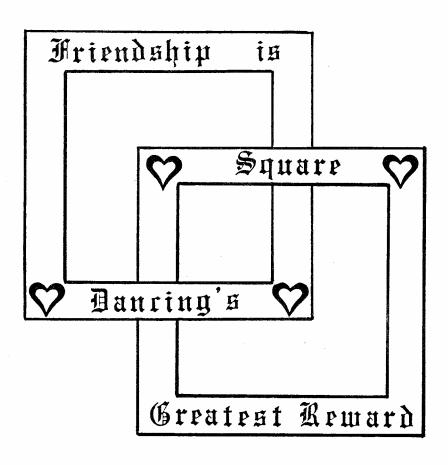
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Concerned about the future of square dancing in the NNJSDA area? Volunteer to join the Board and help keep us a vibrant organization.

From the computer of... Rusty & Richard Ball, NNJSDA Presidents



Several of us from the NNJSDA joined the standing-roomonly crowd at a presentation on the recruitment of square dancers given by two callers, Nasser Shukayr and Jerry Story, at the National Convention in Charlotte. They had some fascinating things to point out – things we just accept in square dancing.

The first concept is that square dancing is a PRODUCT, and we are not using our best approach to sell our product. Keep in and Jerry are among a large group of square dance professionals

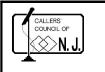
mind that Nasser and Jerry are among a large group of square dance professionals who make their living doing what we do for a pastime, and who are promoting a more up-to-date way of approaching our "marketing."

There are statistics available (based on CALLERLAB research) that say if you ask 100 people if they would try a square dance, 56% would say 'Yes' or 'Maybe.' Ask those same 100 people if they would be willing to take 10 weeks of lessons to learn how to square dance and that number slims down to 0%. None. Not *one* person would say yes, on average. Besides that, if they miss a lesson, we tell them they may have to start over – and then after the first 10 weeks of lessons, we sort of slip in the fact that another 10 weeks will be necessary to *really* be a dancer and start enjoying themselves – when they thought they were just going to come and have fun dancing!

The flip side of the coin, however, is that if you ask 100 people who have already attended and enjoyed square dancing if they are willing to take 10 weeks of lessons to learn the Mainstream program, the number goes up to closer to 30%. In other words, if you can get them someplace where they can dance immediately and turn them into DANCERS, you stand a much, much higher chance of turning them into square dancers.

Nasser says, "Square dancing is a well kept secret from new customers. Beginner classes usually start only once a year. By the third or fourth week of class, it's too late to accept new people. Most of the year, we offer no product to the public.

"What if we sold square dancing instead of square dance lessons? What if new people could start any time they choose, instead of waiting for the next class to begin? No experience required, take three different beginner dances in any order, new people and their friends can join at any time. You're selling dancing instead of **Continued on page 18**



CCNJ SUNDAY FEB 24, '08 2:30PM – 5PM

Class Level
Multiple Callers
St. Agnes' Episcopal Church
65 Union Ave, Little Falls NJ

NNJSDA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January, 2008

27 NNJSDA Mid-Term Dance (2:30 pm) VFW, Elmwood Park

February

29 NNJSDA Special (PL/RD)

St. Aloysius Church, Caldwell Adams/ Denniston, McCabe

March

7 Grand Square deadline Summer Issue

9 NNJSDA Exec. Comm. Mtg.

29 NNJSDA Special

St. Aloysius Church, Caldwell Matthew/ McGee

April

27 Delegates' Meeting (1:00 pm) Spring Fling (3:00 pm)

VFW, Elmwood Park

Coy, Koft

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St. Aloysius Church, Caldwell Snyder/ Pickett

June

1 NNJSDA Exec. Comm. Meeting

July

7 Grand Square deadline

Fall/Classes Issue

9 NNJSDA Special (MS/ PL/ RD)

St. Aloysius Church, Caldwell

Push/ Millar

23 NNJSDA Special (MS/ PL/ RD)

St. Aloysius Church, Caldwell Lee/ Gotta

August

13 NNJSDA Special (MS/ PL/ RD)

St. Aloysius Church, Caldwell Longobucco/ Kushla

27 NNJSDA Special (MS/ PL/ RD)

St. Aloysius Church, Caldwell Ritucci/ Wagenhoffers

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Northern New Jersey Square Dancers Association

SPECIAL DANCE

Caller

Butch Adams (VA) Plus with A1 Aftertip

Early Rounds at 7:30

Tom Denniston & Ellen McCabe

Dance Date/Time

Friday, February 29

8:00 - 10:30 pm

Location

St. Aloysius Church

Caldwell

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Inquiries

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Hear -2-Dance

Donna Poyer & Mike Szekula

908-852-9285

NNJSDA Poster/Flyer Contest

OBJECT OF THE CONTEST:

TO STIMULATE INTEREST IN SQUARE DANCING!

Entry Deadline: March 2, 2008

- Members of any NNJSDA member club are eligible to enter. There is no limit on the number of entries.
- 2. All posters/flyers must be 8½" x 11" on a white background with either black or colored ink. They can be prepared electronically using Word, Excel, or Power-Point only. Non-electronically prepared posters may not have any decorations attached.
- 3. The subject may be any square dance theme, though it may not be localized to a particular geographical area. The poster/flyer must include:
 - National Square Dance Month September
 - Sufficient space for each club to fill in its class or open house information. Samples of past posters/flyers may be found on the NNJSDA website.
- 4. Judging will be the responsibility and honor of the NNJSDA Executive Board at its March 2008 meeting.
- 5. All entries will become the property of the NNJSDA.
- 6. The winning poster/flyer will be featured on the cover of the Fall issue of *Grand Square*. It may also be displayed at national and state square dance conventions.
- The NNJSDA may choose to use any of the entries to promote square dancing in its membership area.
- 8. Submit entries by email attachment to postercontest@nnjsda.org. They may also be hand delivered to Lise Greene, 3rd Vice President, or sent by mail to 133 New Jersey Avenue, Lake Hopatcong, NJ 07849.

MOUNTAIN SQUARES

Joe Landi, Caller - A2 (Workshop as needed)

1st and 3rd Wednesdays Our Lady of Mercy Parish Center

7:45 - 10:00 pm March - June, Sept. - Dec. 90 Whippany Road at Eden Lane 3rd light off Rt. 10

Info: Groth 973-746-0656 Roome 973-543-4109

[This is the seventh in a series of articles highlighting people active in the NNJSDA.]

The Koft Family: Bernie, Betty, Dan, Kathy, and Julie



NNJSDA Dance Fall 2007
Photo by Ken Robinson

The family that dances together... dances together! And in the case of the Kofts, they also call and cue together.

Dan Koft started dancing with the Pi R Squares at East Brunswick High School under the direction of caller/instructor Dick Jones, completing his lessons in 1977. He joined Rutgers Promenaders during college and held several leadership roles with the club. Dan's enthusiasm was so contagious that his parents, Bernie and Betty, caught the dance bug. They graduated from the Merri-Eights class in 1979.

In the meantime, square dancing wasn't enough for Dan. He attended

caller school in 1979 on a scholarship provided by Y Squares and honed his skills by working with Betsy Gotta. He also tried contra dancing, where he met Kathy in 1987.

Kathy then caught the square dance bug from Dan and took lessons at Rutgers Promenaders, while Dan taught at Y Squares. They married in 1989, and Dan continued calling and teaching. Realizing that if she wanted to spend time with Dan she would be well served by becoming a round dance cuer, Kathy learned the craft from Roy Gotta.

Now the two could work at dances together, with Dan calling and Kathy cuing and sometimes both of them harmonizing on singing calls. Bernie and Betty often attended the dances where Dan and Kathy were working. The four of them had a great time together, and they figured "the more the merrier." Baby Julie joined the family in 1995, and her proud parents took her to dances with them.

When he's not calling, Dan works as a consulting user services support specialist in the computing area at Rutgers, where he is also pursuing a master's degree in Business Administration. When she's not cuing, Kathy can be found at L'Oreal Paris Consumer Products, where she serves as a senior forecast analyst and assistant manager of forecasting systems.

Julie is busy with school activities such as singing in the chorus, playing viola in the orchestra, and performing in musicals.

Naturally, Julie learned to dance at a tender age. It should be no surprise that she, too, sometimes takes the microphone for duets with her dad. We can predict what will happen in a decade or so ...



Julie & Dan 2005

Lise Greene

NNJSDA Spring Fling NNJSDA

Callers Mainstream with Plus Tip

Don Coy & Dan Koft

PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME BADGE

Welcome, 2008 graduates!

Dance Date/Time

Sunday, April 27, 3:00 - 5:30 pm

Location

Elmwood Park VFW Hall

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Inquiries

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Cell for Day of Dance: 973-725-9738

HUNTERDON FLUTTERWHEELS

* Echo Hill Park, Lilac Drive, Stanton Station, NJ Web Address: www.hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjsda.org

* Contact # night of dance 908-672-0372



2008	<u>Theme</u>	<u>Caller</u>
Jan. 4	Forever in Blue Jeans - Everyone in Denim	Ed Kerns
18	Crazy Hat Night - Wear Your Funniest Hat	D. Reardon
Feb. 1	Muffin Night – Sample our Best	Dan Koft
15	Sweetheart Dance	Ed Kerns
Mar. 7	Spring Fling	H. Richman
21	Good Friday	No Dance
April 4	Tonight's Your Birthday – Happy B.D.	The Hardys
18	Pot Luck	Ed Kerns
May 2	50's Night - Poodle Skirts & DAs	A. Woerner
16	Hawaiian Night- Straw Hats & Flower Shirts	Ed Kerns
June 6	Ice Cream Social - Wear Shorts	Ed Kerns

Alternate Mainstream & Plus Level Tips Soft Sole Shoes Please!

1st & 3rd Fridays 8:00-10:15 pm

OPEN HOUSE at Park Feb. 10, 1:30-3:30 pm

For Information:

Donna & Joe 908-526-7496

Caller Pal Johnson Retires



At Lakeland Square's October 30 barn dance, caller Pal Johnson officially announced his retirement at the end of 2007.

Pal was introduced to square dancing in the mid 1970s when his first wife (since deceased) coaxed him into going to a free open house dance. Dave Laws, a founder of Lakeland Squares, was the caller. Pal had such a good time that he took lessons and graduated to become a member of Lakeland Squares. At that time, Dick Jones, Mike Foley, and Bob Mitchell were the club callers. Pal became friends with them, and they encouraged him to try calling. Pal became a charter member of Lakeland when the club incorporated around 1977.

His first calling job was in 1980 as instructor for Lakeland's class, and he continued teaching for the club for 25 more years, during which time he graduated over 300 dancers.

In 1990, Barbara Sherry, who had lost her husband two years earlier, decided to retake dancing lessons and joined his class. After graduation, she and Pal began dating and were married a year later. November 28, 2007 was their 15th anniversary.

Pal has called for many local clubs as well as hundreds of "one nighters" and demonstrations, including dances for disabled dancers (blind, in wheelchairs, etc.). He has also taught square dancing in several high schools as part of their regular gym classes. Several times each year he has called for various Girl Scout and Brownie troops for "Father/Daughter" nights. These dances usually drew between 150 and 300 dancers.

Although he will no longer be calling, he and Barbara have every intention of dancing "as long as our legs hold out."

Jim & Catherine Douglas Photo by Patrick Chen

CIRCLE EIGHTS Mainstream Club

Jan. 25 Dan Koft Super Bowl Sunday Feb. 22 Wayne Applegate Presidents' Dance

Mar. 28 Don Coy Irish Eyes are Smiling (Students \$2.00)

Apr. 25 Andy Woerner Graduates' Ball May 23 Mickey McFarland Mix & Match

June 27 Howard Richman Hawaiian Ice Cream Social

Dances are on the 4th Friday of each month 8:00-10:30 pm. MS with one Plus tip First Congregational United Church of Christ - 276 Haworth Ave., Haworth, NJ 07641

If you get lost, call Gene or Rosemary at 201-600-6653.

Northern New Jersey Square Dancers Association

SPECIAL DANCE

Caller Plus with A1 Aftertip

Glenn Matthew (DE)

Cuer

Early Rounds at 7:30

Mary McGee (PA)

Dance Date/Time

Saturday, March 29 8:00 - 10:30 pm

Location

St. Aloysius Church

Caldwell

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Inquiries

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In Memoriam

Bill Anderson, Caller

Bill Anderson passed away on August 19, 2007, at the age of 75. Born in Kentucky, he moved to Staten Island after serving in the Air Force during the Korean conflict. Bill and his wife, Donna, were active square dancers before he became a caller. He used his magnificent tenor voice as a recording artist with Red Boot Records and as a member of New York City's Opera Workshop. The Andersons chaired New Jersey's first State Square Dance Convention in 1987. They also assisted Doc and Peg Tirrell, the founding editors of our *Grand Square*, with production of the publication. Recently, NJ/NY dancers saw Bill and Donna at the National Square Dance Convention in Texas when the Andersons attended the event in their mechanized wheelchairs from their retirement home in Sutherland Springs, Texas.

For over 20 years, Bill volunteered weekly at Goldwater Rehabilitation Hospital on Roosevelt Island in Manhattan teaching wheelchair square dancing. He was honored on an Al Roker NBC-TV feature segment for his years of devoted service. At St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Englewood, Bill was known as "The Cookie Man" (for creating a different flavor cookie every week for the coffee hour after Sunday services) and "The Brass Man" (for polishing all of the brass in the church in one year).

Jan Thompson from information provided by Peg Tirrell



SAVE THE DATE!

TUESDAY, JUNE 10



NJPAC and NNJSDA are co-sponsoring a buy one, get one free performance of *Movin' Out*.

Join us for a barbecue and square dance demonstration on the Theater Square before the show

For decades, Twyla Tharp has been one of the most distinctive choreographers in American dance, but with the revolutionary Movin' Out, she took Broadway by storm. Tharp's Tony-winning work as director and choreographer of this non-stop, all-dance musical – which tells a moving story of two turbulent decades in the lives of five lifelong friends – is set to 24 unforgettable songs by Billy Joel, all performed live by an onstage band. "Movin' Out sizzles with energy, vitality and class," says Variety.

(excerpt from NJ Performing Arts Center website: www.njpac.org)

Flyers with registration form and all the details can be obtained from your club.





CROSS TRAIL SQUARES

Where Fun Meets Friendship

Please join us in celebrating 40 years of dancing.

Sunday, April 20th '08 **2-5 pm**

alternating MS/PL

Scottish Rite, Lincoln Park

Tim Marriner



INFO:

Ron 973-857-8879 Ruth 973-239-2705

In Memoriam

Just about anyone who attended an NNJSDA dance in the past decade would remember Al Ruh – the big guy with a big smile and an even bigger heart; the man with twinkling eyes; the person who was always ready with a story and a laugh. Cancer claimed Al's life on July 13, 2007, leaving a hole in the heart of the NNJSDA.



Al was born in Brooklyn, NY but spent much of his life in Blairstown, NJ. He worked many years for IBM before opening the Sunset Christmas Tree Farm in Blairstown, and he also served as Warren County Surrogate.

During the Viet Nam war, Al was an Army major. His active duty included three years in Viet Nam and Thailand. Afterward, Al remained in the National Guard for 20 years and was a member of both the VFW and American Legion.

An avid model railroader, Al laid tracks in his back yard and outfitted them with two full-size cabooses, one of which held model railroad layouts that he designed and crafted himself. "Al did pristine work, and every detail had to be absolutely perfect," recalled his partner, Kay Davis. She has fond memories of accompanying him as he searched for "treasures" around old railroad tracks using a metal detector. Al volunteered with the Cumbres and Toltec Scenic Railroad by restoring railroad cars and transporting tourists from Chama, NM to Antonito, CO and back.

In 1993, Al began a new hobby: square dancing. He took lessons from the Kittatinny Rangers, where Kay served as class coordinator. "It was my job to encourage the class to attend student dances at Kittatinny, other clubs, and the NNJSDA. When I asked if he wanted to go, he always answered, 'If you're going, I'll go.' Dancing evolved into dating."

Kay and Al shared a love for travel, and many of their destinations were National Square Dance Conventions. Along with three other couples, they arrived early or stayed after the convention to sightsee.

Al held the offices of president, vice president/class coordinator, and treasurer of Kittatinny Rangers. He was also treasurer and assistant treasurer of the NNJSDA. "Even when he was no longer able to dance, he attended every meeting and dance, helping out as much as he could," Kay remembered.

Al leaves two sons. "Thomas lives in Georgia and shares his interest in model railroading," said Kay. "Timothy from Arkansas was here last spring to learn the Christmas tree business, and he is interested in continuing his father's farm."

Mike Szekula and Donna Poyer of Kittatinny Rangers expressed the sentiments of Al's dancing family: "He was an enormous asset to our club and the Board, and will be greatly missed by his family and many friends."

Lise Greene

KEN RITUCCI'S C-1 BLITZ WEEKEND

APRIL 18-20, 2008 SOUTH ROAD CIVIC CENTER, POUGHKEEPSIE, NY

THIS WEEKEND IS FOR:

- A2 DANCERS WHO WANT TO LEARN C1
- C1 DANCERS WHO WANT A REVIEW

INTENSE FIVE WORKSHOP WEEKEND

DESIGNED TO INTRODUCE YOU TO THE C1 CALLS SO YOU UNDERSTAND and DANCE THEM FROM STANDARD POSITIONS.

To register, send check for \$95/ couple payable to "Ken Ritucci" Mail to: 132 Autumn Road, West Springfield, MA 01089

Hotel information will be sent when registration is received.

Further information: Jim & Ronnie Carroll 845-298-4101

Ken Ritucci 413-734-0591. kenritucci@aol.com

Hi Taws - A Challenge Club

Various Tuesdays
Paramus Senior Center – 93 Farview Avenue, Paramus, NJ
Challenge Dancing: C2 – 7 pm to 8 pm, C1 – 8 pm to 10 pm
Information: Bernie & Sandy 201-447-0538 Fred 201-797-3421

HIX & CHIX

Hix & Chix will be dancing Summer Specials in 2008 with NATIONAL & LOCAL CALLERS!

VFW Hall: Veterans Place, Elmwood Park, NJ

Early Rounds 7:30 Alternating Plus Squares & Rounds 8:00 to 10:30 RAIDERS ARE WELCOME: Two per Dance

<u>Date</u>	<u>Caller</u>	Cuer
June 12	Tom Miller, PA	The Wagenhoffers, NY
	Bill Harrison, PA	
June 19	Rick Hampton, CA	Karen Kushla, NJ
July 10	Howard Williamson, PA	Donna Williamson, PA
July 24	Randy Dougherty, AZ	Karen Kushla, NJ
Aug. 7	Jim Snyder, PA	Tina & Nana Eum, VA
	Dennis Reardon, PA	
Aug. 21	Glenn Matthew, DE	Karen Kushla, NJ
Oct. 16	Dee Dee Dougherty, MN	The Wagenhoffers, NY
Info: John Huettemar	nn, 201-438-0948	Directions to Hall, 201-796-9638

Western Wheelers

Come and Dance with Western Wheelers 2nd & 4th Saturdays Pre-Rounds 7:30 PM, Plus Dancing 8:00-10:30, "A" After Tip 10:30

Peg Millar, Club Cuer

[] Jan 12, 08 Andy Woerner	[] Jan 26, 08	Dan & Kathy Koft
[] Feb 9, 08 Wayne Applegate	e [] Feb 23, 08	Roy & Betsy Gotta
[] Mar 8, 08 Len Anfinsen	[] Mar 22, 08	Jim Snyder
[] Apr 12, 08 Dennis Reardon	[] Apr 26, 08	Don Coy

Directions: Garden State Parkway – Exit @ #165, Ridgewood / Oradell (Oradell Avenue) or **Rte 17** – Paramus Area Exit @ Ridgewood Avenue by Fashion Mall. Travel EAST, towards Oradell, on Oradell Avenue. Continue EAST on Oradell Avenue, FOUR traffic lights, a distance of approximately TWO miles. *The fourth traffic light is Kinderkamack Road in Oradell. TURN RIGHT, traveling SOUTH on Kinderkamack Road one block. Turn right at Church Street.*

Entrance to the Reformed Church is on your left. Municipal parking is on your right. Western Wheelers dance in the church basement. Use Church Street entrance.

Info (H): Roger & Maria 201-384-0334, or Ed & Rose 201-768-8632 201-390-5123 201-421-0792

The Reformed Church of Oradell, Church Street @ Kinderkamack Rd, Oradell Visit us at: www.sqrdance.org/Western.Wheelers

AleMo SQUARES - Brooklyn, NY

Alt. MS/PL/A tip

www.alemo.nnjsda.org

2 & 4 Sun. Sept-June Our Lady of Grace Church, 430 Ave. W at E. 3rd St, 11223 Kathy Colucci: 718-375-1788 Cell for dance night: 917-699-2903

The *Grand Square* article on Ken and Helena Robinson was truly heartwarming and a testament to square dancing. We wish Ken good memories and no more sorrow.

Our September open house was well attended. We did not get many new students this season; however, we look forward to a good year of dancing and upgrading many of our members to Plus and A1. Our season continued with a beautiful Halloween workshop with costumes, masks, and other accessories. We were well represented at the Hudson Valley subscription dance (a New York State function). As always, we sent a large contingent of dancers to the Mini-Festival.

December opened with a three-day weekend event in the Catskills sponsored by the Coys and the Hardys. Some amazing secrets were shared at one of the after parties. And I thought we had a sedate club! The evening ended with AleMo's musicians – Joe Milazzo, Burt Gallo, and Joe Spidaro – joined by Gerry Hardy, Don Coy, and Mark Green, filling the hall with some great music.

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Walter Lasky (Bklynadv@aol.com)

718-996-5848



BEE SHARPS OF SOMERVILLE

Early Rounds 7:30 pm

Alt MS/Plus Dancing w/ Rounds 8-10:30 pm Advanced tip at end of dance, if Advanced dancers are present

DATE	CALLER	CUER	PROGRAM	ТНЕМЕ			
	REGULAR DANCES 2008						
Jan. 11	Roy Leber	Mary McGee	PL	Black & White			
Jan. 25	Betsy Gotta	Roy Gotta	PL				
	Steve Jacques		PL/A2				
	NG WITH THE FEB 22						
	M OR CLASS LEVEL/I						
Feb. 22	Howard Richman	Mary Pickett	MS/PL	Presidents' Dance (pie night)			
Mar. 14	Jim Snyder	Dave Roberts	MS/PL	St. Patrick's Day (wearing of the green)			
Mar. 28	Betsy Gotta	Roy Gotta	MS/PL	50's Dance			
				(50's attire optional)			
Apr. 11	Mark Franks	Mary Pickett	MS/PL				
Apr. 25	Len Anfinsen	Karen Kushla	MS/PL				
May 9	Don Coy	Mary McGee	MS/PL				
May 23	Gerry Hardy	Karen Kushla	MS/PL	Red, White & Blue			
Contac	Contacts: Vic & Nancy Ammons: 908-763-0050						

<u>Contacts:</u> Vic & Nancy Ammons: 908-763-0050 <u>Where:</u> Bound Brook United Methodist Church

150 Union Avenue, Bound Brook

Hall Phone: 732-356-1372

Directions:

From Route 22: Take Vosseller Ave exit to Bound Brook; left at light on Route 28. *Follow 2/10 mile to Livingston Ave. Make right onto Livingston & left into first driveway/church parking lot.

From Route 287 South: Take exit 13 for Route 28 Bound Brook/Somerville. Turn left at the light for Route 28 East. Proceed through 4 lights. After the 4th light (follow from * above).

From Route 287 North: Take exit 13A for Route 28 East, Bound Brook. Proceed through 3 lights. After the 3^{rd} light (follow from * above).

** Visit us at www.squaredancing.com/beesharps **

Chuck Conklin

Chuck Conklin moved in with his daughter's family in Texas last year while preparing to get back on his feet – literally. In the meanwhile, he was dancing in his dreams.

"One time after I dozed off, I heard someone say, 'All people who need a foot, come and get one.' So I went up and got a foot, and then started dancing. It went great until I woke up. It feels so good to dance, even if it's in my dreams!" During Chuck's extensive physical therapy, he told the therapists: "Come on and get me better so I can dance."

After being fitted with a prosthetic foot, he used a walker and then progressed to a cane. In October, a pressure point developed on his leg from a new boot, and he had to postpone wearing the new foot. In November, Chuck

danced in a wheelchair with his great-granddaughter at her 16th birthday party.

In December, he required gall bladder surgery, which seemed to be successful. Chuck joked with the hospital staff and always talked about square dancing. But there were complications, and he became unresponsive on Christmas night. Chuck passed away on December 28, 2007.

Chuck was a member of four New Jersey clubs: Kittatinny Rangers, Lakeland Squares, Mountain Squares, and Spinning Wheels. "He really missed all the New Jersey square dancers," said his daughter, Candylou Douget. The family can be reached at 960 Millie Street, Vidor, TX 77662 or by e-mail to his granddaughter, Tammy Whitley, at tamsat98@swbell.net.

Lise Greene

BEE SHARPS – Bound Brook

PL/RD/A tip

www.squaredancing.com/beesharps

2 & 4 Fri. Sept-MayBound Brook United Meth. Church, 150 Union Ave.
Ken & Kathleen Heaphy: 908-526-4636
Cell for dance night: 908-763-0050

After our three September Open House dances, we started a beginner's class with 10 new dancers and an intermediate class with 16 dancers returning from last year. Both classes meet on Monday nights at the Adamsville School and are led by instructor Gardner Patton. Bohdan and Anne Stryzak are (again) doing a great job as class coordinators. The beginner's class will finish Mainstream in June. The intermediate class finishes Mainstream this month, to be followed by a Plus class starting Monday, January 28 and finishing the Plus program in June. This class is open to any dancer who already knows Mainstream and wants to learn Plus.

Irma Huhn is organizing raids so we can complete our raid program this year. Our first raid was to Harmony Dancers in November. We thank Mountain Squares and Lakeland Squares for raiding us.

Advanced dancers should be sure to set aside Friday, February 8 for our Sweethearts' Ball (Happy Valentine's Day) called by Steve Jacques from Virginia. This dance will have alternating Advanced (A2) and Plus tips with round dances cued by Steve Bradt.

As always, the Five Clubs have scheduled some great callers and cuers for their 2008 summer dances. Be sure to check out their ad in this issue to make your square dance plans for the summer.

PLEASE NOTE: Starting February 22 we will have alternating Mainstream and Plus tips to encourage new dancers to attend.

Ad on page 15 Diana & Bob Cole (dianakcole2000@yahoo.com) 908-874-8117

New Jersey Cultural Celebration: Changing Perceptions / Being Visible

In September 2007, square dancing was once again on public display. After being featured at a press conference promoting the event, our activity was part of the New Jersey Cultural Celebration in Trenton on September 29.

Our participation was ably organized in two weeks, starting with Lise Greene, Vice President for Publicity of the NNJSDA, successfully petitioning the Governor's office to have September declared Square Dance Month in New Jersey. This proclamation brought the official Folk Dance of New Jersey (since 1983) to the attention of Secretary of State Nina Wells. Realizing that square dancing would be a perfect addition to the festival, her office contacted Lise, who in turn contacted Roy and Betsy Gotta. Within one week, one square was assembled for the press conference and two squares for the Cultural Celebration.



The press conference was held at the Mott School in Trenton's South Ward. After speeches by the Secretary of State and the Mayor of Trenton, our square dancers put on a demo. Continuing the theme of celebrating New Jersey's rich cultural diversity, Betsy did the singing call "Put A Little Love in Your Heart." Many thanks to the dancers who drove to Trenton for a 3½ minute demo.

The Cultural Celebration was blessed with perfect weather. The energetic and smiling square dancers spanned the age ranges, and the demo went quite well. Throughout the performance, Betsy explained what square dance was all about and how people could get information about dancing in their area. To dispel the myth that we only use country music, Betsy chose three very different pieces: the country tune "Walking after Midnight," the contemporary tune "Funky Town," and the Broadway children's tune "Hakuna Matada." We need to take advantage of opportunities such as this to put our activity in the public eye. Elected officials and hundreds of festival attendees now know we're here.

In addition to square dancing, the Cultural Celebration showcased other forms of dance, music, and food, as well as held a swearing-in ceremony for new U.S. citizens. **Continued on page 46**

BELLES & BEAUX - Glen Rock

MS/PL tip

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1 & 3 Wed. Sept-May 1 & 3 Wed. June-Aug

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Rosann Flynn: 201-385-3907

Cell for dance night: Audrey: 646-275-4970

This year's Mystery Bus Raid had everyone's head spinning, and it wasn't just Connecticut's October foliage that did it. Rusty and Richard Ball have led us on some pretty circuitous routes in past years, but this time they literally had us going in circles. The itinerary included not one, not two, but THREE stops that featured merry-go-rounds en route to a raid on the Glastonbury Square Dance Club. The first stop was the Danbury Fair Mall, where club members got to ride on the mall's spectacular two-story carousel. Then it was on to Bristol for a visit to the New England Carousel Museum. The final stop was Hartford's Bushnell Park, where we rode the carousel there. Finally, we proceeded to Glastonbury for dinner and dancing until the late evening hours.

Back at home in Glen Rock, Fran Wadel has another great class off and running. Enrollment is 16 and growing. It's always a joy to bring new dancers into the fold.

We've got lots of great dances planned for the coming months. You're always welcome to join us!

Ads on pages 19, 33, 58

Jim Berrie (jwb52351@msn.com)

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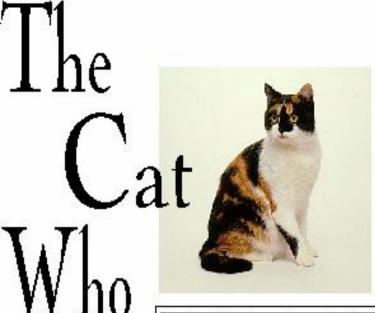
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lessons. Experienced and inexperienced are all welcome! You always have an available product. Now that's a HUGE advantage!" What he's referring to is something called the **ABC Program**. It's a simple concept to introduce people to the joy of square dancing without asking for the commitment required to learn the full Mainstream program. In other words, get them hooked first and then throw in the concept of lessons! People who have never been in a square can show up at an advertised dance, learn a few calls, and have a great time. It is intended to make square dancing as easy as ABC. Doors are *always* open to new people, not just once a year. Consider it a *series* of one-nighters designed so attendees can dance every tip every evening. (Visit *SquareDanceABC.com* for more specifics on the ABC Program.)

Sounds like pie in the sky, or a clash with what we know as the Modern Western Square Dance Club? Never. Groups all around the country are putting it into action, feeding new blood into square dancing, and having a heck of a good time just having FUN. Stay tuned for how the NNJSDA and the CCNJ plan to get involved in this exciting marketing concept.

Rusty & Richard Ball, NNJSDA Presidents

Belles & Beaux Ninth Annual Murder Mystery Square Dance



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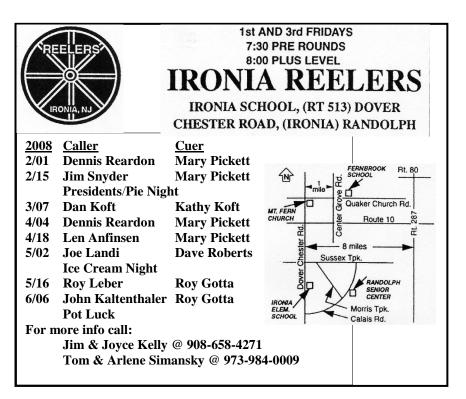
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Lee Kopman	Jan. 27
Howard Richman	Feb. 10
Betsy Gotta	Feb. 24
Kevin Bersing	Mar. 9
Randy Longobucco	Apr. 13
Gerry Hardy	Apr. 27
Howard Richman	May 18
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Hello, everyone! I am the new reporter for Circle Eights. Our club gratefully acknowledges the six-year dedicated service of our former reporter, Lynn Michel.

Having square danced as a teenager in Staten Island, NY, I am excited to have graduated last spring and become a full-fledged member of Circle Eights. The club is so welcoming and fun-loving. During the summer, I was delighted to square dance with Circle Eights in the Oradell Fourth of July Parade. The onlookers seemed to really enjoy our lively costumes and performance.

At our first dance of the new season, Rusty and Richard Ball, Presidents of the NNJSDA, surprised our club with an award for having the second highest number of attendees at "The Gathering." Fourteen of our members enjoyed the day and brought back their ideas to our club. We are truly grateful for that special recognition. Our recent Halloween "Monster Mash" was a 'spook'tacular event with Jim Snyder calling. Some of the festive costumes worn by the revelers were a cook, a graduate, a superhero, and a nun. A large penguin also waddled through the dances. This fall, our club successfully raided Lakeland Squares, Tenakill Twirlers, and Belles & Beaux. The number of members attending those raids was 11, 22, and 26 respectively. The Circle Eights/Western Wheelers New Year's Eve hot buffet/square dance and our annual club luncheon were both well attended, fun-filled events.

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2 & 4 Wed. Sept-June Grover Cleveland Middle School, 36 Academy Rd., 07006 Alice DeLancey: 973-618-9025 Cell for dance night: 973-420-7179

Cross Trail Squares kicked off an exciting fall season with the graduation of nine new Mainstream dancers! The class, which started in January, worked through the summer under the guidance of our caller/instructor Ron Kapnick to prepare for a September graduation. Our graduation dance was called by Howard Richman, who provided the new dancers with a fun-filled evening. They are an enthusiastic group, and we are delighted to have them join our ranks. Thanks to the many angels who have been a part of this recent group. We couldn't have done it without you! The new dancers have already been seen at a number of dances and have even participated in several raids. Our current class consists of seven new dancers including three fun-loving kids! Speaking of raids, we already have six raids under our belts for the 2007-2008 season. One raid consisted of 20 dancers strong traveling to AleMo Squares in Brooklyn, NY.

During the summer months, club members attended dances from New England to Southern California. From coast to coast, they found that square dancing is truly "Friendship set to music." Our first four dances of the new fall season were fun, well-attended events.

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Thanks in part to our last several graduating classes and visitors, we had six squares on the floor for many of the tips. A big thank you to all those who have visited us from other clubs; we enjoy seeing you! We have some new dance themes this year including "Men in Aprons," a men's bake-off contest in January. Check our website for our calendar, directions, club contact information, and lots of photos. Come and join us! Preparations are already under way for Cross Trail Squares 40th Anniversary Dinner/Dance on April 20. Stay tuned for details...

Ads on pages 11, 25 Betsy & Dan Tapper (webhost@crosstrailsquares.org)

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Jan	23	Betsy Gotta	Men in Aprons
Feb	13	Roy Leber	We're All Heart
Feb	27	Derek Page	Presidents' Dance
Mar	12	Ken Ritucci	Luck of the Irish
Mar	26	Mike Jacobs	Calling all Angels
Apr	9	Roy Leber	Pie Night

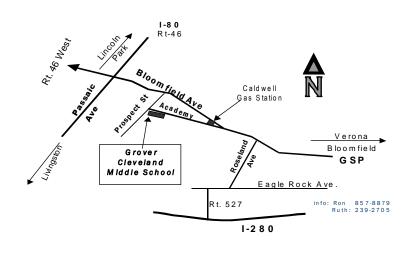
** Apr 20 Tim Marriner – 40th Anniversary Dance ** at Scottish Rite, Lincoln Park

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May 14 Ron Kapnick Graduation

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Last edition, I talked about the seminar for new callers that CCNJ planned to sponsor. Five of the six sessions were attended by several new callers, and we expect the last session to be well attended also. John Kaltenthaler, ably assisted by Mike Jacobs and Betsy Gotta (for the last session), has initiated the budding callers into the mysteries of

"Chicken Plucker," modules, zeros, resolving the square, and many other calling secrets. All of the caller coaches mentioned above are Callerlab Accredited Caller Coaches, which means they have passed a rigorous set of tests to demonstrate that they have the knowledge to help teach other callers. We are exceedingly lucky to have these people active in our callers' association. The series has been successful enough that a follow-up series is planned during this spring.

Start looking for new faces behind the microphone and be encouraging. Experienced callers make calling look easier than it is. We need these new callers. All dancers are welcome at CCNJ meetings, which are held the 2nd Saturdays of March, June, September, and December. We start the education sessions at 9:30 am. Contact Ron Kapnick at 973-857-8879 or check the CCNJ website for directions (www.ccnjcallers.com).

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Betsy Gotta (ugottadance@optonline.net)

732-249-2086

Has your club been in the news?

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We want to thank those of you who came to our 2007 Summer Specials. We tried to please you with a variety of callers and cuers from Canada, Arizona, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, Minnesota, Virginia, and here. If we succeeded, then we expect to see you again this summer.

There has been a change in our summer plans. We had hoped to be dancing on a super wood floor at the nearby American Legion Hall this coming summer. However, since we have been unable to negotiate a reasonable deal with their management, Hix & Chix will continue to dance at the Elmwood Park VFW Hall.

Ad on page 13 Dick & Brenda Dexter (bdexter@ups.com) 201-529-3372



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1 & 3 Fri. Sept-June Echo Hill Park Lodge, 41 Lilac Dr., 08822

Joe Kwiatek & Donna Besignano: 908-526-7496 Cell for dance night: 908-672-0372 Everyone was happy to get back to square dancing on Friday nights. We did keep in touch over the summer with our club picnic at the Baileys'.

As in previous years, we sponsored a Barn Dance/Open House on September 16 in conjunction with the Hunterdon County Park System. It was very well attended, but we did not get the commitment we needed to start a September class. However, we are hosting an Open House on February 10 with the hope of starting a class on February 17. This timeframe has worked well before.

We participated in Hunterdon County Library's Festival Friday this fall by putting on a demo with Michelle McCarty calling. We are happy to say that the participation by those in attendance was almost 100%. Also, our club was represented at the NNJSDA Mini-Fest this year by dedicated members Sara and Monty Burton, Pat and Don Elliott, Donna Besignano and Joe Kwiatek, and Audrey Rounsaville.

Please join us on the 1st & 3rd Fridays at Echo Hill Park for good dancing and good fellowship. The floor is spectacular! See you there...

Ad on page 7 Peg & Fred Bailey (pegfredb@comcast.net) 908-574-5095

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Bob & Francine Leshnower: 973-697-9112 Cell for dance night: 973-229-2401

Kittatinny Rangers have launched their fall class season, thanks to the smooth coordination Donna and Ron Kornmiller are providing.

We're delighted to continue with our cherished Wayne Applegate, who's challenging us to move up the ladder into Plus lessons. So far no one has fallen into an abyss with the challenge.

Our super schmoozing Francine and Bob Leshnower celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary with us before heading off to Yellowstone to commemorate their milestone together. We clinked champagne glasses to toast this special occasion.

With Jim and Peg Behan chairing a sumptuous buffet, we celebrated Herb Stanske's 75th birthday with two extravagant cakes. This special occasion was enlivened by some very capable dancers raiding from Lakeland Squares and more support from some of our Reelers favorites.

We're hoping to enjoy some more upbeat raids from some of the rest of you boogiers during this season. We're really easy to find at the Florence Burd School (usually) on Newton-Sparta Road.

Ads on pages 37, 49 Marilyn Chapman (marichap@nac.net) 973-729-7806

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March 7		Roy Leber	Roy Gotta
March 21	No Dance		
April 4		Jim Snyder	David Roberts
April 18	60's	Betsy Gotta	Roy Gotta
May 2	CINCO DE MAYO	Roy Leber	TBA
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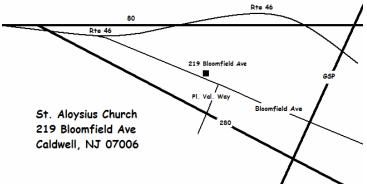
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Happy Holidays! Happy New Year!

This year, the organization is ably run by David Roberts (Moderator) and Sandy and Clark Godfrey (Secretaries); Karen and Greg Kushla continue as Treasurers and Terry and George Siebert as NNJSDA liaisons.

Our Fall Festival of Rounds, held on November 4, 2007 at the Mt. Horeb United Methodist Church in Warren, NJ, is now but a memory. Rosina and Rick Wagenhoffer programmed the afternoon dance, which was enjoyed by all. We are Continued on page 35

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Jan. 25	Mardi Gras	Leber	Kushla
Feb. 8	Valentine's Dance (in the rear gym)	Koft	Koft
Feb. 22	The Fifties!	Gotta	Gotta
Mar. 14	St. Patrick's Day Dance	Landi	Kushla
	(in the rear gym)		
Mar. 28	"Z" Spring Fling (Zion)	Williamson	Kushla
Apr. 11	Pie Night	Hardy	Kushla
Apr. 25	Casual Friday	Snyder	McCabe
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Every Tues. Sept-July Senior House, 356 Rt. 202 (Main Rd.) 07045 Monte & Janet Montagnino: 973-546-3092 Cell for dance night: 973-610-8218

Our Halloween barn dance on October 30 was an extra special evening: Caller Pal Johnson officially announced that he was "hanging up his microphone" at the end of the year. His family, former students, and many friends were on hand for the occasion. We welcomed many visitors, including some members we had not seen for many months. A big double chocolate cake proclaimed "Thank you, Pal." We will miss him. You may read about his calling career in an article in this issue.

Our barn dances typically draw larger attendance than our regular dances. Some people apparently enjoy dancing the simple moves without wanting to go further. Barn dances are Lakeland's service to the community. Pal Johnson is an expert at turning first-timers into dancers.

Ad on page 45 Jim & Catherine Douglas (jmdouglas35@verizon.net) 973-338-7787

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now setting up our Spring Festival of Rounds which will be held on March 9, 2008 at the same location. Look for our ad in this issue of *Grand Square* and for flyers at dances; see your favorite cuer for tickets.

Hope to see you (in) around!

Ad on page 27 Karen & Greg Kushla (kjkushla@aol.com) 973-593-8440

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PL/RD

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1 & 3 Fri. Sept-May First Baptist Church, 125 S. Main St., 08520

Rich Delgado: 609-844-1140 Cell for dance night: 609-203-0127, 609-575-1890

We are very pleased to have completed a class for new dancers just before the holiday season. They distinguished themselves as fast learners, and the Masqueraders and teacher/caller Betsy Gotta are proud that our new dancers are good dancers.

We hope they will enjoy dancing with our club and visiting other clubs. Our veteran and new dancers are happy to welcome visitors to our club.

Ad on page 30 Rich Delgado (richd1squarerounddancer@msn.com) 609-844-1140

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www.middletownramblers.org

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Ron & Virginia Daggett: 732-741-4627

Happy New Year! We hope that 2008 will bring you hours and hours of square dancing merriment.

On October 12, 26 Ramblers raided Y Squares and had a wonderful time. Our hosts made us feel right at home, and caller Wayne Applegate kept us on our toes all night. This raid will be a memorable occasion for me for two reasons: It was my first raid, and it was the first time I saw several Ramblers sporting our redesigned name badge.

Our class instructor, Larry Sherwood, felt that after 37 years, it was time to modernize our badge. Knowing that I had taken some computer graphics courses, he asked me to apply my design skills to the task. In May 2006, I presented a few sketches to the Board. However, it was not until August 2007 that the design was finalized: a red rose hovering over a dancing guy and girl on the left side of the badge; the dancer's name along with club name on the right; a green squiggly line (that represents the dance floor) connecting both sides of the badge.

Fortunately, Larry had connected with Bruce and Wanda Carter from "Tag-Em!" Engraving at the National Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina. Bruce was very helpful, knowledgeable, patient, and thorough, and he turned out the product in a timely manner for a reasonable fee. If you're in the market for a new badge, you definitely want to check him out. Bruce can be reached at 512-894-3634, and his email address is wcdrip@juno.com.

Our Halloween dance was a real blast, with many dancers coming out with wild, innovative costumes. The winners of our annual Halloween costume votes were Most Original: Jim Henry (as Day) and Joyce (as Night); Best Couple: Mike Hale (as Pooh) and Bonny Gundacker (as Honey Bucket); and Prettiest: Agnes Brunner (as the Statue of Liberty). The vocal chords of Mark Franks added to the ghoulish festivities.

We Ramblers really love receiving guests, and since we meet just about every Friday throughout the year, there's ample opportunity for you to come and join the fun. We're just off Route 36, about 10 miles south of Exit 117 on the Garden State Parkway. We're particularly excited about having national caller Mike Jacobs at our Sadie Hawkins dance on February 29. Ramble on!

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Jeanne Gannon (jmg52@comcast.net)

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Feb. 8*	Wayne Applegate	Sweetheart Dance
Feb. 22	Dennis Reardon	Presidents Dance
Mar. 14	Charlie Kittner	St. Patrick's Day
Mar. 28	Derek Page	Think Spring
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April 11	Len Anfinsen	Hawaiian	
April 25	Dennis Reardon	Spring Flowers	
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May 23**	Wayne Applegate	Pot Luck Supper	
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For more information: Donna Poyer/Mike Szekula (908-852-9285), Kay Davis (973-697-7765), Bob and Francine Leshnower (973-697-6816) For Internet directions, enter: 219 Newton-Sparta Road, Newton, NJ 07860



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May 4	Roy Leber
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June 1	Howard Richman
June 15	No Dance – Father's Day
July 6	Mickey McFarland
July 20	Jim Snyder
August 3	Pat Push
August 17	Wayne Applegate
September 7	Roy Leber
September 21	Don Coy
October 5	Dan Koft
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Chariss Smith & Carl Luhrs: 201-489-2498

Welcome to our new treasurers, Sue and Rich Baumeister. Thanks to Micky Siegel, our outgoing treasurer, for a job well done. The treasurer's table at our dances is being ably staffed by our rotating cashiers. In a gesture of hands (and dancing feet) across the border, Motiv8ors recently joined the Hudson Valley Council.

With 6½ couples, we raided Mountain Squares on September 19. It's always a pleasure to raid this friendly club, and Joe Landi is such a fun caller. Our raiders did a spiffy rendition of our raid parade. Also in September, Fred Meyer made an appeal on behalf of the Alzheimer's Association and Fred's wife, Marian, a former president of Motiv8ors and currently an Alzheimer's patient. The response from the dancers was heart-warming with the knowledge that the funds would be used to help struggling caregivers and for research.

On October 7, we welcomed back Barbara and Stan Jacobs after a year-long absence from our club due to health concerns. Thanks to Peggy Koehler for the delicious chocolate cake she baked for our October 21 dance. Its frosting was imaginatively decorated with candy corn fields, jelly bean green beans, a candy watermelon patch, stick pretzel fences, and marshmallow ghosts.

November saw Motiv8ors nicely represented at the Mini-Festival, after which we enjoyed Mountain Squares raiding us with 1½ squares. We continued to have fun dancing through the holiday season and into the new year.

We extend a warm welcome to Jessica Wu, our latest new member. Congratulations to Jan and Louis Thompson upon their 25th anniversary; they have been square dancing for 20 and round dancing for 15 of those years. Congratulations to Joyce and Paul Huebsch upon the birth of their sixth grandchild. Former members, the Huebschs have started attending our dances more regularly again.

We offer dancing, both fun and interesting, for Advanced and Challenge dancers with varying levels of experience. Teamwork makes even challenging choreography fun. We generally have four to five squares in attendance. Our skilled callers mix motivating choreography with helpful hints as needed to keep our dancers dancing with a smile on their face and a bounce in their step. Thank you, Keith Stevens, Ken Ritucci, Todd Fellegy, Rob French, Ed Foote, and Mike Jacobs.

Ad on page 23 Jan & Louis Thompson (LTPT1@yahoo.com)

732-577-9413

Ad Makers and Reporters Alert

All deadlines are now the 7th of the month: March, July, November.

March ad submissions should cover May through September.

Please include Canceled Dances in your cover letter.

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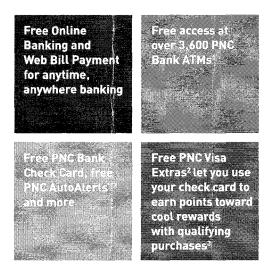
Circle Eights is currently holding a Mainstream class with Andy Woerner as instructor every Monday night at Eastbrook School in Paramus. Although the number of students is small, the angels have been enjoying themselves dancing, socializing, and mentoring the "newbies."

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Jeanne Weisman (*Kreider99@aol.com*)

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Some of our members are world travelers. Paula and Roy Lawrence took their grandchildren to the Galapagos Islands in June to celebrate their granddaughter's graduation from college. Everyone had a great time. In September, Jan and Paul Sanderson and LouEllen and George Stoms joined 100 square dancers from all over the country on a trip to Bavaria. It was organized by several callers from Arizona and California. They all had a good time and came home commenting that German dancers are "very exuberant in their dancing, and good too!"

On September 28, Bill Groth was informed he had been nominated by the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services and the Office of Emergency Medical Services for the EMS Volunteer Lifetime Achievement award for 2007. Congratulations, Bill!

Ad on page 5 Paula & Roy Lawrence (rlawr3@earthlink.net) 973-726-9463

REELERS (Ironia) – Randolph

PL/RD

The Reelers started the square dance year with a "Friendship Dance." Members brought a friend, free of charge, to show them the fun we have square dancing. Fortunately, some of these people decided to join our Mainstream class taught by Fran Wadel. Fran is doing a great job, and the students are progressing nicely. They look forward to completing Mainstream so they can start our Plus lessons in February. The angels that come out to help the class every Tuesday night are greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to Lise Greene for winning the *Grand Square* NNJSDA Poster Contest. Nice job, Lise! You and Mark are also doing a great job as Raid Chairs.

The Reelers are keeping their promise to raid all the clubs that raided us last year. Come, bring your club members to our dance, and we will return the visit. It makes our dances so much more fun to visit with our fellow square dancers. This year at our November 16 dance, everyone wore "bling or funky jewelry." We were all movie stars for a night. On January 4, we celebrated everyone's birthday. It didn't matter when your real birthday was; we celebrated them all together.

The Reelers had a good time at the Mini-Festival. A large group of Reelers and their friends went out to eat together. It is a good thing we keep on dancing because Reelers really seem to enjoy the fellowship and the FOOD.

Ads on pages 22, 35 Frank & Ruth Pagano (*Pag1060@ptd.net*) 973-827-3134

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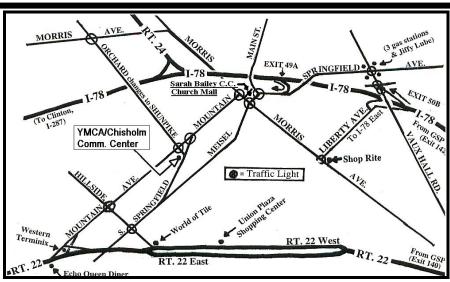
Harmony Dancers dances on the first Saturday of the month.

Feb 2 "President's Dance" Dan Koft/Kathy Koft

Mar 1 Joe Landi/Karen Kushla "St. Patrick's Dance"

Apr 5 "Spring Fling" Clay Goss/Steve Bradt

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As I write this, our 2007-08 Mainstream class is progressing nicely. At least 12 students have been attending regularly and are quite enthusiastic about square dancing. I expect that by the time you read this, they will be attending their first student dances. Roxanne Memmolo and Pat Salvesen, 2007 RR graduates, are doing a great job as class coordinators. Other 2007 grads helping out as angels include Rose & Ray, Sue & Ken, Marie, Sherry, Susan, and Cathy & Don. At the risk of leaving someone out, I would like to thank our club's loyal experienced angels: Patsy, Joe, Sue & Rich, Dotty & Mal, Rita & Ray, Mindy, Loretta, Clare, Teddy, and Tony. Loyal non-members who also angel regularly are Bob and Mary & John. Special thanks to our wonderful teacher, Fran Wadel.

Other members playing key roles for RR this year are our devoted Chairmen Mal & Dotty, diligent Presidents Barry & Laurie, Caller VPs Beverly & Marty, Facilities VP Joe, Refreshment VPs Ray & Rita, Dave & Miriam and Fred & Marion, Treasurers Sue & Rich, Assistant Treasurers Don & Cathy, and Raid Chair Patsy. Our Delegates are Greta to the Hudson Valley Council and Dave & Miriam to the NNJSDA. Also supporting our club as regular dance attendees and emissaries to other clubs are Betty, Fred & Lauren, Lucille & Richard, Maria & Roger, and Irv & Gloria. Providing Sunshine and Hospitality are Clare, Loretta, Lori, and Ken & Sue.

We wish speedy healing to Gloria Kushner as she recuperates from arthroscopic surgery. I trust that by the time this appears in print, Gloria will be back do-sa-do-ing with the rest of us. Congratulations to Mindy Scher and Betty Schultz on the recent arrival of new baby granddaughters. All our friendly members look forward to squaring up with you at RocklandRockytops.

Ad on page 47 Joan Schierlitz (dancingrandma@verizon.net) 845-353-2987

RUTGERS PROMENADERS – North Brunswick

www.rutgerspromenaders.org

1 & 3 Sun. Sept-June American Legion, 1

American Legion, 1015 Linwood Pl., 08902

MS/RD

Ken Robinson: 908-963-2447

Our new dance season is off to a positive start. We are currently holding an introductory/refresher dance session prior to our normal dancing time. This is an ideal opportunity for those who are new to Mainstream dancing to re-hone their newly acquired skills, as well as for those who may have been away from the activity for a while to "return to the fold."

In late September, Betsy Gotta led a demo of two squares at the NJ Cultural Celebration in Trenton. Your humble new reporter, who was in attendance, can attest to a very good and enthusiastic turnout with idyllic weather conditions for the day. We were raided by Belles & Beaux at our last dance in October. During November, we held (as we have for the past few years) a food collection drive to benefit a local food bank for those less fortunate than ourselves.

Ad on page 26 Mary Ann Ryan-Erdek (erdekfamily@verizon.net) 732-271-9151

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- 8 Manny Amor
- 15 Roy Leber
- 22 Jim Snyder
- 29 Barn Dance Howard Richman
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 March 2008
- 4 Derek Page
- 11 Mickey McFarland St. Patrick's Day
- 18 Don Coy
- 25 Andy Woerner

May 2008

- 6 Ed Foote
 - Anniversary Dinner Dance: 6:30 Potluck, 7:45 Dance
- 13 Chuck Hardy
- 20 Howard Richman
- 27 Rick Gittelman (Arizona)

February 2008

- 5 NO DANCE
- 12 Jim Snyder Valentine's Day Dance!
- 19 Fran Wadel Student Dance
 - (Students \$3.00)
- 26 Manny Amor Leap Year Dance

April 2008

- 1 Dan Koft April Fool's Day!
- 8 Fran Wadel Graduation!
- 15 Gerry Hardy
- 22 Len Anfinsen
- 29 Barn Dance Fran Wadel
 Open to the public Bring your friends!
 June 2008
- 3 NO DANCE
- 10 NO DANCE NJPAC Square Dance
- 17 Betsy Gotta
- 24 Jim Snyder

Note: We also dance in July!

E-mail us at:

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Spinning Wheels continues to have fun dances with great callers every Monday evening. Two of our September dances happened to be held on the hottest nights of fall, but in true square dance fashion, we danced, ate, perspired, and enjoyed the evening.

Later this year, we will be celebrating our 30th anniversary, and we are planning a wonderful celebration. There will be more information in our next report. Until then, come out and have a great time with us every Monday from September through June.

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Doris Farrand

973-812-6740

TENAKILL TWIRLERS - Cresskill

MS/PL tip

www.sqrdance.org/Tenakill.Twirlers

3 Fri. Oct-May

Bryan School, 51 Brookside Ave., 07626

Gloria Fodera: 201-385-8869

Tenakill Twirlers began its 57th season of square dancing in October with one of our favorite callers, Howard Richman. Many thanks to Circle Eights for raiding our opening dance, bringing the attendance to five squares. Our November dance featured the entertaining calling duo, Chuck and Gerry Hardy.

Happy Squares began their new season under the leadership of Mary Aquino. Happy Squares is the club that brings smiles to the faces of residents of nursing homes and similar facilities. Mary has taken over the reins from Fanny and George Meyer, who led the group for fifteen years. Fanny and George continue to dance with Happy Squares as well as continue to serve as Vice Presidents of Tenakill Twirlers. They also are eagerly anticipating the arrival of their first great-grandchild.

Come down to Brookside Avenue, our dance location for over 50 years, and you will be warmly welcomed by our membership, including Joan and Dick Marcell (treasurers), Fanny and George Meyer, Bee and Gerry Heidelberg (delegates), Myra and Miles Adler (raid chairs), and of course, Gloria Fodera (president).

Ad on page 20 Joan Schierlitz (dancingrandma@verizon.net) 845-353-2987

Cultural Celebration continued from page 17

From invitation to performance, the Secretary of State's office – the event organizers – were very helpful and pleasant. We appreciate their partnership.

Finally, a special thanks to the dancers who participated in the press conference and/or demo: John, Mary Ann, and Theresa Erdek (Rutgers Promenaders); Bob and Francine Leshnower, Kay Davis, and Ruth Seaman (Kittatinny Rangers); Don and Dianne Madden (Y Squares); Rich Delgado (Masqueraders); Mike Jacobs (CCNJ); Will Hamp (Independence Squares); Michelle and Brittany McCarty (Hunterdon Stars); Joe Kwiatek, Donna Besignano, Bryan and Sylvia Fountain, and Audrey Rounsaville (Hunterdon Flutterwheels); and Alan Willemssen (Times Squares).

Roy Gotta

RocklandRockytops

PLUS With A-1 Aftertip First Friday - 8:00 to 10:30 PM (3rd Friday in July & August)		Second	MAINSTREAM With Plus Aftertip I Friday - 8:00 to 10:30 PM
01/04/08	Roy Leber	01/11/08	Betsy Gotta
02/01/08	Derek Page	02/08/08	Fran Wadel, Student Dance
03/07/08	Mark Franks **	03/14/08	Roy Leber
04/04/08	Howard Richman	04/11/08	Sandy Corey
05/02/08	Ed Foote	05/09/08	Mickey McFarland
06/06/08	Don Coy	06/13/08	Betsy Gotta
07/18/08	Howard Richman	07/11/08	Roy Leber
08/15/08	Roy Leber	08/08/08	Derek Page

^{**} MS & Plus: March 7, 2008 is the Hudson Valley Council Club of the Month Dance

Change of Location: We are again dancing at the Air Conditioned West Nyack Firehouse, 42 Strawtown Road, West Nyack, New York 10994.

DBD Workshops from 7:45 to 8.00 PM Singles Welcome

From New York State Thruway:
Take Exit 13S to Palisades Interstate Parkway. Go ½ mile to Exit 8E (Route 59 East). (follow instructions below for Palisades Interstate Parkway)

From Palisades Interstate Parkway:
Take Exit 8E (Route 59 East). Continue on Route 59 to first traffic light. Turn left onto Crosfield Avenue. Continue to end of Crosfield Avenue, turn right onto West Nyack Road and continue to traffic light. Turn left onto Strawtown Road. Firehouse is just past yellow blinker on the right.

From Kinderkamack Road (NJ):

Kinderkamack Road becomes Route 304 in New York. Follow Route 304 north to Route 59 (East). Turn onto Route 59 East. (follow instructions above for Palisades Interstate Parkway)

For further information: Barry & Laurie: 845-268-3183 Mal & Dotty: 845-638-4393 Marty & Beverly: 201-391-3592

Thank You NNJSDA Host Clubs

for refreshments at the following events:

Delegates' Meetings:

April 27: Reelers, Sept. 14: Kittatinny Rangers
Special Dances:

Feb. 29: Cross Trail Squares, Harmony Dancers, Hi Taws
March 29: Reelers, RocklandRockytops

WESTERN WHEELERS - Oradell

PL/A tip/RD

www.sqrdance.org/Western.Wheelers

2 & 4 Sat. Sept-April Reformed Church of Oradell, 641 Church St., 07649
Roger & Maria Hoernlein: 201-384-0334 Ed & Rose Spincken: 201-768-8632
Cell for dance night: 201-390-5123

Where does the time go? Our first dance of the fall season on October 13 featured a real fun caller, Jim Snyder. On October 27, five squares enjoyed themselves dancing to Ken Ritucci's calling. The club had a short meeting before the dance, and our volunteers and plans are in place for the season. We welcome Hilda Bachmann as our new refreshment coordinator and Pat Korzelius and Audrey Kerner as her committee. Roger Hoernlein introduced our six new members and presented them with club badges. Welcome, and happy dancing! We are confident that Bob Bachmann, our NNJSDA delegate, will keep us well informed.

We completed our raid program for this past season. We have a very efficient coordinator, Georgi Flandera. She "gets the job done." At our November 10 dance, we were raided by the GSSDC club (those campers), with Len Anfinsen calling. We always enjoy this "wearing-of the-green" group.

The Hoernleins had a unique family reunion this past July: They all met in the Adirondack Mountains and stayed in cabins. Neat idea? The Flanderas made a trip to Italy. Maybe they can demonstrate Italian square dancing some time. Oh, what fun we do have!

We look forward to our New Year's Eve dance this year, co-sponsored by Circle Eights and featuring the Hardys. Come join us, you'll like us: The Friendly Club!

Ad on page 14 Marilyn P. Bachman (margus258@aol.com)

201-261-3921

Y SQUARES - Clark

MS/PL tips/RD

www.y-squares.nnjsda.org

2 & 4 Fri. Sept-MayHehnly Elem. School, 590 Raritan Rd., 07066

Jan & Paul Sanderson: 908-233-2414

Cell for dance night: 908-612-6677

Our new class is off to a great start. Our seven students are progressing nicely and having lots of fun. Some of our graduates have returned to review the class. A great big "Thank you!" to all our angels who come out and help every week.

In October, Middletown Ramblers raided our club with $3\frac{1}{2}$ squares. It was wonderful to have all those guests. Thank you, Middletown!

Please check our ad for changes in location. Come visit us!

Ad on page 34 Dianne & Don Madden (olreggie@comcast.net) 609-693-0247



Tulip Festival

16th Annual Dinner Dance

April 5, 2008

at Vasa Park, Budd Lake, NJ 2:00 - 7:30 PM

Callers:

Cuer:

Tim Crawford (Ontario) Mary McGee (PA) Lucille Ims (PA)

> Alternating Plus and Mainstream With Rounds

Information

Kay Davis 973-697-7765 or Mike & Donna 908-852-9285

Please Print

Name		Club
Address		
City, State		Zip Code
Phone	# Tickets @ \$30 each	Total Amount \$
Make checks payable to	Kittatinny Rangers and ma	il to: Kay Davis
Please enclose a stam		23 Woodland Drive
self-addressed envelo		Oak Ridge, NJ 07438

MIDDLETOWN RAMBLERS

January-April 2008

7:30-10:00pm, Friday Nights Croydon Hall, Bryant Ave., Leonardo, NJ

DATE	CALLER	COMMENTS
Jan. 25	George Icenhower	Class Dance
Feb. 1	Mark Franks	
Feb. 8	Betsy & Roy Gotta	Croydon Hall
Feb. 15	Nick Martellacci	Valentine Day's Dance
Feb. 22	George Icenhower	Class Dance
Feb. 29	Mike Jacobs	**NATIONAL CALLER**
March 7	Wayne Applegate	
March 14	Howard Richman	Pie Night
March 21	NO DANCE	
March 28	Joe Landi	Class Dance
April 4	Don Coy	
April 11	Betsy Gotta	
April 18	Mark Franks	
April 25	Don Coy	

COST: Members \$3.00; Guests \$3.50 (refreshments are served)

NOTE: Hearing enhancement system available.

Ken Douglass, 732-581-4361 Agnes Brunner, 732-264-3541 Jeanne Gannon, 732-872-2377 Betty Scharmann, 732-291-1188

Directions: GSP South to Exit 117 (Hazlet/Keyport); stay to your left after the exit. Take Rt. 36 approx. 8 miles to Leonardo State Marina U-turn (just past Academy Bus Depot). As you come out of the U-turn make a right on Leonard Ave. to the stop sign. Make a left onto Leonardville Road and Croydon Hall will be on the right side just past the school parking lot. Turn right into the driveway between the stone posts, drive past the white house, and proceed to the back of the complex.

CALENDAR OF ADVERTISED DANCES

Listing of dances, weekends, and workshops prepared from ads appearing **IN THIS ISSUE**. See ad for details. *Student Dances are italicized*. All dances are in NJ unless specified. Abbreviations: A=Advanced; Alt=Alternate; B=Basic; C=Challenge; CW=Country & Western; MS=Mainstream; PL=Plus; RD=Rounds; TBA=To Be Announced; WS=Workshop

	e/Club uary, 2008	Caller/Cuer/Leader	Place	Program
20	F.A.D. Squares	Gotta	Paramus	MS/PL tip
21 22 23 25	Rutgers Promenaders Spinning Wheels Lakeland Squares Cross Trail Squares Bee Sharps Circle Eights	Gottas & Kofts Leber/Gesumaria Snyder Gotta Gotta/Gotta Koft	New Brunswick Oakland Montville Caldwell Bound Brook Haworth	MS/RD MS/CW/PL tip MS/PL tip Alt. MS & PL/A tip PL/RD MS/PL tip
00	Kittatinny Rangers Middletown Ramblers Y Squares	Woerner Icenhower Leber/Kushla	Andover <i>Leonardo</i> Clark	Alt. MS & PL Class Level MS/RD/PL tip
26 27	Western Wheelers NNJSDA Mid-Term AleMo Squares Motiv8ors	Koft/Koft <i>Many Callers</i> L. Kopman Leber	Oradell <i>Elmwood Park</i> Brooklyn, NY Elmwood Park	PL/RD/A tip Student Level Alt. MS & PL A2/C1
28	Spinning Wheels	TBA/Gesumaria	Oakland	MS/CW/PL tip
29	Lakeland Squares	Richman	Montville	Barn Dance
Feb	ruary			
1	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Koft	Stanton Station	Alt. MS & PL
	Masqueraders	Gotta/Gotta	Hightstown	PL/RD
	Middletown Ramblers	Franks	Leonardo	PL PL
	Reelers (Ironia)	Reardon/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
2	RocklandRockytops Harmony Dancers	D. Page Koft/Koft	West Nyack, NY Springfield	PL/A1 tip PL/RD
3	F.A.D. Squares	Koft	Paramus	MS/PL tip
3	Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas & Kofts	New Brunswick	MS/RD
4	Spinning Wheels	Leber/Gesumaria	Oakland	MS/CW/PL tip
6	Belles & Beaux	Gotta	Glen Rock	MS
8	Bee Sharps	Jacques/Bradt	Bound Brook	PL/A2/RD
	Kittatinny Rangers	Applegate	Andover	Alt. MS & PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Gotta/Gotta	Leonardo	PL/RD
	RocklandRockytops	Wadel	West Nyack, NY	Student Level
_	Y Squares	Koft/Koft	Clark	MS/RD/PL tip
9	Western Wheelers	Applegate/Millar	Oradell	PL/RD/A tip
10	AleMo Squares	Richman	Brooklyn, NY	Alt. MS & PL A2/C1
11	Motiv8ors Spinning Wheels	Gotta Kapnick/Gesumaria	Elmwood Park Oakland	MS/CW/PL tip
12	Lakeland Squares	Snyder	Montville	MS/PL tip
13	Cross Trail Squares	Leber	Caldwell	Alt. MS & PL/A tip
15	Hunterdon Flutterwheels		Stanton Station	Alt. MS & PL
	Masqueraders	Franks/Roberts	Hightstown	PL/RD
	Middletown Ramblers	Martellacci	Leonardo	PL
	Reelers (Ironia)	Snyder/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
	Tenakill Twirlers	Richman	Cresskill	MS/PL tip
17	F.A.D. Squares	Push	Paramus	MS/PL tip
	Motiv8ors	Baker	Elmwood Park	A2/C1
10	Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas & Kofts	New Brunswick Montville	MS/RD
19 20	Lakeland Squares Belles & Beaux	<i>Wadel</i> Applegate	Glen Rock	Class Level MS
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22 23 24 25	Bee Sharps Circle Eights Kittatinny Rangers Middletown Ramblers Y Squares Western Wheelers AleMo Squares CCNJ Spinning Wheels	Richman/Pickett Applegate Reardon Icenhower Gotta/Gotta Gotta/Gotta Gotta Many Callers Richman/Gesumaria	Bound Brook Haworth Andover Leonardo Clark Oradell Brooklyn, NY Little Falls Oakland	Alt. MS & PL/RD MS/PL tip Alt. MS & PL Class level MS/RD/PL tip PL/RD/A tip Alt. MS & PL Student Level MS/CW/PL tip
26 27 29	Lakeland Squares Cross Trail Squares Middletown Ramblers NNJSDA Special	Amor D. Page Jacobs Adams/Denniston, McCabe	Montville Caldwell Leonardo Caldwell	MS/PL tip Alt. MS & PL/A tip PL PL/RD
Mar	ch			
1 2	Harmony Dancers F.A.D. Squares Motiv8ors Rutgers Promenaders Spinning Wheels	Landi/Kushla Coy Fellegy Gottas & Kofts Leber/Gesumaria	Springfield Paramus Elmwood Park New Brunswick Oakland	PL/RD MS/PL tip A2/C1 MS/RD MS/CW/PL tip
4 5	Lakeland Squares Belles & Beaux	D. Page TBA	Montville Glen Rock	MS/PL tip
7	Mountain Squares Hunterdon Flutterwheels Masqueraders Middletown Ramblers Reelers (Ironia) RocklandRockytops	Landi Richman Leber/Gotta Applegate Koft/Koft Franks	Whippany Stanton Station Hightstown Leonardo Randolph West Nyack, NY	A2 Alt. MS & PL PL/RD PL PL/RD Alt. MS & PL
8 9	Western Wheelers AleMo Squares NNJRDLC	Anfinsen/Millar Bersing	Oradell Brooklyn, NY Warren	PL/RD/A tip Alt. MS & PL RD Phase 2-6
10 11 12 14	Spinning Wheels Lakeland Squares Cross Trail Squares Bee Sharps Kittatinny Rangers Middletown Ramblers RocklandRockytops Y Squares	Spring Festival Snyder/Gesumaria McFarland Ritucci Snyder/Roberts Kittner Richman Leber Landi/Kushla	Oakland Montville Caldwell Bound Brook Andover Leonardo West Nyack, NY Clark	MS/CW/PL tip MS/PL tip Alt. MS & PL/A tip Alt. MS & PL/RD Alt. MS & PL PL MS/PL tip MS/PL tip MS/RD/PL tip
16	F.A.D. Squares Rutgers Promenaders	Martellacci Gottas & Kofts	Paramus New Brunswick	MS/PL tip MS/RD
17 18 19	Spinning Wheels Lakeland Squares Belles & Beaux Mountain Squares	Coy/Gesumaria Coy Applegate Landi	Oakland Montville Glen Rock Whippany	MS/CW/PL tip MS/PL tip MS A2
20 22 24 25 26 28	Rutgers Promenaders Western Wheelers Spinning Wheels Lakeland Squares Cross Trail Squares Bee Sharps Circle Eights Kittatinny Rangers Middletown Ramblers Y Squares NNJSDA Special	Gottas & Kofts Snyder/Millar Richman/Gesumaria Woerner Jacobs Gotta/Gotta Coy D. Page Landi Williamson/Kushla Matthew/McGee	New Brunswick Oradell Oakland Montville Caldwell Bound Brook Haworth Andover Leonardo Clark Caldwell	MS/RD PL/RD/A tip MS/CW/PL tip MS/PL tip Alt. MS & PL/A tip Alt. MS & PL/RD Class Level Alt. MS & PL Class Level MS/RD/PL tip PL/RD

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30	Motiv8ors	Ritucci	Elmwood Park	A2/C1
31	Spinning Wheels	Kapnick/Gesumaria	Oakland	MS/CW/PL tip
Apri	ı			
1	Lakeland Squares	Koft	Montville	MS/PL tip
2	Belles & Beaux	Martellacci	Glen Rock	MS
_				A2
4	Mountain Squares	Landi	Whippany	
4	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	C., G. Hardy	Stanton Station	Alt. MS & PL
	Masqueraders	Snyder/Roberts	Hightstown	PL/RD
	Middletown Ramblers	Coy	Leonardo	PL PL
	Reelers (Ironia)	Reardon/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
_	RocklandRockytops	Richman	West Nyack, NY	PL/A1 tip
5	Harmony Dancers	Goss/Bradt	Springfield	PL/RD
	Kittatinny Rangers	Crawford, Ims/McGee	Budd Lake	Alt. MS & PL/RD
6	F.A.D. Squares	Snyder	Paramus	MS/PL tip
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas & Kofts	New Brunswick	MS/RD
7	Spinning Wheels	Leber/Gesumaria	Oakland	MS/CW/PL tip
8	Lakeland Squares	Wadel	Montville	MS/PL tip
9	Cross Trail Squares	Leber	Caldwell	Alt. MS & PL/A tip
11	Bee Sharps	Franks/Pickett	Bound Brook	Alt. MS & PL/RD
	Kittatinny Rangers	Anfinsen	Andover	Alt. MS & PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Gotta	Leonardo	PL
	RocklandRockytops	Corey	West Nyack, NY	MS/PL tip
	Y Squares	G. Hardy/Kushla	Clark	MS/RD/PL tip
12	Western Wheelers	Reardon/Millar	Oradell	PL/RD/A tip
13	AleMo Squares	Longobucco	Brooklyn, NY	Alt. MS & PL
	Motiv8ors	Clasper	Elmwood Park	A2/C1
14	Spinning Wheels	C. Hardy/Gesumaria	Oakland	MS/CW/PL tip
15	Lakeland Squares	G. Hardy	Montville	MS/PL tip
16	Belles & Beaux	Richman	Glen Rock	MS
	Mountain Squares	Landi	Whippany	A2
18	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Kerns	Stanton Station	Alt. MS & PL
	Masqueraders	Gotta/Gotta	Hightstown	PL/RD
	Middletown Ramblers	Franks	Leonardo	PL
	Reelers (Ironia)	Anfinsen/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
	Tenakill Twirlers	Koft	Cresskill	MS/PL tip
20	Cross Trail Squares	Marriner	Lincoln Park	Alt. MS & PL
	F.A.D. Squares	Foote	Paramus	MS/PL tip
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas & Kofts	New Brunswick	MS/RD
22	Lakeland Squares	Anfinsen	Montville	MS/PL tip
25	Bee Sharps	Anfinsen/Kushla	Bound Brook	Alt. MS & PL/RD
	Circle Eights	Woerner	Haworth	MS/PL tip
	Kittatinny Rangers	Reardon	Andover	Alt. MS & PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Coy	Leonardo	PL
	Y Squares	Snyder/McCabe	Clark	MS/RD/PL tip
26	Western Wheelers	Coy/MIllar	Oradell	PL/RD/A tip
27	AleMo Squares	G. Hardy	Brooklyn, NY	Alt. MS & PL
	NNJSDA Spring Fling	Coy, Koft	Elmwood Park	Student Level
28	Spinning Wheels	Wadel/Gesumaria	Oakland	MS/CW/PL tip
29	Lakeland Squares	Wadel	Montville	Barn Dance
		Workshops at Ever	•	
	Cross Trail Squares	½ hour before dance	Caldwell	PL DDD
	Lakeland Squares	first ¼ hour of dance	Montville	PL DBD
	Masqueraders	third tip as needed	Hightstown	PL
	Mountain Squares	every dance as needed		A2
	Spinning Wheels	first ½ hour of dance	Oakland	PL
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	Conventions, Festivals, Specials & Weekends			
Janu				
27	NNJSDA Mid-Term	Many Callers	Elmwood Park	Student Level
	ruary			
24	CCNJ	Many Callers	Little Falls	Student Level
29	NNJSDA Special	Adams/Denniston, McCabe	Caldwell	PL/RD
Mar	ch			
9	NNJRDLC	Spring Festival	Warren	RD Phase 2-6
29	NNJSDA Special	Matthew/McGee	Caldwell	PL/RD
Apri				
5	Kittatinny Rangers 16 th Annual Dinner Da		Budd Lake	Alt. MS & PL/RD
16	Belles & Beaux 9 th Annual Mystery Sq	Richman Juare Dance	Glen Rock	MS
18-2	0 C1 Blitz Weekend '	Ken Ritucci	Poughkeepsie, NY	Learn C1
20	Cross Trail Squares 40 th Anniversary Danc	Tim Marriner ce	Lincoln Park	Alt. MS/PL
25-2	26 New England 50 th Ann	niversary Celebration Live Music	Sturbridge, MA	MS/PL/A/C RD/Contra
27	NNJSDA Spring Fling	Coy, Koft	Elmwood Park	Student Level
May		•		
10	Mystery Bus Raid	Belles & Beaux	????????	MS/PL
31	NNJSDA 50 th Anniv.	Snyder/Pickett	Caldwell	MS/RD
June				
10	NJPAC	Coy	Newark	Demo
July				
9	NNJSDA Special	Push/Millar	Caldwell	MS/PL/RD
23	NNJSDA Special	Lee/Gotta	Caldwell	MS/PL/RD
Aug		Law mahasaa //Zarahila	O-Labora II	**C/DL/DD
13 27	NNJSDA Special	Longobucco/Kushla	Caldwell Caldwell	MS/PL/RD MS/PL/RD
	NNJSDA Special	Ritucci/Wagenhoffers	Caldwell	MI2/LIKD
	tember 4 C1 Weekend	Ritucci, Stacy	Honesdale, PA	C1, C2 workshops
12-1 27	NNJSDA	Marriner/Gotta	New Brunswick	MS/PL/RD
21	The Gathering	Daytime Education Se		
Octo	_	Daytime Education 36	SSIUIIS/EVEIIIIIY Dai	ice
	Northeast Callers	Ritucci, Poisson,	Manchester, NH	Learn to Call
0 10	School	R. Dougherty, Fellegy	Marioriostor, 1411	Improve Skills
16	Hix & Chix	D. Dougherty/Waghfs.	Elmwood Park	PL/RD
	9 Tumbling Leaves	Bates, Harrison, Moger, Marriner, Marshall, Rituo	Bennington, VT	MS/PL/A1/A2/C1/ C2/RD

57th National Square Dance Convention "Promenade on the Prairie"

June 25, 26, 27, 28, 2008 Wichita, Kansas For details, go to www.57nsdc.com

The nearest downtown hotels are already booked.

Use of a bus pass is highly recommended for other locations.

Buses hired by the Convention are comfortable and air-conditioned.

Reservations Needed for:

Wednesday, June 25 starting 5:45 pm

Bar-B-Q Dinner: live music by the "Prairie Wranglers"

We're Doing It Again in 2008!!! The Gathering Soaring into Square Dancing's Future

September 27, 2008 * 12 noon-10 pm



Keynote Address by Tim Marriner (SC)

"Winning Ways to Approach Our Future"

Sessions covering 25+ Topics

Handouts on dozens more

To top off an exciting day:
Evening Dance With
Tim Marriner (SC) MS & PL
Roy Gotta (NJ) Rounds

Location: Douglass College, New Brunswick, NJ Save money by pre-registering: \$11 by June 30, \$13 after!

See Grand Square or www.NNJSDA.org
for latest information, map, and directions.

To pre-register contact

Kay Davis

23 Woodland Drive, Oak Ridge, NJ 07438

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Spinning Wheels

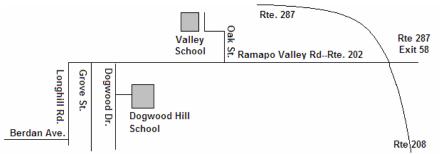
WE DANCE MAINSTREAM EVERY MONDAY NIGHT - SEPT. Through JUNE

Dogwood Hill School, 25 Dogwood Dr., Oakland, NJ 07436 Valley Middle School, 71 Oak St., Oakland, NJ 07436 Dogwood Hill School, 25 Dogwood Dr., Oakland, NJ 07436 Sept., Oct., Nov. Dec., Jan., Feb., March April, May, June

INTRODUCTION TO PLUS: 8:00 - 8:30 pm Refreshments Provided by Members ONE TIP – PLUS Western Dancing With Dolores

Jan 7, 2008 14 21 28	Roy Leber Howard Richman Roy Leber To be Announced	At Valley Middle School " " "
Feb. 4, 2008 11 18 25	Roy Leber Ron Kapnick NO DANCE Howard Richman	At Valley Middle School Presidents' Day " "
Mar. 3, 2008 10 17 24 31	Roy Leber Jim Snyder Don Coy Howard Richman Ron Kapnick	At Valley Middle School " " " " "
April 7, 2008 14 21 28	Roy Leber Chuck Hardy NO DANCE Fran Wadel	At Dogwood Hill School Spring Break
May 5, 2008 12 19 26	Ed Foote Gerry Hardy Rick Gittelman NO DANCE	At Dogwood Hill School " " Memorial Day

For information call: Dolores Gesumaria 201-337-8365



From Rte. 208/287: Exit 58 (Oakland) Take Rt. 202 (Ramapo Valley Rd.) South into center of Oakland.

Dogwood Hill School is .8 miles. Turn left on Dogwood Drive; turn left after 5 houses into school driveway.

Valley Middle School is .5 miles. Turn Right on Oak St. Take 1st left into Borough Hall parking lot and then immediate right down hill to side of Valley School.

From Wayne: Take Berdan Ave to end; turn left on Longhill Rd. to traffic light; turn right on Rte 202; take 2nd right onto Dogwood Drive.





50th

2008

Sturbridge, MA April 25 & 26, 2008

SAVE THE DATE

Celebrating 50 Years in New England

All Activities will be held at the Host Hotel and Burgess Elementary School.

Programs include Easy Mainstream through C1, Live Music, Contras, and Round Dancing.

Convention Chairmen – Jay & Sandi Silva Email – Ladysis@Metrocast.net, 603-942-7226 Or contact Dick & Shirley White, 603-532-7327

Glen Rock Central School Elmwood Park VFW 1 & 3 Wed 600 Maple Avenue 6 Veterans Place Mainstream Glen Rock, NJ 07452 Elmwood Park, NJ 07407 September – May June – August 8 - 10 PM**Belles & Beaux Winter/Spring 2008** Feb 6 Betsy Gotta Chinese New Year Feb 20 Wayne Applegate Karaoke Night TBA Polka Dot Dance March 5 Wayne Applegate March 19 Class Level Dance Nick Martellacci April 2 Wheel Around Howard The Cat Who ... special April 16 Richman **Murder Mystery** time! May 7 Fran Wadel Graduation Info - Rosann 201-385-3907 Grandsquare1@aol.com www.sqrdance.org/BellesBeaux Night of dance 646-275-4970

Elmwood Park VFW Hall, 6 Veterans Place, 07407 Delegates' Meetings Spring Fling: April 27 WALEREW K-MART BROADWAY - RTE, 4 ELM WOOD PK, STATE PARK ROUTE 80 TO GEO. WASHINGTON BRIDGE N ELMWOOD PK ROUTE 80 TO GEO. WASHINGTON BRIDGE N ELMWOOD PK ROUTE 80 TO GEO. WASHINGTON BRIDGE N ELMWOOD PK ELMWOOD PK

Have you made your reservations For the NNƏSDA 50th Anniversary Celebration ?

6 Veterans Place Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

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Northern New Jersey Square Dancers Association

Summer Specials

Evenings for experienced square and round dancers to welcome our newest dancers onto the beautiful floor, in the well air-conditioned St. Aloysius Church in Caldwell.

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Karen Kushla (NJ)
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Rick & Rosina Wagenhoffer (NY)

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MAINSTREAM		PLUS	
Sunday	Weeks of the Month	Thursday	Weeks of the Month
F.A.D. Squares	1, 3 All Year	Hix & Chix	Varied June-Aug
c.c.oconnor@att.ne	et .	Friday	
Rutgers Promenaders		Bee Sharps	2, 4 Sept-Jar
president@rutgerspromenaders.org		beesharps@squaredancing.com	
Monday		Masqueraders	
Spinning Wheels Every Week Sept-June		theharthousehold@aol.com	
dollyges @verizon.net		Middletown Ramblers Every Week All Year	
Tuesday		middletownramblers@comcast.net	
	Every Week Sept-July	Reelers (Ironia)	1, 3 Sept-June
lakelandsquares @hotmail.com		kellyjj @att.net	
Wednesday		RocklandRockytops	
Belles & Beaux	1, 3 All Year	lauries @optonline.i	net 3 Jul-Aug
bellesbeaux@gmail.com		Saturday	
Friday		Harmony Dancers	1 Oct-May
Circle Eights	4 Sept-June	leo.j.eckmann@vei	
corvis2 @verizon.ne		Western Wheelers	' '
RocklandRockytops	2 All Year	rhoernlein@optonli	ne.net
lauries @optonline.net		ALTERNATE MAINSTREAM/ PLUS	
Tenakill Twirlers	3 Oct-May	Sunday	
Y Squares	2, 4 Sept-May	AleMo Squares	2, 4 Sept-June
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