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October 1, 2010 – Deadline for submissions to the November 2010 American Square Dance magazine. For info: americansquaredance@gmail.com.

October 5, 2010 - Deadline for submissions to the November 2010 issue of the *Bow and Swing*. For info: <u>bowandswing@gmail.com</u>

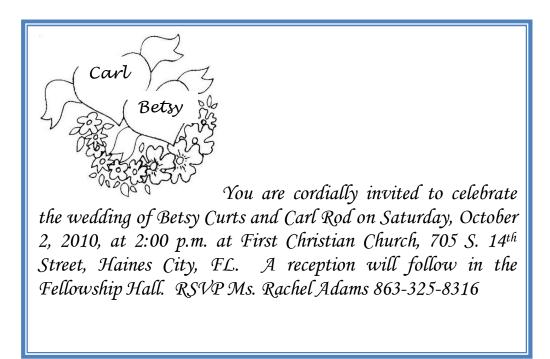
October 16, 2010 – Deadline for submissions to the November/December 2011 issue of the West Coast Dancer. For

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From the Editor....



Congratulations to Doc Gray on his retirement from square dance calling after 52 years in the business! Approximately seven squares of dancers helped Doc celebrate his retirement. His son, Steve, daughterin-law, Caroline, and 20th great-grandson, Anthony, were also there to help him celebrate. Steve hasn't square danced since he was 14 but I tried to get him up to try it again, but I wasn't successful.



Good news! My disability hearing has <u>finally</u> been scheduled for November 9th. I think there's a little speck of light at the end of that very long dark tunnel.

Saturday night Strawberry Square Dance Center will be starting their weekly Saturday night Plus dances with Art Springer calling and Pat Hagen cueing. Their other activities won't start until the first week of November.

Are you doing your part to recruit new dancers for the classes in your area? This is something that everyone can help with. Don't leave it up to officers of your club. Even if you don't belong to a club, you can still help recruit new dancers and angel at a class. All the information I have received on classes is listed below under "West Coast Classes...."

Health & Sympathy

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

Charlie and Val Newsome, Florida Federation vice presidents, were in a car accident on Monday, September 20th. Val hit her head and has a concussion. She was at home and was under a 48-hour watch. Charlie had to get her up every two hours. If you would like to send cards, their address is 12368 Brady Road, Jacksonville, FL 32223; their e-mail address is newsome.charles@comcast.net.

Dan Wilkerson, caller in the Tampa Bay area, is still dealing with the infection in his knee. He has been running a 102-103° temperature.



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Your help is needed to make the Fall Fun Fest a success.

- Have you purchased your ribbon(s) yet? They are \$18 per person for the entire weekend up until the doors open; they are \$20 per person at the door. There will be Mainstream Advance squares and Phase 2 4 rounds. Ken Ritucci and Jack Lewis will be calling and Jimmy and Carol Griffin will be cueing.
- 2. **Themed baskets** are needed for the silent auction on Saturday night. Proceeds from these baskets will benefit the 2011 Florida State Convention. Contact Flo Byington at <u>flobyington@yahoo.com</u> for additional information.
- 3. Skits, jokes, musical talents are need for entertainment at the after party, which will be held at the Bartow Civic Center immediately after the dancing on Saturday night. Contact Don and Ann Slocum at <u>anndonslocum@juno.com</u> if you can participate.

The Fall Fun Fest is November 12 - 13 at the Bartow Civic Center in Bartow, FL. Free parking and free camping for the first ten rigs. Overflow camping is available at Sanlan Campgrounds on 98 S. in Lakeland.



- I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:
- October 8 9, 2010 Flamingo Frolics Sebring, FL
- November 12 13, 2010 West Coast Association Fall Fun Fest Bartow, FL

January 20 - 22, 2011 - Florida Winter Festival - Lakeland, FL

What's Happening This Week?

Week of September 28, 2010

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

Monday



– Kings Point Swingers A-2

Dance -

7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. –

– Squares/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. If you have danced this level before, you can come at 6:00 p.m. for a rusty hinge workshop. 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.



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. – Caller: Roland Blanchette, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Square dance attire preferred. Dancers please use the entrance marked **Pennies for Independence** Save your loose coins and bring them to any dance designated as a collection point with the

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Donations will be given to the McDonald Parents Group of the McDonald Training Center

"Gage Hall" on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: wlfloyd@aol.com or gaylepullara@aol.com or flobyington@yahoo

Tuesday -Magnolia p.m.,



Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Mexican Fiesta Dance – Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art

Springer, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – square dance attire preferred – finger food. For info: sqdncfan@aol.com or 863-967-5004.

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: <u>spinards@tampabay.rr.com</u> or 727-525-7809.

Wednesday Main

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 Kings Point Swingers Round Dance – Kings Point Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City 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.

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

Thursday

Pinellas 7:45 - 9:45



- Promenade Squares - Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Park - 7:15 p.m., ER 7:15 - 7:45 p.m. Mainstream/Plus/Rounds p.m. - Caller: Dick Demerit, Cuers: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin.

For the months of May, June, July and August, there will only be dances on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month. For info: licecce@tampabay.rr.com or 727-799-3068.

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

Citrus Squares - First United Methodist Church, 21501 W. Highway 40, Dunnellon - 7:00 -9:00 p.m. - Caller: Ellis Lindsey. For info: lalecl@aol.com.

Friday





- Spinning Wheels Salute to All Square Dance Clubs -Recreation Center, 11717 Clay Pit Road, Seffner - ER 6:15 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 6:45 – 8:45 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: helenm720@aol.com or jbarnes73@tampabay.rr.com.

B&S Flutterwheelers – CARES Center, 12417 Clock Tower Parkway, Hudson – 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. – Plus workshop, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Plus dance – PRICE INCREASE: \$12/couple (\$11 dance and \$1 door prize) or \$6.50/single (\$5.50 dance and \$1 door prize). For info: rbourassar@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.

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Sun City Swingers – Sun City Center Community Hall, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Gary Brown, Cuer: Pat Hagen. For info: gail3357@gmail.com or 813-

633-1297 (Gail) or 813-633-8780 (Sue).



Boulevard.



Strawberry Square First Dance of the Saturday Night – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Plant City, FL - ER 7:00 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. –

Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: Pat Hagen. For info: www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry. Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Linda Lynn 813-659-9040, Mary Lee Van Valkenburg 813-707-1702, Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Sunday – **B&S Flutterwheelers** – CARES Center, 12417 Clock Tower Parkway, Hudson – 6:00 – 6:30 p.m. – A2 workshop, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. A2 dance – PRICE INCREASE: \$12/couple (\$11 dance and \$1 door prize) or \$6.50/single (\$5.50 dance and \$1 door prize). For info: rbourassar@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 <u>settarose1@verizon.net</u> or <u>mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net</u>.

Orange Blossom Squares Anniversaries/Past Presidents Dance – La Hacienda Center, The Villages 352-259-6040 – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Callers: Dave Wilson, Cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: hal.baumann1959@gmail.com or 352-259-6552.

West Coast Classes and Workshops and National Caller and Cuer Colleges

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

Please keep in mind that this information needs to be communicated out to new dancers! It's not a secret!

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September 16, 2010 – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Basic and Mainstream Square Dance Class** – Brandon Community Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon – 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Van Coble/Dan Wilkerson. For info: Dan Wilkerson 813-571-7786 or <u>dr.danbob@yahoo.com</u> or George Lack 813-662-10121 or <u>gplack1@aol.com</u>. September 20, 2010 – **Temple Twirlers Beginners Square Dance Class** - Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue, Tampa, FL – 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Ron Reardon - \$4.00 per person per session. Info: <u>wlfloyd@aol.com</u>.

September 30, 2010 - **Promenade Squares Beginners Class** – Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – 6:00 p.m. - Caller: Dick Demerit. For info: lcecce@tampabay.rr.com or 727-799-3068.

October 7, 2010 – **Spinning Wheels Beginners Square Dance Class** – Mango Rec Center, 11717 Clay Pit Road, Seffner – 6:45 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Art Springer. For info: jbarnes73@tampabay.rr.com.

October 7 – 11 – **Northeast Callers School** – Mill-A-Round Dance Center, Manchester, New Hampshire. For info: Ken Ritucci 413-734-0591, <u>kenritucci@aol.com</u>; <u>www.norhteastschool.com</u>.

October 7 - 11, 2010 - **Northeast Callers School** - Mill-A-Round Dance Center. Manchester, New Hampshire – Callers: Ken Ritucci (lab Accredited coach) and Norm Poisson. Special Guest Instructors Tim Marriner, Berry Clasper, Bill Harrison, and Anne Uebelacker. Plenty of Microphone Time - Professional Assessment of your skills - Understand what it takes to be a Leader - Full lab Curriculum - Develop A Calling Career that is best for you - \$325.00/Student. For an application and more Info, contact Ken Ritucci at 413-734-0591 or kenritucci@aol.com or www.northeastschool.com. SPACE LIMITED REGISTER TODAY!!

October 8, 2010 – **Dixie Grande Squares Rusty Hinge Workshop** – Grace Lutheran Church, 327 Avenue C, SE, Winter Haven – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Carl Rod. For info: 863-293-9369 or <u>carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com</u>.

October 24 – 28, 2010 – **Pride Caller's College** – Pride Resort, I-40, Exit 20, Maggie Valley, NC – Caller Coaches: Jon Jones, Deborah Carroll-Jones, Tony Oxendine and Jerry Story. Main Hall: New Callers – 0 – 5 years experience; 2nd Hall: Experienced Callers. Tuition: \$375 per student – 2 separate classrooms. Discounted cabins, park models and RV space available - full meal service available reservations: 1-800-926-8191. The school offers the complete CALLERLAB curriculum and provides in-depth emphasis in the areas of Choreographic Mechanics, Methods of Choreographic Control (CRaMS), Use of Music, Timing, Presentation Techniques, Smooth Dancing, and Sight and Modular Calling. Special emphasis will be placed on effective teaching and programming skills. For info: 800-926-8191 or www.pridervresort.com.

November 1, 2010 – **Strawberry Square Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. - Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u>. 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.

November 1, 2010 – **Strawberry Square Plus Workshop** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – 8:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u>. 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.

November 3, 2010 – **Auburndale Beginning Round Dance Class** – TBD, Auburndale – 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Carl Rod. For info: 863-293-9369 or <u>carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com</u>.

November 4, 2010 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Beginner Square Dance Class** – Palm Terrace Rehab Center, 1919 Lakeland Hills Boulevard, Lakeland – 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette – 44 per person per session. For info: <u>sqdncfan@aol.com</u> or 863-224-3393.

November 4, 2010 – **Strawberry Square Phase 2 Round Dance Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – 12:00 noon – 2:00 p.m. – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491.

November 4, 2010 – **Strawberry Square Phase 3/Intro to Phase 4** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491.

November 4, 2010 – **Strawberry Square Phase 2/Intro to Phase 3 Round Dance Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491.

November 3, 2010 – **Auburndale Phase II/Intro to Phase III Class** – TBD, Auburndale – 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Carl Rod. For info: 863-293-9369 or <u>carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com</u>.

November 5, 2010 – **Dixie Grande Squares Beginning Square Dance Class** – Grace Lutheran Church, 327 Avenue C, SE, Winter Haven – 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Caller: Carl Rod. For info: 863-293-9369 or <u>carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com</u>.

November 5, 2010 – **Dixie Grande Squares Plus Workshop** – Grace Lutheran Church, 327 Avenue C SE, Winter Haven - 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Carl Rod. For info: 863-293-9369 or <u>carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com</u>.

November 6, 2010 – Leprechauns' Plus Workshop – Harmony House at Cloverleaf Farms – 10:00 – 12:00 noon. Caller/Instructor: Bob Bourassa. For info: 352-796-8254.

November 7, 2010 – **Strawberry Square Beginner Round Dance Lessons** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. - Cuer/Instructor: Charlie Lovelace. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u>. 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.

November 9, 2010 – **Strawberry Square C-1 Workshop Dances** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller: Keith Stevens. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491.

November 9, 2010 – **Strawberry Square A-2 Review/Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Keith Stevens. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491.

November 10, 2010 – **Herons Glen Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Herons Glen Clubhouse, US-41 and Charlotte County Line, N. Fort Myers – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee - \$3 per person per week. For info: <u>callerdave@comcast.net</u> or 941-235-1611.

November 11, 2010 – **Maple Leaf Squares A1 Lessons** – Maple Leaf Squares, 2100 Kings Highway (I75 exit 170, go southwest 1 ½ miles), Port Charlotte – 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. – Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee - \$3 per person per session. For info: <u>callerdave@comcast.net</u> or 941-235-1611.

November 12, 2010 – **Maple Leaf Squares Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Maple Leaf Golf and Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway (I-75 exit 170 go southwest 1 ½ miles), Queensway Hall, Port Charlotte – 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. - Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee - \$3 per person per week. For info: <u>callerdave@comcast.net</u> or 941-235-1611.

November 12, 2010 – **Maple Leaf Squares Plus Workshop** – Maple Leaf Golf and Country Club, 2100 King Highway (I75 exit 170, go southwest 1 ½ miles), Port Charlotte – 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee - \$3 per person per workshop. For info: <u>callerdave@comcast.net</u> or 941-235-1611.

November 16, 2010 - **Sun City Swingers New Beginners' Class Open House** – Sun City Center Community Hall, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City – Details TBA. For info: gail3357@gmail.com or 813-633-1297 (Gail) or 813-633-8780 (Sue).

January 5, 2-010 – Estero Intermediate Level Square Dance Workshop – Park Clubhouse – 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. – this class is for last year's class members – Caller: Howard Cole. For info: Dale Anders 239-560-2572.

January 8, 2011 – **Strawberry Square Phase 4-5 Dance Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – time TBA – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491.

Looking Ahead

Links

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http://floridasquaredance.com/

For statewide dance information

http://www.squaredancesites.com/florida2011/. (57th Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention)

Associations/Organizations

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

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

<u>www.iagsdc.org</u> (International Assn. of Gay Square Dance Clubs)

http://www.floridasquaredance.com/fassrd/index/html (Florida Singles)

http://sccafl.com/ (Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association)

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

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

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

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.59thnsdc.com 59th National Square Dance Convention - Louisville, KY

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

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

Vendors

www.swskirts.com (Jan Southwest Style Skirts & Pat's Tees)

www.suzieqcreations.com (Suzie Q Creations)

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

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

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

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

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

www.PerfectPetticoats.com (Perfect Petticoats)

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

Square Dance Halls

www.Strawberrysquaredancing.com (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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