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November 6, 2011 - 26th Annual MacDonald Benefit Dance -

Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Early Round 1:30 p.m., Mainstream and Plus 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Caller: Sam Dunn; Cuers: Charlie Lovelace and Jimmy and Carol Griffin – \$6 donation per person - door prizes – all proceeds benefit the MacDonald Parents Group of the MacDonald Training Center, Inc., Tampa, serving adults with disabilities. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com or 813-810-5548. Flyer at www.dancergram.com

From the Editor....



There are several more seasonal clubs opening this week and they have been added to the list under "This Week". There are also a couple big weekend gatherings this week: O'Leno Festival and the Stuart Bunch Challenge Weekend. Check out the details below.

And don't forget the 26th Annual MacDonald Dance on Sunday, November 6. Sam Dunn, Charlie Lovelace, and the Griffins will be donating their time and services to give us a really great dance. Art Springer was on the schedule but he isn't released to begin calling again until December 1.

Our 37th Annual Fall Fun Fest is so close. Have you made your plans yet? The Blues Brothers will be in town for this fun weekend and Charlie has some really great rounds programmed for us. Advance ribbons are \$18 per person for the entire weekend and they will be available at that price until you show up at the door at the Bartow Civic Center. Then they increase to \$20 per person. The Blues Brothers will be doing the after party on Saturday night. I am sure we can expect a lot of laughs! There is free parking and free camping for the first ten rigs to arrive on property. There is always a lot to do in downtown Bartow that weekend and it's not far from Lakeside Village a very popular shopping and entertainment area in Lakeland. The host hotel is the Stay Inn & Suites (formerly Davis Brothers), 1035 N. Broadway, Bartow. Be sure to tell them know you are a square dancer to get the special rate of \$57 + tax per night.

Health & Sympathy

The entries listed below are for callers, cuers, West Coast Association officers and representatives and other Florida associations and Federation officers and any others who are well known to the Florida square and round dance community. Listings for others can be found on the website (www.dancergram.com – Health & Sympathy).

Don't forget to go to www.dancergram.com for additional information on West Coast dancers!

Bob Courter, past West Coast president, past Central Association president, chairman of the Shamrock Swing, passed away this morning. Details will be forwarded as they are received. If you would like to send a card, their address is 2102 Clarks Hill Way, The Villages, FL 32162.

Becky Cole, wife of caller Howard Cole, had a fall a few months ago and has two broken thoracic vertebra and is not sure what the doctors will decide to do about it. She also has a bulge between lumber 4 & 5. She is wearing a TENS unit constantly. She has been receiving injections from pain management. If you would like to send cards, her address is: 805 Yucca Court, Naples, FL 34110.

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Your Source...

I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

November 6, 2011 – **26th Annual MacDonald Training Center Benefit Dance** – Strawberry Square

November 11 – 12, 2011 – West Coast Association's Fall Fun Fest – Bartow, FL

November 18 – 19, 2011 – **Northeast Association's Wild Wild West Fall Festival** – Jacksonville

January 26 – 28, 2012 – Florida Winter Festival – Lakeland

March 16 – 17, 2012 – Central Association's 12th Annual Shamrock Swing – The Villages

May 25 – 27, 2012 – 58th Florida State Convention – Lakeland

If you see a flyer that has my name and contact information stamped on it, I have ribbons for that dance.

2012 FLORIDA STATE SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CONVENTION



On Saturday, October 1, we attended the NE 2012 Convention Benefit Dance. What a great time with many callers, cuers and dancers coming out to support the Northeast in this effort. Thank you to all the people who worked so hard to make this dance a success. While we were there we met a lady who is just taking lessons. She was so excited about our activity. If you have new students, please encourage them so they will complete the lesson program and then

invite them to come to the convention with you in May. We will have a program for them and also a "Welcome to our World" program for the non-dancers.

On Saturday, October 15, we traveled to Lakeland to the dance held in conjunction with the Caller's Fall Clinic. On Sunday we attended the caller meeting followed by the programming of the callers for the convention. We promise you a great dancing weekend.

Do you exchange Christmas gifts with any of your square dance friends? If so, now would be the time to start thinking about giving them ribbons to the 2012 Florida State Convention. If you cannot find any in your area, contact the Registration Chairmen, Bob & Jennie Courter and they will be more than happy to assist you. Also, don't forget the youth. We have a special half price for youth.

Time is running short to purchase raffle tickets for a "3G Kindle" wireless reader to be given away at the Northeast "Fall Festival" on November 19, 2011 (you do not have to be present to win). The tickets were going fast at the Northeast Benefit Dance and only 300 tickets will be sold for this prize! Each Association President or Ways & Means Chairman has tickets. What a great Christmas gift this would make for someone on your list.

Don't forget to submit your survey forms if your caller or cuer promotes the State Convention at your dance. As of the end of September, we have one person with a slight lead but a 3-way tie for second place right behind the leader. Congratulations to the callers and cuers who are taking the time to promote the State Convention at their dances.

We wish you a Very Happy Thanksgiving and safe travels. Garland & Carole McKenzie
General Chairmen

What's Happening This Week?

Week of October 31, 2011

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

Monday (October 31) – Kings Point Swingers A-2 Dance – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center 7:00 – 7:30 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 Halloween/Birthday/Anniversary Dance — 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: Ron Reardon, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Dancers please use the entrance marked "Gage Hall" on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. Square dance attire preferred. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

<u>Tuesday (November 1)</u> – <u>Woodmere First A2 Dance of the Season</u> - 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.) – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481 or Venice cell 941-223-0987 or <u>redbates@juno.com</u>.

Maple Leaf Squares First Dance of the Season – Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway (I-75 Exit 170 go SW 1 ½ miles), Queensway Hall – alternating Plus and Mainstream tips 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Dave Magee. 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.

Suncoast Squares – MCC King of Peace Church (rear entrance by the parking lot), 3150 Fifth Avenue North, St. Petersburg – These dances are for the GLBT and Straight Communities – all are welcome! Early Rounds 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream Squares – 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.; plus Squares 9:00 – 10:00 p.m. - \$2.50 donation for Rounds; \$5 donation for Squares – casual attire. Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. For info: rritter@ij.net.

<u>Wednesday (November 2)</u> – <u>Strawberry Square Club First Dance of the Season</u> - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. Mainstream/Easy Plus. Caller: Sam Dunn. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or

813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Linda Lynn 813-659-9040 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

Timber Pines – 6872 Timber Pines Boulevard, Spring Hill – Early Rounds 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Bob Bourassa - square dance attire optional – for gate access and directions call 352-666-1546.

Strawberry Square C-1 - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City — 1:00 — 3:00 p.m. Caller: Keith Stephens. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dan and Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350.

Kings Point Swingers Advanced Round Dance – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center – 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 – Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Port Charlotte, FL. Callers: Art Miller; Cuers: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier. 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. alternating tips. For info: Mary 941-380-5336 or Jennie 863-494-2749.

<u>Thursday (November 3)</u> – <u>Shufflin' Squares</u> - Lake Ashton Golf Club, 4141 Ashton Club Drive, Lake Wales, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., alternating tips (Mainstream/Plus) 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. advanced tip 9:30 p.m.. Caller: Keith Stevens; Cuer: Carl Rod – square dance attire optional. For info: eschwartz23@tampabay.rr.com.

Maple Leaf Squares First Dance of the Season – Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway (I-75 Exit 170 go SW 1 ½ miles), Queensway Hall – alternating Plus and Mainstream tips 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Dave Magee. For info: callerdave@comcast.net or 941-235-1611.

Jacaranda Trace – A-2 - 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Caller: Mike Cox. For info: 941-408-2627.

Suncoast Squares – MCC King of Peace Church (rear entrance by the parking lot), 3150 Fifth Avenue North, St. Petersburg – These dances are for the GLBT and Straight Communities – all are welcome! A-2 – 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. - \$7 – casual attire. Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. For info: rritter@ij.net.

Promenade Squares – Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – ER 7:15 - 7:45 p.m. Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:45 - 9:30 p.m. - caller: Dick Demerit, cuers: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin. For info: walkey1a@yahoo.com or 727-789-3836.

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 (November 4)</u> – <u>Strawberry Square First A-2 Dance of the Season</u> - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – A2 Workshop 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., A-2 Dance 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Caller: Keith Stevens. For info:

www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dave and Betty Bradley 989-289-6446.

Woodmere Park First C-1 Dance of the Season - 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.) – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481 or Venice cell 941-223-0987 or redbates@juno.com.

58th O'Leno Hoedown – O'Leno State Park, Hot Springs, FL – Callers: Bill Chesnut, Bob Poyner, and Bobby Keefe. Cuer: Lisa Square. Square and Round Dancing – food – rustic cabins – camping. Friday night: Rounds 7:30 p.m., Squares, Rounds, Advanced 8:00 – 10:30 p.m. Saturday: Breakfast 8:00 – 8:30 a.m., Rounds workshop and dance 9:30 – 11:30 a.m., cash lunch at noon (burgers and dogs, maybe some other stuff). Squares with guest callers 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., Advanced dance 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., Dinner 5:30 – 6:30 p.m., Saturday night dances: Early Rounds 7:30 p.m., 8:00 – 10: 30 p.m. – 2 dance halls, Plus with rounds, Advanced. Sunday morning: continental breakfast 7:30 .m. For info: 352-378-2577 (days); 352-475-2550 (eves.) or marynut@cfop.biz. Flyer at www.dancergram.com.

Dixie Grande Squares – Grace Lutheran Church, 321 Avenue C SE, Winter Haven – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Squares 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – Caller/Cuer: Carl Rod. For info: carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com or 863-651-3292 (c) or 863-293-9369 (H).

Spinning Wheels Lil Abner Dance – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Mike Cox, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – casual attire. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

Sun City Swingers - 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: Bob Ellis, Cuer: Pat Hagen. Club Members will provide delicious pumpkin deserts. Air-conditioned hall, wood floor, and lighted, paved off-street parking. For info: Geri and Tom at gikilgallon@verizon.net or 813-633-9742 or Donna and Frank at 813-634-7016.

<u>Saturday (November 5)</u> – <u>Bay Area Twirlers (BATS)</u> – Sadie Street Rec Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Squares (alternating Mainstream and Plus) 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Caller: Allen Snell, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: starnut1@verizon.net.

Stuart Bunch Challenge Weekend – Temple Shalom, 23190 Utica Avenue, Port Charlotte, FL – full C3B and includes both hard C3B and easy C4 star tips. Caller: Ross Howell. **Saturday afternoon**: C3B Floor Level 1:30 – 4:00 p.m.; C3B Star Tip: 4:00 – 4:15 p.m.; C4 Star Tip: 4:15 – 4:30 p.m. **Saturday evening**: C3B floor Level: 6:30 – 9:00 p.m., C3B Star Tip: 9:00 – 9:15 p.m., C4 Star Tip: 9:15 – 9:30 p.m. **Sunday morning**: C3B Floor Level: 10:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m., C3B Star Tip: 12:15 – 12:30 p.m., C4 Star Tip: None. **Sunday afternoon**: C3B Floor Level: 1:30 – 3:30 p.m., C3B Star Tip: None, C4 Star Tip: none. All tips will be on computer rotation. Participation in all Start Tips will be based on a sign-up sheet at the dance. Information about damping and lodging near the dance site can be obtained at the website www.stuartbunch.org.

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Strawberry Square – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Early Rounds 7:00 p.m., Plus with Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Square dance attire preferred – Caller: Keith Stevens, Cuer: Pat Hagen. For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com. If you can't reach the dance center, call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, or Mary Lee Van Valkenburg 813-707-1702, or Linda Lynn 813-659-9040, or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

Palace Promenaders – Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Art Miller; Cuer: Jennie Martin – Squares and Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For info: Jennie 863-494-2749 or Mary 941-380-5336.

<u>Sunday (November 6)</u> – <u>26th Annual MacDonald Benefit Dance</u> – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Early Round 1:30 p.m., Mainstream and Plus 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Caller: Sam Dunn; Cuers: Charlie Lovelace and Jimmy and Carol Griffin – \$6 donation per person - door prizes – all proceeds benefit the MacDonald Parents Group of the MacDonald Training Center, Inc., Tampa, serving adults with disabilities. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com or 813-810-5548. Flyer at www.dancergram.com

Happy Promenaders First Dance of the Season - Hitching Post RV Park Rec Hall, Naples (Directions: From Rt. 41 (Tamiami Trail East), turn south onto Barefoot Williams Road (west of Rt. 951/Collier Blvd. and just east of the Hitching Post strip mall). Take first left turn toward pool and Rec Hall.) Caller: Red Bates; Cuer: Mike Alexander. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream and Plus Squares 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. For info: call Jan (239) 642-8612 or playwalt@comcast.com.

Cloverleaf Leprechauns' First 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., A-1 tip 4:15 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates, Cuer: Judy Doane – casual dress. For info: 352-270-8469 or http://www.dloridasquaredance.com/leprechaun34601/.

Stuart Bunch Challenge Weekend – Temple Shalom, 23190 Utica Avenue, Port Charlotte, FL – full C3B and includes both hard C3B and easy C4 star tips. Caller: Ross Howell. **Sunday morning**: C3B Floor Level: 10:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m., C3B Star Tip: 12:15 – 12:30 p.m., C4 Star Tip: None. **Sunday afternoon**: C3B Floor Level: 1:30 – 3:30 p.m., C3B Star Tip: None, C4 Star Tip: none. All tips will be on computer rotation. Participation in all Start Tips will be based on a sign-up sheet at the dance. Information about damping and lodging near the dance site can be obtained at the website www.stuartbunch.org.

Timber Pines A2 Dance - 6872 Timber Pines Boulevard, Spring Hill – A1 – A2 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. caller: Bob Bourassa - square dance attire optional. For info: 352-666-1546.

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

Monday (November 7) – *Kings Point Swingers A-2 Dance* – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center 7:00 – 7:30 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 Veterans' Day Tribute - 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: Ron Reardon, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace — finger food. Dancers please use the entrance marked "Gage Hall" on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

West Coast Classes and Workshops 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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October 18, 2011 – Phase III-IV Choreographed Ballroom Figure Clinics, Dance Reviews, New Routines....and Dancing – Stardust Dance Center, 1405 S. Collins Street (Big Lots Shopping Center), Plant City – Cuers: Karen and Dick Fisher. 7:45 – 9:30 p.m. - \$12 per couple per session. For info: rffisher@tamu.edu; www.fisherdance.com; 936-366-2504.

October 25, 2011 – **Phase III – IV Round Dance Workshop** – Pinellas Park Auditorium, 7690 – 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – 8:30 – 10:00 p.m. Cuers: Jimmy and Carol Griffin. Some previous round dance experience needed - \$6 per person. Learn more Rumba, Cha Cha, Swing, Mambo, Waltz, Foxtrot and more! For info: spinards@tampabay.rr.com or 727-525-7809.

November 1, 2011 – **Woodmere Plus Workshop** - 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.) – 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481 or Venice cell 941-223-0987 or redbates@juno.com.

November 2, 2011 – **Herons Glen Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Herons Glen Ball Room, US-41 at the Lee/Charlotte County Line, N. Ft. Myers. Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee. Gated community; ask guard for directions to the Ball Room. For info: callerdave@comcast.net or 941-235-1611.

November 3, 2011 - **Maple Leaf Squares "Rusty Dancers"** — Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway (I-75 Exit 170 go SW 1½ miles), Queensway Hall — 11:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m. — caller: Dave Magee. Gated community; ask guard for directions to CanAm Clubhouse. For info: callerdave@comcast.net or 941-235-1611.

November 4, 2011 – **Maple Leaf Squares Plus Workshop** - – Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway (I-75 Exit 170 go SW 1 ½ miles), Queensway Hall – 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee. For info: callerdave@comcast.net or 941-235-1611.

November 4, 2011 - **Woodmere Park Mainstream Class** - 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.) – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481 or Venice cell 941-223-0987 or redbates@juno.com.

November 4, 2011 – **Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Location TBA – 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Carl Rod. For info: 863-293-9369 or carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com.

November 6, 2011 – **Punta Gorda Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Punta Gorda Isles Civic Association, 2001 Shreve Street, Punta Gorda – 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Wes Morris. For info: 239-282-6322 or j.h.morris@embargmail.com.

November 6, 2011 – Strawberry Square Beginner Round Dance (choreographed ballroom) Lessons – Strawberry square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. – Cuers/Instructors: Charlie and Leona Lovelace. For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com.

November 6 – 10, 2011 – **Pocono Caller's School** – Lake Harmony, White Haven, PA. Staff: Tom Miller, Betsy Gotta*, and Barry Clasper*. Contact: Betsy Gotta, 2 Laurel Place, North Brunswick, NJ 08902, 732-249-2086, <u>ugottadance@optonline.net</u>.

November 7, 2011 – **Auburndale Beginner Round Dance Classes** – location TBA. 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Carl Rod. For info: 863-293-9369 or carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com.

November 7, 2011 – Matlacha Community Center Plus Workshop/Class – 4577 Pine Island Road N.W., Matlacha – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller/Instructor: Wes Morris. Casual attire. Pre-registration required. For info/registration: 239-283-4110.

November 9, 2011 – **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: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dave and Betty Bradley 989-289-6446.

November 9, 2012 – **Horizon Village Round Dance Class** - Horizon Village, 9200 Littleton Road, N. Fort Myers (south of the Shell Factory and west of US 41) – Cuer/Instructor: Ruth Siegmann. Review some Phase 2 Basics; learn Classics and Phase 3 Rounds. For info: 239-823-7661.

November 10, 2011 – **Maple Leaf A1 Square Dance Lessons**, Queensway Clubhouse, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte. Gated community; ask guard for directions to Queensway Hall. 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee. For info: 941-235-1611 callerdave@comcast.net.

November 11, 2011 – Maple Leaf Beginner Square Dance Lessons, Queensway Clubhouse, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte. Gated community; ask guard for directions to Queensway Hall. 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee. For info: 941-235-1611 callerdave@comcast.net.

November 11, 2011 – **Maple Leaf Plus Workshop**, Queensway Clubhouse, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte. Gated community; ask guard for directions to Queensway Hall. 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee. For info: 941-235-1611 callerdave@comcast.net.

November 11, 2011 – **Strawberry Square C-3A Teach and Workshop** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 12: 45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Caller: Keith Stevens. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dan and Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350.

November 13, 2011 – **Temple Twirlers Beginner Square Dance Class** - Silver Dollar Resort, 12515 Silver Dollar Drive, Hospitality Room/adjoining Clubhouse, Odessa, FL - 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. - open for new members for three weeks – Caller/Instructor: Sharon Short - \$3 per person – no charge for angels...ever. For info: 813-239-3314 or sshar16@aol.com.

November 15, 2011 – **Sun City Swingers Open House for New Dancer Classes** - Sun City Center Community Hall, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Classes begin November 22. Caller/Instructor: Van Coble. For info: Leah 813-633-3986 or Geri 813-633-9742.

November 15, 2011 – **Strawberry Square First C-1 Class/Workshop of the Season** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Caller: Keith Stevens. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dan and Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350.

November 17 – 21, 2011 – **Silver Sate Caller College** – Las Vegas, NV. Staff: Doug Davis* (Spokane, WA), Nasser Shukayr* (San Antonio, TX), and Hanna Tenenbaum (Malmoe, Sweden). Contact: Nasser Shukayr at nshukayr@gmail.com.

November 22, 2011 – **Sun City Swingers Open House for New Dancer Classes** - Sun City Center Community Hall, Room 3, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City – beginning class 6:30 – 8:00 p.m., Plus workshop 8:00 – 9:00 p.m. Caller/Instructor: Van Coble. For info: Leah 813-633-3986 or Geri 813-633-9742.

December 5, 2011 – **Strawberry Square Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. - Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette. \$5 per person; first class free. Casual clothes and comfortable shoes recommended. For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com.

December 5, 2011 – **Strawberry Square Plus Square Dance Lessons** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 8:00 – 9:30 p.m. (immediately following beginner class) – for those wanting to get back into square dancing, a refresher or just finished Mainstream - Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette. \$5 per person. Casual clothes and comfortable shoes recommended. For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com.

January 3, 2012 – **Woodmere Park Beginner Class** - 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.) – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller/Instructor: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481 or Venice cell 941-223-0987 or redbates@juno.com.

January 6, 2012 - Maple Leaf Squares Beginners Class Open House — Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway (I-75 Exit 170 go SW 1 ½ miles), Queensway Hall — 1:00 — 3:00 p.m. — Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee. For info: callerdave@comcast.net or 941-235-1611.

January 7, 2012 - **Strawberry Square First Phase 5 Dance and Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or David Heugel 910-200-3828.

January 8, 2012 – Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Beginners Square Dance Class – Heatherwood, Harden Boulevard, Lakeland, FL – 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette. For info: sqdncfan@aol.com or 863-224-3393.

January 9, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Intro to A-1 Class** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. Caller: Marty Van Wart. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dave and Betty Bradley 989-289-6446.

January 11, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Intro to A-2 Class** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Caller: Marty Van Wart. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dave and Betty Bradley 989-289-6446.

January 12, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Intro to C-1 Class** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Caller: Marty Van Wart. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dan and Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350.

January 15, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Day of Plus** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Sam Dunn. 9:00 Coffee and donuts; 9:30 – 12:00 Dancing; 11:30 a.m. – break – free time; 1:30 – 4:00 p.m. Dancing. \$30 per couple for entire package (6 hours of dancing – no split sessions). **To ensure your space, register** now! Be sure to print a registration form off Sam's website or www.dancergram.com so you can complete the checklist indicating what calls you want him to work on. Send your \$30 check now to Strawberry Square, Inc., 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL 33563. Casual dress. For info: call Sam at 863-382-6792 or www.samdunn.net.

January 24, 2012 – **Strawberry Square DBD All position Plus Workshops** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Caller: Sam Dunn. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Linda Lynn 813-659-9040 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

January 24 and 31, 2012, February 7, 14 & 28, 2012; March 6 & 13, 2012 — **Snowbird Basic Round Dance Classes** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City — Cuer: Linda Moulton. 3:30 — 5:30 p.m. - \$5 per person

Looking Ahead

For a complete list of upcoming dances by year, click here www.dancergram.com.

Links

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Websites

http://floridasquaredance.com/

https://www.facebook.com/#!/home.php?sk=group_149454955123658&ap=1 (Florida Federation's Facebook page)

Associations/Organizations

http://www.you2candance.com (square dance marketing)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

<u>www.travelinghoedowners.com</u> (Square Dance DVDs – Both Instructional and Dance)

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)

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

<u>http://www.calyco.com/</u> (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.mike-gormley.com (Mike Gormley)
http://www.samdunn.net/ (Sam Dunn)
http://www.floridasquaredance.com/jcspin/ (Jimmy and Carol Griffin)
www.2fwd2.com (Lisa Wall)
www.keithstevens.com (Keith Stevens)

Miscellaneous

www.sailfishsquares.org

http://www.squaredanceradionetwork.com (square dance radio network)

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