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January 5, 2012 – **Submission deadline for the February issue of Bow & Swing.** For info: bowandswing@gmail.com.

January 15, 2012 – **Deadline for Hall of Fame Nominations.** The Hall of Fame was organized to honor dancers, callers, cuers, publishers, teachers, organizers,

promoters and/or vendors for their contribution to the dance activity **statewide**. Nominees must have a minimum of 10 years statewide involvement in the Florida Square and Round Dance activity. Their contributions must encompass the entire state of Florida, not just one or two areas. This should require unselfish dedication of time and labor. Being an area president, Federation president, Caller/Cuer Association president and/or State Convention chairman is not enough. The Hall of Fame is seeking individuals or couples whose efforts have affected the majority of the State of Florida. The fact that one is nominated is a very high honor, whether or not they enter the Hall of Fame.

Preparing a nomination resume will take some time and investigation to make it complete. Talk to other dancers, callers and/or cuers for dates, places and times the nominee was involved in statewide participation. Follow the who, what, when and where rule as you investigate and prepare the resume. The more information submitted, the better.

The completed resume can then be forwarded to the Board of Directors of any of the five area associations, the Florida Callers Association, or the Round Dance Council of Florida for their review and approval and it will be forwarded to the chairman of the Hall of Fame Committee. The resume can also be sent directly to the Hall of Fame Committee chairman: Penny Green, 5450 Golden Gate Boulevard, Polk City, FL 33868-9746 or sgdnxfan@aol.com.

January 24, 2012 – Buttons & Bows of Lakeland 60th Anniversary Celebration - 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – Buttons & Bows is the oldest continuously operating square dance club in the state of Florida. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Squares (alternating Mainstream and Plus) 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer; Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Square dance attire preferred – beautiful wood floor for dancing. For info: jgsap988@yahoo.com / 863-815-7400 or sgdnxfan@aol.com / 863-874-4522.

February 1, 2012 – Deadline for Extra Mile Award Nominations. For those callers and cuers that go that Extra Mile without personal gain in giving freely of their time and talents to the square dance community. For information and nomination form: <http://floridasquaredance.com/documents/ExtraMileAwards/extra-mile.html>.

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!

How do I get in touch with....??

This contact list can also be found at

www.dancergram.com

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Your Source...

I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

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.

Cory-Ography In The Classroom

By Corben Geis, Vice Chairman of the Calls in the Schools Committee, CALLERLAB

THE PRESIDENTIAL SPORTS & FITNESS AWARD

When promoting square dancing in the schools, try giving the students a goal by introducing them to the Presidential Sports and Fitness Award.

This is an award that can be achieved by the individual. The PSA has many recreational activities to partake in, including dance. An interesting note is that square, round, clogging and country western dance all fall under the folk dancing category.

The goal is to dance 50 hours within 4 months. But only a total of 1-1/2 hours per day. The individual participant keeps a personal fitness log to track the dates and times. A fun way to get fit and a great way to have students work towards a goal.

The flexibility of the school and how anxious everyone will be to get started will determine how many times a week you will have to go into the schools to accomplish this goal.

Before embarking on this program, take time to learn more about it. For details, send for the information package & the personal fitness log.

Presidential Sports Award, Amateur Athletic Union, Walt Disney World Resort, P. O. Box 10000, Lake Buena Vista, FL 32830-1000

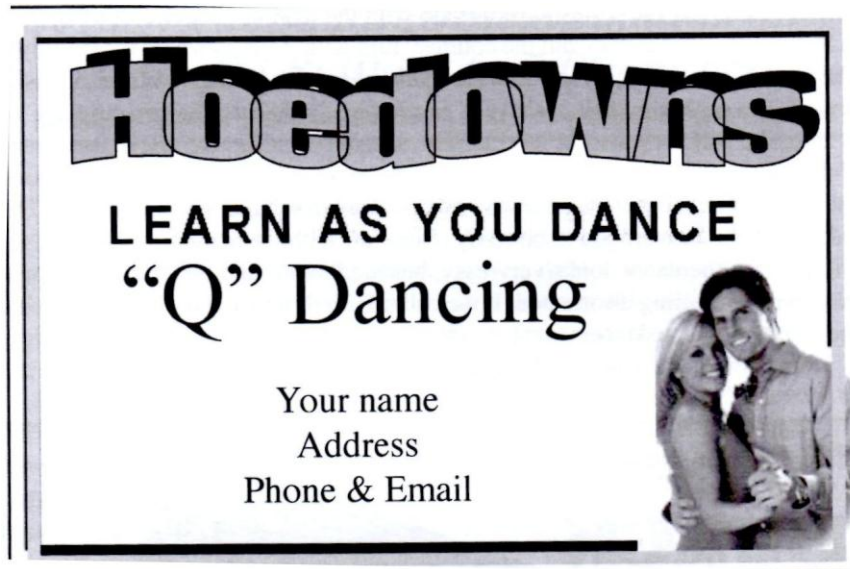
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Point of Order

From Kappie Kappenman

Q Dancing

Here is an idea that came up years ago when people were saying the word “square dancing” was “turning people off”.



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What's Happening This Week?

Week of December 26, 2011

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

Monday (December 26) – *Harmony Hoedowners* **Christmas Dance** – 3240 Grand Prix Drive, Sebring – A2 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Sam Dunn; Cuer: Jennie Martin - casual attire. For info: <http://samdunn.net/harmony.htm>.

Twilight Twirlers – Bonita Springs Community Building at Reynolds and Old 41 – Rusty Hinge Workshop 6:30 p.m.; Mainstream 7:00 p.m. – rounds and lines on tape – Caller: Howard Cole. For info: Howard Cole at 239-691-5670 (hwcole@att.net) or Leo Malinowski at 239-775-8111.

Sun-N-Fun – **NO DANCE** For info: Bill and Marge Webb at 941-343-9720 or 440-526-7258 or billwebb2@gmail.com or John and Shirley Galik at 941-371-3914.

Sassy Squares – **NO DANCE** For info: 863-214-1923 or samdunn@samdunn.com.

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 – **NO DANCE** For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

Tuesday (December 27) – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland** – 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Squares (alternating Mainstream and Plus) 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer; Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Square dance attire preferred – beautiful wood floor for dancing. For info: jgsap988@yahoo.com / 863-815-7400 or sgdnfan@aol.com / 863-874-4522.

Ding-a-Lings - Rice Creek RV Resort, 10714 Hwy. 301 South, Riverview – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Ron Reardon**, Cuer: Pat Hagen – square dance attire preferred. For info: chrounds@capital.net.

R&R Gators – Alligator RV Park, 6400 Taylor Road, Punta Gorda – Plus/Rounds 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Dave Magee, Cuer: Russ Collier. For info: callerdave@comcast.net or 941-235-1611.

Horizon Village – 9200 Littleton Road, N. Ft. Myers (south of the shell factory and west of US 41) – Plus and Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Len Siegmann, Cuer: Ruth Siegmann. For info: 239-823-7661

Woodmere A2 Dance - 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.

Maple Leaf Squares – **NO DANCE** 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: ritter@ij.net.

Wednesday (December 28) – **Betmar Bells & Beaus** - Betmar MHP, Clubhouse #2, Lakewood Drive, Zephyrhills – Rounds/Squares – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Callers: **Dave Buys**, Cuer: Ella Bettencourt. For info: 813-783-7523 or tkelly2@aol.com.

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

Strawberry Square C-2 Dance and Workshop - **NO DANCE** 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.

Strawberry Square Club - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. Mainstream/Easy Plus. Caller: **Clyde Stocker**. 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.

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 – cuer: John Ayers - square dance attire optional – for gate access and directions call 352-666-1546.

Strawberry Square C-1 Workshop and Dance - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Caller: **Ross Howell**. 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.

Thursday (December 29) – Glen Haven New Year's Dance – Glen Haven RVP, 37251 Chancy Road, Zephyrhills – MS/Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: George Varney, Cuer: Ella Bettencourt. **Finger food**. For info: 813-782-8079.

Snobirds – **NO DANCE** For info: blingley@gmail.com.

Pine Ridge Promenaders Goodbye to 2011 Dance – Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yards east of Hwy. 27, Lake Placid - Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Mike Gormley; Cuer: TBA – finger foods will be served. For info: 863-699-2789.

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.

Jacaranda Trace – 3600 William Penn Way, Venice - 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: ritter@ij.net.

Promenade Squares New Year's Eve Dance – Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – ER 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 - 9:150 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.

Friday (December 30) – Buttonwood Bay Squares - NO DANCE For info: Roger and Connie McElfresh 863-655-4243 or rogerconniemc@tnni.net.

Curliques - Estero Woodlands Clubhouse – Estero, FL – Workshop: 6:30 p.m.; Plus dance 7:00 p.m. – Caller: Howard Cole – rounds and lines on tape. For info: Howard Cole at 239-691-5670 or hwcole@att.net.

Snell's Bo's and Bell's – Largo Community Center, 400 Alternate Keene Road, Largo – Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:45 p.m. – Caller: Allen Snell. For info: settarose1@verizon.net or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429 or mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net.

Strawberry Square C-2 Dance and Workshop - NO DANCE 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.

Manatee RV Park – 6302 U.S. 41 South, Ruskin – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Plus Squares 7:30 – 9:30 p.m., Advanced 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: **Mike Cox**. For info: Joe 813-641-9418 or Mike 813-649-0754.

Strawberry Square A-2 Dance – NO DANCE 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 C-1 Dance - 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.

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 New Year's Eve 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: **Art Springer**, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – square dance attire preferred. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

Sun City Swingers New Year's Eve Party – 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. Square dance attire preferred. Air-conditioned

hall, wood floor, and lighted, paved off-street parking. For info: Geri and Tom at gkilgallon@verizon.net or 813-633-9742 or Donna and Frank at 813-634-7016.

NEW YEARS EVE

Please call ahead to confirm there will be a dance!

Saturday (December 31) – Strawberry Square “Puttin’ On The Ritz” – A New Year’s Eve Gala – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Plus Squares, A2 Tip and Rounds – Caller: Chris Phillips, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – dinner: 7:30 p.m. – coffee and snacks served all evening - \$25 per person until April 30, 2011; \$30 thereafter – reservations required. No refunds after December 15, 2011. Flyer posted at www.dancergram.com.

Buttons & Bows of Venice – Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – Square/Rounds 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Caller: UNK; Cuer: UNK. For info: remseny@aol.com.

Strawberry Square – NO DANCE 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 New Year’s Eve Dance – Palace Square Dance Hall, 1647 North-East Floridian Street (right off Rt. 17) , Arcadia, FL – 8:00 p.m. - ????. Callers: Art Miller and Wes Morris; Cuer: Jennie Martin. Bring a dish to pass; meat will be furnished. \$20 per couple. Need a hotel: Holiday Inn Express, 2709 SE Highway 70, Arcadia, FL. Rate for New Years Eve is \$92 plus 7%; the code for square dancers is PSD. Make reservations before December 5 for this rate. Overnight dry campers are welcome. Park in back of the building. For tickets or information: Jennie Martin 863-494-2749 or Mary Dow 941-380-5336.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Sunday (January 1) – Motivators - NO DANCE For info: aepkie@cfl.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.

Cloverleaf Leprechauns - **NO DANCE** For info: 352-799-8625, lmuttitt@tampabay.rr.com or <http://www.geocities.com/leprechaun34601>.

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 – **NO DANCE** For info: hal.baumann1959@gmail.com or 352-259-6552.

Monday (January 2) – Twilight Twirlers – Bonita Springs Community Building at Reynolds and Old 41 – Rusty Hinge Workshop 6:30 p.m.; Mainstream 7:00 p.m. – rounds and lines on tape – Caller: Howard Cole. For info: Howard Cole at 239-691-5670 (hwcole@att.net) or Leo Malinowski at 239-775-8111.

Harmony Hoedowners – **NO DANCE** For info: <http://samdunn.net/harmony.htm>.

Sun-N-Fun – 7125 Fruitville Road, Woodland Hall, Sarasota – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Plus squares with rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Art Springer**; Cuer: **Bill Webb**. For info: Bill and Marge Webb at 941-343-9720 or 440-526-7258 or billwebb2@gmail.com or John and Shirley Galik at 941-371-3914.

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Temple Twirlers - **NO DANCE** 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!

Updated December 26, 2011

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.

Holiday Closings

Maple Leaf lessons & workshops – Dec. 30

Maple Leaf A-2 – Dec. 29

Groves Beginner Square Dance Class – Dec. 27, Jan. 3 & 10

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 – **Pine Ridge Promenaders Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Sunshine RV Park, Rt. 70 – 1,000 yards east of US 27, Lake Placid – 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Nelson Wakeman. Registration open for the first three weeks. For info: Jim Moores at lmooers@hotmail.com.

Strawberry Square Dance Center Changes

Tues., Dec. 27 – A-2 Review Workshop, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., the caller will be Ben Rubright.

Tues., Dec. 27 – C-1 Class & Workshop, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., the caller will be Ben Rubright.

January 3, 2012 – **Phase III – IV Choreographed Ballroom Time to Tango** – Stardust Dance Center, 1405 S. Collins Street (Big Lots Shopping Center), Plant City – figure clinics, new routines, and round dancing – 7:45 – 9:30 p.m. – Cuers/Instructors: Karen and Dick Fisher. \$12 per couple per session. For info: 936-366-2504 – ffisher@tamu.edu – www.fisherdance.com.

January 3, 2012 - **Buttonwood Bay Plus Workshop** – 10001 U.S. Rt. 27 S., Sebring (5 miles south of Sebring on Rt. 27) – 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Nelson Wakeman. Registrations open for the first three weeks. For info: rogerconniemc@tnni.net.

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 5, 2012 – **Buttonwood Bay Mainstream Workshop** – 10001 U.S. Rt. 27 S., Sebring (5 miles south of Sebring on Rt. 27) – 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Nelson Wakeman. Registrations open for the first three weeks. For info: rogerconniemc@tnni.net.

January 5, 2012 – **Buttonwood Bay Beginner Square Dance Lessons** - 10001 U.S. Rt. 27 S., Sebring (5 miles south of Sebring on Rt. 27) – 2:30- 4:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Nelson Wakeman. Registrations open for the first three weeks. For info: rogerconniemc@tnni.net.

January 6, 2012 – **Dixie Grande Squares Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Grace Lutheran Church, 327 Avenue C SE, Winter Haven – 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Carl Rod. For info: 863-293-9369 or carlsqrdrod@yahoo.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 – Cues: 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 – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette. \$4 per person per session. For info: sgdncfan@aol.com or 863-224-3393.

January 8, 2012 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Plus Workshop** – Heatherwood, Harden Boulevard, Lakeland, FL – 4:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette. \$4 per person per session. For info: sgdncfan@aol.com or 863-224-3393.

January 9, 2012 – **Auburndale Beginner Round Dance Classes** – Ariana Beach Club, 321 Ramsgate, Auburndale. 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Carl Rod. For info: 863-293-9369 or carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com.

January 9, 2012 – **Auburndale Phase 2 – 3 Round Dance Workshop** – Ariana Beach Club, 321 Ramsgate, Auburndale. 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Carl Rod. For info: 863-293-9369 or carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com.

January 9, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Intro to A-1 Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 12:00 – 2:00 P.M. – Caller/Instructor: Marty Van Wart. 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, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dave and Betty Bradley 989-289-6446.

January 9, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Intro to A-2 Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Marty Van Wart. 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, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dave and Betty Bradley 989-289-6446.

January 10, 2011 – **Ding-a-Ling Squares Free Introduction to Square Dancing** – Rice Creek RV Park, 10714 Hwy. 301 South, Riverview – 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. - Caller/Instructor: Ron Reardon - \$3 per person per session. Class starts January 17. For info: chrounds@capital.net.

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 17, 2011 – **Ding-a-Ling Squares Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Rice Creek RV Park, 10714 Hwy. 301 South, Riverview – 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. - Caller/Instructor: Ron Reardon - \$3 per person per session. Class starts January 17. For info: chrounds@capital.net.

January 24 and 31, February 7 and 14, 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.

August 16 – 20, 2012 – **Socal Callers School** – Cedar Brook Dance Center, 12812 Garden Boulevard, Garden Grove, California. Whether you are presently calling or desire to be a caller, this school will help you with your calling career. Plenty of microphone time; professional assessment of your skills; understand what it takes to be a leader, fuller CALLERLAB curriculum, and develop a calling career that is best for you. Space is limited. Register today! \$350 per student. For info: 413-734-0591 or kenritucci@aol.com

October 4 – 8, 2012 – **Northeast Callers School** – Mill-a-round Dance Center, Manchester, NH – Callers: Ken Ritucci (CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach), Norm Poisson, Jerry Story (CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach), Steve Kopman, and Don Moger. Plenty of microphone time; professional assessment of your skills; understand what it takes to be a leader, fuller CALLERLAB curriculum, and develop a calling career that is best for you. Whether you are presently calling or desire to be a caller, this school will help you with your calling career. \$375 per student. Space is limited. Register today!!! For info: 413-734-0591 or kenritucci@aol.com; www.northeastcallersschool.com.

Looking Ahead

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January 7, 2012 – **Buttons & Bows of Venice** - Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates; Cuer: Bill Webb. For info:

January 15, 2012 – **Happy Promenaders “40 Something” Anniversary** – Happy Promenaders - 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: Jerry Fell; Cuer: Mike

Alexander. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream and Plus Squares 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Couples and singles welcome! For info: call Jan (239) 642-8612 or playwalt@comcast.com.

January 21, 2012 – **Buttons & Bows of Venice Pie Dance** - Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer; Cuer: Bill Webb. For info:

January 23, 2012 – **Temple Twirlers Sports Tailgate Party** - 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: Walter Lougee, Cuer: Pat Hagen. Dancers please use the entrance marked “Gage Hall” on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

February 11, 2012 – **Buttons & Bows of Venice Sweetheart/Strawberry Dance** - Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates; Cuer: Ruth Siegmann. For info:

February 13, 2012 – **Temple Twirlers Sweetheart Ball** - 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: Bob Schlenker, Cuer: Jack Jenkins. Dancers please use the entrance marked “Gage Hall” on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

February 25, 2012 – **Buttons & Bows of Venice Hobo Stew and Hat Dance** - Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates; Cuer: Charlie Hearn. For info:

March 10, 2012 – **Buttons & Bows of Venice Subs Dance** - Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates; Cuer: Karen Haiflich. For info:

March 12, 2012 – **Temple Twirlers Circus Big Top 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. – Caller: Walter Lougee, Cuer: Pat Hagen. Dancers please use the entrance marked “Gage Hall” on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

March 31, 2012 – **Buttons & Bows of Venice Final Dance of the Season** - Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates; Cuer: Ruth Siegmann. For info:

April 9, 2012 – **Temple Twirlers Charlie Brown’s Easter** - 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: Chuck and Gerry Hardy, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Dancers please use the entrance marked “Gage Hall” on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

May 14, 2012 – **Temple Twirlers Indoor Picnic** - 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. Dancers please use the entrance marked “Gage Hall” on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

June 11, 2012 – **Temple Twirlers Ice Cream Social** - 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: Walter Lougee, Cuer: Pat Hagen. Dancers please use the entrance marked “Gage Hall” on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: flobyington@yahoo.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://scafl.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[®])

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

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

<http://www.61stnsdc.com> 60th National Square Dance Convention – Spokane, WA

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

Vendors

www.travelinghoedowners.com (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)

<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.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)

Clubs

www.sailfishsquares.org

Miscellaneous

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

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