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June 1, 2010 – **Deadline for Northeast Association's *The Grapevine*.** For info: thegrapevine@pergrossi.com.

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

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

July 20, 2011 – **Deadline for West Coast Association Distinguished Service Award Nominations.** For info: anndonslocum@juno.com.

From the Editor...



There's a lot of information to add to this week's issue! There's more information to add but this issue is getting too long so I'll add it next week.

Cuer, Phyllis Hathaway, has announced her retirement from cueing.

We had a terrific Trails End dance Thursday night (the night before the start of the Florida State Convention. Below are the pictures John sent me.

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

Darrell and Vera Figg have now moved to the Kissimmee area. Darrell is a caller from Michigan. Their new address is 1471 Sungate Drive, Apt. 208, Kissimmee, FL 34746. Their email address is dfigg1@aol.com.



Sign In: Convention Treasurers: Jack and Barbara Hoffman
Convention Secretaries: Jan and Jim McConnaha



Registration: Becky Coe – Carol Poole - Mary Kinzar



57th Florida State Convention, General Chairmen: Ailene Picheco - Terri Little



Callers and Cuers Attending this Dance First Couple: Whit & Dee Brown – Tim and Terri Wilaby, Ted and Carol Kennedy, Dave and Sandy Sturgis, Ailene Picheco, Terri Little, Roland and Linda Moran, and Bob and Carol Stern.



Pirates on the go.



Cheryl and Paul Miller (Ways -N- Means, North West) help out

Photos courtesy of John Occhipinti and Yolanda Trainor

Pictures from the convention over the weekend can now be found at [Florida Federation of Square Dancers Gallery](#).

The final numbers aren't in yet, but we had around 700 people at the convention. If you were there, tell your friends about all the fun you had and invite them to come next year.

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).

Penny Green, West Coast President and editor of the DANCERgram, underwent surgery Friday, May 27, with no problems. She was at the convention over the weekend (not dancing though).

The surgery was through the front of her neck so she is experiencing difficulty in swallowing at the current time. (5/30/11)

UPDATE: Shirley Nihart, past Federation president: We were at the hospital until about 4:30 yesterday when surgery was completed and Shirley was taken to ICU. The doctor replaced two valves to the heart and said she should be in better health following her recuperation. Dave called us about 10 last night as he was leaving the hospital to say the doctor had been in again and was pleased with the progress to that time; She was experiencing some bleeding, but they had given her blood; she remains sedated and they will begin waking her sometime today. Please keep them both in your thoughts and prayers. Charlie & Val Newsome (5/30/11)

Darleen Nordine, wife of cuer Dick Nordine, passed away today. No other details are available at this time. If you would like to send Dick a sympathy card, his address is 522 Lombardy Road, Winter Springs, FL 32708.

Hey everyone, I just got back from the hospital, where I saw and chatted with [Caller] **Chuck [Meyer]** for a few minutes, and although he is in a private room, he still has a long recovery ahead. He is in room 209 at WF Hospital, 8383 North Davis Highway, Pensacola, Florida, 32514. There was some talk of him either being in or going into Rehab, but I did not gather it all in.

He is improved, and is actually looking pretty good at this point, which is an answer to our prayers.

Jerry [Williamson]

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

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Your Source...

I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

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

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

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

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

2012 Florida State Convention

The 2012 State Convention is raffling off a Kindle 3G Wireless Reading Device. It includes free 3G network and Wi-Fi, the 3G works globally, Graphite, 6" display with New E Ink Pearl Technology. Only 300 "Raffle tickets" will be sold for \$5.00 a ticket. The drawing will be held on November 19, 2011 at the Northeast Association "Fall Festival". You do not need to be present to win. If you would like to purchase a ticket please see Jenny Green.

Jenny Green

Assistant Chairman – West Coast

We hope all of you enjoyed the 2011 State Square Dance Convention!! Now it is time for us to begin focusing on the next one. The kickoff for the 58th Florida state convention on Sunday night, May 29, marked the upcoming three days of constant you enjoy the kickoff and the Mardi note of next year's dates: May 25, it's a year away, that time will pass it to! Ribbons are on sale now for buy them in advance, the cost is weekend, but if you wait to get \$40 per person – so buy early and for a full weekend of such fun! And you get to reacquaint yourselves with other dancers you only see on this special weekend!



beginning of another fun and entertainment. Did Gras costumes? Make a 26 and 27, 2012. Although quicker than we're ready for the 2012 convention. If you \$35 per person for the entire them at the door they will be save! Where else can you go

Fundraisers have been ongoing to defray the high costs incurred in a convention of this magnitude. We urge dancers to support these various endeavors. These endeavors are what help to keep the cost of the ribbons down. Look through your closets for clothes you don't wear any more. Take those clothes to a Federation or Association representative who will in turn send them along for recycling. Another fundraiser is the Kindle 3G Wireless Reading Device. Download books to a smaller and faster reading device. Tickets for this Kindle are limited to only 300, and the price is \$5 per ticket. Hurry and get yours while they last!!

Elsa Huddleston,
Publicity Chairman

West Coast Association Area Mother and Daughter Team Appointed Convention Co-Chairman

At the Federation meeting on Sunday, May 29, Federation President Val Newsome appointed Penny Green and Jenny Green as chairman of the 2014 Florida State Convention. They will also be serving as assistant co-chairman for the 2013 convention so they can learn the "ropes". Volunteers will be needed for several committees. If you would be interested in serving in any capacity, please let one of them know. Penny at sgdncfan@aol.com or Jenny at jenanngreen@yahoo.com.

West Coast Association's Fall Fun Fest

We are gearing up for a real good weekend dance in Bartow at the Civic Center November 11 and 12. Jack Pladdys and Sam Dunn as the "Blues Brothers" will be our callers with rounds by Charlie and Leona Lovelace. We will have a Mainstream & Plus Hall, and Advance Hall. We will have vendors (Don and Ann Slocum are the Chairman for the weekend). There is free parking and free dry camping at the Center.

During the weekend there will be a Craft Fair, Car Show, and Antique Fair in beautiful downtown Bartow – because of this, part of Main Street and part of Broadway will be closed Friday through late Saturday night.

Mary Dow,
Fall Fun Fest Secretary

60th National Square Dance Convention

Please note that this is a revision of the letter you received dated May 20, 2011. That letter mistakenly stated that the dress code for the 60th National Square Dance Convention® was relaxed. **The dress code for this convention has not changed from previous conventions.**

The 60th National Square Dance Convention cordially invites you and your friends to attend the Organizations Round Table, Saturday, June 25, 2011 from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM in Cobo Hall Room #02-43.

The Showcase of Ideas is open all day during the convention. Come in and visit, you can pick up some new ideas to take back to your area.

Square and Round Dance publications will also be displayed along with the Historical Program Book collection. It is quite a display of the many publications and perhaps you can pick up new ideas for your publication.

In addition, the Education Committee has planned many clinics, panels and seminars. Please stop by with friends and enjoy some fun and new ideas. There are many good panels of interest. Hope to see you at our “National”.

Set-up/Tear-down Dates and Times:

Please plan to sign in and set-up your display on Wednesday, June 22nd between 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM. Please remove your display on Saturday, June 25 between 2:00 and 4:00 PM. Smaller packages may be hand carried or wheeled in on suitcase dollies thru personnel doors.

Tables:

A sign with the name of your organization will be hung above your table space. Tables will be covered and draped and you can store items UNDER the table, no storage outside of the table draping. There will be an 8-foot tall backdrop behind the tables. There is No electrical service!

Emergency Phone number for Cobo Hall – 313-212-0983. The phone will not be answered at all until Sunday, June 19.

Drop off is in the front entrance of Cobo Hall:

Registration for the convention is just inside the front entrance. You should pick up your registration packet so you will then have your “people mover” free pass. After unloading your car, you may park on the roof, the basement of Cobo Hall, or go to your hotel and park. Hotel

parking is probably less expensive, especially at the garage behind the Renaissance Center. (10 – 15 minute ride back to Cobo Hall on the people mover).

Shipping items back home: There are two places within .2 miles from Cobo Hall; UPS Store
535 Griswold St.
Detroit, MI 48226
313-963-7080

USPS – United States Post Office
Renaissance Center Finance
100 Renaissance Center St.
Detroit, MI 48243
800-275-8777

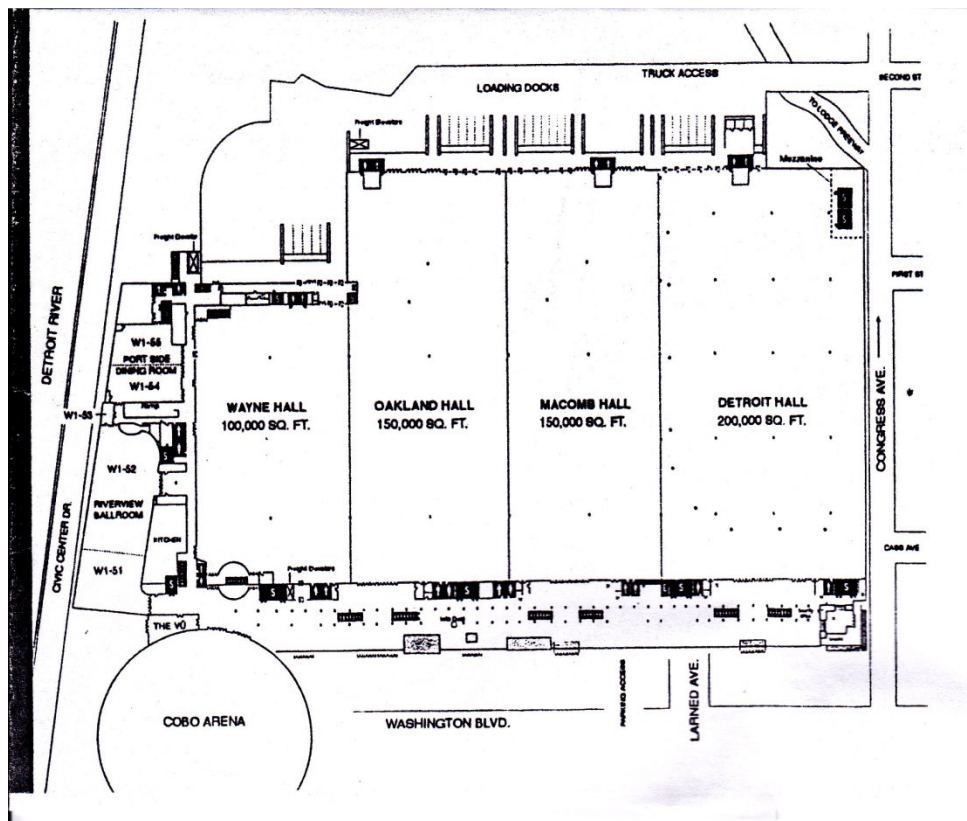
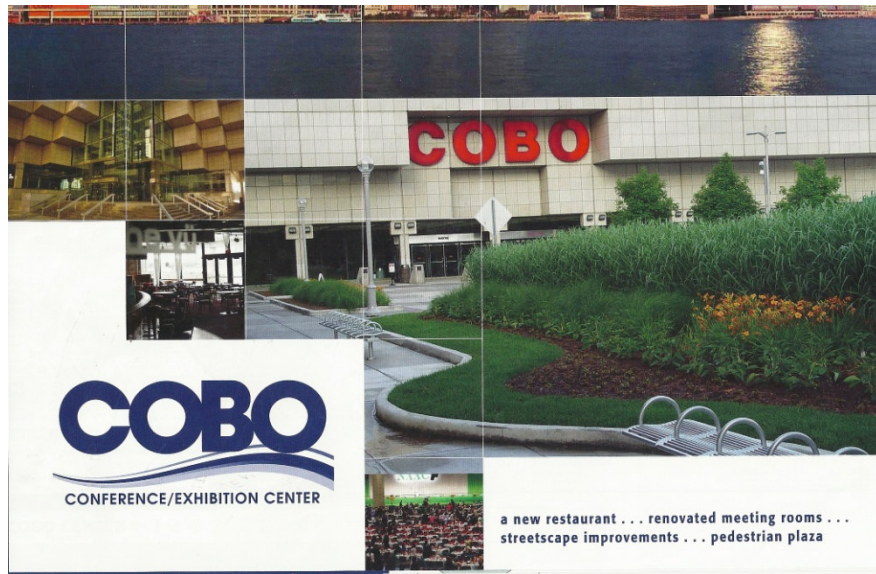
Cobo Hall does not accept deliveries of materials. If you have just a few boxes they could be shipped to Nancy's office if she knows it is coming.

For shipping material to the convention please let me know as there is a form that is needed and we will give you that when you let me know. We prefer you or a designated person bring your materials.

Remember that nothing may be sold, bartered or hawked in the Showcase area. Pins, stickers etc are welcomed and freely exchanged.

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Note: The Showcase of Ideas is in the front half of Wayne Hall.

What's Happening This Week?

Week of May 30, 2011

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

Monday (May 30) – *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 (May 31) – *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 (June 1) – *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 Summer Schedule – Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Port Charlotte, FL. Callers: Wes Morris; 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 (June 2) – *Shufflin' Squares* – Lake Ashton Golf Club, 4141 Ashton Club Drive, Lake Wales, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., alternating tips (Mainstream/Plus) 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. advanced tip 9:30 p.m.. Caller: George Varney; Cuer: Carl Rod – square dance attire optional. For info: eschwartz23@tampabay.rr.com.

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.

Promenade Squares – **NO DANCE** For info: walkey1a@yahoo.com or 727-789-3836.

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 (June 3) – 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. For info: 863-293-9369 or carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com.

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: Art Springer, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – casual attire. 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 - 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. For info: suzannelynch3@verizon.net or gail3357@gmail.com.

Saturday (June 4) – 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.

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

Sunday (June 5) – 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: **Doug Waldron**, Cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: hal.baumann1959@gmail.com or 352-259-6552.

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

Monday (June 6) – 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. – Callers: **Ron Reardon**, Cuer: **Charlie Lovelace** – finger food served. Dancers please use the entrance marked “Gage Hall” on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

West Coast Classes and Workshops

National Caller and Cuer Colleges

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

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

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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.

July 25 – 29, 2011 – **Jubilee Callers School** – BSDA Friendship Hall, Fultondale, AL – Ken Ritucci (CALLERLAB Accredited Callercoach) and Wade Driver. \$350 per student. Space is limited; register today! For info: 413-734-0591 or kenritucci@aol.com.

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.

August 26-27, 2011 - IMPROVE YOUR ROUND DANCING ANNUAL CLINIC – Kennesaw Community Center. 31753 Watts Drive. Kennesaw, Georgia **30144** - Cuers Wayne and Barbara Blackford with Anne and Gup Gupton - Level of Dance PH 4/5 TEACHES & Ph 4/5 soft 6 dancing - Cost of Dance \$70.00 per couple (Includes all dancing & teaches; lunch on Saturday). **Limited Registration** - Time of Dance 7:00 PM. For more Info Contact T.D. Gupton 770-838-9731 tdgupton@comcast.net, P.O. Box 97 Villa Rica, GA 30180.

September 15, 2011 - **Promenade Squares Beginner Square Dance Class** – Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – caller: Dick Demerit – 6:00 p.m. For info: [727-789-3836](tel:727-789-3836) walkey1a@yahoo.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, Sandra 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

October 18, 2011 – **Phase III-IV Choreographed Ballroom Figure Clinics, Dance Reviews, New Routines....and Dancing** – Stardust Dance Center, 1405 S. Collins Street (Big Lots Shopping Center), Plant City – Cuers: Karen and Dick Fisher. 7:45 – 9:30 p.m. - !2 per couple per session. For info: rffisher@tamu.edu; www.fisherdance.com; 936-366-2504.

November 3, 2011 - **Maple Leaf Squares “Rusty Dancers”** – Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway (I-75 Exit 170 go SW 1 ½ miles), Queensway Hall – 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – caller: Dave Magee. Gated community; ask guard for directions to Canam Clubhouse. For info: callerdave@comcast.net or 941-235-1611.

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

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

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

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

November 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.

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

December 5, 2011 – **Strawberry Square Plus Square Dance Lessons** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 8:00 – 9:30 p.m. (immediately following

beginner class) – for those wanting to get back into square dancing, a refresher or just finished Mainstream - Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette. \$5 per person. Casual clothes and comfortable shoes recommended. For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com.

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

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

January 24 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

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.

NO DATES AVAILABLE – 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.

June 9, 2011 – **Promenade Squares Baseball Night** - Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – DBD Workshop 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. Wear your favorite team jersey or hat. For info: walkey1a@yahoo.com or 727-789-3836.

June 10 – 11, 2011 - **Colorado State Square Dance Festival** - Doubletree Hotel. Colorado Springs, Colorado - Dance Competition (*Callers:* Bear Miller - Jeff Palmer - Don Furnish, Hexagon Squares (Caller: *Bob Riggs*). Progressive Squares (Caller: Roger Schappell). Intro to Plus, DBD, Mainstream Funshops, DBD Plus Funshops, Hot Hash. All Singing Calls Team Calling Round Dance Workshops. After May 31st 2011 the price will be: \$55.00 p/p for the whole weekend. \$20.00 for Friday night only. \$33.00 per person for Saturday Day/ Saturday Night dances. The walk up prices will not change <http://www.2011cosquaredancefestival.com>.

June 10 - 12, 2011 - **The Texas State Federation of Square and Round Dancers 49th State Festival Pre-Festival (Black Gold-Texas Tea)** - Harvey Convention Center. 2000 W. Front St. Tyler, Texas 75702. Friday night June 10, 2011. Caller: Tim Tyl, Kenneth Melvin, Nelda Eaton, Ron Mineau Cuer: Sonny & Charlotte Ezelle and Fred & Linda Ayres. Level of Dance: Mainstream, Plus, Rounds, Teens \$12.00 per person or can pre-register. 7:00 pm Early Rounds, 7:45 pm Grand March & Opening Ceremonies, 8:00 – 10:00 pm Mainstream and Plus with Rounds. 50/50, Multiple Vendors. For more Info Contact Hal & Dolores McMakin 903-962-7479 doloresm@suddenlink.net. Web link for dance www.squaredancetx.com (State Festival)

June 11 – 12, 2011 - **Texas State Federation Square and Round Dancers 49th State Festival Boomin' Good Time in Tyler, Texas** - Harvey Convention Center. 2000 W. Front St. Tyler, Texas 75702. . Mainstream, Plus, Advanced, DBD, Rounds, Teens, Clogging, Line Dance. Cost of Dance: \$17 per person, Age 19 and younger half price, or can pre-register. Saturday 9am-10pm Sunday Farewell Dance 9-11am. Workshops during day, Multiple vendors, Teen Lock-in. Sunday: Devotional 8:30 am and Farewell Dance 9-11 am. Pre-Registration for entire Festival June 9-12, 2011 available on-line at www.squaredancetx.com For more Info Contact: Howard & Sandra Rowan, 903-312-3713, srowan1@juno.com Web link for dance: www.squaredancetx.com (State Festival).

June 16, 2011 - **Trail Thru to the 60th NSDC "See the USA in a Chevrolet"** - Eads Civic Center, 12365 Washington Rd Eads, Tennessee (Suburbs of Memphis). Caller: Nasser Shukayr; Cuer: Gin Weaver. Plus & Mainstream Members: \$2.00 Non-Members \$6.00. Plus Dancing 7:30 and Mainstream 8:00-10 50/50 Split the Pot. Contact: Justin Russell (901) 604-5751 justinrus@gmail.com or <http://www.justin-russell.com/topspinners.html>.

June 20, 2011 - **Trail Thru To Detroit Nationals** - Rocky River Memorial Hall. 21018 Hilliard Blvd. (Hilliard Blvd & Wager Rd.). Rocky River, Ohio (Cleveland Area). **Caller** Tom Miller, Bill Harrison, Tom Rudebock. A PLUS dance with Lots of Energy. Cost of Dance: \$6.00 Per person Time of Dance: 7 to 10 PM; Advanced Tips at 6:30 PM. 50 / 50; Casual or Square Wear. For more Info Contact Cheryl & David Storgard 440-526-0328 luv2sqdance@earthlink.com.

July 14, 2011 - **Promenade Squares Patriotic Dance** - Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – DBD Workshop 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. Wear red, white and blue. For info: walkey1a@yahoo.com or 727-789-3836.

August 11, 2011 - **Promenade Squares Beach Party** - Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – DBD Workshop 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. Wear casual attire, but no bathing suits). For info: walkey1a@yahoo.com or 727-789-3836.

September 8, 2011 - **Promenade Squares Ice Cream Sundaes** - Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – DBD Workshop 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: walkey1a@yahoo.com or 727-789-3836.

October 5, 2011 – **Strawberry Square First C/1 Workshop and Dance of the Season** – 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Art Springer. For info: <http://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com/index.html> or aspringer1@tampabay.rr.com.

October 6, 2011 - **Promenade Squares Hobo Night** - Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – DBD Workshop 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: walkey1a@yahoo.com or 727-789-3836.

October 27, 2011 - **Promenade Squares Halloween Party** - Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – DBD Workshop 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: walkey1a@yahoo.com or 727-789-3836.

October 27 – 30, 2011 – 36th Annual Florida Square and Round Dance Camp-o-ree – Wekiva Falls Resort, Sanford, FL. For info: <http://www.floridasquaredance.com/fansdc/camporee.html> or Luu & Stan Crosby at 813-875-2172 or stanluu@msn.com.

November 9, 2011 – **Strawberry Square First C/2 Workshop and Dance of the Season** – 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Art Springer. For info: <http://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com/index.html> or aspringer1@tampabay.rr.com

November 17, 2011 - **Promenade Squares Pie Night** - Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – DBD Workshop 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: walkey1a@yahoo.com or 727-789-3836.

December 15, 2011 - **Promenade Squares Christmas Party** - Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – DBD Workshop 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: walkey1a@yahoo.com or 727-789-3836.

February 11, 2012 – **2013 Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention Benefit** – Bartow Civic Center, 2250 S. Floral Avenue, Bartow, FL – dance to be held in conjunction with the Florida Federation Working Weekend – featured Callers: Bob Poyner (2013 FSSRDC Caller Chairman), Art Springer, and Keith Stevens. Feature Cuer: Terri Wilaby (2013 FSSRDC Cuer Chairman). Cost: Donation at the door. ER 7:00 – 7:45 p.m.; squares 8:00 – 10:00 p.m.; advance squares 10:00 – 10:20 p.m. Proceeds will benefit the 2013 FSSRDC. For info: Paul and Cheryl Miller – 850-939-6688 / pemiller@mchsi.com or Anita and Bud Taylor – 904-272-6551 / anitaandbudinop@aol.com.

February 11 – 12 – **Florida Federation Working Weekend** – Location TBA. For info: flspence@earthlink.net.

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.suziegcreations.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

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