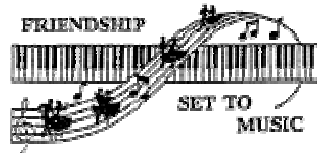


# DANCERgram

Square & Round Dance News for the West Coast of Florida

Editor: Penny Green

*"Square Dancing - Friendship set to music"*



August 25, 2008

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September 1, 2008 – **Deadline for submissions to the Grapevine.** For info: [thegrapevine@pergrossi.com](mailto:thegrapevine@pergrossi.com).

September 1, 2008 – **Deadline for submissions to the *USDA News***. For info: [usdanews@usda.org](mailto:usdanews@usda.org).

September 1, 2008 - **Deadline for submissions to the October issue of the *Bow & Swing***. For info: [rgboyd@earthlink.net](mailto:rgboyd@earthlink.net)

### Words from the Editor

I hope everyone is surviving the torrential rains ok. I know we need the rain, but in some areas it's more than we need.

I didn't receive these pictures from the VIP Dance in time for the last issue.



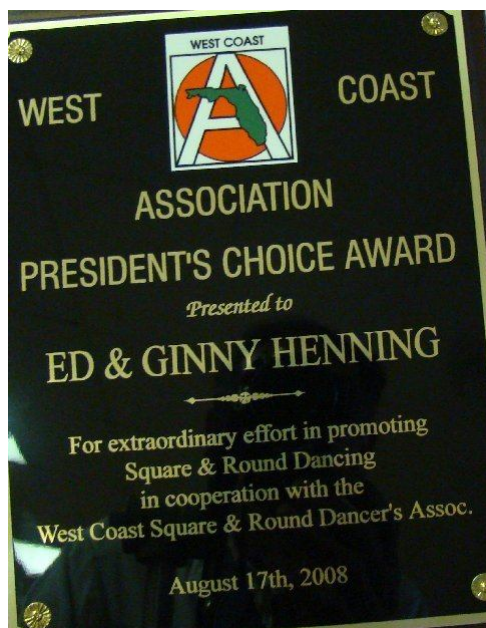
Ken Brasfield, West Coast President, presenting John Occhipinti with lifetime membership in the West Coast Association. Betty and Dick Stevens, West Coast Treasurers, escorted John on to the floor.



L to R: Betty Stevens, John Occhipinti, Dick Stevens.



Sandy Brasfield, West Coast President, presents the President's Choice Award to Ed and Ginny Henning, Editors of the *West Coast Dancer*. Zurhn and Shirley Walker, West Coast Secretaries, escorted them on to the floor.



This is the plaque presented to the Hennings.

## Health & Sympathy Updates

**Ken Barlow** – co-owner of Dance for Less – Sharlene states that Ken is feeling some what better. He went to a neurosurgeon on Thursday, August 14<sup>th</sup> and they x-rayed his hip; there is some healing taking place. Joe Hardcastle, chairman of the Northeast Association Fall Festival, talked to Ken on Monday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, and he says he is still planning to be at the West Coast Fall Fun Fest and the Northeast Fall Festival (both festivals are in November) and that he is feeling much better.

**Lawton Smith** – caller in the northeast area of Florida - is recovering from his cancer treatments and is doing very well.

**Ouida Taylor** – co-president of the Northeast Association – was in the hospital for three days for dehydration. She's been told to drink more fluids but doesn't like water. She was told about lemon water that had been recommended to another dancer by a doctor.

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[Place, Captain Paul Clarence](#)



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Captain Paul Clarence Place

January 12, 1943

August 19, 2008

Retired U.S. Army Officer, Captain Paul Clarence Place, 65, of Clermont, Florida, died on August 19, 2008, in Auburn, Alabama after bravely battling cancer.

Paul was born on January 12, 1943 in Newark, New Jersey, son of Clarence Elmer Place and the late Mary Ann Maloney. In 1962 Paul volunteered for a two year tour in the army which became a 20 year career. Paul served in Korea, Virginia, Georgia, Germany and two tours in Vietnam. Paul was awarded a silver star, three bronze stars, two purple hearts, a meritorious service medal along with various other recognitions.

Paul's civilian career began at Auburn University as Director of Commission on Aging then moving to Birmingham, Alabama as an administrator for the Baptist Health Care System at a senior care facility. His passion for teaching and calling square dancing became his third career throughout the southeast.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, August 25, 2008 at Vance Memorial Chapel 3738 Hwy 431 North Phenix City, AL at 9 am central standard time. Officiating, Fr. George G. Gonzalez, U.S. Army Chaplain with full military honors at Fort Mitchell. Receiving visitation from 4pm – 7pm central standard time on Sunday, August 24, 2008 at Vance Memorial Chapel, 3738 Hwy 431 N, Phenix City, AL.

Paul is survived by his wife, Linda S. Place, Clermont, Florida. Son, Retired SFC. Paul R. Place (Helen), Gurley, Alabama. Daughter, Cheri Place Chaffin (Christopher), Auburn, Alabama. Daughter Christy Place Lucas (Lee), Opelika, AL and their mother, Carol Ann Ramey, Auburn, Alabama. Daughter, Amy Moseley (Brian), Wetumpka, Alabama. Daughter, Kristen Boland, Prattville, Alabama. Seven grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. Father, Clarence Elmer Place, Whiting, New Jersey. Sister, JoAnn Dale (Richard), Brick, New Jersey.

In lieu of flowers Paul and his family request donations be made to the 3/1 Infantry Memorial Fund for Captain Paul C. Place in care of Linda S. Place, 1164 Terrace Acres Drive, Auburn, Alabama, 36830.

Vance Memorial Chapel

Sign the guest book online at [www.oanow.com](http://www.oanow.com)

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## West Coast Association

It looks like we may just have officers to install next month at the President's Ball! We have candidates for every office except president. Anyone interested in filling this position please contact Ken and Sandy Brasfield at [brassy1012@aol.com](mailto:brassy1012@aol.com) or call 941-722-1491.

We will be electing our new officers at the next Folding/Business Meeting on September 17<sup>th</sup> so they can be installed at the President's Ball on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

## Call for Dancers to do Demos

Monday, September 1 (Labor Day) – Pioneers Day Museum – dancers needed from 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. Dan Wilkerson will be calling. For info: [flobyington@yahoo.com](mailto:flobyington@yahoo.com).

Saturday, November 1 – Flapjack Festival, Pasco County Fair Grounds, Dade City – dancers needed from 12:00 noon to 12:45 p.m. Dan Wilkerson will be calling. For info: [flobyington@yahoo.com](mailto:flobyington@yahoo.com).

## National Singles Dance-A-Rama

It's hard to believe the National Singles Dance-A-Rama is almost here. Melodies & Memories will be held at the Millennium Maxwell House Hotel in Nashville, TN August 28<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>. Callers include Tim Crawford (Canada), Tim Marriner (North Carolina), Tim Tyl (Texas), Joe Goins (Tennessee), Tom Nickel (Wisconsin), Gary Kincade (Tennessee) and Wayne Mahathey (Alabama). Cuers include Pat and Joe Hilton (Missouri), Bill and Martha Buck (Louisiana) and Kathy and Tom Nickel (Wisconsin). Janette Bowen of Tennessee will lead the line dancing.

Three full days of dancing mainstream, plus, advanced, challenge, lines and rounds, plus a trail in dance on Thursday night, after parties Thursday and Friday nights and a trail out dance on Sunday night. There are vendors available all weekend and tours scheduled throughout the weekend to the Jack Daniel's Distillery, Discover Nashville City Tour, Grand Ole Opry, General Jackson Showboat Luncheon Cruise and The Hermitage Mansion Tour.

Three full days of dancing for only \$45; can't beat that price – seven callers, three cuers and one line dance leader! Tours are paid for separately.

This dance is open to all dancers – marrieds, couples and solos.

Dry camping is available in the hotel parking lot. The closest campground is located near the Opryland Hotel.

This weekend is hosted by the Tennessee Single Square Dance Association and Single Square Dancers USA®.

I have flyers and ribbons if you are interested in going.

## 2009 Shamrock Swing

Committee meetings are happening in The Villages. They are all about planning a FUN Shamrock Swing in March 2009. The 9th Shamrock Swing is sponsored by Central Florida Square and Round Dance Association. This event will be welcoming you to The Villages La Hacienda Rec Center. Callers will be Tony Oxendine and Bob Stern. Cuers will be Joanne & Ken Helton. You can receive full details by contacting Bob & Jennie Courter, Chairmen, at 352-751-1009 or [courj14720@thevillages.net](mailto:courj14720@thevillages.net).

Last month we suggested a number of shops for your shopping pleasure within walking distance. This month we are listing for you some of the restaurants within walking distance: Ruby Tuesday, Margarita Republic, Amigos Tex-Mex, TooJays Gourmet Deli, Firehouse Subs, McCalls Tavern, Pauly's Pizzeria, Bourbon St. Restaurant and Jazz Club, Panera Bread Bakery Cafe. Next month we will give you a list of restaurants in outlying areas within The Villages. Believe me there are many of them.

Bob & Liz Wilson, Media

## CALLERLAB Viewpoints

By Mike Seastrom

### **One on One...It Still Works The Best (Part 2)**

This is part two of a two-part article. Part one appeared in last month's edition of American Square Dance Magazine.

As I said previously, a great opening line can be, "I've got to tell you how much fun we're having dancing". Cater your comments to the person or group your talking to and continue your story while watching the non-verbal cues that are sent back to you by your audience. It will help you make the conversation about them.

If you think exercise is an attraction, mention that our dance is like a smooth, low impact, brisk walk that is promoted by cardiologists all over the world. If mental stimulation is an attraction, mention that dancing is like an easy chess game that can keep its participants thinking all the time. Physicians recommend activities like ours because of the exercise and mental stimulation that can help to prevent chronic disease and dementia.

If having two left feet is an excuse, we know that our dance is like smoothly walking to the beat of the music with no fancy footwork. Is there a possibility they might be concerned about not being able to "compete" or keep up with the experienced dancers? We all know that eight people work together with and help each other dance successfully. You can also honestly say that the most experienced dancers and even callers occasionally make mistakes and part of the fun is laughing it off and just going on. Almost all of us remember when we were new dancers and if for some reason you don't, stop a few minutes and go back in your mind to that time. Your level of empathy for their concern will rise dramatically.

Meeting new people, or "networking, as some people now call it, can also be an attraction. There isn't a recreation in the world that I know of where so many people of different ages, backgrounds, occupations, religions, and other persuasions can attend the same event and have so much fun together.

What if you sense concern about having the right clothes? In most new dancer programs today there is no special uniform required. While some groups are still wearing the traditional costumes and club outfits, there are many dancers that have updated their look to neat



comfortable evening wear that most people already have in their closet. In most instances, evening wear that one would have on when going out for an evening meal is very appropriate.

By now, you've probably lost the ability to control your enthusiasm, which is a good thing. Being excited and enthusiastic when speaking to others is a great way to persuade them to come along and give it a try. Mention that the dance you are talking about is Modern Square Dancing. In the same breath, head off that often following objection that they "used to do it in elementary school", and mention that our dance has come a long way since that old time version that they did "way back when". Tell them that many "dance teachers" use computers today to provide the music and that we dance to a large variety of songs that they would hear on many of the FM or satellite radios stations today.

Don't confuse them with names like "caller" or "cuer", because you'll need to go into a long explanation of what that is. "Dance teacher" is easily understood and you keep the conversation moving in the right direction by avoiding some of our lingo to make it easier for them to understand.

Many will tell you that they just don't have the time in their schedule. Ask them to count up the number of hours that they spend watching television or playing on their computer each week. Going out for a little fun and exercise doesn't take more than a few hours and is so much healthier.

The old excuse of having a favorite program on a particular night doesn't fly anymore in today's world. Most people have been recording shows for years and many of us have that built into our cable and dish networks today and can watch our favorite shows when we want to and not when it's on. I love modern entertainment. It fits our schedules now.

Now you can invite them to come along and dance with you. Hopefully, our group organizes "Exciter Events" to promote the new dancers program as we've discussed previously in this column. It's much easier to invite a potential new dancer to a single event than it is to get them to commit to an entire learn to dance program.

One way that some groups attempt to make it easier for their new dancers to join is to break up their new dancer program to 10, 12, or 17-week dance segments. Have them join for one of the above time frames and then as the end of that "phase" approaches, encourage them to continue and join the next phase. This can be used with the traditional "one class a year" program or better yet; it's a great way to begin the "Multi-Cycle Method" of bringing in new dancers to your group. The "Multi-Cycle Method" has been discussed many times over the last 15 years in this column, and an entire document devoted to it, can be read or copied by going to the CALLERLAB website at: [www.callerlab.org](http://www.callerlab.org).

As the end of 10, 12, or 17-week time frame approaches, you have a couple options for them with the "Multi-Cycle method". If they are dancing successfully and ready to go on, encourage them to join again and continue learning. If on the other hand, they are a little overwhelmed and struggling with calls, have them repeat and review the calls previously taught and at the same time "help newer dancers with the valuable dance experience they've just acquired".

With the "Multi-Cycle Method", another new dancer program begins, either on the same night, or a different night. Everyone, including your new dancers, get another chance to invite friends, neighbors, acquaintances, co-workers, and family to join this new "phase" and learn to dance. All new dancers get the chance to learn or review the calls again. This will help your group to grow in size and it's a great way to make our activity more accessible, by allowing people to join us more than once or twice a year.

When a new program starts, offer to pick up those you've invited, or meet them for a quick bite to eat before the dance session. Even if it works better for them just meet you at the dance location, it really helps when you can be there with them to start. Being able to introduce them to your dance friends, other new dancers, and the "dance teacher" is a great way to alleviate their initial fears of fitting in. Dancing along side them when they first start is not only a comforting factor, it's a good way to keep them coming back and enjoying the learning experience even more.

There's nothing that has been more effective than "One On One" promoting of our activity. All restaurants and businesses depend on this effective method of growing and prospering. There's no reason in the world that our activity can't do the same. With a little practice, thought, and preparation, we can all become better at introducing and bringing new dancers to our group. It's a skill that we all have to practice and work at to be more successful. Most of us have failed in the past at inviting people to join. Remember that just because someone has said, "No" before, doesn't mean you can't you try again. Give it another try with some of the above information in mind and this could be the time it really works for you.

If we also work hard at welcoming these new participants as we would someone in our own home, making each night a fun, party like experience, and stressing the social part of our dance, we'll be more successful at keeping our new dancers in the activity. We will also have a better chance of our new dancers bringing in their friends, and their friends bringing in their friends and on and on down the line. Let's all work to tell our story just a little better. Have a successful new dancer program this year!

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## American Callers' Assoc. Viewpoints

By Patrick Demerath

### Are We Sameing Ourselves To Death?

This month's American Callers' Association Viewpoint comes from Mitchell Cari in California. Mitchell is president of Associate Square Dancers of Superior California and Vice-President of the Overalls Square Dance Club. Mitchell is an enthusiastic square dance leader holding leadership positions since 1990. Mitchell is concerned about the steady decline in the number of dancers. He argues that he has seen several **MARKETING STUDIES** explaining why the numbers of dancers are falling. What **MITCHELL HAS NOT SEEN IS A STRONG EFFORT TO FIX WHAT IS BROKEN**. Several marketing studies have pointed out four major problems inhibiting square dancing's ability to recruit, retain and return new and experienced dancers.

#### ***Mitchell's Four Pitfalls/Problem Area***

1. Negative memories of square dancing in grade school years.
2. Women don't want to wear the frilly skirts and petticoats.
3. It takes too long to teach a dancer to dance at floor level.
4. Plus and Advance dancing is hurting recruiting.

Mitchell argues that it is critical to develop a **PLAN NOW** to change these things, or square dancing as a fun, healthy, social activity can die a painful death in the very near future. Mitchell argues that current dancers are not getting any younger, and we are not bringing in new younger dancers to replace and supplement us.

#### ***THE MITCHELL CARI PLAN:***

1. Develop a program for teachers using modern music and energetic calling.
2. Emphasize dancing in more casual attire is acceptable. Prairie skirts, pants, event shorts in the summer time.

*ACA argues that the dancers associations not callers' associations should control dress codes including shorts, prairie skirts and casual attire.*

3. Develop a call list that can be taught in 16 to 25 OR less weeks. Start a program to begin new classes twice/three times a year. This is going to have to be a concerted effort by the dancers and callers to change our activity to bring it back to life.

4. Recognize that Plus and Advanced dancing helps some maintain their enthusiasm for dancing, but they DO NOT BRING IN NEW DANCERS. NO ONE STARTS AT THE PLUS AND ADVANCED LEVELS!

### **IMPLEMENTING THE MITCHELL CARI PLAN**

1. Recording companies must work to provide music and dance instructions relevant to Generation X and Y not just the Seniors and the Baby Boomers. Rick Hampton's efforts at Fine Tune Records to provide hash and singing calls music for younger dancers was a great effort, but just a beginning. *ACA actively supported and advertised for Rick's newer music.* Mitchell suggests that record producers devise a way to change some of the music about every 5-10 years to keep it current with new generations of dancers
2. Include the changes in attire requirements in our advertising.
3. Teach 60 – 65 calls to dance at the one floor level with three classes a year.
4. Callers are to have to work harder at making dancing fun with 60 calls but it can be done making the choreography interesting and the music lively.

Mitchell argues that square dancing is a fun, healthy, social activity. Those who dance know that, but the general public does not. Now is the time to change square dancing to make it more appealing to our society. Our society has changed due to computers, the internet, cable and satellite television. This loss of social engagement exhibits symptoms of the changes in our society denigrating square dancing.

Square dancing can and will change too. It can be a negative change with an untimely death, or positive changes with, a program to bring in more, younger dancers. **The choice is ours!** It belongs to the dancers as well as the callers.

**No action is a choice, but changing is also a choice** Let us change to see our activity revived. Mitchell argues that he cannot do this by himself, and his club cannot do this alone. This has to be a national/international effort. Mitchell is writing "Call to Action" to the readers of American Square Dance magazine because the readers are leaders in the national and international scene. Mitchell is a strong advocate of square dancing who does not want to see our activity die and be buried wearing frilly skirts, petticoats and knowing 200 calls. **YOU CAN DANCE 200 CALLS ALONE, ALL BY YOURSELF, OR YOU CAN DANCE 60 CALLS IN A ROOM SHARED AND ENJOYED BY YOUNGER ENTHUSIASTIC DANCERS INTERMINGLED BY OLDER AND MORE EXPERIENCED DANCERS.**

The American Callers' Association thanks Mitchell Cari for his letters and email. We wish Mitchell and those in square dancing who want to see this activity revived the best of everything. The American Callers' Association will do anything it can to help. ACA has a large

membership of callers and the vast majority of them feel that we need to reduce the amount of calls that new dancers must learn to dance.

The American Callers' Association "International One Floor Program" has less than 85 calls. If we could bring that number down some more, we would have a program that could be taught in 15 to 18 weeks. That could allow us to teach three classes a year. After one year just think how many more contacts we would be able to reach for recruiting. This is the key to reviving this activity – "people getting people."

Mitchell Cari can be contacted at 6802 Beach Ave., Orangevale, California 95662. His email is [mcari@comcast.net](mailto:mcari@comcast.net).

Any individual, club, caller, or association who wishes to communicate his/her opinions on this subject is encouraged to contact the American Callers' Association at [Loulet@aol.com](mailto:Loulet@aol.com) or Dr. Patrick Demerath at [pdemerath@uwa.edu](mailto:pdemerath@uwa.edu). Please visit the American Caller's Association website and Newsletters at [AmericanCallers.com](http://AmericanCallers.com).

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## All Things Considered

By Ed Foote

### NEW DANCER CLASSES

Here are suggestions made at the New Dancer Retention Panels at the National Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina.

1. **PAIR AN ANGEL WITH A CLASS MEMBER.** This should be done at least through the first half of the total number of classes. For example, if a club has 26 lessons, angels should be paired with class members through at least the first 13 lessons.

Doing this has many advantages. It gives the new dancer confidence, because an experienced dancer is always present to help. It also makes it easier for the caller to teach, because the angel can make sure the new dancer is learning correctly. In addition, this will often keep the new dancer from breaking down.

It was noted that this should include splitting up married couples, giving each person an angel. This lets each new dancer concentrate on the material without having to worry about their spouse.

2. **CALL CLASS MEMBERS "LEARNERS" OR "STUDENTS", BUT NEVER CALL THEM "BEGINNERS."** Once people have had one lesson, they should consider themselves "Square Dancers." The word "Beginners" detracts from this. It has been found that the term "Beginner" does not create a good feeling among new dancers.
3. **EVERY CALL SHOULD BE TAUGHT FOR 3 CONSECUTIVE WEEKS.** This follows the well-known learning principle of repetition, which sometimes callers forget in their hurry to get through all the calls on the Mainstream list.

It was noted that sometimes new callers are teaching the class. If this is the case, then club officers should tell them to be sure and teach calls for three consecutive weeks, and to keep reminding them if they forget.

4. **CLASS MEMBERS SHOULD BE TAUGHT TO DANCE TO THE MUSIC.** In the rush to teach call names, many callers forget about the music. Sure, the music is playing, but often it is treated as simply a requirement that it be present, not as an integral part of square dancing.
5. **New callers in particular often give the new dancers no practice in "feeling the music."** Club officers should remind the new teaching caller to sometimes back off teaching a certain number of calls and just let the dancers experience moving to the music.

All class teachers should remember that what attracts people to square dancing is not learning new calls but the feeling of moving to music. If the dancers do not get to experience this in class, they are much more likely to drop out.

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## Six Ways to Bury a Good Idea

1. It will never work.
2. We can't afford it.
3. We've never done it that way before.
4. We're not ready for it.
5. It's not our responsibility.
6. We're doing fine without it.



It's a good idea to serve as an officer of a Club or Association. Be part of the solution, not part of the problem.

***From Paul Walker, a North Carolina caller and past publicity chair for the 56<sup>th</sup> National Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina.***

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## Point of Order

From Kappie Kapperman

### **A Caller's Point Of View**

#### **Cooperation, NOT Competition**

Just ask a group of square dancers why they square dance. You'll get a lot of answers, but the one you'll get most often is something to do with the kind of people they meet there. "Square dancers are such nice people," they say, "It's a pleasure to associate with them."

Why are these nice people square dancers? I think I know part of the answer. Square dancing is based on cooperation instead of competition. It is an athletic activity where everyone is on an even basis. There is no handicap based on size or strength, and each participant is equally necessary to the other. Progress is made not by setting someone else back, but by pulling everyone along with you. Square dancing appeals to other people who are naturally cooperative and rather help others than show off their own accomplishments.

Square dancing appeals to those who like to learn something new and who like to help others learn. For those people, the greatest reward comes from the sight of large numbers of people moving in unison and harmony, cooperating to increase each other's enjoyment.

Of course square dancing is not for everyone. There are those who cherish their individuality so much that they refuse to change their habits for anyone, and there are those who refuse to try to learn anything new. There are people who want someone else to provide their entertainment for them, and who won't make any effort at all. Most of these people come a few times then drift away and are never seen again. But there are those who stay with it and change, and it is they who become the greatest possible advertisement for square dancing.

There is a special thrill in seeing someone who is shy and self-conscious blossom into a cheerful, friendly person, as he or she becomes an expert dancer. As confidence builds, sometimes a hidden sense of humor that no one realized was there comes to the surface. That person is now able to talk to everyone. He or she may even become a better dresser with a desire to share the latest square dance attire (a square dance trademark).

Complainers turn into boosters, people who have always been “too tired” to do anything suddenly can’t get enough dancing. These people have become converts. They have become square dancers. And in so doing, they joined the ranks of those who are “so nice to know” – the reason the rest of us like to square dance.

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## Square Dancing in Germany

### At the European Convention, June 2008

Some Die Hard Square Dancers left Florida at the end of May 2008 for Frankfurt Germany to attend the European Square Dance Convention in Hochheim (which is known for its wine – the Queen of England has a standing order each month). After checking into our hotel in Schweinfurt, it was off to our first dance – Sonja and Gunter Fleding came to meet us at our hotel to take us to the Cornhuskers Club in Coburg. The caller’s name was Thomas (I didn’t get his last name, his English was very limited). We had a great night dancing at that club. There was a guy with us who was stationed with **Paul Place** (a retired Florida caller). His name was Don Monsees, he too was a caller, his main reason for being there was to represent Paul Place, who due to illness was not able to travel. Don took over the Die Hard Club when Paul left Germany. Don did get up and call a couple of tips, he said he hadn’t called for 27 years. He soon realized how much he missed calling, saying he would get back into it.

Next night was the big one, the Anniversary Dance that **Paul Place** was to call at in Schweinfurt, the club that he started 30 years ago. The dance was a lot of fun. You could not help thinking about **Paul Place** and what it would have been like if he had been there. The club had all 12 of us up on stage. They gave us a dangle when we came up and a certificate to mark the occasion. I was presented with a plaque of Schweinfurt in memory of **Paul Place** to take back for our club. It was a very moving moment. We were all trying to fight the tears back.

Michael Craft had gifts Paul had given him to present to the Die Hard Club. Don had a photo album of pictures he had taken 27 years ago that he gave to the club.

We were introduced to a lady that had learned to square dance with **Paul Place**. She showed us her certificate signed by Paul. She was wearing the very same dress she wore 30 years ago.

Heidemarie was one of the callers as well as the MC that night. This was a very special dance that the club had put on just for us – coming over from Paul's Club, Whirl & Twirl in Orlando, Florida. Then it was time to leave Schweinfurt and travel to Hochheim in Maize for the European Square Dance Convention.

The night before the Convention, we met Elka. She had been a big help to me in the weeks leading up to the Convention, furnishing me with all kinds of useful information. She took us to her club where they dance C2. We just went along for the ride and to sit and listen. The caller was Hover Kreamer. He is excellent and for our benefit he called on Plus tip – let me tell you, he really put us through the paces, but it was a fun challenge.

The next night we met Elka again and went to dance at the Kountry Kuzins. They dance in a place called Wiesbaden. It was at that time I was asked to carry the American Flag in the Parade of States. I was very honored to be asked to do this, and very proud to be classed as an American just two years into my American Citizenship. The ceremony at the Convention was very moving. The local newspaper was there and we just got into the picture that was on the front page of the local paper. There were so many good callers there from all over – Kenny Reese (many of you know). I enjoyed an Englishman Ian McConnell as well as other callers. Round dancing was by Teresa Hart, from England, she was very good.

The next European Convention is in 2010 in Sweden.

Lilli Ann Gallagher

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Jim & Lilli  
Ann  
Gallagher



Jim & Lilli Ann

## Looking for ribbons?

I am carrying ribbons for the following weekends and special dances. If you pick up any flyers with my name, email address and phone number stamped on them, I have the ribbons.

- September (Labor Day Weekend) – **2008 Single Square Dancers USA Dance-A-Rama**, Nashville, TN
- October 24 – 25, 2008 – **29<sup>th</sup> Single-Rama**, Sebring, FL
- November 2, 2008 – **23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Macdonald Benefit Dance**, Strawberry Square, Plant City, FL
- November 7 – 8, 2008 – **West Coast Association's Fall Fun Fest**, Bartow, FL
- November 21-22, 2008 – **ALOHA! Northeast Association's Fall Festival**, Jacksonville, FL
- January 22 – 24, 2009 – **Florida Winter Festival**, Lakeland, FL
- March 20 – 21, 2009 – **Central Association's Shamrock Swing** – The Villages, FL
- March 27 – 28, 2009 – **18<sup>th</sup> Annual Fuzzy Navel** – Jekyll Island, GA

## This Week's West Coast Dances

NOTE: Yellow highlighting is a change from last week's issue.

**Monday** - *Temple Twirlers Birthday/Anniversary Dance* - Barksdale Rec Center, 1801 N. Lincoln, Tampa - ER 7:00 p.m., mainstream/plus/rounds - 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. - caller: **Doc Gray**, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com)

**Tuesday** – *Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Summer Sizzler* – Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – ER 7:30 p.m., mainstream/plus/rounds 8:00 – 10:00 p.m. – root beer floats - square dance attire optional – caller: Art Springer, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [bevanlee@aol.com](mailto:bevanlee@aol.com).

*Sun City Center* - Sun City Center Community Hall, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Room 3, Sun City – mainstream dance and plus workshop - 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. - caller: Van Coble. For info: [gail3357@gmail.com](mailto:gail3357@gmail.com) or 813-633-1297 (Gail) or 813-633-8780 (Sue).

*Suncoast Squares* - Metro Center, 3170 3rd Ave. N., St. Pete, FL – **potluck 6:45 p.m.** - Mainstream and plus workshop 7:30 - 10:00 p.m. - Caller: Mike Cox. For info: [suncoastsquares@yahoo.com](mailto:suncoastsquares@yahoo.com).

**Wednesday** - *Port Charlotte Cultural Center* - Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Pt. Charlotte - 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. mainstream/plus/rounds - caller: Wes Morris; cuer: Jennie Martin. For info: 941-380-5336, [mdow@cyberstreet.com](mailto:mdow@cyberstreet.com), or 863-494-2749.

**Thursday** – *King's Point Swingers* - Kings Point Health Room (main Clubhouse), CR. 674 (east of I-75), Sun City Center - ER 7:00 - 7:30 p.m., plus/rounds 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. - caller/cuer: Mike Cox. For info: 813-649-0754 or [hlhtfh@yahoo.com](mailto:hlhtfh@yahoo.com).

**Citrus Squares** - First United Methodist Church, 21501 W. Highway 40, Dunnellon - 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. - caller: Ellis Lindsey. For info: [lalecl@aol.com](mailto:lalecl@aol.com).

**Promenade Squares** - Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park - ER 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. mainstream/plus/rounds 7:30 - 9:45 p.m. - casual attire - caller: Dick Demerit; cuers: Jimmy &/or Carol Griffin. For info: [peto1936@yahoo.com](mailto:peto1936@yahoo.com).

**Friday** – **Spinning Wheels** - Barksdale Rec Center, 1801 N. Lincoln, Tampa - ER 7:00 p.m., mainstream/plus/rounds 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. - caller: **Art Springer**, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [helenm720@aol.com](mailto:helenm720@aol.com) or [jbarnes73@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:jbarnes73@tampabay.rr.com).

**Flutter Wheelers** - Bayonet Point Enrichment Center, 12417 Clock Tower Parkway, Bayonet Point, Hudson - ER 6:30 p.m., plus/rounds 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. - AS tip at 9:00 - relaxed attire June to October - caller: Bob Bourassa, cuer: John Ayers. For info: Bob Bourassa 352-796-8254 or [bobbourassa@bellsouth.net](mailto:bobbourassa@bellsouth.net).

**Snell's Bo's and Bell's** - Largo Community Center - 65th - 4th Street NW, Largo - tastefully casual dress – mainstream/plus/rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. - callers: Allen Snell. Contact [settarose1@verizon.net](mailto:settarose1@verizon.net)

**Sun City Center Square Dance Club** - Sun City Center Community Hall, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City - ER 7:00 - 7:30 p.m., mainstream/plus/rounds 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. – caller: Van Coble - cuer: Pat Hagen. For info: [gail3357@gmail.com](mailto:gail3357@gmail.com) or 813-633-1297 (Gail) or 813-633-8780 (Sue).

**Saturday** – **New Port Richey** - New Port Richey Rec Center, 6630 Van Buren St., New Port Richey, 34653 - 1:30 - 1:00 workshop, 2:00 - 4:00 Dance (mainstream/plus/rounds) - caller/cuer: Allen Snell. For info: [settarose1@verizon.net](mailto:settarose1@verizon.net).

**Sunday** - **B&S Flutter Wheelers** - Bayonet Point Enrichment Center, 12417 Clock Tower Parkway, Bayonet Point, Hudson - A 2 workshop 5:30 - 6:00 p.m. - A 2 Dance - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. - relaxed attire - caller: Bob Bourassa. For info: 352-796-8254 or [bobbourassa@bellsouth.net](mailto:bobbourassa@bellsouth.net).

**King of Kings Church** - 10337 U.S. 19, Port Richey - casual dress - 1:00 - 4:30 p.m. Tips are alternated. Caller/Cuer: Allen Snell. For info: 727-809-3429 or 727-809-0323 or [settarose1@verizon.net](mailto:settarose1@verizon.net).

**Orange Blossom Squares** - The Villages La Hacienda Center, 1200 Avenida Central, The Villages - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. - caller: **Don Hanhurst**, cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: [sharonandron579@gmail.com](mailto:sharonandron579@gmail.com)



## West Coast Classes

*Please provide start date, start and ending time, level (beginner, mainstream, plus, etc.) exact address (with city) where class and/or workshop will be held, instructor's name, contact name, email address and phone number.*

***CLUBS, CALLERS, CUERS: IT'S NOT TOO EARLY TO START ADVERTISING YOUR CLASSES!***

***DANCERS: IT'S NOT TOO EARLY TO START TALKING TO YOUR FRIENDS, ACQUAINTANCES, CO-WORKERS, ETC. ABOUT THE BENEFITS OF LEARNING TO DANCE!***

September 4, 2008 – **Shufflin' Squares Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Lake Ashton Golf Club, Thompson Nursery Road, Lake Wales – first three (3) nights FREE – 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. For info: [cakitts@hotmail.com](mailto:cakitts@hotmail.com).

September 11, 2008 – **Spinning Wheels Basic/Mainstream Class** – Barksdale Senior Center, 1801 N. Lincoln, Tampa – first night is FREE – “Get off the couch and on your feet and let’s Dance.” - \$4 per person per session – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller/instructor: Art Springer. For info: 813-613-8987 or 813-223-1955.

September 11, 2008 – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Beginner Square Dance Class** – Brandon Rec Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon – 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. – first night is FREE – caller/instructor: Van Coble. For info: [patti\\_bruce@yahoo.com](mailto:patti_bruce@yahoo.com).

**DATE CHANGE** - October 2, 2008 - **Promenade Squares Beginner Square Dance Class** - Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park - first night FREE - 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. - caller/instructor: Dick DeMerritt. For info: [peto1936@yahoo.com](mailto:peto1936@yahoo.com).

October 7, 2008 - **Sun City Center Square Dance Club Beginner Class** - Sun City Center Community Hall, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City - first night is Open House 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. - class begins October 14 - beginner class 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.; Plus 8:30 - 9:30 p.m. - caller/instructor: Van Coble. For info: [gail3357@gmail.com](mailto:gail3357@gmail.com).

October 8, 2008 – **City of Auburndale Beginners Round Dance Class** – Recreation Center, 119 Park Street (across from the basketball courts), Auburndale – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. - \$3 per person per session – cuer/instructor: Carl Rod. For info: [sqdnfan@aol.com](mailto:sqdnfan@aol.com) or 863-967-5004.

October 26, 2008 - **Hampton Promenaders Beginner Square Dance Lessons** - Hampton's Community, 1094 Hwy 92 W., Auburndale - 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - \$3.50 per person per session - caller/instructor: Danny Miller. For info: [chraller56@aol.com](mailto:chraller56@aol.com).

October 26, 2008 - **Hampton Promenaders Plus Workshop** - Hampton's Community, 1094 Hwy. 92 W., Auburndale - 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. - \$3.50 per person per session - caller/instructor: Danny Miller. For info: [chraller56@aol.com](mailto:chraller56@aol.com).

November 1, 2008 – **Temple Twirlers Beginners Square Dance Lessons** – Jazzercise Building, Lutz – 4:45 – 6:45 p.m. – caller/instructor: Roland Blanchette. For info: [flobyington@yahoo.com](mailto:flobyington@yahoo.com).

November 3, 2008 - **Strawberry Square Mainstream Square Dance Class** - 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City - first night FREE - call fee will be \$4 per person per session - 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. - caller/instructor: Roland Blanchette. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

November 3, 2008 - **Strawberry Square Introduction to Plus Movements** - 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City - class fee will be \$4 per person per session - 8:00 - 9:30 p.m. - call/instructor: Roland Blanchette. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

November 4, 2008 - **City of Auburndale Basic & Mainstream Lessons** - Auburndale Senior Center, 109 Park St. (across from the basketball courts), Auburndale - 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. - \$4 per person per session – caller/instructor: Clyde Stocker. For info: [stocker38@worldnet.att.net](mailto:stocker38@worldnet.att.net) or 407-766-5659.

November 4, 2008 - **City of Auburndale Plus Workshop** - Auburndale Senior Center, 119 Park St. (across from the basketball courts), Auburndale - 8:30 p.m. - \$4 per person per session – caller/instructor: Clyde Stocker. For info: [stocker38@worldnet.att.net](mailto:stocker38@worldnet.att.net) or 407-766-5659.

November 6, 2008 - **Strawberry Square Beginner Round Dance Lessons** (Choreographed Ballroom) - Strawberry Square Hall, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City - 12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. - cuer/instructor: Charlie & Leona Lovelace. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

November 7, 2008 – **Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Grace Lutheran Church, 327 Avenue C, S.E., Winter Haven – 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. – caller/instructor: Carl Rod. For info: [CARLSQRDROD@JUNO.COM](mailto:CARLSQRDROD@JUNO.COM) or 863-293-9369.

November 7, 2008 – **Plus Workshop** – Grace Lutheran Church, 327 Avenue C, S.E., Winter Haven – 8:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller/instructor: Carl Rod. For info: [CARLSQRDROD@JUNO.COM](mailto:CARLSQRDROD@JUNO.COM) or 863-293-9369.

December 8, 2008 – **Ft. Meade Squares Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Ft. Meade City MHP Activity Center – 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. – caller/instructor: Russ Young. For info: Glenn Eversen 863-285-8628.

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### Future Planning

#### August 2008

August 28 – 30, 2008 – **38<sup>th</sup> National Singles Dance-A-Rama** – Millennium Maxwell House Hotel, Nashville, TN. For info: [www.dar2008.ssusa.org](http://www.dar2008.ssusa.org) or [38dar@charter.net](mailto:38dar@charter.net).

#### September 2008

September 5 – 7, 2008 – **29<sup>th</sup> New Mexico State Round Dance Festival** – Albuquerque, New Mexico – Phase 4 – 6 - \$80 per couple before August 1, 2008 – Cuers/instructors: **Curt & Tammy Worlock**. For in: [pjarmagin1@comcast.net](mailto:pjarmagin1@comcast.net).

September 8 – 12, 2008 – **New Mexico Extravaganza of Rounds** – Red River, New Mexico – morning and afternoon workshops and evening dances - \$100 per couple payable to New Mexico Rounds – Cuers/instructors: **Curt & Tammy Worlock**. For info: [imccarty1@juno.com](mailto:imccarty1@juno.com).

September 7 - 11, 2008- **Maggie Valley Square Dance Vacation** - Pride RV Resort, 4394 Jonathan Creek Rd., Waynesville, NC 28785 - **Plus dancing** - callers: Bob Asp & Curt Braffet - prices are per couple and include lodging, breakfast and dinner daily, after party snacks and dancing morning and night. (Tuesday nights are off for you to explore the area or you may attend our open mainstream dance.) Casual attire. RV Package - \$495 + applicable tax; cabin rental package - \$695 or \$745 + applicable tax; park model package - \$795 or \$845 + applicable tax; \$50 deposit for RV package + \$100 deposit for cabin and park model packages. Enjoy mini golf - heated pool and hot

tub - fishing - wireless internet - picnics along Jonathan Creek - horseshoes - Hillbilly Golf - Holy Board and much more! Check in Sunday at 2:00 p.m. and check out Friday at 10:00 a.m. New hall with wood floor. Air conditioned. For info: [squaredance@pridervresort.com](mailto:squaredance@pridervresort.com) or 1-800-926-8191 and ask for Linda.

September 11, 2008 – **Promenade Squares Back to School Dance** - Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park - ER 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. mainstream/plus/rounds 7:30 - 9:45 p.m. - casual attire – dancers are asked to bring school supplies to be distributed to needy children in the coming school year - caller: Dick Demerit; cuers: Jimmy &/or Carol Griffin. For info: [peto1936@yahoo.com](mailto:peto1936@yahoo.com).

September 13, 2008 - **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Tailgate Party** – Brandon Rec Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon, FL - caller: Bob Barnes, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [jbrookover@regencycenters.com](mailto:jbrookover@regencycenters.com).

September 14 - 18, 2009 - **Maggie Valley Square Dance Vacation** - Pride RV Resort, 4394 Jonathan Creek Rd., Waynesville, NC 28785 - **A2** dancing - callers: Johnny Preston - prices are per couple and include lodging, breakfast and dinner daily, after party snacks and dancing morning and night. (Tuesday nights are off for you to explore the area or you may attend our open mainstream dance.) Casual attire. RV Package - \$495 + applicable tax; cabin rental package - \$695 or \$745 + applicable tax; park model package - \$795 or \$845 + applicable tax; \$50 deposit for RV package + \$100 deposit for cabin and park model packages. Enjoy mini golf - heated pool and hot tub - fishing - wireless internet - picnics along Jonathan Creek - horseshoes - Hillbilly Golf - Holy Board and much more! Check in Sunday at 2:00 p.m. and check out Friday at 10:00 a.m. New hall with wood floor. Air conditioned. For info: [squaredance@pridervresort.com](mailto:squaredance@pridervresort.com) or 1-800-926-8191 and ask for Linda.

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September 15, 2008 – **Deadline for submissions to the *Panhandle Press***. For info: [panhandlepress@hotmail.com](mailto:panhandlepress@hotmail.com)

September 15, 2008 - **Temple Twirlers Hawaiian Luau Dance** - Barksdale Sr. Center, 1801 N. Lincoln Ave., Tampa, FL - caller: Van Coble, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com).

September 17, 2008 (not a fourth Wednesday due to elections) - **West Coast Folding and Business Meeting**. Barksdale Center, 1801 N. Lincoln Ave., Tampa, FL (home of Temple Twirlers and Spinning Wheels). **All county reps and committee chairman who are unable to attend the meeting should forward a copy of their report to West Coast secretary at [rmljdancer@aol.com](mailto:rmljdancer@aol.com). PLEASE SEND A REPRESENTATIVE FROM YOUR CLUB OR FORWARD A REPORT TO BE READ AT THE MEETING! EVERYONE IS WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.** For info: [brassy1012@yahoo.com](mailto:brassy1012@yahoo.com)

September 18 - 20, 2008 - **Georgia State 37th Annual Convention** - Macon Centreplex Coliseum & Convention Centre, Exit 2 off I-16, 200 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA - 11:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday - Mainstream/Singing Calls, Easy Mainstream, Advance, Plus, DBD, Contra, Line Dancing, Phase I - VI rounds - \$20 per person in advance; \$25 per person at the door, youth 17 and under with square dance family are free. For info: [njfeek103@wmconnect.com](mailto:njfeek103@wmconnect.com). NOTE: There is a Trail End Dance on Thursday, September 18th, from 8:00 - 11:00 p.m. - free to GSSDA members and \$5 for non members.

September 19 - 20, 2008 - **Nebraska State Convention** – Adams County Fair Grounds, Hastings, NE. For info: [msturner@nebi.com](mailto:msturner@nebi.com)

September 21, 2008 – **West Coast Association President's Ball** – Strawberry Square, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – ER 1:30 p.m. – mainstream/plus/rounds 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – caller: Allen Snell, cuer: Pat Hagen – West Coast members FREE, guest \$4 per person. For info: [brassy1012@aol.com](mailto:brassy1012@aol.com).

September 21 - 25, 2008 - **Maggie Valley Square Dance Vacation** - Pride RV Resort, 4394 Jonathan Creek Rd., Waynesville, NC 28785 - **C1** dancing - caller: Darryl Lipscomb- prices are per couple and include lodging, breakfast and dinner daily, after party snacks and dancing morning and night. (Tuesday nights are off for you to explore the area or you may attend our open mainstream dance.) Casual attire. RV Package - \$495 + applicable tax; cabin rental package - \$695 or \$745 + applicable tax; park model package - \$795 or \$845 + applicable tax; \$50 deposit for RV package + \$100 deposit for cabin and park model packages. Enjoy mini golf - heated pool and hot tub - fishing - wireless internet - picnics along Jonathan Creek - horseshoes - Hillbilly Golf - Holy Board and much more! Check in Sunday at 2:00 p.m. and check out Friday at 10:00 a.m. New hall with wood floor. Air conditioned. For info: [squaredance@pridervresort.com](mailto:squaredance@pridervresort.com) or 1-800-926-8191 and ask for Linda.

September 23, 2008 - **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Mardi Gras Celebration** - Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange St., Lakeland, FL - ER 7:30 p.m., mainstream/plus/rounds 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. - caller: Art Springer, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [bevanlee@aol.com](mailto:bevanlee@aol.com).

September 24, 2008 - **Square Dance Special** - St. Cloud Senior Center, 3101 - 17th Street, St. Cloud, FL – 7:30 – 10:00 p.m. – mainstream/plus - caller: Lottie Ainsworth (“a little Louisiana sunshine coming to Florida”), cuers: Pete and Jan Shankle - admission: \$5 per person (pay at the door). For info: Shankle 407-855-3300 or Tottie Hasson 321-246-5151 or Lili-Ann Gallagher [minimercury@embarqmail.com](mailto:minimercury@embarqmail.com).

September 25-27, 2008 - **32nd Myrtle Beach Ball** - Ocean Dunes Resort, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina - plus/advanced/rounds - callers: Tony Oxendine, Keith Rippetto, Dee Dee Dougherty, cuer: **Curt & Tammy Worlock**. For info: Barbara Harrelson at [bharrelson1@juno.com](mailto:bharrelson1@juno.com).

September 26 -28, 2008 - **Hitch 'n Go Square Dance Camping Chapter #082** - Floridian RV Resort, St. Cloud, FL - caller: Charlie Pergrossi. For info: [jelohart@hotmail.com](mailto:jelohart@hotmail.com)

September 28 - October 2, 2008 - **Maggie Valley Square Dance Vacation** - Pride RV Resort, 4394 Jonathan Creek Rd., Waynesville, NC 28785 - **Plus** dancing - caller: Tony Oxendine - prices are per couple and include lodging, breakfast and dinner daily, after party snacks and dancing morning and night. (Tuesday nights are off for you to explore the area or you may attend our open mainstream dance.) Casual attire. RV Package - \$495 + applicable tax; cabin rental package - \$695 or \$745 + applicable tax; park model package - \$795 or \$845 + applicable tax; \$50 deposit for RV package + \$100 deposit for cabin and park model packages. Enjoy mini golf - heated pool and hot tub - fishing - wireless internet - picnics along Jonathan Creek - horseshoes - Hillbilly Golf - Holy Board and much more! Check in Sunday at 2:00 p.m. and check out Friday at 10:00 a.m. New hall with wood floor. Air conditioned. For info: [squaredance@pridervresort.com](mailto:squaredance@pridervresort.com) or 1-800-926-8191 and ask for Linda.

## October 2008

October 1, 2008 - **Deadline for submissions to the November issue of the Bow & Swing.** For info: rgboyd@earthlink.net

October 3 – 4, 2008 – **Square Dance Camping Chapter #153** – Sumter Oaks, Bushnell, FL – 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday night – visitors welcome – squares/rounds/lines – caller: Charlie Pergrossi. For info: Bill and Carolyn Dees at 863-984-3253 (H) or 863-610-7573 or billdees3@msn.com

October 3 – 4, 2008 – **5th Annual "Thrill in the Ville" Round Dance Weekend** – 431 University Blvd. N., Jacksonville, FL – cuers: Kristine & Bruce Nelson – lunch will be provided by First Coast Rounds - \$50 per couple (no advance sessions) – limited space available. For info: ljwall@omcast.net or 904-241-0384.

October 5, 2008 – **Suncoast Callers & Cuers Association Meeting** – Strawberry Square Hall, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – 2:00 p.m. For info: stocker38@worldnet.att.net.

October 9 - 12, 2008 - **33rd Annual Camp-O-Ree** - Blueberry Hill RV Park, Bushnell, FL - callers and cuers from all over the state - Registration deadline: October 1, 2008 - 3 day registration: NSCDA Members \$90/couples; non member \$100/couple \$90/single member; 2 day registration: NSDCA members \$70/couple, non member \$80/couple single member \$60. All inclusive package includes camping fees & dancing, after parties, catered dinner & pancake breakfast - dance only: Thursday, Friday or Saturday \$10/couple per night. For info: Bill & Carolyn Olson 305-245-6331 or hpt://www.pergrossi.com/camper/cevents.html.

October 9 - 13, 2008 - **Northeast Callers School** - Mill-a-Round Dance Center, Manchester, NH - Instructors: Ken Ritucci, Norm Poisson, Randy Dougherty, Todd Fellego - whether you are presently calling or desire to be a caller, this school will help with your calling career - \$295/student - space is limited - for an application and more information, contact Ken Ritucci at 413-734-0591 or write Ken Ritucci@aol.com or www.northeastcallersschool.com.

October 10 - 11, 2008 - **Daytona Beach Ball** - Schnebly Recreation Center, 1101 North Atlantic Avenue, Daytona Beach, FL - \$35 per person – Plus and Rounds - caller: Tony Oxendine, cuers: Jimmy & Carol Griffin – Friday: ER 7:30 – 8:00 p.m., Squares/Rounds 8:00 – 10:30 p.m.; Saturday: Rounds 9:00 – 10:30 a.m., Squares 10:30 – 12:00 n, 1:30 – 3:00 p.m., Rounds 3:00 – 4:30 p.m., ER 7:30 – 8:00 p.m., Squares/Rounds 8:00 – 10:00 p.m. – limited squares – no split sessions - Hotels: Holiday Inn, 930 N. Atlantic Ave., 800-804-7851 - \$99 + tax; La Quinta Inn & Suites, 816 N. Atlantic Ave., 386-944-0060, \$79 + tax – ask for Daytona Beach Ball Rates – after party Saturday night - sponsored by Grand Square Inc. For info: ladybirdDB@cfl.rr.com or 386-767-2266.

October 12 - 14, 2008 - **Hitch 'n Go Square Dance Camping Chapter #082** - State Camp-o-Ree, Bushnell, FL - caller: Charlie Pergrossi. For info: jelohart@hotmail.com.

October 12-18, 2008 - **Gatlinburg Fun Fest** – callers: R.J. (Joan) Hogan, Lon (Peggy) Ligon, Ken (Joan) Perez, cuer: Irene Knapp-Smith & George Smith - \$975.00 per couple/Double Room \* \$730.00 one person/one room - Includes 7 days/ 6 nights at the Riverside Motor Lodge. Gatlinburg, Tennessee - admission to Dollywood, Dixie Stampede, Dinner Show (Transportation from hotel to Dixie Stampede) - Smoke Mounty Arts & Crafts Festival, Ripley's Aquarium - Three dinner meals & one breakfast - \*Plus Squares & Round Dancing ( work shops &/ or dances) -



Advanced Reservations Required - Limited Availability For more Info call Joan Hogan 352-376-2428 or George & Irene Knapp georgeandirene@cfl.rr.com

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October 17 – 18, 2008 – **Florida Callers Association Clinic** - Howard Johnson Executive Center, Howard Johnson Executive Center, 3311 J.S. Highway 98 North, Lakeland, FL (863-688-7972) – Clinic will commence at 2:00 p.m. Friday and will end at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday – Clinician: John Saunders. If you wish to make a reservation at the hotel, inform them you are with the Florida Callers Association to receive a reduced room rate. For info: [j.h.morris@embarqmail.com](mailto:j.h.morris@embarqmail.com).

October 19, 2008 – **Florida Callers Association Meeting** - Howard Johnson Executive Center, 3311 J.S. Highway 98 North, Lakeland, FL (863-688-7972) - 10:00 a.m. - election of officers. For info: [j.h.morris@embarqmail.com](mailto:j.h.morris@embarqmail.com)

October 17 - 19, 2008 - **12th Annual Tumbling Leaves Festival** - Bennington College, Bennington, Vermont - five halls entire festival (Plus, A1, A2, C1, C2 - limited) - new Mainstream Hall - round dance workshops - varied packages available - square dance shop - RV space available on campus - campground nearby - larger outstanding staff: Red Bates, Bill Harrison, Tim Marriner, John Marshall, Don Moger, Ken Ritucci, Ralph & Joan Collipi, Steve & Irene Bradt. For info: [redbates@juno.com](mailto:redbates@juno.com).

October 17 - 19, 2008 - **49th Missouri State Festival** - Jefferson City, MO. For info: [www.squaredancemissouri.com/flyers/missourifestival/index.htm](http://www.squaredancemissouri.com/flyers/missourifestival/index.htm)

October 17 – 19, 2008 – **19th Annual Indiana Square Dance Convention** – Horizon Convention Center, Muncie, IN. For info: [www.insquaredanceconvention.com](http://www.insquaredanceconvention.com).

**October 18, 2008 – Palace Promenaders First Dance of the Season – Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia, FL – plus/rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For info: Jennie Martin 863-494-2749.**

October 18, 2008 – **Florida Callers Clinic Dance** – Strawberry Square, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL – caller: John Saunders – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

October 18 – 19, 2008 – **Fall Weekend of Rounds** – Stardust Dance Center, 1405 S. Collins Street, Plant City, FL – cuer: Richard Lamberty – 5,000 square feet of floating hardwood floor – phase 3 & 4+ weekend of dancing and clinics – weekend package \$75 per couple – lunch provided by the Round Dance Council of Florida on Saturday – continental breakfast provided both mornings – host hotel: Red Rose Inn & Suites 813-752-3141 \$79 + tax per night: Holiday Inn Express 813-719-3800 \$112 + tax per night – partial weekend prices available up to sellout – refundable until day of event. For info: [ljwall@comcast.net](mailto:ljwall@comcast.net) or 904-241-0384.

October 19, 2008 - **West Coast Membership Dance** - Sun City Center Community Hall, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City, FL (home of the Sun City Square Dance Club) - ER 1:30 p.m. - mainstream/plus/rounds 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. – for this dance only a second hall has been scheduled for advanced dancing (this is a first for West Coast) - Van Coble with area callers and cuers - West Coast members FREE; guests \$5 per person. For info: [brassy1012@aol.com](mailto:brassy1012@aol.com).

October 24, 2008 – **Deadline for submissions to the December 2008/January 2009 issue of the West Coast Dancer.** For info: [evhenning@peoplepc.com](mailto:evhenning@peoplepc.com).

October 24 - 25, 2008 - **29th Annual Single-Rama** - Kenilworth Lodge, 1610 Lakeview Drive, Sebring, FL - \$25/per person in advance (\$30/person at the door) - 2 after parties w/DJs - finger foods at the after parties - round dance workshop Sat. morning - square dance workshop Sat. afternoon - dance Friday night and Saturday night - all dancers welcome single, married, solo, couples – the Florida Association of Single Square & Round Dancers (FASSRD) is celebrating their 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year, which will be recognized at the Single-Rama - caller: Mike Doughty (West Palm Beach), cuer: Charlie & Leona Lovelace (Dade City). For info: sqdncfan@aol.com or 863-967-5004.

October 24 - 25, 2008 - **Northwest Florida Square & Round Dance Assn. 34th Annual Round-up** - DeFuniak Springs Community Center, 361 North 10th Street, DeFuniak Springs, FL - mainstream/plus/advanced/rounds - Saturday afternoon workshops/dance – callers: Larry Belcher, Patty Ping, Bob Poyner, Willis Simmons, cuer: Lisa Wall. For info: terriwilaby@cox.net.

October 25, 2008 – **Palace Promenaders Hobo Dance** – 1627 NE Floridian Circle, Arcadia, FL – plus/rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Art Miller, cuer: Jennie Martin. For info: Jennie Martin 863-494-2749.

October 25, 2008 – **Strawberry Square Halloween Party Dance** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL - caller: Bob Barnes, cuer: TBA – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. For info: www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry.

October 25, 2008 - **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Halloween Dance** – Brandon Rec Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon, FL - caller: Gary Brown, cuer: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin. For info: jbrookover@regencycenters.com.

October 27, 2008 - **Temple Twirlers Birthday/Anniversary and Halloween Dance** - Barksdale Sr. Center, 1801 N. Lincoln Ave., Tampa, FL - caller: Gary Murphy, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com.

October 28, 2008 - **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Hobo Dance** - Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland, FL - ER 7:30 p.m., mainstream/plus/rounds 8:00- 10:00 p.m., club will provide meet and stew stock, everyone bring a can of vegetables to add to the pot - caller: Art Springer, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: bevanlee@aol.com.

October 30, 2008 – **Promenade Squares Halloween Dance** - Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park - ER 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. mainstream/plus/rounds 7:30 - 9:45 p.m. - casual attire - caller: Dick Demerit; cuers: Jimmy &/or Carol Griffin. For info: [peto1936@yahoo.com](mailto:peto1936@yahoo.com)

October 31 - November 2, 2008 - **55th O'Leno Hoedown** - O'Leno State Park, High Springs, FL - callers: Bill Chesnut, Bob Poyner, cuer: Lisa Wall - Friday night: 8:00 - 10:30 p.m. - Halloween Costume Party and Dance; costume contest - witches brew - haunted house and maybe a broom ride; Saturday: breakfast 7:30 - 8:30 a.m., rounds workshop and dance 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. - cash lunch at noon - \$1 burgers and dogs, maybe some other stuff - squares with guest callers 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., Advance Dance 2:00 - 4:00 - dinner 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. - dances: 8:00 - 10:30 p.m. - 2 dance halls, plus with rounds - rustic cabins available - meals - dancing - camping available - come join in all the fun at one of Florida's most beautiful and natural state parks. For info: Mary Chesnut - 352-378-2577 (days) 352-475-2550 (eves).

## November 2008

November 1, 2008 – **Benefit Dance** – Grace Lutheran Church Gym, 327 Avenue C, S.E., Winter Haven, FL – ER: 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., mainstream/plus/rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. - \$4 per person – proceeds will be donated to the Grace

Lutheran Church Debt Relief Fund – callers and cuers: Carl Rod, Bob Barnes, Sam Dunn, Allen Snell and Keith Stevens. For info: [CARLSQRDROD@JUNO.COM](mailto:CARLSQRDROD@JUNO.COM) or 863-293-9369.

November 1, 2008 - **Deadline for submissions to the December issue of the Bow & Swing.** For info: [rgboyd@earthlink.net](mailto:rgboyd@earthlink.net)

November 2, 2008 - **23rd Annual MacDonald Benefit Dance** - Strawberry Square 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL - ER 1:30 p.m. - squares/rounds 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - callers donating their time: Sam Dunn, Art Springer and Bob Barnes; cuers donating their time: Charlie and Leona Lovelace and Jimmy & Carol Griffin - door prizes. For info: [flobyington@yahoo.com](mailto:flobyington@yahoo.com) or 813-810-5548.

November 2 – 6, 2008 – **Pocono Caller’s School “A Mountain of Information”** – Ramada Inn, Lake Harmony, White Haven, PA – Caller Coaches: Tom Miller, Roy and Betsy Gotta, Mike Callahan. For info: 7362-249-2086 or [ugottadance@optonline.net](mailto:ugottadance@optonline.net).

November 3, 2008 – **Hampton Promenaders First Dance of the Season** – Hamptons Community, 1094 Hwy. 92 W., Auburndale, FL – caller: Clyde Stocker, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway – ER 7:00 p.m., mainstream/plus/rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. For info: [jvhoobler@aol.com](mailto:jvhoobler@aol.com).

November 6, 2008 – **Charlotte Promenaders First Dance of the Season** – Port Charlotte Cultural Center, Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Port Charlotte, FL - ER 7:00 p.m., plus squares 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. For info: 941-423-6243.

November 6, 2008 – **Pine Ridge Promenaders First Dance of the Season** – Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yards east of U.S. 27), Lake Placid, FL – casual attire – caller: Mike Doughty. For info: [danshrm@htn.net](mailto:danshrm@htn.net).

November 7 - 8, 2008 - **West Coast Fall Fun Fest** - Bartow Civic Center, 2250 S. Floral, Bartow, FL - callers: Tim Crawford (Canada), Art Springer (Tampa) and cuers: Charlie & Leona Lovelace (Dade City). For info: [nfas31@aol.com](mailto:nfas31@aol.com).

November 7 - 8 , 2008 - **Pensacola Twirlers 22nd Anniversary Dance** - Ragon Hall, 2600 Stratford Road, Pensacola, FL - caller: Charlie Pergrossi, cuer: Sandy Sturgis; Friday: ER 7:00 - 7:45 p.m., squares w/alternating rounds 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. Saturday: Fun Square Dance 9:00 - 11:00 a.m., Rounds Workshop: 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.; ER 7:00 - 7:45 p.m.; Squares w/alternating rounds 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. - \$20 per person in advance; \$25 per person at the door. For info: [terriwilaby@cox.net](mailto:terriwilaby@cox.net).

November 9, 2008 – **Happy Promenaders First Dance of the Season** – Hitching Post RV Park Rec Hall, Rt. 41/Tamiami Trail East and Barefoot Williams Road, Naples, FL – caller: Don Smith, cuer: Mike Alexander. For info: [playwalt@comcast.net](mailto:playwalt@comcast.net).

November 13, 2008 – **Promenade Squares Helping Others Dance** - Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park - ER 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. mainstream/plus/rounds 7:30 - 9:45 p.m. - casual attire - caller: Dick Demerit; cuers: Jimmy &/or Carol Griffin – bring canned food to make up thanksgiving baskets for the needy. For info: [peto1936@yahoo.com](mailto:peto1936@yahoo.com).

November 13, 2008 – **Pine Ridge Promenaders Red, White and Blue Dance** – Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yards east of U.S. 27), Lake Placid, FL – caller: Sam Dunn, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: [danshrm@htn.net](mailto:danshrm@htn.net).

November 14 - 16, 2008 - **Hitch 'n Go Square Dance Camping Chapter #082** - Sanlan Ranch, Lakeland, FL - caller: Charlie Pergrossi. For info: jelohart@hotmail.com.

November 15, 2008 - **Deadline for submissions to the January issue of American Square Dance Magazine.** For info: AmericanSquareDance@earthlink.net.

November 15 - 16, 2008 - Suncoast Callers & Cuers Association & Florida Round Dance Council present a **DanceMaster seminar** on how to use computers in square and round dancing. Instructors will be Clark & Sandy Godfrey. Location will be Strawberry Square, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL. Saturday: 1:00 – 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 – 10:00 p.m.; Sunday: 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. – subjects to be covered: Music on Computers, DanceMaster Family (Librarian and Porter), Introduction to DanceMaster Player and Advanced DanceMaster. For full course outline, seminar and hotel registration information, please contact Pat Hagen at 727-466-3115 or cuerhagen@juno.com.

November 19, 2008 (not a fourth Wednesday due to Thanksgiving holiday) - **West Coast Folding and Business Meeting.** Barksdake Center, 1801 N. Lincoln Ave., Tampa, FL (home of Temple Twirlers and Spinning Wheels). All county reps and committee chairman who are unable to attend the meeting should forward a copy of their report to the West Coast secretary at rmljdancer@aol.com. PLEASE SEND A REPRESENTATIVE FROM YOUR CLUB OR FORWARD A REPORT TO BE READ AT THE MEETING! EVERYONE IS WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND. For info: brassy1012@yahoo.com

November 20, 2008 – **Pine Ridge Promenaders Thanksgiving Dance** – Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yards east of U.S. 27), Lake Placid, FL – caller: Dave Angell – FREE ADMISSION. For info: danshrm@htn.net.

November 20 - 24, 2008 - **Silver State Caller College** - John Ascuaga's Nugget Hotel and Casino, Sparks, Nevada - complete CALLERLAB curriculum, covering all Essential, Important and Desirable topics. Classroom presentation and plenty of "Mike Time" for each student. Instructors: Doug Davis, of Colbert, WA, CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach; Vic Kaaria of Redlands, CA, Guest Instructor for 2008; Nasser Shukayr of Harlingen, TX CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach. Tuition: \$350 per caller. A \$50 refundable deposit holds your place. For info: Doug Davis 509-979-2612 or DDavisP@aol.com or Vic Kaaria 909-335-8705 or VicKaaria@aol.com

November 21-22, 2008 - **Northeast Assn. Fall Festival - Aloha!** - Christ the King Catholic Church, 742 Arlington Road, Jacksonville - caller: Tim Crawford (Ontario, Canada), cuer: Kit & Sandy Brown (Murphy, NC) - advance tickets \$12; \$15 at the door. For housing info: stovaldd@aol.com; for camping info: brow8644@bellsouth.net, for registration info: newsome.charles@comcast.net.

November 22, 2008 - **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Turkey Trot** – Brandon Rec Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon, FL - caller: SusanElaine Packer, cuer: Pat Hagen. For info: jbrookover@regencycenters.com.

November 23, 2008 – **Florida Federation Meeting** – Piccadilly's, 200 Monument Road, Jacksonville, FL – 9:00 a.m. For info: carpoole@earthlink.net.

November 24, 2008 - **Temple Twirlers Thanksgiving Dance** - Barksdale Sr. Center, 1801 N. Lincoln Ave., Tampa, FL - caller: Sharon Short, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com.

November 25, 2008 – **Ft. Meade Squares Welcome Back Dance** – City Mobile Home Park, 1046 Second Street, Ft. Meade, FL – caller: Russ Young, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: Glenn Eversen 863-285-8628.

November 25, 2008 - **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Pie Night** - Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange St., Lakeland, FL - ER 7:30 p.m., mainstream/plus/rounds 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. - caller: Art Springer, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: bevanlee@aol.com.

November 29, 2008 – **Palace Promenaders Pie Night** – 1627 NE Floridian Circle, Arcadia, FL – plus/rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Art Miller, cuer: Jennie Martin. For info: Jennie Martin 863-494-2749.

November 29, 2008 – **Strawberry Square Thanksgiving Party Dance** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL - caller: Bob Barnes, cuer: TBA – 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

## December 2008

December 1, 2008 – **Deadline for submissions to the Grapevine**. For info: [thegrapevine@pergrossi.com](mailto:thegrapevine@pergrossi.com).

December 1, 2008 – **Deadline for submissions to the USDA News**. For info: [usdanews@usda.org](mailto:usdanews@usda.org).

December 1, 2008 - **Deadline for submissions to the January 2009 issue of the Bow & Swing**. For info: [rgboyd@earthlink.net](mailto:rgboyd@earthlink.net)

December 6, 2008 – **Buttons & Bows of Venice First Dance of the Season** – 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (1<sup>st</sup> light north of U.S. 41, look for Woodmere Park sign on east side of the road), Venice, FL – squares and rounds 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. For info: 315-525-9304.

December 7, 2008 – **Suncoast Callers & Cuers Association Meeting** – Citrus RV Park Club House, Bonita Springs – 12:00 n – immediately preceding the West Coast Membership Dance. For info: [stocker38@worldnet.att.net](mailto:stocker38@worldnet.att.net).

December 7, 2008 - **West Coast Membership Dance** – Citrus RV Park Club House, 25601 Trust Blvd., Bonita Springs, FL - ER 1:30 p.m. - mainstream/plus/rounds 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. – Howard Cole with area callers and cuers - West Coast members FREE; guests \$5 per person. For info: [brassy1012@aol.com](mailto:brassy1012@aol.com).

December 9, 2008 - **Ft. Meade Squares Christmas Dance** – City Mobile Home Park, 1046 Second St., Ft. Meade, FL – caller: Russ Young, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: Glenn Eversen 863-285-8628.

December 12 - 13, 2008 – **Square Dance Camping Chapter #153** – Lakeland RV Resort, Lakeland, FL – 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday night – visitors welcome – squares/rounds/lines – caller: Charlie Pergrossi. For info: Bill and Carolyn Dees at 863-984-3253 (H) or 863-610-7573 or [billdees3@msn.com](mailto:billdees3@msn.com)

December 13, 2008 - **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Home for the Holidays** – Brandon Rec Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon, FL - caller: Roland Blanchette, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [jbrookover@regencycenters.com](mailto:jbrookover@regencycenters.com).

December 14, 2008 – **Happy Promenaders Christmas Party** – Hitching Post RV Park Rec Hall, Rt. 41/Tamiami Trail East and Barefoot Williams Road, Naples, FL – caller: Don Smith, cuer: Mike Alexander. For info: [playwalt@comcast.net](mailto:playwalt@comcast.net).

December 15, 2008 – **Hampton Promenaders Christmas Dance** – Hamptons Community, 1094 Hwy. 92 W., Auburndale, FL – caller: Clyde Stocker, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway – ER 7:00 p.m., mainstream/plus/rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. For info: [jvhoobler@aol.com](mailto:jvhoobler@aol.com).

December 15, 2008 - **Deadline for submissions to the February 2009 issue of American Square Dance Magazine.**  
For info: AmericanSquareDance@earthlink.net.

December 15, 2008 - **Temple Twirlers Christmas Dance** - Barksdale Sr. Center, 1801 N. Lincoln Ave., Tampa, FL -  
caller: Van Coble, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com.

December 17, 2008 - **Strawberry Square Club Christmas Party Dance** - 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL -  
caller: TBA - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. For info: www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry.

December 18, 2008 - **Pine Ridge Promenaders Christmas Dance** - Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yards east of  
U.S. 27), Lake Placid, FL - caller: Carl Brewer. For info: danshrm@htn.net.

December 19, 2008 - **Strawberry Square A2 Christmas Party Dance** - 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL - caller:  
Bob Barnes, cuer: TBA - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. For info: www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry.

December 20, 2008 - **Palace Promenaders Christmas Dance** - 1627 NE Floridian Circle, Arcadia, FL - plus/rounds  
7:00 - 9:00 p.m. - caller: Art Miller, cuer: Jennie Martin. For info: Jennie Martin 863-494-2749.

December 20, 2008 - **Strawberry Square Plus Christmas Party Dance** - 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL -  
caller: TBA, cuer: TBA - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. For info: www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry.

December 23, 2008 - **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Christmas Party** - Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange St.,  
Lakeland, FL - ER 7:30 p.m., mainstream/plus/rounds 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. - caller: Art Springer, cuer: Charlie Lovelace.  
For info: bevanlee@aol.com.

December 28 - 31, 2008 - **22nd Annual Holiday Round Dance Ball** - Ocean Dunes Resort & Villas, Myrtle Beach,  
SC. For info: bharrelson1@juno.com.

December 31, 2008 - **Palace Promenaders New Year's Eve Dance** - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1647 NE Floridian  
Circle (right off Rt. 17), Arcadia - 8:00 p.m. - ??? - mainstream/plus/rounds - callers: Art Miller and Wes Morris,  
cuer: Jennie Martin - overnight dry camping available - bring a dish to pass; meat will be furnished - \$20 per  
couple - special \$92+ rate at Holiday Inn Express, 2709 SE Hwy. 70, Arcadia, refer to code PSD, rate expires  
December 10<sup>th</sup>. For tickets or information: Jennie Martin 863-494-2749 or Mary Dow 941-380-5336 or  
[mdow@cyberstreet.com](mailto:mdow@cyberstreet.com).

December 31, 2008 - **Ft. Meade Squares New Year's Eve Dance** - City Mobile Home Park, 1046 Second Street, Ft.  
Meade, FL - 8:30 p.m. - midnight - caller: Russ Young, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: Glenn Eversen 863-285-  
8628.

December 31, 2008 - **Snell's Bo's & Bell's 2nd Annual New Year's Eve Potluck Dinner Dance** - Largo Community  
Center, 4th St. NW & West Bay, Largo, FL - callers: Allen Snell, SusaneElaine Packer & Lon Ligon, cuer: Pat Fiyalko -  
\$15 per person. Call Rosie for reservations at 727-809-3429 or 727-809-0323.

December 31, 2008 - **Strawberry Square A Hawaiian New Year's Eve** - 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL - hot  
buffet dinner - coffee and snacks all evening - plus squares and an A-1 tip with rounds - caller: Bob Barnes, cuer:  
Charlie Lovelace - reservations must be received no later than December 15, 2008 - NO EXCEPTIONS - \$30 per  
person or \$25 per person if received by April 30, 2008. For info: 813-752-0491.

## January 2009

January 8 – 10, 2009 – **Whale of a Dance** – Ocean Dunes, 201 – 75th Avenue North, Myrtle Beach, SC – for a tradition of Big Fun on the Grand Strand – reservations must be made by December 15, 2008 – callers: Tony Oxendine, Jerry Biggerstaff, Jimmy Roberson; cuers: The Whetsells – Plus, Plus DBD and Advanced – Early Bird Special on Thursday – dance, eat, sleep...all under one roof – over 20 hours of scheduled dancing - \$235 per couple (Friday and Saturday) or \$285 per couple (Thursday – Saturday) – price includes all tax, lodging, and dance sessions – all rooms are ocean view - ocean front rooms add \$10 per night – no partial packages. For info: [tony@tonyoxendine.com](mailto:tony@tonyoxendine.com) or 803-840-0746 or 704-377-5554.

January 10, 2009 – **Buttons & Bows of Venice Chili Night** – Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – square and rounds 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – caller: Red Bates, cuer: Karen Haiflich. For info: Dick & Helen Rider 315-525-9304.

January 11, 2009 - **West Coast Membership Dance** - Bahr's Mobile Home Park, 39444 Dancers Lane, Zephyrhills, FL - ER 1:30 p.m. - mainstream/plus/rounds 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. – Bob Barnes with area callers and cuers - West Coast members FREE; guests \$5 per person. For info: [brassy1012@aol.com](mailto:brassy1012@aol.com).

January 13, 2008 - **Ft. Meade Squares 50's and 60's Night** – City Mobile Home Park, 1046 Second Street, Ft. Meade, FL – caller: Sam Dunn, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: Glenn Eversen 863-285-8628.

January 15, 2009 – **Deadline for Florida Square Dance Hall of Fame Nominations** – For info: Dave & Shirley Nihart [dsnihart@comcast.com](mailto:dsnihart@comcast.com).

January 15, 2009 – **Strawberry Square Lee Kopman Weekend** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL - Friday: C2 Dance/Workshop – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon; A2 w/Rounds – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., squares/rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – cuer: Pat Hagen; Saturday: Plus w/Rounds – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., squares/rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – cuer: TBA; Sunday: All Day C1 w/lunch – 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

January 21, 2009 – **Whirl & Twirl** – Whirl & Twirl Dance Hall, Orlando, FL - \$5 per person at the door – caller: **Tim Crawford**. For info: [minimercury@embarqmail.com](mailto:minimercury@embarqmail.com).

January 22 - 24, 2009 - **Florida Winter Festival** - The Lakeland Center, Lakeland, FL – Plus, Plus DBD, Advanced, C1, Phase II – V Rounds – vendors from across the country – drawings for square dance weekends - \$200 award each to the Florida club and the out-of-state club with the most pre-registrations - callers: Jerry Story, Jerry Haag, John Saunders, Tony Oxendine, Tim Crawford, Dee Dee Dougherty and Bill Harrison; cuers: Jimmy & Carol Griffin, Bill & Martha Buck, Jerry and Barbara Pierce - \$75 USD/couple in advance, \$37.50 USD/single in advance, Thursday night only \$25 USD/couple, \$12.50 USD/single, Friday all day and night \$45 USD/couple, \$22.50 USD/single; Saturday all day and night \$45 USD/couple, \$22.50 USD/single – tax included, parking and lodging not included – split packages can only be purchased at the door - sponsored by Grand Square Inc. For info: [johnnysa@aol.com](mailto:johnnysa@aol.com)

January 23, 2009 – **Strawberry Square Mike Jacobs Weekend** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL - Friday: C2 Dance/Workshop 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon; A2 w/Rounds – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. squares/rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – cuer: Pat Hagen; Saturday: C2 Weekend, Sessions 1, 2 and 3 – 10:00 a.m. – 9:30 p.m.; Sunday: C2 Weekend Session 4 – 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).



January 23 – 24, 2009 – **34th Annual South Carolina Square and Round Dance Convention** – Springmaid Beach Resort & Conference Center, Myrtle Beach, SC – 843-315-7100, Ed & Joan Redman, 210 Jimbo Road, Summerville, SC 29485; 843-871-0323; edjoanredman@aol.com.

January 27, 2009 – **Strawberry Square Mike Jacobs Weekend** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL - Friday: C2 Dance/Workshop – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, A2 Dance w/Rounds – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – cuer: Pat Hagen; Saturday: C1 Weekend, Sessions 1 and 2 w/lunch 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Plus w/rounds – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., squares w/rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – cuer: TBA; Sunday: C1 Weekend, Session 3 – 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

January 27, 2009 - **Ft. Meade Squares Hobo Night** – City Mobile Home Park, 1046 Second Street, Ft. Meade, FL – caller: Russ Young, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: Glenn Eversen 863-285-8628.

January 31, 2009 – **Palace Promenaders Cincinnati Chili Night** – 1627 NE Floridian Circle, Arcadia, FL – plus/rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Art Miller, cuer: Jennie Martin. For info: Jennie Martin 863-494-2749.

January 31, 2009 – **Buttons & Bows of Venice Hat Night** – Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – square and rounds 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – caller: Ron Reardon, cuer: Jeannette Bowles. For info: Dick & Helen Rider 315-525-9304.

## February 2009

February 7, 2009 – **Strawberry Square Flea Market** – Strawberry Square Dance Hall, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL - 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

February 8, 2009 - **West Coast Membership Dance** - Bartow Civic Center, 2250 S. Floral, Bartow, FL - ER 1:30 p.m. - mainstream/plus/rounds 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. – Clyde Stocker with area callers and cuers - West Coast members FREE; guests \$5 per person. For info: [brassy1012@aol.com](mailto:brassy1012@aol.com).

February 10, 2009 - **Ft. Meade Squares Valentine's Day Dance** – City Mobile Home Park, 1046 Second Street, Ft. Meade, FL – caller: Danny Miller, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: Glenn Eversen 863-285-8628.

February 12, 2009 – **Pine Ridge Promenaders Valentine's Dance** – Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yards east of U.S. 27), Lake Placid, FL – caller: Sam Dunn, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: [danshrm@htn.net](mailto:danshrm@htn.net)

February 13 – 14, 2008 – **Square Dance Camping Chapter #153** – Lake Oklawaha RV Resort, Ft. McCoy, FL – 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday night – visitors welcome – squares/rounds/lines – caller: Charlie Pergrossi. For info: Bill and Carolyn Dees at 863-984-3253 (H) or 863-610-7573 or [billdees3@msn.com](mailto:billdees3@msn.com)

February 13 - 14, 2009 - **49th Annual Knothead Konvention** - Eau Gallie Civic Center, 1551 Highland Avenue, Melbourne, FL - caller: Nasser Shukayr, cuer: Anne & Earl Helm. For info: [flaknothead@bellsouth.net](mailto:flaknothead@bellsouth.net).

February 13 -14, 2009 - **30th Annual Blue-Grey Square Dance** - Rountree - Moore Toyota Indoor Showroom, 1232 West U.S. Highway 90, Lake City, FL - Friday night: Trails End Dance: caller: Bill Chesnut - 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. - Teen Town Rec Center, 533 NW Desoto Street, Lake City - sponsored by the Square Wheels; Saturday afternoon: Street Dance as part of Olustee Battle Festival: caller: Bill Chesnut - Downtown Olustee Park - approximately 2:00 p.m. - sponsored by the Dixie Dancers; Saturday night: grand march: 7:45 p.m. - dancing until 10:30 p.m. -

mainstream/plus/rounds - ER 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. - caller: Bob Poyner - cuers: Lisa Wall & Ralph Beekman - advance tickets - \$7 each, tickets at door \$8 each. For info: [www.dixiedancers.net](http://www.dixiedancers.net).

**February 14, 2009 – Palace Promenaders Valentine’s Dance – 1627 NE Floridian Circle, Arcadia, FL – plus/rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Art Miller, cuer: Jennie Martin. For info: Jennie Martin 863-494-2749.**

February 15, 2009 – **Snowbird Dancearama** – Strawberry Square Dance Hall, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL – caller: Red Bates, cuer: TBA – 1:30 – 4:00 p.m. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

February 20, 2009 – **Strawberry Square A2 Strawberry Night** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL - caller: TBA, cuer: TBA - 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

February 20 – 21, 2009 – **11th Annual Grand Canyon Square Dance Festival** – Phoenix, AZ. For info: 602-222-9339 or [harryedna@msn.com](mailto:harryedna@msn.com).

**February 21, 2009 – Palace Promenaders Pie & Ice Cream Night – 1627 NE Floridian Circle, Arcadia, FL – plus/rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Art Miller, cuer: Jennie Martin. For info: Jennie Martin 863-494-2749.**

February 21, 2009 – **Strawberry Square Plus Strawberry Night** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL - caller: TBA, cuer: TBA - 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

February 21 - 23, 2009 - **58th NSDC Pre-Convention** - Long Beach, CA. For info: [www.58nsdc.com](http://www.58nsdc.com).

February 24, 2009 - **Ft. Meade Squares Pie Night** – City Mobile Home Park, 1046 Second Street, Ft. Meade, FL – caller: Russ Young, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: Glenn Eversen 863-285-8628.

February 26, 2009 – **Pine Ridge Promenaders Hobo Stew Night** – Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yards east of U.S. 27), Lake Placid, FL – caller: Clyde Stocker, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: [danshrm@htn.net](mailto:danshrm@htn.net).

February 28, 2009 – **2010 Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention Benefit Dance** – Stardust Center, Plant City, FL – details TBA.

February 28 – March 1, 2008 – **Florida Federation Working Weekend**.

## March 2009

March 1, 2009 – **Suncoast Callers & Cuers Association Meeting** – Strawberry Square Hall, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – 12:00 n – immediately preceding the SCCA Beginners’ Ball at 2:00 p.m. For info: [stocker38@worldnet.att.net](mailto:stocker38@worldnet.att.net).

March 1, 2009 – **SCCA Beginners’ Ball** – Strawberry Square Hall, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – members of the Suncoast Callers and Cuers’ Association will be calling. For info: [stocker38@worldnet.att.net](mailto:stocker38@worldnet.att.net) or [www.floridadanceweb.com](http://www.floridadanceweb.com).

March 2, 2009 - **Square Dancing at the Polk Senior Games** - Lake Ashton Golf Club, Thompson Nursery Road, Lake Wales, FL - Games: 1:30 p.m. - FREE dance 2:00 - 4:30 p.m. - anyone can enter - Polk County residency not required - events for Mainstream, Plus and Advance. For info: Margot and Keith Stevens - 863-326-9774 or [keithuns@yahoo.com](mailto:keithuns@yahoo.com).

March 6, 2009 – **Strawberry Square Tim Crawford Weekend** – Strawberry Square, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL - Friday: A2 w/rounds – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., squares/rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – cuer: Pat Hagen; Saturday: Plus w/rounds – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., squares/rounds 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. – cuer: Pat Hagen; Sunday: Beginner Ball – 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

March 10, 2009 - **Ft. Meade Squares St. Patrick's Day Dance** – City Mobile Home Park, 1046 Second Street, Ft. Meade, FL – caller: Clyde Stocker, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: Glenn Eversen 863-285-8628.

March 12, 2009 – **Pine Ridge Promenaders St. Patrick's Day Dance** – Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yards east of U.S. 27), Lake Placid, FL – caller: Sam Dunn, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: [danshrm@htn.net](mailto:danshrm@htn.net).

March 14, 2009 - **Palace Promenaders St. Patrick's Day Dance** – 1627 NE Floridian Circle, Arcadia, FL – plus/rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Art Miller, cuer: Jennie Martin. For info: Jennie Martin 863-494-2749.

March 14, 2009 – **Buttons & Bows of Venice Anniversary Dance** – Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – square and rounds 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – caller: Red Bates, cuer: Charlie Hearn. For info: Dick & Helen Rider 315-525-9304.

March 15, 2008 – **West Coast Membership Dance** – NEW LOCATION United Church of Christ, 3115 Hope Road, Sebring, FL - ER 1:30 p.m. - mainstream/plus/rounds 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. – Sam Dunn with area callers and cuers - West Coast members FREE; guests \$5 per person. For info: [brassy1012@aol.com](mailto:brassy1012@aol.com).

March 16, 2009 – **Hampton Promenaders Anniversary Dance** – Hamptons Community, 1094 Hwy. 92 W., Auburndale, FL – caller: Clyde Stocker; cuer: Phyllis Hathaway – ER 7:00 p.m., mainstream/plus/rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. For info: [jvhoobler@aol.com](mailto:jvhoobler@aol.com).

March 19 – 20, 2008 – **WASCA 50th Spring Square and Round Dance Festival** – Hilton Alexandria Mark Center Hotel, 5000 Seminary Rd., Alexandria, VA 22311; Anne and Andy Giancoli, 12204 Northbrook Dr., Glenn Dale, MD 20769, 301-262-1978; [2009FestivalDirector@wascaclubs.com](mailto:2009FestivalDirector@wascaclubs.com).

March 20, 2009 – **Strawberry Square A2 Dance w/Ken Ritucci** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL - ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., squares/rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – cuer: Pat Hagen. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

March 20 - 21, 2009 – **Central Association's Shamrock Swing** – La Hacienda Center, 1200 Avenida Central, The Villages, FL. – Mainstream, Plus, DBD & Advance – callers: Tony Oxendine and Bob Stern; cuers: Joanne & Ken Helton - \$17 per person in advance; \$19 per person at the door – daily admission available at the door: \$13 per person all day Saturday; Friday or Saturday evening only: \$11 per person – host hotel: Microtel Inn & Suites, 850 S. U.S. Hwy 27/441 Lady Lake, FL, 352-259-0184 – approximately three miles south of The Villages – rates: one queen bed \$72 per night + tax; two queen beds \$82 + tax, suite \$92 + tax – includes continental breakfast – ID yourself as a square dancer – code DFA – other area hotels: Marriott Towne Place The Villages; Holiday Express; Comfort Inn – Campgrounds: Recreation Plantation on 466 or Southern Oaks RV Resort on 27/441. For info: [courjl4720@thevillages.net](mailto:courjl4720@thevillages.net). I should have ribbons and flyers soon.

March 21, 2009 – **Strawberry Square 30th Anniversary Party** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL - caller: Bob Barnes – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

March 21 - 22, 2009 – **18th Annual Fuzzy Navel Dance** – Oceanside Inn & Suites, 771 N. Beachview Drive, Jekyll Island, GA – Mainstream/announced Plus and Rounds – Caller: Bud Whitten (Georgia); cuer: Shirley Wilson (Georgia) – Friday: ER 7:00 – 8:00 p.m., Squares and Rounds 8:00 – 10:00 p.m., After Party 11:00 p.m.; Saturday:

Rounds Workshop 10:00 – noon, Fun Square Dance 2:00 – 3:30 p.m., Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:45 p.m., Grand March 7:45 – 8:00 p.m., Squares and Rounds 8:00 – 10:00 p.m., After Party 11:00 p.m. – please bring finger foods for both after parties (to be served in the dance hall) - \$25 per person in advance - \$30 per person at the door – Host Hotel: Oceanside Inn & Suites – 866-553-5955 - \$88 + tax until 2/20/09. For info: Mary Lou Pelz at 904-733-1869/maryloupelz@aol.com or Penny Green at 863-967-5004/sqdnxfan@aol.com or Ailene Picheco at [321-452-7963/apicheco@uwbrevard.org](tel:321-452-7963).

March 24, 2009 - **Ft. Meade Squares Final Dance of the Season** – City Mobile Home Park, 1046 Second Street, Ft. Meade, FL – caller: Russ Young, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: Glenn Eversen 863-285-8628.

December 6, 2008 – **Buttons & Bows of Venice Final Dance of the Season** – 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (1<sup>st</sup> light north of U.S. 41, look for Woodmere Park sign on east side of the road), Venice, FL – squares and rounds 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. For info: 315-525-9304

## April 2009

April 1, 2009 – **Strawberry Square Club** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL - mainstream/easy plus – caller: Jimmy Lee – 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

April 3, 2009 – **Strawberry Square Jimmy Lee Weekend** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL - Friday: A2 Dance w/Rounds – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., squares/rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – cuer: Pat Hagen; Saturday: Plus w/rounds – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., squares/rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – cuer: TBA; Sunday: Beginner Ball – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

April 5, 2008 – **West Coast Membership Dance** – Sun-n-Fun RV Resort, 7125 Fruitville Road, Sarasota, FL - ER 1:30 p.m. - mainstream/plus/rounds 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. – Red Bates with area callers and cuers - West Coast members FREE; guests \$5 per person. For info: [brassy1012@aol.com](mailto:brassy1012@aol.com).

April 9, 2009 – **Pine Ridge Promenaders Final Dance of the Season** – Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yards east of U.S. 27), Lake Placid, FL – casual attire – caller: Sam Dunn, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: [danshrm@htn.net](mailto:danshrm@htn.net).

April 9 – 12, 2009 – **International Association of Gay Square Dancers DC Diamond Circulate** – Marriott Wardman Park Hotel, Washington, D.C. For info: [www.dcdiamondcirculate.org](http://www.dcdiamondcirculate.org) – [dcdcinfo@dcdiamondcirculate.org](mailto:dcdcinfo@dcdiamondcirculate.org).

April 10 – 11, 2008 – **Square Dance Camping Chapter #153** – Theme World RV Resort, Davenport, FL – 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday night – visitors welcome – squares/rounds/lines – caller: Charlie Pergrossi. For info: Bill and Carolyn Dees at 863-984-3253 (H) or 863-610-7573 or [billdees3@msn.com](mailto:billdees3@msn.com)

April 11, 200908 – **Palace Promenaders Easter Parade**– 1627 NE Floridian Circle, Arcadia, FL – plus/rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Art Miller, cuer: Jennie Martin. For info: [Jennie Martin 863-494-2749](tel:863-494-2749).

April 17 – 19, 2009 – **FSSRDC Party Weekend** – Deerhaven Retreat, 47924 NFS 540-2, Paisley, FL – Friday night: pot luck dinner – 5:30 p.m., bingo – 7:00 p.m. - \$5 per person; Saturday: full breakfast – 7:30 – 9:00 a.m. - \$5 per person, lunch served at noon - \$5 per person, bar-b-q pork dinner – 6:00 p.m. - \$10 per person, square and round dancing – 7:30 p.m. - \$5 per person – callers: Bill Chesnut, Charlie Pergrossi and Whit Brown calling

mainstream/plus, cuer: Lisa Wall; Sunday: full breakfast \$5 per person; gates open at noon on Friday – come for the evening, stay the night or the weekend – all proceeds benefit the 2008 & 2010 State Conventions – tent and RV camping available as well as rustic type dormitory and motel type rooms. For info: [carpoole@earthlink.net](mailto:carpoole@earthlink.net) or 386-734-5295 – [www.floridasquaredance.com/central/convention/deerhaven.html](http://www.floridasquaredance.com/central/convention/deerhaven.html).

**April 25, 2009 – Palace Promenaders Final Dance of the Season** – Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia, FL – plus/rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For info: Jennie Martin 863-494-2749.

**April 27, 2009 – Hampton Promenaders Final Dance of the Season** – Hamptons Community, 1094 Hwy. 92 W., Auburndale, FL – caller: George Varney. For info: [jvhoobler@aol.com](mailto:jvhoobler@aol.com).

**April 30, 2009 – Charlotte Promenaders Final Dance of the Season** – Port Charlotte Cultural Center, Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Port Charlotte – ER 7:00 p.m., plus squares 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. For info: 941-423-6243.

## May 2009

**May 3, 2009 – Suncoast Callers & Cuers Association Meeting** – Strawberry Square Hall, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – time TBD. For info: [stocker38@worldnet.att.net](mailto:stocker38@worldnet.att.net).

**May 8 – 9, 2009 – 49th Buckeye Dance Convention** – Northern Kentucky Convention Center, One W. River Center Blvd., Covington; Ron and Emily Henry, 513-256-2605; [emilyh2@fuse.net](mailto:emilyh2@fuse.net); [www.so-nkysdf.com](http://www.so-nkysdf.com).

**May 22 - 24, 2009 - 55th Florida State Convention - "Rock & Roll Time in 2009"** - The Lakeland Center, 701 W. Lime Street, Lakeland, FL. For info: John and Becky Cole, 1551 Lavilla Street, Deltona, FL 32725.

## June 2009

**June 4 – 8, 2009 – 50th Australian National Convention** – Leederville, Western Australia; Anthea Mathews (08) 6278-1957; P. O. Box 237, Beechboro, WA 6063; [antheam1@optusnet.com.au](mailto:antheam1@optusnet.com.au); [www.squaredance.org.au](http://www.squaredance.org.au).

**June 12 – 14, 2009 – GSI UK Festival** - St. IVO Leisure Centre, Westwood Road, St. Ives, Cambridgeshire, PE27 6WU – Mainstream, Plus, A1, A2, Rounds, After Parties – callers: Tony Oxendine (USA), Paul Bristow (GB), Kenny Reese (D), Walt Burr (USA), Trevor Day (GB), Deborah Carroll- Jones (USA), Jon Jones (USA), Trudy Fielding (GB), Simon Fielding (GB); cuer: Martin Prufer (D) – sponsored by Grande Square Inc. and Triple A Squares – First Ever GSI Caller & Cuer School Sunday – Thursday June 7 – 11, 2009 - payment in Pounds Sterling payable to Grand Square UK. For info: [www.gsi-england.co.uk](http://www.gsi-england.co.uk).

**June 24 -27, 2009 - 58th National Square Dance Convention** - Long Beach, California. For info: [www.58nsdc.org](http://www.58nsdc.org).

## August 2009

August 16, 2009 - **West Coast VIP Dance** - Strawberry Square, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL - ER 1:30 p.m. - mainstream/plus/rounds 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. – Kick-off for 2009 West Coast Fall Fun Fest and recognition of all square dance volunteers - Caller and cuer to TBA - EVERYONE FREE. For info: brassy1012@aol.com.

## September 2009

September 3 – 6, 2009 – **39th National Singles Dance-A-Rama** – Davenport, IA – details TBA.

September 19 - 20, 2009 - **Nebraska State Convention** – Adams County Fair Grounds, Hastings, NE. For info: bcnu@gpcom.net or nstairs@hotmail.com.

September 20, 2009 - **West Coast President's Ball** - Strawberry Square, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL - ER 1:30 p.m. - mainstream/plus/rounds 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. – caller: Gary Brown, cuers: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin - West Coast members FREE; guests \$5 per person. For info: brassy1012@aol.com.

## October 2009

October 23 – 24, 2009 – **30th Florida Singles Single** – Rama – Kenilworth Lodge, Sebring, FL – details TBA.

## November 2009

November 2, 2009 – **Hampton Promenaders First Dance of the Season** – Hamptons Community, 1094 Hwy. 92 W., Auburndale, FL. For info: jvhoobler@aol.com.

November 6 – 8, 2009 – **56th O'Leno Hoedown** – O'Leno State Park, High Springs, FL – details TBA.

November 13 - 14, 2009 - **West Coast Fall Fun Fest** - Bartow Civic Center, Bartow, FL - caller: Tim Marriner and Sam Dunn, cuer: Dick Chase. For info: anndonslocum@juno.com.

November 20 – 21, 2009 – **Northwest Association's Fall Festival** – Jacksonville, FL – details TBA.

## January 2010

January 15, 2010 - **Deadline for Florida Square Dance Hall of Fame Nominations** – For info: Dave & Shirley Nihart dsnihart@comcast.com.

January 21 – 23, 2010 – **Florida Winter Festival** – The Lakeland Center, 701 W. Lime Street, Lakeland, FL – sponsored by Grand Square, Inc. For info: johnnysa@aol.com or 386-428-1496.

## June 2010

June 22, 2010 - **Mid-America Square Dance Jamboree REUNION Trail In to the 59th National Square Dance Convention** - Crown Plaza (formerly Executive West Hotel), Louisville, KY - LIMITED SQUARES - \$10 donation per person. For info: JELZY@aol.com

June 23 - 26, 2010 - **59th National Square Dance Convention** - Louisville, KY. For info: www.59thnsdc.com.

## July 2010

July 1 – 4, 2010 – **International Association of Gay Square Dancers** – Chicago, IL.

## January 2011

January 15, 2011 - **Deadline for Florida Square Dance Hall of Fame Nominations** – For info: Dave & Shirley Nihart dsnihart@comcast.com.

## June 2011

June 2011 - **60th National Square Dance Convention** - Detroit, Michigan - Great Lakes Great Dancing. For info: luckeyracer@comcast.net or nsfriedlander@comcast.net

June 30, 2011 – **International Association of Gay Square Dancers** – Atlanta,

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[http://floridadancing.com/html/west\\_coast\\_squares.html](http://floridadancing.com/html/west_coast_squares.html) (West Coast)



[www.floridadanceweb.com/fassrd](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/fassrd) (Florida Singles)

<http://usda.fundlinklic.com/> (online shopping mall)

<http://www.usda.org/> (United Square Dancers of America)

<http://www.samdunn.net/> (Caller Sam Dunn's personal web site)

[www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry) (Strawberry Square)

<http://www.nsddirectory.com/> (National Square Dance Directory - information & contacts for clubs in the U.S., Canada and around the world)

<http://www.aronssquaredanceshopandpatterns.com/> (Aron's Square Dance & Western Wear Shop)

<http://www.calyco.com/> (CaLyCo Crossing - a full line square dance shop)

<http://www.tictactoes.com/> (Tic Tac Toes - shoe vendor)

[www.iagsdc.org](http://www.iagsdc.org) (International Assn. of Gay Square Dance Clubs)

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