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From the Editor....



There was a good crowd of 10 or 11 squares at the Spring Fling in Sebring this afternoon. Everyone enjoyed the calling of Sam Dunn, Mike Gormley, Carl Rod and Keith Stevens and the cueing of Linda Catey, Russ Collier, and

Jennie Martin. Many thanks to the Highlands County dancers for the delicious cookies.

A \$1,000 scholarship was presented to Jenny Green this afternoon. Jenny has been around square dancing her entire life. She took lessons at the age of 14. She is the Youth and Singles Chairman for the 2011 and will be Youth and Singles Chairman for the 2012 State Conventions. She is a West Coast alternate delegate to the Florida Federation, is a member of the Federation Showcase of Ideas Committee, co-chair of the West Coast Ways & Means Committee and a member of the West Coast Publicity Committee. She has worked for Watson Clinic in Lakeland for five years, and is in her eighth month at Keiser University in Lakeland. She's going for an AA in Health Management Services. She works full time and attends college three nights a week four hours per night and is on the Dean's List this year.

We haven't even had the 2011 Convention yet and we are fundraising for the 2012! The very successful fundraiser for 2011 was donating square dance clothes to be sold on E-Bay with the proceeds going to the convention. This fundraiser has been transferred to the 2012 convention. We are now accepting donations of women's clothing and men's Mesquite slacks. Men's shirts and men's and women's shoes will not be accepted. These items do not sell on E-Bay. To make arrangements to deliver your donations contact Lance and Rita Baxter at lanceandrita@yahoo.com or 863-326-1741 or Jenny Green at jenangreen@yahoo.com or 863-287-5724.

The Polk Senior Games were held on Monday, February 28th at Lake Ashton in Lake Wales. There were some returning winners and some new ones this year.



Chain Reactors – Advance – Gold
Bottom up: Sue and Jim Pier, Joyce and Frank Boyle, Gayle and Tim Sterling, and Ann and Don Slocum.



Spacecoast Zig Zags – Advance – Silver
Ailene Picheco (bottom left), Angie and Keith Olds
(upper right). I don't know the others.



Eight Square – Plus – Gold
From The Villages at Lady Lake

Spacecoast Chicks (Melbourne/Titusville) –
Mainstream – Gold
Bottom up: Lynn Lenocci, ?, ? Ailene Picheco
(2011 State Convention Co-Chair), ?, Judy Frye
(FASSRD president), ?, ?



Shufflin' Squares of Lake Ashton at Lake Wales –
Plus - Silver

Bottom up: Joyce and Larry Akeson, Carol and Ed
Schwartz, Rita and Lance Baxter, and Freida and
Clyde Kitts.



Shufflin' Squares of Lake Ashton at Lake Wales-
Mainstream - Silver

Bottom up: Donna ?, Unk, Joe ?, Ed Schwartz

Upper left: Fords

Upper right: Wanda and Jim Anderson



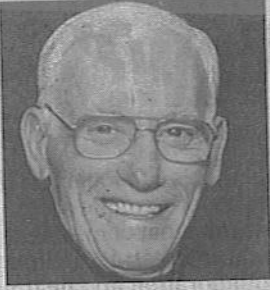
Spacecoast Orbitors – Plus – Bronze
Sorry; I only know two people in this picture.
Bottom left: Lynn Lenocci and top left: Scott Vallee.

Photos courtesy of Keith and Margot Stevens.

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).

Roger Chapman, retired caller and member of the original staff of the Sunshine Festival which was held in Lakeland for 30 years, passed away Thursday, March 3. Below is the obituary that appeared in the Lakeland *Ledger* on Sunday, March 6.



**ROGER ALLEN
CHAPMAN, 79**

WINTER HAVEN - Roger Allen Chapman, 79, Born September 22, 1931 to George and Lucy Chapman in Bronwood, GA, passed away on March 3, 2011 at Home from heart failure.

Roger enjoyed being a great father and get-togethers with the family. Roger graduated from Winter Haven High School in 1950 and received a Football scholarship from the University of Florida and attended school there and played football for the Gators. Roger was the owner of Chapman Tile Co, For 5 years until he retired. Roger was a Professional Square Dance Caller and Traveled through out the Southeast part of the country, Brazil & Hawaii. He was a member of American Callers Assoc. Florida Square Dance Callers Assoc. Roger was known for his master woodcarving. Winning many awards all over the state and also instructed wood carving for the city of Winter Haven Recreation Dept. he was a member of the Ridge Carvers of Lakeland, Lunch Brunch and Winter Haven Woodcrafters.. Roger was a member of St. Alban's Episcopal Church. Roger was also a volunteer at St. Alban's Episcopal Church, Pantry shelf helping to feed those in need.

Preceded in death by father George Chapman and brothers Stephen Lacy Chapman and Thad B. Chapman. Survivors include - wife Mary Jane Name Chapman, and daughters - Deborah (Larry) Knowles of Winter Haven, Denise (John) Chapman of Auburndale, son - "Tiger" (Kelley) Chapman of Winter Haven, mother- Lucy M. Chapman, sisters Phyllis Partin of Orlando, Gale Atchison of Orlando, Brother - Charles "Bing" Chapman, four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

We will gather with friends to celebrate his life with visitation at Crisp-Coon Funeral Home in Winter Haven from 5-8pm Monday and Memorial Service 10:00am Tuesday at St. Alban's Church in Auburndale.

In lieu of flowers please donate to the St. Alban's Pantry - St. Alban's Episcopal Church Pantry - Shelf, 202 Pontotoc St. - Auburndale, FL - 33823

If you will be attending Roger's viewing and/or funeral, please wear a square dance badge.

Ilene Lewis, caller Jack Lewis' wife, lost her father on Monday, February 28th. He's been ill for quite some time. If you would like to send a sympathy card, her address is 9770 Lemonwood Way, Boynton Beach, FL 33437.

Shirley Nihart, past Federation president, is suffering from congestive heart failure. She began retaining fluid prior to her trip to Plant City for the Federation Working Weekend. It got very hard for her to breathe on Wednesday, March 2, and she will be in Baptist Hospital, Room 637, for 2-3 days while they drain the fluid and get her "on the mend" again. If you'd like to send a get well card, it can be sent to 11346 Trotting Horse Lane S., Jacksonville, FL 32225.

Dan Wilkerson, caller in Brandon, now has a knee! For those of you who don't know, Dan had knee replacement surgery quite awhile ago but he developed an infection in the knee. They had to remove the artificial knee and insert a medicated spacer bar in its place. He has been confined to a wheelchair all this time. He has now had surgery to re-insert an artificial knee. He went into surgery not knowing for sure if they would be able to insert the new knee or not. He was told if they found when infection when they opened his knee, they would put another spacer bar in instead of a knee. He's at Brandon Hospital room A512. Phone is (813) 681-5551 ext 5612. They will know more when they meet with the doctor on Thursday. If you would like to send Dan a card, his address is 412 Klickety Klak Lane. Valrico FL 33594-6805.

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

This contact list can also be found at

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<p>Floridasquaredance.com Webmaster Bruce Morgan brucemorgan@embarqmail.com</p>

Your Source...

I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

May 27 – 29, 2011 – **57th Florida Square and Round Dance Convention** – Lakeland, FL

October 14 – 15, 2011 – **FASSRD's Single-Rama** – Sebring, FL

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

Honoring the Military

The 39th Annual Georgia State Square Dance Convention has been dedicated for many years as support to the military that make it possible for all to have the freedom to enjoy fun, fellowship and dancing. This year, however, there was something a little different.

The convention, which always runs the third weekend in September, was under the direction of Ben and Luline Cotton and Ralph and Judie Gill, Convention Chairmen. They specifically set aside Friday evening to honor all military, veterans and those still serving with a special "Grand March of Honor."

The flag bearers, Johnny Jolly and Ronnie Shelnett, of Crossfire Squares, led the "Grand March" of military onto the dance floor. Bob Morrison, a square dance caller, gave a "Thank You to the Troops" followed by Vance Donaldson with the Invocation. All of those opening the program are veterans and have served their country.

While the convention brought roughly 1,000 dancers to Macon for the annual event, there were about 300 in the "Veterans Grand March. Those marching in and those in the stands, dressed in red, white and blue were cheering and waving hand-held flags. The flags, generously donated by Woodmen of the World Insurance Company, certainly did add an emotional touch to the evening and the grand march honoring the military.

Square dancing is done all over the world and is called in English thanks to the service men and women who carried it with them to share with others. Foreign dancers may not speak any English, but they do understand their square dance calls in English, no matter what country you dance in.

Our next convention is the big "40" Birthday Bash and we will be planning special things for that one. Why not be with us on September 15 -17, 2011 to kick up your heels and twirl your partner. Join us to see what we come up with in addition to a "good time".

If you are not a square dancer, you should at least try it once to find out the fun they have and why they are always smiling.

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Welcome to SquareDanceHistory.org

This web site is a work in progress. In time, this site will provide access to a rich collection of information about the history of American square dancing and its many forms. Eventually, this will include moving images, audio clips, text, interviews, and photographs.

For a more detailed look at our plans, please read the accompanying project overview. In addition to the financial support we have already received, we are also seeking major grant support. Obtaining the rights to old footage can be expensive, let alone the cost of digitizing the images on film.

At this time, four organizations are cooperating in this project: University of New Hampshire, Special Collections # Country Dance and Song Society

Square Dance Foundation of New England

CALLERLAB - The International Association of Square Dance Callers

Helping guide this project is a group of experienced dance callers plus scholars, archivists, and digital specialists at the University of New Hampshire. All the dance consultants will be participating in Dare To Be Square at the John C. Campbell Folk School in Brasstown, NC; this major square dance event (November 18-20, 2011) will showcase a wide variety of squares: New England, southern Appalachian, traditional western, modern, and singing squares; the weekend will be of interest to dancers and to callers around the country.

Over the past year, we have been searching archives and collections throughout North America. If you have or know of good movie footage that shows square dancing, please contact us at millstone@valley.net with more specific information.

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What's Happening This Week?

Week of March 7, 2011

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

Monday – *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: **Unk**; Cuer: **Bill Webb**. 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 (hwcole@att.net) 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: **Dave Buys**; Cuer: Carl Rod. Square dance attire preferred. For info: dmountain@tampabay.rr.com.

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: 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.

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

Tuesday – *Buttons & Bows of Lakeland St. Patrick's Day Dance* - 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: Sam Dunn, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – beautiful wood floor - finger foods – square dance attire preferred. For info: jgsap@yahoo.com or sqdncfan@aol.com.

Ding-a-Lings Mardi Gras Night - 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: **Bob Schlenker**, 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.

Maple Leaf Squares – 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.

Wednesday – 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/redbates@juno.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 – 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: **Carol Kelly**, Cuer: Ella Bettencourt – please bring finger food. For info: 813-783-7523 or tckelly2@aol.com.

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: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com. 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: **Kip Moulton**. Banner raids welcome. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com 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.

Thursday - Glenhaven – 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 Black and White 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: **Mac McCall**, 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 mc8152@verizon.net or 813-649-0754.

Charlotte Promenaders Anniversary Dance – 2280 Aaron Street, Port Charlotte – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Callers: **Chuck and Gerry Hardy**, Cuer: **Karen Haiflich**. For info: 941-475-2777 or 941-426-2354.

Pine Ridge Promenaders – 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: **Sam Dunn** – finger food. 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: lcece@tampabay.rr.com or 727-799-3068.

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

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

Friday – **Sounds of Sebring** – Kenilworth Lodge, Sebring, FL. For info: Ron Libby 352-259-3188; ronlibby@aol.com.

Dixie Grande Squares – 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. THIS IS NOW A WEEKLY DANCE WITH EARLY ROUND. For info: 863-293-9369 or carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com.

Buttonwood Bay – **NO DANCE** For info: Roger and Connie McElfresh 863-655-4243 or rogerconniemc@tnni.net.

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: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com 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: Keith Stevens; Cuer: Jack Jenkins. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com 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 St. Patrick's Day Dance – 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: settarose1@verizon.net or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429 or mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net.

Sun City Swingers Toast to the Irish - Sun City Center Community Hall, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Bob Ellis, cuer: Pat Hagen. Square dance attire preferred. Members will provide appropriate finger food (green?) and the Club will supply the beverages. For info: suzannelynch3@verizon.net or gail3357@gmail.com.

Saturday – **Stuart Bunch** – Temple Shalom, 23190 Utica Avenue, Port Charlotte, FL – full C3B and includes both hard C3B and easy C4 star tips – all floor level tips are on computer – all hard C3B tips are on computer with sign up requested – C4 tips are open – Caller: Clark Baker – **Saturday:** C3B Tips (floor level) 1:30 – 4:00 p.m. and 6:30 – 9:00 p.m.; Hard C3B Star Tips 4:00 – 4:15 p.m. and 9:00 – 9:15 p.m.; Easy C4 Star Tips 4:15 – 4:30 p.m. (computer cards) and 9:15 – 9:30 p.m. (open). **Sunday:** C3B Tips (floor level) 10:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. and 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.;

Hard C3B Star Tip 12:15 – 12:30 p.m. For info: www.StuartBunch.org or cj.mayers@verizon.net.

Sounds of Sebring – Kenilworth Lodge, Sebring, FL. For info: Ron Libby 352-259-3188; ronlibby@aol.com.

Pasco Squares – C.A.R.E.S. Enrichment Center, 12417 Tower Parkway, Hudson – Workshop 6:00 – 7:00 p.m., dance 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – alternating Plus and Mainstream tips. For info: 727-808-3429 or 727-809-0323.

Reflections – **NO DANCE** For info: timpa50@sbcglobal.net.

Strawberry Square – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – ER 7:00 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Kip Moulton**, Cuer: **Linda Moulton**. For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com. If you are unable to reach the office, call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Linda Lynn 813-659-9040, Mary Lee Van Valkenburg 813-707-1702, or Nicki Horne 813-8905 or 813-727-6210.

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: luvrds@embarqmail.com or www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry. Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Palace Promenaders St. Patrick's Dance – 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.

Sunday - **Stuart Bunch** – Temple Shalom, 23190 Utica Avenue, Port Charlotte, FL – full C3B and includes both hard C3B and easy C4 star tips – all floor level tips are on computer – all hard C3B tips are on computer with sign up requested – C4 tips are open – Caller: Clark Baker – **Sunday**: C3B Tips (floor level) 10:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. and 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.; Hard C3B Star Tip 12:15 – 12:30 p.m. For info: www.StuartBunch.org or cj.mayers@verizon.net.

Sounds of Sebring – Kenilworth Lodge, Sebring, FL. For info: Ron Libby 352-259-3188; ronlibby@aol.com.

Heel & Toe – St. Cloud Senior Center, 3101 – 17th Street, St. Cloud – Caller: Bill Boyd – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For info: minimercury@cfl.rr.com or 407-339-1499.

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 St. Patrick's Dance – 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.floridasquaredance.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 St. Patrick's Dance – La Hacienda Center, The Villages 352-259-6040 – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Callers: Ron Libby and Kurt Preson, 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!

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March 13 – 17, 2011 – **Rhythm Records Caller School** – Pioneer Grange, Ridgefield, WA – Staff: Wade Driver. Contact Janet Shannon – 15205 NE 13th 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 clinics, 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 rffisher@tamu.edu or www.fisherdance.com. 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 30th 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 5th Annual Caller School** – 60th 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 60th 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 daryl@clendenin.net.

July 15 – 17, 2011 – **California Caller College** – Santa Ana, California. Staff: Frank Lescrier*. Contact: Frank Lescrier, 909-229-3031 or frank253@hotmail.com.

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 susie@graybo.co.uk.

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 18th at 7:00 p.m. Ends Monday, August 22nd 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 kenritucci@aol.com or www.northeastcallerschool.com.

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), Nasser Shukayr* (San Antonio, TX), and Hanna Tenenbaum (Malmoe, Sweden). Contact: Nasser Shukayr at nshukayr@gmail.com.

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: sgdncfan@aol.com or 863-224-3393.

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

– **Rocky Mountain Callers School** – Denver, Colorado. Staff: Tim Marriner*, 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 24, 2011 – **Shufflin’ Squares Special Dance** - 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. - Caller: Curt Braffet (Illinois); Cuer: Karen Fisher – square dance attire optional. For info: eschwartz23@tampabay.rr.com.

April 8, 9 & 10, 2011 - **5th Taiwan International Square Dance Convention** - MOTC Convention Center No. 24, Sec. 1, Hangjhou S. Rd., Taipei City, Taiwan (R.O.C.). Caller: Tony Oxendine. Tony’s Night at **April 8, 2011 (Friday)** 19:00-21:30. **Saturday:** 14:00-22:00 plus. **April 10 (Sunday)** 10:00-16:00. Organizer: Square Dance Association of R.O.C. Square Dance (Mainstream, Plus, Advanced, C1); Round & Line Dance hosted by Chinese and

Foreign callers simultaneously held in two ballrooms Gis Registration Fees (activity and insurance dues included). Foreign Participant---US\$60(with meal). Meals Offered: -April, 9 (Saturday) - Western Buffet Dinner (seated based on colors of convention badges). April, 10 (Sunday) - Lunch Box (each group please send a representative to receive the lunch box). Registration forms are on website: <http://sdaroc.blogspot.com/p/5th-tisd.html>. Glynn and Helen Condit of Green Valley, AZ helped Introduce Square Dancing in Taiwan (1974 to 1977). They are planning to go to the Convention. An Independent Free Lance tour is being planned. No Visa Required, Excellent Accommodations, Trains, Buses, Taxi cabs, High Speed Rail and Signs in English. Email: gcondit@cox.net Phone: 520-625-6577

April 16, 2011 - **WATCH THE STARS COME OUT IN VEGAS** - Riviera Hotel on the strip in Las Vegas - 1:00-3:00 PM – Callers: Wade Driver, Mike Sikorsky, John and Deborah Jones, Buddy Weaver, Mike Seastrom, Jet Roberts, Marshall Flippo and recording artists from Hi Hat Music, Fine Tune Music, Blue Star Records, ISP Records, Rhythm Records and many more. No door charge; tax-deductible donations asked to benefit In conjunction with “the Ozzies” – Square Dance Music Awards Ceremony - April 16, 2011 * 5:00-11:00 PM; Riviera Hotel, 2901 Las Vegas Blvd South, Las Vegas, NV (tickets by pre-sale only). Contact: ozziegail@musicforcallers.com.

June 17, 2011 – **60th National Convention Trail Thru Square & Round Dance Special** – Brecksville Human Services Center, 2 Community Drive, Brecksville, OH 44141 – 7:30 – 7:55 p.m. A2 Tips, 8:00 – 10:30 p.m. Plus Square Dancing and Phase II – IV Rounds – finger foods – split the pot – continuous dancing – hardwood floors – hot has last tip. Callers: Dee Dee Dougherty-Lottie (Minnesota/California) and Jack Pladdys (Ohio). Rounds by Bill Webb (Ohio/Florida). For info: Dave and Cheryl Storgard 4140-526-0326 or <http://www.squaredancing.com/brecksville>. Hosted by Brecksville Squares.

June 18, 2011 – **2011 National Convention Trail Thru Square & Round Dance Special** – Michael Solomon Pavilion, 2917 Berkley Street (off Dorothy Lane in Kettering), Dayton, OH. Early Rounds 7 – 7:30 p.m., Plus Squares with Rounds from 7:30 – 10:30 p.m. – great sound – great food – hardwood floors – casual attire acceptable. Callers: Dee Dee Dougherty-Lottie (Arizona/Minnesota), Jack Pladdys (Ohio), and Curt Braffet (Illinois). Cuers: Stuart Lewis and Fay Samborsky (Ohio). Numerous hotels within a 10 minute drive. Space is limited and we expect a sellout. Get your tickets early. \$7 per person in advance; \$9 at the door. For info: Jim Shaw, 4412 Osborn, Medway, OH 45341 or 937-873-8124 or shawfamily4@juno.com.

Links

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Websites

<http://floridasquaredance.com/>

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

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://scafl.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

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

www.2fwd2.com (Lisa Wall)

www.keithstevens.com (Keith Stevens)

Clubs

www.sailfishsquares.org

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