

SWF Square and Rounds Newsletter for the week of December 25

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Date: Sunday, December 24, 2023 at 10:40 AM EST

Dear dancers,

Here we are, it is Christmas Eve. We wish you all a **Merry Christmas !**



No dances on both Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Fewer dances this week, check down below which ones are on.

Highlights for this week

- Swingin' Gators will not dance this Tuesday, December 26, will restart on January 2
- Jean's Wednesday classes **will dance** this coming Wednesday, Dec 27
- Susan Fun Rounds WILL DANCE on Dec 26 & Jan 2
- **Horizon Village Dance** will not dance on Thursday, Dec 28
- Arcadia is dancing this Friday, Dec 29
- **New Year's Eve Farewell to 2023 dance** next Sunday, Dec 31, Advanced dancing 1:30 to 2:00 pm, squares 2pm to 4pm, Flyer below.
- **Mike & Eddie New Year's dance 123 123** (or 12/31/23) in Sebring, see flyer below
- **Check all flyers at the end of the Newsletter**

Looking ahead

- **Sunseekers Squares** > Square Dance lessons starting on Jan 2, flyer below
- **Charlotte Promenaders 2**, starts on Jan 4, Harold's Recreation Center, flyer below
- **Florida State Convention** coming up January 19 & 20 see flyer below
- **Square Dance Cruise** next March > see flyer below
- **Happy Promenaders**. Marjie's dances, return this season, see flyer, first dance on January 14
- **49th Tennessee Square and Round Dance Convention next August**

Reminders

Beginners classes/workshops (Mondays and Wednesdays): If you know people that have danced in the past but stopped, and would like a refresher to restart, please encourage them to come over. **Angels are always welcome.**

The end of this Newsletter is reached when you see "**Squares and Rounds go hand in hand**".

Upcoming events and Miscellaneous Announcements section near the end shows future events flyers as they become available.

Photos

This week's pictures are from our visit to Israel last May. It was our first overseas trip (with our usual Fr Terry's group) since 2019. Today's pictures feature Bethlehem, including some wood carvings done by Chirstian Arabs living in Bethlehem. Yellow rock.

Roger



Monday December 25 >>> Merry Christmas
ADVANCED LESSONS AND DANCING >>> restarting on Jan 8

Location: Herons Glen, 2250 Herons Glen Blvd, North Fort Myers

Starting Jan 8 A2 lessons 6:00 to 7:30 pm, dancing 7:30 to 9:00 pm, with Darrin and Alan

\$6.00 per person for the evening

Leaders: **Darrin Henry & Alan Hall**

Info: 765-620-3813

BEGINNERS SQUARE DANCE WORKSHOP >>> teacher Jean Wydra

Time: **10:30 AM to 12:00 PM**, no charge

Location: VFW Hall (Veterans of Foreign Wars) 23204 Freedom Avenue, Port Charlotte, FL.

Contact: Roger Friedmann at r.friedmann97@gmail.com



Tuesday December 26

SWINGIN' GATORS SQUARES AND ROUND DANCES >>>> not dancing today, Dec 26

Plus dances every Tuesday 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, casual dress, today's guest caller: **Ralph Peacock**, Cuer: **Judy Barnhill**

Location: Alligator Park, 6400 Taylor Road, Punta Gorda, FL 33950.

Info: Dwayne Barnhill 606-302-1731

SUSAN'S FUN ROUNDS >>> dancing today, Dec 26

Regular ROUNDS only for more info, Ilona Wix <ilonah.1@netzero.net.

Dances 6:30 pm to 7:00 pm workshop, 7:00 to 8:30 dancing Cuer: **Susan Wolford**

Location: Horizon Village, 9200 Littleton Road, North Fort Myers, FL.

12/26 YES dance

01/02 YES dance

SUNSEEKERS SQUARES >>> starts January 2

Square Dance lessons Beginners Class, 4:00 to 6:00 pm

Location: Alligator Park, 6400 Taylor Road, Punta Gorda, FL 33950.

Contact: Dwayne Barnhill 606-302-1731



Wednesday December 27

BEGINNERS SQUARE DANCE WORKSHOP >>> dancing today, Dec 27

Location: Eagles at 23111 Harborview Road (corner of Harborview and Kings Highway), Port Charlotte, FL, no charge

Contact: Jean Wydra 860-917-0793

Time: 10:30 am to 12:00 noon





Thursday December 28

HORIZON VILLAGE DANCE >>> no dance today Dec 28 restarts Jan 4

Regular Plus dances 3:00 to 5:00 pm every Thursday, casual dress (or pants), early rounds at 2:30 PM

Caller **Homer Magnet**, Cuer: **Judy Barnhill**

Location: Horizon Village, 9200 Littleton Road, North Fort Myers, Fl.

PINE RIDGE PROMENADERS >>> 2024 season starts on **January 4**

Dances Thursdays 7:00 to 9:00 PM. Our location is at Sunshine RV Resort located south of Lake Placid on SR 70, just east of US27. Contact Al Jilly at 847-209-3443 or Diane Lucey at 585-465-7466.

Full info for the club can be found here: Pineridgepromenaderssquaredance.com

Schedule for January:

- 01 04 Welcome Back Dance with Ed Richey
- 01 11 Oldies but Goodies Dance with Robert Arias calling, Judy Barnhill cueing
- 01 18 Cookie Night Dance with Ralph Peacock
- 01 25 Hawaiian Night Dance with Walter Zatorski

CHARLOTTE PROMENADERS 2 >>> Jan 4 to March 28

Harold Avenue Regional Park at 23400 Harold Avenue, Port Charlotte, Florida

6:30 to 7:00 PM Round Dance Workshop

7:00 to 9:00 PM Squares and Rounds around 8:00 PM A1 tip

9:00 tp 9:15 PM A1 tip

Contact: Susan Wolford 256-673-01700 or 2susanwolf@gmail.com





Friday December 29

ARCADIA DANCES >>> dancing today December 29

Dances first, third and fifth Friday (unless otherwise announced) at the former Palace Dance Hall, 1627 NE Floridian Circle, Arcadia, FL, Caller: **Robert Arias**; Cuer: **Judy Barnhill**. **3:00 PM to 5:00 pm**. Plus and Mainstream tips and rounds. For info: Mary Dow 941-380-5336.

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MAPLE LEAF DANCES SQUARES AND ROUNDS >>> dances start on *January 12*

Dances at a new location: Harold Avenue Regional Park at 23400 Harold Avenue, Port Charlotte, Florida

Dances every 2nd and 4th Friday of the month **3:00 to 5:00 pm**

Mainstream and some Plus cost \$7.00 per person, singles are welcome

Caller: **Homer Magnet** cuer: **Judy Barnhill**

Contact: Roger Friedmann at 941-624-0871

Note: Dates chosen to alternate with Arcadia dances

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Saturday December 30





Sunday December 31

New Year's Eve Farewell to 2023 afternoon dance

Happy New Year

Ring in 2024 with an early afternoon
New Year's Eve celebration

December 31, 2023

1:30 – 2:00pm Advance Dancing
2:00 – 4:00pm PLUS and Rounds/Lines

Darrin Henry
Judy Barnhill

Harold Avenue Regional Park
Recreation Center
23400 Harold Ave - Port Charlotte FL

Drinks will be provided
Snacks/Finger food welcome

Information:
Judy 865-216-7808
Darrin 765-620-3813





Mike & Eddie New Year's dance 123 123

123 123 DANCE

NEW YEAR'S EVE

2023

**SQUARES MS/PLUS
ROUNDS PHASE II**

**SUNDAY
DECEMBER 31, 2023
9 PM TO 12:30 AM**

Bring a finger food. Drinks supplied.
\$10 per person

First Christian Church
510 Polinsettla Ave.
Sebring, FL

- **ED RICHEY - SQUARES**
- **MIKE GORMLEY - SQUARES/ROUNDS**

Contact Mike: 419-376-0557





Upcoming Events and Miscellaneous Announcements

SUNSEEKER SQUARES **SQUARE DANCE LESSONS**

WHAT: New Beginners Class

WHEN: Starts Tuesday, January 2, 2024

(Classes Every Tuesday from 4 P.M. to 6 P.M.
through March 2024)

WHERE: Alligator Park Clubhouse

6400 Taylor Road
Punta Gorda, Florida

WHY: So Many Benefits

- Easy to learn. Unlike most dancing, a square dance caller tells you what steps to take and when to take them.
- It's healthy! Improves blood circulation and the body's ability to use oxygen reducing risk of heart disease. Tones and shapes muscles.
- Provides mental stimulation by keeping the mind active and alert.
- Relieves tension and stress causing the body to relax, and helps with getting a good night's sleep.
- Inexpensive social activity which crosses all age groups, and an easy way to meet new people and form lasting friendships.
- An enjoyable and fun activity done to music with lots of laughter, and without drugs or alcohol.
- Once you learn the basics, square dancing is the same all over the world.

(Info: Dwayne Barnhill 606-302-1731 or tn2001@yahoo.com)

Charlotte Promenaders 2



Plus Square Dance
Visiting Callers

& Round Dance
Cuer: Susan Wolford

Where: Harold Avenue Recreational Park
23400 Harold Avenue
Port Charlotte FL

Thursday, 6:30 - 7:00 pm, Round Dance Workshop
7:00 - 9:00 pm, Square & Round
~8:00: A1 Tip
A1 Tip: 9:00 - 9:15 pm

Season: January 4, 2024 through March 28, 2024

Friendship Fun Exercise

For more information: Susan Wolford: 256-673-0170
2susanwolf@gmail.com

SCCA Winter Dance

www.sccaf1.com

Mainstream/Plus/Rounds

Darrin Henry & Judy Barnhill

Sunday, January 7, 2024

1:30 – 4:00 PM

ALLIGATOR PARK CLUBHOUSE

6400 TAYLOR RD, PUNTA GORDA, FL

\$7.00 /PERSON



HAPPY PROMENADERS DANCES RETURN FOR 2024

*Marjie Tobey's THREE Dances in Estero
Return for Another Season!*

LOCATION: Riverwoods Plantation, 4600 Robert E. Lee Blvd East, Estero.

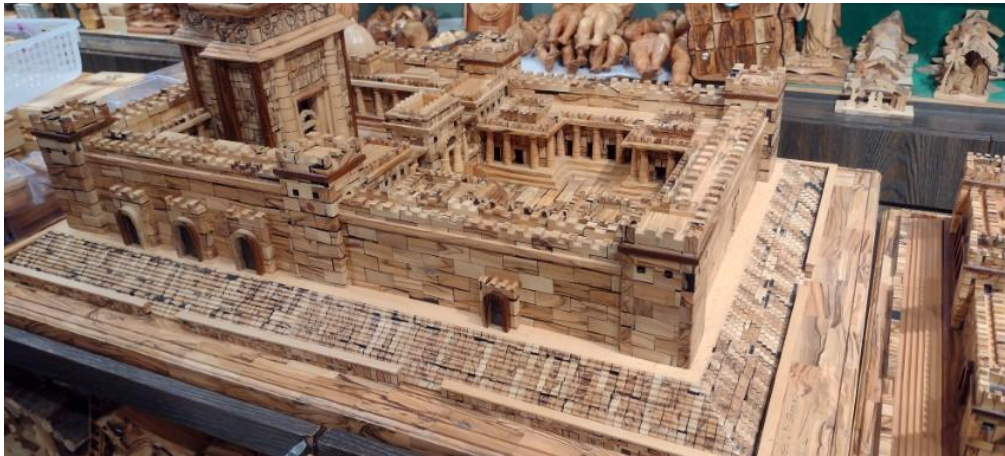
DATES: Sundays, January 14, February 4, and March 10, 2024.

TIME: 2 pm to 4 pm.


CALLER: Ralph Peacock for MAINSTREAM and PLUS.

CUER: Judy Barnhill.

INFORMATION: Sandra Schwartz at (203) 300-2418 or
sandra1813@gmail.com







Sail Away With Travis Cook On The Carnival Pride Birthday Cruise

Sails from Tampa, FL Sunday,
March 3, 2024 and returns
to Tampa, FL Sunday
March 10, 2024

Call for prices and cabin availability
Must book within group to participate
Final payment due December 4, 2023

Deposit of \$250.00 per person
Credit/debit cards only


Administration fee \$30.00 per person
Payable by personal check to Pat Green

Call for more information
Bill and Pat Green
Prestige Travel Systems
For All Your Travel Needs
765-653-5430
plgreen49@gmail.com

Check out this website
traviscook.com/cruise

Itinerary:

- Tampa Florida
- Fun Day at Sea
- Grand Cayman
- Mahogany Bay
- Isla Roatan
- Belize
- Cozumel
- Fun Day at Sea
- Tampa Florida





CLARIFICATION for new readers: this newsletter is issued on Sundays with info for the coming week. It lists days of the week starting with the Monday immediately following the Sunday of issue. Under each day of the week header there is a list of the dances offered that day, complete with location (street address and town), caller/cuer, contact person's phone and/or email, times plus other info such as dance level(s), attire, bring food to share, etc as applicable. In order to emphasize changes, special events, etc, the very first section of the newsletter, **Highlights for this week**, only lists changes to regular dances of the week or reminders of special events. Similarly the **Looking ahead** section lists advance notice of events to take place later. For full information on any dance mentioned in the **highlights for this week** section please scroll down to the appropriate day of the week header to find the info you are looking for. The end of the newsletter is reached when you see a small cartoon and the words "



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