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## NOMINATING COMMITTEES HARD AT WORK IN MOST AREA CLUBS DECEMBER ELECTIONS WILL PROVIDE NEW OFFICERS FOR COMING YEAR

PROMENADER has been alert to the approaching changes in club officers and is pleased to present a round-up of the candidates and the electees in our Rochester area.

All of us should join together in a personal expression of thanks to the officers about to depart their offices and jobs that have been well done. So, the next time you square up with one of these couples, let them know that their time in meetings and the stresses of decisions were appreciated.

And, looking ahead, give the newly elected couples a bit of a boost with your friendly support and a smile of acceptance when you are asked to volunteer for a club duty.

Here's the way the political winds are blowing:

The usual practice of the Fiddle A Rounds is to select new officers in December but this year they voted a month early. Selected for the presidential couple were Ray and Irene Callahan. The secretary-treasurer spot went to Jim and Kay Doris.

The early bird EKC-0 Squares have had their new officers on duty for about a month. Head couple (president) is Howard and Edna Ducker; couple 2 (vice-pres.) is Carl and Gwen Presgrave; couple 3 (secretary) is Harry and Gloria Hipp; couple 4 (board rep.) is Earl and Verna Pike.

### BELLES 'N BEAUS Nominations

President - Fred & June Krasselt  
Ed & Sharlyn Taylor  
Vice-Pres. - Ed & Eleanor Beahan  
Charles & Catherine Kunz  
Secretary - Frank & Katie Heindl  
Vern & Margaret Merle  
Treasurer - Leland & Jean De King  
John & Ruth Gosling  
Directors - Ed & Doris Haddleton  
Earl & Fran Hughs  
John & Bernice Moylan  
Ralph & Marilyn Thorpe

### COUNTRY TWIRLERS Nominations

President - Arthur & Lydia Balough  
Howie & Dot DeGrave  
Vice-Pres. - Bill & Eileen Stackman  
Don & Ruth Wilbert  
Secretary - Marv & Kay Falls  
Glenn & Helen Stewart  
Treasurer - George & Del Condrat  
Gordon & Melina McCowan

### GENESEE DANCERS Nominations

President - Al & Blanche Hoffman  
John & Mary Nadig  
Vice-Pres. - Donald & Dorothy Clark  
Donald & Lucille Pratt  
Secretary - John & Jean Fisher  
Gary & Joanne Kilborn  
Treasurer - Charles & Rosemarie Gardner  
Larry & Doris McConnell  
Program - Jerry & Hazel Root  
Chairman - Robert & Lucille Vincent

The Rollaways do not select new members for their board until next March, when 3 couples will be voted on by the club members.

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## JOHNSTON WORKSHOPS RCA

The Rochester Callers Association held a workshop with Earl Johnston Nov. 18th at Echo Club, Rochester.

Guests from outside Rochester were: John Staby, Shirley Davies, Theda Adams, Mike and Betty Stark, Jim and Joyce Mesler from Buffalo; David Wood, St. Catherines, Ontario; and Eleanor Horne from Niagara Falls, Ont.

The workshop started at 2 P.M. and continued until 10 P.M. with a break for dinner. During the sessions many phases of calling were discussed ending in a question and answer period. Round dancing also received the same consideration.

Our thanks to Bob and Dot Brunschidle for housing Earl over Sunday night and also for the splendid cooperation of all the R C A members.

... Myron and Peg Huss

## SNAP - O - GRAPH

DONALD BRADLEY DUFFIN... "Don" to all you square dancers... lives in Kenmore and is employed by Du Pont in Tonawanda... married 17 years to Dorian, his charming and capable partner... daughters Maryella 13, Robin 11 and Lynn 5 complete the Duffin clan.

For many years golf was his life until Dorian convinced him to take up square dancing... it wasn't easy but her promise that he could freely golf all summer swung him over... after 3 years of dancing became interested in the challenge of calling... now is busy 5 and 6 nights a week.

Club caller and instructor for Genesee Dancers and the Rollaways in Rochester... Ties and Tawsm Double D's in the Buffalo area and a new class in Lancaster... staff member, during the summer, in camps at Wigwassen Lodge, Peterboro and Bangor Lodge.

Is now sporting two new "tailor made" Western outfits financed perhaps, by royalties from his excellent recordings of Monterey, Say Si Si, Should I and a recent release Three Little Words.

## PODGERS' PILGRIMAGE

While reading a copy of Sets in Order, we came across a letter by Editor Bob Osgood stating in part, "What would you say to hopping a plane with a bunch of square dancers and travelling with us to England, France, Germany, Switzerland and Italy."

After indicating our interest, we continued to receive correspondence from Bob and Becky for some time but it was not until February of '62 that we heard that all plans had been made. We talked about it for six weeks but didn't think we could afford to go but sent in our deposit anyway.

Then the planning started, birth certificates, shots, clothing etc. If anyone would like to hear about me (Betty) not being born - just ask me. Betty made three square dresses before she got one to suit - we were advised to take only one.

We couldn't get excited about going, as it didn't seem possible, until our wonderful square dance friends gave us Bon Voyage parties. What fun! Thought Charlie was going to cry. Wait til he reads this. You see we both wrote but I (Betty) typed our little story.

Twenty four relatives and friends (with candies and an Orchid corsage, no less) were at the Rochester airport to see us off. It was Columbus Day. We felt like celebrities and explorers.

(Charlie and Betty will continue the story of their trip in our next issue.)

## ELECTIONS (Cont'd.)

The Irondequoit Squares completed their voting on Nov. 24th. Elected to the office of president (uncontested and unanimous) were Al and Phyllis Pembroke; Vice-President, Joe and Audree Brodner; Sec-Treas., Phil and Peggy King. Ed and Lou Ellis, Lloyd and Doris Andrus, Dick and Ruth Morrill complete the governing board to assume chairmanships of publicity, refreshments, hospitality, membership and lesson session duties.

Nominations in the Swingin' 8's are still in process and were not available at press time.

CLUB DANCES IN THE ROCHESTER AREA

DECEMBER 1962

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Caller</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Starts</u>
1	Sat	Sw8	Tinkler	Iroquois School	8:15
3	Mon	**FA	Tucker	The Barn	8:00
3	Mon	**B&B	Harris	West Ridge School	8:00
5	Wed	ES	Harris	Kodak Office Auditorium	8:00
6	Thu	Gen	Max Forsyth	Cutler Union	8:30
8	Sat	CT	Tinkler	Florence Brasser School	8:15
8	Sat	IrS	Kennedy	Pardee School	8:00
		Poinsettia Promenade			
10	Mon	**B&B	Tinkler	West Ridge School	8:00
12	Wed	ES	Reilly	Kodak Office Auditorium	8:00
		Guest night for Irondequoit Squares			
13	Thu	Gen	Duffin	Cutler Union	8:00
14	Fri	*RR	Duffin	The Barn	8:30
14	Fri	CT	Tinkler	Fairbanks Road School	8:15
		Christmas Dance			
15	Sat	Sw8	Sam Mitchell	Hosea Rogers School	8:00
17	Mon	**B&B	Harris	West Ridge School	8:00
17	Mon	**FA	Tucker	The Barn	8:00
		Christmas party with beginner class			
19	Wed	ES	Harris	Kodak Office Auditorium	8:00
20	Thu	Gen	Harris	Cutler Union	8:00
		Christmas party with beginner class			
21	Fri	**B&B	Tinkler	West Ridge School	8:00
22	Sat	IrS	Kennedy	Abraham Lincoln School	8:00
24	Mon	**B&B	Christmas - no dance		--
26	Wed	ES	Christmas - no dance		--
27	Thu	Gen	Christmas - no dance		--
28	Fri	*RR	Duffin	The Barn	8:30
		Christmas Party			
31	Mon	**B&B	New Year's Eve - no dance		--

JANUARY 1963

2	Wed	ES	Harris	Kodak Office Auditorium	8:00
3	Thu	Gen	RCA night	The Barn	8:00
5	Sat	Sw8	Tinkler	Iroquois School	8:15
7	Mon	**B&B	Harris	West Ridge School	8:00
7	Mon	**FA	Tucker	The Barn	8:00
9	Wed	ES	Reilly	Kodak Office Auditorium	8:00
10	Thu	Gen	Duffin	Cutler Union	8:00
11	Fri	*RR	Duffin	The Barn	8:30
12	Sat	IrS	Kennedy	Pardee School	8:00
12	Sat	CT	Tinkler	Florence Brasser School	8:15
13	Sun	*RR	Ronnie Schneider	The Barn	8:30
14	Mon	**B&B	Tinkler	West Ridge School	8:00
16	Wed	ES	Harris	Kodak Office Auditorium	8:00
		Guest night for Rochester Rollaways			
17	Thu	Gen	Harris	Cutler Union	8:00
18	Fri	**B&B	RCA Night	West Ridge School	8:00
19	Sat	Sw8	Tinkler	Iroquois School	8:15

\* Invitation dance, except that club level dancers from out of town are welcome.

\*\* Semi-open dance, requested that you call ahead to make arrangements.

## OLD BUSTER STRIKES BACK

I'm kinda short and a little bit fat, I eat too much but I can't help that.  
I'm a rovin' square dance buff as you've heard tell.  
I like to travel I'm go, go, go, I've been far west as Buffalo  
But Rochester is where you'll hear my yell.

Old Buster's the name they've hung on me, where they got that handle I just don't see,  
Don't really feel that I deserve that shot.  
I like to dance and I keep it neat, don't step on anybodys' feet  
And National Caller dances are my lot.

I'm a challenge dancer as you can tell, go chargin' out with the caller's yell.  
I love to screech and stomp upon that floor.  
But the caller always lays for me, when I do-sa-do he calls do-ci  
And says, "Now don't anticipate no more!"

Now I've been dancin' two years or so, they don't teach much that I don't know.  
I enjoy a dance that puts you to the test.  
When I go to a national caller affair 'taint the first ten basics I want to hear  
That callin' man should do his level best.

I know square dancin' is for fun, but brother I'm a sonovagun  
If I can figure that caller out, nor can my wife.  
He calls a real rat-race with a tug and jerk, it aint the way I really like to work  
That type of callin's just 'bout worth your life.

He calls a pair out bend and shuffle that stack to a cross twirl in with a U-turn back  
To an alamo cast off once and a half around.  
He leaves me puffin', plumb out of breath, sure as sin that guy's just runnin' me to death  
And all I said was, "Let that hammer down!"

I've danced on every kind of floor from Syracuse to the Great Lakes Shore,  
Some were sticky, most were smooth and sweet.  
Yet when a dance is good, and you can tell, on allemandes us dancers yell,  
But callers all just gotta be on that beat.

Now he called them fast and he called 'em long, most all the sets turned out plumb wrong,  
Claimed he was merely feelin' out that floor.  
He made a lot of goofs and sev'ral slips, followed left hand swings with left hand grips  
Till I said to myself, "This can't go on much more!"

He called a chain 8 all and a chain 8 thru, 8 pair off to a chain grand two  
A reversed Daisy Dixie Wrap=Around.  
Just killin' us off, runnin' us to death, when his eyes popped out & he sucked in his breath  
Someone had turned his cue sheet upside down.

Yet he claims I want a beat of one fifty four and revvs up his Newcomb one notch more,  
When he knows I can't keep up at one two eight.  
I like those in-volved figures, they're O.K., the dance should reflect what I had to pay,  
Let's do that arky teacup chain, that's great.

Now don't get me wrong ( )'s callin's fine, and most all the fellers know their  
It's the lazy caller's faults that you should know. lines  
For when they do prepare, come with slicked down hair, wear their western boots 'n bring  
They all can really put on quite a show. their ladies fair

That "Old Buster" song's been buggin' me from Maine on down to the Genesee  
It put my poor old mind on a one-way track.  
So if you wander down to old "Missou" and Bob Fisk up and talks to you  
Just tell him, "Good Old Buster's Striking Back!"

Written by Chuck Prister of EKC-O Squares , Music is "One More Time".

CLUBS IN REVIEW ----BELLES 'N BEAUS

In the fall of 1957, two very enthusiastic couples of the Genesee Dancers, Bernie and Jean Boulet and Fred and Dot Retallick, organized our club at West-Ridge School in the Town of Greece. Using records, with music and calls, Bernie instructed the first group of about seven squares.

During January 1958 our name was voted and Fred was elected our first President with Bernie as Vice-President. They continued in these offices for the first two years. In May we finished our first year with Herb and Lou Suedmeyer of Buffalo thrilling us with our first "out of town caller".

We started our first beginners' class in the fall and there has been a class every year since that time. Bernie instructed the first half of the 30 week course with Howard "Tink" Tinkler doing the final 15 weeks. At this time, we also set up our first yearly schedule and used several of the Buffalo callers - notably Art Harris. The "Voice" can still be heard at West-Ridge along with our Rochester caller, "Tink".

Nineteen fifty-nine was the forward year! We voted in our By-Laws and our beautiful club banner was designed and made by Gordon and Anita Fisk, The officers decided to experiment and hired our first National caller - Al Brundage. Successful it was! It has since been the pleasurable policy to introduce many other "Nationals" and this year there are six on our schedule.

It is good for any organization to have a purpose or aim. We have always tried to keep the expense within the means of the "young"; in addition to having good fun, good callers and meeting old and new friends.

In 1961, the club sponsored its first "Scholarship Fund" dance for Greece Olympia High School. Monies were forwarded to three funds already set up.

Past Presidents have been: Fred Retallick, Gordon Nitsch, Bob Muller, Bob Didier and our present Jim Shear.

Under the guidance of our able officers, the club has grown from seven to twenty sets.

... Bob and Vera Dobbertin

ALLEY CAT

Position: Semi-closed  
Footwork: Opposite throughout  
Introduction: Wait 2 pickup notes

Part A

MEAS:

- 1 - 2 TWO STEP FWD/TWO STEP FWD/  
TWO STEP FWD/TWO STEP FWD;
- 3 - 4 VINE APART, 2,3, SWING; VINE  
TOGETHER, 2,3, FACE;
- 5 - 6 TURN TWO-STEP; TURN TWO-STEP;  
TURN TWO-STEP; TURN TWO-STEP;
- 7 - 8 WALK, 2,3, SWING; BACK UP,  
2,3, TOUCH;
- 9 -16 REPEAT MEASURES 1 - 8.

Part B

- 17-20 SIDE BEHIND, SIDE BEHIND,  
SIDE TOUCH, SIDE TOUCH; ROLL,  
2,3, TOUCH; ROLL BACK, 2,3,  
TOUCH;
- 21-24 LADY UNDER TWO-STEP/AROUND  
TWO-STEP; MAN UNDER TWO-STEP/  
AROUND TWO-STEP; VINE APART,  
2,3, SWING; VINE TOGETHER,  
2,3, FACE;
- 25-32 REPEAT MEASURES 17-24.

SEQUENCE: Part A, Part B, Part A,  
Part B, Ending.

Ending

TWO-STEP FWD/TWO-STEP FWD; CUT, STEP,  
CUT, STEP; APART, TOUCH, TOGETHER,  
TOUCH; TWIRL, 2,3, BOW.

HOLIDAY PROCLAMATION

To the Square Dancers of the Rochester Federation:

At this happy holiday season, we are glad to put aside the routine of business to extend to you our good will and appreciation of our association during the year.

One of the genuine pleasures in the contacts we have made during the year is the friendships that are developed and we are grateful for yours.

We extend to you the Season's Greetings with the profound hope that the New Year will bring you a full measure of Good Dancing, Good Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

Sincerely,

Your Board of Delegates &  
Executive Secretaries  
Rochester Area Federation

# CLUB NEWS

## BELLES 'N BEAUS

If anybody is back, who has been away, welcome back! Nobody ever tells me anything. The only news I have is what I have seen, and I saw that National callers, Marshall Flippo and Bob Fisk, both packed the hall. They had wall to wall dancers.

I wish you could have seen the tape recorders. They looked like an electronic brain sprawled across the stage. Then there were the recording artists, who reminded me of a flock of woodpeckers that didn't know which way to fly. First they were on the stage, peck, peck, pecking away at their recorders, then they would fly off to a set, only to hear that the President was going to make an announcement. So they would fly back to the stage and peck, peck, peck. Now the caller would have the mike again, and here they'd come flying back to the set which was now half through a right and left grand.

These woodpeckers were all down in the front sets. They formed five sets across a three-set hall. I thought we were dancing a little too close, when we chained the ladies and I courtesy turned both girls and the opposite man. I must admit they made an added attraction, by introducing new styles of dancing, like, DO SA DO and squeeze thru, and we did an Eight Chain Thru without having to turn back.

Boy! Did I goof at these dances. I danced so low-say (that's French for low level) that the Club decided they were punishing themselves by paying only a quarter to have me stay out of their sets, because in some cases I would sacrifice the quarter and dance with them anyway. Now I'm back earning fifty cents a tip again. They think it's worth it. When you dance with me, you will too.

Still goofing dancing and getting richer.

... Hal Abberger

DID YOU KNOW THAT Bill and Norma Harvey, veteran area square dancers, who moved to Plattsburgh several years ago, may soon be back with us for good? The Harveys keep in touch by subscribing to PROMENADER.

## COUNTRY TWIRLERS

There have been some good times at our Club on Saturday nights. The Halloween Party was no exception. A few dancers from other clubs came in on all fours and kept us guessing for a long time--how about that, John and Mary?

We were not sure what kind of a party it was as Howie DeGrave, and a few others, stepped out of their costumes to dance. We couldn't blame you Howie, it is rather difficult swinging with a barrel around you. We are still not certain if it was "Tink" that was calling. He has such lovely knees for a man and those eyes. Lucille, you do a nice job on the hair styling - we like blue hair.

We were happy to have Curley Custer as our first National caller this season. The place was packed and we had visitors from Buffalo, Batavia, Sanborn and Long Island. Many thanks for your enthusiastic support of Curley and Ruthie.

On November 24th we had the EKC-0 Squares as our guests at a dance held at the First Baptist Church in Chili. It was a lot of fun.

... Al and Esther Fiege

## GENESEE DANCERS

On November 1st, we danced to Buzz Brown and were more than pleased to have so many of our friends from other clubs dancing with us that evening.

Max Forsyth will be calling for us on December 6th. This will be an open dance and the cost will be \$2.50 per couple for non-members. Come and enjoy an evening of smooth dancing such as Max calls.

We welcome as members, Jim and Helen Stuehling, who recently moved here from Buffalo where they were members of the Harris Squares.

Have you noticed the fine sun tan that Marcia Taille acquired while she and Chuck were vacationing in Puerto Rico the latter part of October?

Election of officers for the club

will be held December 13th. Members should plan to attend this important dance and cast their votes.

Our Christmas Dance will be held on December 20th and have invited our beginner class to be our guests.

... Bea Meyers

#### EKC-O SQUARES

Joe Reilly and Art Harris have been giving us a substantial amount of workshop which is really paying off.

The Abbergers, Fran and Hal, were presented their EKC-O SQUARES badge by president Howard Ducker. Now Hal can dance on Wednesday nights.

Ruth Weber was welcomed from a brief hospitalization. Glad to have you around again, Ruth.

Helen and Al Magin, Dot and Bruce Watson, Gloria and Harry Hipp proved they truly like to square dance when they drove to Buffalo Nov. 17th in the snowstorm. Bob Fisk was calling at Harris Squares.

Reports in from our beginners' class are all good. The Ravens, Schums and Criddles have said they will be willing to have practice sessions in their basements. Ray Brayer is the recently appointed beginners' representative.

Genesee Dancers were our guests Wednesday, Nov. 21st. Irondequoit Squares have been invited on December 12th.

... Gloria Hipp

#### SWINGIN' EIGHTS

Don't forget Sat., Dec. 15th, Singin' Sam Mitchell from Tucson will be our caller at Hosea Rogers School, Northfield Rd. in Irondequoit. All club members are invited and admission will be \$2.50 per couple.

Grace Boyer, of our club and Irondequoit Squares, who submitted the winning entry in the "name the paper" contest was recently asked why she chose the name PROMENADE. She said it was a common term to both square and round dancing and thought it would be appropriate for the type of paper the federation would publish.

Grace also stated she feels that the

news of all the clubs with the handy dancing schedule is appreciated by most dancers.

We welcome George and Ione Dawson as new members to our club.

... Norm Metzinger

#### IRONDEQUOIT SQUARES

With preparations nearly complete for the December 8th Poinsettia Promenade, we're anticipating that it should again be a high point of our year.

Hal and Dink Mason are back in Niagara Falls again, at their old address. Because of the Cuban situation, the Air Force cancelled his orders and returned him to duty in this area. We gain; Phillipines lose.

Our "famous" Doris Andrus finally received her driver's license; in fact, seven of them were mailed to her, one for each time she applied. Was it worth it, Doris?

Notes from the instruction class...Martin Fauerhafer, phys ed teacher at Jefferson is learning western style so he can teach his students. Another enthusiast is Dorothy Magin, a former dance teacher herself. It should be said that Dorothy Brodner, who is a professional photographer, makes a pretty picture herself on the dance floor.

As soon-to-be-retired presidents of the club, Jan and I would like to say thanks to the area clubs and dancers for their courtesy and cooperation during the past year.

... Bob and Jan Boorum

#### ROCHESTER ROLLAWAYS

Some of our members, the Dorises, Guenthers, Nitsches, Rasbachs and the Wiltons recently went to Utica to attend a dance promoted by Jim and Dot Repp, ex-Rollaways. Lloyd Litman, from Ohio, called the figures.

Lloyd also served up a dishful of steaming hot hash to our members on Sunday, Nov. 25th. He's one of the best in the business.

Floyd and Gladys Rasbach have departed for their annual trip to the sunshine of Florida.

Four couples have joined the Tuckers' beginner class in round dancing. They are Don and Norma Weekes, Dick and Doris Wilton, Bud and Claire Young, Jim and Pat Palmer. Gordon and Connie Nitsch are also in the class for a brush up.

... Don Weekes

### FIDDLE A ROUNDS

All of us join together to wish El White, our departing president, much luck on his retirement from the Rochester Telephone Corp. We hope he and Vera have a wonderful time on their trip to Mexico. We sure will miss them.

We are happy to include Charlie and Perky's new beginners' round dance group in our Christmas Party coming up on Dec. 17th. We hear the class is coming along fine, as usual, with the top level instruction of the Tuckers.

... Howie DeGraves

DID YOU KNOW THAT it isn't too early to make reservations for Toronto International Square Dance Convention on May 9-11, 1963? Write to Betty Farrar, 167 Yonge Blvd., Toronto 12.

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DID YOU KNOW THAT Swingin' 8's have booked Earle Park as caller for a dance on Feb. 2, 1963? Earle is reputed to be top square dance caller in Canada, comes from Saskatchewan.

DID YOU KNOW THAT 225 subscriptions to PROMENADER are now on record with more to come? Ralph Weber is happy, your co-editors are happy.

The last word of this issue is - -  
"A MERRY CHRISTMAS to all and to all a good night."



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