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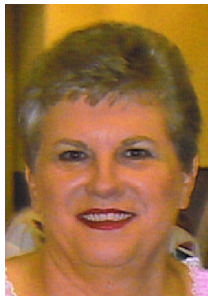
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## From the Editor



I hope everyone had a happy Valentine's Day and that you were able to spend it with someone special.

The countdown has started; 95 days until the Florida State Convention! There's so much to do to finalize all the details! Your help is needed in one aspect of the convention. Each year ads are sold for the Program Booklet.

We need a person(s) from the West Coast Association to coordinate this effort for our association. There is already a list of previous advertisers to work from but you are encouraged to also approach new businesses and/or individuals. Form letters and contracts have already been prepared on convention letterhead and procedures are already established. All you would need to do is make the contacts, prepare the contracts and collect the money and ads. This person(s) does not have to work alone; you can have a committee to split up the list so each individual doesn't have so many contacts to make. You also do not have to live in Lakeland to take on this project. If you don't live in the area but are interested in doing this kind of work, I am sure someone in the Lakeland area would be happy to have you as a house guest for two or three days while you make your rounds here in Lakeland. But remember, the ads don't all have to come from Lakeland; the dancers are from all over the state so sell ads in your area too. Any dancer can sell ads for us; just ask for the paperwork and we will get it to you right away. I know there are people out there who enjoy doing this kind of work but we don't know who you are, so get in touch with us.

Three hundred square dancers (yes, 300) showed up at the State Fair on Wednesday, the 11<sup>th</sup>, to dance to Doc Gray, Gordon Cumming, Dave Buys, Sharon Short, Walter Lougee, Chuck Hardy, Gerry Hardy, Marty Van Wart, Ted Hughes, Carl Rod, Allen Snell and Pat Hagen. That's 37 ½ squares dancing from 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. What a site that must have been!









Photos courtesy of Judy Lipton and Pat Hagen.

You can tell from the pictures how much fun everyone had. They were also able to spend time at the fair during the day and after they finished dancing.

We were one couple short of having fifteen squares at Strawberry Square Saturday night dancing to Sam Dunn and Pat Hagen; our dance season is looking good! It is just great to look out on that huge floor and see so many dancers out there having fun.

### **Valentine Wishes Meant to be Shared**

**Dear Abby:** I clearly remember my first Valentine's Day. I was in first grade. A few days before, my mom asked how many kids were in my class, and we went to a store and bought large packages of valentines – one for every child in the class. The cards were all the same size and said, basically, the same thing.

When I arrived at school, each classmate had a small box on his or her desk. At some point during the day, I went around the room and gave each child a valentine. There was one for the quiet one in the back, the most popular girl in class, the prettiest and even the boys. This was long before society taught me that such a show of affection had to exclude people of the same gender as me. By the end of the day, everyone had a full box of valentines to take home.

One desk, one box...the love of a child.

As I grew older, society taught me to narrow my offering of affection, picking only those I chose to be special or worthy. Eventually, I was taught to limit my valentines to only one person. More time went on, and then a card was not enough. To show that really special person what she meant to you, you needed to send flowers, candy and jewelry.

Apparently, as we grew older it took more and more to fill those boxes. Now we absolutely could not give to more than one person. People hire detectives to make sure that the person isn't filling anyone else's. And if you had no one to send you anything, you were saddened by your big, empty box filled only with sadness and despair.

Today, I am taking back from society what it has taken from me. I'm counting how many people play a role in my life, and I am buying "virtual" packages of cards. I have one for every single one of you – man or woman, young or old, straight or gay, married or single. Each card is the same size; they all say the same thing – that I appreciate who you are and what you have to contribute to each other.

I invite each and every one to do the same, so that no box is empty and the shy ones, the pretty ones, the popular ones and those who are less so go home tonight with a full box of valentines.

One virtual desk, one virtual box, and the love of a child at heart. I wish you all a happy Valentine's Day.

**Eric in Los Alamitos, Calif.**

Reprint from *The Ledger* (Lakeland), February 14, 2009

## Health Updates

**John Occhipinti** – West Coast Photographer - was hospitalized on January 31<sup>st</sup> with a fever and severe dehydration. He was diagnosed with some kind of rare (?) infection so it took a while to decide how to treat it. On Friday, February 6<sup>th</sup> he was released from the hospital, only to return to the emergency room that night. His daughter was here for several days to care for him. Since John is rarely sick, this has been a rather frustrating experience for him. The good news is that John is feeling better, walking a little (but tires easily from being laid up for 2 1/2 weeks). He lost five pounds (like John has five pounds to loose!) but is eating better now. His partner, Yolanda, says he can eat whatever he wants to regain his strength. Once he gets off all the medication, his appetite will probably be much better.

After the infection cleared up, he was referred to an urologist who recommended a prostate procedure which is scheduled for Monday, the 16<sup>th</sup>. He will probably be in the hospital for two or three days. After his discharge he will be staying at Yolanda's house.

Our prayers are with him for a speedy recovery. If you would like to send cards, his address is 144686 Reuter Strasse Circle, Apt. 505, Tampa, Florida 33613-3033, [personphoto1@aol.com](mailto:personphoto1@aol.com).

**Keith Rippetto** – caller – is having severe back problems and will not be making his trip to Florida this year.

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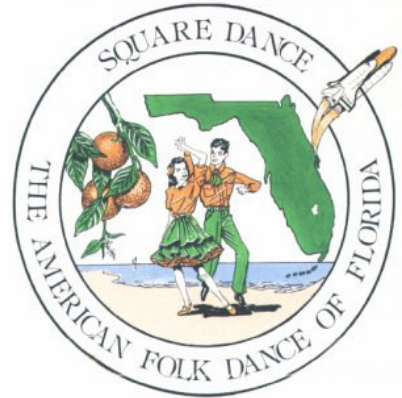
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## Florida Federation Working Weekend

On February 28<sup>th</sup> and March 1<sup>st</sup> the Florida Federation will be at the Stardust Center in Plant City for their annual Working Weekend. This name isn't really what it sounds like! We start with a business meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday morning, break for lunch (which is on your own) and then we have breakout sessions on various topics. During these breakout sessions, each group meets separately to discuss their topic and hopefully come up with some suggestions/ideas. We usually finish up for the day around 2 or 3:00 p.m. On Sunday morning we start again at 9:00 a.m. with each of these groups reporting back to the entire group. We usually adjourn around noon.



The breakout sessions are as follows:

**Finance:** Prepare a Federation Budget for 2009. Make recommendations to the Board of Delegates concerning financial matters.

**Bob Spence (Chairman) - WC**

**Dancer Preservation, Education and Publicity:** Discuss the problems of square dancer attrition and the lack of recruitment of new dancers. Make recommendations for possible solutions to these problems. Develop guidelines for more worthwhile projects that will aid in the enjoyment of square dancing or the enlightenment of square dancing.

**Val Newsome (Chairman)-NE**

**State Convention Procedures:** Review and make recommendations on changes concerning the State Convention.

**Randall Poole (Chairman) – C**

**Square Dancer Insurance:** To familiarize association insurance chairman with State and USDA insurance program.

**Carol Poole (Chairman) - C**

**Public Awareness and Publications:** Make recommendations concerning how the Federation might achieve favorable coverage or public awareness of the benefits of square dancing.

**Sarah Pergrossi (Chairman) - NE**

**Association Presidents Meeting:** Discuss what they envision the association's responsibilities and capabilities will be in the combined State Convention.

**Ouida Taylor (Chairman) - NE**

**Historian Preservation:** Recommend ways to best preserve and store historical records and artifacts.

**Bruce Morgan (Chairman) – C**

**Showcase of Ideas:** Develop an idea for the displays to be shown by the state of Florida at the National Convention in 2009.

**Jack and Barbara Hoffman (Chairman) – C**

If you have an interest in any of these subjects and you have worthwhile input, please make plans to attend this weekend and participate in the breakout sessions. The West Coast Association will ensure that we have at least one representative in each of the breakout sessions but there is no limit on how many can participate in a particular session. Each year, the Working Weekend is held in a different location; since this meeting is in our "backyard", West Coast should be well represented!

## The "State" of the Florida State Convention

You have probably been hearing for quite some time about the 2010 Florida State Convention being a "truly state-wide convention", and you're probably wondering what this means. Hasn't it always been a state-wide convention?

As you know, our state is divided into five regional associations. Up until the 2009 convention, each year it has been hosted by one of these associations. Every five years we knew that West Coast Association would be hosting a convention and we had that much time to plan and raise funds to host it.

Starting with the 2010 convention, it will no longer be hosted by an association. Each year the Florida Federation president will "appoint" a general chairman for the next convention needing to be planned. This is usually three to four years out. The general chairmen for the 2010 convention are Bud and Anita Taylor who live in Jacksonville, which is part of the Northeast Association but that association is not hosting the event. In 2011, the general chairmen are two solos, Terry Little and Ailene Picheco, who are both from Central but it won't be hosted by the Central Association. The general chairmen will then fill their committees with dancers from all over the state not just within their respective associations.

Each of these chairmen will then work with a representative from each of the five regional associations to raise funds for the convention. Each association needs to raise approximately \$2,000 dollars. Each association will have their own fundraising events to raise their share of the funds to put towards this event.

Even with all this fundraising, it won't be near enough money to cover all the expenses of putting on a state convention. The biggest expense of the whole weekend is the rent at the Lakeland Center. The Federation has looked at other locations along the I-4 corridor that would be cheaper but either the other locations had carpeted floors, which meant we would have to rent flooring, or the rent was even higher or both.

Why do we have to keep the location along the I-4 corridor you ask? We (the Federation which are your representatives) feel that keeping the location along the I-4 corridor is a central location to the majority of the state. And you probably ask why it has to be in the same location each year. When you are dealing with a large facility like the Lakeland Center, Orlando Convention Center, etc. you have to "get in line" on their waiting list to book a facility for a whole weekend. If we loose our "place" on the list at the Lakeland Center, there is no telling when we would be able to get back on the list. Plus there is an advantage to going back to the same location; you build relationships with the associates of the facility which some times nets better service and they already know what we want and expect at our events.

Other expenses at the convention include printing (program booklets, flyers, etc.), ribbons, decorations, etc. which is why we also sell vendor and booster ads for the program booklet, shirts, buttons, tote bags, etc.

The proceeds from each convention are then split equally between the Florida Federation, Florida Callers Association and the Round Dance Council of Florida. The Federation then splits the money equally between the five regional associations.

Now that you know the WHY, let's discuss the HOW. What is being done so far to raise money for 2010?

On Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Convention Benefit Dance at the Stardust Center in Plant City. Admittance will be a donation at the door. All of the proceeds will go to benefit the 2010 State Convention. Callers will be Bill Chesnut and Charlie Pergrossi and Lisa Wall will be cueing. This dance is being held in conjunction with the Florida Federation Working Weekend also being held at the Stardust Center that weekend.

West Coast has already started raising money by having the Themed Basket Silent Auction at the last Fall Fun Fest, which raised around \$800 to be donated towards the State Convention Fund. Don Slocum has also been so kind as to start selling Diners Club Cards for which the proceeds will also be donated to the Fund.

**But what else can we do? West Coast Association needs your help.** We need someone to be in charge of Ways & Means for the West Coast Association. This person(s) would be responsible for coordinating the fundraising efforts for our association. As you can see we are well on our way to raising our share. Some past fundraising activities have been special dances and raffles (TV, laptop, cruise etc.). We have several fundraising “experts” in our association who would be happy to answer any questions you may have. If you have an interest in doing fundraising, please contact one of the co-presidents Ken & Sandy Brasfield at [brassy1012@aol.com](mailto:brassy1012@aol.com) or Zurhn and Shirley Walker at [Zurhn.shirley@verizon.net](mailto:Zurhn.shirley@verizon.net).

The theme for the 2010 Convention is “Every Day’s a Holiday When You’re Dancing”, and each association has been assigned certain holidays. There will not be one convention outfit but each association will wear outfits for the holidays they have been assigned. West Coast was assigned Valentine’s Day and St. Patrick’s Day, so if you don’t have outfits for these two holidays you might want to start collecting some so you will have enough for a whole weekend of dancing! There will be displays at the Benefit Dance on the 28<sup>th</sup> showing the themes for each of the associations. Each association will also be donating a themed basket for the silent auction to be held that weekend.

## West Coast Dancer

The *West Coast Dancer* is a publication of the West Coast Square and Round Dance Association and is published every other month for FREE distribution to all square dancers. We are the only association who still distributes their association publication free of charge. During our “high season” we print and distribute 2,000 copies.

Are you familiar with what is available in this publication?

- **Free Dance Listings** – all dance listings are at no charge and are limited to City (area), Place, Time, Caller/Cuer, Level/Phase and contact information. If a more detailed description is desired, such as Themes, Guest Callers/Cuers, admission fees, ads, and varying schedules, please purchase an ad. The rates can be found on page two of the *Dancer*.

*Is your club listed in the Dancer? Is the information current and correct? Is a phone number and email address included so dancers can contact you with questions?*

*Each year when your club’s new board takes office, it should be someone’s responsibility to ensure that the listing in the Dancer, as well as other publications and websites, are updated.*

If your club isn't already listed in the *Dancer*, your membership might want to consider having your club information listed. This is FREE advertising for your club!

- **Contact Information for West Coast Officers, County Representatives, West Coast Committee Chairman, and presidents of the various state organizations.**
- **Advertisements** – There are various sizes of ads that can be purchased in the *DANCER*. They do not have to be just for square dances or clubs; ads can also be purchased for personal businesses, caller/cuer schedules, etc. The rates are very reasonable and the fees received go towards the printing of the *DANCER*.

Size	New Ads & Ads w/Changes	Repeat Ads Unchanged
1/16	\$7	\$6
1/8	\$13	\$11
1/4	\$24	\$21
1/3	\$29	\$25
1/2	\$44	\$37
3/4	\$60	\$52
Full	\$80	\$67
Flyer Insert		\$35

- **Full List of all West Coast Membership Dances for 2009**
- **List of West Coast square dances, lessons, workshops, beginner round dance lessons, round dances and workshops, country western/line dances and social ballroom dancing by day of week and then alphabetized by city.**
- **Club News** – Your club should take advantage of sending in an article of what your club has been doing or is planning to do. Please keep in mind which issue you are writing for so that the information in your article isn't outdated when it's published! If you refer to any of your members, be sure to list their first and last names; people who are not club members or frequent visitors to your club will not know who you are referring to.

**County Reps:** It would be great if you kept an eye on the club listings for your respective county to ensure information is correct or if a club has stopped dancing that it is removed from the listing.

If your club does not receive copies of the *Dancer*, please notify the editor, Ed Henning, at [evhenning@peoplepc.com](mailto:evhenning@peoplepc.com) so that arrangements can be made for you to receive copies.

# 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Dance-A-Rama

**Square 'me up in the Quad Cities  
September 3 – 6, 2009  
Clarion Hotel, Davenport, IA**

The Solo Steppers are busy getting ready to welcome everyone to our towns. There is a lot to see so be sure to come early and stay after to get in everything. We have tours lined up starting Wednesday evening, September 2<sup>nd</sup>. We have reserved seating at Cierea '21, a restored theatre and playhouse. All attendees will be seated at tables of 4-8 so if you don't know someone else going, you will have made a new friend or two by the end of the evening. A hearty buffet dinner will be served. Next comes the play – Peter Pan. I am looking forward to see them fly around the stage. The tour price includes the dinner and show, all taxes and tips, and transportation to and from the Clarion Hotel.



On Thursday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, an all day tour has been scheduled to the Amana Colonies. The bus leaves early in the morning from the Clarion. After a 90-minute drive, you will be transported to quaint villages that were established by a group of German immigrants. The bus will stop at the visitors' center for a bathroom break and welcoming speech. A local guide will then board the bus with the group and offer comments and stories as you visit several of the local craftsmen. The Amanas are home to a woolen mill, brewery, broom and basket shop, smokehouse, several wineries and bakeries, furniture and clockmaker, and a variety of other establishments. A family-style lunch will be served in one of the amazing German restaurants followed by free time to shop. The bus will return to the Clarion a couple hours before the Thursday evening dance so you have (a little) time to rest.

Moline is home to the world headquarters of John Deere, and the Friday morning tour will take in some of the local facilities of the company. Depending on production schedules, there may be a factory tour. If not, the tour will visit the World Headquarters and grounds. In addition, there will be a stop at the John Deere Pavilion and store.

Friday afternoon we will offer a 1 ½ - hour cruise on the Mississippi River aboard the Celebration Belle, a paddlewheel boat. Various sights will be noted by the captain. You can visit the wheelhouse, purchase a snack, or just enjoy the leisurely cruise and beautiful view.

Don and Doug Sprosty will be your hosts for the Saturday morning tour entitled "Dance in All Four Quad Cities". Participants will board the bus at the Clarion and step off in each city

(Moline, Rock Island, Davenport, and Bettendorf) to dance and do some fast sightseeing. Don and Doug will provide the calling, and all on the tour will get a souvenir dangle for the event.

The QC area is also home to the Rock Island Arsenal, a working military post and armaments factory. Saturday afternoon's tour will take you to the island. A guide will narrate a bus tour of the location that includes historic cemeteries, homes, and buildings. Entrance fees to the Mississippi River and Arsenal Museums are included in the price. Due to government regulations, only US citizens may take this tour.

Besides the arranged tours, we have: TPC Deere Run if you're a golfer, casino boats, walking paths along the river, the Figgie art museum, historic homes and gardens, the River Music Experience for jazz enthusiasts, the Putnam and IMAX, the River Bandits' baseball team, day trips to Dubuque or Galena or Waterloo (for more John Deere tractors!), and local favorites – the Isabel Bloom studios and Boetjes mustard factory tours. For more ideas or additional information check out the QC Visitor's Bureau at [www.visitquadcities.com](http://www.visitquadcities.com).

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## Going Solo to a Convention?

Here are some tips to get a dance partner when you're solo at a convention:

- ✓ Get a "solo" ribbon and wear it everywhere – the dance floor, the vendor area, the snack bar. You never know when someone may see you and realize you're available.
- ✓ Smile. Even if you're sitting out a dance, smile, tap your toes to the music, clap if its part of a dance – in other words, participate from the sidelines. Show that you're enjoying yourself. After all, that's why you came, isn't it?
- ✓ Accept offers to dance. Maybe the individual isn't your first choice, but one dance won't hurt, and you might just end up in a square with someone who does strike your fancy.
- ✓ If you're a lady, dance with another lady if a square needs a couple. The idea is to get on the floor and dance. No one knows if you can dance as long as you sit.
- ✓ Chat with the person you're sitting with. Chat with people in the hall and on the elevator and on a tour bus. Make it easy for someone to approach you and ask you to dance.
- ✓ Know the calls, and know them well. If you don't, brush up *before* the convention. We all make an occasional mistake, but if you break down a square more than once, you'll

find yourself sitting out a lot. On the other hand, it is absolutely exhilarating to have someone grab your hand and say, "Let's dance! I'm ready for a great square!"

- ✓ Last but not least, don't be shy. Remember that at a singles' convention, anyone can ask someone else to dance!

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## 58<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention®

**Long Beach, California June 24, 25, 26, 27, 2009**

**California Dreamin' [www.58nsdc.org](http://www.58nsdc.org)**

**National Press Release #8**

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### **Fashion Show at the 58th NSDC**

Fashion Pick's on Route 66 is going to be a fashion show that you won't want to miss. We have the latest in square dance fashion coming your way and all you have to do is sit back and relax in our fabulous Terrace Theater. The view and acoustics are wonderful from all of our 3,000 seats. Would you like to have a preferred seating pass? Just contact us to find out how we can be found at the 58th National Square Dance Convention Web Site [www.58nsdc.org](http://www.58nsdc.org) under Fashion Show or [Social.FashionShow@58NSDC.org](mailto:Social.FashionShow@58NSDC.org) Limit one per customer. So, take a break Saturday morning and pick out what you'll want for that special dance date you have on your personal calendar. Don't forget to bring that partner who just might want to pick out a special surprise for you. We are so looking forward to seeing you there, we have gathered more door prizes than you can imagine. Don't forget, Saturday June 27, 2009 at 11:00 A.M. in the Terrace Theatre. We're saving a really comfy seat for you. Be sure to mark your calendar.

### **Raffle at the 58th NSDC**

Would you like a new Chevrolet HHR? It's that mod/retro vehicle that you see other folks driving around town. It could be yours if you win the great raffle that the 58th National Square Dance Convention® is holding. The winner need not be present to win. The grand prize is a 2009 Chevrolet HHR vehicle (or \$15,000 cash). The other prizes are a Panama Canal Cruise (or \$5,000 cash), a 58-inch flat panel HD television (or \$4,000 cash) and a digital camera and accessories (or \$500 cash). Tickets are \$20 each. The drawing for the winners will be held during our closing ceremonies on June 27, 2009. Contact anyone on the 58th Board (the "SurfBoard") to purchase tickets.



## **Exhibitions at the 58th NSDC**

The 2009 Exhibition Committee wants you to be prepared to be entertained! Fifteen dynamic groups have been assembled for the 58th National Square Dance Convention. Two groups absent for a while--the River City Cloggers and the River City Riders (complete with HORSES!) from Oregon--are returning to the line up. Gold Rush, a youthful group from the Sacramento area, is making its debut at a National Convention. Contra, square and round dancers and Cloggers from Texas, Colorado, Oklahoma, Washington, New Jersey, and, of course, California complete the assembly. Watch tap square dancers, dancing dolls, old-time performances, and history repeated. All of this is free as part of your admission to the Convention! Look for the exhibitions in the Arena on Thursday, Friday and Saturday afternoons, as well as during the Ghost Rider Band breaks. One of our returning groups will also take part in the Friday evening ceremony. As usual, the complete schedule with all times and any venue changes will be in your daily program schedule. But, wait! Pocket sized, yellow card stock schedules will also be available you can quickly and easily locate your favorite groups. Look for them throughout the convention center. So, plan to come to the National Convention, rest those tired feet and be entertained!

## **Tree Dedication Ceremony at the 58th NSDC**

On Thursday, June 25, 2009 the 58th National will honor Carl & Varena Anderson, the General Chairman of the 1<sup>st</sup> National Square Dance Convention® which was held in Riverside, California 58 years ago. A tree will be dedicated to their memory. This ceremony will be a special one. It will be the last in a series of tree dedications which was begun in Riverside in 2001 as part of the 50th National Square Dance Convention®. The ceremony will be held at 10:00 a.m., on the Terrace Theater Patio. The tree dedication ceremony is always very special. This one will be extra special as it will be the very last tree dedication ever. The General Chairman from the 13th NSDC (1964) will be present as the Triplets and Hutchisons unveil the tree dedication plaque. You won't want to miss it.

## **Ya Shoulda Been There**

The benefit dance that was held on January 18th was "vintage Oxendine." Thanks, Tony, for a fantastic dance. The turnout was tremendous ... filled the hall and the overflow hall. Wonderful calling, beautiful singing, and lots of fun. You will get a chance to dance to Tony Oxendine and several hundred other callers at the 58th NSDC... be there!!!

## Cruise after the 58th NSDC

This special 7-day Mexican Riviera cruise, on Carnival's newest ship, features stops in three ports of call. Boarding the Carnival Splendor will be next to the Queen Mary. Randy and Dee Dee Dougherty will be doing the calling just in case you didn't get enough square dancing in Long Beach. Price for the cruise has just been lowered again by \$116. Check our website [www.58nsdc.org](http://www.58nsdc.org) for more details and pictures of the staterooms.

## Tour Opportunities While at the 58th NSDC

The Social & Special Events Chairman and all their wonderful helpers have scoured the "southland" looking for great tours to make your "California Dream in, adventure" more enjoyable. They have found many wonderful tour opportunities. You can see them online at [www.58nsdc.org](http://www.58nsdc.org) Some of the tours: Disneyland® Park & Disney's California Adventure® Park; Knott's Berry Farm; LA Fashion & Jewelry Districts; The Getty Museum; Catalina Island; Dolphin & Whale Watching Harbor Cruise. And, of course, the big one: The Post-Convention Mexican Riviera Cruise. Learn all about the many tours by logging onto the website.

## 58th NSDC Program Book

The Convention Program Book is one item that you want to leave the convention with. It will have information on when and where to dance Square, Round, country western, clog or contra dancing and also where the callers, cuers or instructors will be. You will find a schedule for the wonderful Educational program we have planned. Also included is a layout of the Convention Center showing who and where the vendors will be for your shopping pleasure; the committees that put this convention together; exhibitions and fashion show; planned ceremonies; plus information on the 59th National Square Dance Convention® in Louisville, KY in 2010. You are encouraged to place your order for the Program Book, which includes the three (3) dailies ASAP. Simply use a registration form to order your Program Book; you save money and you are guaranteed a copy. Very few will be available at Ways & Means so, order it now. At the same time, you may also order other items that you have not previously ordered.

## 58th NSDC Registration Update

At press time, there are 3,205 registered for the 58th NSDC. Dancers from almost every state and 12 foreign countries are planning to come to Long Beach. Don't you miss out on this fun, fellowship and fitness, all set to music! It's only \$50 for the entire convention. But the price goes up to \$60 on June 1st. REGISTER NOW! **Emergency Phone Number at the 58th NSDC (562-628-8400)** Give this number to your family in case they need to reach you for an emergency. This phone number is a direct line to the "main" Convention Security Personnel. The Convention Security will have direct contact with the Square Dance Security Force using 2-

way radios. This number will be active beginning Monday, June 22, 2009. This is not a convention information phone number; it's an emergency number. Hopefully, you will never need these folks, but if you do, they are only a call away.

### The "Beach Buoys" at the 58th NSDC

At long last the 58th National Square Dance Convention® can identify the members of its infamous "Beach Buoys" quartet. The group, which will perform at the 58th Opening Ceremony, will feature nationally-known callers Mike Seastrom, Ken Bower, Tony Oxendine, and Wade Driver. Their appearance will definitely be the highlight of the ceremony and worth the price of admission, which, of course, is free, as it's included in your admission price!

**Make plans now to come to Long Beach, California, in June, 2009 for the "Greatest Square Dance Event in the World."**

**58<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION®**

June 24 – 27, 2009

Long Beach, California

### What? Competitions at the 58<sup>th</sup> NSDC? YES!

Greetings, fellow dancers. You know what goes on at the National Square Dance Convention, don't you? Right, all the different types of dancing, the exhibitions, the seminars, the clinics, the fashion show, and all the rest. WELL.... There's something **NEW** this year! And **very** exciting! For the first time, there will be **SQUARE DANCE COMPETITIONS**. We will have separate competitions for adults and for youths. There's no extra charge, but you **must** pre-register for the competition. So don't wait.

This was just announced, and we don't have all the details, but I can tell you that the competition will be PLUS, I can tell you there will be medals awarded, and I can tell you that the competitions will be in the big hall so all the other dancers can watch.

Just checking.... Are you registered for the 58<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention® yet? Well, there are only about 4 months to go. It's in Long Beach, California. So why not make Long Beach your vacation destination this year?

Registration is easy. It's only \$50 per person for the entire 4 days of fun and dancing. But the price goes up to \$60 on June 1<sup>st</sup>. So register now and save a few dollars. Log onto our web site: [www.58nsdc.org](http://www.58nsdc.org) for registration form and details.

We'll have more publicity releases coming out soon and you can check the web site, [www.58nsdc.org](http://www.58nsdc.org) in a few days for all the skinny on the competitions.

See you in **Long Beach!!!!!!!!!!**



### 2008 ARTS ANNUAL REPORT



#### Mission

ARTS continues to pursue its mission to generate public awareness and promote growth and acceptance of contemporary Square, Round, and Traditional Folk Dance by encouraging and assisting a coalition of allied dance groups. The ARTS will provide the leadership and resources necessary to create an achievable marketing program. The ARTS will encourage, promote, and support healthy lifestyles through dance programs and events which provide fun and effective exercise for both mind and body, all within a unique system of social interactions.

#### Cooperation

In an effort to achieve this ambitious mission unprecedented cooperation has been established among the leadership of the Dance community.

- - An unprecedented atmosphere of cooperation, collaboration, and communications has been created by bringing together CALLERLAB, CONTRALAB, the International Association of Gay Square Dance Clubs (IAGSDC), the National Executive Committee of the National Square Dance Convention® (NEC), the National Square Dance Campers Associations (NSDCA), ROUNDALAB, the Single Square Dancers USA (SSDUSA), The United Square Dancers of America (USDA), the USAWest Square Dance Convention® (USAWest), to establish the Alliance of Round, Traditional, and Square-Dance, Inc. – ARTS - Dance Governing Board.

- - In addition to the Governing Board organizations, the ARTS has brought together a number of influential organizations to form the ARTS Auxiliary Governing Board. Organizations which have affiliated with the ARTS include the following: US Handicapable Square Dance Association,

Kentucky Dance Foundation, Lloyd Shaw Foundation, National Association of Square and Round Dance Suppliers, and Square Dance Foundation of New England.

- - Additionally, there have been more than one hundred Individual and Associate (clubs, associations, etc.)

## **Members**

- - The ARTS web site has been established at [www.arts-dance.org](http://www.arts-dance.org) to provide a wide variety of information to those interested in the activities of this organization. The web site includes information on all aspects of the ARTS. Mission Statement, Development Initiatives, Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, Minutes of ARTS meetings, Members, Contributors, and links to each of the Governing Board member organizations. As new achievements are accomplished by the ARTS, the information is posted on the ARTS website.

- - The ARTS has teamed with YTB Travel to offer a way for dancers to book travel (transportation, hotels, rental cars, cruises, etc.) on line. The cost for online bookings is comparable to other online travel services. A small portion of the cost is donated back to the activity through the ARTS. Please visit the ARTS-Dance Travel RTS site at: [www.arts-dancetravel.com](http://www.arts-dancetravel.com)

- - An informational brochure was initially developed in 2004 and has been updated repeatedly since then. This brochure provides information about the ARTS in a convenient tri-fold format. Over 20,000 brochures have been distributed at USAWest Conventions and at the 55th NSDC, the 56th NSDC, and the 57th, NSDC. The recently updated brochure will be distributed in the registration packets at the 58th NSDC in Long Beach CA.

- - An ARTS Email Tree is in development. This Email tree will provide an electronic distribution system which will provide the means for sending information to every dance club which has a Member with Email. There are now nearly 30 Email Tree Contacts who cover over 20 different states. The effort to complete this Email Tree continues. For information about this electronic information system, please contact the ARTS Executive Director at: [ExecutiveDirector@arts-dance.org](mailto:ExecutiveDirector@arts-dance.org)

- - The ARTS publishes a Newsletter, Press Releases, and Ask ARTS articles. The Ask ARTS articles provide answers to questions on a wide variety of subjects submitted by dancers to: Del Reed - 943 Tamarind Circle, Rockledge, FL 32955 or E-mail - [askarts@arts-dance.org](mailto:askarts@arts-dance.org).

## **Operation**

Each ARTS Governing Board Member organization retains their own purpose, mission, and goals, as identified by that organization. Each Member of the Board has the opportunity to exercise their rights through one vote on the issues brought before the group.

- - The operational activities of the ARTS follow the guidelines established in the Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation. The ARTS is an IRS 501 © (3) tax-exempt corporation incorporated in North Carolina. Donations to the ARTS may be deductible on US tax returns. Please ask your tax preparer to verify your status.

- - The ARTS meets three times a year to consider, discuss, and vote on issues brought to the group. The meetings are typically held in February/March, June, and October. The meetings are open to all interested persons. For information or an invitation to any of the meetings, contact the ARTS Executive Director at: [ExecutiveDirector@arts-dance.org](mailto:ExecutiveDirector@arts-dance.org).

- - During the 2008 Fall ARTS meeting in Orlando, FL the Board elected the following officers to oversee the activities of the ARTS for the next year: Chairman Cathy Smith, Vice Chairman, Jim Weber, Treasurer Edythe Weber, and Secretary Jerry Reed.

### **Education**

As an IRS 501 © (3) organization, the ARTS is recognized for its educational benefits.

- - During 2008 the ARTS participated in the Education program at the 57th NSDC in Wichita, KS. This participation included two education seminars: 1) Ready, Set, Go - Tell Us What You Expect from ARTS. This session offered a forum for idea sharing and discussion of projects currently being implemented by the ARTS and 2) "The Race is On" ARTS and the Future of Our Activity. Over the years, ARTS has been watching, listening and researching the state of our dance activity. In this seminar, the results of which will be presented, along with projects being explored to increase participation in our dance activity.

- - The ARTS continues to support Square Dance 101, a comprehensive workbook designed for teachers or youth group leaders who want to teach Modern Western Square Dancing. This package is available through the ARTS web site at: [www.arts-dance.org](http://www.arts-dance.org).

### **Projects**

The ARTS continues to look at projects to help meet the organization's mission:

- - The ARTS has conducted dancer surveys at several National Square Dance Conventions and supported these surveys at seven additional dance events. The results of these surveys are available on the ARTS web site at: [www.arts-dance.org](http://www.arts-dance.org).

- - The ARTS has approved a Recruiting Plan which may be used by any dance group to help increase the number of dancers.

- - The ARTS has established a grant program to encourage various dance associations and organizations to conduct Educational Seminars which would inform and educate their members and attendees about various topics related to the activity and help promote ARTS-Dance. In

addition to the other topics, the seminars MUST also cover who and what ARTS is, its purposes, goals, and accomplishments.

### Resources - Fund Raising

The initial funding needs to be generated by the existing dance community.

- - Several ARTS Benefit dances were held in 2008 resulting in nearly \$10,000 being donated to the ARTS.

- - Individual and Associate Memberships continue to provide financial support.

- - A major donation was received from Playground Area Square & Round Dance Association of nearly \$10,000.

- - A list of contributors is available on the ARTS web site: [www.arts-dance.org](http://www.arts-dance.org).

## Your Source for Ribbons

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

May 22 - 24, 2009 - 55<sup>th</sup> Florida State Convention - Lakeland, FL

November 13 - 14, 2009 - 35<sup>th</sup> Annual West Coast Fall Fun Fest - Bartow, FL

## What's Happening This Week?

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

**Monday** - **Sebring DBD/Advance Dance/Workshop** - Sebring Country Estates Civic Association Club House, 3240 Grand Prix Drive (down the street from Wal-Mart), Sebring, FL -

7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – casual attire - caller: Sam Dunn. For info: 863-382-6792 or [samdunn@samdunn](mailto:samdunn@samdunn) or [www.samdunn.net](http://www.samdunn.net).

**Sun-n-Fun Squares** – Woodland Hall, Sun-n-Fun RV Resort, Fruitville Road (SR 780), Sarasota – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – caller: Burl Lally, cuer: **Pat Hagen**. For info: [midgewebb@cs.com](mailto:midgewebb@cs.com).

**Buccaneer Squares** – Buccaneer Mobile Home Park, 2210 N. Tamiami Trail,, N. Ft. Myers – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Len Siegmann, cuer: Ruth Siegmann. For info: 239-997-7319 or 239-567-1320 or [lenru@embarqmail.com](mailto:lenru@embarqmail.com).

**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. – caller: Howard Cole, Rounds and lines on tape. For info: [hwcole@att.net](mailto:hwcole@att.net) or 239-691-5670.

**Hampton Promenaders** – Hamptons Community, 1094 Hwy. 92 W., Auburndale, FL – caller: **Art Springer**, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred. This is a gated community; the gate closes at 7:00 p.m. If you arrive after the gate closes, there will be a car at the entrance with a yellow flashing light on top. Stop and tell the driver you are there for the square dance and he will open the gate for you. He leaves at 7:45 p.m. For info: [dmountain@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:dmountain@tampabay.rr.com).

**Temple Twirlers** – Barksdale Senior Center, 1801 N. Lincoln Ave., Tampa – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – caller: **Van Coble**, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com) or [pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com).

**Tuesday – J & C Spin-a-Rounds** – Pinellas Park Auditorium, 7690 – 59<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:spinards@tampabay.rr.com) or 727-525-7809.

**Betmar Belles & Beaus** – Betmar Clubhouse 2, Rt. 54, Zephyrhills – A-1 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – A-2 tip at 9:00 p.m. – caller: Marty Van Wart. For info: Russ Bunker 813-780-8036.

**Horizon Village** – 9200 Littleton Road, N. Ft. Myers (south of Shell Factory & west side of 41) – Plus and Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Len Siegmann, cuer: Ruth Siegmann. For info: 239-567-1320 or [lenru@embarqmail.com](mailto:lenru@embarqmail.com).

**Ding-a-Lings** – Rice Creek RV Park, 10714 Hwy. 301S, Riverview – Plus/Rounds – 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – caller/cuer: Allen Snell – square dance attire preferred. For info: 813-677-9179 or [chrounds@capital.net](mailto:chrounds@capital.net).

**R&R Gators** - Alligator RV Park, 6400 Taylor Road, Punta Gorda - Plus/Rounds 10:00 - 12:00 noon - caller: Dave Magee, cuer: Russ Collier. For info: Dave Magee at [phonemoves@juno.com](mailto:phonemoves@juno.com) or 517-646-0402

**Maple Leaf Squares** - Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Hwy. 175 ext. 170, go SW 1 - 1/2 mi. Queensway Bldg, Port Charlotte - ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. - caller: Dave Magee. For info: Dave Magee at [phonemoves@juno.com](mailto:phonemoves@juno.com) or 517-646-0402.

**Woodmere Park** – 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – caller: Red Bates. For info: [redbates@juno.com](mailto:redbates@juno.com), 941-828-0481 or 941-223-0987.



**Sun City Center** - Sun City Center Community Hall, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Room 3, Sun City – Rusty Hinge and Dance – covering Mainstream from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. – covering Plus from 8:30 – 9:30 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 – Mainstream and Plus workshop 7:30 - 10:00 p.m. - Caller: Mike Cox. For info: [suncoastsquares@yahoo.com](mailto:suncoastsquares@yahoo.com).

**Wednesday – Palmetto Palms** – 19681 Summerlin Blvd., N. Ft. Myers – Plus 7:00 – 9:30 – caller: Red Bates. For info: [redbtes@juno.com](mailto:redbtes@juno.com).

**Palmetto Palms** – 19681 Summerlin Blvd., N. Ft. Myers - **C-1** 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. – **A-2** 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. – casual attire – caller: Red Bates. For info: [redbates@juno.com](mailto:redbates@juno.com).

**Camp Inn Grande Squares** – Camp Inn RV Park Community Building, 3455 N. Highway 27, Frostproof, FL – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Sam Dunn, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway – casual attire. For info: 863-382-6792 or [samdunn@samdunn.com](mailto:samdunn@samdunn.com) or [www.samdunn.net](http://www.samdunn.net).

**Betmar Belles & Beaus** – Betmar Clubhouse, Rt. 54, Zephyrhills – Plus/Rounds – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Walter Lougee**, cuer: Ella Bettencourt. For info: Carol Kelly 813-783-7523.

**Strawberry Square Club** – Strawberry Square Hall, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL – MS/Easy Plus Workshop 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., alternating Mainstream and Easy Plus tips 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – caller: **Bob Barnes** – we are pleased to welcome all square dance clubs to join us and banner raid the Wednesday night club. Please call ahead and let us know you are coming. Linda Lynn 813-659-9040; Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry). Dance Center: 813-752-0491

**Strawberry Square C2** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 n – caller: Art Springer. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://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 & Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Dan/Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350 or Nicki Horne 813-707-8905/813-727-6210.

**Strawberry Square C1** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – caller: Art Springer. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://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 & Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Dan/Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350 or Nicki Horne 813-707-8905/813-727-6210.

**Timber Pines Twirlers** – Hwy. 19, Spring Hill – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Bob Bourassa, cuer: Judy Doane – for gate access and directions call 352-688-2995. For info: [foxtrotr@bellsouth.net](mailto:foxtrotr@bellsouth.net).

**Cultural Center Squares** - 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 – Shufflin' Squares** – Lake Ashton Golf Club, Thompson Nursery Road, Lake Wales – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds – 7:30 -9:30 p.m. – caller: Keith Stevens, cuer: Carl Rod – square dance attire optional. For info: [cakitts@hotmail.com](mailto:cakitts@hotmail.com) or 863-326-1046.

**NEW CLUB** – 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](mailto:settarose1@verizon.net) or 727-809-3429 or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429.

**Snobirds Red, White & Blue Dance** – Citrus Park Clubhouse, 25601 Trost Blvd., Bonita Springs – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – caller: Howard Cole, cuer: Mike Alexander. For info: Ada Haskell [amcch@juno.com](mailto:amcch@juno.com) or 239-948-2063 or Sue Melgaard 239-948-7082.

**Charlotte Promenaders** – Port Charlotte County Cultural Center, Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Port Charlotte – ER 7:00 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:45 p.m. – caller: Nick Hartley, cuer: Charlie Hearn. For info: [sqdbird@aol.com](mailto:sqdbird@aol.com).

**Glen Haven Squares** – Glen Haven RV Park, 37251 Chancey Road, Zephyrhills – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. - caller: George Varney, cuer: Ella Bettencourt. For info: George Varney 813-782-0885 or Jackie Geisler 813-782-9818.

**Pine Ridge Promenaders** – Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yds. East of US 27), Lake Placid – Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – caller: Mike Doughty. For info: [danshrm@htn.net](mailto:danshrm@htn.net).

**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 – Beginner 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 &/or Carol Griffin. For info: [peto1936@yahoo.com](mailto:peto1936@yahoo.com).

**Friday – Strawberry Square A2 Dance – Strawberry Night** – Strawberry Square Hall, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL – Squares/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – caller: Gary Brown, cuer: Pat Hagen. Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Don & 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.

**Strawberry Square C2 Dance and Workshop** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 n – caller: Gary Brown/Brown's Bunch. For info: Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Don & Barbara Huff 813-752-2278; Dan & Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350; Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

**Curliques** – Corkscrew Woodlands Park, 21500 Corkscrew Road, I-75 Exit 123, Estero – Rusty Hinge workshop 6:30 p.m., Plus dance 7:00 p.m. – caller: Howard Cole – Rounds and lines on tape. For info: [hwcole@att.net](mailto:hwcole@att.net) or 239-691-5670.

**Woodmere Park** – 3951 Woodmere Blvd., Venice – C1 – 10:00 – 12:00 noon – caller: Red Bates. For info: [redbates@juno.com](mailto:redbates@juno.com), 941-828-0481 or 941-223-0987.

**Spinning Wheels** – Barksdale Senior Center, 1801 N. Lincoln Ave., Tampa – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – 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).

**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 [bobbourassa@bellsouth.net](mailto:bobbourassa@bellsouth.net).

**Snell's Bo's & Bell's** – Largo Community Center, 65 – 4<sup>th</sup> Street NW, Largo – 7:30 – 9:45 p.m. – callers: Allen Snell, cuer: Pat Fiyalko. For info: [settarose1@verizon.net](mailto:settarose1@verizon.net) or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429.

**Sun City Center Swingers** – 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: Mary Wiewiora. For info: [gail3357@gmail.com](mailto:gail3357@gmail.com) or 813-633-1297 (Gail) or 813-633-8780 (Sue).

**Saturday – Buttons & Bows of Venice** – 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., (1<sup>st</sup> right north of US 41, look for Woodmere Park sign on east side) – squares and rounds 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – caller: Nick Hartley, cuer: Charlie Hearn. For info: 941-484-8543 or 941-496-8516.

**Palace Promenaders Pie & Ice Cream Night** – 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Sam Dunn, cuer: Jennie Martin – square dance attire preferred. For info: 863-494-2749.

**Strawberry Square Ph 5 Dance/Workshop Dance** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [lvrds@embarqmail.com](mailto:lvrds@embarqmail.com) or [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://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 & Barbara Huff 813-752-2278; Janet & Art Beauvais 813-786-3553; Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

**Strawberry Square Plus Dance - Strawberry Night** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – ER 7:00 p.m., Squares/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – caller: Gordon Cumming, cuer: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://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 & 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.

**Southeast Association Snowflake Frolic** – Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 East Ocean Avenue, Boynton Beach, FL – ER 7:30 p.m. – Squares/Rounds 8:00 – 10:00 p.m. – callers: Jack Lewis and Scotty Sharrer, cuer: Jerry & Joyce Viola - \$10 per person at the door. For info: 954-484-4553 or [rayelsa@aol.com](mailto:rayelsa@aol.com).

**Sunday** – **Strawberry Square Relaxed Round Dance Party** – Strawberry Square Hall, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL – Phase 2 – 4 – bring finger foods – 2:00 p.m. - ?? – cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: 813-752-0491 or [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry) or [strawberrydance@aol.com](mailto:strawberrydance@aol.com). Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Don & Barbara Huff 813-752-2278; Janet & Art Beauvais 813-786-3553; Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

**Pioneer Village** – Pioneer Village RV Park, 7974 Samville Road (off of Bayshore/west of I-75), N. Ft. Myers – Mainstream/Rounds – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Len Siegmann, cuer: Ruth Siegmann. For info: [lenru@embarqmail.com](mailto:lenru@embarqmail.com), 239-567-1320, 239-940-6121.

**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: George Varney, cuer: Judy Doane – finger foods. For info: [slernner3@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:slernner3@tampabay.rr.com) or 352-666-7433 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 [bobbourassa@bellsouth.net](mailto:bobbourassa@bellsouth.net).

**Huggables** - King of Kings Church, 10337 U.S. 19, Port Richey - casual dress – lessons 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. – Mainstream/Plus 2:00 – 4:30 p.m. - caller/cuer: Allen Snell. For info: 727-809-3429 or 727-809-0323 or [settarose1@verizon.net](mailto:settarose1@verizon.net).

**Orange Blossom Square** – The Villages La Hacienda Center, The Villages – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – caller: Bob Stern, cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: [willowhouse@msn.com](mailto:willowhouse@msn.com) or 352-753-2325.

## West Coast Classes & Workshops

**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.**

February 5, 2009 – **Promenade Squares Beginner Square Dance Class** - Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – 6:00 – 7:15 p.m. – caller/instructor: Dick DeMerritt. For info: [peto1936@yahoo.com](mailto:peto1936@yahoo.com).

February 18, 2009 – **City of Auburndale Two-Step Round Dance Class** – Recreation Department (across from tennis courts), Auburndale – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – cuer/instructor: Carl Rod. For info: 863-651-3292 or [carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com](mailto:carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com).

March 5, 2009 – **Temple Twirlers Beginner Square Dance Class** – Forest Hills Park Community Center, 724 W. 109<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Tampa – 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – caller/instructor: Roland Blanchette. For info: [813-810-5548](tel:813-810-5548)/[flobyington@yahoo.com](mailto:flobyington@yahoo.com) or [813-961-0732](tel:813-961-0732)/[pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com).

## What's on the Calendar?

February 2009

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 - 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 – **Citrus Park 50's Dance – Rock & Roll** – 25501 Trost Blvd., Bonita Springs, FL – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – caller: Howard Cole, cuer: Mike Alexander. For info: Ada Haskell [amcch@juno.com](mailto:amcch@juno.com) or 239-948-2063 or Sue Melgaard 239-948-7082.

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).

## MIKE JACOBS (NEW JERSEY) WEEKEND SPECIAL

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Linda Lynn (for Plus) – 813-859-9040

Dan & Thelma Ogilvie (for Challenge) – 813-752-1350

Nicki Horne – 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210

February 27, 2009 – **A2 Dance** – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Squares/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – tickets: \$6 per person –  
cuer: Pat Hagen.

February 28, 2009 – **Plus Dance** – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Squares/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – tickets: \$6 per person –  
cuer: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin.

February 28 – March 1, 2009 – **C-1 Weekend** – Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Sunday: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. –  
see flyer for details – No pre-registration form

February 28, 2009 – **Deadline for submission of all updates, additions, changes, ads and articles to the West Coast Dancer.** Please limit Club News to 150 words (approximately 15 lines). For info: [evhenning@peoplepc.com](mailto:evhenning@peoplepc.com).

February 28, 2009 – **2010 Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention Benefit Dance** – Stardust Center, 2405 S. Collins St., Plant City, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:45 p.m., Squares 8:00 – 10:15 p.m. – callers: Bill Chesnut and Charlie Pergrossi, cuer: Lisa Wall – cost: donation at door – proceeds will benefit the 2010 Florida State Convention. **West Coast Association dancers are asked to bring finger foods.** This dance is being held during the weekend of the Florida Federation Working Weekend so there will be several out of town visitors at the dance. For info: 850-939-6688 or [pe.miller@mchsi.com](mailto:pe.miller@mchsi.com).

February 28 – March 1, 2008 – **Florida Federation Working Weekend** – **Stardust Center, 2405 S. Collins St., Plant City, FL.** Meetings start at 9:00 a.m. each day. For info: [pemiller@mchsi.com](mailto:pemiller@mchsi.com).

March 2009

March 1, 2009 – **March Jubilee** – Rice Creek R.V. Resort, 10714 Hwy. 301 South, Riverview, FL – usher in March with a dancing afternoon! – featuring Chuck and Gerry Hardy, callers from New York and Vermont and Pat Hagen, cuer from Clearwater – sponsored by the Ding-a-Ling Square Dance Club of Riverview – Early Rounds 2:00 p.m., Squares and Rounds 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. - \$10 per couple. For info or directions: Char Rounds 813-677-9179 or [chrounds@capital.net](mailto:chrounds@capital.net).

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 – **Suncoast Caller & Cuers Association Beginner/Mainstream Dance** – Strawberry Square Hall, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – 2:00 – 4:30 p.m. – callers: members of Suncoast Caller & Cuers Association - \$4 per person. For info: [stocker38@att.net](mailto:stocker38@att.net) or 863-293-5947 or 407-766-5659 (cell).

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

March 1, 2009 – **Deadline for submissions to the April issue of *The Grapevine*.** For info: [thegrapevine@pergrossi.com](mailto:thegrapevine@pergrossi.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. – registration fee for Games – must register as a square - Polk County residency not required – three categories: Mainstream, Plus and Advance. For info: Margot and Keith Stevens - 863-326-9774 or [keithuns@yahoo.com](mailto:keithuns@yahoo.com).

## Chris Phillips (Ft. Lauderdale) WEEKEND SPECIAL

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Nicki Horne – 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210

March 6, 2009 – **A2 Dance** – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Squares/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – tickets: \$6 per person – cuer: Pat Hagen.

March 7, 2009 – **Plus Dance** – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Squares/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – tickets: \$6 per person – cuer: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin.

March 8, 2009 – **Beginner Ball** – 12:00 n – 2:00 p.m.

March 6, 2009 – **Buttonwood Bay Ice Cream Sundaes** – Buttonwood Bay, 10001 U.S. Rt. 27 S., Sebring – ER 7:00 p.m., Squares 7:30 – 9:30 (level unknown) – Singles Welcome – caller: Nelson Wakeman, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: Vern Wright – 863-655-2634.

March 7, 2009 (This is not a second Saturday) – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Luck of the Irish** – Brandon Recreation Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30- 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – finger foods - caller: Dave Buys, cuer: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin. For info: [pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com](mailto:pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com).

March 7 & 8, 2009 – **Stuart Bunch Weekend** – Tony Rotino Center, 5817 Driftwood Parkway, Cape Coral, FL – caller: Todd Fellegly - full C3B (includes both hard C3B and easy C4 Star Tips) – Saturday Sessions: C3B Tips (Floor level, 1<sup>st</sup> Tip Open), 1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. (open Hard C3B Star Tip: 4:00 – 4:15p.m.), 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. (Computer, sign-up required), Hard C3B Star Tip 9:30 – 9:45 p.m., East C4 Star Tips 4:45 – 4:30 p.m. (Open) and 9:45 – 10:00 p.m. (Open); Sunday Sessions: C3B Tips (Floor Level, 1<sup>st</sup> Tip Open) – 1:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. (open Hard C3B Tip: 12:15 – 12:30 p.m.), 1:15 – 3:15 p.m. For info: [president@stuartbunch.org](mailto:president@stuartbunch.org), 863-665-8450, <http://www.stuartbunch.org>.

March 8, 2009 – **Daylight Savings Time Begins** – set clocks ahead (spring forward) one hour.

March 8, 2009 – **Strawberry Square Round Dance Party** – Strawberry Square Hall, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL – Phase 2 – 5 – bring finger foods – 2:00 p.m. - ?? – cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: 813-752-0491 or [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry) or [strawberrydance@aol.com](mailto:strawberrydance@aol.com). Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need



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March 10, 2009 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland St. Patrick’s Dance** – Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – finger food - square dance attire – wear your green! - caller: Keith Rippetto, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [bevanlee@aol.com](mailto:bevanlee@aol.com).

March 10, 2009 - **Ft. Meade Squares St. Patrick’s Day Dance** – City Second Street, Ft. Meade, FL – caller: Clyde Stocker, cuer: Phyllis Glenn Eversen 863-285-8628 or [gfeversen@embargmail.com](mailto:gfeversen@embargmail.com).



Mobile Home Park, 1046 Hathaway. For info:

March 12, 2009 – **Citrus Park Snobirds St. Patrick’s Day Dance** – Springs, FL – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – caller: Alexander. For info: Ada Haskell [amcch@juno.com](mailto:amcch@juno.com) or 239-948-2063 or Sue

25501 Trost Blvd., Bonita Howard Cole, cuer: Mike Melgaard 239-948-7082.

March 12, 2009 - **Promenade Squares St. Patrick’s Day 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. - caller: Dick Demerit; cuers: Jimmy &/or Carol Griffin. For info: [peto1936@yahoo.com](mailto:peto1936@yahoo.com)

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 13, 2009 – **Sun City Swingers Mad Hatter’s Fling** - 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: Mary Wiewiora – finger food and crazy hats! For info: [gail3357@gmail.com](mailto:gail3357@gmail.com) or 813-633-1297 (Gail) or 813-633-8780 (Sue).

March 13, 2009 – **Spinning Wheels St. Patrick’s Dance** – 1807 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – caller: Mike Cox, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [helenm720@aol.com](mailto:helenm720@aol.com) or [jbarnes73@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:jbarnes73@tampabay.rr.com).

March 13 – 15, 2009 – **Sunshine State Pioneers Chapter #018** will be joining Chapter #093 at Three Flags RV in Wildwood, FL. For info: [philurs018@gmail.com](mailto:philurs018@gmail.com) or 813-949-5189.

March 14, 2009 – **Sun City Swingers Annual Used Clothing Sale** - Sun City Center Community Hall, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City – details TBA. For info: [gail3357@gmail.com](mailto:gail3357@gmail.com) or 813-633-1297 (Gail) or 813-633-8780 (Sue).

March 14, 2009 - **Palace** Arcadia, FL – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – Jennie Martin 863-494-2749.



**Promenaders St. Patrick’s Day Dance** – 1627 NE Floridian Circle, 9:00 p.m. – caller: Art Miller, cuer: Jennie Martin. For info:

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, 2009 - **Orange Blossom Squares St. Patty’s Day Dance** - The Villages La Hacienda Center, 1200 Avenida Central, The Villages - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. - caller: Ron Libby/Preston, cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: [willowhouse@msn.com](mailto:willowhouse@msn.com) or 352-753-2325.

March 15, 2009 – **Cloverleaf Leprechauns St. Patrick’s 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. – caller: Bob Bourassa, cuer: Judy Doane. For info: [slerrner3@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:slerrner3@tampabay.rr.com) or 352-666-7433 or <http://www.geocities.com/leprechaun34601/>

March 15, 2009 - Deadline for submissions to the April issue of *American Square Dance Magazine*. For info: [AmericanSquareDance@earthlink.net](mailto:AmericanSquareDance@earthlink.net).

March 15, 2009 – **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– wear your West Coast outfits (the outfits from the 2008 Florida State Convention) . For info: [brassy1012@aol.com](mailto:brassy1012@aol.com) or [Zurhn.shirley@verizon.net](mailto:Zurhn.shirley@verizon.net).

March 16, 2009 – **Temple Twirlers St. Patrick's Day Dance** – Barksdale Senior Center, 1801 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – caller: Marty Van Wart, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com) or [pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.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: [dmountain@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:dmountain@tampabay.rr.com).

March 19 – 21, 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 – **Buttonwood Bay St. Patrick's Day Dance** – Buttonwood Bay, 10001 U.S. Rt. 27 S., Sebring – ER 7:00 p.m., Squares 7:30 – 9:30 (level unknown) – Singles Welcome – caller: Carl Brewer, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: Vern Wright – 863-655-2634

March 20, 2009 – **Snell's Bo's & Bell's Spring Fling Dance** - Largo Community Center, 65 – 4<sup>th</sup> Street NW, Largo – 7:30 – 9:45 p.m. – callers: Allen Snell, cuer: Pat Fiyalko – wear your brightest colors – please bring finger foods. For info: [settarose1@verizon.net](mailto:settarose1@verizon.net) or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429.

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 – **47<sup>th</sup> Iowa State Square & Round Dance Convention** – Iowa State University, Memorial Union, Amex, IA. For info: [ci841@aol.com](mailto:ci841@aol.com).

March 20 - 21, 2009 – **Central Association's (Florida) 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 – there will be singles sections - 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: [courj4720@thevillages.net](mailto:courj4720@thevillages.net). I should have ribbons and flyers soon.

March 20 – 21, 2009 – **47<sup>th</sup> Iowa State Square & Round Dance Convention** – Iowa State University, Memorial Union, Amex, Iowa. For info: [ci841@aol.com](mailto:ci841@aol.com).

March 21, 2009 – **Strawberry Square 30th Anniversary Party** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL - callers: Art Springer and Bob Barnes, cuer: Bob Barnes – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry). Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may

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March 21 – 22, 2009 – **Round Dance Council of Florida Spring Weekend of Rounds** – Stardust Center, 1405 S. Collins St., Plant City, FL – cuers: Ken and Irene Slater – Phase 3 & 4+ weekend of dancing and clinics – weekend package \$75 per couple – partial weekend prices available up to sellout – refundable until day of event – **Saturday:** 9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Warm-up Rounds with Council Cuers; 10:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Clinic/Workshop for all – conducted by Ken & Irene Slater; 12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Lunch provided by the Round Dance Council of Florida; 1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Warm-up Rounds with Council Cuers; 2:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. Clinic/Workshop for all conducted by Ken & Irene Slater; 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Round Dance Council Meeting for Council Members; 7:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Phase 3/4+ Dance conducted by Ken & Irene Slater; **Sunday:** 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Warm-up Rounds with Council Cuers; 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Clinic/Workshop for all conducted by Ken & Irene Slater; 12:00 n – 2:00 p.m. Phase 3/4+ Dance with Ken & Irene Slater; continental breakfast will be provided both mornings. Mail check payable to RDCF to David & Sandy Sturgis, 163 Candlewick Circle, Panama City, FL 32405. Email: FinallyQuilted@aol.com Host hotel: Red Rose Inn & Suites, 2911 North Wheeler St., Plant City, FL 813-752-3141 - \$69 + tax per night – alternate hotel: Holiday Inn Express, 2102 North Park Road, Plant City, FL 813-719-3800 - \$99 + tax per night. For info: [ljwall@comcast.net](mailto:ljwall@comcast.net).

March 22, 2009 – **Strawberry Square Relaxed Round Dance Party** – Strawberry Square Hall, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL – Phase 2 – 4 – bring finger foods – 2:00 p.m. - ?? – cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: 813-752-0491 or [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry) or [strawberrydance@aol.com](mailto:strawberrydance@aol.com). Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Don & Barbara Huff 813-752-2278; Janet & Art Beauvais 813-786-3553; Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

March 23, 2009 – **Harmony Hoedowners Final Dance of the Season** – 3240 Grand Prix Drive (down the street from Wal-Mart), Sebring, FL – caller: Sam Dunn, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: <http://samdunn.net/harmony.htm>

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 or [gfeverson@embarqmail.com](mailto:gfeverson@embarqmail.com).

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March 25, 2009 – **Camp Inn Grande Squares Final Dance of the Season** – Camp Inn RV Park, 3455 N. Hwy. 27, Frostproof, FL – 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds – caller: Sam Dunn, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway – casual dress. For info: [http://samdunn.net/camp\\_inn.htm](http://samdunn.net/camp_inn.htm).

March 26, 2009 – **Citrus Park Snobirds Club Colors Night (Blue & White)** – 25501 Trost Blvd., Bonita Springs, FL – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – caller: Howard Cole, cuer: Mike Alexander. For info: Ada Haskell [amcch@juno.com](mailto:amcch@juno.com) or 239-948-2063 or Sue Melgaard 239-948-7082.

March 27 - 28, 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](mailto:maryloupelz@aol.com) or Penny Green at 863-967-5004/[sgdncfan@aol.com](mailto:sgdncfan@aol.com).

March 28, 2009 – **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

March 29, 2009 – **Crystal Lake Squares Duck Dance - Final Dance of the Season** – Crystal Lake Village, 237 Maxwell Rd., (off US Hwy. 17 - 2 miles north of Wauchula), Wauchula – workshop 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. - Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Clyde Stocker, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway – finger food – square dance attire optional – **dancers are asked to wear bathing suits under their street clothes or bring them to change into as the last tip will be danced in the pool to earn your duck badge. After the final tip and the caller has laid down his mike, he will be tossed into the pool too!** For info: 863-773-6110.

March 29, 2009 – **Cloverleaf Leprechauns Club Picnic** – 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. – caller: Bob Stern, cuer: Judy Doane. For info: [slerner3@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:slerner3@tampabay.rr.com) or 352-666-7433 or <http://www.geocities.com/leprechaun34601/>

March 29, 2009 – **Strawberry Square Classic Sunday Rounds & Pot Luck** – Strawberry Square Hall, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL – Phase 2 – 4 – 2:00 p.m. - ?? – cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: 813-752-0491 or [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry) or [strawberrydance@aol.com](mailto:strawberrydance@aol.com). Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Don & Barbara Huff 813-752-2278; Janet & Art Beauvais 813-786-3553; Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

March 30, 2009 – **Sebring DBD/Advanced Final Workshop & Dance of the Season** – Location TBA – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – casual attire – caller: Sam Dunn. For info: [http://samdunn.net/advanced\\_dancing.htm](http://samdunn.net/advanced_dancing.htm).

March 31, 2009 – **Betmar Belles & Beaus Final Dance of the Season** – Betmar MHP Clubhouse, Rt. 54, Zephyrhills, A1 – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., A2 tip at 9:00 p.m. – caller: Marty Van Wart. For info: Russ Bunker 813-780-8036.

March 31, 2009 – **Betmar Belles & Beaus Final Dance of the Season** – Betmar MHP Clubhouse 2, Rt. 54, Zephyrhills – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – guest callers, cuer: Ella Bettencourt. For info: Carol Kelly 813-783-7523.

March 31, 2009 – **Glen Haven Squares Final Dance of the Season** – Glen Haven RV Park, 37251 Chancey Road, Zephyrhills – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. - caller: George Varney, cuer: Ella Bettencourt. For info: George Varney 813-782-0885 or Jackie Geisler 813-782-9818.



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

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 2, 2009 – **Citrus Park Snobirds Happy Trails Dance** – 25501 Trost Blvd., Bonita Springs, FL – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – caller: Howard Cole, cuer: Mike Alexander – casual attire – share your favorite snacks. For info: Ada Haskell [amcch@juno.com](mailto:amcch@juno.com) or 239-948-2063 or Sue Melgaard 239-948-7082.

## JIMMY LEE (CANADA) WEEKEND SPECIAL

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Don & Barbara Huff – 813-752-2278  
Mary Lee Van Valkenburg (for Plus) – 813-707-1702  
Linda Lynn (for Plus) – 813-859-9040  
Dan & Thelma Ogilvie (for Challenge) – 813-752-1350  
Nicki Horne – 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210

April 1, 2009 – **Strawberry Square Club** – Mainstream/easy Plus – 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

April 3, 2009 – **A2 Dance** – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Squares/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – cuer: Pat Hagen.

April 4, 2009 – **Plus Dance** – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Squares/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – cuer: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin.

April 5, 2009 - **Beginner Ball** – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

April 5, 2009 – **Strawberry Square Beginner/Mainstream Dance** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – caller: Jimmy Lee (Canada). For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

April 5, 2009 – **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 – wear your West Coast outfits (the outfits from the 2008 Florida State Convention). For info: [brassy1012@aol.com](mailto:brassy1012@aol.com) or [Zurhn.shirley@verizon.net](mailto:Zurhn.shirley@verizon.net).

April 6 – 8, 2009 - **36<sup>th</sup> Annual CALLERLAB Convention** – Airport Hilton Hotel, Kansas City, MO. For info: [www.callerlab.org](http://www.callerlab.org) or [Callerlab@aol.com](mailto:Callerlab@aol.com).

April 8, 2009 – **Promenade Squares Easter Bonnet 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. - caller: Dick Demerit; cuers: Jimmy &/or Carol Griffin. For info: [peto1936@yahoo.com](mailto:peto1936@yahoo.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, 2009 – **Strawberry Travelers 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 813-610-7573 or [billdees3@msn.com](mailto:billdees3@msn.com)

April 11, 2009 – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Tax Poor Party** – Brandon Recreation Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30- 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – finger foods - caller: Art Springer, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com](mailto:pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com).

April 11, 2009 – **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.

April 13, 2009 – **Temple Twirlers Easter Parade and Anniversary Dance** – Barksdale Senior Center, 1801 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – caller: Bob Schlenker, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com) or [pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com).

April 14, 2009 - **Ding-a-Lings Final Dance of the Season** – Rice Creek RV Park, 10714 Hwy. 301S, Riverview – Plus/Rounds – 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – caller/cuer: Allen Snell. For info: 813-677-9179 or [chrounds@capital.net](mailto:chrounds@capital.net).

April 14, 2009 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Spring Hat Dance** – Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – finger food - square dance attire – wear your spring hat! - caller: Danny Miller, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [bevanlee@aol.com](mailto:bevanlee@aol.com).

April 15, 2009 - **Deadline for submissions to the May issue of *American Square Dance Magazine***. For info: [AmericanSquareDance@earthlink.net](mailto:AmericanSquareDance@earthlink.net).

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 24, 2009 (Saturday) – **Promenade Squares Annual Club Picnic** – Lake Seminole Park, 10015 Park Boulevard, Seminole – 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. – bring a covered dish. For info: [peto1936@yahoo.com](mailto:peto1936@yahoo.com).

April 24 – 25, 2009 – **51<sup>st</sup> New England Square and Round Dance Convention** – Sturbridge Host Hotel in Sturbridge, MA. For info: [www.nesrdc.org](http://www.nesrdc.org) or Jay and Sandi Silva 603-942-7226.

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 25 – 27, 2009 – **Sunshine State Pioneers Chapter #018** will be joining Hitch ‘n Go Chapter #082 at Theme World, I-4 & Rt. 27 in Davenport, FL. For info: [philurs018@gmail.com](mailto:philurs018@gmail.com) or 813-949-5189.

April 26, 2009 – **Cloverleaf Leprechauns Final Dance of the Season** – 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. – caller: Red Bates, cuer: Judy Doane. For info: [slerrner3@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:slerrner3@tampabay.rr.com) or 352-666-7433 or <http://www.geocities.com/leprechaun34601/>

April 27, 2009 – **Sun-n-Fun Squares Final Dance of the Season** – Woodland Hall, Sun-n-Fun RV Resort, Fruitville Road (SR 780), Sarasota – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – caller: Burl Lally, cuers: Bill Webb or Pat Hagen. For info: [midgewebb@aol.com](mailto:midgewebb@aol.com).

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

April 30, 2009 – **Deadline for submission of all updates, additions, changes, ads and articles to the West Coast Dancer.** Please limit Club News to 150 words (approximately 15 lines). For info: [evhenning@peoplepc.com](mailto:evhenning@peoplepc.com).

May 2009

May 1, 2009 – **Spinning Wheels Anniversary Dance** – 1807 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – 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).

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

May 1 - 3, 2009 – **Sunshine State Pioneers Chapter #018** will be joining Chapters 168/128 at Ocala Sun RV Park in Ocala, FL. Chapter 168 will be hosting the weekend. For info: [philurs018@gmail.com](mailto:philurs018@gmail.com) or 813-949-5189.

May 2, 2009 – **Paul Place Memorial Dance** – City Island Recreation Center (home of the Dixie Squares), 108 E. Orange Avenue, Daytona Beach, FL – 7:00 – 10:00 p.m. – John Swindle, Host Caller – dance to be programmed with Guest Callers and Cuers - Paul Place was a member and supporter of CALLERLAB and the CALLRRRLAB Foundation for 25 years. This dance and the proceeds will honor Paul's commitment to square dancing and calling. Donations will be accepted at the door or can be mailed to Paul Place Scholarship Fund, c/o The CALLERLAB Foundation, 467 Forrest Avenue, Suite 118, Cocoa, FL 32922. Please make checks payable to The CALLERLAB Foundation. All proceeds from the dance will go to the Paul Place Scholarship Fund, which will be administered by the CALLERLAB Foundation. For info: [johncaller@bellsouth.net](mailto:johncaller@bellsouth.net) or [minimercury@embarqmail.com](mailto:minimercury@embarqmail.com).

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 3 – 7, 2009 – **Special Plus Square Dance Week** – Pride RV Resort, 4394 Jonathan Creek Rd., Waynesville, NC – this is the only "Dance Only" week available – no split sessions – dance package ONLY - \$60 per person. For reservations contact Linda or Kristy 828-926-1645. For info: [www.PrideRVResort.com](http://www.PrideRVResort.com) or [www.ThePrideCenter.com](http://www.ThePrideCenter.com).

May 7 - 9, 2009 – **33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Panama City Beach Ball** – Thursday: hot dogs & dance on the patio of the Flamingo Motel, 15525 Front Beach Rd., Panama City, FL – 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.; Friday & Saturday: dance at the Panama City Beach Senior Center, 423 Lyndell Lane, Panama City Beach, FL – callers: Tony Oxendine, Bill Terrell & Darryl McMillan, Cuers: Sandy & David Sturgis – for a full flier or info, please call Darryl McMillan 256-227-0908 or [dmcmillan@aol.com](mailto:dmcmillan@aol.com).

May 7 – 9, 2009 – **48<sup>th</sup> Annual Canadian International Square and Round Dance Convention** – Brock University, 500 Glenridge Avenue, St. Catharine's, Ontario. For info: Ken and Rose Marie Robinson, 54 Kensington Ave.nue, S. Hamilton, Ontario L8M 3H2; [k.j.robinson@sympatico.co](mailto:k.j.robinson@sympatico.co).

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 8 – 10, 2009 – **62<sup>nd</sup> Silver State Square & Round Dance Festival** - Grand Sierra Resort, 2600 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Reno, Nevada – callers: Tim Marriner (South Carolina), John Marshall (Virginia), Dan Nordbye (Arizona), cuers: Kay and Joy Read (Texas and Arizona) - \$40 per person prior to April 7, 2009, \$25 for youth 18 & under; \$45 per person after April 7, 2009 – split sessions available. For info: [silverstatesquaredancefestival@hotmail.com](mailto:silverstatesquaredancefestival@hotmail.com).

May 10, 2009 - **Orange Blossom Squares Mothers' Day Dance** - The Villages La Hacienda Center, 1200 Avenida Central, The Villages - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. - caller: Bob Wilson, cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: [willowhouse@msn.com](mailto:willowhouse@msn.com) or 352-753-2325.

May 12, 2009 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland 50's Party** – Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – finger food – get out those poodle skirts and jeans! - Caller: Allen Snell, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [bevanlee@aol.com](mailto:bevanlee@aol.com).

May 15, 2009 - Deadline for submissions to the June issue of *American Square Dance Magazine*. For info: [AmericanSquareDance@earthlink.net](mailto:AmericanSquareDance@earthlink.net).

May 18, 2009 – **Temple Twirlers 50's Dance & Birthdays/Anniversaries** – Barksdale Senior Center, 1801 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:00 p.m., 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – caller: Van Coble, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com) or [pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com).

May 22 - 24, 2009 - **55th Florida State Convention - "Rock & Roll Time in 2009"** - The Lakeland Center, 701 W. Lime Street, Lakeland, FL – ribbons are \$27 per person until April 30, 2009; they are \$30 per person at the door. Refunds are cheerfully made until the doors open at 5:00 p.m. Friday, May 22, 2009. Cash or checks only accepted at the Box Office. One day ribbons sold at the Box Office. Spectator ribbons are free and can be picked up at the Box Office. For info: John and Becky Cole 386-532-8532 or [jobeco@embargmail.com](mailto:jobeco@embargmail.com).

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May 27, 2009 - **Orange Blossom Squares Armed Forces Day Dance** - The Villages La Hacienda Center, 1200 Avenida Central, The Villages - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. - caller: Gary Brown, cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: [willowhouse@msn.com](mailto:willowhouse@msn.com) or 352-753-2325.

May 30, 2009 (this is not a fourth Saturday) – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Biker Bash** – Brandon Recreation Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30- 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – finger foods - caller: Doc Gray, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com](mailto:pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com).



June 2009

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

June 1, 2009 - **Deadline for submissions to the July issue of *The Grapevine*.** For info: [thegrapevine@pergrossi.com](mailto:thegrapevine@pergrossi.com).

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 6 – 7, 2009 – **Watermelon Festival** – Chiefland, FL. For info: Peggy Ligon 352-377-1828 or Mary Chesnut 352-475-2550 or [grandsquares@bellsouth.net](mailto:grandsquares@bellsouth.net).

June 7 – 11, 2009 - **Silver State Caller College** – Livingston, TX - complete CALLERLAB curriculum, covering all Essential, Important and Desirable topics. Classroom presentation and plenty of "Mike Time" for each student. Instructors: Guest instructors and Nasser Shukayr of Harlingen, TX CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach. Tuition: \$350 per caller. A \$50 refundable deposit holds your place. For info: [nshukayr@gmail.com](mailto:nshukayr@gmail.com).

June 7-11, 2009 -**Maggie Valley Square Dance Vacations** presents **Jimmy Roberson, Jim & Priscilla Adcock, Jerry Story** - Pride RV Resort. 4394 Jonathan Creek Road. Waynesville, North Carolina (I-40 Exit 20 Maggie Valley and Ghost Town) – **Plus Squares & Round Dancing**- Prices are per couple and include lodging, breakfast and dinner daily, after party snacks and dancing morning and night. (Tuesday nights is off for you to explore the area or you may attend our open Mainstream dance.) Casual dress. Air Conditioned!! New Hall with Wood Floor!! 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 pm and check out Friday at 10:00 am. RV Package: .....\$495.00 Plus applicable tax - Cabin Rental Package: .....\$695.00 or \$745.00 Plus applicable tax - Park Model Package: .....\$795.00 or \$845.00 Plus applicable - tax - \$50 deposit for RV Packages • \$100 deposit for Cabin and Park Model Packages. For info: 1-800-926-8191 (Ask for Linda) or [squaredance@pridervresort.com](mailto:squaredance@pridervresort.com). For info: [www.PrideRVResort.com](http://www.PrideRVResort.com) or [www.ThePrideCenter.com](http://www.ThePrideCenter.com).

June 7 – 11, 2009 – **Silver State Caller College** – Livingston, Texas. For info: [nshukayr@gmail.com](mailto:nshukayr@gmail.com).

June 7 – 11, 2009 – **United Kingdom Caller & Cuer School** – St. IVO Leisure Centre, Westwood Road, St. Ives, Cambridgeshire, PE27 6WU. For info: [www.gsi-england.co.uk](http://www.gsi-england.co.uk).

June 11 – 13, 2009 – **50<sup>th</sup> International Squares & Round Dance & Clogging Convention “Dance and Shine in 2009”** – TCU Place, 35 – 22<sup>nd</sup> St. E., Saskatoon’s Arts & Convention Centre, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. For info: Garry & Joan Wacker, [GJ.wacker@sasktel.net](mailto:GJ.wacker@sasktel.net) or 306-374-1747.

June 12, 2009 – **Spinning Wheels Ice Cream Social** – 1807 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – 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).

June 12 & 13, 2009 – **Colorado State Square Dance Association’s 54<sup>th</sup> State Festival** – Greeley, CO – Friday and Saturday. THE THEME IS SAFARI SWING. **FEATURED CALLER JERRY JUNCK & FEATURED CUERS LARRY & ADRIENNE NELSON.** THERE WILL BE A TRAILS END DANCE ON JUNE 11<sup>TH</sup>. REGISTER NOW AND SAVE MONEY, HAVE A CHANCE TO WIN A FREE MOTEL ROOM OR RV PARKING SPACE AS WELL AS RECEIVING FREE

TICKETS TO THE TRAILS END DANCE. YOU MUST BE REGISTERED BEFORE JANUARY 31, 2009 TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THESE INCENTIVES. ONLINE REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE. CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AT [www.squaredancing.com/safari2009](http://www.squaredancing.com/safari2009).

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 14 - 18, 2009 - **Maggie Valley Square Dance Vacations** presents **Darryl Lipscomb & Jerry Story** - Pride RV Resort. 4394 Jonathan Creek Road, Waynesville, North Carolina (I-40 Exit 20 Maggie Valley and Ghost Town) - **A2 Dancing** - 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 dress - Air conditioned!! New Hall with Wood Floor!! - 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 pm and check out Friday at 10:00 am. - RV Package: .....\$495.00 Plus applicable tax - Cabin Rental Package:.....\$695.00 or \$745.00 Plus applicable tax - Park Model Package: .....\$795.00 or \$845.00 Plus applicable tax - \$50 deposit for RV Packages • \$100 deposit for Cabin and Park Model Packages. For info: 1-800-926-8191 (Ask for Linda) Email: [squaredance@pridervresort.com](mailto:squaredance@pridervresort.com). For info: [www.PrideRVResort.com](http://www.PrideRVResort.com) or [www.ThePrideCenter.com](http://www.ThePrideCenter.com).

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June 21, 2009 - **Orange Blossom Squares Father's Day/Pie Night** - The Villages La Hacienda Center, 1200 Avenida Central, The Villages - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. - caller: Don Hanhurst, cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: [willowhouse@msn.com](mailto:willowhouse@msn.com) or 352-753-2325.

June 21 – 24, 2009 – **Roundalab Convention** – Knott's Berry Farm Conference Center/Theme Park, Buena Park, California - \$215 per person includes convention fee, all printed materials and 6 meals (breakfast on your own) – early bird drawing for \$100 refund if registered by 11/20/08 reduced tickets to the me park will be available – room rates: \$104 per night + tax –. For info: [roundalab@roundalab.org](mailto:roundalab@roundalab.org).

June 22, 2009 – **Temple Twirlers Western Round-up** – Barksdale Senior Center, 1801 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus (all singing calls) 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – caller: Dan Wilkerson, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com) or [pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com).

June 23, 2009 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Western Party** – Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – finger food – casual attire – wear your western duds! - caller: Art Springer, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [bevanlee@aol.com](mailto:bevanlee@aol.com).

June 24 -27, 2009 - **58th National Square Dance Convention** - Long Beach, California. For info: 1220 Caleta Way, Palm Springs, A 92262 or [www.58nsdc.org](http://www.58nsdc.org).

June 27, 2009 – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Firefly Dance** – Brandon Recreation Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30- 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – finger foods - caller: George Varney, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com](mailto:pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com).

July 2009

July 5, 2009 - **Orange Blossom Squares Red, White & Blue Night** - The Villages La Hacienda Center, 1200 Avenida Central, The Villages - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. - caller: Bobby Keefe, cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: [willowhouse@msn.com](mailto:willowhouse@msn.com) or 352-753-2325.

July 6, 2009 – **Temple Twirlers Patriotic Dance** – Barksdale Senior Center, 1801 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – caller: Van Coble, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com) or [pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com).

July 12, 2009 - **Orange Blossom Squares Ice Cream Night** - The Villages La Hacienda Center, 1200 Avenida Central, The Villages - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. - caller: Bob Wilson, cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: [willowhouse@msn.com](mailto:willowhouse@msn.com) or 352-753-2325.

July 14, 2009 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Red, White & Blue Dance** – Magnolia Building 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – finger food - casual attire – wear your patriotic colors! – caller: Roland Blanchette, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [bevanlee@aol.com](mailto:bevanlee@aol.com).

July 17, 2009 – **Spinning Wheels Luau** – 1807 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – 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).

July 20, 2009 – **Deadline to submit nominations for West Coast Distinguished Service Award.**

July 21-23, 2009 – **52<sup>nd</sup> International Camporee** – Rayne, Louisiana. For info: [www.nsdca.org](http://www.nsdca.org) or [www.rayne2009.9f.com](http://www.rayne2009.9f.com).

July 22, 2009 – **West Coast Folding/Business Meeting** – Barksdale Center (home of Temple Twirlers and Spinning Wheels), 1801 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa – Folding starts at 6:00 p.m. – Business Meeting starts as soon as the Folding is completed; usually around 6:45 – 7:00 p.m. All Officers, County Reps and Committee Chairman are reminded to forward reports to the West Coast Secretary when they will miss a meeting. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend these meetings. Every club is encouraged to send a representative. For info: [brassy1012@aol.com](mailto:brassy1012@aol.com) or [zurhn.shirley@verizon.net](mailto:zurhn.shirley@verizon.net).

July 25, 2009 – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Luau** – Brandon Recreation Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30- 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – finger foods - caller: Roland Blanchette, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com](mailto:pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com).

July 26 - 30, 2009 - **Maggie Valley Square Dance Vacations** presents **Randy Dougherty & Jerry Story** - Pride RV Resort. 4394 Jonathan Creek Road, Waynesville, North Carolina (I-40 Exit 20 Maggie Valley and Ghost Town. - **Plus DBD Workshop - This will be a learning week for Plus dancers who wish to explore more challenging choreography - Tired of "Plain Old Vanilla"? If so, this week is for you!** - 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 dress - Air Conditioned!! New Hall with Wood Floor!! - 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 pm and check out Friday at 10:00 am. - RV Package: .....\$495.00 Plus applicable tax - Cabin Rental Package: .....\$695.00 or

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July 29 – 31, 2009 – **17<sup>th</sup> Canadian National Square & Round Dance Convention (Halifax National Festival 2010)** – World Trade & Convention Center Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. For info: 902-543-5278 or [rwjibrown@eastlink.ca](mailto:rwjibrown@eastlink.ca) or [www.squaredance.ns.ca](http://www.squaredance.ns.ca) (press 2010 button)

July 31 – August 2, 2009 – **26<sup>th</sup> Illinois Square and Round Dance Convention** – Clarion Convention Center, 5202 Brady Street, Davenport, IA. For info: 309-799-3128 or [bobkristie@mchsi.com](mailto:bobkristie@mchsi.com).



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

August 2 - 6, 2009 - **Maggie Valley Square Dance Vacations** presents **Tim Crawford & Jerry Story** - Pride RV Resort. 4394 Jonathan Creek Road, Waynesville, North Carolina I-40 Exit 20 Maggie Valley and Ghost Town. - **C1 Blast for A2 Dancers! - This week is for A2 dancers wanting to learn as much C1 as can possibly be covered during this week.** - 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 dress - Air conditioned!! New Hall with Wood Floor!! - 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 pm and check out Friday at 10:00 am. - RV Package: .....\$495.00 Plus applicable tax - Cabin Rental Package: .....\$695.00 or \$745.00 Plus applicable tax - Park Model Package: .....\$795.00 or \$845.00 Plus applicable tax - \$50 deposit for RV Packages • \$100 deposit for Cabin and Park Model Packages. For info: 1-800-926-8191 (Ask for Linda) Email: [squaredance@pridervresort.com](mailto:squaredance@pridervresort.com). For info: [www.PrideRVResort.com](http://www.PrideRVResort.com) or [www.ThePrideCenter.com](http://www.ThePrideCenter.com).

August 7, 2009 – **Spinning Wheels Back to School Dance** – 1807 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – 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).

August 7 – 9, 2009 – **50<sup>th</sup> Wisconsin Square & Round Dance Convention** – D.C. Everest High School, 6500 Alderson Street, Weston, WI (Near Wausau). For info: Joe & Phyllis Kretschmer at 715-536-2768 or [jphyllis1@charter.net](mailto:jphyllis1@charter.net) or Bernie and Carolyn Coulthurst at 715-824-3245 or [heretic@wi-net.com](mailto:heretic@wi-net.com) or [www.wisquaredanceconvention.org/2009.htm](http://www.wisquaredanceconvention.org/2009.htm).

August 9 - 13, 2009 - **Maggie Valley Square Dance Vacations** presents **Tony Oxendine & Jerry Story** - Pride RV Resort. 4394 Jonathan Creek Road, Waynesville, North Carolina I-40 Exit 20 Maggie Valley and Ghost Town. - **Plus Dancing** - 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 dress - Air Conditioned!! New Hall with Wood Floor!! - 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 pm and check out Friday at 10:00 am. - RV Package: .....\$495.00 Plus applicable tax Cabin Rental Package: .....\$695.00 or \$745.00 Plus applicable tax - Park Model Package: .....\$795.00 or \$845.00 Plus applicable tax - \$50 deposit for RV Packages • \$100 deposit for Cabin and Park Model Packages. For

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August 14 - 15, 2009 - **20th North Carolina State Convention "Salute to the Troops"** – North Raleigh Hilton Convention Center, Raleigh, North Carolina - all forms of dancing and other activities: Mainstream, Plus, DBD Plus, Advance, High Energy, Rounds, Line dancing, Contra, Education Seminar, Sewing Clinic, Fashion Show, Parade of Clubs, After Parties, Hard wood floors, 14,000 square feet in four dance halls, fully air conditioned - visit web site [www.ncfederation.org](http://www.ncfederation.org) for a downloadable registration flyer (Just click on NC State Convention) - General Chairman: Lesley & Debbie Green (919-598-1104) - NC Federation Publicity Chmn: Paul & Nita Walker (704-782-2616) [Goo627@aol.com](mailto:Goo627@aol.com).

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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: Sam Dunn, cuer: Dick Chase - EVERYONE FREE . – wear your West Coast outfits (the outfits from the 2008 Florida State Convention). For info: [brassy1012@aol.com](mailto:brassy1012@aol.com) or [Zurhn.shirley@verizon.net](mailto:Zurhn.shirley@verizon.net). Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Don & 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.

August 16 - 20, 2009 - **Maggie Valley Square Dance Vacations** presents **Tony Oxendine & Jerry Story** - Pride RV Resort. 4394 Jonathan Creek Road, Waynesville, North Carolina (I-40 Exit 20 Maggie Valley and Ghost Town) - **Plus DBD Dancing - This week is for the square dance enthusiast.) BE WARNED! NO HOLDS BARRED!** - 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 dress Air Conditioned!! New Hall with Wood Floor!! - 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 pm and check out Friday at 10:00 am. - RV Package: .....\$495.00 Plus applicable tax - Cabin Rental Package: .....\$695.00 or \$745.00 Plus applicable tax - Park Model Package: .....\$795.00 or \$845.00 Plus applicable tax - \$50 deposit for RV Packages • \$100 deposit for Cabin and Park Model Packages. ). For info: 1-800-926-8191 (Ask for Linda) Email: [squaredance@pridervresort.com](mailto:squaredance@pridervresort.com). For info: [www.PrideRVResort.com](http://www.PrideRVResort.com) or [www.ThePrideCenter.com](http://www.ThePrideCenter.com).

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August 20 – 24, 2009 – **NORCAL Callers School**, San Jose, CA. For info: Ken Ritucci at 413-734-0591 or [kenritucci@aol.com](mailto:kenritucci@aol.com) or [www.norcalcallersschool.com](http://www.norcalcallersschool.com).

August 21 - 23, 2009 – **Sunshine State Pioneers Chapter #018** will be Chapter 128 at Wilderness RV Park in Ocala, FL. This is a location change; was scheduled at Old Colby Woods Campground. For info: [philurs018@gmail.com](mailto:philurs018@gmail.com) or 813-949-5189.

August 22, 2009 – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Dog Patch** – Brandon Recreation Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30- 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – finger foods - caller: Gary Murphy, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com](mailto:pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com).

August 25, 2009 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Ice Cream Sundaes** – Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – finger food - casual attire – caller Art Springer, CUEr: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [bevanlee@aol.com](mailto:bevanlee@aol.com).

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September 3 – 6, 2009 – **39th National Singles Dance-A-Rama** – 5202 Brady Street, Davenport, IA – callers: Bill Harrison (MD), Matt Worley (VA), Mike Hogan (NE), Ken Burke (IN), Curt Braffet (IL), Don & Doug Sprosty (IA), cuers: Adrienne & Larry Nelson (IA), Tony Speranzo (TX), Natalie Sprosty (IA), Lines: Joe Saffel (IA), For info: [dar2008@ssdusa.org](mailto:dar2008@ssdusa.org) for general questions; [reg2009@ssdusa.org](mailto:reg2009@ssdusa.org) for registration questions.

September 4, 2009 – **Spinning Wheels Labor Day Dance** – 1807 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – 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).

September 6, 2009 - **Orange Blossom Squares Patriot Day** - The Villages La Hacienda Center, 1200 Avenida Central, The Villages - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. - caller: Bobby Keefe, cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: [willowhouse@msn.com](mailto:willowhouse@msn.com) or 352-753-2325.

September 11 – 13, 2009 – **Sunshine State Pioneers Chapter #018** will be joining Chapter 093 at Blueberry Hill RV in Bushnell, FL. For info: [philurs018@gmail.com](mailto:philurs018@gmail.com) or 813-949-5189.

September 11 – 12, 2009 – **Advanced Square Dancing Weekend** – Pride RV Resort, I-40, Exit 20, Maggie Valley, NC – C-1 Star Tip at each session – dance package only \$50 per couple – caller: Jerry Story – camping, cabbies and park models available with square dancer discounts. For reservations call 800-926-8191. For info: [www.PrideRVResort.com](http://www.PrideRVResort.com) or [www.ThePrideCenter.com](http://www.ThePrideCenter.com).

September 13 - 17, 2009 - **Maggie Valley Square Dance Vacations** presents **Bob Asp, Curt Braffet, and Jerry Story** - Pride RV Resort. 4394 Jonathan Creek Road, Waynesville, North Carolina (I-40 Exit 20 Maggie Valley and Ghost Town). - "**Plus**" **Dancing** - 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 dress Air Conditioned!! New Hall with Wood Floor!! 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 pm and check out Friday at 10:00 am. - RV Package: .....\$495.00 Plus applicable tax Cabin Rental package: .....\$695.00 or \$745.00 Plus applicable tax Park Model Package: .....\$795.00 or \$845.00 Plus applicable tax - \$50 deposit for RV Packages • \$100 deposit for Cabin and Park Model Packages. For info: 1-800-926-8191 (Ask for Linda) Email: [squaredance@pridervresort.com](mailto:squaredance@pridervresort.com). For info: [www.PrideRVResort.com](http://www.PrideRVResort.com) or [www.ThePrideCenter.com](http://www.ThePrideCenter.com).

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September 17 – 19, 2009 – **38<sup>th</sup> Annual GSSDA Convention** – Macon Centreplex Coliseum & Convention Centre, 200 Coliseum Drive (Exit 2 off I-16), Macon, GA – advanced two-day tickets \$20 per person; advanced Friday or Saturday split tickets \$12 per person; two-day at the door tickets \$25 per person; split tickets for Friday or Saturday at the door \$15 per person – 17 & under with square dance family – FREE – spectators \$1 per person – RV parking at Coliseum lot will have a designated location – parking courtesy of GASSDA. For info: [www.gssda.com](http://www.gssda.com) or 912-437-8273. Mail registrations to Nancy Feek, 111 Lake St., Rockmart, GA 30153, 770-684-6661, [nifeek103@wmconnect.com](mailto:nifeek103@wmconnect.com).

September 17 – 19, 2009 – **Inaugural Kentucky Square & Round Dance Convention** – Lexington Convention Center, 430 West Vine Street, Lexington, KY. For info: 502-803-5719 or [deerdancer55@yahoo.com](mailto:deerdancer55@yahoo.com).

September 18, 2009 – **West Coast Folding/Business Meeting** – Barksdale Center (home of Temple Twirlers and Spinning Wheels), 1801 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa – Folding starts at 6:00 p.m. – Business Meeting starts as soon as the Folding is completed; usually around 6:45 – 7:00 p.m. All Officers, County Reps and Committee Chairman are reminded to forward reports to the West Coast Secretary when they will miss a meeting. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend these meetings. Every club is encouraged to send a representative. For info: [brassy1012@aol.com](mailto:brassy1012@aol.com) or [zurhn.shirley@verizon.net](mailto:zurhn.shirley@verizon.net).

September 19 - 20, 2009 - **Nebraska State Convention** – Adams County Fair Grounds, Hastings, NE. For info: bcnu@gpcom.net or [nstairs@hotmail.com](mailto: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 – wear your West Coast outfits (the outfits from the 2008 Florida State Convention). For info: [brassy1012@aol.com](mailto:brassy1012@aol.com) or [Zurhn.shirley@verizon.net](mailto:Zurhn.shirley@verizon.net). Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Don & 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.

September 20 - 24, 2009 - **Maggie Valley Square Dance Vacations** presents **Johnny Preston & Jerry Story** - Pride RV Resort. 4394 Jonathan Creek Road, Waynesville, North Carolina - I-40 Exit 20 Maggie Valley and Ghost Town. - **A2 Dancing** - 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 dress - Air conditioned!! New Hall with Wood Floor!! - 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 pm and check out Friday at 10:00 am. - RV Package: .....\$495.00 Plus applicable tax - cabin Rental Package: .....\$695.00 or \$745.00 Plus applicable tax - Park Model Package: .....\$795.00 or \$845.00 Plus applicable tax - \$50 deposit for RV Packages • \$100 deposit for Cabin and Park Model Packages. For info: 1-800-926-8191 (Ask for Linda) Email: [squaredance@pridervresort.com](mailto:squaredance@pridervresort.com). For info: [www.PrideRVResort.com](http://www.PrideRVResort.com) or [www.ThePrideCenter.com](http://www.ThePrideCenter.com).

September 21, 2009 – **Temple Twirlers Hobo Dance** – Barksdale Senior Center, 1801 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – caller: Van Coble, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com) or [pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com).

September 22, 2009 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Mexican Fiesta** – Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – finger food - casual attire – dress for a Mexican fiesta! - caller: Art Springer, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [bevanlee@aol.com](mailto:bevanlee@aol.com).

September 26, 2009 – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) School Daze** – Brandon Recreation Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30- 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – finger foods - caller: Bob Barnes, cuer: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin. For info: [pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com](mailto:pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com).

September 27 - October 1, 2009 - **Maggie Valley Square Dance Vacations** presents **Tony Oxendine, Marshall Flippo, and Jerry Story** - Pride RV Resort. 4394 Jonathan Creek Road, Waynesville, North Carolina (I-40 Exit 20 Maggie Valley and Ghost Town - **Plus Level Dancing** - 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 dress - Air Conditioned!! New Hall with Wood Floor!! - 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 pm and check out Friday at 10:00 am. - RV Package: .....\$495.00 Plus applicable tax - Cabin Rental Package: .....\$695.00 or \$745.00 Plus applicable tax - Park Model Package: .....\$795.00 or \$845.00 Plus applicable tax - \$50 deposit for RV Packages • \$100 deposit for Cabin and Park Model Packages.). For info: 1-800-926-8191 (Ask for Linda) Email: [squaredance@pridervresort.com](mailto:squaredance@pridervresort.com). For info: [www.PrideRVResort.com](http://www.PrideRVResort.com) or [www.ThePrideCenter.com](http://www.ThePrideCenter.com).

October 2009

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

October 2 – 3, 2009 – **6<sup>th</sup> Annual “Thrill in the Ville”** – (exact location will be determined when number of registrations is known) Jacksonville, FL – Phase 2 and 3 – featured cuers: Kristine and Bruce Nelson - \$50 per couple (no advance split sessions – limited space available - Saturday lunch will be provided by First Coast Rounds. For info: 904-699-7833 – [ljwall@comcast.net](mailto:ljwall@comcast.net) – [www.2FWD2.com](http://www.2FWD2.com).

October 4, 2009 - **Orange Blossom Squares Anniversary Dance/Past Presidents** - The Villages La Hacienda Center, 1200 Avenida Central, The Villages - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. - caller: Bob Wilson, cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: [willowhouse@msn.com](mailto:willowhouse@msn.com) or 352-753-2325.

October, 4 - 8, 2009 - **Maggie Valley Square Dance Vacations** presents **Tony Oxendine & Jerry Story** - Pride RV Resort. 4394 Jonathan Creek Road, Waynesville, North Carolina (I-40 Exit 20 Maggie Valley and Ghost Town. - **Plus Dancing** - 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 dress - Air Conditioned!! New Hall with Wood Floor!! - 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 pm and check out Friday at 10:00 am. - RV Package: .....\$495.00 Plus applicable tax - Cabin Rental Package: .....\$695.00 or \$745.00 Plus applicable tax - Park Model Package: .....\$795.00 or \$845.00 Plus applicable tax - \$50 deposit for RV Packages • \$100 deposit for Cabin and Park Model Packages. ). For info: 1-800-926-8191 (Ask for Linda) Email: [squaredance@pridervresort.com](mailto:squaredance@pridervresort.com). For info: [www.PrideRVResort.com](http://www.PrideRVResort.com) or [www.ThePrideCenter.com](http://www.ThePrideCenter.com).

October 8 – 12, 2009 – **Northeast Callers School** – Manchester, NH. For info: 413-734-0591 or [kenritucci@aol.com](mailto:kenritucci@aol.com) or [www.northeastcallerschool.com](http://www.northeastcallerschool.com).

October 10, 2009 – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) 46<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** – Brandon Recreation Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30- 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – caller: Doc Gray, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com](mailto:pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com).

October 15, 2009 - **Deadline for submissions to the November issue of *American Square Dance Magazine***. For info: [AmericanSquareDance@earthlink.net](mailto:AmericanSquareDance@earthlink.net).



October 17, 2009 – **Florida Callers' Association Clinic Dance** – Strawberry Square Hall, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL – Plus w/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – caller: Tom Miller (Pennsylvania), cuer: TBA. For info: Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Don & 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.

October 17 – 18, 2009 – **Fall Weekend of Rounds** – Stardust Dance Center, 1405 S. Collins Street, Plant City, FL – cuers: Barbara and Jerry Pierce – 5,000 square feet of floating hardwood floor – Phase 3 & 4+ weekend of dancing and clinics – weekend package \$75 per couple – Saturday: 9:30 – 10:00 a.m. Warm Up Rounds with Council Cuers; 10:00 – 12:15 p.m. Clinic for All conducted by Jerry and Barbara; 12:15 – 1:30 p.m. Lunch provided by Round Dance Council of Florida; 1:30 – 2:00 p.m. Warm Up Rounds with Council Cuers; 2:00 – 4:15 p.m. Clinic for All conducted by Jerry and Barbara; 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. Round Dane Council Meeting for Council Members; 7:30 – 10:00 Phase ¾+ Dance conducted by Jerry and Barbara – Sunday: 9:-- - 9:30 a.m. Warm Up Rounds with Council Cuers; 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Clinic for all conducted by Jerry and Barbara; 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. Phase 3/4+ Dance with Jerry and Barbara – continental breakfast will be provided both mornings – Hotels: Red Rose Inn & Suites (Host Hotel), 2011 N. Wheeler St., 813-752-3141 - \$79 + tax per night; Holiday Inn Express, 2102 N. Park Road, 813-719-3800, \$112 + tax per night – partial weekend prices available up to sellout – refundable until day of event mail check payable to RDCF to Ken and Joanne Helton, P. O. Box 97, Yalaha, FL 3417-97-0097. For info: [ljwall@comcast.net](mailto:ljwall@comcast.net).

October 22 - 25, 2009 – **Sunshine State Pioneers Chapter #018** will be at the State Camporee at Blueberry Hill RV in Bushnell, FL. For info: [philurs018@gmail.com](mailto:philurs018@gmail.com) or 813-949-5189.

October 22 – 25, 2009 – **Florida Camporee** – Blueberry Hill RV Park, Bushnell, FL. For info: [johnide@embargmail.com](mailto:johnide@embargmail.com).

October 23 – 24, 2009 – **30th Florida Singles Single – Rama** – Kenilworth Lodge, Sebring, FL – caller: Sam Dunn, cuer: Lisa Wall. For info: [sqdnxfan@aol.com](mailto:sqdnxfan@aol.com).

October 24, 2009 – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Halloween Dance** – Brandon Recreation Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30- 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – finger foods – caller/cuer: Mike Cox. For info: [pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com](mailto:pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com).

October 25, 2009 - **Orange Blossom Squares Halloween Dance** - The Villages La Hacienda Center, 1200 Avenida Central, The Villages - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. - caller: Dee Dee Dougherty, cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: [willowhouse@msn.com](mailto:willowhouse@msn.com) or 352-753-2325.

October 26, 2009 – **Temple Twirlers Halloween & Birthdays/Anniversaries** – Barksdale Senior Center, 1801 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – caller: Doc Gray, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com) or [pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com).

October 30, 2009 – **Spinning Wheels Halloween Dance** – 1807 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – 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).

October 30-31, 2009 - **2009 NWFSARDA 35th Annual Round Up** - DeFuniak Springs Community Center 361 N. 10th Street, Defuniak Springs, Florida – Featuring Tom Miller and Northwest Florida Callers Berlon Graham, Ted Kennedy, Bob Poyner and Cuer: Sandy Sturgis – Friday: Costume Contest, 7:00 – 7:45 p.m. Early Rounds & Squares, 8:00 – 10:30 Squares & Rounds (Mainstream/Plus/Advanced) – Saturday: 9:45 a.m. – NWFSARDA meeting, 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. Roundup cookout, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. Workshops – Rounds (Mainstream/Plus/Intro Advanced – Saturday Evening: 7:00 – 7:45 Early Rounds & Squares, 8:00 – 10:30 Squares & Rounds (Mainstream/Plus/Advanced – Best Western 850-892-5111 – Best Value Inn 850-892-3125 – Sunset King

Campground 800-774-5454 – Super 8 850-892-1333. For info: Muriel 850-549-5517 [murielrsvpsrc@mchsi.com](mailto:murielrsvpsrc@mchsi.com); Paul & Cheryl 850-939-6688 or Dave 850-455-5160.

November 2009

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

November 2, 2009 – **Hampton Promenaders First Dance of the Season** – Hamptons Community, 1094 Hwy. 92 W., Auburndale, FL. For info: [dmountain@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:dmountain@tampabay.rr.com).

November 5, 2009 – **Strawberry Club First Dance of the Season** – Strawberry Square Hall, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – Mainstream/easy Plus – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Gary Brown. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

November 6, 2009 – **Spinning Wheels Veterans' Day Dance** – 1807 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – 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).

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

November 8, 2009 – **MacDonald Benefit Dance** – Strawberry Square Hall, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL – 1:30 – 4:00 p.m. – callers donating their time: Art Springer, Sam Dunn, Bob Barnes, cuers donating their time: Charlie Lovelace, Jimmy and Carol Griffin and Pat Hagen. For info: [flobyington@yahoo.com](mailto:flobyington@yahoo.com) or [grannyola@aol.com](mailto:grannyola@aol.com).

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](mailto:anndonslocum@juno.com).

November 14, 2008 – **Strawberry Square A2 First Dance of the Season** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – caller: Bob Barnes. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry).

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November 15 – 19, 2009 – **Poconos Caller School** – Lake Harmony/White Haven, PA. For info: 732-249-2086 or [ugottadance.eboard.com](http://ugottadance.eboard.com).

November 18, 2009 – **West Coast Folding/Business Meeting** – Barksdale Center (home of Temple Twirlers and Spinning Wheels), 1801 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa – Folding starts at 6:00 p.m. – Business Meeting starts as soon as the Folding is completed; usually around 6:45 – 7:00 p.m. All Officers, County Reps and Committee Chairman are reminded to forward reports to the West Coast Secretary when they will miss a meeting. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend these meetings. Every club is encouraged to send a representative. For info: [brassy1012@aol.com](mailto:brassy1012@aol.com) or [zurhn.shirley@verizon.net](mailto:zurhn.shirley@verizon.net).

November 19 – 23, 2009 - **Silver State Caller College** – Livingston, TX - complete CALLERLAB curriculum, covering all Essential, Important and Desirable topics. Classroom presentation and plenty of "Mike Time" for each student.

Instructors: Guest instructors and Nasser Shukayr of Harlingen, TX CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach. Tuition: \$350 per caller. A \$50 refundable deposit holds your place. For info: [nshukayr@gmail.com](mailto:nshukayr@gmail.com).

November 20, 2009 – **Spinning Wheels Thanksgiving Dance** – 1807 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – 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).

November 20 – 21, 2009 – **Northwest Association's Fall Festival – "Walk on the Wild Side"** – Jacksonville, FL – caller: Tom Roper, cuers: Joanne & Ken Helton. For info: Sam & Mary Starling at 904-786-3311.

November 20 – 21, 2009 – **36<sup>th</sup> Annual Turkey Strut** – Grand Hotel & Resort, Pigeon Forge, TN – callers: Jerry Story, Tony Oxendine, Bob Baier, Jerry Biggerstaff; cuers: Bev and Bob Casteel, Glen & Rosalee Kelley. For info: [www.turkeystrutsquaredance.com](http://www.turkeystrutsquaredance.com) or [jjbigger@charger.net](mailto:jjbigger@charger.net)

November 21, 2009 – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Turkey Trot** – Brandon Recreation Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30- 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – finger foods - caller: SusanElaine Packer, cuer: Pat Hagen. For info: [pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com](mailto:pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com).

November 23, 2009 – **Temple Twirlers Thanksgiving Dance** – Barksdale Senior Center, 1801 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – caller: Sharon Short, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com) or [pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com).

November 24, 2009 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Pie Night** – Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire – caller Art Springer, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [bevanlee@aol.com](mailto:bevanlee@aol.com).

November 30, 2009 – **Strawberry Square Sunday Classic Rounds (and Pot Luck)** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – Phases 2 – 4+ - 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. – cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry](http://www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry). If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Don & Barbara Huff 813-752-2278; Janet & Art Beauvais 813-786-3553; Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

## December 2009

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December 1, 2009 – **Deadline for submissions to the January 2010 issue of *The Grapevine***. For info: [thegrapevine@pergrossi.com](mailto:thegrapevine@pergrossi.com).

December 11, 2009 – **Spinning Wheels Toys for Tots Dance** – 1807 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – caller: Art Springer and Mike Cox, cuer: Charlie Lovelace and Mike Cox. For info: [helenm720@aol.com](mailto:helenm720@aol.com) or [jbarnes73@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:jbarnes73@tampabay.rr.com).

December 14, 2009 – **Temple Twirlers Christmas Party – Installation of 2010 Officers – Birthdays/Anniversaries** – Barksdale Senior Center, 1801 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – caller: Sharon Short, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:mlewis87@tampabay.rr.com) or [pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:pwoodlief@tampabay.rr.com).

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For info: [AmericanSquareDance@earthlink.net](mailto:AmericanSquareDance@earthlink.net).

December 19, 2009 – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Snowflake Ball** – Brandon Recreation Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30- 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – finger foods - caller: Dave Buys, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com](mailto:pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com).

December 22, 2009 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Christmas Dance** – Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – finger food – square dance attire – wear your Christmas colors! - caller Art Springer, cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: [bevanlee@aol.com](mailto:bevanlee@aol.com).

## January 2010

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: Dave & Shirley Nihart [dsnihart@comcast.com](mailto: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](mailto:johnnysa@aol.com) or 386-428-1496.

January 29 - 30, 2010 - **Lottie's Louisiana Hoedown 8th Annual Square & Round Dance Weekend** at the beautiful Ruston Civic Center in north central Louisiana featuring Lottie Ainsworth and Mike Seastrom calling squares and Patti and Ray Wheelington cueing Rounds - Mainstream w/Announced Plus, II-IV Rounds - Friday & Saturday - 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 401 North Trenton Street (plenty of free parking). For more information, call (318)249-4157 or email [lotTNray@centurytel.net](mailto:lotTNray@centurytel.net).

## February 2010

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: [pe.miller@mchsi.com](mailto:pe.miller@mchsi.com).

February 12 - 13, 2010 – **31<sup>st</sup> 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 Recreation 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: Jack Lewis - cuers: TBA - advance tickets - \$7 each, tickets at door TBA. For info: [www.dixiedancers.net](http://www.dixiedancers.net).

## 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](mailto:JELZY@aol.com).

June 23 - 26, 2010 - **59th National Square Dance Convention** - Louisville, KY. For info: 96 Floyd Street, Carrollton, KY 41008 or [www.59thnsdc.com](http://www.59thnsdc.com).

## July 2010

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

## November 2010

November 12 – 13, 2010 – **West Coast Association 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Fun Fest** – 2250 S. Floral Avenue, Bartow, FL – Mainstream/Plus/Advanced/Phase 2 – 4 Rounds – callers: TBA, cuer: TBA – workshops – evening dances - Grand March – vendors – door prizes – after party on Saturday night - \$18 per person in advance - \$20 per person at the door - \$10 per person Friday or Saturday night after 6:00 p.m. - \$15 per person Saturday all day. Blue light special ribbons will be sold at the 2009 Fall Fun Fest.

## January 2011

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

## June 2011

June 2011 - **60th National Square Dance Convention** - Detroit, Michigan - Great Lakes Great Dancing. For info: [luckyracer@comcast.net](mailto:luckyracer@comcast.net) or [nsfriedlander@comcast.net](mailto:nsfriedlander@comcast.net).

June 30 – July 3, 2011 – **International Association of Gay Square Dancers** – Atlanta, GA

June 2012

June 27 – 30, 2012 – **61<sup>st</sup> National Square Dance Convention** – Spokane, WA. For info: [www.61nsdc.com](http://www.61nsdc.com).

## Links

### Associations/Organizations

<http://www.fcallersassoc.org/> (Florida Callers Association)  
<http://www.usda.org/> (United Square Dancers of America)  
[www.iagsdc.org](http://www.iagsdc.org) (International Assn. of Gay Square Dance Clubs)  
[www.floridadanceweb.com/fassrd](http://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](http://floridadancing.com/html/west_coast_squares.html) (West Coast Assn.)  
<http://ssdusa.org> (Single Square Dancers USA<sup>®</sup>)  
<http://www.nsdca.org> (National Square Dance Campers)  
<http://www.arts-dance.org> (Alliance of Round, Traditional & Square Dance [ARTS])

### Vendors

<http://usda.fundlinklic.com/> (online shopping mall)  
[www.suzieqcreations.com](http://www.suzieqcreations.com) (Suzie Q Creations)  
<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.sheplers.com](http://www.sheplers.com) (Sheplers - the world's largest western stores & catalog)

### Websites

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

## Square Dance Halls

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

## Callers/Cuers

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

<http://web.tampabay.rr.com/jcspin> (Jimmy & Carol Griffin)

## Miscellaneous

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

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