



Foundation News

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HAPPENINGS... Yr.2007

SDFNE ANNUAL MEETING - The reports given in detail. Special recognition of all volunteers who are serving on the SDFNE Board of Directors was given, "THANKS". Treasurer France T. Rouff reported that The SDFNE is "in the black" due to many fundraisers and thoughtful donations by members, organizations, and clubs. Copies of her report are available upon request. The business meeting ended with the Election of Officers (see p.5). The highlight of the meeting was the presentation of the Hall of Fame Awards. Chairman, Bob and Barbara Graybill introduced Jennie Frisella and Steve & Peggy Schevis for induction.

Tri-State Callers Winter Ball- It was a tremendous showing with 20 Y2 squares dancing at the Mill-A-Round Dance Ctr. For the 2nd year, Al & France Rouff did a great job publicizing and promoting this event. New and experienced dancers had "a ball" dancing with the Callers present. This made them eligible to order a Purple Heart dangle, and the Callers autographed the dancers' Certificates. Tri-State Callers donated \$1,240.00 to the SDFNE from the Winter Ball, to help defray the increase in their rent. THANKS, Tri-State Callers!

SEMCA'S King & Queen Ball - The newly crowned King & Queen, John and Paulette Harlow (MA), are members of the Buckaroos SDC in S. Weymouth. Congratulations to the Harlows. Happy Dancing!

EDSARDA's 50th Anniversary - On May 6th In Framingham, MA, 20 squares of dancers enjoyed the celebration. Past President, Bob Griffin contacted all 6 N. E. Governors and they sent EDSARDA very special "Square Dance Proclamations."

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DECISIONS DRIVE THE SDFNE FORWARD

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The Charlie & Bertha Baldwin Library and Museum is the nation's Square Dance library leader. Our membership includes many faithful supporters. They all believe in Charlie Baldwin's vision to preserve vital square and round dance information.

Decision #1 - Keeping Pace... The SDFNE Office computer now has Internet access, thanks to the assistance of Norm Poisson and Jerry Lowes of the Mill-A-Round Dance Ctr, and the invaluable computer help of Johnny Wedge. Volunteers have the opportunity now to use the SDFNE Office computer for research purposes.

Decision #2 - More Communication... Website www.sdfne.org has been updated. If you have not looked at it lately, log on and take a look. All the Hall of Famers, the Local Legends, and the Yankee Clipper recipients are listed. Most have photos and write-ups. In addition, there is a section of interviews with people who have been, or are currently active in shaping square and round dance history. These 31 exclusive interviews by Caller, Bob Brundage, SDFNE Library Associate and Historian, provide detailed personal insight into the evolution of the square and round dance we know today. New interviews are being added as Bob continues his important work. It is not necessary to register to view the site, but if you do, it will give us great joy that so many people are taking advantage of our archival history.

Decision #3 - Expansion and Visibility... The SDFNE has started an exciting new cooperative connection. We are donating books from our collection to The Milne Special Collections Department of the University of New Hampshire Library, in Durham, NH. Their library already has substantial collections of materials related to square and folk dancing. In May, Jim Mayo, SDFNE Library Assoc. made the first transfer of 79 books from our collection to UNH. Through the dedicated computer work of Tammy Dorris, SDFNE Library Associate, book inventory lists were made. These lists were compared to the UNH list. To everyone's surprise, SDFNE had over

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YR 2007 SDFNE'S HALL OF FAME RECIPIENTS

In 1992, the Directors of the Square Dance Foundation of New England, Inc. instituted a New England "Hall of Fame" to honor individuals and couples who over the years, by their actions advanced the goals of the Foundation Promotion, Preservation and Perpetuation of New England's Folk Dance Heritage. To read more about their personal accomplishments, go to our website: www.sdfne.org. It is a privilege to recognize their many years of devoted work on behalf of the square and round dance community.

JENNIE FRISELLA is a Round Dance Cuer and an individual with unlimited energy and drive. She attended Dick Leger's Caller School in 1984, and continues teaching, learning and leading ever since. A continuous member of Roundalab since 1986, Jennie presently serves on the Phase II and III Round of the Quarter Committee. She has been a member of NECORT A since 1986 serving in positions of Chairman, and Vice-Chairman. Jennie has cued at all but one New England Square & Round Dance Convention since 1985. During the 48th & 49th NESRDC in Springfield, MA, Jennie was the Publicity Chairperson. From 1988 to 2002, she was Cuer for Narragansett Pacers SDC in RI. She has choreographed seven round dances, and is currently working on two more. Jennie published the textbook, "Folk & Square Dance" used by the University of Rhode Island Physical Education Majors. Jennie continues to cue and to serve the round dance organizations and the dance community.



STEVE AND PEGGY SCHEVIS have been square dancing for forty-one years! They served as Secretary and then as President of the Lancers SDC. They also were members of Channeliers Round Dance Club, the Butterfly Rounds, and the Riverside Squares SDC. They served as Exhibitor Chairpersons during 3 New England Sq. & Rd. Dance Conventions: 1978 in Danvers, MA; 1998-1999 North Shore, MA; 2000-2001 Manchester NH. In 1976, Steve and Peggy started their own business, Majestic Badge, and it has been flourishing ever since. This tireless couple has had an exhibit booth at every New England Sq. & Rd. Dance Convention for twelve years. They have a history of designing, producing, and donating Commemorative Dangles and Pins to square and round dance groups. Their latest design was for the Eastern District Sq. & Rd. Dance Association's 50th Anniversary. Their generosity to the square dance community has been exceptional.

DONATIONS TO SDFNE

Banners: John & Helen Page (from Friendly Mixers of RI), Stacy & Bobbi Guin (from Chic-Mates of MA), Allan & Evy Dean of CT (50th & 51st NESRDC banner made by Allan). Books/newsletters/magazines/articles/training manuals: Callerlab, Doris Crowell, Tony Oxendine, A.E. McMullen, Joyce Wallace, Bill & Jill Caldarone, Paul & Pat Channell, John & Helen Page. Cassettes/cds/dvds/tapes: Nassar Shukayr (4 ABC Patio Party HD - DVD's produced by Jerry Story). Miriam Kinsey of St. Louis, MO (her husband Earl's collection of Callerlab Convention Audio Tapes from 1980-1995). Clothing/badges: Beverly Humm (her mother's circle skirt with 68 Callers signatures) Helen & John Page (Friendly Mixers Club Costume), Ann Wass (Costume from the 33rd Natl. SD Convention in Baltimore, MD). Club Histories: Stacy & Bobbi Guin of Chic-Mates (MA), John & Helen Page of Friendly Mixers (RI), Wally & Polly Burke of Queen City Promenaders (NH). Display/furniture: Chic-Mates (MA) handmade Sq. Dance Clock by Clarence Hirsch; Carol Howard, cabinet. Financial: As we all know, in order to preserve all the wonderful SDFNE donations we need financial assistance. Many Thanks to these thoughtful donors: Tri-State Callers Assoc., Paul & Pat Channell, Howard Hunter, Claudia's Western Shoppe, Kenneth & Margo Quinlan, Christopher & Jean Pinkham, Tri-State Callers Assoc for a second time in 2007, and Doris Howatt. Photos/videos: Pat Anthony, Wally & Polly Burke, Stacy & Bobbi Guin, Ellie Sturges, Dick Severance, Judy Eckert. Plaques/trophies: Chic-Mates (MA), Heel & Toe (NH). Records/albums: Wany & Polly Burke, Paul & Pat Channell, Charlie McLeod.

YEAR 2007 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Date	Event	Time	Place/contact
07-22	KICK-Off Dance in RI 50 th NESDC	2:00 to 5:00 pm	East Smithfield Neighborhood Center Esmond St., Esmond RI Sandi Silva 603-942-7226
09-18	Rhode Island Day Interactive Demo @ The Big E This is the 50 th Anniv. Of the RI State Bldg. On the Avenue of the Americas.	Noon – 1:00 pm	in front of the RI State Building Callers: Art Anthony & Lori Morin Cuer: Pat Anthony
09-19	Connecticut State Day Interactive Demo @ The Big E	10:00 to 11:00am	in front of the CT State Building Callers: Dave Hass & Ed Rutty
09-20	Massachusetts State Day Interactive Demo @ The Big E	9:30 – 10:30am	in front of the MA State Building Caller: Gene King Cuer: Beverly MacKay Any dancer who is an SDFNE Member from the states of CT, MA, NH or RI, who would like to participate in future State Days Interactive Demonstrations, call Anna 781-944-4416.
10-04 to 08	Northeast Callers School		Mill-A-Round Dance Ctr, 250 Commercial St. Manchester NH/Ken Ritucci 413-734-0591

Mark your calendars: Deadline for Hall of Fame Applications: Feb 15, 2008
 Deadline for Local Legend Applications: June 30, 2008

FOUNDATION NEWS, a newsletter for SDFNE members, is published twice a year. Editors, Anna & Mil Dixon, welcome your submissions of letters, articles, and news, by & about SDFNE members/clubs/organizations. Please include your name, address, email address, tel.number. Send to SDFNE Office, 238 Woburn St., Reading MA 01867,

WEBSITE SPONSORS: To have your name or service, or to remember someone's birthday or celebration, or any Special Club/Organization event on the website for 1 month=\$30.00. Contact Johnny Wedge 978-441-4126 or jbwedge@comcast.net.

MEMORIALS: To remember a loved one, a donation of any amount is appreciated.*Send information to SDFNE Office, Attn: Doug Ross, 238WoburnSt, Reading, MA 01867-2838,

And **TRIBUTES:** To honor that special person- for whatever reason, a donation of any amount is appreciated, *

MEMBERSHIP: Annual- Indiv. \$12.50 p.p.

Life - Indiv. \$125.00 p.p.

Couple \$25,00

Couple \$250.00

Club or Organization \$40.00 ea.

Club or Organization \$275,00 ea.

Corporate or Business \$150,00 per Co,

Corporate or Business \$300.00 per Co.

"500Club" \$500.00 Indiv/Couple/Group

Grand Square Society \$1,000.00 Indiv/Couple/Group

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To make a Memorial Donation for a loved one, fill in this form & send to SDFNE Office, Attn: Memorials (238 Woburn St., Reading MA 0186

In Loving Memory of _____

A Memorial Contribution Is Herewith Made To: Square Dance Foundation of New England, Inc.

Please make checks payable to SDFNE, Inc.

By (Donor Name) _____

Donor's Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Please Provide the address of deceased's family below:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____



Happenings... Yr. 2007 (from page 1)

Significant Dates - On Jan, 13th, traditional Caller, Dudley Laufman of Canterbury, NH, was honored at The Ralph Page Weekend held at UNH, Durham NH. Hundreds of people viewed a video produced by David Millstone portraying Dudley's calling career. Great video about a wonderful Caller. Congratulations, Dudley!

On Mar. 8th, past recipient of the SDFNE's Hall of Fame and CO-OP's Yankee Clipper Award, Bob Brundage, had a milestone 85th Birthday. Wishing YOU many more, Bob!

49th NESRDC, Springfield, MA

General Chairman, Gloria & Fran Vivier and their Committee deserve a round of applause for the fun-filled dance event. Heard nothing but praise for all the convention activities.

Trail-Out Dance- Art & Pat Anthony chaired a terrific fundraiser. 19 1/2 squares of dancers enjoyed the calling, cueing and music of the following volunteer SDFNE member Callers: Dave Hass, Bob Haupt, Dennis Marsh, Mil Dixon, Stu Summers, Jerry Maurice and Art Anthony. And Cuers: Beverly MacKay, Pat Anthony, David Goss, Doc Tirrell, Peg Tirrell, Harriett Clarke and Jennie Frisella. THANKS to them, and to all who supported this event. The sum raised pays for another month's rent.

Annual Fundraising Raffle**Now known as "Special Drawing"**

Winning names were drawn during the 49th NESRDC's Celebrity Hour in Springfield, MA.

- . John & Barbara Miller (MA) \$1,000.00
- . Pauline St.Pierre (RI) \$ 300.00
- . George Welcome (VT) \$ 200.00

The Chairpersons of this event, Al & France Routt, raised \$2,275.00 after all expenses were paid. For the 1st time, raffle tickets were emailed to those members who replied to our inquiry "did they want them via email". Other members received a sheet of paper with tickets on it by regular postal mail. We appreciate the good response from everyone. "THANKS"!

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20/50 Monthly Raffle - Once again, Jean Stahl Chairperson of this fund raiser has successfully completed the 20/50 raffle with net proceeds of \$733.00. Not only are monthly winners receiving \$50.00, but also at the Annual Meeting 20/50 ticket holders have a chance to win again. You need not be present to win. This year's Annual Meeting Winners were:

- Frank Murphy (MA) \$100.00
- Martha G. Carpenter (MA) \$50.00
- Lucille Harris (MA) \$25.00

Jan. to June Winners are:

Mae Lauzon (RI), Richard Champagne (MA), Paul Barnum (RI), Florence Lewis (CT), Jim Mayo (NH) and Michael Gardella (RI).

To be a participant in this Win-Win fundraiser, just send your check for \$20.00 to the SDFNE Office, Attn: Jean Stahl, A Big THANK YOU to ALL who support this wonderful fundraiser.

An Ultimate Fundraiser - New Square Dance

Clothing and Accessories - After four (4) very successful sales, thanks to the generous donation of their complete Square Dance Shop, Beverly Childress and Jo Yakimowski provided the SDFNE with a much needed ultimate fund raiser. So far, dancers have bought approximately \$4,200.00 worth of goods. This will cover 3 72 months of rent. A Million Thanks to Jo & Bev, and the wonderful Volunteers who worked on these sales: Dorothy Gulliford, Becky Morton, Carol Kerr, Marge Dugas, Judy Severance, France Routt, Elaine Warren, Kathryn Charron, Tammy Dorris, Marla Curley, Barbara Graybill, Anna Dixon, and of course the men: Dick Severance, Art Dugas, Bob Graybill, and Doug Ross.

SDFNE Membership Dues Increase

On Feb. 17th, the Board of Directors voted to add a Corporate/Business membership category, and to increase membership dues (see p.6) because of their increasing rental fee and operating costs. It was also voted to change the way Annual Members pay their dues. Annual Members will now pay only once a year, in May. All annual members were notified of this change. We appreciate your continued support.

WEBSITE- www.sdfne.org

Have you visited the website? All you have to do is type in www.sdfne.org to see lots of photos, interesting interviews, and get information about SDFNE activities and Outreach Programs.

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IN MEMORIAM 2007

There are those whose lives death cannot diminish

For their light shines on

In the lives of their families andji'iends

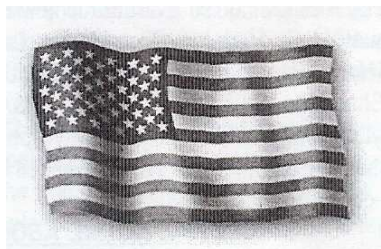
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NECORTA made a donation for Deceased Cuers..

When you make a donation in memory of someone, the SDFNE will send a card to his or her family acknowledging your gift. This memorial gift expresses a deep regard for others, and helps support the educational efforts of the Baldwin Library/Museum.

**President's Message from page 1**

800 books that the UNH Library did not have. In part, this is because their dance books focused primarily on traditional square and folk dance. They were not fully aware of the changes that brought about the modern form of square dancing or the development

of the round dance activity. The first contributions to UNH, were from our collection of duplicate books. Therefore, the SDFNE Library bookshelves are intact and accessible to visitors.

UNH's library website will describe the SDFNE, and will list us as the source of the books we contribute. We expect this will make the SDFNE known to a wider group of people who have interest in square, folk, and round dancing, but who have not yet heard about us. UNH's Special Collections has the benefits of excellent storage conditions and wide access to anyone interested in the SDFNE and other dance related materials.

Decision #4 — Membership Dues Increased. As you all know, life is full of changes. Faced with increases in rent, installation of water sprinklers in the library (this is a Fire Dept. mandate), and joining the technology of the 21st century, the SDFNE Board voted to increase the dues by a small amount. See pg. 3 for a breakdown of membership dues. We appreciate your continued support.

WELCOME!**NEW ANNUAL MEMBERS**

Paul Cote (NH), Charlie & Patt Downing (MA), Frederick W. Hagman (MA), Margene Jackson (MA), Jean S. Lee (CT), Beverly & Dick Lefebvre (RI), Betty M. Perreault (NH), Leo & Josephine Thibodeau (CT).

NEW LIFE MEMBERS

Kevin Benoit (VT), Walt Bull (ME), John Hendron (MA)

MANY THANKS!**TO MEMBERS WHO RENEWED from Jan. to Jun. 2007**

(If you renewed in Jan-June and your name is not listed, please call: France Routt, membership 978-975-2619 to straighten things out.)

John & Florence Adams, Roger & Sandra Barnett, Paul T. Barnum, Samuel Baumgarten, Jim & Pat Belanger, Waldemar & Barbara Block, Jr., Frank Boyer, Skip & Betty Ann Brown, Richard P. Champagne, Gary & Marcia Cohen, Gloria M. Courtois, Tom & Sue Crowther, Helen A. Dagenais, Jim & Betsy Dakin, Gerald & Denise Deshaies, Normand & Rose Duchesne, Elsie M. Durkee, Robert & Janet Fortnam, Sondra Corey Freyer, Howard & Kathleen Gotham, Eunice B. Grant, Russell & Sally Gray, Bob & Barbara Graybill, Kenneth & Patricia Greene, Robert Haupt, Bill & Joan Hayes, Marlene Y. Hayes, Sally M. Hoyt, Bertha M. Kenney, Duncan & Carol Kerr, Gene King, Richard & Ellen Knowlton, Richard A. Lane, Rick Lannquist, Everett & Arline Mackin, Vincent & Ann Maglio, William & Eleanor Manning, Althea L. McNie, Manuel & Marie Medeiros, Tom Mortier, Lawrence & Rebecca Morton, Thomas & Carol Ort, Matthew & Nancy Peeler, Roger & Linda Poyant, Joseph & Catherine Prendergast, Al Rubelmann, Alan A. Seroll, Stew & Kathie Shacklette, Ed & Phyllis Sullivan, Bill & Ada Suydam, Mel & Skip Tyler, Walter H. Wall, Linwood & Mary Lou Wallace, Frederick & Cindy Webb, Dick & Shirley White, Jack & Madeline Whitney, Roy & Janet Williams, Winnepesaukee SDC, Irene A. Wood, Wendell Woodard, Leo & Jean Yelle, Jr.

SPECIAL NOTICE ABOUT SDFNE ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Change is one of the constants of life. We hope you'll agree that the change being implemented is a good one. It should save the SDFNE time and money. We can use our "bulk mail" permit which will save on postage. Starting May 19, 2007 there will be one (1) renewal date for all SDFNE Annual Members. Everyone will renew at the same time each year. Renewals will be sent out the third Saturday in May 2008. If you attend the SDFNE Annual Meeting, you can renew your membership on that day.

Those Annual Members who have renewed after January 01, 2007

will receive an SDFNE Membership Renewal form on May 17, 2008.

In other words, your current membership is good through May 17, 2008.

If you have any questions regarding this change, please call

France Routt at 978-975-2619. "Thank You" for your continued support.

**CONGRATULATIONS!****NEW "500 CLUB" MEMBER**

NSSARDA, (North Shore Square and Round Dance Association), previously a Life Member has upgraded to the Membership Category of "500 Club". This means they will have a brass bar with the organization's name inscribed on it. This bar is attached to the wooden plaque that is hung on the wall of the Charlie & Bertha Baldwin Library and Museum for all to see.

CONGRATULATIONS!**NEW GRAND SQUARE SOCIETY MEMBERS**

Barbara Brooks (RI), Beverly Childress (MA), Josephine Yakimowski (MA).