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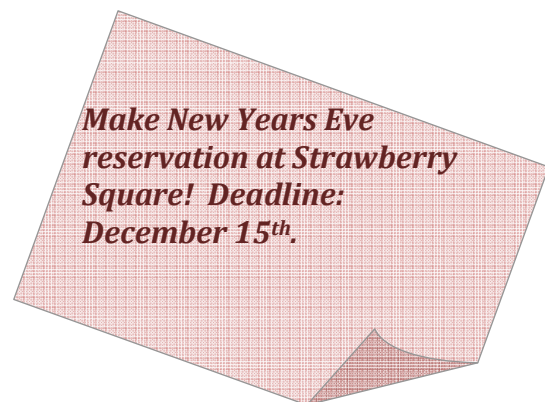
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This newsletter is published weekly and distributed electronically as a free service to the dancers on the West Coast of Florida. If you would like your own personal copy emailed to you, please notify the Editor either by email or in person.

December 15, 2009 – Deadline for submissions to the January, February, March issue of the *Panhandle Press*. For info: terriwilaby@cox.net.



December 15, 2009 - Deadline for submissions to the January 2010 issue of *American Square Dance Magazine*. For info: AmericanSquareDance@earthlink.net.

January 15, 2010 – Deadline for Florida Square Dance Hall of Fame Nominations – Nominees must have a minimum of 10 years statewide involvement in the Florida Square and Round Dance activity. Their contributions must encompass the entire state of Florida, not just 1 or 2 areas. This should require unselfish dedication of time and labor. Being an Area president, Federation president, Caller/Cuer Association president and/or State Convention chairman is not enough. The Hall of Fame is seeking individuals or couples whose efforts have affected the majority of the State of Florida. The fact that one is nominated is a very high honor, whether or not they enter the Hall of Fame. For info: Dick and Darleen Nordine at rnordine@juno.com.

February 1, 2010 – Deadline for Extra Mile Award Nominations. To show appreciation to both Callers and Cuers who go beyond the norm in giving freely of their time and talents to the square dance activity. Nominee must be a member of the Florida Callers Association or the Round Dance Council of Florida. For info: rayelsa@aol.com.

From the Editor



WOW! Twenty squares filled the floor at Strawberry Square this afternoon at the benefit dance that was held for me. I sat at the door to greet and people just kept coming in. There weren't enough chairs so Strawberry Square dancers had to go down to the Martin House to get more. Nine callers were on the stage; Art Springer, Keith Stevens, Phil Harris, Carl Rod (who was the MC and also cued), Doc Gray, Ron Reardon, Robert Arias, Sharon Short and

Red Bates.

The highlight of the afternoon was the auctioning of the services of Sam Dunn, Dan Wilkerson, Keith Stevens, Carl Rod and Ron Reardon to call for a dance or private party at a mutually agreed date and time. The first bid yelled out was \$500; going, going, gone! The bid went to Shufflin' Squares of Lake Wales. We will be awaiting the flyers for that dance for which they are planning to sell ribbons.

A two-day carport sale was held in Lakeland which netted \$840+. Items for the sale were donated not only by square dancers but residents of the community where the sale was held!

Roland Blanchette reported that his co-workers at Sweetbay in Lakeland also donated money!

Strawberry Square Store donated 10% of their profit from sales on Sunday, and the Strawberry Square Dance Center was donated for the dance.

There was over \$1,600 raised before the dance even started.

The president and secretary of Florida Singles drove over from Titusville for the dance and brought money for a rainy day. They had pinned 100 one dollar bills inside an umbrella so that when you opened it the dollars hung down around your head.

And the result? Are you sitting down? **\$5,454.18** There is still some more money to come in.

I am just so overwhelmed by this outpouring of love and support! I have had some tough times before raising two daughters on my own but I always managed to make it without help from anyone. To ask for and receive help is not easy for me so I am still in shock that this has been done for me. Thank you so much everyone.

Health & Sympathy Updates

These postings, and notices for dancers as well as any previous postings, can be found at www.dancergram.com

Please be sure to also check the website for updates on dancers!

Marie Bigelow, wife of caller Stephen Bigelow, is continuing to face challenges with her health. Her husband Stephen reports "Marie went to her GP and he immediately ordered a CT scan of the chest and an ultrasound of the heart. The chest CT showed 3 small nodules in the right lung. The ultrasound has not come back yet. Her blood levels are in the dangerous range with white blood cells over 33000 (normal is 10000) and red blood cells of 9 (normal is 12). All her other blood work is similarly out of the normal range, this is anemia of the dangerous type." The following day Stephen sent out an additional message stating, "Well we had a setback today. Marie has a new doctor. Her Pulmonary doctor wants to see her before the blood transfusion. So Thursday afternoon we have a meeting with her new Pulmonary Doctor and Friday we have the blood transfusion. Right now the Chemo normally scheduled on Monday is on hold. I do not know if it is still scheduled or not." Please keep her in your prayers, she feels them and hopes to be back on the dance floor soon. Cards can be sent to Marie at 6524 Oleaster Court, Jacksonville, FL 32244.

Tim Wilaby, co-editor of the *Panhandle Press*, of Pensacola, FL had his outpatient knee surgery on Wednesday. Terri reported that his procedure went well and he's at home with his knee propped up and iced down, munching on vegetables and drinking grapefruit juice. His doctor said there was no problem tacking down the meniscus. However the scope showed that inside the knee was "eaten up with arthritis". He cleaned out quite a bit, so Tim should be a lot more comfortable. He's to keep it elevated until Friday and will return to work at the start of the week. We look forward to seeing Tim on the dance floor in the very near future feeling relaxed and comfortable. Cards and wishes of cheer can be sent to Tim at 1416 Little Creek Drive, Pensacola, FL 32506.

How do I get in touch with?

This contact list can also be found at
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Mike Jacobs Memorial Website

I've created a web site where people can upload stories about Mike Jacobs and pictures of him. All stories and pictures will be approved by me before they are visible for others to see. The web site URL is <http://mike-jacobs-memorial.com/>.

On the form for adding your story, I ask for your email address. The only time this is used is when the story is approved. A mail message is sent to you automatically. The email address is not displayed on the web site. There is a radio button on the form to indicate whether the message is public or private. Private messages will be viewed by Patty and/or Kristy via a special password protected web site.

You don't have to upload pictures to go with your stories.

Notes for the technical folks:

- 1) The site uses Javascript, so if you run with Javascript turned off, it probably won't work well.
- 2) Flash 10 is needed for the upload mechanism to work.
- 3) I've tested the site on MSIE 7, Chrome, and Firefox v3.5.5 on Windows and it seems to work OK. One caveat on Firefox -- if you run with Firebug turned on there seems to be a problem with Firebug interfering with the upload of the pictures. If you click on the Upload Pictures button and the Upload button doesn't appear and you have Firebug turned on, turn it off and try again.
- 4) I have not tested on any Macs or other hardware.

If you run into problems, please contact me.

Ken Robinson
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Meet Bob and Maria Spence

Bob and Maria Spence



Bob and Maria (*pronounced Marry-a*) directed two Washington Area Square Dance Clubs Association (WASCA) festivals, the 18th and the 35th, and Bob was President of WASCA in 1986. They attended the first WASCA festival over 50 years ago, driving from Michigan to Washington. They have attended numerous workshops, dancing weekends, and National Dance conventions throughout the years. They have served as officers in all of their round and square dance clubs and

were Assistant Chairman for the Florida State Convention in 2003, as well as Citrus County Reps for the West Coast Square and Round Dancers Association. They were the Fashion Show Chairman for the 2008 Florida State Convention. They also served on various committees at the National level when they lived in Maryland.

As residents of Florida, they volunteer at their Homosassa Springs, Florida State Wildlife Park which keeps injured manatees. Bob and Maria do "Manatee Watch" on the river in a canoe once a week to help with education and protection of the manatees.

Bob and Maria met on a blind date in college. Following that date, Bob visited the college square dance club, the "Promenaders", where Maria was an officer and he was hooked as well

– all this was before lessons were required. They have been married for 54 years – they are retired educators of both public schools and at the college level. They have four children and ten grandchildren.

They are strong believers in the square and round dance movement and were callers and cuers for several years, until busy family obligations took more of their time. They started dancing in 1950, at Michigan State University, being part of an exhibition group for the university – touring and performing in Michigan communities as part of the fine arts programs and are still dancing, even though Bob has two artificial hips and Maria has two artificial knees.

Bob and Maria are currently West Coast Association representatives on the Florida Federation Board serving as secretaries.

Other interests: They both sing Barbershop Harmony—Bob belongs to two chapters and is serving as President in one and Secretary in the other. Maria is on the Board of her Sweet Adelines Chorus and sings in a quartet, as well as serving as a board member for the Sugarmill Community Chorus. They sing in their church Chancel Choir and have directed seasonal musical dramas for the past 11 years. Maria also teaches line-dancing and tap dances once a week. When they have time, they love to travel!

Busy, YES, but with fun things that are meaningful!

Addendum: After the Spences read the Brasfield's bio they remembered that they too danced at Disney for Betty Lee Talmadge and that's where they first met the Brasfields.

Your Source for Ribbons

This list can also be found at

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I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

January 21 - 23, 2010 - **Florida Winter Festival** - Lakeland, FL

March 19 - 20, 2010 - **10th Annual Shamrock Swing** - The Villages, FL

May 28 - 30, 2010 - 56th Florida State Convention - Lakeland, FL

What's Happening This Week?

This schedule can also be found at
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Week of December 14, 2009

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

Monday – **Harmony Hoedowners First Dance of the Season** - 3240 Grand Prix Drive (down the street from Wal-Mart), Sebring, FL – FREE Plus workshop at every dance 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. - caller: Sam Dunn, cuer: Jennie Martin. For info: <http://samdunn.net/harmony.htm>.

Kings Point Swingers A-2 Dance – King Point Studio, Sun City, Florida – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Squares/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. Visitors to Kings Point should tell the gate you are attending a Kings Point Swingers event at the Clubhouse Studio. For info: Sonny 813-634-8212 or George 813-642-0900.

Twilight Twirlers – Bonita Springs Community Center, corner of Reynolds & Old 41, Bonita Springs – Plus workshop 6:30 p.m., mainstream dance 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Howard Cole, rounds and lines on tape. For info: hwcole@att.net or 239-691-5670.

Hampton Promenaders Christmas Dance – Hampton Golf Community, 1094 E. Hwy. 92 (one mile west of the International Market Place or approximately one mile east of Old Dixie Highway), Auburndale – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: Carl Rod. For info: 863-669-9827 or fayedenmount@yahoo.com.

Temple Twirlers Christmas Dance/Installation of Officers/Birthdays/Anniversaries – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Callers: Sharon Short, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Members are asked to bring side dishes to with the ham supplied by the club. Dancers please use the entrance marked "Family Room" near the rear of the main building on the Habana Avenue side. For info: wlfloyd@aol.com or gaylepullara@aol.com or flobyington@hotmail.com.

Tuesday – **Woodmere Park** – 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.), Venice – A-2 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates – casual attire. For info: 941-828-0481 or redbates@juno.com.

Ding-A-Lings – Rice Creek RV Resort, 10714 Hwy. 301 South, Riverview – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: Allen Snell – square dance attire

preferred. The club is collecting unwrapped toys and donations for the Good Samaritan Mission in Wimauma at their dances through December 15. Any donations would be greatly appreciated. For info: chrounds@capital.net.

R&R Gators – Alligator RV Park, 6400 Taylor Road, Punta Gorda – 10:00 a.m. – Caller: Dave Magee, Cuer: Russ Collier – casual attire. For info: callerdave@comcast.net or 941-235-1611.

Maple Leaf Squares – Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte – time 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – alternating Mainstream and Plus – Caller: Dave Magee – casual attire. For info: callerdave@comcast.net or 941-235-1611.

J and C Spin-a-Rounds – Pinellas Park Auditorium, 7690 – 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – Phase IV – V 6:30 – 8:15 p.m., Advance – Beginners Mixed Rhythms 8:30 – 10:00 p.m. For info: spinards@tampabay.rr.com or 727-525-7809.

Wednesday – **Grande Squares of Camp Inn** - 3455 U.S. Hwy. 27 North, Frostproof – FREE square dance workshop 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. - 7:30 – 9:30 squares and rounds – Caller: Sam Dunn, Cuer: Phyllis Hathaway – casual attire. For info: 863-382-6792 or samdunn@samdunn.net.

Betmar Bells & Beaus #2 – Betmar Clubhouse #2, Rt. 54 W., Zephyrhills – Plus Rounds – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Ron Reardon**; Cuer: Ella Bettencourt – square dance attire preferred. For info: 813-783-7523.

Strawberry Square C-2 Dance/Workshop – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller/Instructor: Art Springer. For info: www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry. Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Strawberry Square Club – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – Mainstream/Easy Plus Workshop 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Alternating Mainstream and Easy Plus Tips 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Van Coble**. For info: www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry. Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Linda Lynn 813-659-9040 or Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Kings Point Swingers Round Dance – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center – A1/A2 workshop 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Advanced Rounds 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. – Cuer: Mike Cox. Visitors please wear your square dance badge and tell the guard at the entrance gate that you are attending the dance at the Clubhouse Studio. For info: 813-634-8212 or 642-0900 or mc8152@verizon.net or 813-649-0754.

Timber Pines Twirlers – Hwy. 19, Spring Hill – Early Rounds 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. - Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Bob Bourassa, cuer: John Ayers – square dance attire optional – for gate access and directions call 352-688-2995. For info: foxtrotr@bellsouth.net.

Strawberry Square C1 – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer. For info: www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry. Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Cultural Center Squares – Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Pt. Charlotte - 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Mainstream/Plus/Rounds - caller: Art Miller; cuer: Jennie Martin. For info: 941-380-5336, mdow@embarqmail.com, or 863-494-2749.

Thursday – **Shufflin' Squares** – Lake Ashton Golf Club, Thompson Nursery Road (across from the Eagle Ridge Mall entrance), Lake Wales – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Danny Miller, Cuer: Carl Rod. For info: eschwartz23@tampabay.rr.com.

Pine Ridge Promenaders Christmas Dance – Sunshine RV Park, SR. 70, Lake Placid – ER 7:00 p.m., Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Russ Young – finger food. For info: danshrm@htn.net.

Charlotte Promenaders – Port Charlotte Cultural Center, 2280 Aaron Street, Port Charlotte – ER 7:00 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Keith Stevens, Cuer: Charlie Hearn. For info: SQDBIRD@aol.com.

Glenhaven – Glen Haven RV Park, 37251 Chancey Road, Zephyrhills – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: George Varney, Cuer: Ella Bettencourt. For info: gvarney3@tampabay.rr.com.

Kings Point Swingers – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Plus w/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. Visitors please wear your square dance badge and tell the guard at the entrance gate that you are attending the dance at the Clubhouse Studio. For info: 813-634-8212 or 642-0900 or mc8152@verizon.net or 813-649-0754.

Promenade Squares Covered Dish Dinner/Dance – Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – Beginners Class 6:00 – 7:15 p.m., ER 7:15 - 7:45 p.m. Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:45 - 9:45 p.m. - caller: Dick Demerit, cuers: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin. For info: sgdancegranny@juno.com or 727-546-5966.

Strawberry Square Rounds – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – **Phase II Rounds w/Workshop**: 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.; **Phase III/Intro IV**: 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.; **Phase II/Intro III Class**: 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: luvrds@embarqmail.com or www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry. Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Dunedin – Dr. William E. Hale Senior Activity Center, 330 Douglas Avenue, Dunedin – Beginners 6:30 – 7:30 – Squares (all sets) 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. - \$5 per person – caller: Allen Snell. For info: settarose1@verizon.net or 727-809-3429 or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429 or mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net.

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.

Friday – **Buttonwood Bay Christmas Dance** – 10001 U.S. Highway 27 South, Sebring – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Squares/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Carl Brewer, Cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: Vern Wright 863-655-2634.

Woodmere Park – 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.), Venice – C-1 10:00 – 12:00 noon – Caller: Red Bates – casual attire. For info: 941-828-0481 or redbates@juno.com.

Strawberry Square A2 – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – A-2 Workshop (Nov. – Dec.) 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – A-2 W/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates, Cuers: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin. For info: www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry. Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Dave and Betty Bradley 989-289-6446, Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Strawberry Square C2 Dance and Workshop – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – Dance and Workshop 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Gary Brown (and Brown's Bunch). For info: www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry. Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Curliques – Corkscrew Woodlands Park, 21500 Corkscrew Road (I-75 exit 123), Estero – Workshop: 6:00 p.m., Squares w/taped rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For info: HWCole@att.net or 239-980-0939 or 239-466-7132.

Spinning Wheels – **NO DANCE** For info: helenm720@aol.com or jbarnes73@tampabay.rr.com.

B & S 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 rbourassasr@tampabay.rr.com.

Snell's Bo's & Bell's Christmas Potluck and Dance – Largo Community Center, 65 – 4th Street NW, Largo – 7:30 – 9:45 p.m. – Caller: Allen Snell, cuer: Pat Fiyalko. For info: settarose1@verizon.net or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429 or mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net.

Sun City Swingers Holiday Cheer – Sun City Center Community Hall, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Van Coble, cuer: Pat Hagen – square dance attire preferred – club members will serve hors d'oeuvres (recipes will be provided). The club will supply eggnog and punch to quench the dancers' thirst. For info: gail3357@gmail.com or 813-633-1297 (Gail) or 813-633-8780 (Sue).

Saturday – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Snowflake Ball** – Brandon Community Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Dave Buys, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com or Betty 813-685-3826.

Strawberry Square Christmas Party – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – ER 7:00 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: Pat Hagen. For info: www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry. Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may

contact: Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Linda Lynn 813-659-9040, Mary Lee Van Valkenburg 813-707-1702, Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Palace Promenaders Christmas Dance – Palace Square Dance Hall, 1647 NE Floridian Street, Arcadia – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Art Miller, cuer: Jennie Martin – square dance attire preferred – park in back of the building - \$8 per couple. For info: Jennie Martin – 863-494-2749; Mary Dow – 863-494-6062/ mdow@embarqmail.com.

Sunday – Suncoast Squares - King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 – 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg (parking lot at the rear of the building and enter through the rear door; the church is across the parking lot from the Metro Center) - Mainstream and Plus workshop 7:30 - 10:00 p.m. - Caller: Mike Cox. For info: suncoastsquares@yahoo.com.

3rd Sunday Rounds Party – Pinellas Park Auditorium, 7690 – 59th St., N., Pinellas Park – Phase II – IV – 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. – cuers: Jimmy and Carol Griffin. For info: 727-525-7809 or <http://web.tampabay.rr.com/cspin>.

Motivators - St. Cloud Senior Center, 3101 – 17th Street, St. Cloud – A-2 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., C-1 Tip 4:00 p.m. – Caller: Mike Cox. For info: loisdancer@aol.com.

Cloverleaf Leprechauns Christmas Dance – 900 North Broad Street (U.S. 41 N.), Brooksville, FL – ER 1:30 – 2:00 p.m., Plus/Rounds 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., A-1 tip 4:15 p.m. – caller: Bob Stern, cuer: Judy Doane – finger food. For info: 352-688-9802 or <http://www.geocities.com/leprechaun34601/>.

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 rbourassasr@tampabay.rr.com.

Huggables - King of Kings Church, 10337 U.S. 19 (between SR 52 and Ranch Road), Port Richey - casual dress – Mainstream/Plus 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. - caller/cuer: Allen Snell. For info: 727-809-3429 or 727-809-0323 or settarose1@verizon.net or mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net.

Orange Blossom Squares Christmas Dance – La Hacienda Center, The Villages 352-259-6040 – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – caller: Red Bates, cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: willowhouse@msn.com or 352-753-2325.

West Coast Classes and Workshops

These classes are also listed at
www.dancergram.com

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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.

PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT THIS INFORMATION NEEDS TO BE COMMUNICATED OUT TO NEW DANCERS! IT'S NOT A SECRET!

No beginner classes or plus workshops at Maple Leaf on December 18th, 25th and January 1st.

No advanced workshop at Maple Leaf on December 17th, 24th and 31st.

December 6, 2009 – **Ft. Meade Squares Plus Workshop** – City Mobile Home Park, 1046 Second Street, Ft. Meade – 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. – caller: Russ Young – casual attire. For info: FMRLyoung@aol.com.

December 6, 2009 – **Ft. Meade Squares Beginner Lessons** – City Mobile Home Park, 1046 Second Street, Ft. Meade – 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. – caller/instructor: Russ Young – casual attire. For info: FMRLyoung@aol.com.

January 4, 2010 – **Beginning Square Dance Lessons** – Blue Jay Park, 38511 Wilds Road, Dade City; the hall is on Pelican – 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. – Caller/instructor: Marty VanWart - \$20 per person for three months – the hall is at the entrance to the park - class is open for new students for two weeks. For info: 813-788-2004 or mav19@myfairpoint.net.

January 5, 2010 – **Intro to Plus** – Betmar Mobile Home Park, Rt. 54 W., Clubhouse 3, Zephyrhills
– 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. - Caller/instructor: Marty VanWart. For info: 813-788-2004 or
mav19@mayfairpoint.net.

January 5, 2010 – Intro to A-1 – **Betmar Mobile Home Park**, Rt. 54 W., Clubhouse 3, Zephyrhills
– 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. – Caller/instructor: Marty VanWart. For info: 813-788-2004 or
mav19@mayfairpoint.net.

January 5, 2010 – **Strawberry Square C-1 Continuation Class** - 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City
– 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Caller: Keith Stevens. For info: www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry.
Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance
Center office, you may contact: Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Dan & Thelma Ogilvie
813-752-1350, Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

January 7, 2010 – **Strawberry Square Intro to C-1 Class** - 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City –
9:30 – 11:30 a.m. – Caller: Marty VanWart. For info: www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry.
Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance
Center office, you may contact: Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Dan & Thelma Ogilvie
813-752-1350, Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

January 7, 2010 – **Beginning Square Dance Lessons** – Gem Estates, North Avenue, Zephyrhills;
the hall is at 3945 Elgin Drive – 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. – Caller/instructor: Marty VanWart - \$5 per
person per week - class is open for new students for two weeks. The hall is in the front of the
park and the park is the last one on the right of North Street. For info: 813-788-2004 or
mav19@myfairpoint.net.

January 8, 2010 – **Strawberry Square C-3A Teach & Workshop** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant
City – 12:45 – 2:45 p.m. – Caller: Keith Stevens. For info:
www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry. Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further
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6210.

Looking Ahead

The events listed below are new this week. The entire list of future events can be found at www.dancergram.com

January 28-30, 2010 - **45th Annual Aloha State Square & Round Dance Festival** - Ala Wai Clubhouse Palladium, Honolulu, Hawaii - Featured Callers: Nasser Shukayr of TX, Daniel Preedy of WA and Doug Davis of WA - Featured Cuers: Bill & Linda Maisch of CA and Milo Molitoris & Cinda Firstenburg of CA. Enjoy island activities and Square and Round Dancing in Hawaii. Festival dances are held in air-conditioned hardwood halls at the Ala Wai Clubhouse Palladium. * Square dance in separate Mainstream & Plus Halls. Rounds are held in each hall. * Square dance workshops-Mainstream to A-1. Round dance workshops-Ph III & IV, styling and special interest items. Air, Hotel, & Island Tours or Cruise Packages available from Outrigger International Travel in Honolulu. Call Stan (US & CAN) (800) 676-7740, ext 151. E-mail: squaredance@outriggertravel.com. Contact Registrar Henry Staehle at (808) 672-3646 for registration materials. E-mail: registrar@squaredancehawaii.org. Registration form available on web page: www.squaredancehawaii.org. Festival Refund Policy: 100% prior to Jan. 1, 2010. \$5 charge thereafter. No refund after Jan. 15, 2010. Refund policies of various Trail-in/out activities may vary.

January 29-30, 2010 - **Lottie's Louisiana Hoedown** 8th Annual Square & Round Dance Weekend – Ruston Civic Center, 401 North Trenton Street, Ruston, LA – Featuring Callers: Lottie Ainsworth and Mike Seastrom – Cuers: Patti and Ray Wheelington. Mainstream w/Announced Plus, II-IV Rounds. Early Rounds each night at 7:30 PM, Squares with Rounds at 8:00 PM., Squares & Rounds workshops on Saturday Join us for a full weekend of FUN festivities!!! PRIZES!!! VENDORS!! Rounds WORK SHOPS!!! Squares WORKSHOPS!!! AFTER PARTY!!! Shopping, Dining, RV and lodging locations nearby!!! Registration \$25 per person (\$30 at the door) - Limited Admission - No split sessions - \$5 cancellation fee - No cancellation after January 1, 2010. Be sure to mention LOTTIE'S LOUISIANA HOEDOWN when you make reservations at these hotels: DIRECTIONS TO CIVIC CENTER: Interstate 20 Exit 85 - go south on Hwy 167 - Civic Center is on west side of Hwy 167, about one mile south of Interstate 20 at (plenty of free parking) for more information, call (318)249-4157 or email lotTNray@centurytel.net.

Links

www.dancergram.com

Websites

<http://www.floridadanceweb.com/> (Florida Dance Web)

<http://floridasquaredance.com/> (Florida Federation)

Associations/Organizations

<http://www.fcallersassoc.org/> (Florida Callers Association)

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

www.iagsdc.org (International Assn. of Gay Square Dance Clubs)

www.floridadanceweb.com/fassrd (Florida Singles)

<http://www.callerlab.org> (CALLERLAB)

<http://www.americancallers.com> (American Callers Assn.)

<http://www.roundalab.org/> (ROUNDALAB)

http://floridadancing.com/html/west_coast_squares.html (West Coast Assn.)

<http://ssdusa.org> (Single Square Dancers USA[®])

<http://www.nsdca.org> (National Square Dance Campers)

<http://www.arts-dance.org> (Alliance of Round, Traditional and Square Dance [ARTS])

<http://www.58nsdc.com> 58th National Square Dance Convention - Long Beach, CA

<http://www.59thnsdc.com> 59th National Square Dance Convention - Louisville, KY

<http://www.60thnsdc.com> 60th National Square Dance Convention - Detroit, MI

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

Vendors

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

www.suzieqcreations.com (Suzie Q Creations)

www.Bobsengraving.com (division of Suzie Q Creations – covering southwest Florida)

<http://www.aronssquaredanceshopandpatterns.com/> (Aron's Square Dance and 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.sheplers.com (Sheplers - the world's largest western stores and catalog)

www.PerfectPetticoats.com (Perfect Petticoats)

<http://www.grandsquare07.com> (Grande Square.com – square dance clothes and accessories)

Square Dance Halls

www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry (Strawberry Square)

Callers/Cuers

<http://www.samdunn.net/> (Sam Dunn)

<http://home.rr.com/jcspin> (Jimmy and Carol Griffin)

www.2fwd2.com (Lisa Wall)

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