



Foundation News

Square Dance Foundation of New England, Inc.

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“WHY?” CONTEST WINNER

Congratulations to
LEE A. FREMAULT
Attleboro, MA

The question was:

**“WHY SHOULD SDFNE MEMBERS
CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE
BALDWIN LIBRARY/MUSEUM, EVEN IF
THEY NO LONGER SQUARE OR
ROUND DANCE?”**



The Winning Entry is:

Wouldn't you like to not only remember, but – also be able to see, feel, touch, and experience the things which represent the happiest times of your lives? These were inexpensive times of friendliness, social activities, exercise, and most importantly – **FUN!**

Don't make this just another “class reunion”.
SUPPORT YOUR LIBRARY/MUSEUM!

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ANNUAL MEETING

The sky was clear and sunny when approximately 150 people attended the Square Dance Foundation of New England's Annual Meeting at the Mill-A-Round Dance Center, 250 Commercial St., Manchester, New Hampshire. Joanne Martin, Nominations Chmn. presented the Slate of Officers. They were voted in.

After praising the successful efforts of retiring and continuing Officers and Board Members, elected President Anna Dixon welcomed the new Officers – Vice President Sheila Moody of Wells, ME and Recording Secretary Dorothy Gulliford of Saugus, MA.

The afternoon events included drawing the winner's name for the BRUNO THE BEAR raffle – who was round dance cuer, Barbara Connolly of VT. She gave this humongous animal to her daughter, Crystal. Many thanks to all who graciously chauffeured BRUNO to



his new owner! Bruno was donated for this fundraiser by Dorothy Gulliford. Total received, \$165.00. “THANKS” To Everyone Who Took Chances”!

Jean Stahl, our industrious 20/50 Raffle Chmn., thanked all those who supported this monthly fundraising effort by purchasing a yearly \$20.00 ticket.

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OFFICERS 2003-2004

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NEWSLETTER

- Square Dance Foundation of New England, Inc., incorporated in 1973, is an all volunteer Non-profit organization, with approximately 600 members. Foundation News is distributed to over 675 individuals and organizations twice a year.

SUBMISSIONS

- Foundation News welcomes your contributions of letters, articles and news, by and about SDFNE members.
- Include your name, address, daytime & eve phone numbers with your submissions. Deadline for submissions for the next newsletter is December 1st. Send submissions to: Anna & Mil Dixon, 238 Woburn St., Reading, MA 01867-2838

WEBSITE SPONSORS

- Your message on the SDFNE Web site sells your product or service, or remembers someone's special event or celebration, to a large market area. The number of “hits” per month average “450”. Seventy-five percent of those hits are in the U.S.A. Other hits are from Europe and Asia. Cost for 1 month's sponsorship is \$30.00. Be a Sponsor, call Patty Greene – 603-893-7180 email: www.sdfne.org

SDFNE MEMBERSHIP DUES

- Annual: \$10.00 per person
- \$35.00 per Club or Organization
- Life: \$100.00 per person
- \$250.00 per Club or Organization
- Make checks payable to S.D.F.N.E. Inc.
- Mail to SDFNE Office, 238 Woburn St, Reading, MA 01867-2838

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Per the raffle rules, 1/6th of the net is drawn as prizes at the SDFNE's Annual Meeting. (see page 3 for winners)

Museum Gift Shop Chmn., Angie and Bill Sutherland unveiled 2 surprises: the first – a NEW white Golf Shirt with front pocket and an emblazoned SDFNE 30th Anniversary Logo on the back. There is also a NEW white Tee with the same Logo. Why not order one to wear on your Branson, MO trip, or show up wearing one for the 30th Anniversary Celebration (10-25-03). (see enclosed Order Form)

Their 2nd surprise – An 18 month Calendar – with clever and amusing Square Dance Cartoons by renowned Caller and Cartoonist, Stan Burdick. His creative cartoons are interspersed with colored photos of the “treasured” SDFNE's Baldwin Library/Museum. Our thanks to Stan for providing free use of his artistic work. Our special volunteer Jack Martin deserves a big thanks for computer programming and assembling the great 18 month Calendar.

The Annual Meeting ended with the Hall of Fame Induction.

In Memoriam**2003**

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

Elizabeth Doolan

Norm Phaneuf

Lou Toth

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, send necessary information to SDFNE Office.

ANNUAL RAFFLE WINNERS

During the Celebrity Hour of The New England Square & Round Dance Convention in Sturbridge, MA, the following persons became Lucky Winners:

- 1st Prize: \$1,000.00 Mr.&Mrs. Raymond Niquette (VT)
- 2nd Prize: \$300.00 Mr.&Mrs. Tony Leyko (ME)
- 3rd Prize: \$200.00 Steve White (NH)

This Annual Raffle ensures that the SDFNE Outreach Programs for Clubs, Callers and Cuers, and Dance Organizations will continue, that the Hall of Fame will continue to recognize outstanding leaders, and that the Charlie & Bertha Baldwin Library/Museum will continue to collect and display memorabilia of our Dance Heritage. These ongoing activities will require the time and talents of SDFNE Members, and continued financial support to ensure that recruitment of new dancers, support for leaders, acknowledgment of outstanding achievements, and the collection of precious archival materials can continue. A Million Thanks to ALL who bought Annual Raffle tickets. By helping to preserve Square Dance History, your actions MAKE YOU A WINNER!

\$ \$ \$

20/50 Monthly Raffle Winners

(since last newsletter)

Year 2003:

- ☐ Feb Norma Maciorowski (MA)
- ☐ Mar Johnny & Barbara Wedge (MA)
- ☐ Apr Roland & Lucille Ducharme (NH)
- ☐ May Carolyn Owens (RI)
- May final winners:
 - Al Brundage (FL) \$100.
 - Betty Bisphop (MA) \$50.
 - Dick Severance (NH) \$25.
- ☐ June Carol Guy (MA)

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Anna Dixon

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President's Message

What is it about Square and Round Dance Leaders, Square and Round Dancers, Round Dance Cuers, or Square Dance Callers that elevates them from ordinary people to extraordinary individuals? In dancers' eyes, it's the alchemy of superior guidance combined with the contagious enthusiasm of the dance. This combination impacts our lives and resonates with us long after we have graduated from beginner dance lessons. Anyone who has had the good fortune to learn square dancing from Stan Burdick, Bucky Donaher, and Jerry LeBlanc; or round dancing from Ralph Collipi; or been involved with The New England Square and Round Dance Conventions chaired by Dennis and Stephanie Coruth will agree. Their ways of teaching and finding leadership talent is outstanding. Their dance legacy lives on in the many dancers who enjoyed their expert teaching and their passion for the square dance activity. The stories of their skills and confidence will be found in this issue.



Norma Kaplow - Steve White, \$200 Winner of Annual Raffle - Kappy Kaplow, SDFNE Treas.

H A L L O F F A M E I N D U C T I O N

One of the most pleasant duties the Hall of Fame Chairman Martha & Rev. Bob Carpenter had to perform following the Annual Meeting on May 17, 2003, was to induct the following persons into the Square Dance Foundation of New England's Hall of Fame. This award was instituted in 1992, to honor those individuals and couples who by their actions, over the years, advanced the goals of the Foundation: Promotion, Preservation, and Perpetuation.

STAN & CATHIE BURDICK



Stan and Cathie have traveled 2,000,000 miles teaching and promoting their favorite activity – square and round dancing. They have authored and published several square dance books, and also published the works of many others. Cathie has written many editorials that generated much discussion withing the square dance movement. Stan has called in all 50 states, all 10 Canadian provinces, and in all 20 countries abroad. During his career, Stan has held 203 Weekend Clinics, 58 Week-long Caller Schools, and has taught 515 people to become Callers. As a free-lance cartoonist, Stan is best known for

his character, Do-Ci-Do Dolores, who has been making all the wrong moves on the dance floor for many years. He is the Director of the Hague Cartoon Museum, Hague, NY, which he established in 1998. When they were Publishers & Editors, Stan & Cathie introduced square and round dancing to countless people through the pages of their immensely popular national magazine, “American Square Dance”. For their outstanding and tireless work, the Square Dance Foundation of New England is very proud to induct Stan and Cathie Burdick into the Hall of Fame.

RALPH & JOAN COLLIPI



Ralph and Joan began dancing in 1969, and were teaching rounds by 1972 in their hometown of Salem, New Hampshire. Their goal is to keep the dancers dancing, and they encourage dancers to dance at the level they enjoy. They believe that it is a leader's obligation to fight for the activity, and insist that all levels of rounds be offered at major events, so that all dancers can attend, participate, and have FUN. As teachers, they bring humor to their lessons to keep the students relaxed and enjoying themselves. Ralph and Joan have served

in the highest levels of leadership at the National level. They have served as Chairman of Roundalab. At the Regional level, they are Chairman of A.C.C.O.R.D. For 25 years, they have taught and been clinicians at The New England Square & Round Dance Conventions. They have received the Silver Circle Award from Roundalab, and the Yankee Clipper Award from The New England Square & Round Dance CO-Operation Committee. It brings great honor to the Square Dance Foundation of New England to induct Ralph and Joan Collipi to the Hall of Fame.

BUCKY & DORIS DONAHER

Bucky and Doris began square dancing in 1967 with the Lofty Squares. They served as Club President from 1969 to 1971. Bucky began his calling career on November 13, 1975. He called his first dance at Kramer's Hayloft in So.Weymouth, MA. For the next 21 years, he called there regularly. Bucky has been the Caller for the Buckaroos for the past 28 years. He also has been the Caller for



the Hobomock Hoedowners for 18 years. This year he will have taught his 28th Square Dance Class for the Buckaroos. He has called at all S.E.M.C.A. dances, and at all New England Square & Round Dance Conventions since 1976, as well as calling at the National Square Dance Conventions in Charlotte, NC and Baltimore, MD. Bucky is currently President of Old Colony Callers Association. He has taught square dancing at public schools, Harvard University, Curry College, and Babson College in MA, and for countless church and civic organizations. Bucky and Doris have spent their square dance years promoting, perpetuating, and thus preserving our beloved square dance heritage. It is our great pleasure and honor to induct Bucky and Doris Donaher into the Square Dance Foundation of New England's Hall of Fame.

DENNIS & STEPHANIE CORUTH



Dennis and Stephanie have generously given their time and talents to the New England Square & Round Dance community. They have served in a myriad of leadership roles since they began square dancing in 1981 with the Litchfield Swingers SD Club, Litchfield, NH. "Denne" and "Steph" have continuously supported their club, serving several times as President, Treasurer, and Secretary. They have been Advisors and Committee Members over the past 22 years. In 1987 and 1988, they assisted with the Special Events Program for The New England Square & Round Dance Convention in Portland, ME. They were appointed General Chairman for The New England Square & Round Dance Convention in Manchester, NH for the years 1992 and 1993, and again in the years 2000 and 2001. They have served as Registration Chairman for The New England Square & Round Dance Convention held in Sturbridge, MA during the years 2002 and 2003. Stephanie was also an instructor for the Granite State Cloggers from 1985-1996. Dennis and Stephanie are dancers who show their love of the dance activity by giving back unstintingly of their leadership skills on many levels. The Square Dance Foundation of New England is honored to induct Dennis and Stephanie Coruth into the Hall of Fame.

JERRY & EVELYN LEBLANC



Jerry devoted over half his life to promoting, perpetuating, and thereby preserving square dancing. He began square dancing in 1963. He also began Calling the same year. In 1964, Jerry recorded "Kingstontown", a promo, on a local radio station, to help launch his 1st square dance class in Westerly, Rhode Island. That May he graduated 79 new dancers for the Surfside 8 SDC. Jerry taught classes in Westerly for the next 34 years. He also taught classes in Ledyard and East Lyme, CT. He called in every New England state, and in FL, MD, PA, NY, and Canada. Jerry called at most festivals held in CT and RI as well as The New England Square & Round Dance Conventions. He brought square dancing to churches, schools, local fairs, craft shows, and school fundraisers. A highlight of his career was when he called at the pre-show for the Westerly, RI Community Chorus' Outdoor Concert, with the Surfside 8 SDC, before an audience of 28,000 people. He sang "Oklahoma" to rave reviews. Jerry was known for his beautiful singing voice, and his patient teaching technique. The Square Dance Foundation of New England is pleased to recognize his devotion to the dance activity during his lifetime; and today, to honor Jerry and Evelyn LeBlanc by their induction into the Hall of Fame.

At the Charlie & Bertha Baldwin Library/Museum there are books for you to peruse, in order to learn more about the other achievements these Hall of Famers have accomplished. Please call for an appointment to visit: 603-623-2692



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YEAR 2003 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Date	Event	Time	Place/Contact
09-16 Tues.	Interactive Sq./Rd Dance RI State Day @ The Big E	noon	W.Springfield MA/Anna Dixon Callers: Art Anthony & Lori Morin Cuer: Pat Anthony
09-17 Wed.	Interactive Sq Dance CT State Day @ The Big E	9:30 a.m.	W.Springfield MA/Anna Dixon Callers: Ed Rutty & Dave Hass
09-18 Thurs.	Interactive Sq/Rd Dance MA State Day @ The Big E	9:30 a.m.	W.Springfield MA/Anna Dixon Caller: Mil Dixon Cuer: Beverly Boudreau
09-20 Sat.	Interactive Sq/Rd Dance VT State Day @ The Big E	9:30 a.m.	W.Springfield MA/Anna Dixon Caller: Don Bachelder Cuers: Doc & Peg Tirrell Cuers: Barbara & Jim Connolly Cuers: Paul & Crystal Connolly

10-25 Sat. SDFNE 30th Anniversary Celebration
Plan to Come and Renew Friendships
10:00a.m. – 4:00p.m. Mill-A-Round Dance Center and
SDFNE's Baldwin Library/Museum
250 Commercial St., Manchester NH
Contact: Dick Severance 603-623-2692

10-30 Thurs. Depart for Branson, MO Logan Airport & also Manchester Airport

To Become A Member: 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. or S.D.F.N.E.*

Name: _____
Address: _____

Tel: _____
Email: _____
Signature: _____
Date: _____

Annual Membership: \$10.00 per person
or \$35.00 Club/Organization \$ _____
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to the Endowment Fund of \$ _____
 I would like to make
a Memorial Donation in the name of _____
in the amount of \$ _____

To reach our goals, we need continuous financial support.