



Orange Blossom Squares News



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PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Well here we go again, "The start of a new year for The Orange Blossom Squares." We are looking forward to a good year of dancing and fun.

First of all we would like to thank Hal & Nancy for their devoted service to the club for the past year. They did a remarkable job of keeping everyone dancing and provided us with plenty of information about the club events. They and their committee did a great job on the Installation Dinner and Dance that was held on Sept. 27. Great food, good dancing provided by Duane Rodgers and Joanne Helton, and overall good time had by all. We also would like to thank Ron and Sharon Paul for their special installation ceremony of the new officers. It was very nicely presented.

By the time you read this article, our special 25th Anniversary Dance will be history. This committee, "Hal & Nancy, Jack & Mary-Ann, Larry & Barbara, Ed & Fran, and us," have been working for many months planning this special event. We will provide additional information in our next newsletter.

Upcoming Events:

Tuesday, October 4 – Start of a new class for Square Dance Lesson. Duane Rodgers will be the caller. This will be held at Saddlebrook Recreation Center from 7 to 9, bring your friends and neighbors.

**Since we are in process of preparing a new "Club Directory," we need all of you to check the Directory to see that your information is correct.*

Special Dance – October 16 – Dee Dee Dougherty. Please purchase your tickets.

October 30 – Halloween Dance. We will have some special awards to present for those who wear costumes.

Please keep all of our members in your prayers and thoughts, especially those who are ill and facing operations.

Please remember to support our dances. The club needs you! We miss you when you are not with us.

Yellow Rocks, Bob & Jennie Courter

Happy Anniversary
Orange Blossom Squares



CALLERS SCHEDULE

OCTOBER

- 2 JACK LEWIS
25th Anniversary Dance
- 9 RON LIBBY
- 16 DEE DEE DOUGHERTY **
- 23 RED BATES
- 30 KEITH STEVENS Halloween Dance

NOVEMBER

- 6 R.J. HOGAN
- 13 DUANE RODGERS
- 20 BRAD "EL TORO"
TOMLINSON **
- 27 RON LIBBY

DECEMBER

- 4 WHIT BROWN Toys for Tots
- 11 TIM MARRINER **
- 18 DON HANHURST Christmas Dance
- 25 NO DANCE

** SPECIAL TICKET DANCE

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JOANNE & KEN HELTON

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Officers of the Orange Blossom Squares 2011 – 2012

Presidents	Bob & Jennie Courter
Presidents Elect	Mike & Wanda David
Secretaries	Paul & Lorraine Richard
Treasurers	Ron & Ann Marchioni

Non elected member/attends Bd Mtgs only if Treasurers not available

Assistant Treasurers	Larry & Barbara Harding
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Directors

Immediate Past Presidents	Hal Baumann and Nancy Van Rooy
Banner Chair	Jerry & Charlotte Strunk
Training Directors	Ron & Sharon Paul
Media/Publicity	Linda Sorensen/Ron Grove
Orange Blossom Specials/Badges	Bruce & Roberta Troop
Resident Agents	Ron & Ann Marchioni

Appointments

Badges	Bruce & Roberta Troop
By Laws Committee	Past Presidents
Class Coordinators	Monday 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Tuesday 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Directory/Newsletter	Dale & Rita Heins
Finance Committee	President / Past Presidents
Greeters	Gene & Phyllis Allison
Historian/Photographers	Mary Hall
Hospitality Coordinators/Telephone	Karl & Becky Whetstone
Hospitality Procurement	Phyllis Varec
Shirts, Socks, and Hats	Roy & Muriel Trulson
Sunshine	Gary & Margie Pearce

PRESIDENTS' – ELECT REPORT

Annual Picnic, October 29, 2011



Where: Paradise Recreation Center

When: Saturday, October 29th, noon to 4 p.m.

What we will do: Eat, play games, award prizes, eat desserts, and, of course, SQUARE DANCE. Coffee and lemonade will be provided.



How to do it:

- 1) Buy a ticket Sunday night - \$5.00/couple; \$2.50/single
- 2) Sign up what food you will bring, and be sure to bring it.
- 3) Sign up for a fun game to play, so you can win a prize!!

The Picnic Committee will be providing Publix Fried Chicken, so please buy your tickets early, so we know how much chicken to order! { ticket purchase money goes toward hall rental}

Toys for Tots Dance – Sunday, December 4, 2011



What: We are asking each dancer to please bring a new, unwrapped toy to donate to the Marines to give to needy children.

Why: *BECAUSE WE CARE*

What will happen: A Marine Honor Guard will be present to conduct our Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag Ceremony before our dance starts, and to collect the tables full of toys we will be bringing.



Mike & Wanda David
Presidents'- Elect

ORANGE BLOSSOM SPECIALS

Oct. 05-----Bridge at Life Care Center and assisted living at Life Care Center, both in Ocala.

Oct. 15-----2011 Florida Singles Convention and Expo at La Hacienda Recreation Center.

Oct. 17-----Palm Gardens of Ocala & Hampton Manor at 24th Rd. in Ocala.

Nov. 02----- Steeplechase Retirement Residence in Oxford and Lexington Park Senior Living Community in Lady Lake.

Nov. 09-----Homewood at Freedom Pointe, Clare Bridge and Homewood assisted Living in The Villages.

Nov. 13-----Don & Kathy Curtis, 40th Anniversary at La Hacienda Recreation Center.

Thanks
Bruce & Roberta Troop
Directors of Orange Blossom Specials

TRAINING DIRECTORS' REPORT

By the time you're reading this newsletter, the Tuesday evening class will have started. Hopefully we have a nice large class going. We can always use Angels and Helping Hands, come join us.

November 7th, the Monday morning class will begin. This class will be reviewing the Basic and Mainstream calls then move on to the Plus level calls. If you know of someone that took class, and graduated, but hasn't been dancing, they may fit into this class.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask.

Sharon and Ron Paul
Training Directors

BANNER RAID REPORT

Banner Bandit Report 1, 2012:

October is a busy month for Banner raids and hopefully for the OB Squares. The flight of the "birds" south will begin. Scheduled raids are as follows:

October 5th: We will raid Friendly Squares in Belleview at 2 PM.

October 10th: We will raid Royal Squares in Royal Highlands at 7PM.

October 23rd: Recreation Plantation will be at OB Squares to steal our banner.

November 2nd: We will retrieve our banner from Rec. Plantation 7 PM (their first dance of the season).

November 17th: We will raid Fountain Squares at Del Web Spruce Creek Country Club 7 PM.

Sign up sheets for all raids are available Sunday nights. Please join us for these raids. Raids are designed to help the financial stability of our square dance clubs AND are a lot of fun for all.

Questions Call Jerry or Charlotte at 753-8635



Congratulations to Mike & Wanda David for receiving the dangle for attending five banner raids.



SHIRTS - CAPS - SOCKS

SHIRTS FOR SALE

We are now obtaining shirts from a new manufacturer. These shirts are a 65/35 poly/cotton blend and come in both men's (S-XXL, \$28; XXXL, \$31) and women's (XS-XL, \$28) sizes in both orange and white.

We still have the cotton pique shirts in men's sizes (S-XXL, \$30; XXXL, \$33.50). These prices include ALL embroidery. This would be a great time to update your wardrobe with a new shirt.

We also have 4 sample shirts in orange with no embroidery for sale. These are 50/50 poly cotton, one each in sizes M, L, XL, and XXL. They are priced to sell at only \$10 each.

Contact Muriel and Roy Trulson 352-259-2422.

CFA DIRECTORS' REPORT

On behalf of the Central Florida Association Board, I want to thank everyone that has renewed their CFA membership. If you're not a member, and would like to support this Association, see me.

Thank you, Sharon Paul



Shamrock Swing 2012

CENTRAL FLORIDA'S SHAMROCK SWING

MARCH 16 & 17, 2012

While all the year end holidays are upon us, Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas, let's think beyond New Years, and Valentines Day to ST. PATRICK'S DAY. That bring us to THE SHAMROCK SWING. As previously said, once again this big dance will be held right here in The Villages at La Hacienda.

We are still in need of helpers. This is not an Orange Blossom function, but we can still use your help. If you have a friend in another Central Florida club, ask them to consider helping also.

Pick up a flier to get all the dance information. Get your RIBBONS early, and sign up to be a BOOSTER. Remember being a BOOSTER helps to defray the cost of our program book. Just \$1.00 to be a BOOSTER, and your name gets in the program book.

See any of us for further information, to buy ribbons, or sign up for a booster. Watch for our Shamrock table in the corner on Sunday evenings.

*Ron & Sharon Paul
Bob & Jennie Courter
Co-chairpersons*

ROUND DANCE CLASSES

ROUND DANCE SCHEDULE FOR CLASSES AND DANCES

with

Ken & Joanne Helton - Instructors/Cuer

CHECK OUR WEB SITE @ www.joannehelton.com/schedule.htm

or

Call 352-343-4282 or cell 352-455-5759

Watch the web site for the new fall classes to begin in October 2011.

**ORANGE BLOSSOM SQUARES
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING/ANNUAL MEETING**



TIME: 6:00 PM

DATE: September 4, 2011

LOCATION: Hacienda Recreation Center

PRESIDING: Presidents: Hal Baumann & Nancy Van Rooy

QUORUM: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM and a quorum was declared present.

READING OF THE MINUTES: It was noted that the minutes of the February general meeting were posted in the OBS newsletter. The President asked if there were any objections or corrections. There being none, a motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as written.

TREASURERS' REPORT: Ron & Ann Marchioni stated they will present the treasury report at the upcoming September Board meeting.

PAST PRESIDENTS' REPORT: No report

* **PRESIDENT ELECT'S REPORT:** Jennie Courter stated that all but one date for the 2012 Caller schedule have been filled. There are several prospects for this one date. Once this one date is finalized, the past presidents, Jack & Mary-Ann Hostetler, will have the schedule printed for distribution by the first of October.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

* **Training Directors' Report:** Sharon & Ron Paul reported that Duane Rodgers ran a successful Rusty Hinge dance each Tuesday throughout the summer. August 30th was the last dance. A new Tuesday evening beginner class will begin at Saddlebook on October 4th. The media/publicity chairmen, Glenn & Linda Lashley, have submitted an article to the Daily Sun to publicize the new class. A Monday morning basic and mainstream review class will begin in November at Odell Recreation Center. This class will progress to plus calls. Membership is asked to support the classes by attending as Angels or Helping Hands.

OBS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING/ANNUAL MEETING – CONT'D

Orange Blossom Specials Report: It was announced that the 300th afghan will soon be presented at Summerfield Suites. Roberta Troop has made most of these afghans.

Banner Raid Chairmen's Report: OBS will conduct a 'raid' at Circle Squares at Top of the World, Ocala on Tuesday, September 6. Car pool will depart 5:30 pm. Members are asked to support the raid, and reminded to wear the Club colors.

Shamrock Swing: No Report

Central Florida Association: No report.

Special Committee Report:

* **Finance Committee:** Larry & Barbara Harding reported that over the past five quarters the Finance Committee has been tracking income; and, though expenses have not been tracked, the committee has assisted in implementing several cost-cutting measures and surcharges. During this time the treasury balance has remained stable.

Two of the five quarters covered 'prime time' when seasonal guests are present and attendance is higher. The remaining three cover slower times, typically the summer months. Prime time quarters show a profit, while summer quarters cost the Club money. The Special Guest Callers realized a profit twice that of the other dances. The Committee finds that the summer season is being defrayed by the prime-time months and Special Guest Callers. The surcharges and cost-cutting measures that were implemented have been effective. However, faithful attendance by our members and especially our guests remains critical.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: President Elect, Jennie Courter, held elections for the 2011-2012 Officers and Directors. She read the names of nominees; and asked for nominations from the floor. There being none, she asked for a motion to accept the slate of nominees as read. Motion was made and seconded to accept the slate of nominees for Club Officers and Directors as read by Jennie Courter. (Please see the file copy of these minutes for the slate of the Elected Officers and Directors; and also, Appointments).

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul & Lorraine Richard

* indicates complete report is attached to the file copy of these minutes.

OBS NEW MEMBERS

CONRAD,	Carol 06/24	1638 Kiley Court moohair@yahoo.com	32159 751-3662	PA Sept '11
SASMOR, 08/21	Lou, Dotty 05/03, 10/28	2476 Dunkirk Trail lsasmor@bellsouth.net	32162 633-1042	FL Sept '11
SNIDER,	Jim 09/26	1902 Augustine Drive	32159 753-5175	NC Sept'11

Installation of New Officers – September 27, 2011

We are proud of our outgoing Presidents, Hal Baumann and Nancy Van Rooy for a job well done. We congratulate our incoming Presidents, Bob & Jennie Courter, and wish for them a very successful and healthful good year. Shirley & Eldon Genschorck



Nancy, Hal, Bob, Jennie



New Officers in position for Candle Lighting Ceremony



Directors and Support Staff surrounding Officers



Club surrounding Officers to show support

“MEET OUR MEMBERS”

We are trying something new starting with this newsletter. Since none of us has a chance to meet everyone we decided to put in a column entitled “Meet Our Members”. We thought this would be an easy way to get acquainted with someone and see who has the same interests you do. We will put this in as space allows.

If you would like to participate please answers the questions when they are e-mailed to you and e-mail them back to us. We will also take a picture of you on Sunday nights to put with your information.

Dale and I would like to Thank Bob Courter for coming up with this great idea.



Jennie and Bob Courter have lived in The Villages for 9 – 1/3 years. Before moving here they lived in Pinellas Park, FL.

Their profession before retiring: Jennie was a teacher in Pre-school, Elementary, a College Instructor and College Associate Dean. Bob worked for the US Postal Service in Personnel.

They have been married for 56 years. They have 3 sons, 1 grandson, 7 granddaughters, and 1 great grandson.

They have been Square Dancing for 21 wonderful, fantastic years. Their children do not square dance but they like to see them dance. The kids are definitely not interested in it as a hobby.

Their Hobbies/Interests are: Jennie is very involved with several ministries at St. Timothy Church. Bob likes to play golf and enjoys lunch with his golf buddies. Both Bob & Jennie are avid readers. They are very involved with many square dance associations and activities. While not square dancing, both like to play cards and board games.



Joan and Bob Rouze have lived in The Villages for 8 years. Before moving here, they lived in Cape May, NJ. Cape May was burned to the ground in 1878 and the reconstruction that followed has left a plethora of Victorian era buildings like no other in America. Cape May was a US Naval base prior to WW II. Currently the US Coast Guard maintains a Training Station there. The city was declared a National Historic Landmark City in 1976. Cape May is located at Mile Marker "0" of the Garden State Parkway.

Before retiring; Joan worked in insurance while Bob was in banking as a Commercial Loan Officer. They are a Small Business Owner, VILLA FOR RENT - VILLAGE OF SANTIAGO - www.OurHome4Rent.com/2902

Joan and Bob have been married for 49 years and have 2 children and 2 grandchildren. They have been Square Dancing for 10 years. None of their children square dance.

Their Hobbies/Interests are: Golf, Texas Hold'um, Mahjong, bingo and bunco.



Happy Anniversary

Hatcher, Adele	10/01	Santangelo, Tony & Anna	11/03
Martin, Charlie	10/03	Richard, Paul & Lorraine	11/05
Wilson, Bob	10/04	Trulson, Muriel & Roy	11/09
Campbell, Larry	10/07	Curtis, Kathy & Don	11/13
Pearce, Gary	10/07	Orazio, Judy & Allen	11/15
Dietz, Eileen	10/11	Martin, Karen & Charlie	11/22
Godish, John	10/13	Rouze, Joan & Robert	11/22
Whetstone, Becky	10/17	Meyer, Elaine & Wes	11/24
Philips, Kathy	10/18	Kosa, Janet & Frank	11/30
Thacker, Ruth	10/23	Lashley, Linda & Glenn	11/30
Campbell, Bonnie	10/27		
Sasmor, Dotty	10/28		
Buch, Steve	10/31		
Lyons, Jack	11/04		
Willoughby, Betty	11/04		
Fields, Jim	11/09		
Clifford, Jackie	11/10		
Forguson, Ed	11/11		
Farber, Marty	11/14		
David, Mike	11/17		
Bonini, Vinny	11/21		
Courter, Bob	11/22		
Santangelo, Tony	11/22		
Forguson, Pat	11/23		
Johnson, Cindy	11/25		
Kosa, Frank	11/27		
Cousins, Domenica	11/30		
Labbe, Donna	11/30		

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

