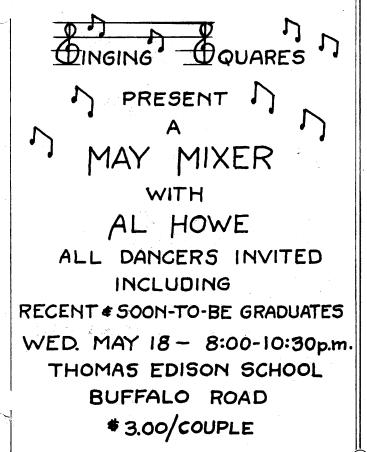
On May 14, Bill Wilcox will have his repertoire of singing calls for our enjoyment.

The board members gave a small fortune of \$1.35 to Roland Courtemanche when he went on his adventure to Las Vegas. The board members waited for his return with great anxiety and expectations. He did not disappoint the board. He returned with great pride. Our fortune has grown...we now have \$1.75. The board is now waiting for another venturesome soul.

Don't forget to contact Harold & Dena Jackson for the Fourth of July campout.

The club members cordially invite the graduates to our Trail End dance (Edd & Ginny) on June 3 at the Wishing Well restaurant.

E. S. Penczek



Jack of Hearts

"Hello" from the newest group to join the Rochester Area Federation. We are a square-dance club using the Callerlab approved list of basic calls for advanced dancing and we welcome all who are familiar with these calls to come and dance with us! Our schedule includes twice monthly dances and workshop sessions on the alternate weeks (See the dance schedule at front for date, time and place). It's proud we are to have the gifted Ross Howell as our caller. His innovative choreography continues to delight and occasionally (?) stump us.

Recently reorganized, our club now has this stalwart group of officers: Ted & Sandy Whitacre, Presidents; Jim & Nancy Ocque, Vice-Presidents; Milt & Barb Harvey, Secretaries; Wes & Pat Mareau, Treasurers. Ray & Fran Brown, Chuck & Rita Myers, and Al & Marilyn Taffett complete the board of directors. All that these hard-working people ask of us is: regular attendance at dances and workshops, prompt payment of dues, full enjoyment of club activities, and easy-going acceptance of any goofs we (or they?) make when executing the intricate maneuvers of a RELAY THE DEUCEY or the quick reactions of a SLIP-SLIDE-SWING and SLITHER. (We need more workshop time on that last one!)

Speaking of sorkshops; we <u>are</u> going to have them and we'll be using the tapes of other well-known callers doing advanced material....such as <u>Lee Kopman, Ron Libby</u>, and <u>Keith Gulley</u>. We will review problem areas and then, as we get more skillful, learn new figures.

This past April 6th we held our first open dance and were delighted to have so many fine dancers joining us for the evening. We hope they'll come back and that other advanced dancers will give us a try also.

Visitors are welcome anytime; stop in and see us some Wednesday.

Plans are afoot to offer Introduction to Advanced Dancing workshops this summer and classes in Advanced Dancing Basics in the fall. More about those later, or call 671-6311 (or) 385-1076 for information.

Here's to fun and fellowship - and fine dancing wherever you go in the square dance world!

George & Eileen Howard



Lima Grand Squares

Seems a shame but the year is almost gone - square dancing wise. All our new friends we met while trying to remember our right from our left will not be forgotten however. Look for us all to return to make up a Grand Square again in the fall. Looking back, Lima Grand Squares have had an excellent year. The class was the best ever, our new friends and visitors the greatest - even the caller gets a passing grade. Every year seems to bring its own set of memories; the look on Al White's face as he came leaping out of the outhouse at our Sadie Hawkins dance! Diane Gollus trying to look graceful while dancing in shoe-boxes. Our own amateur (perpetual type) caller trying to catch up with a scratched record. The thrill of a successful pingpong circulate and the agony of a beer-mug chain. And next year we'll do it all again!

This month we are dancing thru the 20th - hope to see you all there - then it's good-bye till next year. Bernie Hayward is cueing rounds starting at 8:00 and Dick Casper squares us up at 8:30.

Cliff Gollus



Magic Squares

Reserve the date of May 21st, 1977!! We have the terrific MARV LINDNER coming from California. Marv has been calling for us for the past few years and everyone always has a good time. Make sure you reserve the date and come on down and give Marv a Rochester Area welcome. This will be your only chance to dance with Marv in this area.

Since we will be supporting DOR, we will NOT be dancing Saturday, May 7th. We will be dancing every Saturday night throughout the summer, however, and we'd love to see you. Until further notice, we will be back dancing at the Manchester Elementary School which is located on Route 21, just south of Route 96 or just south of Thruway Exit 43 in Manchester.

New officers will be installed April 30th, so come and meet our new leaders. This year we will have three primary goals:

- (1) to promote square dancing and friendship with area clubs;
- (2) to support special dances in the area;(3) to coordinate our events and communicate with area clubs to prevent overlapping of special activities and dances.

Please come and meet our new officers and join in our renewed spirit of friendship and good dancing.

Our terrific new class will be graduating May 14th. This year we'll have the pleasure of graduating a class of really good, young dancers. We are looking forward to dancing with them as a club, as they are a lot of fun and a treasured addition.

Again, we'd like to see you anytime and remember the date May 21st for National Caller, MARV LINDNER.

The Petty's



Pioneer Squares

The wagon trail proved longer than usual during March and April for there were many stops along the way — due to our Wagonmaster (caller) Jon McNally and Taw Sue calling extra dances at Tecumseh, Web Spinners, Copy Cats, Kuntry Kuzzins, and Magic Squares. By following our club caller, Pioneer Squares have met really nice people and great dancers and had so much fun!

Receiving our first invitations to be guests of the Genesee Dancers and Rainbow Squares was really a great thrill. We thank Jim & Ruth Madison and Dick & Naomi kingsly and their club members for a really fine time.

Pioneer Squares are looking forward to our class graduation on May 3rd. Club officers and members wish to thank Jon & Sue for the wonderful job they have done in teaching the class and thanks to all class members for doing so well and making all of us so proud of you.

All members of Pioneer Squares extend "Congratulations" to all class graduates and their clubs: On May 20th. (Friday night) there will be a special dance "Salute to Graduates", to honor all class graduates and club level dancers at East Rochester Presbyterian Church Hall, 109 East Avenue, East Rochester at 8 p.m. The charge will be \$3.00 with Jon McNally calling.

Our Trail End Dance will be May 24th, with a pot luck dinner preceeding it. Any non club- member wishing to attend need only call Dorothy & Jim Cutter, club presidents, telephone 473-7771 for reservations. Many thanks, Dorothy & Jim, from all of us for the beautiful pussy willows you gave each of us - really put Spring into our hearts and homes.

Invitations have been mailed to Boots n' Slippers; Cloverleaf Squares; Merry Mixers; Rainbow Squares and Wayne Westerners to be our guests during May on Tuesday nights.

Remember Pioneer Squares are dancing during the summer on Friday nights. Watch for flyers reading "Summer Sound Squares" at 8 p.m. beginning June 3rd. through August at the East Rochester Presbyterian Church Hall. Everyone is welcome and it's a great way to keep in shape and step for fall dancing.

John & Ruth McNally



Promenading B's

On March 26th, the 4th annual Black-Out Dance was held at the Bergen-Byron High School. At this time the officers of the Promenading B's square dance club would like to extend their thanks to all the members of the club who worked like busy "B's" along with their donations to the "Cookie Monster" and his Cookie. This was the biggest Black-Out Dance so far with a rough figure of between 340 and 360 people in attendance. We also would like to thank our caller, Ron Fotch and Taw, Betty, for the beautifully planned evening and all the other clubs who attended this dance. For without you, the square dancer, this could not be possible. Many, many thanks to each and every one of you. A special thanks to the Fingland & Mason electrical contractors for their donations that helped make a very exciting evening of fun.

May 20th will be our Trail End Dance. We plan to have a tureen supper; time to be announced later. Again B's, don't forget your campout, Aug. 5th, 6th, and 7th at Spring Creek campgrounds.

We do dance every Saturday night starting May 28th until September 8th at the campgrounds. Join us when you can.

Happy dancing,

Walter & Myrtle Pound

P.S. - At this time we would like to give honorable mention to Ron Fotch, caller for the Fromenading B's. His time and effort was well spent bringing a few hours of happiness to the boys and girls at the Batavia School for the Blind.

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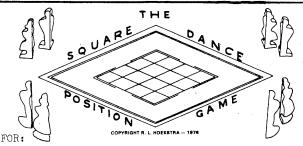
Rainbow Squares

May has finally arrived—all doubters please note! With it, of course, comes a busy time, starting off with the DOR. We hope our class members will try it (you'll like it) and know that those in our club who have already been will be making a return trip to Brockport.

May 4 will be election. All members should plan to come, otherwise don't complain next year on how the club is run. May 11 is graduation for our class. We trust they will have the same "happenings" as we experienced when we graduated. We do hope everyone will attend to welcome and to dance with our new club members. May 25th will be our Trail End Dance at the Green Lantern Inn. All those who attended last year's Trail End Dance there knows what a festive occasion that was. This year's should top that—with all our new members joining us.

At our Easter dance, April 6, we earned \$40.00 from the Easter Baskets made by our talented (and not so talented) members. By unanimous vote, it was decided to donate this money to help defray lawyers' fees in connection with the legal services rendered to New York State Square Dancers for the exemption of square dance activities from state sales tax.

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Rochester Rollaways

The fortunes of the Rochester Rollaways club are directed by a 12-member board, presently comprising over 20% of membership. The moral to the story: keep dancing and your turn to run things will surely come! Joining the Board in April are Bob & Jeanette Meagher, Bill & Selma Bober, along with veterans Joe & Shirley Heit. Relinquishing the reins of office are Hamilton and Betsy Stearns, Chick & Sue Wolfe, and Duff & Evie MacDuffle with the thanks of the club.

SPECIAL EVENTS: Spring Campout on May 20 and 21 with Ron Libby calling at Woodstream Campground, Gainesville, NY. Bob Vreeland, Wagonmaster, can include you in on this BIG ONE. The other date to remember is June 10th, Trail End dinner-dance at Valle's Irondequoit with Ross Howell calling.

We were all pleased to hear that Allie Saperstone is recovering nicely in Florida following heart bypass surgery.

Are you ever confused about dancing levels --basic advanced, advanced basics, level four, challenge! etc. etc.? What do the Rollaways dance? A new tape series by Norm Poisson bridges the gap between club level and Rollaway level in twelve workshop sessions. If your basement group would like to work on these at your pace, or if you would like to join an existing group, any Rollaway member (the undersigned is one --phone 663-2171) can get the "Sets in Motion."

Russ Jenkins



Singing Squares

St Patrick's Day was celebrated by our class and club members not only by "the wearing of the green" but dancing so hard the lovely decorations on the walls fell to the floor.

March 23rd was our Spring Fling, which was most colorful with decorations of beautiful spring flowers made by the officers and the yellow, pink, blue, and orchid square dance outfits worn by the many dancers that filled the hall.

Two ladies and a man got up courage to each call a tip on Amateur Caller's Night March 30th. They did an excellent job, and it was a fun night.

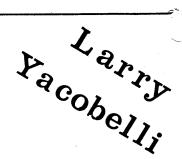
Many clubs will be taking vacation through the summer, but it will be square dancing as usual for "Singing Squares" every Wednesday night through May & June at Thomas Edison School, 1612 Buffalo Road. Al Howe and Mike Callahan calling. May 18th is a special dance "The May Mixer" for class and club level - Al Howe caller. May 25th is graduation night, and looking ahead to June 22 when we will have our Trail End and the beginning of summer. The kids will be out of school, vacation plans all set, and the highway department ripping up the roads everywhere. However the best place to find what shape the country is in is at the beach!

In the meantime...come and "cast off" and "peel off" with "Singing Squares".

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on the 7th of May.....

We'll all be present, out Brockport way.
Birthday greetings to the Logans, Hilda McCord,
and Bill Trometer, also a Happy Anniversary
to the Trometers.

So, dear club members, please remember this date;June 4th....Our Trail End Dinner Date - Please call, don't be late! (328-3579)

Your reporters,

Lane & Hilda McCord



Swingin' Eights

Warm weather and beautiful flowers are here. Winter vacationers are all back and glad to see them. Talking about vacations, Mike & Mary Prado visited and danced for the month of April in Canada, Pennsylvania, and Florida. Ellie & Tom Anderson went to Myrtle Beach for three weeks in April.

Thanks to the EKC-O Squares, Irondequoit Squares for our invitations as guests. Everyone who attended these dances had a good time!

Going back to March 19th dance when Bruce Shaw and Mike Callahan called—that was quite a night of fun. Berner dressed up in a night shirt, Valentine shorts, and held a can of cold beer and sat right in the center of a square...that sure created a lot of excitement! Ed Allen was in a corner with a sign that said "STOP" and he held it up when the dancing was going on and everybody stopped...Bruce & Mike couldn't figure out what was going wrong!

April 2nd the "Sing-A-Long" dance was quite successful; there were 98 couples at the dance. Thanks to the committee; Snows, Marretts, Woods, Bryants, and the class, they did a terriffic job with the decorations and the refreshments were delightful. After the dance, at Terry Barnes' house, the club members had a party for the class which I understand lasted until pretty early in the morning.

April 16th was the big day for the Kleins, their son got married that day.

CONGRATULATIONS! To the following class members who graduated April 30th:

Robert & Pat Allen
Jack & Jane Barker
Ronnie & Marny Bryant
Bruce & Judie Davidson
Milt Glende & Jan McManus
Milt & Arlene Kilpatrick
Stan & Jo Lyons
Hank & Marge Nasella
Milt & Diane Shoup
Cees & Connie Valk
Richard & Sandi Warburton
Ray & Bernice Wood

We owe them encouragement, courtesy, and a helping hand when needed. Give them a friendly smile; it means a lot to show them we care, and are very happy to have them in our club.

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June 4th - The Trail End Dance. The theme this year is "A SUMMER CIRCUS"

Place: Ukranian Civic Center - 831 Joseph Avenue Time: 6:30 - 7:30 Cocktail hour

Buffet: 7:30 (Round & Square Dancing with Bruce Shaw & Mike Prado)

Price: \$11.00 including dinner Guest: \$13.00 For tickets contact: Joe & Loretta Giaconia or Bill & Sarah Fleisher

May 21st - Bruce Shaw - Hosea Rogers School

June 18th - "Snow Ball In June" - Dick Schweitzer Hosea Rogers School. (This dance is to make up for
one we missed during the winter storm.)

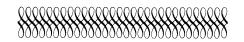
May 1st, Ed Allen had a leg operation...all our thoughts and prayers are with Ed - Hope his recuperation period is a short one so he can square dance soon - we all have missed dancing with Ed all these months.

Happy dancing,

Joe & Loretta

For your information ---

<u>Intermediate Class</u> for the new dancer. Thursday nights starting June 16th, 8 to 10 p.m. Spring Creek Recreation Area, RON FOTCH instructing. Phone 548-2578 for information.





Swinging Singles

An International dinner held at the Carmen's enabled us to taste many treats made by our members. It also gave us a chance to get to know our class members a little more.

April brings the MD Dance, and we're already working on selling tickets. We hope to help make it a success by our participation. Of course, we're also getting psyched up for Dance-O-Rama, and for our job in helping to set up on Friday night.

Congratulations are in order for Bob Richards and Pat McGrath who announced their engagement to the group on April 4.

In May we look forward to a theatre night.

It's also the time of year when we begin to think about officers for the coming year, with nominations coming up in early June.





Triggers

As Judi & Bill Oliveri, our Correspondents, have been so busy moving into their beautiful new home, they VOLUNTEERED us to report all the goodies this month. THANKS , KIDS.

We have added several new dancing Grandparents to our roster. Our congratulations to Lila & Harold Pierce, and Martha & George Haungs. From one pair of grandparents to another, isn't it a thrill?

Our International Night was a huge success. The serving tables were laden with delightful and delicious foods prepared by our members.

There will be an election of officers on May 10th. Also, the combined picnic for past and present officers will take place on Saturday, June 4th.

Shirley Borden and Marilyn Raymond are convalescing from their so journ in the hospital. Our best to them.

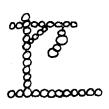
Our annual Spring Fling will be our Trail-end Dance also. Location -- Greece Grange. Date -- May 17th. Our committees are busy completing arrangements. Get those reservations in early.

Sure wish we could stowaway with George & Geri Yuna when they leave for Spain on May 14th.

Please check the Promenader for our summer dance schedule.

Our appreciation to Judi & Bill on the excellent job of reporting this past year.

"Substitutes", Frank & Jo Manicone



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Village Squares

Those April showers and about 32 weeks of lessons ought Village Squares some May flowers! $16\frac{1}{2}$ new couples! Our class graduated on April 18th and we want to welcome each one. Every year the new dancers seem to get better but even so this year has got to be exceptional. Our $\frac{1}{2}$ couple is Bob Jensen. Since his wife, Dorothy, is our round dance cuer and a long time square dancer, it is not surprising that Bob became a convert. Of course, in the middle of our rose garden there has to be "Crabgrass Stanley" - ah well, a blessing on his little green head.

What square dancing can do to you was amply illustrated by a letter we intercepted from one of our class to their mother. "Dear Mom," it starts, "You tried to raise me right, but look what Dick Casper has done!"
No longer do we walk the straight and narrow - now we bend the line. Modesty? Forget it, we all peel off. What kind of adult plays spin the top? Even marriage is threatened as we trade couples, circulate, cast them off, and scoot back for more. Mercy! Ferhaps sanity is dangerous to a square dancer!

A special occasion we want to recognize... the 36th wedding anniversary of Dick and Helen Caster. Congratulations and best wishes from all of us.

We want to welcome back from Texas (put your hand over your heart) the Morrows. Hope they can still talk "YanKee."

Village Squares will be dancing all through May with our trail end dance at the Green Lantern Inn on the 23rd. Dorothy Jensen is cueing rounds at 7:30 and cur square workshop starts at 8:00. We also want to t everyone know that our summer schedule starts on ne 6th, same time, same place. We would especially encourage all the new dancers to come visit us and keep their new-found skills sharp. Make Monday your favorite day, come dance with the Village Squares.

Cliff Gollus



Wayne Westerners

We are looking forward to dancing many happy hours with our class -- they graduated on April 4. On April 7 Larry Yacobelli called for our Club dance - Terry is pretty good too - must be nice to have a spare in case of a sore throat or sumpin.

On the 9th the Wayne Westerners were guests of the Copy Cats. More fun. On the 21st Jeff Elmore called for us and on the 28th the Club travelled to Canandaigua to dance as guests of the Happy Hoofers.

May will be a busy month too - with our Apple Blossom dance on the 20th, followed the next day by dancing on a float in the Apple Blossom Parade in Williamson. The next week - May 26th will find us at our Trail End Dance.

With deep regret we will be saying "Farewell" to arold and Lila Pierce. Family affairs have forced arold to resign as our caller after five years with us. We'll miss you, Harold & Lila - you have done so much for us - please don't forget us.

Which Way Whirlers

On Wednesday, April 6, our new club officers were installed. Presidents are Butch & Bonnie Bowman; Vice-Presidents, Joe & Judy O'Grady; Secretary and Treasurer, Al & Anita Bowersox. We wish our new officers the best, of luck. We would like to offer our sincere thanks to the outgoing officers. They have done a good job this year.

Class graduation is April 20. We are pleased to have the new graduates dancing with us and hope they will enjoy our club. We always look forward to the addition of the new graduates. Many good dances are coming up so that they can show everyone what they have learned.

We do hope you will join us in the near future to meet our new officers and graduates. We will be looking forward to seeing you at our future dances.

Our new correspondents will be taking over next month. We wish them the best of luck.

Jake & Mary Weber

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WYCO Promenaders

It has come to the time for a new slate of officers. We are sure that they will be very dependable in their respective jobs:

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Vice-Pres - Jess & Shirley Baum
Sec. - Bill & Sally Meeder
Treas. - Ernie & Hilda Haskins
Board - Bob & Edna Meyer
Jim & Margaret Fagan

We want to sincerely thank our outgoing officers. Bob & Edna Meyer did a tremendous job as our Presidents. They had quite a few unfortunate circumstances to overcome, -- namely a new caller to replace Leo Parsons on short notice. Another big thank you goes to Chip Kellogg for filling the bill for us in our need. He's been really great.

Remember our post-grad workshops that will be held each Wednesday night in May, 8:00 at Warsaw Elementary School. Come and brush up on your dancing, new members or long standing club members. All clubs are invited to come and join us.

We will be winding up our season in May. It has been a great year for dancing and next year promises to be the same as usual. If you missed us this year, come and join us in the future. We will make you most welcome.

Don & Loraine Porter

26th National Square Dance

More news of the 26th NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION.....June 23, 24, 25 at Atlantic City, NJ

For those of you planning to attend, here are some helpful bits of information. For those of you <u>not</u> going, eat your hearts out!

WHEN YOU ARRIVE in Atlantic City, you will find Trail End Dances beginning as early as Monday, June 20. These are all FREE to attendees of the convention. We have listings for 1 on Monday, 1 on Tuesday, and 6 on Wednesday.

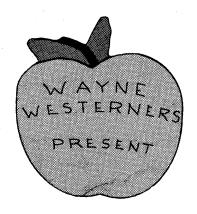
The dance program for the convention itself will feature 5 levels of squares, round dancing, contras,& traditional dances. PLAN TO BE AWAKE IN THE WEE SMALL HOURS, for <u>after</u> the regular dance program, you will find that there are AFTER PARTY DANCES.....we know of 10 of these on Thursday night, 11 on Friday night, and 8 on Saturday night! All at no additional charge!

On Sunday, June 26, there are TRAIL OUT dances which do require a fee for admittance.

Other highlights will be the FASHION SHOW on Sat., in the Main Arena,

the CLAMBAKE & LOBSTER FEAST on Friday afternoon, that sounds so good it makes my mouth water to think about it....to be held outdoors at a picturesque recreation area, with transportation provided. (This requires ADVANCE REGISTRATION - write Zukauskas, 314 E. Broadway; Bel Air, Maryland 21014)

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LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE REPORT

SYNOPSIS OF CCR LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE held April 3, 1977 at the United Covenant Methodist Church on Culver Road and Parselles Ave. With many thanks to the participants.

A gratifying attendance of 90 people; callers, club officers and other interested dancers. A COMPLETE UNABRIDGED CASSETTE TAPE RECORDING OF THE PROCEEDINGS IS AVAILABLE FROM CCR BY CALLING BEN McGILVERY AT 865-5942.

To say that the meeting was worthwhile is to understate the facts: however whether anything useful results from it depends upon the square dancing public and the callers in attendance. The following topics emerged in panel presentations and open discussion.

CLASSES: Starting recruitment earlier than September could result in larger classes by getting people interested before they have made other time commitments. Personal contacts by enthusiastic dancers is still the most effective way to attract members.

LENGTH OF CLASSES: This is usually dictated by the availability of the facilities used, usually schools. Additional dancing opportunities (class dances) help the more interested dancers develop, but not every class couple has such time available. This sometimes causes a gap in proficiency within the class itself.

A change in selling emphasis needed from "you can dance anywhere after you finish your lessons" to "this prepares you for a whole new horizon of square dance opportunities." Maybe elimination of "wholesale" class graduation or even setting a specific graduation date "deadline" is in order. After all not everyone learns at the same rate. Even after 30 or 40 lessons a dancer isn't confidant enough to tackle the on-going vocabulary of Mainstream Dancing. How do you sell that idea to a prospect? 10 lessons at a time was one suggestion.

LOSS OF DANCERS: All clubs should have sponsorship of classes with the common goal being an ebb and flow of people amongst the clubs. Not everyone can make the transition from class night to a different club night. A COOPERATIVE ATTITUDE OF REFERRAL of the dancers to clubs and nights convenient to their location, rather than a "my dancer or nobodys" approach by callers and clubs would help. Many new dancers are already looking the field over at the suggestion of their more experienced dancing friends.

EXPERIENCED DANCERS SHOULD BE SENSITIZED TO THEIR IMPACT ON THE NEW DANCER. Cross words and unthinking remarks, scowls, lack of hospitality and unwillingness to help still costs us a big price in loss of dancers and bad publicity. Impatient and arrogant callers do not add to the picture either.

ANGELS: Class helpers are few and far between, particularly in larger clubs. Perhaps a CONDITION OF MEMBERSHIP should include attending one or more classes a year: assisting on committees and a willingness to shoulder responsibility. Club officers SHOULD NOT HAVE TO ADD CLASS RESPONSIBILITIES TO THEIR ALREADY LARGE BURDEN of administrative work. Alphabetical rotation of assignments, having the class instructor instill the idea of club responsibility and having the class on the same night as the club were solutions offered from the floor.

Dancer responsibilities were likened to "paying your dues" to the activity by active and constructive participation in much the same way the local callers pay their professional dues by donating their time, talents and equipment at promotional demonstrations and exhibitions, Dance-O-Rama where only the headliners are paid, charity dances where you the dancer get a dance for the money paid. The funds raised depends on the dancer attendance, but who really gives? The people who work to set it up and donate energies.

DON'T THRUST CLUB OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES ON NEW GRADUATES. Give them a chance to mature as dancers first and find out what it is all about first.

NOW FOR THE HOT ONE: Dance LEVEL and Club LABELS: It was generally agreed that labels are unacceptable for many reasons. If you called your club "high level" how would you manage to bring along your class members to achieve this "level"???

There is a need for understanding and acceptance of the VARYING NEEDS OF THE DANCERS. Different strokes for different folks, so to speak. Clubs and callers should strive to promote sufficient opportunities for the twice a month dancer and the five times a week dancer. Tolerance toward all "levels", level not being a status or snob term but a matter of proficiency through practice, understanding of the basic terms from many different set ups as well as total vocabulary response.

Clubs should make their program content known through acceptance of the Callerlab published listings or their own listing of the vocabulary used regularly by their club caller. MORE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN CLUB DANCERS, CLUB OFFICERS AND THEIR CALLERS COULD IMPLIMENT THIS

Callers should use more directional calling in some cases, using ''help words'' or double cueing after droppin'g the generic term to assist the dancers through new or infrequently used calls.

Class and club members should be encouraged to visit around and thus ''seek their own level''. Will you lose dancers this way? You might well gain more than you lose.

UNDER MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSIONS: How about the Federation setting up a central square dance hall? Where would you locate it? How could you schedule the hall use? Some nights there are 5 to 8 groups dancing. (That raises the question why then would you need 5 to 8 clubs?)

DON'T OVERLOOK THE SINGLES AND TEEN ACTIVITIES: These groups also need your support to survive as well as your encouragement. After-all teens are the future adult dancers.

What about teens participating in adult clubs. Works fine some places but most adults prefer the company of adults. (Likewise teens!) As long as they adopt the rules and regulations of the club they are visiting and leave the frills and high kicks to their own club nights most are welcome. WHEN IN ROME DO AS THE ROMANS DO.

BLACKS in square dancing? Not many in our area take to this activity. Chicago, Detroit and Toronto have black clubs and black callers. Participation and mixing of the few to date appear to be readily accepted, same as German, Irish, Italian etc. Look at THEIR point of view, however. How would YOU feel walking into a hall full of black square dancers as the only white couple?

Communication with your callers: You must feel free to tap this source of help. After all many callers represent many years of CONTINUED INVOLVEMENT AND EXPERIENCE.

Square Dance Publications: At least club officers and leaders should take advantage of these national publications chock full of worthwhile and helpful articles. They give a view of what is happening all over the country and the world. The August issue of Square Dancing (Sets in Order) contains the directory for Federations, Caller Groups, Local Publications and Dancer Contacts.

Dance-O-Rama and other festivals help to "show and tell" about the extent of the activity to the new dancer. Your ACTIVE PARTICIPATION makes these affairs possible.

CAN YOU GO ANYWHERE AND DANCE? Not anywhere since obviously the time you are willing to devote to the activity will determine the level you will be comfortable at. You can dance in any area since the activity has grown to the extent that there are many choices of places of diverse level to attend. Being a proficient dancer helps a lot, being a caller makes you a celebrity.

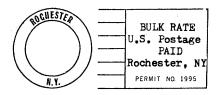
WE DO NOT HAVE TO AGREE ABOUT EVERYTHING BUT TALKING WITH EACH OTHER CERTAINLY HELPS TO UNDERSTAND THE OTHER PERSONS NEEDS AND POINT OF VIEW. Tolerance and mutual aid were a thought process which prevailed throughout the conference. And WHY NOT? Those people present came because they really care about the activity, wanted to learn more about it or perhaps came to express their own points of view. BEAUTIFUL. We accomplished something at least. The refreshments were equally well received and as gratifying as the attendance. Enthusiasm for repeat conferences ran high.

The Callers Co-Op thanks you for your interest and support.

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