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December 13, 2009 – Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association Meeting – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 11:30 a.m. (prior to the benefit dance). For info: stocker38@worldnet.att.net.

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



Six or seven squares of dancers enjoyed the calling of Howard Cole, Wes Morris and Len Siegmann and the cueing of Dick Chase, Ruth Siegmann and Mike Alexander this afternoon at the West Coast Membership Dance in Estero. Many thanks to the Curliques for the wonderful spread of refreshments they served.

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December 15, 2009

Deadline for
reservations to
Strawberry Square
New Years Eve Party.

Caller: Sam Dunn
Cuer: Charlie Lovelace

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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!

Dick Lysobey, editor of Central Florida's *Keepin' Posted*, has returned home from the hospital after having been admitted on Thanksgiving Day. He had received a call from his oncologist regarding the results of a recent blood test. This test revealed that there was bacteria in his blood and he needed to be treated with antibiotics and follow up with numerous tests. On Friday it was determined that his port (which is used for his chemo treatments) was defective and needed to be removed. It was later determined that since Dick is in remission from his lymphoma and only gets a maintenance chemo drip every 3 months, a new port was unnecessary, and his chemo could be given through a vein. So, he underwent surgery to remove the port on Saturday and his infection is under control with his medication prescriptions. So he arrived home to recovery. While he remains weak he is feeling better and thrilled to be home. Cards can be sent to Dick at 1013 Belvedere Drive, Deltona, FL 32725.

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Florida Callers Association President's Message

If we are going to survive a while longer, it's time to hit the road. When's the last time you visited another club...went to another association's festival...enjoyed Memorial Day weekend at the Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention?

How's your club doing? Does everyone stare at the door, hoping some unexpected visitors will come walking through it? When's the last time YOU were the unexpected visitor that made everyone smile when you walked through the door?

I've checked; there is no law that says the only time you can go dance at another club is when your club is on an official visitation.

To my brother callers: when's the last time you and your tax got dressed and went to a dance you weren't calling, just to dance? We do it, and you know something, we have fun.

We're all in this together. We have to support each other if we are going to survive. I find myself becoming President of the FCA at a tumultuous time. There's a lot of finger pointing going on out there, and very little looking into the mirror to find the root of the problem.

Don't get me wrong...Square Dancing will survive. A Civil War and two World Wars couldn't make it go away; and I'm sure that Face Book, My Space and Twitter aren't strong enough to do the job either. But we have to face the fact that the form is going to change. The Dance will survive, even if our clubs fail.

So be a part of the solution. Embrace change. Try something different. And while we wait to see the new face of Square Dancing, let's all help each other out. Go get dressed. Visit a new club. Tonight.

Trust me, they're gonna love it when they see you walk through the door.

Gary Murphy

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Corporate Sponsorships

By Cheryl Miller

At the Northwest Annual "Round Up", I met with a large group on Saturday to present the Proposal for Corporate Sponsorship of the Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention. My enthusiasm and excitement was great! What are they talking about? In an effort to look into increasing the Advertising Market and raising additional revenue, Jack McKinney, current Florida State Convention Advertising Chairman assisted us with looking into the possibility of "Corporate Sponsors" for our upcoming and future Conventions. There are Corporations such as: Wachovia Bank, Regions Bank, Publix, Wal-Mart, CVS Pharmacy and many others that are located in every area of Florida. It is our hope that by soliciting Corporate Sponsors we will open the door to additional revenues. How do we do this? Well, we offer the Corporate Sponsor the opportunity to have their corporate logo on our "Room Welcome Signs", which would be a 5" x 14" magnetic full color sign to be placed on our dance level room sign. Another opportunity would be to offer the corporate sponsor a full color 2' x 4' or 2' x 6' banner, to be placed in the dance halls advertising their logo and support. Each Association will need to obtain several Corporate Sponsors from within their association area, to help raise the needed revenue for our future Conventions. How can you help? Your area Association will need your assistance in obtaining these Corporate Sponsors, so if you think this is something you would be interested in assisting with, please contact your area Association President or us. We would be grateful for the assistance.

Excerpt from Florida Federation of Square Dancers President's Message
Interim Presidents Article

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Recycled Clothes Serve Dual Purpose!

The fall Federation meeting on November 1 was scheduled in conjunction with the Northwest Association Fundraiser dance held on October 30 and 31 in DeFuniak Springs. When we walked into the motel lobby the afternoon of Friday, October 30, we ran into Jim and Jan McConnaha. While talking with them in the lobby, they told us they had driven directly from their summer home in Indiana to DeFuniak Springs to attend the dance and Federation meeting before continuing on to their Florida home in Rockledge. The discussion turned to the dance that evening. Jan said, "When I packed in Indiana, I didn't think about the square dance this weekend so I didn't think to pack any square dance clothes."

I said, "We have a van full of square dance clothes! Come out and take a look. There has to be something in these bags that you could wear."

The four of us went out to the van where we pulled out bags and bags of square dance clothes. These clothes, along with those from other associations, are being placed on e-bay and sold all over the world. The income from the sale of these clothes goes to support the 2011 state convention. Jan was thrilled to find two skirts she could wear and white petticoat. We bagged everything and put the bags back in the van and we disbursed. I bemoaned the fact that we didn't think about taking pictures of all the bags scattered around the van.

Later that same afternoon we heard a knock on our motel room door. There stood Carol and Randy Poole. "We went off and left all our square dance clothes hanging on a hanger at home!" wailed Carol. "We heard you had a van full of square dance clothes," said Randy. Back out to the van we went! This time Ray grabbed the camera on the way out. Our second chance would not be without pictures!!!

Once again, the bags were scattered around the ground. Jim and Jan came to help Carol and Randy find an outfit – along with several bystanders. Everyone searched through the bags helping Carol and Randy find just the right outfit. It was a sight to behold!

Both couples said they would be sure to forward the clothes to continue on to be placed on e-bay for resale. We thank the Southeast dancers for their contribution to this very worthy cause – and for temporarily outfitting the "needy"!

Ray and Elsa Huddleston

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Knothead Knews

Have you ever traveled 100 miles to attend a square dance? Or have you ever wanted to? That's the sign of a true square dancer! From what I know of square and round dancers you will do just about anything just to go to a dance. Especially when you know that everyone else attending feels the same way you do about our wonderful activity.

Now is the time to start your plans to attend the 50th Annual Knothead Konvention. Can it really be 50 years ago that this dance was started? I know you won't want to miss the great dance we have planned for you this year. The 50th Annual Knothead Konvention is scheduled for Friday, February 19 and Saturday, February 20, 2010. National Caller, Ken Ritucci, from

West Springfield, Massachusetts will create two fun days of dancing just for you. And joining him will be fantastic National Cuer Larry Chatos from West Palm Beach on the rounds.

Judy Frye is assisting with the skits planned for Friday evening. If you or your club have a great skit and wish to show off your talent, contact Judy immediately (321-268-4450). I know there are many of you who remember some of the skits of years ago. They were wonderful, crazy, weird and maybe a bit funny. The dancers of today probably have no idea of what is in store for them during this fun time. I personally remember the "world-famous spitter". Do you? Please call Judy now!

Again we'll be dancing at the Eau Gallie Civic Center in Melbourne. They have two wonderful rooms we can use. Check out our flyers at your club and if you don't find any contact flaknothead@bellsouth.net we'll send more immediately.

We are pleased to announce Nancy Pustinger and Linda Cirocco, owners of "Sew-Em-Up Fashions" in Anderson, South Carolina will bring their shop to Knothead, in case there is any thing you might need. Check out their special items. "Suzie Q Creations" will be there to take your badge and dangle orders.

If you are interested in round dancing Larry and Nancy will have dance sessions Saturday morning and afternoon just for you. They'll teach you which foot to use to start the dance you'll do the rest. It's that easy! Before you know it, you'll be dancing like a pro. There will be teaches Saturday morning from 10:00am till noon. In the afternoon the teaches will be repeated and there will be other dances so that all round dancers can dance to their favorite songs. There will be a sign-in sheet for your special request.

For the new Knotheads – there will be a "knotting ceremony" just for you on Saturday right after the lunch break. You will be initiated by the official Knothead Initiater, SusanElaine Packer, with assistance from her "Knothead friends". This gang have "Knotted" thousand of dancers. So come and join the FUN! We might call this an afternoon of "KK". Hmmm, wonder what that means?

Caller Allen Snell and wife Rosie, of the Huggables and the Bo's and Bells from Port Richey, will handle their usual exciting and secret donkey initiation. This FUN time is veiled in secrecy so don't ask, cause no one will tell.

An "Idiot party" is scheduled for Saturday night. An Idiot? Could that be square dancers? Naaa. Plus we're not allowed to tell what is planned for the IDIOT's. Again, remember this weekend is for dancers who want to enjoy and have FUN at their dances!

We saw this at the end of a square dance article we recently read and it touched our hears – "Let There Be Peace On Earth" and "God Bless America" and "Merry Christmas" and "Happy New Year To ALL."

The Committee, SusanElaine and Harry Packer, Bill and Joann Boyd, Scott Vallee and Lynn Lenoci, BettyLee Talmadge and Mr. I.M. Knotty

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2010 Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention

May 28, 29, & 30, 2010

Holiday tunes fill the airways while the stores are packed with gift ideas. People are hustling and bustling to find that perfect gift idea for their special someone. May we offer a suggestion? It's a one-size fits all, good for both men and women, young and old, and very affordable. Can you guess? You're right...ribbons for the 2010 Florida State Convention. Check your list and see which of your friends and family members are just waiting for the opportunity to attend this full weekend of great fun. For the low price of \$27 you can share all the excitement of the Florida State Convention. Don't miss this great gift idea; you can contact our Convention Registrars, Carole and Garland McKenzie at 352-622-7678 or carolemc@embarqmail.com. They will be happy to help you with your ribbon purchases.

When you are making your lodging arrangements for the convention weekend, don't forget to schedule your arrival for Thursday, May 27, 2010. This will be the night of the Trials-In Dance held at Strawberry Square Dance Hall in Plant City. This is an opportunity to get fired up for an exciting weekend of dancing. You will be able to dance to some of the talented callers and cuers attending the convention and wear your holiday outfits, either square dance attire or casual. Early rounds will be from 7:00 – 7:45 followed by squares and rounds from 8:00 – 10:00pm. We wish to offer special words of thanks to the Strawberry Squares for donating their building for this event.

Our host hotel for the Florida State Convention is Holiday Inn Lakeland – North, 3260 Highway 98 South. The Convention reserved a limited number of rooms at the special rate of \$75+ tax per night. This is an unbelievable rate for the area! You need to make your reservations NOW so you don't miss out on this price. All you need to do is call Randy or Carol Poole at 328-734-5295 and they will assist you in reserving a room for this dance-filled weekend.

We need your help! As you patronize your favorite shops, restaurants and watering holes, ask them to take an ad in our state program book. For a reasonable sum of money their business will go into the homes of each and every dancer in attendance of the state convention. Our dancers travel to Lakeland from distances far and near, so the ads influence is widespread. Jack and Kathy McKinney have prepared packets to help you renew our patrons from last year and recruit new advertisers. It's not hard to do, but we need each and every dancer to take part!

Everyone benefits when businesses take an active role in our state convention. In addition to soliciting ads, be sure to support those businesses that have supported us in the past. Mention their ad when you visit their shop or business and thank them for their support. If you need ad packets or have suggestions for advertising, contact your regional Ways & Means Chairman or Jack McKinney at 904-249-3224.

Check out our website for all the up-to-date details, contact information, and registration form, by visiting www.floridasquaredance.com/convention/index.html. If you don't use the Internet, and haven't seen anyone with registration forms or ribbons, then contact the General Chairman, Anita and Bud Taylor at 904-272-6551, and they'll have you connected to someone in your area to answer all your questions. MORE NEWS NEXT MONTH! Remember, Everyday's A Holiday When You're Dancing!

Charlie and Sarah Pergrossi, Publicity

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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

What's Happening This Week?

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Week of December 7, 2009

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

Monday – **Sebring DBD Workshop & Dance** - 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: Phyllis Hathaway. 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 Anniversaries & Birthdays – 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 – 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: **Van Coble**, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Dancers please use the entrance marked “Family Room” near the rear of the main building on the Habana Avenue side. For info: mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com or pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com.

Tuesday – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland** – Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Clyde Stocker, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – square dance attire preferred – finger food. For info: sqdnfan@aol.com or 863-967-5004.

Ft. Meade Squares Christmas Dance – City Mobile Home Park, 1046 Second Street, Ft. Meade, FL – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – caller: Russ Young, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway – square dance attire optional. For info: 863-285-9962 or lik@tm.net.

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 First Dance of the Season** -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: Carol Kelly; 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: **Clyde Stocker**. 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 and Russ Collier. Red, White and blue will be the color of the evening. Wes will be taking pictures so wear your finest! For info: 941-380-5336, mdow@embarqmail.com, or 863-494-2749.

Thursday – Pine Ridge Promenaders– Sunshine RV Park, SR. 70, Lake Placid – ER 7:00 p.m., Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Sam Dunn**, Cuer: **Phyllis Hathaway**. 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: **Red Bates**, Cuer: **Dick Chase**. 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 – 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 – **Dixie Grande Squares** – Grace Lutheran Church, 327 Avenue C SE, Winter Haven – ER 7:15 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Easy Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: Carl Rod. For info: 863-293-9369.

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: Gary Brown, Cuers: TBA. 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 Toys for Tots Dance – Mango Recreation Center, 11717 Clay Pit Road, Seffner – ER 6:15 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 6:45 – 8:45 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer, cuer: Charlie Lovelace – admission is free if you bring a new unwrapped toy. 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 – 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 – 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 – pizza will be served. For info: gail3357@gmail.com or 813-633-1297 (Gail) or 813-633-8780 (Sue).

Saturday – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS)** – Brandon Community Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Clyde Stocker, Cuer: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin – square dance attire preferred – finger food. For info: pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com or Betty 813-685-3826.

Stuart Bunch Weekend – Temple Shalom, 23190 Utica Avenue, Port Charlotte, FL – Caller: Ben Rubright; Saturday afternoon: C-3 1:30 – 4:00 p.m.; C-3B Star tip 4:00 – 4:15 p.m.; C-4 Star Tip 4:15 – 4:30 p.m.; Saturday evening: C-3B 6:30 – 9:00 p.m., C-3B Star tip 9:00 – 9:15 p.m., C-4 Star tip 9:15 – 9:30 p.m.; Sunday morning: C-3B 10:00 – 12:15 p.m., C-3B Star tip 12:15 – 12:30 p.m.; Sunday afternoon: C-3B 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.. Full competency at C-3 is required to dance floor level. Star tips consist of harder C-3B and easy C-4. All tips are on computer except C-4. Sign-up is required for C-3B Start tips. Dance Contributions: Guests: \$42 per person; members \$35 per person. For info: David Mayers 863-665-8450 (Winter), 973-227-8951 (Summer); Jeff Barlow 916-606-1142; info@stuartbunch.org; www.stuartbunch.org. Schedule is subject to change; consult website prior to dances for confirmation. Directions: Exit I-75 at Harbor View Road (Exit 167) heading west, then turn right on Kings Hwy., left on Elmira Blvd. and then right again on Sherwood Rd. for two blocks to the Temple at the corner of Utica Ave. You can also exit I-75 at Kings Hwy. (Exit 170) heading southwest and proceed to Elmira Blvd. where you turn right and follow as above.

Strawberry Square – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – ER 7:00 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Sam Dunn, Cuer: 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, Linda Lynn 813-659-9040, Mary Lee Van Valkenburg 813-707-1702, Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Palace Promenaders – 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 – **Cloverleaf Leprechauns** – 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 Bourassa, cuer: Judy Doane. For info: 352-688-9802 or <http://www.geocities.com/leprechaun34601/>.

Crystal Lake Squares Christmas Dance – Crystal Lake Village, 237 Maxwell Road, Wauchula – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Sam Dunn, Cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: 863-773-2026.

Happy Promenaders Christmas Party – Hitching Post RV Park Recreation Hall, Rt. 41/Tamiami Trail East and Barefoot Williams Road, Naples, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. - caller: Wes Morris, cuer: Mike Alexander. For info: playwalt@comcast.net.

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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 – TEMPORARY LOCATION DUE TO RENOVATIONS AT LA HACIENDA CENTER: Laurel Manor Recreation Center, junction of Rt. 466 and Buena Vista Blvd., The Villages 352-259-6040 – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – caller: **Tim Marriner**, cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: willowhouse@msn.com or 352-753-2325.

West Coast Classes and Workshops

These classes are also listed at

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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.

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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@myfairpoint.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@myfairpoint.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 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.

Looking Ahead

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Websites

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Associations/Organizations

<http://www.flcallersassoc.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)

www.keithstevens.com (Keith Stevens)

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