



Foundation News

Square Dance Foundation of New England, Inc.

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President's Message

We live in extraordinary times as the result of the tragic events of September 11, 2001. Our thoughts and prayers reach out to all. In the past month and a half, the evidence of community spirit has never been so needed or so important. We all crave opportunities to gather together and talk with each other, sharing stories. Square and round dancers have always had the opportunity to meet and socialize. What better way than to attend a square dance at your local club, or even visit with another dance club.

Collectively, we do our best by going to work, displaying an American flag, keeping informed by listening or reading the daily news, and continuing to dance. When we dance, we are demonstrating resilience even though confusion and fear for the future surrounds us.

To get through all that has happened, we should have a plan. We can continue to do our best, we can reach out to others, and we can think "we can carry on, no matter what". Since we have witnessed examples of this, we know that this plan will work. God Bless America!



Eastern States Expo (The Big E) In West Springfield, MA

The week of September 16th was a busy one. That was the week that all of the New England States celebrated their uniqueness. Each state had a special assigned day for celebrating. It was an honor for the SDFNE to sponsor interactive square and round dancing for the following states: Rhode Island, on 09-18, with Callers, Art Anthony and Lori Morin and Cuer, Pat Anthony; Massachusetts, on 09-20, with Caller, Mil Dixon; Vermont, on 09-22, with Caller, Al Breault and Cuers, Doc & Peg Tirrell.

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RI State Day at The Big E

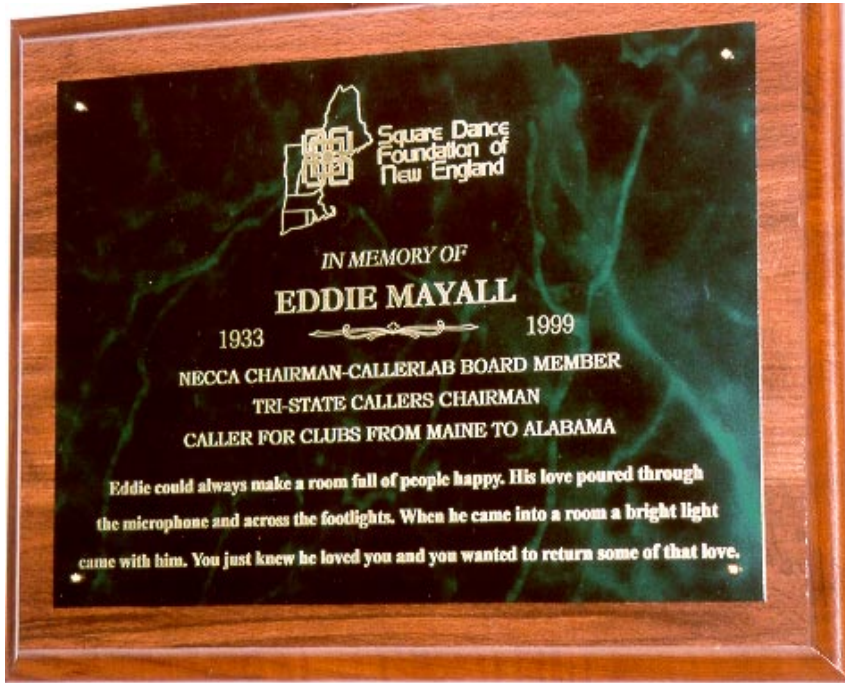
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MEMORIAL PLAQUE

On Sunday, August 05, 2001, a Memorial Plaque was placed in the SDFNE's Library/Museum, 250 Commercial Street, 2nd Floor, Manchester, NH in honor and memory of Caller, Eddie Mayall. Family and friends who were present at this presentation shared their memories and stories of fun times with Eddie.

When memorial contributions reach \$1,000.00 or more, it is the SDFNE's policy to place an engraved plaque in tribute to that person on the Baldwin Library/Museum wall.



Eddie Mayall Plaque

- photo courtesy of Gary Heathcock

Dates to Remember

Hall of Fame Applications
Deadline: February 01, 2002
(to request applications, contact SDFNE Office)

Trail-Out Dance: Sunday,
April 28, 2002

SDFNE Annual Meeting: 3rd
Sat. in May - May 18, 2002

Hall of Fame Induction: 3rd Sat.
in May - May 18, 2002

Leadership Conference: 3rd Sat.
in Oct - Oct 19, 2002

20/50 Raffle

For new members who are reading this newsletter for the first time, this is how the 20/50 Raffle works: You send Jean Stahl, c/o SDFNE Office, 238 Woburn St., Reading, MA 01867-2838, your check for \$20.00. This is a donation for 1 ticket. This ticket is put in a basket for a monthly drawing of \$50.00. Even if you win the monthly drawing, your ticket is put back into the basket for the next month's drawing. What a Deal!! At the SDFNE's Annual Meeting, 1/6 of the net is drawn for prizes. You don't have to be present to win. Your odds of winning are high! Send your check immediately to be included in this month's drawing.

Winners:

☒ July—Len & Connie Houle (MA)

☒ Aug—Joan Hayes (MA)

☒ Sept—Alan Alford (MA)

"Thanks" to 20/50 Raffle Chair, Jean Stahl, for her perseverance in handling this SDFNE ongoing fundraiser.

In Memoriam 2001*

**There are those whose lives death cannot diminish,
for their light shines on in the lives of their families and dancer friends.**

Virginia Grace Balluff	Clyde McCray	Jean Sannella
Hilda Campbell	A. Gordon Morrow	Leo Temmallo
Jan Dickinson	Cecile Phaneuf	Grace Villard
Jim Floyd	Molly & Tony Pisini	Florence Ziniti
	Will Postle	

You can make a donation in memory of someone and the SDFNE will send a card to his or her family or to a friend acknowledging your gift in his or her memory. This memorial gift expresses a deep regard for others and helps support the educational efforts of the Baldwin Library/Museum. To make your contribution in memory of someone, contact the SDFNE Office or call Joanne Martin, Memorials Chmn, at 508-399-7034.

** Since the last newsletter. **Bolded name denotes a "Hall of Famer".***

**2001-2002
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Mal "Yikes" Cameron

Retirement from Calling "Thank You" Dance

On Sunday, October 07, 2001, there was a fabulous fun dance held at The Mill-A-Round in Manchester, NH. Over 100 dancers enjoyed the great calling of "Yikes" Cameron and the smooth cueing of Bernie Porter. Both of these musically gifted artists donated their time and talent for a worthy cause – the preservation of square dance history for today's society and for future generations. Their donation to the SDFNE amounted to \$490.00.

"Many Thanks" to Mal and his wife Bernie, and to Bernadette and Joel Porter from the officers, directors, and all the members of the Square Dance Foundation of New England, Inc. We wish you all the best in your future endeavors. You're great!!



The "Yikes" Cameron Family



VT State Day at The Big E

Caller, Al Breault



MA State Day at The Big E

caller, Mil Dixon

Congratulations!

The **Town Howlers** SDC celebrated their club's **50th Anniversary!** The celebration was held in "The Rotunda" on Easton's Beach, Newport, RI – Sunday, September 23, 2001. Many, many dancers turned out to help celebrate. The SDFNE presented the club president, Don & Marlene Davis, with a Certificate of Appreciation to recognize the club's valuable and dedicated service to the dance community. May the Town Howlers of Portsmouth, Rhode Island continue as a club for the next 50 years!



SDFNE EXHIBIT GOES TO ANAHEIM

Thanks to Peg & Doc Tirrell, Publicity Chmn, the SDFNE Exhibit was put in place at the 50th National SRDC in Anaheim, CA. An Award was given for the outstanding display of historical materials.

The Big E, continued from page 1

Connecticut held their interactive square dance on Big Cities Day, 09-27, with Callers, Ed Rutty and Dave Hass. A Million Thanks to the callers and cuers who donated their time and talent to entertain visitors to The Big E, as well as to support the mission of the SDFNE which is to preserve our dance heritage.

Our thanks to Mark Brodeur and Lisa DiRaimo of RI for hosting such a successful demonstration. Also our thanks to Stephen Quinn and Steve Walsh of MA, Richard Emonds and Helen Muniz of CT, and to Ron Fisher and Vicky Young of VT for again putting this interactive square dance in motion at The Big E and for your respective States' generous financial contributions to the Square Dance Foundation of New England's Library/Museum. Our thank-you may be simple, but our appreciation is great.

The following volunteer dancers also deserve "A Big Thank You":

Representing RI – Helen & John Page, Ivy Sutcliffe, Dick & Bev Lefebvre, Jean & Ervin Lein, Paul Barnum, George & Marge Barrett, Isabel & Allan MacArthur, Pat & Lee Russell, Norene & Bob Chartier.

Representing MA- Bill & Eleanor Peloskey, Gene King, Fran McKinnon, Don Bishop & Grace Piper, Dottie Gulliford, Moe & Lil Deragon, Linwood & Mary Lou Wallace, Bill & Angie Sutherland, Ken & Sheila Moody, Art & Marge Dugas.

Representing VT – Mickey Breault, Doc & Peg Tirrell, Barbara & Jim Connolly, Paul & Crystal Connolly, Irene Wood, Flo Russell, Steve & Janet Allen, Bud & Judy Clifford, Omer & Marion Brenenstuh, Carleton & Corinne Philpott.

Representing CT – Joy Rutty, Norene & Dan Foley, Pat & Fred Powers, Marge & Hugh Humiston, Ellie Sturges, Julie & Charles Buono, Pat & Art Bischel, Suptei Rogers, Moe & Lil Deragon.

SDFNE representatives to all New England States – Anna & Mil Dixon.

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44th NESRDC, Sturbridge MA

Next year's convention will be held in Sturbridge, MA. Phil & Sandie Gatchell, General Chairman, and Sandi Simmons, Vice Chairman, will be leading dancers to an historical area where a spectacular square and round dance convention will be held on April 26th and 27th, 2002. See you there!

NESRDC Education Program

Do you think educational programs are dull? A waste of time? Not so! The educational program at the square & round dance convention in Sturbridge is going to be a "humdinger"! Not only will it feature knowledgeable speakers such as Veronica McClure, cuer from Malden, MA, Ed Rutty, caller from Portland, CT and Dave Hass, caller from East Hampton, CT – but the topics will intrigue and please you. Plan to attend both programs: "2 Hearts in ¾ Time" and "Know your Neighbors."

MUSEUM GIFT SHOP

Angie & Bill Sutherland, Chairpersons

The Museum Gift Shop helps raise funds for the SDFNE's Mission. The Mission of the Square Dance Foundation of New England, Inc. is:

- to collect, preserve, and display historical objects related to the square and round dance activity for the public;
- to make all materials available for dance research;
- to teach about the origins of folk dance and modern western square dancing;
- to teach about square dancing's role in early America and its continuing role in society;
- to explore, communicate, and honor the spirit and ideals of American callers, cuers, dance leaders, and dancers.

Whenever you have the opportunity to present someone with a gift, why not think of one of the items from our gift shop! Shipping charge for each order is \$3.98.

Tees, short sleeves, with logo of SDFNE - Color: White Brand: Jerzees - Heavyweight Blend. Available in sizes: L-XL-1X-2X. Price: \$15.00 plus S&H

Tees, short sleeves, with Logo of SDFNE - Color: Lt.Grey Brand: Jerzees - Heavyweight Blend. Available in sizes: S-M-L. Price: \$15.00 plus S&H

Glass Cup Plates with stand - Color: light green. Design: Square Dancers. Price: \$8.00 plus S&H

Cookbook with SDFNE members recipes - Title: Square Meals & Round Treats. Price: Send a donation. (Can't beat this deal!)

Zipper Pull with Lib/Museum dangle - Price: \$1.99 or 2 for \$3.00

To order: Make checks payable to SDFNE, Inc. Send to SDFNE Office, 238 Woburn Street, Reading, MA 01867-2838..



CT Interactive Square Dancing, Ed Rutty & Dave Hass, callers

WEB SITE ADDRESS—Check it Out

Our “thanks” to Patricia Greene of PKG Design Works in Salem, NH, who is our talented Webmaster. To facilitate finding us and getting information, or sending us your comments, we have shortened our previous listing. Just type in **www.sdfne.org**

SPONSORS NEEDED FOR WEB SITE

“Good things in life” cost money. The Web Site is no exception. Like public TV we would like to put your name, as a sponsor, on our monthly web site. You choose the month - maybe as a celebration of your birthday, your partner's, or a friend's. It could be that you want to be a benefactor for one month of your life! It's possible to remind someone of their anniversary; or, of your business. You can be a sponsor for no reason at all. Cost: \$30.00 per month. For more details, contact Anna Dixon @ 781-944-4416 or at **www.sdfne.org**.

Past and future web site sponsors:

Gloria Vivier, Caller - promoting square dance classes

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Anonymous, congratulating Anna & Mil Dixon and Pat & Art Anthony on their 50th Wedding Anniversaries celebrated on 09-01-01.

Jackie Poisson, Owner - promoting her travel business

Patty Greene, Caller - promoting dancing “good times.”

Come On Board! We welcome and need sponsors from all the New England States!!! Call 781-944-4416 right now to reserve your month or log on to **www.sdfne.org**.

“Special Tribute”

In Honor of Greg Maconi

We love you for the dedication you have shown to the beginners class of the Side Splitters SDC of N. Attleboro, MA.

You can make a special tribute donation to honor someone on an anniversary, birthday, graduation, ordination or any special occasion and the SDFNE will send a card to the honored person acknowledging your gift. What better way to let someone know that you are thinking of them, and help preserve square/round dance history at the same time! To make your tribute contribution in honor of someone, contact the SDFNE Office or Joanne Martin, Tributes Chmn, at 508-399-7034.

Travel Fund Raiser –2002

Castle Travel Inc. is our Travel Agent (1-800-242-1070). Tour Co: Uniworld, Ship: River Queen.

We are leaving for

**Belgium and Holland
on
April 06, 2001**

for a 9 day cruise. We expect to be dazzled by the vibrant, colored fields of flowers, quaint historic ports, and Dutch costumed people. This trip also coincides with a major horticultural event – the Floriades, which is held once every 10 years, and 2002 is the year!

Interested? Contact Jackie Poisson for cost & details (1-800-242-1070).

Travel Get-Together

On Saturday, August 11th, a Photo Viewing and an American style New Zealand meal was enjoyed at the Dixon's home in Reading, MA. The day was glorious. Dick & Judy Severance, Art & Marge Dugas, Ken & Sheila Moody, Jean Hartka, Rev. Bob & Martha Carpenter, Nancy & Joe Crowley, Jean Stahl, Betty Cowles, Joan Bedford, Clare Hamilton, Bill & Marge Headen, George & Karen Kay, Dottie Gulliford, and Paul and Pat Channell looked at photos taken during the Australia and New Zealand trip by the people at this get-together. It was fun to talk with each other and to see what interesting and eye-catching pictures were taken!

N.B. Australia & New Zealand Trip Videos

In case you forgot to order, we can still order them for you. Contact: Dick Severance (603-623-2692). Cost is \$10.00 per video plus \$10.00 donation to the SDFNE. Shipping: \$3.98



Newsletter Editor

Anna Dixon

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We need roving reporters from CT, MA, ME, NH, RI & VT.

Call (781) 944-4416.

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WELCOME NEW ANNUAL MEMBERS!

(Since the last newsletter.)

MA

James & Carol Guy
Brandon Langlois
Jared Langlois
Leslie Martin
Raymond Martin
Jim & Mary McNamara

ME

Don Brann

TX

Roberta Dixon Howard

*Annual Membership \$10 per person.
Club/Organization \$35 per group.*

WELCOME NEW LIFE MEMBERS

(Since the last newsletter.)

NH

Norm Poisson

VT

Dianne C. Reed

*Life Membership: \$100 per person.
Club-Organization Life Membership:
\$250 per group.*

THANK YOU!

ANNUAL RENEWALS

(Since the last newsletter.)

Richard Hubbard (MA), The Sage Swingers (ME), Paul Howard (MA), Bob & Barbara Graybill (MA), Irving Spector (MA), Dick & Alicia Morse (CT), Roger & Linda Poyant (MA), David & Judith Farrell (MA), Alan Alford (MA) and Robert Fortnam (NH).

ENDOWMENT FUND DONORS - 2001

Permanency is a necessary attribute for the Square Dance Foundation of New England. In order to accomplish this endeavor, an *Endowment Fund* plays a major role. With great appreciation, we wish to thank the following Donors: Alan Alford (MA), Al Brundage (FL), Jim & Mary McNamara (MA).

Thanks a Million!

To the highly motivated, all volunteer SDFNE Officers and Board of Directors.

Because of their dedication and help, the Library/Museum is a first rate educational institution. The SDFNE has a great research library on square and round dancing. Over 900 books and magazines from the 1940's to the current day await visitors to open and read their pages housing dance heritage. We are pleased to say the music record "Outreach Program" is being used by interested square dance callers and cuers.

Thanks to the generosity of people who value preserving square dance history we have artifacts, books, records, cassettes, photographs, and vintage square dance clothing that make history come alive. Recently, the SDFNE received a complete donation of Lawrence V. Loy material from Ardis Smith in VT. Her words express the feelings of those who donate, "I am so happy that my collection of folk and square dance material has found a good home. One of my major concerns has been where will it all go after I do". In our Spring 2001 issue of Foundation News there was an article about the year 2001 Hall of Fame inductee, Lawrence V. Loy.

We also appreciate everyone's donations, and wish to thank the following people: Bill & May Lauzon, Naomi Cherny, Len & Connie Houle, Dora Ardolino, Milton Frazier, Bill & Ruth Tracy, Terry Labrecque, Gordon Brown, Square Wheelers, Bill & Marge Headen, Rena Wallace, Midd-Town Twirlers, Robin & Gary Heathcock, Fred & Connie Croce, Jim & Mary McNamara, Sally Lahti, Glen Kippax, Helen & John Page, Angie & Bill Sutherland, Paul & Pay Channell, Stan Huntley, Joe Dombrowski, Al Brundage, Doug & Mary Harris, Rita Dunn, Kay Westcott, and Jim Mayo.



SDFNE Baldwin Library

- photo courtesy of Gary Heathcock

Come visit the SDFNE Library/Museum. Call the SDFNE Office: 781-944-4416 or 603-623-2692 for a personal tour. We'd love to see you. If you'd like to volunteer to sort out donated material, call 603-623-2692, Dick Severance.



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2001 SCHEDULE OF SDFNE EVENTS

Date	Event	Place/Contact	Time
11-10	Workparty: sorting donated materials.	Baldwin Library/Museum Dick Severance 603-623-2692	Anytime between 9am-4pm
11-18	Evening of Giving Fundraiser for SDFNE Private shopping for supporters of local charities and non-profit organizations. Tickets: \$8.00 each. Need to pre-order. There will be door prizes and special entertainment.	Northshore Shopping Mall Rtes 128 & 114, Peabody, MA For tickets: call Angie Sutherland 978-774-1974	6-10:00p.m.
11-30	Workparty	<i>see Workparty (11-10) information</i>	
12-02	An afternoon of Christmas Music. Featuring a few SDFNE members. Donation accepted at the door. Benefits First Baptist Church and SDFNE.	First Baptist Church Rte 111, Hudson, NH For information and directions call: Patty Greene, 603-893-7180	4:00p.m.
12-07	Workparty	<i>see Workparty (11-10) information</i>	
12-08	Workparty	<i>see Workparty (11-10) information</i>	

Do you want to put together a fundraiser for the SDFNE? Call Anna at 781-944-4416 or www.sdfne.org

To Become A Member or Renew Your Membership: Fill out this section and mail to SDFNE Office, 238 Woburn St, Reading, MA 01867-2838. *Make checks payable to Square Dance Foundation of New England, Inc.*

Name: _____

Address: _____

Tel: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____

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