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

January 28, 2010 (this is a Thursday night) — West Coast Folding/Business Meeting — Community Southern Bank, 3440 S. Florida Avenue (1/4 mile north of the South Florida Avenue exit from the Polk Parkway and on the east side of

the road), Lakeland – 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 at sqdance9360@gmail.com 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: lanceandrita@yahoo.com.

February 1, 2010 - Deadline for Extra Mile Award

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

February 5, 2010 - Deadline for submissions to the March 2010 issue of the *Bow and Swing*. For info: rgboyd@earthlink.net

February 6, 2010 – Strawberry Square Flea Market – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – lots of recycled petticoats and dresses for dancers – baked goods table – white elephant table – many outside vendors – tools, crafts, clothes - Food: breakfast sandwiches, coffee, drinks, hamburgers, hot dogs, cheeseburgers and chips. For table rentals, call Pat or Rodger at 813-719-2237.

February 6, 2010 - Sun City Swingers Annual Gently Used

Square Dance Clothing Sale - Sun City Center Community Hall, Room 3, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City – 10:00 a.m. – 12 noon. Square dance clothing for sale should be brought to Room 3 on hangers between 8:45 a.m. and 9:45 a.m. on February 6, 2010. Only items with a 3 x 5 card attached with a safety pin, and with the following information will be accepted: description of item, size and price, your name and phone number. The club will retain 40% of each sale and is not responsible for lost items. Only cash or Florida checks will be accepted. Your proceeds and items not sold should be picked up from Room 3 between 1 and 2 p.m. the day of the sale. Any items not picked up will be donated by the club to charity. For info: call Mary at 813-633-8718 or Judy at 813-633-5551.

From the Editor



The Florida Winter Festival was another success this year; large crowd, good weather, excellent callers and cuers, lots of dancing and worn out dancers by the end of the evening on Saturday!

Next year's Festival will be January $20^{th}-22^{nd}$ with Tony Oxendine, Jerry Story, John Saunders, Jet Roberts and Ken Ritucci on squares and Rey and

Sherry Garza, Carol and Jimmy Griffin and Ken and Joanne Helton on rounds. They ran out of flyers over the weekend and the ribbons aren't available yet, but when we have them I'll pass the word.

The first West Coast Folding/Business Meeting of 2010 will be held this week on **Thursday** instead of Wednesday. There was a conflict with the bank when we tried to schedule the room. This is the only meeting to be held on a Thursday this year; the rest of the meetings will be on our regularly scheduled Wednesday nights. If you're on the agenda to make a report at the meeting but you will not be able to attend, please remember to send your report to the secretary at sqdance9360@gmail.com so it can be read at the meeting.

Health & Sympathy Updates

These postings, and notices for dancers as well as any previous postings, can be found at

www.dancergram.com

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

Dick Chase – cuer in southwest Florida – had a cancerous tumor removed from his lower abdomen last week. No other details available at this time. If you would like to send cards, his address is 513 Crampton Lane, N. Ft. Myers, FL 33903-2607.

Danny Miller – caller in Auburndale – was diagnosed with Adult's Coates Disease in his left eye a couple of years ago and has been receiving injections and lazar treatments. I then went for cataract removal and implant but now they want to do more surgery. From what I could find

on the internet, Coates Disease "is a progressive condition of the retinal capillaries which [usually] occurs in children and young adults, usually males. Commencing typically during the first decade of life, it is gradual in progress and affects central vision, usually in only one eye. (©2010 Royal National Institute of Blind People). If you would like to send cards, his address is 402 Seawane Circle, Auburndale, FL 33823.

Bessie Stovall – past Florida Federation president - thanks you for your prayers, concerns and emails. The procedure went well. The stents that were installed in 2001 were clear. There was one partial blockage in one of the other arteries about 1/4 inch long. She sees the cardiologist February 10th and feels that the valve will be replaced shortly after that. Again Bessie and DeeDee thank you and send their love. (Reprint from Northeast Association's Joys & Concerns 1/18/10)

Stephen **Bigelow** – caller in northeast Florida, shared this update on his wife, **Marie**. "Praise the Lord. A week has come since she was in to the hospital and she is still at home. Marie is on the oxygen machine almost all the time, but she is getting used to it. She wants to try shorter times without it so she can eventually go out without the tanks and go dancing. It is very much appreciated! This next week is a non chemo week so maybe she will have some energy to go out some. Keep your prayers going."

Update as of Monday, January 18th: "Another week started with a doctor's appointment and has gone downhill from there. She went to get a blood gas and a chest x-ray. The blood gas showed that her lungs are not doing their job giving the oxygen to her red blood cells. That is the reason she is so tired and lethargic all the time. Then Dr Buckley called with more bad news. Her red bloods cells are at a critical level and she is getting another blood transfusion on Wednesday. They are also delivering another oxygen machine to the house on Thursday; this one cannot deliver the amount of oxygen saturation it needs to. Its maximum is 4.5 l/m and she now needs 5.5 l/m. Thank you for the thoughts, prayers and cards." (Reprint from Northeast Association's Joys & Concerns 1/18/10)

Update as of Saturday, January 23rd: Marie had 2 units of blood on Wednesday at St Vincent's. The last time she had a transfusion she was up and dancing the next day. It was like an energy boost, but that didn't happen this time. On Thursday she had a High Definition CT scan of her chest to see if they could determine what those three nodules are in the lungs. Friday she and Stephen went to see Dr Buckley and have him stop this chemo. It is causing too many problems. She is seeking a three week break and try a different chemo regime. She is tired of being tired all the time and sad that she cannot dance and see the friends from so many years. Please keep her in your prayers as her battle continues. (Reprint from Northeast Association's Joys & Concerns 1/23/10)

As many of you know, **Jean Lee** (caller and dancer of Cocoa, FL) has been dealing with some medical issues for several months. She's had all the tests the local doctors and hospital have ordered and the decision had been made that she was going to Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville hopefully for a diagnosis, prognosis and treatment plan.

She and Dick had an appointment for Wednesday, Dec. 23rd for an evaluation with the Dept. of Urology. On Dec. 30th, she had a radiology CT biopsy of a lymph gland in her lower abdomen. Although she had hopes to have heard news regarding her tests results, the Christmas holidays and vacation plans of her doctor delayed she and Dick learning of any results until last week.

Jean sent out this message a few days ago. "Well, I heard from the Doctor this evening and now I wish I hadn't. Bad news in that the cancer is back and the source is unknown, so we will go to Mayo next Tuesday for some tests, then see the Doctor on Wednesday and as I understand it also start chemotherapy on Wednesday. This wasn't the outcome that I that we were hoping for but it is what it is. That's all I know for now.

Thank you for your calls, cards, prayers and visits. I truly appreciate all of them. Keep the faith. (Reprint from Northeast Association's Joys & Concerns 1/18/10)

Update as of Saturday, January 23rd: Jean came home from the hospital Thursday afternoon. She will see the cancer doctor next Friday and will probably start chemotherapy soon. She and Dick send along their thanks to all of you for your prayers, caring thoughts and friendship.

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This contact list can also be found at

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Some of you may remember reading about our exciting trip to California last June as we **danced our way across America**. We are Jerry and Donna Robey of Gainesville, Florida where we dance with the Grand Squares of Gainesville under the leadership of our home caller Lonnie Ligon. We are sharing this wonderful adventure because we truly believe in the benefits of dancing with a variety of callers and clubs. This exchange is good for Square Dancing as a whole, and helps to make us better dancers as a couple. The United Square Dancers of America (USDA) have a super program to encourage this exchange. It is called the USA Traveler Program. By the time we returned from the National Square Dance Convention in Long Beach, CA last Summer, we had danced in a total of 40 states in twelve months.

The USDA Traveler Program is designed to promote visitation between dancers in all 50 states. It encourages visitations of square dancers to regular club dances, festivals and state or national square dance conventions across state lines and around the United States. Of course the goal is to dance in all 50 states. A badge and a bar are awarded to the dance couple, at no charge to them, after they have visited at least 12 states. Additional different colored bars are awarded as follows: 12 states – Red Bar; 24 states – White Bar; 36 states – Blue Bar; 48 states – Silver Bar; and finally 50 states; Gold Bar. In addition, any participant who visits 48 or 50 states is awarded paid admission(s) to the next National Square Dance Convention.

This is where our Square Dancing adventure picks up. We had not yet danced in New England and we thought what better time than Fall when the Autumn Leaves are at a peak of color. Using the National Square Dance Directory on line as well as State square dance web sights which we found on the Western Square Dance web site, DOSADO.COM, we were able to build an itinerary which allowed us to dance in all the New England States in a period of less than three weeks. At each stop we were warmly received and offered the hospitality for which square dancers are famous. By the time we returned home from this adventure, we had covered almost 4,000 miles and danced with clubs in 9 more states, bringing us to a total of 49 states in 15 months. And now, with Hawaii being the only state remaining, we are looking forward to dancing at the 45th Annual Aloha State Square and Round Dance Festival in Honolulu Hawaii in January of 2010. We will report on this adventure upon our return.

One of the highlights of our trip to New England was the opportunity to meet many new friends and dance to some outstanding callers. One couple comes to mind, as they too were dancing their way through New England as a part of the USDA Traveler Program. They were Oliver and Andrea Kuester from Dusseldorf, Germany. We actually met up with them and danced together in three states: Newport, Delaware; Westerly, Rhode Island; and Unionville, Connecticut. The Fall colors were reaching a peak the first week of October as we drove through the beautiful mountains of Vermont and New Hampshire. The Fall colors were especially brilliant in the White Mountains of New Hampshire. In addition, we were able to experience history first hand as we visited Washington DC and the capital, Philadelphia and constitution hall where the Declaration of Independence was signed, and Boston where we visited the old North Church and the home of Paul Revere.. Of course, we had to have our Lobster Dinner along the coast of Maine. On our return to Florida, we drove through the outer banks of North Carolina and visited Kitty Hawk where the Wright brothers had their historic flight in 1903.

All in all, this trip was another exciting adventure. We encourage other square and round dancers to include dancing in your vacation plans. It's easy to do, and makes traveling much more interesting and fun as you interact with locals on the dance floor rather than just visiting the typical tourist destinations. This way, you really get to experience America up close and personal through the people you meet along the way.

We will be at the 59th National Square Dance Convention in Louisville, KY this June 23-26, 2010. We hope to see many of you there. As you make the drive to Louisville, we encourage you to connect with other square dancers along the way and begin your quest for the coveted USDA Traveler Award. Happy Dancing.

USDA Youth Scholarship

This is ARTS Email Tree - E-News 2010-002 (USDA Youth Scholarship Application)

The ARTS Email Tree was established to provide an electronic connection to all dancers in the USA. There are plans to expand the Email Tree to include the dancing activity outside the USA.

This ARTS Email E-News release is to provide information we received from Bonnie Abramson & Robert Kamuf, USDA Youth Advisors.

The United Square Dancers of America, the national square dancers organization, has a \$1000 college scholarship available for a youth square dancer somewhere in America. The Founders' Memorial Youth Fund Scholarship is presented each year to a deserving high school senior or college freshman who has shown their dedication to the promotion and perpetuation of the total square dance movement, including square dance, round dance, contra and clogging.

Application deadline for this merit-based scholarship is February 1st. The recipient of the scholarship will be announced in June at the USDA's Annual Board of Directors meeting held in conjunction with the National Square Dance Convention. (Go Louisville!!)

To download a copy of the scholarship application, go to http://usda.org/trifold/ISy0403.pdf

Each application must be signed by the President of the USDA member affiliate from the applicant's geographic area. To find out the USDA organization in your area, please refer to the list found at http://usda.org/affilwps.htm. Applicants will also need a letter of nomination from their USDA organization representative.

Applicants will also need to write a short essay on the topic "the impact square dancing has had on my life" to submit with their application.

If you would like to see a showcase of our past USDA Founders Memorial Scholarship Winners, visit http://usda.org/scholarship%20recipients.htm.

Even more important, if you would like to help the USDA continue this fine tradition of supporting our youth, please consider making a donation to the USDA Founders Memorial Youth Scholarship Fund. A donation form can be found at http://usda.org/Youth%20Scholarship%20Donation%20Form.pdf

Scholarship applications need to be mailed to the following address: USDA Founders Memorial Scholarship, c/o 3039 Bridgeford Drive, Sacramento, CA 95833.

For more information, visit the USDA website at http://usda.org, or contact the Youth Advisory Committee via e-mail at usda.youth.advisor@usda.org.

Thank you in advance for sharing this with dancers in your area.

Bonnie Abramson & Robert Kamuf USDA Youth Advisors

Your Source for Ribbons

This list can also be found at

www.dancergram.com

I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

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

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

What's Happening This Week?

This schedule can also be found at www.dancergram.com

Week of January 25, 2010

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

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

Sun-N-Fun – 7125 Fruitville Road, Sarasota – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Plus Squares – 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates, Cuer: Charlie Hearn. For info: Bill and Marge Webb 941-343-9720 or midgewebb@cs.com or John and Shirley Galik 941-371-3914.

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

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

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

Temple Twirlers Birthdays/Anniversaries – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Callers: Walter Lougee, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Dancers please use the entrance marked "Family Room" near the rear of the main building on the Habana Avenue side. For info: wdfloyd@aol.com or gaylepullara@aol.com or flobyington@yahoo.com.

<u>Tuesday</u> – <u>Buttons & Bows of Lakeland 58th Anniversary Dance</u> – Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – square dance attire preferred – finger food. For info: <u>sqdncfan@aol.com</u> or 863-967-5004.

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

Strawberry Square Line Dancing – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – beginner dances 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. – intermediate dances 8:00 – 9:00 p.m. Leaders: Diane and Jeff Hissong - \$4 per person per session. For info: strawberrydance@aol.com or www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry.

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

Ding-A-Lings — Rice Creek RV Resort, 10714 Hwy. 301 South, Riverview — Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 — 9:30 p.m. — Caller/Cuer: Allen Snell — square dance attire preferred. For info: chrounds@capital.net or 813-677-9179.

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

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

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

<u>Wednesday</u> – *Palmetto Palms* – Palmetto Palms RV Park, 19681 Summerlin Blvd., Ft. Myers – **C-1** 1:30 – 2:20 p.m. – **A-2** 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481 or redbates@juno.com.

Palmetto Palms – Palmetto Palms RV Park, 19681 Summerlin Blvd., Ft. Myers – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – **Plus**/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates, Cuer: Dick Chase. For info: 941-828-0481 or redbates@juno.com.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Heel & Toe — St. Cloud Community Center, 702 Indiana Avenue, St. Cloud — 7:00 — 9:30 p.m. — Caller: Brian Hotchkies (Australia) - \$5 per person. For info: minimercury@cfl.rr.com or 407-339-1499.

<u>Thursday</u> – *Pioneer Village* – 7974 Samville Road, N. Ft. Myers – Mainstream with introduction to Plus 9:45 a.m. – Caller: Len Siegmann – casual attire. For info: Bob Stweart 936-940-6121 or <u>marcy_stwrt@yahoo.com</u> or Len Siegmann at 936-567-1320.

Pine Ridge Promenaders — Sunshine RV Park, SR. 70, Lake Placid — ER 7:00 p.m., Plus 7:30 — 9:30 p.m. — Caller: Danny Miller, cuer: Phyllis Hathaway. For info: danshrm@htn.net.

Charlotte Promenaders – Port Charlotte Cultural Center, 2280 Aaron Street, Port Charlotte – ER 7:00 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates, Cuer: Dick Chase. For info: SQDBIRD@aol.com.

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

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

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

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

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

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.

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

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

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

Curliques – Corkscrew Woodlands Park, 21500 Corkscrew Road (I-75 exit 123), Estero – Workshop: 6:00 p.m., Squares w/taped rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For info: <a href="https://doi.org/10.2007/jwa.neg.10.2007/j

B & S Flutter Wheelers - Bayonet Point Enrichment Center, 12417 Clock Tower Parkway, Bayonet Point, Hudson - ER 6:30 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. - AS tip at 9:00 - relaxed attire June to October - caller: Bob Bourassa, cuer: John Ayers. For info: Bob Bourassa 352-796-8254 or rbourassasr@tampabay.rr.com.

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

Sun City Swingers Nifty Fifties Dance - Sun City Center Community Hall, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Van Coble, cuer: Pat Hagen – dress in 50's attire, if you want to get yourself in the mood. Dancers will provide sandwiches and dessert breads; the club will supply the beverages. For info: gail3357@gmail.com or 813-633-1297 (Gail) or 813-633-8780 (Sue).

<u>Saturday</u> – <u>Buttons and Bows of Venice</u> <u>Hat/Hobo Stew Dance</u> – Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates; Cuer: Charlie Hearn. For info: 941-484-8543 or 941-496-8516 or <u>remsenny@aol.com</u>.

<u>Strawberry Square Phase IV Dance/Workshop</u> - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: <u>luvrds@embarqmail.com</u> or www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry. Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Strawberry Square — Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City — ER 7:00 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:30 — 9:30 p.m. — Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin - \$6 per person. For info: www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry. Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Linda Lynn 813-659-9040, Mary Lee Van Valkenburg 813-707-1702, Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

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

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

Crystal Lake Squares – Crystal Lake Village, 237 Maxwell Road, Wauchula – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Mr. Joy Teagle, Cuer: Phyllis Hathaway – finger foods. For info: 863-773-2026.

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: Roland Blanchette, Cuer: Judy Doane. For info: 352-688-9802 or http://www.geocities.com/leprechaun34601/.

B & S Flutter Wheelers - Bayonet Point Enrichment Center, 12417 Clock Tower Parkway, Bayonet Point, Hudson - A 2 workshop 5:30 - 6:00 p.m. - A 2 Dance - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. - relaxed attire - caller: Bob Bourassa. For info: 352-796-8254 or rbourassas@tampabay.rr.com.

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

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

West Coast Classes and Workshops

These classes are also listed at

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

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

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

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

January 5, 2010 - **Strawberry Square Line Dancing Classes** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – Leaders: Jeff and Diane Hissong. Classes will be held January 5th, 12th, and 26th; February 2nd, 9th and 23rd; and March 2nd and 9th. Beginner dances 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Intermediate dances 8:00 – 9:00 p.m. For info: 813-752-0491 – strawberrydance@aol.com or floridadanceweb.com/strawberry.

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

January 6, 2010 – **Basic and Mainstream Square Dance Class** – Central Park 1, Commerce Avenue (behind Sonny's Barbecue), Haines City – 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. - \$4 per person per session – Caller/instructor: Clyde Stocker. For info: stocker38@att.net or 863-293-5947.

January 6, 2010 – Plus Workshop – Central Park 1, Commerce Avenue (behind Sonny's Barbecue), Haines City – 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. - \$4 per person per session – Caller/instructor: Clyde Stocker. For info: stocker38@att.net or 863-293-5947.

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

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

January 8, 2010 – **Strawberry Square C-3A Teach & Workshop** – 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – 12:45 – 2:45 p.m. – Caller: Keith Stevens. For info: www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry. Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Dan & Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350, Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

January 11, 2010 – Snell's Bo's and Bell's Beginner Square Dance Lessons - Largo Community Center, 65 – 4th Street NW, Largo – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller/instructor: Allen Snell: For info: For info: settarose1@verizon.net or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429.

January 14, 2010 – Buttonwood Bay Beginner Lessons – 10001 U.S. Rt. 27 S., Sebring – 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. – Caller/instructor: Carl Brewer. For info: 863-655-4243.

January 14, 2010 – Buttonwood Bay Mainstream Workshop – 1001 U.S. Rt. 27 S., Sebring – 1:00 2:30 p.m. – Caller/instructor: Carl Brewer. For info: 863-655-4243.

January 15, 2010 – **Buttonwood Bay Plus Workshop** – 10001 U.S. Rt. 27S, Sebring – 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. – Caller/instructor: Carl Brewer. For info: 863-655-4243.

Looking Ahead

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

www.dancergram.com

October 8 – 9, 2010 – **Flamingo Frolics** – Kenilworth Lodge, 836 E. Lakeview Drive, Sebring, FL – Caller: Ernie Rollen, Cuer: Dick Chase. Friday: Early Rounds 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.; 8:00 – 10:15 p.m. – Squares/Rounds. Saturday: 10:00 – 12:00 n – Round Dance Workshop, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Fun Square Dance/workshop, 7:00 – 7:45 p.m. Early Rounds/Grand March, 8:00 – 10:15 p.m. After parties Friday and Saturday nights. \$25 per person in advance for the full weekend; \$30 per person at the door. Split packages at the door. Mail reservation to Mary Lou Plez, 4815 Southland Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32207. Stay at the Kenilworth – lodge: \$79.99; cottage: \$89./99; Efficiency \$96.99. Rates are based on double occupancy, are per night, plus tax and include deluxe continental breakfast daily. Call 1-800-423-5939 for reservations. For info: 321-604-1085 or judy98@netscape.com.

January 20 – 22, 2011 – **Florida Winter Festival** – the Lakeland Center, 701 West Lime Street, Lakeland, FL – Callers: Tony Oxendine, Jerry Story, John Saunders, Jet Roberts and Ken Rittucci; Cuers: Carol and Jimmy Griffin, Ken and Joanne Helton and Rey and Sherry Garza. Thursday: 7:30 – 10:30 p.m.; Friday: 10:00a.m. – 12:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., and 7:30 – 10:30 p.m.; Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., 7:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.; Mail-in rates: \$40 per person; at the door \$42.50 per person; Split-package rates: Thursday: \$12.50 per person; Friday \$22.50 per person; Saturday \$22.50 per person. USA monetary value. Tax included. Parking and Lodging not included. Host hotel: Hyatt Place Lakeland Center – free continental breakfast buffet - free parking – free internet. Additional signature menu entrees are available 24 hours a day. Group rate: \$109+ per night. Reservations may be made by calling 1-888-492-8847 or 1-863-413-1122. You may also book at their website www.hyattplacelakelandcenter.com; use the group code "G-FEST". For info: 386-428-1496 or johnnysa@aol.com.



Associations/Organizations

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

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

http://www.flcallersassoc.org/ (Florida Callers Association)

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

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

www.floridadanceweb.com/fassrd (Florida Singles)

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

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

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

http://floridadancing.com/html/west coast squares.html (West Coast Assn.)

http://ssdusa.org (Single Square Dancers USA®)

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

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

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

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

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

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

Vendors

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

www.suziegcreations.com (Suzie Q Creations)

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

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

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

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

www.sheplers.com (Sheplers - the world's largest western stores and catalog)

www.PerfectPetticoats.com (Perfect Petticoats)

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

Square Dance Halls

www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry (Strawberry Square)

Callers/Cuers

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

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

www.2fwd2.com (Lisa Wall)

www.keithstevens.com (Keith Stevens)

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