

**FSU Gymnasts, Gymkana, Tallahassee Tumbling Tots, and Friends New-Newsletter**  
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**A lifetime of bragging rights**

"Once teammates, always teammates" by Charlie Christian.

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**ANNIVERSARIES**

Chick & Jennie Cicio	61 years, 62 in April, 12	Terri & Cheri Morris	45 years, 45 in 2011
Don & Connie Holder	61 years, 62 in August 12	Bill & Carol Beavers	43 years, 44 in July, 12
Benny & Carolyn Wallace	59 years, 60 in May 12	Dick & Susie Gutting	44 years, 45 in June, 12
Ed & Jean Fernald	59 years, 60 in June 12	Steven & Adriane Zindell	42 years, 43 in August 12
Don & Patsy Rapp	57 years, 58 in May 12	Wayne & Heather Thompson	41 years, 42 in January 12
Carmine & Daneen Regna	57 years, 58 in August 12	Derek & Nancy Lawler	38 years, 38 in 2011
Jim & Marlene Jackson	56 years, 57 in July, 12	Gail & Bill Whitney	39 years, 40 in August 12
Sam & Topsis Bailie	55 years, 56 in June 12	Harmer & Magdalena Weichel	38 years, 38 in December 11
Roger & Tamara Tucker Webb	53 years, 54 in November 11	Andy Anderson & Curtiss Long	36 years, 37 in December 11
Beverley & Bill Beaton	51 years, 52 in Sept. 12	Joe & Dottie Taylor	35 years, 36 in September 12
Yoshi & Haruyo Hatano	46 Years, 47 in Oct. 11	Jimmy & Janie Hanks	33 years, 34 in November 11
Nancy Lamb & Bob Durocher	46 years, 45 in Dec. 11	Thom & Linda O'Conner	32 Years, 33 in May 12
		Carrie Englert & Curtis Zimmermann	32 Years, 32 in 2011
Jay (& Ellie) Schwarzman	Were married 50 years	Karsthin (& Lennart) Malmelin	Were married 47 years
Almira (& Jack) Sharp	Were married 48 years	Claire Essig (& Dick) Traynor	Were married 43 years
Jon & Boots Culbertson	Were married 53 years		

<b>Jack Miles &amp; Nancy Dye</b>	<b>50-58</b>	<b>Introduction</b>	{ Drum roll please...rrrrrrrrRRRRRR...BOOM.....CRASH. LADIES & GENTLEMEN.....(Pregnant pause).....ALLOW ME TO INTRODUCE TO YOU.....STRAIGHT FROM THE WOOLLY WINDS OF CANADA..... SHE WALKS.....SHE TALKS.....SHE HAS BEEN SEEN CRAWLING OFF A BALANCE BEAM.....SHE IS UNCONQUERABLE.....SHE IS WONDROUS.....SHE IS ONE WHO SHARES OUR SPECIAL HISTORY.....AAAANNNDDDDD..... SHE CAN TYPE. SHE IS OUR OWN BEVERLEY CUDE BEATON.....(AKA "bcb" ).....HOW ABOUT A ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR ONE OF OUR OWN, ONE WHO HAS CONSENTED TO REVIVE YOUR "NEW-NEWSLETTER" FROM THE SHREDDER/ASHES... ..AS PUBLISHER. BEVERLEY, PLEASE STAND UP IN FRONT (Or buy a new bra) WITH OUR THANKS FOR TAKING OVER THE HELM.....jmm
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<b>Jim &amp; Arlene Fadigan</b>	<b>52-56/58-62</b>	<b>Re: New Newsletter</b>	"Bev & Team: Okey Dokey but Bev must save enough time to continue being our best "Straight Lady". Thanks Bev! Jim"
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<b>Jay Schwarzman</b>	<b>51-55</b>	<b>Re: New Newsletter</b>	"Bev & Jack, Bev, Congratulations on becoming the new editor of the Jack Miles "Memorial FSU Gymnastic Newsletter" Since I cannot attend the reunion every year, I really appreciate receiving the newsletter. It keeps me up to date with what is happening and what went on at the reunion each year. I thought the reunion this year was very good and Barb did her usual wonderful job of making everyone feel at home. I doubt that I will be able to participate in next years reunion because my older grandson, Garrett, will be receiving his B.S. from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. I would not miss that for anything and there will be several more over the next few years for both Garrett and Logan. As long as I can, I plan to go to everyone I can. I like the roll of doting grandfather and I would like to continue it as long as I can. Thank you again Jack and Beverley. Jay Schwarzman"
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<b>Harmer &amp; Magdalena Maggie Weichel</b>	<b>48-53/59-61</b>	<b>Re: New Newsletter</b>	"Jack / Beverly, great thinking and unselfish service to all. I live an uneventful life but will try to go out and have some adventures to write about. Let me think. Maybe I can streak thru the Daytona Beach mall waving my shorts like a flag or drive the wrong way on a 1 way street until I attract police attention. Better still I can enter a packed biker bar with a sign that says, "Bikers walk like girls and wear panties." Maybe that would be too much adventure. Harmer "
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<b>Jon Culbertson</b>	<b>64-66</b>	<b>Re. New Newsletter</b>	"Bev (as new editor?) and all: I just wanted to publicly thank Mike Mann for getting out all the great photos. I am walking, swimming and reading in the Caribbean, and wish you all the best for the summer. Jon C.....{You have a great summer, too, Jon ... bcb}
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<b>Benny &amp; Carolyn Wallace</b>	<b>51-55</b>	<b>Final Health Bulletin</b>	"All. You may be as tired as I am reading about my health so here is the end: After 6 months the cancer guys took a bunch of tests and could find no trace of the cancer so nothing will be done for a month. At that time another checkup will be done. I did have one small episode appear on my pacemaker chart indicating that a there was a fibrillation in my heartbeat but it was too small for me to notice and the pacemaker took care of it. All that remains is for me to eat and gain weight. No answer needed or expected. Cheers, Benny"
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**Wayne & Heather Thompson** | **58-62** | **Re: New Newsletter**

the team from 1958 to 1962. I have cerebral palsy and, as far as I know, the only person that handicapped to make it to a competitive team. I don't know if you like to keep in touch but if you do, my email address is [wcthom.wayne@gmail.com](mailto:wcthom.wayne@gmail.com).  
Wayne Thompson, Ph.D. Psychologist”

“Hello Ms. Beaton, Jack Miles said you are taking over the paper that gives us information about the FSU gymnastic team. I was on

**Beverley Cude & Bill Beaton** | **55-59** | **My Response to Wayne**

abilities and have often mentioned you to people interested in gymnastics. I've just as often wondered whatever became of you.  
I (née Beverley Cude) arrived at FSU in 1955 from Canada on an out-of-state tuition "scholarship" which was arranged between my coach and Dr. Price. I graduated in 1959 after having left in February of that year to return home due to lack of funds and I finished my final three courses by correspondence. Please call me Beverley or Bev as does everyone else. My married name is Beaton, but being called Mrs. Beaton is just too much. A teacher, I've had enough of that and, in any case, we are a very informal, happy-go-lucky group!

“I remember you well, except it was as Chet, not Wayne. We never did get to know each other, but I was in awe of your

Of course I'd like to keep in touch. Now you can fill in all aforementioned blanks, and hopefully send us some contributions for our newsletter. I'm certain others would love to hear from/about you these days. I hope you don't mind that I've sent a copy of this to Jack...and please keep in mind that he is my guiding light here. We've already had some responses which we've exchanged and I'm sure he'll be delighted that you contacted me. We are in total collaboration to get me started as I remain a bit nervous about taking this on. But, if we compare it to a new move in gymnastics, you have to give it a try! Thanks for writing,  
Looking forward to hearing from you again, Bev “....{aka bcb}

**Jack Miles & Nancy Dye** | **50-58** | **Is there a warning here ?**

wobbles, runs out of gas easily, has a hard time making it up hills, and can't pick up chicks anymore. Does that tell me something?...jmm} {Pay no attention! You're over-analyzing! Smile! :-} ...bcb}

{When I bought my car I liked it so much I said then, "I want to be buried in this car." The car now leaks, has a loud exhaust,

**Wayne & Heather Thompson** | **58-62** | **Wayne continues...**

that year and Jack was acting head coach. We became fast friends almost immediately and have been friends ever since. I graduated from high school in 1955 but my parents thought that I should attend Jr. College before hitting the big time universities. I attended Palm Beach Jr. College from 1955 to 1957 then was out of school because my father was ill with colon cancer. I was originally rejected from FSU because they thought I couldn't handle stairs. My uncle took me up to FSU and, while the registrar was explaining all the things I couldn't do, I did a handstand on his desk. I was accepted to FSU before I left his office.... More later, Wayne”

“Hi Bev, Thank you for answering so quickly. I came to FSU on a gymnastic scholarship in 1958. Dr. Price was on sabbatical leave

**Beverley Cude & Bill Beaton** | **55-59** | **My response to the above....**

to your first email to me. That email, my response and then this follow-up of yours have made a perfect example of how our newsletter works in terms of bringing old friends, stories and memories together after years and years. You never know who is going to be happy to find you again and contact you. It's fun! Thanks, Wayne, Bev”

“Wayne, Jack and I have thoroughly enjoyed hearing from you, and Jack liked what I had written in my reply

**Wayne & Heather Thompson** | **58-62** | **...and another link**

in “Boy's Life” in 1968? That gym team made me a success. {I think he sent me the article to read. It was about working with a handicapped gymnast by the name of Wayne on the rings. I was impressed and that's what brought you to mind as “Chet”, the name I remembered you by. Two different people as far as I was concerned, at that particular time ..... wrong, eh?...bcb}”

“I am so glad that you and Jack enjoyed hearing from me. Did Jack tell you he wrote a wonderful article about me that appeared

**Jack Miles & Nancy Dye** | **50-58** | **Jack encouraging me on....{bcb}**

{I just did. Thanks for your vote of confidence! ....bcb}

“I hope you use your response to Wayne in the "New Newsletter" .....it is a gem...jmm

**Beverley Cude & Bill Beaton** | **55-59** | **This was not fun!**

Yesterday, Jack, “shortly” suddenly became more than a few hours. Funny thing happened at the doctor's office where I had gone "for just a minute" to drop off some papers. I knocked, entered and closed the door. A few minutes later, a patient went to the door to leave. Said door refused to open. The receptionist fiddled with it, ....nothing....a few waiting male patients tried.....no luck! Janitor was contacted.... outside, he turned the lock, the door handle, over and over again and even shook the whole works....by golly, we were truly stuck! 8 or 9 of us all told. And Bill is outside waiting for my "minute" errand to end! By cell phone, we agreed he'd wait another 10 minutes at which point he'd give up and I'd hoof it the relatively short distance home. Locksmith got called...sorry, on holiday! It certainly crossed my mind that this could be pretty scary. That just shouldn't happen, especially given no other exit. I have never literally been trapped before, but I was yesterday. Finally, though, the janitor somehow managed to get the door open, to everyone's relief. I said my goodbyes, and fled downstairs to where my "chauffeur" was still waiting. I had intended to go to the grocery store too, but opted instead for home and an iced tea.”

{During yet another session of exchanging emails with Jack, I had to go out to do a few errands. I promised to be back shortly. Well.....cbc}

**Bill & Carol Beavers** | 57-61/69-70 | **Kayaking is good for you! 07/21/11**

Madison flows in.) It was a 12 mile race and hot and humid and very miserable toward the finish, but beautiful surroundings. I may have had a case of heat exhaustion/dehydration as I had trouble finding my way back to I-75 from the race site and had a splitting headache. Perhaps I am getting too old for this stuff. Bill {I hope not, Bill. You enjoy it so much! ... bcb}

**Jack Miles & Nancy Dye** | 50-58 | **"Throwdini"**

"I told Bill a former gymnast of mine, David Adamovich, was on TV's "Sunday Morning Show" He is a College Professor, and a minister specializing on Weddings and also the World's Fastest knife thrower called. "Throwdini" His response:

Jack, Just saw the video of Adamovich. God, that is scary stuff! (not the knife throwing, but getting married).....{love it..jmm}

**Charlie Christian** | 55-57 | **"Accidental childhood exercise": {What did you do? ...bcb}**

"The kids of today have no clue what we enjoyed and the exercise we accidentally performed while playing outside growing up! Many of the kids of today who are calmly sitting quietly playing computer games, watching TV, eating fattening fast food "junk" with NO exercise is what is making many of the citizens of the USA the laziest and most obese country in the world! This isn't my opinion.....IT'S A PROVEN FACT!

A shocking report:

A recent survey revealed only 16% of the present USA population past the age of 15 ever continues to exercise. I rest my case!

**Beverley Cude & Bill Beaton** | 55-59 | **Pure fun and accidental exercise**

"From my own memory box, how about yours truly, when the newest snowfall was generous and soft, climbing easily onto the garage roof and leaping off to land in the white fluff in as many different ways as possible.

In summer there was the "bush" (i.e., the surrounding woods behind our home) where I diligently picked blueberries to go door to door selling them for 25 cents a pint, or to race around out there playing "Cowboys and Indians" with my brothers and their pals.

And then there were the swimming and diving meets up in Noranda and other places that far north ....at one of them in Schumacher, Ont. in July, it actually snowed! I did my dives (never to do so under those conditions again)! A hardy 10 year old swimmer ran by, dripping wet, clad only in a soggy bathing suit, happily licking her vanilla ice cream cone!

I still smile thinking of a little French girl, speaking English as well as she could, who timidly stated to my mother, "Mrs. Cude, is your dog ever ooooooogly!" That about our beloved pet which was mostly terrier and who knows what else, with the curly reddish brown hair, long ever-wagging tail and streaky "bangs" that overhung his eyes. Even he got into the act, keeping us company walking, running, chasing and retrieving balls, sticks and the like."

**Jack Miles & Nancy Dye** | 50-58 | **Gymnast, Terry Depka to Bowling Champion**

{This girl was one of my senior level gymnasts in Ft. Lauderdale and has become an International Bowling sensation. She lives in the Virgin Islands. To watch her play just blows my mind she is so good. It also blows my mind that one of my gymnasts is over 55 years old. Time flies or I should say time rolls along.....She also communicates with Carrire Englert Zimmermann ....both being in the same industry and sharing a common gymnastics path...jmm}

"Hi Jack: 'll be arriving again next week on Friday, the 29th and leaving on Aug 7th...I really hope we can get together again. Will be staying at the Crowne Plaza out by Sawgrass. Our schedule will be a bit different. We will not have the day off in between. This is one of the major tournaments. It will have teams from Canada, USA, Central America, South America and the Caribbean. I know in my division, we have 11 countries represented, so I hope you will stop by.

We begin competition on Monday and goes straight through until Saturday. Starting time everyday will be at 9:30am and we should be finished around 2pm....Hope I get to see you....Terri Depka"

**Mike Mann & Fran Millians** | 57-67 | **A request to Mike....**

"Hi Mike. My father, Stephen Peacock was on the FSU Gymnastics team in 1972-1974 and maybe 1975. He was Sammy Seminole in 1974. He did train with the team in 1970 and 1971 when he was a student at TCC, but he is not in any of the team pictures from those two years, obviously. Do have or know where I could find any pictures or video footage of him on the gymnastics team or doing back-handsprings down the field when he was Sammy Seminole?

Thanks for your help! P.S. I like the website!

Stephanie Hafer, Florida Department of Health, Division of Disability Determination "

{Stephanie wrote to Mike, who contacted several gymnasts and received the responses below from Jack and Bill....bcb}

**Jack Miles & Nancy Dye** | 50-58 | **Re Stephanie Hafer's letter to Mike Mann**

"Finding Stephen Peacock aka Sammy Seminole...The ongoing story of "One of ours".

**Bill & Carol Beavers** | 57-61/69-70 | **Re Stephanie Hafer's letter to Mike**

"Stephanie, I left FSU in the Summer of 1970 to begin teaching at Ga. Tech. I also coached the Tech gymnastics team for the following 18 years. Although I do not believe I met your father while I was at FSU, I do remember him from the competitive seasons representing FSU thereafter. I do have a press clipping of the results of a dual meet in Tallahassee

(Cont.) between FSU and GT in January of 1973. Your father won vaulting in that meet. Unfortunately, I have no photographs or video tapes of any of those particular meets. As a coincidence, my wife and I met while doing disability evaluations in Tallahassee. I worked for the Division of Disability Determinations from 1961 to 1968. My last few years there I was in charge of the Tallahassee office and the NW Fl region setting up consultative exams and recruiting physicians for such exams. Small world! Bill Beavers”

**Mike Mann & Fran Millians** | 57-67 | **Heatstroke victim....**

“Well, if someone is going be struck with heat stroke there probably isn't a better place to do it than Casa Grande and the Casa

Grande Regional Medical Center. Everyone has been so kind, helpful, and professional, from the employees at the Holiday Inn where Fran first sought refuge from the heat. To the EMTs that were called when they could not get me out of the car to the ER docs and technicians. They treat so many of what they refer to as "the desert walkers" that they are all super experienced in dealing with heat stoke. All the staff, nurses and other have been extremely kind and helpful.

We plan to write letters to the local paper commending everyone and make a donation to some cause supported by the fire department. These folks saved my life from the EMTs pouring water over me at the Holiday Inn to the ER folks literally packing ice all around my body. My body temperature was 105 when I was brought in. Mike” {The Hospital bill for his stay was over \$ 20,500.}

**Jack Miles & Nancy Dye** | 50-58 | **Re Mike's Heatstroke**

“Wow Mike, You're a lucky guy to get such great care so soon after hit with the effects of heat stoke. This email paints quite a dramatic

picture of those moments when everything was so critical. I am so glad you seem to be OK at this point. I could tell you to take it easy, but your hyper-active spirit negates that idea. You know my joking line, "Some of my parts are younger than others." I give you that saying as yours. It fits you better than anyone I know. Are you sure you didn't incorporate internally some of those experimental computer parts in your working years in the States and Universities? Bull shit aside, I worry about you and really appreciate you keeping us all updated. {Just had a wandering thought.....I wonder who was the guy who collected all the curse words for the computer program that tells you that you are using nasty language - Do you think he was one of those Utah Mormons that you mentioned? He (or she) just told me "Bull shit is questionable"}

Get better and better and stay close. Your well-being is very vital to all of us. Love to you and Fran, "The Angel".....Jack

{Mike, you are a marvel at surviving a myriad of serious scares! Your determination to beat the circumstance at hand is commendable. I'm with Jack in encouraging you to “Get better and better and stay close.” I don't know what brings this to mind at this very moment, though perhaps it has to do with the fact that you can fix so many things. In my 2011 photo IMG\_1246a.jpg, we see Rita and Bill Beavers beaming at the thought of downing some of Jon's delicious pancakes. Your caption states that he holds the “honey” jar. Dear Mike, that is not honey, but genuine 2011 Quebec 100% pure maple syrup, personally imported by yours truly. There'll be more next year, too! :-} .... bcb}

**Jack Miles & Nancy Dye** | 50-58 | **Tomm the artist**

{Bev, This was a great surprise to receive the card in the mail. I almost threw it away thinking it an advertisement...jmm”

“Thom & Linda O'Conner...56-59. { I had asked Thom on several occasions to send me a resume of what he has been doing since FSU. I knew from a previous Reunion that he attended that he was bussing around with Paul Newman in the racing world. Which impressed me. He also said he was still into photography and had a studio in NYC. I just received a postcard with his web-site on it. <[thomoconnorprints.com](http://thomoconnorprints.com)>.... -Which was a challenge because the PO barcoded across the bottom of the card obscured his address.....When I opened the site.... Wow! Thom has had listed three or fours pages of places all over the world that exhibit his works .....including a place I visited often as a boy, The Philadelphia Art Museum. His successes and achievements in the art world and the academic world are monumental. His next showing is in the Albany center gallery August 12th, 5 - 9 pm.”

{Also on the Internet pull up "Thom O'Connor.“...jmm}

Born in 1937 in Detroit, Michigan. Thom O'Connor studied at University of Michigan, received his B.A. from Florida State University and his M.F.A. from Cranbrook Academy of Art. He is known throughout the country for his masterful prints. His newest method is photo polymer gravure-a mixture of photography and printmaking.

He has received numerous awards, such as

- Printer Fellowship
- Art-Teacher Fellowship
- C.A.P.S. Grant
- National Endowment in the Arts
- Fullbright Award, among others.

Thom's work can be seen in many collections including San Diego Art Museum; Pasadena Art Museum; Santa Barbara Museum of Art; Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.; Phillips Collection; Smithsonian Institute; Baltimore Museum of Art; Rochester Memorial Art Gallery; Whitney Museum of American Art; Museum of Modern Art; Brooklyn Museum and many more. He has retired from teaching and now lives in Voorheesville, NY."

**Stu Goldberg** | 58-62 | **Stu's cancer recovery**

{Referring to his friend Chris, stuntwoman – aka spiderman...jmm}

“Check this out by scrolling until you see me teaching Chris a couple years back in L.A.at Jeri and Jack Kalvan's home gym. (In Hollywood, CaliforniaLove, Stu <http://hamsternames.info/Actor-G/Chris-Grabher/> {Stu, Fascinating insight into the film industry world of acrobatic & stunts training.... Very glad you're still up and kicking after your

(Cont.) cancer scare. You're made of tough stuff. I also saw Bob Yerkes in one of the still shots. He has been famous in stunt work for decades even before my short stint in the industry. Stay forever well...jmm.)

<b>Jack Miles &amp; Nancy Dye</b>	<b>50-58</b>	<b>Jack's tribute to his brother, Bob</b>
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**HE AIN'T HEAVY. HE'S MY BROTHER**

Very Sadly, I have to report to all who knew him from our Gymnastic days. That my brother, Bob, a year or so my senior, recently passed away from a massive stroke even though appearing very fit and swimming everyday in the ocean, or pools, at Brielle, New Jersey. He was a former nationally ranked side horse and parallel bar competitor on the Syracuse University team and was noted for his high, traveling style on the side horse. If he missed a move he didn't just drop down on the horse, he flew across the gym. He had the highest optional in the National AAU's. He started me in the sport and we were called. "Big Miles" and "Little Miles" in High School.

He was also noted for being devilish style, telling jokes and being a trickster...which he demonstrated during his last moments on earth.

I was enroute by air when he still, so much a joker, with his wife Charlotte, cousin Anne and sister Joan & Harvey at his side in the hospital. Joan said to him, "I love you". Although he could not close his mouth or open his eyes he crossed his arms slowly over his heart and touched her hand. The nurse asked him to move his right leg...he did. Then "Move your left leg"....he did. "Now, move your right arm"....he did. "Now moved your left arm",....he did. Everyone was encouraged. Then she said, Move your finger"...He shot her a "Bird". One nurse said to the other, "Did you see what he just did? He shot another "Bird". ...Joan said, "That's my Bob. He's in there." They left the hospital that night laughing and hopeful.

Sadly, that night he had another massive stroke ..... and it was all over..... I miss him terribly .... Jack ....PS: The message is to tell them how much you love them every chance you get.....I love you guys.

{Jack, as I read your letter I was deeply saddened, but made well aware of how close you and Bob were. I'm sure I speak for everyone as we feel your pain and send our sympathy and condolences to you and all of your family. We all love you, too. ....bcb}

<b>Mike Mann &amp; Fran Millians</b>	<b>57-67</b>	<b>Zimmerman, Justin Bieber to promote safe driving</b>
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“By Dave Hodges  
Democrat business editor

Pop star Justin Bieber is helping spread the safety message to young motorists about texting while driving in a campaign involving technology firm PhoneGuard Inc. and managed by The Zimmerman Agency of Tallahassee.

Zimmerman was just awarded the public relations and social business for PhoneGuard, which has announced a partnership with Justin Bieber to advocate responsible texting through its “Drive Safe” phone application.

The PhoneGuard promotion will extend into Bieber’s concert series and launch of new albums throughout 2011 and 2012. Through social channels, the pop star has more than 33 million Facebook fans and 11 million Twitter followers.

“His message is very much teen-oriented, but all of us could use it,” said Carrie Zimmerman, president of the public relations company. The singer will stress the need for driving responsibly.

“The statistics for distracted driving are staggering, contributing to more than 600,000 accidents per year, many leading to fatalities,” she said. “I have a 15-year-old son with his driver’s permit who is tempted to text while driving at every turn, so the PhoneGuard account win is personally fulfilling for me.”

PhoneGuard’s “Drive Safe” application is available for free at [www.phoneguard.com](http://www.phoneguard.com). The company is based in Boca Raton. The software incorporates a motion-sensing feature that deactivates a phone’s texting capability if the device is moving faster than 10 miles per hour, or any speed the user selects. In a car, the ability to text would return after the vehicle has been stationary for more than 5 seconds. Drive Safe also enables the user to send out a personalized text to friends indicating when the driver will be out of the car and available to respond to messages.

The message about phone use while driving has been a theme of law enforcement officials, who see the effects of distracted driving first hand.

“I think that’s a great idea,” said Sgt. James McQuaig, public information officer for the Leon County Sheriff’s Office, of the Drive Safe app.

“Any application that helps narrow their focus so they pay attention to the task at hand would be a benefit to law enforcement and the general public as well,” he added.

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<b>Jack</b>	<b>GYMKANA and Your New-Newsletter</b>
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**TV Show, “America Has Talent”** featured an Acrobatic act called GYMKANA. They are young gymnasts who use Min-tramp, tumbling, and Table & Chairs just like we did. Anyone know where they are from? It freaked me out the similarity to our shows On a final note.

Bev has done a superb job of putting out this New-Newsletter. It has to be a labor of love because, I can tell you that it can be a “bear” to put one together. If you have enjoyed receiving your Newsletter again let her know it at < [bcudebeaton@gmail.com](mailto:bcudebeaton@gmail.com)> When you have news to share send your email to anyone on our mailing list with a “cc” to Bev. Don’t be afraid to send a single line of info. How did the Earthquake or Hurricane hit you? No Politics or religion – she is an “Independent non-voting Canadian and prays to a Totem-Pole the Pope blessed for guidance. As I always said, try to limit the size of your writing if possible. Or, at least send your news to Mike Mann, Bill Beavers, Charlie Christian, Barbara Withers, Jim Fadigan, Claire Essig Traynor, or anyone and they will forward it to Bev for the New-Newsletter. [THANK YOU BEV](#) {aka....bcb} We love you and are grateful.....Jack {aka....jmm}