



Orange Blossom Squares News



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PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

With the start of our Winter season we are seeing some of our "Winter Guests" returning. This is great to see as this means we are seeing larger crowds and the increased attendance helps us pay the increase in the rental fees.

Coming up on February 13 is our Sweethearts Ball with Gary Shoemake as our caller.

On March 13 is our St. Patrick's Dance with Ron Libby and Johnny Preston as callers.

And don't forget that the Shamrock Swing will be held at La Hacienda Center on March 18-19 with Dee Dee Dougherty and Bob Stern as callers. Joanne and Ken Helton will be the cuers.

April 3 is Badge Night. Everyone is encouraged to wear all of your badges. You have earned them; so proudly wear them on this night.

On April 10 we have another special caller, Jack O'Leary from Iowa will be here.

This brings us up to Easter Sunday, April 24. No dance on this date.

Remember that you the members are our most important assets. We need your support. Please attend our Sunday dances as this supports the Orange Blossom Squares Club in the best way possible.

You can always find our dance schedules and other important club information by visiting our website at www.obsquares.org.

See you all in a square real soon.

Yellow Rocks,
Hal Baumann and Nancy Van Rooy

CALLERS SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY

- 6 NO DANCE Super Bowl
13 GARY SHOEMAKE Sweethearts
Ball
20 GARY BROWN
27 SCOTTY SHARRER

MARCH

- 6 JACK LEWIS
13 LIBBY / PRESTON St. Patrick's Day
20 NO DANCE Shamrock Swing
27 DUANE RODGERS

APRIL

- 3 R. J. HOGAN Badge Night
10 JACK O'LEARY
17 DON HANHURST
24 NO DANCE Easter

CUER

JOANNE & KEN HELTON

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PRESIDENTS' – ELECT REPORT

Happy 2011!!!!

We hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday Season! Now we are back to the business of planning and preparing for all of our upcoming dances and special square dance events.

In preparation for planning the 2012 schedule of Callers for Sunday evenings, we held a Caller's Meeting on Wednesday, January 12. Ten of our twelve members were in attendance. Two members could not be with us, but did send some very helpful suggestions.

A list of local and special callers were presented to each person for their rating of each caller and comments as to how many times each caller should be asked to call for the club. Discussions were held regarding each to help with the planning and ratings.

Based on the suggestions we will be contacting callers to assess their availability to call for the 2012 dance season.

**Hope to see you all in a square!
Bob & Jennie Courter**

TRAINING DIRECTORS' REPORT

Duane's class is still progressing very nicely. We continued classes during the holidays, averaging 4 couples each week. Those that were away are now coming back, giving us 8 to 10 couples. We've had a few couples join us that are here for a short period of time, but want to improve on their dancing skills. We are fortunate to have a group of dedicated Angels and Helping Hands that show up each week.

On January 10th, we started a new Monday morning class with RJ Hogan. We had a good showing of new student couples, however only 3 couples are full time residents. The others are here anywhere from 1 to 6 months. Our introductory weeks end on the 24th. We'll know then if we have enough students that will be here for most of the class. Once again we had a nice group of Angels and Helping Hands.

If you know of anyone that would like to start square dancing, or get back into it, have them give us a call.

**Sharon and Ron Paul
Training Directors**

MEMBERS NOT IN THE DIRECTORY

FORGUSON, 08/19	Ed, Pat 11/11, 11/23	1116 Paradise Drive ed@edforguson.com	32159 717-991-5160	FL Mar '09
MENTZER, 04/19	*Jim, Lois 02/05, 01/08	607 Concord Court	32162 751-5591	IA Apr '05
PEACOCK, 03/23	*Terry, Sue 08/04, 06/21	17639 S.E. 88 th Covington Circle	32162 751-4314	FL Oct '04

BANNER RAID REPORT

February 20th, Recreation Plantation will retrieve their banner.

February 22nd, we will raid the Circle Squares at Top of the World.

Celebrity Squares will raid on February 27th.

February 28th, we raid Oak Run Twirlers at Oak Run.

March 6th, Sunshine Promenaders will raid us.

March 25th, we will retrieve our banner from Sunshine Promenaders.

Respectfully submitted,
Ron & Judy Rebhorn

Brenda & Willie Amerson received an award for attending 50 banner raids.

Congratulations! Keep up the good work.

Respectfully submitted,
Shirley Genschorck



ORANGE BLOSSOM SPECIALS

Feb.--05-----Winterfest at Community United Methodist Church in Fruitland Park.

Feb.--09-----The Springs of Lady Lake & Lady Lake Specialty Care.

Feb.--16-----Bridge at Life Care Center & Assisted Living at Life Care Center in Ocala.

Mar.--09-----Sunrise Arc (Senior Day Care Center) in Leesburg.

Mar.--28-----Palm Garden of Ocala & New Horizon Nursing Home in Ocala.

There will be a lot more information about the Special in the Members meeting report on Feb. 13.

Thanks

Bruce & Roberta Troop



SHIRTS - CAPS - SOCKS

SHIRTS FOR SALE

Shirts come in white and orange, with or without your name and OBS logo. Sample shirts will be available to try on. We also have golf caps and orange socks.

Payment is due at the time of your order with cash or a check made out to *Orange Blossom Squares*.

Note: Since the manufacturer has changed, OBS is selling the four orange sample shirts. These are for sale at 50% off plus tax, \$12.85. There is one each size small, medium, large, and extra large. They are 50/50 poly cotton and are plain orange with no decoration.

You may order by calling Muriel and Roy Trulson, 259-2422.

Recycle Your Square Dance Clothes

FOR SALE: Ladies skirts, blouses, belts and petticoats, size 10.
Men's square dance shirts, size large.

Call Julie Grant - 259-9894

FOR SALE: Matching outfits for couples with blouses, skirts, crinolines, ruffled panties, shirts and ties that are color coordinated. Some are brand new with the tags still on that were purchased in Gatlinburg. Women's sizes are small and medium. Men's sizes are large and extra-large.

Women's dance shoe size 7.

Also, basic and plus dance lessons on videos and CD's.
Everything at very good prices.

Please call Janet at 352 (must dial area code) 222-3939

TO DONATE: Women's skirts, blouses and petticoats, size 12-14

OBS Shirts – Logo No Name: Women's White, Size M

Men's White, Size L and Orange, Size M

Call Mary Childs at 430-1028

CFA DIRECTORS' REPORT



Shamrock Swing 2011

Don't miss this fun time, full of dancing Friday evening, Saturday daytime, and Saturday evening. There will be Mainstream, Plus, Advanced, and Round dancing. What more can we ask for???

I'm sure you know it's right here in The Villages at La Hacienda March 18th and 19th. Those dates are approaching fast. You probably know that Bob Stern is our local Caller, Dee Dee Dougherty is our National Caller, and Joanne and Ken Helton will be doing the Rounds. Again, what more can we ask for???

We would love to have each of you be a Booster in our Program Book. Just \$1.00 per name, we list you in the book, and you help us defray the cost of publishing the book. We always have our Shamrock Swing table set up where you can sign up to be a Booster, or when we come around the hall, you can sign up. We thank you so much!!

If you haven't purchased your Ribbons yet, come over to our table, and we'll fix you right up. Just \$18 per person for the entire program.

This is a Central Florida dance, we are part of Central Florida. Let's all help make this dance a big success once again.

Sharon and Ron Paul
2011 Shamrock Swing chairpersons



ROUND DANCE CLASSES

Round Dances, Lessons, etc.!

Ken & Joanne Helton, Instructors
Phone: 352-343-4282 or 352-455-5759

Email: joanne@joannehelton.com

Schedule: <http://www.joannehelton.com/schedule.htm>





CELEBRATING 50 OR MORE YEARS OF MARRIAGE



The following new and current members are celebrating 50 or more years of marriage:



*Adele & Wendell Hatcher -
June 26, 1955*



*Janet & Roger Dyke -
August 16, 1958*



*Ron & Judy Rebhorn -
June 25, 1960*



*Paul & Lorraine Richard -
November 5, 1960*

WINTERFEST 2011, LAKELAND, FL

Pre-registration winners at the Winterfest held at Lakeland:

Orange Blossom Squares tied with another club in having sent in the most pre-registrations for the 2011 Winterfest in Lakeland. The club received \$100.

Pictured are Judy & Allen Orazio.

**Submitted by:
Shirley Genschorck**





Happy Anniversary

Mentzer, Jim	02/05	Stackhouse, Bill & Arlene	02/01
Biddinger, Bob	02/10	Godlin, Ted & Kaufman, Kelley	02/19
Van Rooy, Nancy	02/11	Yaeger, Marlene & Tom	02/22
Pearce, Margie	02/13	Troop, Roberta & Bruce	03/11
Moldovan, Valerie	02/14	Baumann, Hal & Van Rooy, Nancy	03/17
Smiley, Lenore	02/15	Stead, Ethel & Bob	03/17
Richard, Lorraine	02/18	Williams, Marian & Rolle	03/17
Troop, Roberta	02/24	Peacock, Sue & Terry	03/23
Hubert, Art	03/01		
Paul, Ron	03/01		
Smith, David	03/02		
Hostetler, Mary-Ann	03/04		
Rouze, Robert	03/06		
Young, Robert	03/07		
Smith, Sandra	03/08		
Labbe, Tom	03/11		
Stead, Ethel	03/12		
Barone, Glenda	03/13		
Kaufman, Kelley	03/13		
Kinder, Ruth	03/15		
Orndorff, Fran	03/16		
Troop, Bruce	03/18		
Strunk, Charlotte	03/19		
Yakel, Sandy	03/20		
Paul, Sharon	03/21		
Heins, Dale	03/25		
Reis, Peter	03/28		
Connolly, Steve	03/29		

