

SWF Square and Round Dance Newsletter for the week of January 8

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Date: Sunday, January 7, 2024 at 10:41 AM EST

Dear dancers,

SCCA DANCE this afternoon, Sunday January 8 !!!

Notice to Mondays' Advance dancers: **change of room** starting this Monday, January 8, until March 25, classes and dances will take place at the restaurant. Enter from the outside directly into the restaurant, at 6:00 PM as usual. Furthermore, the following week, on January 15 the food trucks will be on site (same as last winter). Dancers wishing to sample something different before dancing are encouraged to get there earlier.

Dancers going to Arcadia for the first time use the old USPS address (1627 NE Floridian Circle, Arcadia, FL) for your GPS. The revised USPS address is for the same location and refers to the front of the building. The dance hall is at the back.

Highlights for this week

- Sunseekers Squares for beginners started last Tuesday, 4:00 to 6:00 pm at Alligator Park, with great success. Do invite friends to join and come to this week's next class
- Arcadia is not dancing this Friday, January 12
- Maple Leaf Dances (at Harold Park Center) start this Friday, January 12
- **Happy Promenaders** Marjie's dance next Sunday, on January 14, flyer below
- **Check all flyers at the end of the Newsletter**

Looking ahead

- **Florida State Convention** coming up Jan 19 & 20 info: <https://www.dancergram.com/aa-FWS/convention/index.html>.
- **Mardi Gras Florida Style** coming up on Jan 28 (flyer below) Mardi (Tuesday) dance on a Dimanche (Sunday) !?!
- **Square Dance Cruise** next March > see flyer below
- **Valentine dances'** flyers will be shown here next week
- **Happy Promenaders.** Marjie's dances, return this season, see flyer, next dance on February 4
- **49th Tennessee Square & Round Dance Convention next August – flyer at the end of the Newsletter**

Reminders

Beginners classes/workshops (Mondays and Wednesdays, mornings): 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. The last leg of the trip was a drive through the Sinai desert from Eilat (in southern Israel) to Cairo. The drive through the Sinai was hot and very long. Our visit to Egypt in 2009 (with the same group) was far more pleasant without the drive through the desert. Today's pictures feature parts of Cairo's citadel.

Yellow rock

Roger



Monday January 8

ADVANCED LESSONS AND DANCING >>> restarts today, Jan 8

Location: Herons Glen, 2250 Herons Glen Blvd, **at the restaurant**, 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

Time: **10:30 AM to 12:00 PM**

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

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



Tuesday January 9

SWINGIN' GATORS SQUARES AND ROUND DANCES

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

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

Info: Dwayne Barnhill 606-302-1731

SUSAN'S FUN ROUNDS

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 Welford**

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

SUNSEEKERS SQUARES

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 January 10

BEGINNERS SQUARE DANCE WORKSHOP

Location: Eagles at 23111 Harborview Road (corner of Harborview and Kings Highway), Port Charlotte, FL

Contact: Jean Wydra 860-917-0793

Time: **10:30 am to 12:00 noon**





Thursday January 11

HORIZON VILLAGE DANCE

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

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 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
- 02 01 Mixer Dance with Mike Doughty
- 02 08 Valentines Dance with Robert Arias
- 02 15 Hobo Stew Night with Ralph Peacock
- 02 22 Peanut butter and jelly with Walter Zatoski calling, Judy Barnhill cueing
- 02 29 Ice cream Social with Homer Magnet
- 03 07 Pie Night with Mike Doughty
- 03 14 **St Patrick's Dance with Ed Ritchey**
- 03 21 SOS support our students dance with Nelson Wakeman

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

Guest caller: see weekly list below, cuer: Susan Wolford

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

9:00 to 9:15 PM A1 tip

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

- 01 11 Alan Hall
- 01 18 Don Bachelder
- 01 25 Dave Muller
- 02 01 Ralph Peacock
- 02 08 Mike Gormley cuer: Mike Gormley
- 02 15 Curt Braffet >>> **Valentines Dance**
- 02 22 Don Bachelder
- 02 29 Alan Hall
- 03 07 Jim Davis
- 03 14 Ralph Peacock
- 03 21 Mike Gormley
- 03 28 Robert Arias



Friday January 12

ARCADIA DANCES >>> not dancing today January 12

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](tel:941-380-5336).

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MAPLE LEAF DANCES SQUARES AND ROUNDS >>> dancing today 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 January 13





Sunday January 14
Margie's Dance today

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





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)

Mardi Gras FLORIDA Style Square & Round Dance



Nick Hartley
Caller



Susan Wolford
Cuer



Darrin Henry
Caller

Sunday, January 28, 2024

\$8.00 / Person

Squares with Rounds
2:00—4:00 pm

Alligator RV Park Clubhouse
6400 Taylor Rd
Punta Gorda, FL

Early Rounds
1:30—2:00 pm

For more information contact: Susan Wolford 256-673-0170

RAIN or SHINE
we are dancing on our
49!!

Rounds

Phases II-VI

Waltz Rumba
Foxtrot Jive
Mambo Cha
Bolero 2-Step
W Coast Swing

***Live
Band!**

**49th TN Square & Round
Dance Convention**
August 1, 2 & 3, 2024
Mills Conference Center
234 Airport Road
Gatlinburg, TN 37738

Squares

SSD/Club 50 Plus
Mainstream DBD
Advanced Hex
Challenge Singing Calls
Progressive Hot Hash

**Wood
Floors!**

Tentative Schedule

THURSDAY

Trail-In Dance 8:00-11:00pm
2 Sq. Dance Halls
1 Dedicated Rd. Dance Hall

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

10:00am – 11:00pm
8 Halls of Dancing
*Live Band: Evening Hours

Facebook: TN Square and
Round Dance Convention

Vendors

Singles Dance
Sewing Clinic
After Party
Fashion Show

49th Tennessee State Square & Round Dance Convention
August 1, 2, & 3, 2024
W.L. Mills Conference Center, Gatlinburg, Tennessee
234 Airport Road, 37738

Sponsored by the TN Assn. of Square and Round Dance Clubs, Inc.

Visit: www.insquaredance.org Convention Chairman: R.G. Pratt rgpratt@peoplepc.com 865-964-2091

Key: M=minute, Wlk=walk, Dvr=drive, CC=Conf. Ctr, St=standard room, Qn=queen room, Dbl=double room

Please support your Convention by booking with the listed hotels. Inform them you are with the TN SQUARE DANCE CONV.

** If BOOKING LINK shown below, see www.insquaredance.org/Convention/Hotels.

Reagan Resorts Inn, 938 Parkway
\$160 2 Qn beds, \$180 1 King & Jacuzzi.
\$209 King suite/sofa bed, 3 NIGHT min. (1
Mn Wlk, 2 Mn Dvr to CC, reaganinn.com.
To book, call 865-436-5607, give Event
Name, Breakfast, Wi-Fi, out. pool, balc.

Sidney James Mtn Lodge, 610 Airport Road
\$85 Std. room, www.sidneyjames.com
865-436-7851, (12 Mn Wlk, 3 Mn. Dvr. To CC)
To Book, call 865-436-7851 & give name of
event. Wi-Fi, refng., in/outdoor pool, Full
Cont. Bkfst, Restaurant on-site.

Black Bear Inn & Suites, 1100 Parkway
\$120 Dbl Qn/St King + \$15/night service fee
\$150 King suite + \$15/ night service fee
865-436-5656, (1 Mn Walk, 4 min. drv to
CC). Booking code 147408,
Wi-Fi, Full Cont Bkfst.

EconoLodge Inn/Suites on the River, 310
Cottage Dr. 865-436-5836, \$160 St room with
2 Qn Beds. (15 Mn Wlk, 5 Mn Dvr to CC). To
Book, call 865-304-1309, give Event Name,
[https://www.choicehotels.com/Tennessee/
gatlinburg/econo-lodge-hotels/Bkfst, Pool](https://www.choicehotels.com/Tennessee/gatlinburg/econo-lodge-hotels/Bkfst, Pool).

Edgewater Hotel, 402 River Road
865-436-4151, Standard rooms Thurs. -
\$129; Friday - \$139, Saturday - \$139. (5 Mn
Wlk, 4 Mn. Dvr. to CC). To book Call 865-
436-4151, give Event Name, Bkfst, Wi-Fi,
in/out pool, balcony.

Gillette Motel, 235 Airport Road,
865-436-5601, \$170 - 1 Qn or 1 K or 2Dbl.
\$180 - Dbl Qn. (1 Mn Wlk, 1 Mn Dvr. to
CC) www.gilitemotel.com
To Book, call 865-436-5601, give Event
Name, Wi-Fi, full kitchen, pool, patio/
balcony

Fairfield Inn & Suites Downtown - 611 Airport Road,
865-436-4935, \$179 - King suite, (7 Mn wlk, 2Mn Dvr to
CC), www.mariott.com/gtfig - BOOKING LINK
Wi-Fi, Hot Bkfst, outdoor pool

Glenstone Lodge, 504 Airport Road, 865-277-8611, \$109 - Std King
or Dbl. Qn., \$129 - Dbl Qn & front balcony. Rates are Wed. to Sun.
<http://www.glenstonelodge.com> - BOOKING LINK (2 Bllk Wlk, 2
Mn Dvr to CC), Wi-Fi, Indoor/outdoor pool, restaurant on site, balcony

Courtyard Gatlinburg Downtown, 315 Airport Road,
865-436-2008, \$209 - 1 King or 1 Qn, 2 Mn Wlk or 1 Mn
Dvr to CC, <https://www.mariott.com/GTLCY>, BOOKING LINK
Wi-Fi, indoor pool, restaurant on-site, Patio/private balcony

Hampton Inn, 520 Hitt, Nature Trail - 520 Airport Road
865-776-1646, \$139 Sun-Th, \$159 Fri-Sat. Dbl/Qn or King w/ Sleeper
Sofa, (6 Mn Wlk, 2 Mn. Dvr.). Property Phone: 865-436-4933,
www.Gatlinburghistoricnaturetrail.hamptonbyhilton.com.
Per Hilton policy, no rate code or link can be made till Sept.

CUT HERE & return with payment to Registration

Early Registrations MUST be postmarked by July 1, 2024

TICKETS (PER PERSON) YOUTH 18 and under, FREE with an adult. # attending (please list below*)
Early Registration @ \$35.00 = \$ Weekend after 7/1/24 @ \$40.00 = \$
Friday at the Door @ \$20.00 = \$ Saturday at the door @ \$25.00 = \$

Name(s) _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____ Club Name _____ State Assn. Area _____

*YOUTH Attending, Name(s) _____

DANCE LEVEL / TYPE: HELP US TO PLAN HALL SIZE. PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:

☐ SSD/ Club 50 ☐ Advanced 1 ☐ Rounds Ph II ☐ Lines ☐ Other Interests,
☐ Mainstream ☐ Advanced 2 ☐ Rounds Ph III ☐ Contra ☐ Solo
☐ Plus ☐ Challenge ☐ Rounds Ph IV ☐ Volunteer
☐ Hot Hash ☐ DBD ☐ Rounds Ph V
☐ Hex ☐ Rounds Ph VI

Cash or check only, NO credit cards, please

Square Dance attire, please, after 7:00 p.m.

Write check to: 2024 TN State Convention

Registration Chairman: Shea Meincke

Mail to: 2024 TN State Convention

843-816-4061

PO Box 7056, Maryville, TN 37802-7056

-Email: meincke_us@yahoo.com

For Convention Registrar Use Only:

Amount Paid _____ Cash _____ Check # _____ Date Registered _____
Registered by _____ Ribbons Received: Yes _____ No _____





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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