

Foundation News

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President's Message

Everyone reading this newsletter has been given a brand new year to do things differently, or better. The same is true for the SDFNE. We'd like to know what you think - complaints, praises, suggestions, whatever...Please take a few moments and drop us a line or two. THANKS!

"Beginnings", "endings", and "changes" - these words describe our lives at one time or another. You may think about "change", but preparing for it and accepting it takes time and effort. We are all vulnerable to the emotions that come with "change", but "change" is what is needed for growth.

The SDFNE's Charlie & Bertha Baldwin Library/Museum, which began in 1982 in So. Weymouth, MA and in 1997 moved to Manchester, NH, is now bursting at the seams with wonderful one-of-akind square and round dance history. We need more space to accommodate our ever growing collections.

This is where change comes into play. More administrative and storage space is needed. File cabinets, desks, and tables necessary for sorting donated materials take up space that could otherwise be used for displaying artifacts. Therefore, an extra room for all of this activity was in our minds. When the martial arts group's area next door to the library/museum became vacant, we were fortunate enough to be able to

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MELODIOUS MUSIC

On December 02, 2001, music lovers attended a superb Christmas Music Concert at the First Baptist Church of Hudson, NH. All who attended had nothing but praise for the music selections, the skills of the guitarists, and the singing talents of "The Tilted Halos". Patty Greene of Salem, NH; Rev. Jim Harrington of Hudson, NH; Phil and Sandy Pierce of Goffstown, NH and Mike Petitbon of Cumberland, RI were the artists who made the professional event a musical delight. It was a wonderful way to start the Christmas season. In January, The Tilted Halos made a donation from the concert's proceeds to the SDFNE to help ensure the Baldwin Library/Museum's success in bringing to life the history of Square Dance.



Phil Pierce, Sandy Pierce, Patty Greene, Mike PetitBon, Jim Harrington

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WHAT'S NEW...seen...read...noted...

SDFNE Life member from Chepachet, RI, Milton K. Frazier has just completed his latest inspirational book, "HOW TO <u>RENEW YOUR LIFE</u>". It gives you ideas on how to master time, find enthusiasm, and find purpose for your life. You also gain inspiration and perspective from valued quotations. At 91 yrs of age, Milton has written a gem of a book.



Milton Frazier



"I'VE NEVER PERFORMED A NUDE WED-DING" is a book written by SDFNE Life Member, Naomi Cherny, a Notary Public, and her daughter. A delightful compilation of stories describing wedding situations. Includes ideas on planning weddings. Even if weddings are not in your future, it is still a "great read"!

Naomi Cherny

Anyone interested in the above books? Contact the SDFNE Office for more details-781-944-4416.

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sub-lease 675 sq.ft. of it, thanks to the generosity of Norm Poisson.

Perfect size for our preservation needs. Of course, our rent goes up. We need your financial help! Any extra donation on your part will truly be appreciated. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

Did you make New Year's resolutions in January? If not, here are a few good ones:

- 1. Cultivate respect for the opinions or others whatever their age.
- 2. Prod ourself to be quicker to applaud the good works of others, and slower to condemn faults.
- 3. Raise our voice in the cause of good social activity naturally, this means promote the fun enjoyed in square and round dancing.

In Memoriam 2001 - 2002* There are those whose lives death cannot diminish, for their light shines on in the lives of their families and dancer friends. Fred Abbott Flo Kuznicki Rube Alexander Beverly (Joy) Eldridge Greg Maconi Joseph Crowley Harold Wilson Linus Wm. O'Brien **Bruce Hastings** Mary Leach * since the last newsletter

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.

20/50 Monthly

Raffle Winners

Jean Stahl, the very capable 20/50 Raffle Chmn., had the pleasure of sending each of the following people a check for \$50.00. Thanks, Jean!

Winners:

2001

Oct—Lena Lewis (RI)

Nov—Jean Pomroy (NH)

More Dec—Carol White (MA)

2002



ANNUAL RAFFLE TICKETS ARE HERE

Thanks to the diligence of the Annual Raffle Chairpersons, Art & Marge Dugas, two thousand onehundred and nineteen envelopes were labeled, inserted with 2 raffle books, and a letter. After everything was inside, the envelopes were sealed. What a great job! This year, more than ever, we need your financial support now that we have expanded our space. Thank you for your understanding and goodwill. In the past, you have shown how important you believe preserving square and round dance history is to you. May this attitude be uppermost in your thoughts and actions this year.

Raffle Prizes

First Prize: \$1,000.00 Second Prize: \$300.00 Third Prize: \$200.00

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CAN'T SAY "THANKS" ENOUGH!!!

Unseen by most visitors is a very necessary group of SDFNE Officers and Directors. This group is comprised of the 25 people, actually nonpaid volunteers, who keep the Baldwin Library/Museum "at-the-ready" for visitors. Special attention is given to the numerous attractive displays, music records, books, magazines, and dance artifacts. Shelves are built to house music records. Bookcases are built to hold books and magazines. Filing cabinets and furniture are rearranged on existing space, the area is kept clean, repairs are made to donations when necessary and refreshments are provided at social functions. Behind the scenes, documenting donations and sorting donated materials are an on-going process. Their contributions have made the difference between a good library/ museum and a great one. Many Thanks!

[see BOD inset for the names of these dedicated people]











ONE-OF-A-KIND ARTIFACTS

As you know, square and round dancers have special personalities. And so do the items that are donated by these dancers, and by square and round dance clubs. Do come and see for yourself! These interesting artifacts not only enhance the SDFNE collections, but also create positive and memorable experiences. "Thanks to All" for their donations since the last newsletter: Queen City Promenaders (NH), Doc & Peg Tirrell (VT), Al & Anna Lavalle (MA), Ed & Pat Juaire (RI), Paul & Patricia Hunt (VT), Tom & Barbara Potts (MA), Roland & Lucille Ducharme (NH), Joe & Nancy Crowley (NH), Dick & Vera Smith (FL), Betty Cowles (MA), and Cathie & Stan Burdick (NY), Nate Bemis (MA), Judith Weger (OH).







TRI-STATE CALLERS ASSOCIATION AND CT CALLERS ASSOCIATION

These great organizations have sent the SDFNE checks to help defray the cost of shipping some boxes of music records from the Lloyd Shaw Dance Archives in Albuquerque, NM to Manchester, NH. We appreciate their recognition of the Baldwin Library/Museum's service to New England. Thank you, Tri-State Callers and CT Callers, for your willingness to help ensure the library/museum's excellence for years to come.

Seeking Information... know Something about Someone?

During our archival research this past year, we have come across the following names*. Does anyone know them? We would be very interested in receiving some background on them. Send your comments and information to the SDFNE Office, 238 Woburn St., Reading, MA 01867-2838. Thanks in advance for all your assistance.

*Dudley Briggs...Ed Durlacker... Herbie Gaudreau...Grant Longley... Benjamin Lovett (did anyone dance to him when he was dance master at the Longfellow Inn, or elsewhere in New England?)...Edith Murphy... Ted Perkins...Newton Tolman.

Know Someone... who is not receiving the Foundation News or Raffle Tickets?

Maybe they have moved? Be a friend, tell them to contact the SDFNE Office and give their new address.

Maybe they forgot to renew their membership? Remind them how important it is to stay in touch.

Maybe they don't dance anymore? Whether they do or don't, it just takes "caring" to preserve square dance history.

Maybe they dance with your club, but are not SDFNE members? Ask them to join in keeping square dance history alive.

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29th SDFNE ANNUAL MEETING

Members, and interested persons, are invited to join officers and directors for a recap of the past year's activities. The SDFNE will host its 29th Annual Meeting on Saturday, May 18, 2002 at 2:00pm in the Mill-A-Round Dance Center, 250 Commercial St., Manchester, NH. The meeting celebrates square and round dancing achievements, and raises community awareness of the SDFNE's vibrant educational Baldwin Library/Museum. The Year 2002 Hall of Fame Inductees will be honored. Please join us for this special event as we look forward to the Square Dance Foundation of New England's next century of service to New England.

MUSEUM GIFT SHOP

Whenever you have the opportunity to present someone with a gift, e.g. outgoing club president, etc., think of choosing a gift from our Museum Gift Shop. Thanks to the hard work of our MGS chairpersons, Angie & Bill Sutherland, we have lots of interesting items to choose from: SDFNE Logo Tees in White or Light Grey Price: \$15.00 + S&H; Vintage SDFNE Cookbooks "Square Meals & Round Treats" Price: Send a donation can't beat this deal! + S&H); Zipper Pulls with Library/ Museum dangle Price: \$1.99 each or 2 for \$3.00 +S&H; and a brand new item that can be seen at the upcoming NESRDC in Sturbridge, MA - Stem glass markers with colorful vintage dangles Price: \$2.00 ea or 6 for \$10.00 + S&H. S&H charge for each order is \$3.98.

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

BURDICK'S RETIRE - Caller/Publishers

(but we have a suspicion they will be as busy as ever)

SDFNE Life Members, Cathie and Stan Burdick, edited and published an extremely successful square dance magazine, "American Square Dance" for 23 years. (At present, this magazine is being published and edited by Ed and Pat Juaire of N. Scituate, RI.) During Stan's career as a caller, he traveled over 500,000 miles. He also drew cartoons for "The New England Caller" magazine edited and published by Charlie Baldwin of Norwell, MA. Stan's cartoons really make you laugh because they were "right-on-target" with the dancer and caller depictions. When you visit the Baldwin Library/ Museum you'll be able to see many of his marvelous cartoons.

In November, the Burdicks drove to Manchester, NH with 12 boxes of books and music records from their library collection, to add to the SDFNE collections. We are most grateful for their donations. Everyone wishes Cathie and Stan the very best and happiest of retirement years.



"LOVE" SQUARE DANCE HISTORY?

Surround yourself with happy people who also love square dance history! There are unpaid fun positions available on the SDFNE Board of Directors:

> Recording Secretary 2nd Vice President Nominations Chairman NEFFA Representative CT Representative ME Representative VT Representative RI Representative Librarian(s)

To Join Board Members who rank pride in the Baldwin Library/ Museum as a high source of satisfaction, call Anna Dixon, 781-944-4416 or write to her at: 238 Woburn St., Reading, MA 01867-2838. Volunteer your time, talents, and efforts to help others - YOU get real value. Everyone is given a chance to pass on something good to the next generation - this is yours!

TRAIL-OUT DANCE

History repeats itself - are you prepared to carry on tradition? Do come and square & round dance in the Grand Ballroom of the Host Hotel, Sturbridge, MA from 9:30 a.m. until Noon. Not only will you have fun, but you'll be following in the dance steps of many great dancers. Day & Date: Sunday, April 28, 2002.

SDFNE Expansion "WISH LIST"

- bookcases
- shelving units
- display cases
- table lamps
- regular size 4-or 5-drawer filing cabinets
- legal size filing cabinets
- VCR-TV Combo
- slide projector
- color copier
- 4-male & 4-female full size mannequins
- more volunteers to help sort donated materials.

To fulfill a Wish: call Dick Severance 603-623-2692.

MUSIC RECORDS... MUSIC RECORDS...

The Lloyd Shaw Dance Archives in Albuquerque, New Mexico, has a vast collection of music recordings and dance magazines (both national and international). Bill Litchman, Dir. is at the helm of this organization. The SDFNE is most grateful and appreciative of the LSDA's donation of surplus records to our organization. Many thanks!



B. Litchman, A. Dixon, B. Brundage

Square dance Caller, Bob Brundage, originally from CT, is a volunteer at the Lloyd Shaw Dance Archives in Albuquerque, NM. Recently he has been sorting through their collection of some 35,000 music records. They are saving two copies of each record, and are separating the duplicates. Rather than discard these duplicates, he contacted SDFNE President, Anna Dixon, to see if they would like to receive them. Her answer was a definite "yes". But, neither the SDFNE or

the LSDA had money budgeted for shipping.

New England square dance associations are being asked to help defray the cost of shipping. Each box containing 45 rpm records costs about \$25.00 to ship by USPS. It is estimated there will be 30 boxes shipped.

If YOU, or your Club, want to help "ship a box", please send your check to SDFNE, 238 Woburn St, Reading, MA 01867-2838.

MUSIC RECORDS - OUTREACH PROGRAM

Callers, Cuers, and persons who teach square or round dancing are able to request in writing, the name(s) of the music record(s) they would like to receive from the SDFNE's donated records collection. If their request(s) is available, it is given to them at no cost.

Paul Channell, SDFNE 1st Vice President and Membership Chairman, has cataloged every record that has been donated. As of January 2001, we have 15,000 records (consisting of 10" 78rpm - 33 1/3rpm - 7" 45 rpm)featuring 10,000 titles. All are listed by label and by artist. All are stored in the Baldwin Library/Museum on special shelving that SDFNE members built. Our "Thanks" to everyone, especially our dedicated volunteer, Paul. What a tremendous job Paul did!

WEB SITE SPONSOR: NESRDC

The 44th NESRDC in Sturbridge, MA is rapidly approaching. Great volunteer Callers and volunteer Cuers...superb Dancing...interesting Education Programs...colorful Celebrity Hour...fascinating Fashion Show...and exciting items at Exhibitors Booths. Plan to come and have some fun. Check out *www.sdfne.org* for their message.

GREEN...GREEN...GREEN...

HAPPY ST.PATRICK'S DAY!

Enjoy Dancing at the CT SRD Festival on St.Pat's Day!

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Make your check out to SDFNE, 238 Woburn St, Reading, MA 01867-2838



Jean Stahl

Want to be a reporter? Send us stories of "what's new" that you are aware of. With the size of our membership, approx. 800, there has to be a lot going on!

Newsletter Editor

Anna Dixon

Contributing Staff

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

Call (781) 944-4416.

Production Assistance

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By sponsoring the SDFNE web site, you help the SDFNE continue to interpret Square Dance History for visitors, dance researchers, and people from New England communities who visit the Baldwin Library/Museum. And it goes without saying, you promote our dance activity to the many non-dancers and dancers who access the web site.

WELCOME NEW ANNUAL MEMBERS!

(Since the last newsletter.)

Gary & Marcia Cohen

MA

Alvin & Norma Hemenway Anthony Saletan Parker & Midge Symmes Gloria A. Vivier Roy & Janet Williams Town Howlers SDC

NH

Leo & Jean Yelle, Jr.

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

WELCOME NEW LIFE MEMBERS

(Since the last newsletter.)

NJ

Jonathan P. Dixon

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

MANY THANKS! ANNUAL RENEWALS

(Since the last newsletter.) William & Eleanor Manning (MA), W.Elton Merritt (MA), Linda Carmel (MA), Joseph & Catherine Prendergast (MA), Eunice Grant (MA), James Chiasson (MA), John & Elaine Helm (CT), Richard & Ellen Knowlton (NH), Ada Suydam (MA), Elsie Durkee (MA), Richard & Lucille St.Onge (NH), Joseph & Lorraine Pellon (CT), Steve & Patty Greene (NH), Ginny Valenti (CT), John & Florence Adams, Jr. (MA), John Raymond (FL), Evelyn Dougherty (MA), Thomas & Carol Ort (CT), Samuel Baumgarten (MA), Jerome & Anne Grossman (MA), Ann & James Wass (MD), Eleanor Thompson (NH), Diane Kelly and Christopher MacIver (NH), Winnipesaukee Squares (NH), Richard & Maureen Pride

(MA), Norman Gorden (RI), Happy Rounds (MA), Waldemar & Barbara Block, Jr. (CT), Harry & Margaret Chisholm (NH), Duncan & Carol Kerr (MA), Kenneth & Margo Quinlan (MA), Betsy & Jim Dakin (MA), George & Karen Kay (NH), Frank Murphy (MA), Allan Seroll (MA), Gloria Courtois (RI), Bill & Joan Hayes (MA), Bill & Lucy Hall (FL), Gloria Brunt (MA), Florence & Stanley Dojny (CT).

ENDOWMENT FUND

An Endowment Fund plays a major role in securing permanency for the SDFNE. With great appreciation, we wish to thank the following Donors: Parker & Midge Symmes (MA). To keep alive the vision of preservation; and the upkeep of the Baldwin Library/ Museum, we need your help. We look forward to receiving your gift to the Endowment Fund in the amount of \$15, \$25, \$50 or whatever you can give. We deeply appreciate your support. Thank You.

Upgrade Your Membership!

Membership Chmn., Paul Channell, asks all members to look at the membership category they are in. If you are an annual member, you can easily upgrade to LIFE MEMBERSHIP by using the installment plan - send \$25.00 every 4 months, for one year.

As one of our new VT members told us: I looked in the mirror one morning and said, "I look fairly handsome and healthy. I think I'll • Scrambled Eights SDC. Keep up live another 10 years. So, rather than become an annual member, I'll save money if I become a Life Member." And he did!

If you are a Life Member, write and tell us that you would like to upgrade to the 500 Club. Then, any extra donations you make will be added to your initial Life Membership donation, to attain the \$500.00 goal.

HALL of FAME

The Square Dance Foundation of New England's Hall of Fame chairman, Martha & Rev. Bob Carpenter, have released the following names of persons, who have made significant contributions to New England's Dance Activity. They will be inducted into the Hall of Fame -2002:

- ₩ Bob Brundage, Albuquerque NM
- Mil & Anna Dixon, Reading MA
- ₩ Bill & Marge Headen, E.Greenwich RI
- **%** "Happy" Hal Petschke, Newington CT
- Cloria Rios Roth, Clementsport Nova Scotia

Congratulations to all of these individuals who have volunteered their time and talents for so many years, and have given so much of themselves to promote the wonderful world of square and round dancing - and still continue to do so!

TRIBUTE

A Tribute Donation was received in celebration of Doug Ross' 80th Birthday on Dec. 21, 2001. He is the current President of the the good work, Doug. We wish you many more celebrations.

SDFNE Library/Museum in Manchester, NH: visits by appointment. Call the SDFNE Office: 781-944-4416 or 603-623-2692 or www.sdfne.org.



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Year 2002 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS				
Date 02-15	Event Mailing of Annual Raffle Tickets (Be on the lookout for them)	Time -	Place/Contact Art & Marge Dugas, Raffle Chmn. 603-623-8566	
03-16	SDFNE Bd of Dir. Mtg.	10am	SDFNE Baldwin Lib/Museum NH Anna & Mil Dixon - 781-944-4416	
03-16	Archives Workparty (*)	2pm	SDFNE Baldwin Lib/Museum NH Dick & Judy Severance 1-603-623-2692	
03-17	34th CT S&R Dance Festival SDFNE Exhibit Booth	noon - 6pm	Wilby HS. Waterbury CT Lillian Jensen, Chmn 203-759-7121	
03-23	Side Splitters SDC 40th Anniversar	ry 8pm - 11pm	Martin School, N.Attleboro, MA Don & Chris Jackson 508-384-7487	
04-03	SDFNE Travel Fund Raiser Holland & Belgium River Cruise	Depart Logan	Dick Severance 603-623-2692 Castle Travel 1-800-242-1070	
04-07	EDSARDA's 45th Anniversary Dinner Dance	Noon to 4:30pm	The Host Hotel, Sturbridge, MA Barbara & Roland Dube 978-774-5127	
04-14	Narragansett Callers Assoc 49th Annual Spring Swing	1pm - 4:30pm	E.Smithfield Neighborhood Center, Esmond RI Barney 508-761-5424 or Art 401-434-2309	
04-25	44th NESRDC-Trail In Dance		Sturbridge MA Phil & Sandie Gatchell, Chmn 781-933-6648	
04-26,27 44th NESRDC The Host Hotel, Sturbridge, MA SDFNE Exhibit Booth - Manned by SDFNE Bd. of Directors & Volunteer Members				
04-27	44th NESRDC - Education Program Presenters: Veronica McClure Presenters: Dave Hass, Ed Rutty	n 1pm - 1:45pm 2pm - 2:45pm	Host Hotel - Seminar I & II - Sturbridge MA "Two Hearts in Three Quarter Time" "Know Your Connecticut Neighbor"	
04-28	SDFNE TRAIL-OUT DANCE Callers&Cuers are SDFNE Membe If not attending, contributions are a		In the Grand Ballroom of Host Hotel 2+2 program Sqs-Rds-Split the Pot Donation: \$5. per person	
05-05	SEMCA King & Queen Ball	2pm - 6pm	Plymouth South High School, Plymouth MA Jean Stahl 508-668-2153	
05-18	SDFNE Annual Meeting Election of Officers Hall of Fame	2pm	Mill-A-Round Dance Center, Manchester NH 250 Commercial St - 2nd Fl Anna & Mil Dixon 781-944-4416	
10-19	SDFNE LEADERSHIP CONFERE	ENCE - SAVE	THE DATE - Details TBA	

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