

## **DANCERgram**

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February 26 - 27, 2011 - Florida Federation Working

Weekend – Red Rose Inn & Suites, 2011 N. Wheeler Street (Exit 21 off I-4), Plant City, FL.

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March 1, 2010 – Deadline for submissions to the April 2011 *American Square Dance* magazine. For info: americansquaredance@gmail.com.

March 1, 2011 – Deadline for submissions to the April/May 2011 West Coast Dancer. For info: <a href="mailto:evhenning@peoplepc.com">evhenning@peoplepc.com</a>.

March 1, 2011 – Deadline for Northeast Association's *The* Grapevine. For info: <a href="mailto:thegrapevine@pergrossi.com">thegrapevine@pergrossi.com</a>.

March 5, 2010 - **Deadline for submissions to the April 2011 issue of the** *Bow and Swing*. For info: bowandswing@gmail.com

### From the Editor....



Below are the pictures from the State Convention. I haven't been given the number of attendees yet, but I understand there was a large crowd. Strawberry Squares will be dancing at the Florida Strawberry Festival on Thursday, March 3 at 6:00 p.m. ONLY Strawberry Square dancers will be dancing.













Photos courtesy of John Occhipinti and Yolanda Trainor

Bob Bourassa's benefit dance was this afternoon and I've been notified that they had 15 squares in attendance. Attached are two pictures from the dance; one is of the dance floor and the other is of dancers from the Left Footers Square Dance Club in New York who came to honor their former caller Bob and his wife Sharon.





Photos courtesy of Bob and Donna Carpenter of B&S Flutterwheelers.

The Florida Federation Working Weekend is this Saturday and Sunday and will be held at the Red Rose Inn in Plant City. The business meeting starts Saturday morning at 9:00 a.m.; then there are breakout sessions after lunch; and we reconvene on Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. As part of the Working Weekend, there will be a benefit dance for the 2012 State Convention at Strawberry Square on Saturday night. All proceeds will benefit the convention. Some really great callers are scheduled and Lisa Wall, president of the Round Dance Council of Florida will be cueing; you'll enjoy dancing to her.

### 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 (<a href="https://www.dancergram.com">www.dancergram.com</a> – Health & Sympathy).

Miriam James called to say that **Tom James** passed away this morning (February 16) in the hospital. It appears that something in his head started bleeding causing pressure on the brain and he went into a coma.

The funeral will be in Winter Haven and we will know more details after arrangements have been made. Miriam has her daughters & their husbands nearby to help her.

Tom James and Miriam were very active in the square dance community as Temple Twirlers members and also had traveled to conventions in all 50 states as United Square Dance Assn (USDA) representatives. They were currently working with handicapable groups through the USDA. Address: Miriam James, 1920 Heron Cove Drive, Lutz, FL 33549-9380, TomMiriamFlaUSDA@yahoo.com. Martha Bird mbird@ij.net.

The following note from Miriam gives directions to the graveside service in Winter Haven on Monday, Feb. 21, 2011. Sadly, our beloved Tom James passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, Feb 16, 2011 at 10:47 AM. Everyone is invited to the graveside service at Lakeside Memorial Park on Monday, February 21, at 3:00 PM. The address is 2450 Eight St. Northwest Winter Haven, FL 33883. It is north of Hwy 17 and Havendale Blvd, north of the Home Depot. Enter the main entrance of Lakeside Memorial Park and travel to the rear of the cemetery. Proceed to the service tent. In lieu of flowers you may make a donation to: American Heart Assn. or your favorite charity, P.O. Box 840692, Dallas, TX 75284-0692.

**Garland McKenzie**, chair of the 2012 FL Convention and past Federation president, was released from the hospital late Friday afternoon. Carole reports that he is doing well but tires easily. He is eating well and bored because he really cannot do much for a week. His doctor indicated no lifting over 10 Lbs for a week and no driving for 48 hours. (Reprint from Northeast Association's Joys & Concerns 2/17/11)

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### MUSIC PERFORMANCE LICENSING CAN AFFECT YOUR CLUB

#### By Jerry Reed

Many callers, dancers, and club officers are still expressing concerns about the agreements between Broadcast Music, Incorporated (BMI), The American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) and CALLERLAB. This Press Release is intended to address many of these concerns and lead to a better understanding of the licensing agreements.

**Point One:** It's illegal to play copyrighted music in public without the author's permission, which is a "license". It would be impossible for each author to license songs individually, so BMI & ASCAP were formed to manage the licensing. Anyone who performs or plays copyrighted music needs a license. Normally, the event's organizer is responsible for obtaining the required licenses. For commercial concerts, that's usually the promoter. For commercial trade shows, it's the trade-show organizer or individual booth-holder. For square dances, it's the dance sponsor. Most dances are club-organized, so the clubs are responsible for being licensed.

**Point Two:** Over the past 50 years, BMI and ASCAP have turned their sights to square dancing several times; however, there was never an easy way for them to track down square dance clubs for licensing and enforcement. At one point they discovered square dance publications,

which made it easy to find clubs. They mailed out about 7,000 contracts to individual clubs and callers. This made people realize their exposure, and caused much concern.

BMI & ASCAP offered their standard deal: \$22 per dance, payable on an annual basis, in advance. For many clubs, that would have been devastating. It would have been impractical and nearly impossible for clubs to negotiate for better terms. In addition, many new clubs would face an impossible up-front expense.

**Point Three:** As an alternative, CALLERLAB & ROUNDALAB approached BMI & ASCAP on behalf of square dancing and round dancing, and arranged to offer licenses to their Members. This was very appealing to both BMI and ASCAP, because they would only need to deal with one customer for square dancing and one customer for round dancing.

This arrangement was also good for the activity because of the negotiations undertaken by CALLERLAB and ROUNDALAB. Therefore, the result was a much better price for music performance licensing. This arrangement also meant the clubs would be protected by the caller's and cuer's license. As part of the negotiations BMI & ASCAP insisted that all U.S. Members be licensed.

Please remember, this licensing problem was not initiated by CALLERLAB or ROUNDALAB. BMI and ASCAP are service organizations, similar to CALLERLAB or ROUNDALAB. They provide a service to their Members. Their purpose is to collect royalties on copyrighted music for their Members. They are supported by Federal law in their efforts to collect those royalties.

**Point Four:** To help protect your club, CALLERLAB recommends that clubs add the following to contracts or agreements with callers: "I CERTIFY THAT I WILL BE LICENSED BY BMI AND ASCAP TO PERFORM COPYRIGHTED MUSIC AT YOUR CLUB DANCE."

**Point Five:** If a club has a signed contract without this statement, CALLERLAB recommends that the club contact the caller as soon as possible to verify that they will be licensed by the time they call a dance. If the caller indicates that he/she will not be licensed, the club must take steps to protect itself by negotiating a release from the contract and booking a caller who will be licensed or obtain a license directly from BMI and ASCAP to cover the dance. Clubs may contact CALLERLAB to determine if the caller is a CALLERLAB Member and is licensed.

**Point Six:** If BMI or ASCAP representatives visit a square dance, they will determine if the club, caller or cuer are licensed. The penalties can be as high as \$20,000 per copyrighted song performed and/or up to 10 years in federal prison for each violation. Since club officers are typically considered to be the sponsors of a dance, they would be the ones usually named in the lawsuit. Legally, however, the caller and/or cuer could also be named in the lawsuit.

**Point Seven:** Clubs are protected by hiring *only* callers who are licensed. Clubs need to know that *all* CALLERLAB Members in the U.S.A. *are* licensed to perform BMI and ASCAP music.

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We thank you for the coverage you have given us in the past and for your continued support in the future.

THE CALLERLAB BOARD OF GOVERNORS

### Your Source...

#### I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

May 27 – 29, 2011 – 57<sup>th</sup> Florida Square and Round Dance Convention – Lakeland, FL

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

### What's Happening This Week?

#### Week of February 21, 2011

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

Monday – Flip the Flamingo IV "Mardi Gras Madness" – Walter Fuller Recreation Center, 7891 – 26th Avenue North, St. Petersburg, FL – FL). Dancing on Monday at Ft. DeSoto Beach with Michael Cox (Riverview, FL) calling. Dancing Mainstream through C1 with C2 startips. All dancers welcome. A discounted per session rate of \$10. For info: www.suncoastsquares.com.

Sassy Squares - NO DANCE For info: http://samdunn.net/harmony.htm.

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

**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 (<a href="hwcole@att.net">hwcole@att.net</a>) or Leo Malinowski at 239-775-8111.

**Hampton Promenaders** – Ariana Beach Club, 320 Ramsgate, Auburndale – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream and Plus tips 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Sam Dunn; Cuer: Carl Rod. Square dance attire preferred. For info: <a href="mailto:dmountain@tampabay.rr.com">dmountain@tampabay.rr.com</a>.

**Woodmere Park** – 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.) – 10 – noon – MS Review/Plus Class; 1:00-3:00 – A-2 Dance; 3:00-5:00 – Plus Workshop. Caller/Instructor: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481/redbates@juno.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** - 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: Pat Hagen – finger food. Dancers please use the entrance marked "Gage Hall" on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

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

<u>Tuesday</u> – <u>Buttons & Bows of Lakeland</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 – beautiful wood floor - finger foods – square dance attire preferred. **RECYCLE SALE**. For info: <u>jgsap988@yahoo.com</u> or <u>sqdncfan@aol.com</u>.

Ft. Meade Squares - 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.

**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: <a href="mailto:chrounds@capital.net">chrounds@capital.net</a>. For info: <a href="mailto:chrounds@capital.net">chrounds@capital.net</a>.

**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: <a href="mailto:callerdave@comcast.net">callerdave@comcast.net</a> or 941-235-1611.

**Maple Leaf Squares** – Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway (I-75 Exit 170 go SW 1½ miles), Queensway Hall – alternating Plus and Mainstream tips 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – caller: Dave Magee. For info: <a href="mailto:callerdave@comcast.net">callerdave@comcast.net</a> or 941-235-1611.

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

<u>Wednesday</u> – *Timber Pines* – 6872 Timber Pines Boulevard, Spring Hill – Plus 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Bob Bourassa; Cuer: John Ayres - square dance attire optional. For info: 352-666-1546.

**Palmetto Palms A-2** – 19681 Summerlin Boulevard, Ft. Myers - 1:30-2:20 C-1 Dance - 2:30-4:30 A-2 Dance - both casual attire. Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481/redbates@juno.com.

**Palmetto Palms** - 19681 Summerlin Boulevard, Ft. Myers - 7:00 p.m. Rounds; Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates; Cuer: Dick Chase. For info: 941-828-0481/ <a href="mailto:redbates@juno.com">redbates@juno.com</a>.

**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 – Callers: Sam Dunn, Cuer: Phyllis Hathaway – casual attire. For info: 863-382-6792 or samdunn@samdunn.net.

**Betmar Belles & Beaus** – Betmar MHP, Clubhouse #2, Lakewood Drive, Zephyrhills – Rounds/Squares – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: George Varney, Cuer: Ella Bettencourt – please bring finger food. For info: 813-783-7523 or <a href="mailto:tckelly2@aol.com">tckelly2@aol.com</a>.

**Strawberry Square C-1 Dance and Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer. For info: <a href="https://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com">www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</a>. Dancer Center: 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the office, Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Dan and Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350, or Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

**Strawberry Square C-2 Workshop Dance** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Art Springer. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491.

**Strawberry Square Club** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Workshop: 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Alternating Mainstream/Easy Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Clyde Stocker. Banner raids welcome. For info: <a href="https://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com">www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</a> or 813-752-0491.

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.

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

<u>Thursday</u> — <u>Glenhaven</u> — Glen Haven RVP, 37251 Chancy Road, Zephyrhills — MS/Plus/Rounds 7:00 — 9:00 p.m. — Caller: George Varney, Cuer: Ella Bettencourt. For info: 813-782-8079.

**Snobirds Red, White, and Blue Night** – Citrus Park Clubhouse, 25601 Trost Boulevard, Bonita Springs, FL – ER – 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Jerry Fell, Cuer: Mike Alexander. For info: Ada 239-948-2063 or Sue 239-948-7083.

Kings Point Swingers – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center – 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 <a href="mailto:mc8152@verizon.net">mc8152@verizon.net</a> or 813-649-0754.

**Charlotte Promenaders** — Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Pt. Charlotte — Early Rounds 7:00 — 7:30 p.m. Plus/Rounds 7:30 — 9:30 - Caller: Keith Rippeto; Cuers: Charlie Hearn. For info: 941-380-5336, mdow@embarqmail.com, or 863-494-2749.

**Pine Ridge Promenaders Pie Night** – Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yards east of Hwy. 27, Lake Placid - Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Clyde Stocker, Cuer: Phyllis Hathaway – finger foods. For info: 863-699-2789.

**Pioneer Village** – Pioneer Village, 7974 Samville Rd. North Ft. Myers, FL – Mainstream with Rounds – 9:45 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Len Siegmann; Cuer: Ruth Siegmann - \$3.50 per person. For info: 239-940-6121 or marcy stwrt@yahoo.com.

Maple Leaf Squares A2 – Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway (I-75 Exit 170 go SW 1 ½ miles), Queensway Hall – 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon – caller: Dave Magee. For info: callerdave@comcast.net or 941-235-1611.

**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. For info: <a href="mailto:lcecce@tampabay.rr.com">lcecce@tampabay.rr.com</a> 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: <a href="mailto:settarose1@verizon.net">settarose1@verizon.net</a> or 727-809-3429 or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429 or <a href="mailto:mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net">mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net</a>.

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

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**Strawberry Square C2 Workshop and Dance** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Keith Stevens. For info: <a href="https://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com">www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</a> or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the office, Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Dan and Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350, or Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

**Woodmere Park** – 3951 Woodmere Boulevard (off Jacaranda Blvd.), Venice – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, C-1 Dance – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481/ redbates@juno.com.

**Strawberry Square A2 -** Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. - Caller: Gary Brown; Cuer: Jimmy Griffin. For info: <a href="https://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com">www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</a> or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the office, Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

**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.

**Spinning Wheels** – Mango Recreation Center, 11717 Clay Pit Road, Seffner – ER 6:15 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 6:45 – 8:45 p.m. – Caller: Mike Cox, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

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, Cuer: Pat Fiyalko. For info: <a href="mailto:settarose1@verizon.net">settarose1@verizon.net</a> or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429 or <a href="mailto:mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net">mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net</a>.

Sun City Swingers - NO DANCE For info: <a href="mailto:suzannelynch3@verizon.net">suzannelynch3@verizon.net</a> or <a href="mailto:gail3357@gmail.com">gail3357@gmail.com</a>.

<u>Saturday</u> – <u>Buttons & Bows of Venice Hat/Hobo Stew and Hat Dance</u> – Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – Square/Rounds 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Caller: Red Bates; Cuer: Karen Haiflich. For info: <a href="mailto:remsenny@aol.com">remsenny@aol.com</a>.

<u>Reflections</u> – **NO DANCE** For info: <a href="mailto:timpa50@sbcglobal.net">timpa50@sbcglobal.net</a>.

Strawberry Square 2012 State Convention Benefit Dance - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – ER 7:30 p.m., Squares/Rounds 8:00 – 10:00 p.m. – Callers: Charlie Pergrossi (Northeast Caller & 2012 Caller Chairman), Ted Kennedy (Northwest Caller and 2012 Co-Caller Chairman)m and Sam Dunn (West Coast Caller), Cuer: Lisa Wall (Northeast Cuer and 2012 Cuer Chairman). Proceeds will benefit the 2012 Florida State Square Dance Convention. Dance to be held in conjunction with the Florida Federation of square Dancers Working Weekend February 26 – 27. For info: 352-622-7678 or carolemc@embargmail.com.

Strawberry Square Phase IV Dance/Workshop - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City — 10:30 a.m. — 12:30 p.m. — Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: <a href="mailto:luvrds@embarqmail.com">luvrds@embarqmail.com</a> 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.

**Palace Promenaders** – Palace Square Dance Hall, 1647 NE Floridian Street, Arcadia – Chili at 6:00 p.m. - 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>Strawberry Square Phase II – IV Round Dance Party</u> - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – 2:00 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.

**Timber Pines** – 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.

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: Mac McCall; 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.

**Pioneer Village** - Pioneer Village, 7974 Samville Rd. North Ft. Myers, FL – Mainstream with Rounds – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. - Caller: Len Siegmann; Cuer: Ruth Siegmann - \$3.50 per person. For info: 239-940-6121 or marcy stwrt@yahoo.com.

Clover Leaf 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: Bob Bourassa, Cuer: Judy Doane – finger foods. For info: 352-270-8469 or http://www.dloridasquaredance.com/leprechaun34601/.

**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 Sharrer, Cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: hal.baumann1959@gmail.com or 352-259-6552.

### 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 February 21, 2011**

February 21, 2011 – **Beginners 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 – not charge for angels…ever. For info: 813-239-3314 or sshar16@aol.com.

March 13 – 17, 2011 – **Rhythm Records Caller School** – Pioneer Grange, Ridgefield, WA – Staff: Wade Driver. Contact Janet Shannon – 15205 NE 13<sup>th</sup> Circle, Vancouver, WA 98684, 360-713-8440, janet.shannon@comcast.com.

May 29 – June 4, 2011 – **Round Dance Camp Fun Valley** – South Fork, Colorado – Cuers: Dick and Karen Fisher. Clinics – Workshops – Party Dances – Private Lessons – Fun and Games. Six clionics, three each on two rhythms chosen by the dancers; Eight teaches/reviews (Phase II to Phase VI)' Six nights of Phase II-VI programmed dancing on a floating wood floor; Wednesday off for sightseeing, horse back riding, golf, shopping, or private lessons; and RV hookups, cabins, motel units; all meals included in dance package. For info: 936-366-2504 or <a href="mailto:rffisher@tamu.edu">rffisher@tamu.edu</a> or <a href="mailto:www.fisherdance.com">www.fisherdance.com</a>. For board and room options and registrations 1-800-548-1684.

June 12 – 16, 2011 – **Heart of America Callers School** – Kaw-Valley Dance Center, 200 SW 30<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 105, Topeka, KS 66611 – Staff: Jerry Junck\*, Paul Henze\*, and Tim Marriner\*. Contact: Jerry Junck, 908 Brooke Drive, Wayne, NE 68787, 402-375-2420, junck@aol.com.

June 22 – 25, 2011 – **Grand Square International 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Caller School** – 60<sup>th</sup> Annual National Square Dance Convention, Detroit, MI – Caller Coaches: Tony Oxendine, Jerry Story, Vernon Jones and Ken Ritucci. Covers all experience levels. Full CALLERLAB curriculum. Modules – Singing Call Techniques – Sight Calling – Showmanship and Much More. You must be registered for the 60<sup>th</sup> NSDC to attend. Register early! Limited to first 50 callers. For info: Tony Oxendine at tony@tonyoxendine.com or 803-840-0746.

July 3 – 7 – 2011 – **Cascade Callers College** – Circle 8 Ranch, Cle Elum, WA – Staff: Daryl Clendenin\* and Jerry Junck\*. Contact: Daryl Clendenin at <a href="mailto:daryl@clendenin.net">daryl@clendenin.net</a>.

July 15 – 17, 2011 – California Caller College – Santa Ana, California. Staff: Frank Lescrinier\*. Contact: Frank Lescrinier, 909-229-3031 or <a href="mailto:frank153@hotmail.com">frank253@hotmail.com</a>.

July 18 – 21, 2011 – **SDCCGB Callers School, Southampton, UK** – Southampton, England. Staff: Paul Bristow\* and Jerry Story\*. Contact: Susie Kelly, (Hon Sec SD Callers Club of GB), 2 Crossbridge Cottages, Thornton, Milton Keynes, MK17 0HE, UK, +44 (0) 1280 816940 or <a href="mailto:susie@graybo.co.uk">susie@graybo.co.uk</a>.

August 18-22, 2011 – **Norcal Callers School** – Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church. Sunnyvale, California – Callers: Ken Ritucci (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach), Randy Dougherty (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach), and Scot Byars. Programs for Beginning and Experienced Callers Cost: \$325.00 per caller. For reservations, a \$100 deposit is required. No charge for accompanying spouse/partner. Food and lodging not included Program: Starts Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Ends Monday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 12 noon. For more Info contact Ken Ritucci, 132 Autumn Road, West Springfield, Massachusetts 01089. Phone: (413) 734-0591 Email: kenritucci@aol.com.

October 6 – 10, 2011 – **Northeast Callers School** – Mill-a-Round Dance Center, off Route 1293, Manchester, NH – two levels of programs: beginner and experienced. Topics of Discussion: Mechanics of Choreography, Timing, Voice/Delivery, Smooth Dancing/Body Flow, Programming, Teaching, Music/Rhythm, Choreographic Management, and Ethics/Leadership. Callers: Ken Ritucci, Norm Poisson, Saundra Bryant, Mike Sikorsky and Keith Stevens. \$350 per caller (\$100 deposit). For info: 413-734-0591 or <a href="mailto:kenritucci@aol.com">kenritucci@aol.com</a> or <a href="https://www.northeastcallerschool.com">www.northeastcallerschool.com</a>.

October 16 – 20, 2011 – **Pride Caller's College** – Pride Resort, I-40, Exit 20, Maggie Valley, NC – Callers: Jon Jones, Deborah Carroll-Jones, Tony Oxendine and Jerry Story. Separate halls for new callers (0 – 5 years experience) and experienced callers. Tuition: \$375 per student. "Discounted" cabins, park models and RV space available. Full meal service available. For reservations: 1-800-926-8191

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, ugottadance@optonline.net.

November 17 – 21, 2011 – **Silver Sate Caller College** – Las Vegas, NV. Staff: Doug Davis\* (Spokane, WA), Hasser Shukayr\* (San Antonio, TX), and Hanna Tenenbaum (Malmoe, Sweden). Contact: Hassert Shukayr at <a href="mailto:nshukayr@gmail.com">nshukayr@gmail.com</a>.

January 8, 2012 – Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Beginners Square Dance Class – Heatherwood, Harden Boulevard, Lakeland, FL – 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette. For info: sqdncfan@aol.com or 863-224-3393.

**NO DATES AVAILABLE – Al Stevens Caller School –** Schwarzwald Sonnenhof Hotel, Langenbrand, Germany. Stff: Al Stevens\*. Contact: Al Stevens, Broetzingerstr, 56, 75180 Pforzheim, + 49 7231 766704 or AlStevensCaller@aol.com.

NO DATES AVAILABLE – **Rocky Mountain Callers School** – Denver, Colorado. Staff: TimMarriner\*, Ron Markus\*, and Mike Olivieri. Contact: Ron Markus, 520-795-3543, ramcaller@juno.com, www.rockmtncallerschool.com.

### **Looking Ahead**

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

March 19 – 20, 2011 – Round Dance Council of Florida Spring Weekend of Rounds – Stardust Dance Center, 1405 S. Collins Street, Plant City, FL – Phase e & 4+ weekend of dancing and clinics – weekend package \$75 per couple. Saturday: 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. – Warm Up Rounds with Council Cuers; 9:30 – 11:45 a.m. Clinic for All (conducted by Dick and Karen); 11:45 – 1:00 p.m. Lunch (provided by Round Dance Council of Florida); 1:30 – 3:45 p.m. Clinic for All (conducted by Dick and Karen); 3:45 – 4:45 p.m. Round Dance Council meeting for Council members; 7:00 – 10:00 p.m. Phase 3/4+ Dance (conducted by Dick and Karen). Sunday: 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Clinic for All (conducted by Dick and Karen); 11:00 – 12:0-0 noon Phase 3/4+ Dance with Dick and Karen. Continental breakfast will be provided both mornings. Host hotel: Red Rose Inn and Suhites, 2011 North Wheeler Street, Plant City; 813-752-3141; \$79 + tax per night. Partial weekend prices available up to sellout. Refundable until day of event. Mail \$75 check payable to RDCF to Lisa Wall, 6 Oaks Drive, Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250; 904-699-7833. For info: ljwall@comcast.net.

### Links

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Websites

### http://floridasquaredance.com/

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

Associations/Organizations

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

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

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)

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.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)

<u>www.Bobsengraving.com</u> (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) <u>www.sheplers.com</u> (Sheplers - the world's largest western stores and catalog) <u>www.PerfectPetticoats.com</u> (Perfect Petticoats) http://www.grandsquare07.com (Grande Square.com – square dance clothes and accessories) **Square Dance Halls** <u>www.Strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> (Strawberry Square) Callers/Cuers http://www.mike-gormley.com (Mike Gormley) 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) Clubs

www.sailfishsquares.org