



Foundation News

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President's Message

"This is Your Legacy to Future Generations!"

The preservation of irreplaceable documents and historical dance information and providing at the same time vital dance information for current use, is due in no small part to the dedication of Callers, Cuers, Dance Leaders, and square & round Dancers who believe in the Square Dance Foundation of New England's goals – Preservation, Promotion, and Perpetuation. All this educational and interesting square dance history is kept alive in the SDFNE's Charlie & Bertha Baldwin Library/Museum.

During this important 30th year of operation, we would be remiss if we did not celebrate the perseverance and dedication of SDFNE Officers and Board of Directors – past and present. They deserve to be thanked "in print" (* denotes deceased presidents):

Founder and 1st Pres.*Charlie (*Bertha) Baldwin, 2nd Pres.*Ernie (Ellie) Chase, 3rd Pres. Dick (Judy) Severance, 4th Pres. Dave (Marion) Norris, 5th Pres. Art (Marge) Dugas, 6th Pres. Bob (Martha) Carpenter, 7th Pres. George (Nancy) Haile, 8th Pres. Anna (Mil) Dixon. Even though the SDFNE By-Laws denote that one person be designated for an Officer's position, both persons graciously commit themselves to the leadership.

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PRESERVING A SQUARE DANCE HERITAGE

By Dick Severance

Charlie Baldwin, a square dance Caller from Norwell, MA and New England's pioneer in the square dance movement, had a vision – the need for an organization to preserve the history of Square Dance. The SDFNE was incorporated on October 25, 1973 in Massachusetts. Its ideals were embedded in the spirit of dance as a joyous expression of life. Its purpose was to establish an organization to collect and store dance related items of value that would enable the future to learn from the past.

Under Pres. Ernie & Ellie Chase (1982-84) from Beverly, MA, a search found property to house the dance collection in South Weymouth, MA. The farm property, owned by Sam Kramer, was purchased after numerous fundraising efforts. It was the Square Dance Foundation's intention to develop this property into a living square dance heritage center. It would feature a library/museum, dance halls, and an education facility.

Pres. Dick & Judy Severance (1984-87) of Manchester, NH applied their organizational and communication skills to build a vibrant membership base, an outreach program, and to enlist volunteers with a common interest. Significant upgrade and renovation of the property took place, leading up to the dedication of the Charlie & Bertha Baldwin Library and Museum in May 1992. It became a financial struggle to create income to meet operating costs. Therefore, with a fixed overhead, fundraising through membership drives, dances, and raffles became an ongoing necessity. The first financial crisis was met with the sale of a portion of land and a refinancing of the mortgage.

Eventually the financial burden became too big to overcome. An in-depth financial analysis was conducted. An extremely difficult decision was made to sell the property. Many volunteers had worked unselfishly with loyalty, dedication, patience, and generosity to develop the property into a vibrant dance center.

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LOCAL LEGEND AWARDS

The SDFNE's Local Legend Award was established in the year 2002 to honor those individuals and couples who have advanced the goals of the SDFNE by their actions "within their Local Area" over the years. Goals: Preservation, promotion, and perpetuation of the square and round dance activity.

In Yr. 2003 the following people received this award:

- ▶ Bob & Norma Silva (MA)
- ▶ Edith Selby (VT)
- ▶ Joe & Claire Belaski (NH)

In Yr. 2004, the following people will receive this award:

- ▶ Beverly Ryan (MA)
- ▶ Tom & Ingrid Barry (MA)
- ▶ Jean (Jack) Stahl (MA)

Congratulations to All!

For Application Forms, or more information on this award please contact Carol Paris, Chmn.

WINNERS 2004 ANNUAL RAFFLE

At the great Celebrity Hour of the 46th NESRDC in Brattleboro, VT, these winners' names were picked by Everett Mackin, CO-OP Chmn, who was assisted by Mil Dixon:

Rich Hughes (ME) = \$1,000.00

Samuel Shults (OH) = \$300.00

David Schipellite (NH) = \$200.00

"Thanks to All" who participated in the raffle. Sorry you didn't "get the phone call", or "hear your name announced", but maybe Year 2005 will be the year!

HALL OF FAME AWARDS

At the SDFNE's Annual Meeting on May 15, 2004 the following well-deserving people were inducted into the Hall of Fame. Congratulations to:

- ✠ Art & Pat Anthony (RI)
- ✠ Shawn Cuddy (MA)
- ✠ Rev. Bob & Martha Carpenter (MA)
- ✠ Louise & *Paul Kelley.

**denotes deceased*

20/50 Monthly Raffle Winners

Year 2003

- 07- Vincent & Anna Maglio
- 08- Mel Tyler, Jr.
- 09- June Williams
- 10- Eugene Gschwind
- 11- Norma Kaplow
- 12- Althea McNie

Year 2004

- 01- JoAnn Mayo
- 02- Normand Duchesne
- 03- Ellen Foster
- 04- Shirley McCallan
- 05- Helen White

Final Winners at SDFNE Annual Mtg

Althea McNie
(this is proof you can win more than once)

Jean Hartka
June Natale
Sheldon Kaplow

- 06- Doris Howatt
- 07- Douglas Ross
- 08- Helen Mayall
- 09- Chris MacIver
- 10- Rita Frisiello

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Publicity/PR: *Severance, Sue & John Sullivan, Haile, Morris Mould, Tirrell.*

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CO-OP

Jim & JoAnn Mayo

EVENTS

(since last newsletter)

Year 2003

Local Legend Award. On 08-19, Bob & Norma Silva were presented the award at a dance in Eliot, ME.

Interactive Square Dance Demonstrations @ The Big E in W.Springfield, MA for RI, CT, MA, NH, VT.

CT, MA, NH and VT gave a donation to the SDFNE's Baldwin Library/Museum for the performances.

Exhibit Table @ The Mill City Festival in Manchester, NH. Visitors were very surprised and pleased to see and hear about the square dance library/museum in their city.

SDFNE's 30th Anniversary Celebration. Proclamations were received by the SDFNE designating the week of Oct. 19th to 25th as Square Dance Heritage Week. All six New England Governors: Rowland of CT, Baldacci of ME, Romney of MA, Benson of NH, Douglas of VT, Carcieri of RI, signed and sent the Proclamations in time for the Anniversary Celebration on Oct. 25, 2003. Selectman from the Town of Reading, MA, where the SDFNE Office is located, also sent a Proclamation. We also received one from Manchester's Mayor Baines. Special thanks to the square dancers Mel Tyler (CT), Anna Dixon (ME-MA-VT), Dick & Judy Severance (NH), Jill & Bill Caldarone (RI) for assisting the SDFNE by

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In Memoriam 2004*

Glen Acone	Ben Baldwin	Bernice Bleyle
Marian Bliss	RoseMarie Boyer	Melissa Bruckner
Naomi Cherney	Margaret Chisholm	Dorothy Clisham
Jim Connelly	Roland Dube	Sonya Fredrickson
Jack Harvell	Betty Hunter	Henry Jolin
Phil Kandrut	Millie Krelowicz	Beth Larsen
Joseph Mack	Laurie Jeanne Magnussen	Howard Metcalf
Bob McDowell	Mary McDowell	David Moody
Raymond Norton	Bob Osgood	Lorraine Portelance
Elizabeth "Betty" Rawstron	Barbara Ristau	Leo Sorel
Eleanor Thompson	John Thompson (NY)	Red Thompson
Jerry LeBlanc	Ruth LeBrun	Mildred VanWart
Bruce Williams	Mildred Wood	William J. Woods

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

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. *since the last newsletter; **bolded** names signify Hall of Famers

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contacting the state Governors' Offices to request the Square Dance Heritage Proclamations.

Wooden circles, with the SDFNE Logo and wording plus the years, were given out as souvenirs to attendees of the celebration. Then some were made into magnets for purchase at the 46th NESRDC in Brattleboro, VT.

SDFNE Officers and Board Members were given special disks with a pearl center – signifying 30 yrs.

Gold Stars engraved with "Thanks" were given out to past Officers and Grand Square Society members.

Union-Leader newspaper (NH). Reporter, John Clayton, met with Dick & Judy Severance, Archives Director, and visited the SDFNE's Charlie & Bertha Baldwin Library/Museum. His article, plus photo, about his visit was on the front page of the newspaper.

Local Legend Award. On 10-12, Joe & Claire Belaski were presented the award at The Mill-A-Round Dance Center (NH).

Branson, MO Travel Fundraiser. On 10-31, fifty-three SDFNE members and friends flew to Branson, MO. The trip was coordinated by KTours, Londonderry, NH. Owner, Kathy Forester and Dick Severance planned a fabulous tour. Some of us even got to do a "tip" on the Lawrence Welk stage as Mil Dixon called. "Thanks", Mil. The sights and shows were "awesome". We have the pictures to prove that, at the Library, donated by Ron & Ellen Foster (MA) and Lois & Dick Willard (VT). Thanks to all of you!

Visit by New York Callers, Chuck & Gerry Hardy. Chuck took great pictures of the Library/

Museum. Some are included in this newsletter.

Local Legend Award. On 12-06, Edith Selby received the award at No.Country Swingers' Christmas Dance in Derby Line, VT.

Dance Historian. Bob Brundage has joined the SDFNE Bd of Directors. He will be concentrating on interviewing New England folks.

Year 2004

Local Legend Plaque. Designed by Majestic Badge owner, Steve Schevis, the black and gold plaque is placed in SDFNE Library/Museum. The first three recipients' names are engraved on the gold bars. Look for it the next time you visit. It is very attractive. Thanks for the great design, Steve.

Museum Gift Shop. Sales of 30th Anniv. Golf Shirts, glass wine charms and zipper pulls with vintage dangles are doing well. All our items make wonderful gifts or great dance "door prizes"!

Annual Raffle. Mailed 2,173 envelopes. Now, if only everyone sent back a donation....Maybe this will happen in 2005!

If you move, please remember to let us know your new address. The post office has forms to make it easy to do.

RI Roving Reporter for Foundation News. Milton Frazier, 93 yrs. young, volunteered to become a "news gatherer" of Rhode Island square and round dance activities. Six RI clubs gave him dance information. Friendly Mixers SDC and Narragansett Callers Assoc. celebrated their 47th Anniversaries with special dances. Whirlaways had a 40th Anniversary Dance, and Ruffles & Beaux enjoyed a 14th Anniversary Dance. Rhody Rovers and Swinging Squares were busy

planning their dance schedules.

He accomplished this by using the telephone and his computer. He even signed up a "new SDFNE member"! God Bless You, Milt.

Visit by Side Splitters. Past Pres. Bob & Carol Boette brought the Side Splitters SDC to visit the SDFNE Library/Museum as part of their Year-End activity. Dick & Judy Severance gave them a tour and provided them with some square dance history. Then the group danced in the Mill-A-Round Dance Center to their Club Caller. Afterwards, they ate at a local restaurant. It was a fun visit!

If any Clubs would like to bring their dancers to the Library/Museum, just call the SDFNE Office 781-944-4416.

Resignation. Len & Connie resigned from the Bd of Directors to become a regional Vice Pres of the USDA.

Visit. Reading Public Library personnel: Allison DaSilva, Sr. Library Associate, Jamie Penney, Head of Technical Services, Candy Ralto, Sr. Technical Assistant and Mary Desisto, Page, drove up to Manchester to view the SDFNE's Library/Museum. They were very impressed by how professional it looked. They complimented Tammy Dorris on her arrangement of dance books. Candy Ralto found her kindergarten teacher's picture in our Photo Gallery. It was Charlie Tilley's wife. Small world!

46th NESRDC in Brattleboro, VT. The SDFNE had an exhibit booth at this wonderful, exciting square dance convention. Chmn. Judy & Bud Clifford and their Committes deserve a world of thanks. We're looking forward to returning in Yr. 2005.

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Trail-Out Dance. After the 46th NESRDC, energized dancers still wanted more dancing. SDFNE Callers & Cuers were happy to oblige. Our heartfelt thanks to Callers Bucky Donaher, Jim Mayo, Chuck Hardy, Gerry Hardy, George McGibbon, Randy Longobucco, Dennis Marsh and Mil Dixon, and Cuers Barbara Connelly, Paul Connelly, Crystal Connelly, Beverly Boudreau, Harriet Clarke, Doc Tirrell, Peg Tirrell and Jennie Frisella for volunteering their time and providing the dancers with a wonderful dance.

We even had a Silent Auction for attendees. And a special treat – Jim Mayo was autographing his new book, “Step by Step Through Modern Square Dance History. He even gave the SDFNE a donation for each book he sold. Thanks, Jim.

Bermuda Travel Fundraiser.

KTours (NH) put together a delightful cruise to St. George's Bermuda. All of us enjoyed every minute of land and sea travel. Met many pleasant people.

Reading Public Library. Purchased hardcopy of Jim Mayo's new book. They are the first “town/city” library to acquire it for their patrons. It is a must-read for anyone who loves square dancing.

Scandinavian-Russia Travel

Fundraiser. Another fabulous cruise by KTours. Land excursions took us to all the capitol cities. The highlight of the trip was visiting The Hermitage in St. Petersburg, Russia. Our ship, Royal Caribbean's Jewel of the Seas, was gorgeous. The many activities on board kept the nineteen of us entertained. What a great time! Plan to join our travels in the future.

Mill City Festival. Chmn. Jane Beaulieu organized a great festival

in Arms Park, Manchester, NH. We were pleased to be located in the “Preservation” tent. Tirrell, Severance, Dugas, Dixon and Dottie Gulliford set-up and manned the exhibit tables. They also took turns over at the SDFNE's Baldwin Library/Museum that was opened for visitors from the Mill City Festival. Thanks All!

Interactive Square Dance

Performances at The Big E, West Springfield, MA. “Thank You” to the following Callers & Cuers: RI- Art Anthony, Lori Morin and Pat Anthony, CT- Ed Ruty, Dave Hass, MA- Mil Dixon and Beverly Boudreau, NH- Jay Silva. Volunteer Dancers deserve a round of applause: RI- John & Helen Page, Dick & Bev LeFebvre, George & Marge Barrett, Ernie & Joan Lein, Paul Barnum & Concetta Williams, Ivy Sutcliffe, Wayne Eva, John & Claire Dawson, John & Terry Sousa, Randy Halbach & Debbie Poirier, John & Pat Souza. CT: Dan & Norene Foley, Bob & Ellie Sturges, Natalie, Harvey & Calla Sellner, Allan & Evelyn Dean, Al & Jan Hauser, Art & Pat Bishel, Shirley & Buz Smuckler, Joy Ruty, Barbara Hass. MA: Robert Mackay & Beverly Boudreau, Gene & Lori King, Jude Houle & Diane Allis, Stanley & Marilyn Szpakowski, Mike Wilczak & partner, Moe & Lil Deragon, Kappy & Norma Kaplow, Sheila & Ken Moody. NH: Al & France Rouff, Linwood & MaryLou Wallace, Sheila & Ken Moody, Phil & Elyce Catudal, Dick & Judy Severance, Art & Marge Dugas, Rickey & his daughter. The SDFNE is most appreciative of the financial support that CT and NH provided us for the performances. It helps preserve square dance history. Thanks again!

40th Anniversary. Surfside 8 SDC recently celebrated their 40th Anniv.

The proceeds from this dance were given to the SDFNE as a Memorial Donation for their club caller, Jerry LeBlanc (Yr. 2003 Hall of Famer).

90th Birthday. Richard “Dick” Willard of VT celebrated his birthday with family and friends on 10-03. “Best Wishes”, Dick!

Just a reminder, the SDFNE has a “Tribute” Donation to honor special people, and special occasions.

U.S.A. Travelers. Dick & Shirley White (NH) have square danced in 50 states. Congratulations!

Local Legend Award. On 10-15, at the Single Sqs. SDC's 25th Anniversary Dance, Beverly Ryan was presented with the award.

Local Legend Award. Tom & Ingrid Barry were presented the award at the Riverside Sqs. dance on 11-20.

Heritage, from page 1

Under the dynamic leadership of Pres. Anna Dixon and her Caller-husband, Mil, from MA (1994-present), the organization overcame its 2nd financial crisis. Environmental issues substantially reduced the net proceeds needed for the SDFNE to remain in South Weymouth, MA. The collection accumulated to date was packed and followed Dick & Judy Severance, now Archives Director, to Manchester, NH for storage. An area became available through the Mill-A-Round Dance Center and was rented to the SDFNE. After renovations, a display of the dance collection was once again put in place for the Yr. 2000 New England Square and Round Dance Convention being held in Manchester, New Hampshire.

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DONATIONS TO SDFNE

Banners/Travel Banners: Peter C. Card, J.R. Riveccio, Bud & Judy Clifford, Walt & Evie Morris, Dick Arvidson.

Books/Magazines/*Newspaper Articles: Roy Steiger, Art & Pat Anthony, Steve Ocskasy, Peter C. Card, Jim Mayo, Joe & Connie Pepin, Al Brundage, Charlie Webster, *Lori Morin, *Frank Lescrinier, *Jay & Sandi Silva, *Allan & Evelyn Dean, *Charlie Webster, Paul Hunt, Barry & Carol Wilson.

Cassettes/*CD's: Russell L. Hoekstra (also Pie Squares), Bob Brundage, *Jim Mayo, *Patty Greene.

Clothing/Badges: Barbara Streit, Freda Scapaletti, June Fahey, Peter C. Card, Dorothy Pike, Lorraine Goldman, Dorothy Delery, Barbara Holleman, Doris Barth, Al Brundage, Dot Pike.

Display/Storage Units: Majestic Badge, Peabody MA, Men's Wearhouse, Medford MA, Len & Connie Houle (via son Tommy).

Photos/*Videos: Ellie Sturges, Lois & Dick Willard, Peg & Doc Tirrell, Joanne Martin, Bill & Marge Headen, Chuck & Gerry Hardy, Ruth Petrin, Pat & Art Anthony, Ron & Ellen Foster, Edith Selby, Al Brundage, Bob Brundage, *Rick & Lynda Williams, *Dick & Judy Severance, Jane Carlson, Linda Hughes, Gordy Brown.

Plaques/Trophies: Jim Mayo (Jay King's Callerlab Award of Excellence)

Memorabilia papers: Joe & Connie Pepin (1993 letter from The White House in regard to Pres. Carter attending the 35th NESRDC), Charlie & Irene Schwab (1984

Baltimore autographed Convention Poster), George & Shirley Pope (SDFNE organizational papers).

Records/Albums: Al Brundage, Bob Brundage, Bruce Johnson (via Ron Black), Reynolds Steiger, Joe & Connie Pepin, Debbie Coit, Art & Pat Anthony, Chris Howard, Joe & Phyllis Casey, Charlie Webster, Mrs. Ralph Johnson, Dan Sorano, Mal Cameron. Clear plastic record sleeves were donated by Bill & Peggy Heyman.

EXTRA FINANCIAL SUPPORT

No matter how successful an organization is in pursuing its goals, money is always needed to keep the roof over its head, and the wolf away from the door. The SDFNE is truly grateful to the following people and organizations for the extra financial support they have shown us: Elizabeth "Betty" C. Doolan Trust, Sam Shults, Dick House, Lisa Greenleaf (NECCA), Legacy, Jane A. Carlson, Barbara C. Brooks, Virginia & Thaddeus Johnson, Tri-State Callers Assoc., Dick & Vera Smith, Bob & Barbara Graybill, Pine Tree Riot Sqs, Skirts 'N Flirts SDC, Connecticut Dept. of Economic & Community Development ('03 & '04) and the New Hampshire Dept. of Agriculture ('04), Vermont Dept. of Agriculture ('03), Massachusetts Dept. of Food & Agriculture ('03), Markets & Foods.

The financial contributions enable us to commence our educational program for elementary grades in the year 2005. Many Thanks!

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Learn to Sq.Dance 800#: *Aubut, Houle, Ted Hughes.*

Leadership Conf: *Barbara & Tom Potts, Bucky & Doris Donaher,*

Anthony, Channell, Houle.

Promotion @ Eastern States Exposition: *Houle, Dixon.*

Memorials & Tributes: *Helen (Joe) Kerr, Hartka, Doug Ross & Kitty Charron, Joanne Martin.*

Hall of Fame: *Potts, Haile, Coruth, Carpenter, Carol Paris.*

Local Legend: *Carol Paris.*

Fundraising/Ways & Means: *Doug & Judy Wynne, Randy & Ellie Hogan.*

Raffles: *Pope, Paul & Ann Davis, Roland & Lucille Ducharme, Holton, Dugas.*

20/50Monthly Raffle: *Jean Stabl.*

Museum Gift Shop: *Sutherland.*

SDFNE/Burdick Calendars: *John Martin.*

Trail-Out Dance: *Houle, Anthony, Moody.*

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Webmaster: *Patty Greene.*

Web site: *Board of Directors.*

Square Dance Life is enriched by continuous volunteer activities. If you happen to see any SDFNE volunteer, please give a big "Thank You", or possibly a "Yellow Rock".

To ALL SDFNE VOLUNTEERS who have helped, over the years, to build shelves, install windows, painted – inside & out, built stairs, arranged artifacts and books in the library and museum, swept and vacuumed floors, washed windows and dance floors, cleared snow, mowed the lawn, lifted and moved heavy objects, made "signs", did electrical and plumbing work, helped with fundraising projects, manned exhibit booths, modeled in square dance fashion shows, danced at demonstrations, and carried boxes during relocation times – **SDFNE CELEBRATES YOUR HELP. A MILLION THANKS!**

MANY THANKS! ANNUAL RENEWALS

(Since the last newsletter.)

John & Florence Adams, Alan Alford, Claire Allis, Gervase Arndt, Pauline & Tom Barkalow, Paul Barnum, Concetta Williams, Samuel Baumgarten, Jim & Pat Belanger, Art & Pat Bishel, Waldemar & Barbara Block, Jr., Beverly Boudreau, Gloria Brunt, CASDC (CT), Gloria Courtois, Tom & Sue Crowther, Tony & Nina Crugnola, Jim & Betsy Dakin, Alexander Demos, Evelyn Dougherty, Florence Dojny, Barbara Dube, Normand & Rose Duchesne, Jack & Sharron Duffy, James Farquhar, Wallace & Lorena Fenlason, Robert Fortnam, Fred & Nancy Gadon, Raymond Gonzalez, Norman Gorden, Eunice Grant, Russell & Sally Gray, Bob & Barbara Graybill, Kenneth & Patricia Greene, Bob & Louise Griffin, Eugene Gschwind, James & Carol Guy, Allan & Janice Hauser, Bill & Joan Hayes, Kathleen Hoyt, Richard & Joan Jutras, George & Karen Kay, Diane Kelly, Christopher MacIver, Evelyn Kelly, Duncan & Carol Kerr, Richard & Ellen Knowlton, Richard Lane, Richard LeClerc, Ernest & Joan Lein, Ted & Lisa Lizotte, Claire & John Loken, Everett & Arline Mackin, Vincent & Anna Maglio, Dennis & Peggy Marsh, Althea McNie, Lori & Dave Morin, Frank Murphy, Ben & Jane Natale, Nausets SDC (MA), Nubble Lighthouse Keepers SDC (ME), David & Margaret Olney, Donna Opalak, Charles & Jean Orrell, Carol & Thomas Ort, Joe & Lorraine Pellon, John M. Raymond, Marilyn Rivenburg, Rocking Roosters SDC (CT), Al Rubelmann, Priscilla Sayward, Jim & Joyce Schell, Allan A. Seroll, Ardis Smith, Richard & Lucille St.Onge, Mary & Ray Swain, Mel & Skip Tyler, Frederick & Cindy Webb, Dick & Shirley White, Roy & Janet Williams, Winnepesaukee Squares (NH), Irene Wood, George & Alice Clattenburg, George & Shirley McCallan.

WELCOME NEW ANNUAL MEMBERS!

(Since the last newsletter.)

. Carl & Louise Arvidson (NH)
. Ben Baldwin ((SC)
. Brian & Martha Beckman (ME)
. Ann Marie Bradley (NY)
. Maurice & Lillian Deragon (CT)
. Jeremy deVries (NY)
. Rita Dunn (CT)
. France Fontenot Rouff (MA)
. Janet Fortnam (NH)
. John & Rose Fournier (NH)
. Phil & Sandi Gatchell (MA)
. Claire Haskins (MA)
. Allan & Janice Hauser (CT)
. Ron & Georgette Heroux (VT)
. Richard & Joan Jutras (RI)
. Sandra Keene (NM)
. Jacqueline V. McCarthy (ON, Canada)
. Manuel & Marie Medeiros (MA)
. Peg Millar (NY)
. Charles Miller (MA)
. Larry & Becky Morton (MA)
. Raymond & Erna Niquette (VT)
. Tony Oxendine (SC)
. T.J. Oxendine (SC)
. Phil & Sandy Pierce (NH)
. Pat Push (NY)
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. Charles & Diane Schirmer (CT)
. Stewart & Kathie Shacklette (KY)
. Samuel C. Shults (OH)
. Single Squares, Albany (NY)
. Eric Sjoblom (RI)
. Pat Spinney (MA)
. Lenny & Becki Stratton (MA)
. Ed & Phyllis Sullivan (MA)
. Stanley & Marilyn Szpakowski (MA)
. Linwood & MaryLou Wallace (MA)
. Charlie Webster (MA)
. Larry & Betty Williams (NH)
. Wendell Woodard (NH)

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

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

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WELCOME 500 CLUB MEMBERS

(Since the last newsletter.)

Milton & Elizabeth Frazier (RI)

500 Club Membership: \$500 per family. Club-Organization \$500. With this membership your name is engraved on a brass bar that is displayed on a wooden plaque in the library/museum.

WELCOME NEW LIFE MEMBERS

(Since the last newsletter.)

Allan & Evelyn Dean (CT)

Claudia's Western Shoppe (MA)

Lisa Greenleaf (MA)

Jennie Frisella (NH)

Kathy Forester (KTours-NH)

Harry Chisholm (NH)

Ted Hughes (FL)

Ron & Ellen Foster (MA)

Life Membership: \$100 per person.

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

Heritage, from page 5

The Square Dance Foundation of New England is a non-profit organization with a membership body of interested individuals, clubs, and organizations who continue their efforts in the preservation of the history of Square Dance. They care about the dance heritage of the past and want to see it continue as a living legacy for the dancers of today and tomorrow. Membership in the SDFNE provides active support to help the activity, promotes a greater visibility for future growth, creates pride in our dance heritage, and expands our horizons with new friends.

Despite the property and financial distractions over the many years, the Square Dance Foundation of New England has accomplished much. The SDFNE has been offering a Leadership Conference as a training ground for dance leaders. Many New England dance

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YEAR 2005 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Date	Event	Time	Place/Contact
Sat. 01	SDFNE Work Session <i>Volunteers are Welcomed. (even if it's for 1 hr)</i>	1:30-4:00	Baldwin Library/Museum (NH) Call Dixon 781-944-4416 for dates, or Call Severance 603-623-2692 for dates.
02-09	Mailing of SDFNE Annual Raffle Tickets		Art & Marge Dugas 603-623-8566
02-27	New Dancer Ball		Mill-A-Round Dance Center (NH) By Tri-State Callers Assoc. Contact: Patty Greene 603-893-7180
04-03	King & Queen Ball	Local Legend Award will be presented to Jean Stahl at this SEMCA event.	
04-21	Trail-In Dance – 47 th NESRDC, Brattleboro VT	8:pm-10:30pm	Brattleboro Union H.S. Contact: Judy & Bud Clifford 802-563-2777
04-22	47 th NESRDC, Brattleboro VT	2:pm-11:pm	Brattleboro Union H.S.
04-23	47 th NESRDC, Brattleboro VT	9:am-11:pm	Brattleboro Union H.S. Contact: Judy & Bud Clifford 802-563-2777
04-22-23	SDFNE Exhibit Booth <i>On both days.</i>	Manned by SDFNE Bd of Directors & Members who volunteer. To help out call: Anna Dixon 781-944-4416	
04-24	SDFNE Trail-Out Dance <i>(includes a Silent Auction)</i>	9:30am-Noon	Brattleboro Union H.S. Contact: Sheila & Ken Moody 207-646-3183
07-31	Nova Scotia Fundraiser (Cruise-Tour-Dance)		For a flyer or details Call Dick Severance 603-623-2692

We look forward to your assistance at Work Sessions. This is a fun time as we sort through, and organize our collection by subject matter, document all aspects of our collection, and organize future planning for access and programs to the square dance community and the general public. Go to www.sdfne.org to check on future Work Sessions.

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leaders have emerged from this program. Two Awards, Hall of Fame in 1992 and Local Legend in 2003, were established to honor individuals and couples who have made significant contributions to the square dance community by their actions of preserving, promoting, and perpetuating square and round dancing. Ongoing Outreach Programs include (1) a Record Storage Service for dance organizations, (2) Availability of Excess Music Records for Callers & Cuers, (3) Dance Club History file folders submitted by Club Officers, and (4) an Information Central about New England Callers and Cuers. The SDFNE has been conducting the education program for the New England Square and Round Dance Conventions.

On October 25, 2003, the Square Dance Foundation of New England, Inc. celebrated its 30th Anniversary. In recognition of this anniversary, all six New England Governors issued Proclamations naming October 19th to October 25th "Square Dance Heritage Week".

When the invited guests and visitors to the anniversary weren't dancing to the creative calling and cueing of SDFNE members, they were walking around the Charlie & Bertha Baldwin Library/Museum. There they saw racks and shelves filled with magazines, books, and music records all devoted to square and round dancing. Displays included colorful western style dance attire, photographs, scrapbooks, vintage music equipment, tapes, videos, slides, newspaper clippings and numerous one of a kind items. Do visit us at www.sdfne.org to find out more.

Progress has taken and continues to take a team effort. Many dancers, callers, and cuers volunteer their skills, knowledge, and expertise for a common cause, to preserve and perpetuate this country's great square dance heritage for the benefit of others. SDFNE's Archives represent lifelong friendships as a legacy to the continuation of our Dance Heritage so that the future may learn from the past. The Square Dance Foundation of New England is now positioned to generate the spark that will ignite a resurgence of this great dance activity so that others may experience the joy of dance that many have come to know.