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Aug. / Sept 06 issue — June 30, 06 Oct. / Nov. 06 issue — Aug. 26, 06

PLEASE LIMIT CLUB NEWS TO 150 WORDS (APPOX. 15 LINES)

WEST COAST ASSOC. FOLDINGS & MEETINGS

JAN PLATT LIBRARY 3910 S. MANHATTAN AVE., TAMPA, FL

6 PM Folding Meeting to Follow

July 26, 2006

Sept. 20, 2006

Nov. 15, 2006

FREE DANCE LISTINGS

All dance listings are at no charge and are limited to City (area), Place, Time, Caller/
Cuer, Level/Phase and contact information.

If more detailed description is desired; such as Themes, Guest Callers/Cuers, admission
cost and varying schedules, please make use of the Ad schedule on Page 2.

FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF SINGLE SQUARE & ROUND DANCERS

Several of us will be heading for Macon, GA, May 19th & 20th to attend the Georgia Singles Convention. Tim Tyl will be calling and Rita Mason will be cueing.

Many more of us will be heading to Rochester, NY, over the Labor Day Weekend to attend the National Singles Dance-A-Rama. This is held at a different location each year and is always held over the Labor Day Weekend.

Our annual Single Rama will be October 20 & 21 at the historic Kenilworth Lodge in Sebring. Sam Dunn will be calling and Phyllis Williams will be cueing. Ribbons are \$25 per person. Our DJ's from Georgia, John Dean and Ann Oliver, will join us again for our after parties on Friday and Saturday nights. Bring finger foods for the refreshment tables. Ribbons are now available.

See you in a square somewhere!
Penny Green, President

<<<<SPECIAL EVENTS>>>>

JUNE 21 - 24 <> 55th National Square Dance Convention, San Antonio, TX; PO Box 160639, San Antonio, TX 78280
www.55thnsdc.org 210- 521-7185

AUG. 20 - WCSRDA VIP dance
See below (Free to all dancers)

SEPT. 24 - WCSRDA President's Ball - See below

OCT. 20 & 21 - FASSRD 27th Annual Single Rama, Sebring, FL,
Info: pgreen@squaredancing.org
or 863-967-5004.

NOV. 10 & 11 - WCA Fall Fun Fest, Bartow Civic Ctr., Bartow, FL - Info. & Registration Elvin & Dolores Mahan, 422 Tropic Dr., Palmetto, FL 34221

NOV. 17 & 18 - Northeast Florida Fall Festival, Resurrection Catholic Church, 3383 University Blvd. N., Jacksonville: Leroy & June Blalock, 904-879-6254 or Blalock9@aol.com

WEST COAST SQUARE & ROUND DANCERS' ASSOCIATION DANCE SCHEDULE FOR 2006

PRE - DANCE ROUNDS 1:30 PM - SQUARES 2 - 4 PM
(Free to Association Members - \$4.00 per person for guests)

| | | | |
|----------------|--|---------------------|------------|
| Aug. 20, 2006 | Strawberry Square* *(Free to all dancers) | 4401 Bootbay Rd. | Plant City |
| Sept. 24, 2006 | Stardust Dance Center | 1405 S. Collins St. | Plant City |

2005 - 2006 PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
PENNY GREEN



All of our seasonal clubs have now shut down for the summer as the snowbirds head back north. They will be starting up again in the Fall. Several of the clubs in the Tampa Bay area and Polk County are still dancing through the summer. If you belong to a club that has closed, please come support the ones that remain open.

Our next Association dance will be the VIP Dance on August 20th at Strawberry Square in Plant City. This is the kick off for the Fall Fun Fest in November, and the local caller, Keith Stevens, and cuer, Dick Chase, who are scheduled for that weekend, are also scheduled for the VIP Dance. This dance is free to everyone and we will be recognizing all the volunteers who work to keep square and round dancing alive. Early rounds are at 1:30 p.m. and alternating mainstream/plus is from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Speaking of the Fall Fun Fest, we have moved it from the Lakeland Center to the Bartow Civic Center, where the parking and camping is free, the hotels are cheaper and numerous restaurants are in the area. November 10th & 11th are the dates, and we will be dancing to Tim Marriner, Keith Stevens and Dick Chase. The ribbons are currently \$18/per person. Ribbons can be purchased from any WC officer or county rep. We will still have an Advance Hall, and mainstream and plus will be alternated in the main hall. If you haven't purchased your booster ad yet for the program booklet, please do so. It's only \$1 a line (one name or two), and is a great way to help support the festival financially. We are also selling ads for the program booklet and encourage all clubs and callers to consider purchasing an ad. Please contact Bob and Jennie Courter at courj14720@comcast.net or Fred Smith at nfas31@aol.com or 863-688-9128 for details of purchasing an ad.

We were sad to hear that Heartland Squares in Lake Wales has folded due to lack of workers. However, a new club is forming in Lake Wales - the Shufflin' Squares - and they will be dancing at the Lake Ashton Clubhouse in Lake Wales on the first and third Thursday of each month. Keith Stevens is their caller. This club is being formed by a group of new dancers who have just come out of class, so please help them in any way you can.

Another caller in our area has been diagnosed with inoperable cancer. Ernie Johnson is originally from Ohio but winters in the Bradenton area. Our prayers go out to him, his wife, Rachel, and their family. Our thoughts and prayers go out to our men and women in the military, and our sick and grieving in the square dance community.

Keep dancing and stay safe!
Penny Green, President

CLUB NEWS



BAY AREA TWIRLERS - BRANDON

The BAY AREA TWIRLERS keep going despite many changes. Wes and Claudia Cole, our illustrious leaders, are moving to Virginia. Claudia's company was sold and she is being transferred. For the time being they are still dancing with us until the transfer and house sales are completed. Well, that means that Chet and Jan Beemer (moi) are back in the saddle again. I guess we still haven't gotten it right. We are still having a blast and have much more planned for our members and guests in the coming months.

No one will want to miss our Firefly Dance on June 10 since we plan to light up the dance floor with glowing adornments. The spectacular Art Springer and the Griffins will call and cue this special dance. Allen Snell will be calling and cueing our next regular dance on June 24. In July Mike Cox will call and cue for our Watermelon Stomp Dance with plenty of watermelon and goodies to enhance the dancing. Doc Gray and the Griffins will make our Sundaes taste especially good on July 22. Remember we are summer casual in June through August. Please no shorts though. If you didn't come to our April 22 Dance with Allen Snell and his Good Times Band you missed a great time. I hear he will be visiting other clubs throughout the year. Hope to see you in June.

Jan Beemer

BUTTONS & BOWS - LAKELAND

One of our dances in April featured Caller Paul Place, along with Cuer Charlie, and we all had such a good time. "Hope we can have him again" was the word floating around the hall.

Our Western Night will find Roland Blanchette calling in place of Allen Snell whose work schedule prevents. So thanks in advance to Roland who is always enjoyed.

Bev Germain got rid of her ankle cast just in time for Louise Whitley to put it on. Good wishes for full recoveries for them both soon.

Already we are missing some of our winter folks but most of us will be right here on every second and fourth Tuesday, looking for you if your regular dance is closed down. We offer a wood floor with cool air and warm welcome. L&D for B&B



HAMPTON PROMENADERS - AUBURNDALE



April 24 was our last dance of the season and it has been an enjoyable one. Our new season starts on Monday November 6.

New officers are: President - Joe and Laurel Hoobler; Vice-President - Larry and Basille Blaesing; Treasurer - Ed and Pat Martin; Secretary - Mike and Carol Adkins; Assistant Treasurer/Secretary - Roger and Carol Truttschel.

Danny Miller will be starting a new class of beginners on Sunday, October 22, 2006, 1-3:00pm at the Hampton 's clubhouse.

A happy and safe summer to everyone.
Mike and Carol Adkins



KINGS POINT SWINGERS – SUN CITY CENTER

Square dancers be aware that the Kings Point Swingers will be dancing all summer with the following schedule.

Monday-6:00-7:30 A/1 workshop, 7:30-9:30 A/2 dance with Rounds. Wednesday 5:00-6:30 Beginners Square dance lessons, 6:30-8:00 Beginner Rounds, 8:00-9:30 Advance Rounds. Thursday 5:45-7:30 Plus workshop, 7:30-9:30 Plus dance with Rounds. The last Sunday of the month 1:30-2:00 pre-rounds 2:00-4:00 alternating Mainstream/Plus tips.

Sonny is still going strong with his banner raids. On the wall there are 8 banners collected with in a 50 mile radius. So far there have been 20 raids and all KPS banners have been retrieved.

Mike, Mary and Sonny will be on hand to keep the dancing running smoothly. Support your clubs and keep Square Dancing alive. Agnes

PROMENADE SQUARES – PINELLAS PARK

It's hard to believe the "Good Old Summertime" is here already. Our snowbirds will be back before we know it!!

June 8th will bring back memories as we dig out our poodle skirts and black leather jackets for our "Fabulous Fifties" theme dance. Join us for a trip down memory lane and some laughs!!

Then, OUR 4th of July "fireworks" will be held a couple days later on July 6th. Our Red-White-Blue theme dance will show how proud we are of our country. Join us for a Patriotic evening of dancing and finger foods. We do ask our club members to bring some snacks to share because we all appreciate a snack after a tip or two of square dancing.

Our club is a "Mainstream" club, but we do enjoy a tip or two of Plus. Dick DeMerritt is our square dance caller and Jimmy and Carol Griffin call our rounds. We dance every Thursday evening from 7:30-9:45 pm at the Senior Citizens Center, 7625 59th St. in Pinellas Park.

For more information or questions, please contact our club president, Shirley Pfeffer at 727-733-2220 or e-mail her at peto1936@yahoo.com Donna Davis, Secretary



SPARES "N" PAIRS – PINELLAS PARK

Hi everyone. The spares and pairs have closed for the summer. we will start dancing again on Tues. night Oct. 10. We would like to thank everyone who supported us this year. We are desperately trying to keep our club going. If you have heard that the club is breaking up I want to say that this is not true.

We will be back this fall.

We wish all a very safe and happy summer and look forward to seeing you all next fall. Be seeing you in a square.

sqdancegranny

SPINNING WHEELS – TAMPA

We missed having Art call for us on April 7th and 21st . Bob Schlenker filled in for him on the 7th and Roland Blanchette on the 21st. We appreciate both of them interrupting their schedules to help us out in our time of need. It would be simply awful not to have our club dance to go to on a Friday night.

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We celebrated the 36th anniversary of the Spinning Wheels on May 5th with good fellowship, good food, good fun and good dancing. You can't beat a combination like that. We wives appreciated being appreciated with a Wife Appreciation Dance on May 12th. That's a lot of "appreciation".

Some of us will be going to the Nationals in San Antonio in June. On July 7th we'll have our Red, White and Blue Dance. Guess what colors we'll be wearing to celebrate the birth of our great country (just a few days late). That's something we can celebrate all year long.

We're glad to have Art and Martha Springer back with us again since they returned from their vacation. We're also glad that Mike and Mary Cox and Charlie and Leona Lovelace didn't go on vacation at the same time.

If you need information about the club and/or it's schedule you can e-mail kibby42@msn.com or call (813) 681 6733.

STRAWBERRY SQUARE – PLANT CITY No club news.

SUN CITY CENTER SWINGERS SQUARE DANCE CLUB No club news

SUNSHINE STATE PIONEERS – CAMPER #018

A great time was had by the Pioneers when we met for our March Campout. The meeting was in Bushnell, at Blueberry Hill Campgrounds. We were delighted to have visitors from the cold north states, and Canada as well. The Temple Twirlers were also welcomed as they collected our banner. It is always a delight to have visitors.



Our next get together will be May 19-21 and will be at Encore R.V. Park at north Sarasota with Alan Snell . Then in Sept. Back to Brooksville on Sept 15-17 at Campers Holliday . The Season will conclude in Clearwater on Nov 17-19 At Clearwater R.V. Park.

Visitors can contact us by phone 813-689-0110, or by e-mail Kathyallen@ij.net .

Kathy & Clayton Allen Pres. Ch. 018

TEMPLE TWIRLERS – TAMPA



Temple Twirlers exchanged banners with several clubs during March and April and had a good time dancing with the Spinning Wheels, Strawberry Squares, the BATS, Greenbrier Twirlers, Promenade Squares, Glen Haven, A018 campers and the Ding a Lings. We enjoyed guest callers Keith Stevens, Carl Rod, Gary Murphy and Susan Elaine Packer, even had the Easter Bunny drop in for a visit at the Easter bonnet parade.

May 1st is our May Pole dance with Van Coble and Charlie Lovelace and finger food. And in May we will be changing the day and location of our class from Thursday at the Forest Recreation Center on 109th St to Tuesday at the new Hunt Center at Al Lopez Park. Please phone 813-810-5548 for the date and time our class will begin at the new location.

Our special dance on June 12th is the Flag Day dance with finger food. Guest callers during May and June will be Keith Stevens, Robert Arias and Burl Lally. July 3rd is our Red Hat dance with Van and Charlie, good food and good fun – come dance with us!
The Twirler



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| Gallery | Tony Oxendine |
| Mission Room | 55th Round Dance Committee |
| Exhibit Hall A | 55th Texas Family Youth Dance |

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| | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | |
| Level / Form | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Assigned |
| Advanced | N. Carolina | Kansas | California | 102 A & B |
| Clogging | | | | Exhibit Hall B |
| Contra | N. Carolina | Kansas | | Room 101 |
| Country Western / Line | | | | Room 203 |
| Mainstream | California | N. Carolina | Kansas | Ballroom B |
| Mainstream w/ announced Plus | SSDUSA | | | Bridge Hall |
| Plus | Kansas | USDA | N. Carolina | Ballroom A |
| Plus | | California | Louisville | Bridge Hall |
| Round Dance | California | Kansas | N. Carolina | Mission Room |
| Singles | | | | Gallery |
| Youth | Kansas | Texas | California | Room 204 |

THE COST OF SQUARE DANCING

When I took my first beginner class, I was told that square dancing was cheap entertainment. It cost \$1.50 per person for each lesson and after completing class, the same amount to dance at a square dance club. That was 32 years ago.

Today, many clubs are charging from \$3.50 to \$5.00 per person for club dancing. I hear a lot of folks complaining that the price is getting too high. They don't allow for inflation, they don't allow for the rising costs for a club to stay financially afloat. Hall rentals have increased a lot over the years. Food for refreshments cost more. Callers and cuers cost more. But the admissions have not increased in proportion to the rising costs of operating a square dance club.

How much does the average couple pay for going to see a movie? Even with the so-called senior discount, it costs \$13 or more. Then factor in popcorn and two drinks and the cost runs into the \$25 to \$30 area. And folks complain about paying \$10 a couple for a two hour square dance? A dance usually lasts two hours, where you can mix, mingle and dance with club members you know and visitors that possibly you don't know, but become friends. Usually, there are refreshments that are FREE, or might cost a whole dollar if you are generous enough to put something in the refreshment kitty.

Some folks complain about paying the caller and cuer. The caller provides sound equipment for the event, along with the entertainment that he /she provides at the event. The same goes for the cuer, who in many cases uses the caller's equipment. But cuers many times either set up their equipment for early rounds or, have it in their car for backup should the caller's equipment malfunction.

Some say that callers and cuers do their thing as a hobby. I say, so what? They are professional entertainers and it makes no difference if they have other jobs or income from retirement. When a DJ is hired for a wedding reception or another function, they charge in the range of \$300 to \$400 for an evening of the entertainment they provide. Most DJ's I know have other jobs and

some do their DJing full time. The same is true for callers and cuers.

The DJ has a considerable investment in his sound equipment. So do callers and cuers. Typically, when a caller sets up his equipment, what you see on the stage represents approximately \$5000 in replacement cost. Most callers I know, do not live around the corner from the dance hall and with the price of gasoline hovering around the \$2.40 mark, operating a car costs more each day. So, it is difficult to understand why square dancers get upset when the caller asks for \$100 to call a dance and a DJ is paid \$400 and the DJ just sits behind his control panel and plays music.

The bottom line is that the square dance community needs to wake up to the real world. Square dancing should not be considered cheap. Folks that are in the activity are not cheap. The square dance community has undersold itself for too many years. It is not cheap in the quality of recreational social value it provides. We need to recognize that we are behind the curve of increasing costs of all the things previously mentioned.

Square dance clubs are folding everywhere and mostly because of not enough money to stay in existence. The same is true for many callers and cuers who are close to the age of retiring from the activity and do so sooner than planned because of rising costs.

"There ain't no free lunch," as the saying goes and another one is, "You get what you pay for." So, if we want nice halls to dance in, we want a nice spread of finger foods, if we want callers and cuers, we need to think about the fact that we need to bring admission prices in line with those costs. I enjoy going to the movies, but I would happily pay \$20 to go to a square dance a lot more! **Author anonymous**
Reprinted from *Bow & Swing*

We wonder what the author's comments would be now that gas is hovering around the \$3.00 mark.

Please see "THE COST OF SQUARE DANCING — REBUTTAL" on page 18.

The Chamber of Commerce

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The West Coast Square and Round Dance Association appreciates the support received from your Chamber of Commerce in helping to promote our activity.

BEGINNER SQUARE DANCE LESSONS

TUESDAY

*CITRUS PARK**Citrus Pk. Rec Hall - E. Terry St. Casual attire Jan. thru Apr. Beginners Class 9 - 10:30 AM Howard Cole 239-691-5670 Tell gate you attend Sq. dance

*INVERNESS**Citrus Squares - St. Margaret's Episcopal Church - 114 N Osceola Ave - MS class 6-7:30 PM - Ellis Lindsey - for info call J. Adcock 352-344-4966 or E-mail jadcock@citrus.infl.net

*SUN CITY CENTER.**SCC Sq. Dance Club Comm. Hall. - So. Pebble Bch. Blvd., 1 MI So. Of SR 674 - Basic & MS 7 - 8:30 PM Van Coble, Teacher. Info:Gail at 813-633-1297 or Marlene at 813-634-4200

*TAMPA**Kate Jackson Rec Ctr. 821 S. Rome Av. — 7:00 PM Art Springer aspringer1@tampabay.fl.com

*TAMPA**Cordelia B. Hunt Rec. Ctr., 4810 N. Himes Av. 7:00-8:30 PM - Teacher: Robert Arias. Sponsored by The Temple Twirlers - Info: Flo Byington 813-810-5548 flobyington@yahoo.com See Ad page 12. Started May 9th.

WEDNESDAY

*SUN CITY CTR**Kings Point Swingers - Kings Pt Health Rm in main Clubhouse Info: Sonny 813-634-8212 Beg. Sq. Dance. — 5 - 6:30 PM - Mike Cox

THURSDAY

*BRANDON**Bay Area Twirlers - Brandon Rec. Center - 502 Sadie St. 7:00- 8:30 PM with Plus Wkap. 8:30 - 9:00 Van Coble teaching.

*PINELLAS PK**Promenade Squares - Senior Ctr. - 7625 59th St. N. - 1 Blk N off Park Blvd. at RR tracks. 813-886-5981 6 - 7:30 PM — Dick DeMerritt, instructor

FRIDAY

*PORT CHARLOTTE**Maple Leaf Golf & C. C. 2100 Kings Hwy. I-75 exit 170, go SW 1-1/2 Mi., CanAm Bldg. 12noon - 2:00 PM Dave Magee 941-23501611 or e-mail: phonemoves@juno.com

BEGINNER ROUND DANCE LESSONS

WEDNESDAY

SUN CITY CTR**Kings Pt. Swingers-Kings Pt. Health Rm in main Club Hse. Info: Agnes 813-634-4910 or Sonny 813-634-8212 Beginners - 6:30 - 8:00 PM — Mike Cox

*VENICE**Woodmere Pk., 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (Off Jacaranda Blvd.) Nov. thru Apr. Beginner Basics — 10 - 11:30AM Jeanette & Gene Bowles 941-505-0103

THURSDAY

*PLANT CITY**Strawberry Square - 4401 Bootbay Rd. 813-752-0491 — Beginners 3:15 - 4:45 pm — Charlie & Leona Lovelace Please see Ad page 14.

COUNTRY- WESTERN & LINE DANCES

TUESDAY

*ARCADIA**Palace Square Dance Hall - 1627 NE Floridian Circle - Off Hwy 17 N. Line Dance 7 - 9 PM — Jennie Martin — Info: 863-494-2749

SIGNS

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"Dr. Jones at your cervix."

At a propane filling station: "Tank heaven for little grills."

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SQUARE DANCE WORKSHOPS

MONDAY

*SUN CITY CTR**Kings Point Swingers - Kings Pt. Health Rm in main Clubhse
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*TAMPA**Kate Jackson Rec Ctr. 821 S. Rome Av. Plus Refresher & Plus teach for MS Dancers. 7 PM.
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WEDNESDAY

BEVERLY HILLS**Hillbillies - Civic Ctr Club House - Plus Wksp 7-8PM - Lon Ligon - 813-746-4882 or 746-3028

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A-1 Wksp 8 - 9:30 PM PM — Mike Cox

VENICE**Country Club Sqs. at Ctry Club Ests. 700 S. Waterway 6:00 - 7:30 PM - MS and Plus Wksp. Bob Cadman

THURSDAY

BONITA SPRINGS**Comm Ctr - A-2 Wksp 2:30 - 4:30 PM - Jerry Fell 941-575-0960

*BRANDON**Bay Area Twirlers - Brandon Rec. Center - 502 Sadie St.
Plus 7:00 - 9:00 PM — Van Coble teaching
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*SUN CITY CTR**Kings Point Swingers - Kings Pt. Health Rm in main Clubhse Plus W/s 5:45 - 7:30 PM — Mike Cox
Info: Sonny 813-634-8212

FRIDAY

DUNNELLON**Rainbow Squs - 1st U.M. C. - 11818 Ohio St (corner of Ohio & Chestnut St.) Plus Wksp 4:30 - 6:30 PM — Jim Roop — (MS dance follows)

SUNDAY

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*TAMPA**Cordelia B. Hunt Rec. Ctr., 4810 N. Himes Av. - Plus Lessons 8:30-10 PM Teacher: Robert Arias. Sponsored by The Temple Twirlers - Info: 813-810-5548 or 813-907-8911 or flobyington@yahoo.com See Ad page 12.

WEDNESDAY

*SUN CITY CTR**Kings Pt. Swingers-Kings Pt. Health Rm in main Club Hse.
Info: Sonny 813-634-8212
A-1 Sq. class 8:00 - 9:30 PM — Mike Cox

THURSDAY

*BRANDON**Bay Area Twirlers - Brandon Rec. Center - 502 Sadie St.
Beginner lessons 7:00 - 8:30 PM
Continuing MS & Plus 8:30 - 9:45 PM
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*CAPE CORAL**Lake Kennedy Sr. Center 400 Santa Barbara Blvd.
MS Class 3 - 5:30 PM Wes & Joy Morris
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Art Miller - info: 941-426-8866

PORT CHARLOTTE* Maple Leaf Golf & C. C. 2100 Kings Hwy. I-75 exit 170, go SW 1-1/2 Mi., CanAm Bldg. - Ph 941-235-1611 / E-mail: phonemoves@juno.com
7:30 - 9:30 PM - Plus with Rounds
Dave Magee, Caller / Ken Klumpp, Cuer

SUN CITY CTR* Kings Point Swingers - Kings Pt Health Rm in main Clubhse - A-1 Wksp 6 - 7:30 PM - A-2 Dance 7:30 - 9:30 PM - Ben Rubright, Caller -Info: 813-634-4910 or 813-634-8212 -Visitors tell gate you're attending this dance.

TAMPA* Temple Twirlers - Barksdale Sr Ctr. 1801 N. Lincoln - PDR 7 PM - Plus 7:30-9:30 PM - Van Coble & Guest callers/Charlie Lovelace on Rds.-Ph-813-810-5548 or 813-907-8911 or e-mail: flobyington@yahoo.com See our Ad on page 12.

TUESDAY

BRADENTON* Trailer Estates Mobile Home PK., 1900 69th Ave. W. (Bay Dr. west of Rt. 41) - 7 - 9 PM - Plus
Caller: Buri Lally - info: 941-756-3911

INVERNESS* Citrus Squares - St. Margaret's Episcopal Church - 114 N Osceola Ave - MS/Plus 7:00 - 9:00 PM - Ellis Lindsey - Info call 352-382-2631 or e-mail rhagaman@tampabay.rr.com

LAKELAND* Buttons & Bows - Magnolia Bldg.- 702 E. Orange St. - PDR 7:30PM, Alt. Ms/Plus/Rnds 8-10 PM - 2nd & 4th Tues. - Info: - 863-533-3447 Please see Ad on Page 12.

N FT MYERS* Horizon Village Squares - 9200 Littleton Rd - PDR 7PM - Plus/Rnds 7:30-9:30PM - Len/Ruth Siegmann - 239-567-1320 - Starts Nov. 8 thru mid Apr.

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WEDNESDAY

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C1 Dance & W/S 1 - 3 PM Comp. Sqs.
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SUN CITY CTR* Kings Point Swingers - Kings Pt Health Rm in main Clubhouse
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A-1 Dance 8:00 - 9:30 PM - Mike Cox

THURSDAY

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9:45 pm MS dance Dick DeMeritt / Jimmy &
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Kings Pt Health Rm In main Clubhouse
Info: Agnes 813-634-4910, or Sonny 634-8212
Plus Dance 7:30 — 9:30 PM — Mike Cox

FRIDAY

"HUDSON"**Bayonet Pt. Enrichment Ctr.,
12417 Clock Tower Pkwy. PDR 6:30 PM
Plus 7 — 9 PM — A2 Tip at 9
Bob Bourassa/John Ayers — 352-796-8254
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4th St. NW — Allen Snell or guest caller
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"PALMETTO"**Manatee RV Park
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"PLANT CITY"**Strawberry Square — 4401
Bootbay Rd. 813-752-0491—7:30 — 9:30 PM
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callers/cuers. See Ad page 14.

"SUN CITY CTR"**SCC Sq dance Club-
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Ctr1801, N. Lincoln . — PDR — 7 pm - Plus/
Rnds — 7:30-9:30 pm - Callers: Art Springer,
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SATURDAY

"BRANDON"**Bay Area Twirlers - Brandon
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SUNDAY

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ROUND DANCES & WORKSHOPS

MONDAY

"PLANT CITY"**Stardust Dance Center
Plant City Plaza — 1405 S Collins St.
1:00 — 3:30 PM Ph VI Teach
6:00 — 8:30 PM Ph V — VI Teach
Curt & Tammy Worlock — 813-759-8313

TUESDAY

"NEW PORT RICHEY"**Embessey Hills
Comm. Ctr. 9505 Palm Dr. — Rnds Wksp
6-7 PM — John Ayres -352-628-2796

"PINELLAS PK"**J & C Spin-A-Rounds —
Pinellas Park Auditorium — 7690 59th St N —
6:00 — 7:45 PM — Ph III — IV
8:00-9:30 PM Ph III Wksp
Jimmy & Carol Griffin 727-525-7809
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WEDNESDAY

SUN CITY CTR* Kings Point Swingers -
Kings Pt Health Rm in main Clubhouse
6:30 - 8:00 PM rounds - Mike Cox
Info: Sonny 813-634-8212

TAMPA* Barksdale Rec. Ctr., 1801 N.
Lincoln - 7 - 9 PM Phase III Workshop
Charlie & Leona Lovelace

THURSDAY

PLANT CITY* Stardust Dance Ctr - Plant
City Plaza - 1405 S Collins St.
PH VI Review 1:00 - 3:30 PM - Curt &
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PLANT CITY* Strawberry Square - 4401
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FRIDAY

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THE COST OF SQUARE DANCING --- REBUTTAL

This is in response to the "Cost of Square Dancing" article that was printed last month in Bow & Swing. I want to express my feelings on this issue as a dancer.

I started square dancing because it was inexpensive. I knew that I needed to exercise but did not want to go to a gym because it seemed boring to me. And being single I knew that there is no social life in walking on a treadmill. I felt that dancing would give me the movement and dexterity that I was missing in everyday activities. Many square dancers also do other forms of dance, but none have the mental stimulation that square dancing has and I have enjoyed the friendships that I have made in this activity.

I work for a non-profit organization and do not earn much per year. At \$10.00 a dance I could not afford to dance five nights a week as I do now. If I cut back to one night a week, what night do I choose? The class I attend on Monday, my Club dance on Tuesday, or my Club dance on Friday, or my Club dance on Saturday or the Advanced Club dance on Wednesday, or the banner raids I go to in support of those Clubs? I am only one dancer at these dances but I think I would be missed.

If I didn't dance as often, I wouldn't be able to keep up with the trends at different clubs and would not be an asset to the Central Florida Square & Round Dance Association (CFA) where I serve as secretary. If I was not involved in the CFA, I would not be a delegate to the Florida Federation of Square & Round Dancers. Also I would not be a member of the Florida Single Square & Round Dancers Association. These organizations are important for continuity in square dance relationships around the state. These activities also involve costs for hotels and meals at special dances and meetings held throughout the year and this is also expensive.

The Canaveral Squares would not be dancing today if I had not stepped forward and tried innovative ideas to keep the club open without raising costs. We had only two squares dancing in 2001 when I joined the

club. Our bank account has since grown some and we have new dancers because of the classes that were organized by this club. Our caller doesn't make a lot of money some nights. But because of his dedication every week, our club survives. The previous caller used to pay the rent himself so he could have the fun of calling and continue to keep the club open. A DJ does not have a club to go to every week. His jobs are all special events.

This same problem is happening elsewhere. We need to get the word out to the public. They need to be shown how important it is to keep square dance and other heritage dances alive. A country, city, business, or someone with influence should realize that it is an important part of our American history and help sponsor lessons and dances in their community. There are families that want to have fun together, home schooled students that need exercise classes, single dancers that do not want the bar scene, and seniors on a fixed income. When a senior center charges \$50.00 per hour for a not-for-profit club to use their facility every week, I don't think they have the service to the community in mind.

The callers and cuers are paid a decent fee at special dances or festivals. This is because more dancers attend. But the number of dancers at club level is dwindling. If admission fees are raised, the clubs will close altogether.

Then there would be no more special dances or festivals as there would not be anyone from the club level to go.

Other dancers may not agree with me. We help our communities behind the scenes. We raise money for our local charities, we participate in parades, demonstrations and events but somehow the word does not get out to the right people. Let's make a lot of noise so we can be heard.

If the cost of club dancing gets more expensive, I will retire my funny hat, dance once a week, and go back to watching TV.

Ailene Picheco

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