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September 1, 2011 – **Deadline for Northeast Association's** *The* **Grapevine**. For info: thegrapevine@pergrossi.com.

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

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

From the Editor...



A lot of new information on dances and classes has been added to this issue so be sure to check that out.

The 26th Annual MacDonald Parents' Group Dance will be Sunday, November 6 at the Strawberry Square Dance Center in Plant City. Sam Dunn and Art Springer will be calling and Charlie Lovelace, and Jimmy and Carol Griffin will be cueing. Early Rounds will be from 1:30 – 2:00 p.m.,

and Squares (alternating Mainstream and Plus) will be from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. A \$6 donation is requested and all proceeds will benefit the MacDonald Parent's Group. For those of you that don't know, the MacDonald Training Center for disabled adults. You can purchase advance ribbons from Flo Byington, Yolanda Trainor, Betty Stevens, Martha Springer, Leona Lovelace, or Penny Green.

The 37th Annual West Coast Fall Fun Fest is fast approaching! The dates are November 11 and 12. Do you have your ribbons yet? Ribbons for the full weekend are \$18 per person if you purchase them in advance. They will be \$20 per person at the door. If you would like to come just for Friday night or just for Saturday night, the cost is \$10 per person. Or you can come all day on Saturday for \$15 per person. Only the full weekend ribbons can be sold in advance. You can either mail your registration to Dick and Betty Stevens at 905 Helena Drive, Brandon, FL 33511 or you can purchase your ribbons from a Fall Fun Fest committee member, county reps or me. You won't want to miss this one! The Blues Brothers will be there (aka Jack Pladdys and Sam Dunn) as well as Charlie Lovelace. If you danced to the Blues Brothers when they were here earlier in the year, you know what a great time you will have. Let your friends know what a great time you had and encourage them to come! Sandy's Square Dance Boutique and Suzie-Q Creations will be the vendors this year. Free camping for the first ten rigs and free parking at

the Bartow Civic Center. Be sure to read "The Baskets are Coming!" further down in this newsletter regarding one of our fundraisers.

September is Square Dance Month! A copy of the proclamation signed by Governor Rick Scott is attached for your use in advertising this event. This would be a great time to contact your local radio and newspapers for square dance publicity.

Health & Sympathy

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

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

Sandy Brasfield, past Federation President and past West Coast President, had surgery for bladder cancer on Friday, August 26. Ken said it's not a big thing, but needs to be taken care of. If you would like to send her a card, her address is 5700 Bayshore Road, #1012, Palmetto, FL 34221.

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

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The Baskets are Coming!

Each year at the West Coast Association Fall Fun Fest, we hold a themed basket silent auction to raise funds for the upcoming Florida State Square Dance Convention. These baskets make great gifts and this has been a very successful fundraiser for us.

In order for it to be successful, we need your help. We need donations of themed baskets to use in the silent auction. These donations can be from clubs, organizations, and individuals.

Some suggested themes are: Romance, Barbecue, Handyman, Spa, Movie Night, Beach, Baking, Baby, Newlywed, Holiday, etc. When you decide on a theme, please notify Flo Byington at flobyington@yahoo.com to ensure that themes aren't duplicated.

How do you put a themed basket together? Ask your members to donate either money or products for the basket. Products can include tickets, coupons (watch those expiration dates!), food, etc. Use a nice size basket (or container), arrange all the products in the basket/container, and wrap the entire package in clear plastic wrap so that everything remains in the basket/container. Prepare a list of everything that is in the basket, and include the value and the name of group or individual donating the basket(s). If the basket is valued at more than \$50, consider splitting it into more than one basket.

With the Fall Fun Fest being just before the holidays, these baskets make great Christmas, wedding or baby gifts.

What is a silent auction? A list will be posted by each basket and anyone can list their name with their "bid" for the basket. All evening everyone will have the opportunity to increase the bid. When the bids are closed, the person with the highest bid will purchase that basket. Some people carry out a lot of baskets at the end of the evening!

All proceeds from this auction will benefit the 2012 Florida State Convention "Mardi Gras Fun in the Sun".

Put your "thinking caps" on and start working on your basket(s)! You do not have to be a member of the West Coast Association to make a donation; other associations are welcome to participate!

Flo Byington is the coordinator for this project; so if you have any questions, please contact her at flobyington@yahoo.com or 813-810-5548.

Your Source...

I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

What's Happening This Week?

Week of August 29, 2011

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

Monday (August 29). *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 Birthday/Anniversary Dance – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Callers: Ron Reardon, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace.

Dancers please use the entrance marked "Gage Hall" on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

Tuesday (August 30). *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 (August 31) – 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.

<u>Thursday (September 1)</u> - <u>Shufflin' Squares</u> - Lake Ashton Golf Club, 4141 Ashton Club Drive, Lake Wales, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., alternating tips (Mainstream/Plus) 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. advanced tip 9:30 p.m.. Caller/Cuer: Sam Dunn – square dance attire optional. For info: <u>eschwartz23@tampabay.rr.com</u>.

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

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: <u>lalecl@aol.com</u>.

<u>Friday (September 2)</u> – *Dixie Grande Squares* – **NO DANCE** For info: sqdncfan@aol.com.

Spinning Wheels Team Dance – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: Mike Cox – 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. 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., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Bob Ellis, Cuer: Pat Hagen. Casual for the summer. Air-conditioned hall, wood floor, and lighted, paved off-street parking. For info: Dick and Mary Schultz 813-633-8718 rsch462636@aol.com or Bob and Beverly Barringer 813-633-3651.

<u>Saturday (September 3)</u> – *Pasco Squares* – **NO DANCE** 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.

<u>Sunday (September 4)</u>. *Orange Blossom Squares* – La Hacienda Center, The Villages 352-259-6040 – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Roland Morin, Cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: hal.baumann1959@gmail.com or 352-259-6552.

Monday (September 5) . 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: <u>flobyington@yahoo.com</u>.

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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September 1, 2011 – **Suncoast Squares A-1 Workshop** – King of Peace Church, 3150 – 5th Avenue North, St. Pete – 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Mike Cox. Cost \$7 per person per session. No partner required. Come be an angel or a student. For info: 727-599-1440.

September 15, 2011 – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Beginner Square Dance Class** – Sadie Park Recreation Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon. Caller/Instructor: Van Coble. 7:-- - 8:30 p.m. For info: Bob Ormsbee 813-972-3629 or star1nut@verizon.net.

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: <u>727-789-3836</u> walkey1a@yahoo.com.

October 6, 2011 - **Strawberry Square First Phase 2 Workshop of the Season** — Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City — 12:00 — 2:00 p.m. Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or David Heugel 910-200-3828.

October 6, 2011 - **Strawberry Square First Phase 4 Workshop of the Season** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or David Heugel 910-200-3828.

October 6, 2011 - **Strawberry Square First Phase 3 Workshop of the Season** — Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City — 2:30 — 4:30 p.m. Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to

reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or David Heugel 910-200-3828.

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 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 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. - \$12 per couple per session. For info: rffisher@tamu.edu; www.fisherdance.com; 936-366-2504.

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

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

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

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

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

November 9, 2011 – **Strawberry Square A-2 Review/Workshop** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. Caller: Keith Stevens. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dave and Betty Bradley 989-289-6446.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

January 11, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Intro to A-2 Class** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Caller: Marty Van Wart. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance

Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dave and Betty Bradley 989-289-6446.

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

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

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

Looking Ahead

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

September 2, 2011 – **Spinning Wheels Team Dance** - Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: Mike Cox – square dance attire preferred. Wear your favorite team's colors. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

September 9, 2011 – **Spinning Wheels Remembrance Dance** – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox – square dance attire preferred. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

September 23, 2011 – **Spinning Wheels Fall Fling** – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Mike Cox, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – casual attire. Wear Fall colors. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

September 30, 2011 – **Spinning Wheels Ice Cream Social** — Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – casual attire. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

October 7, 2011 – **Spinning Wheels Columbus Day Dance** - Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – casual attire. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

October 12, 2011 – **Strawberry Square First C-1 Dance of the Season** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Caller: Art Springer. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dan and Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350.

October 14, 2011 – **Spinning Wheels Nifty Fifty's Sock Hop** — Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Mike Cox, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – casual attire. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

October 21, 2011 – Spinning Wheels Birthday Bash for Al Ratliff – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – casual attire. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

October 28, 2011 - **Spinning Wheels Halloween Dance** – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Mike Cox, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – casual attire. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

October 29, 2011 – **Strawberry Square Halloween Dance** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Sam Dunn; Cuers: Jimmy and Carol Griffin – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Mary Lee Van Valkenburg 813-707-1702, Linda Lynn 813-659-9040, or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

November 1, 2011 – **Woodmere A2 Dance** - 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.) – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481 or Venice cell 941-223-0987 or redbates@juno.com.

November 2, 2011 – **Strawberry Square Club First Dance of the Season** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. Mainstream/Easy Plus. Caller: Sam Dunn. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Linda Lynn 813-659-9040 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

November 4, 2011 – **Spinning Wheels Lil Abner Dance** – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – casual attire. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

November 4, 2011 – **Woodmere Park First C-1 Dance of the Season** - 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.) – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481 or Venice cell 941-223-0987 or redbates@juno.com.

November 9, 2011 – **Strawberry Square First C-2 Dance and Workshop of the Season** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. Caller: Art Springer. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dan and Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350.

November 18, 2011 – **Spinning Wheels Salute to ALL Veterans Day Dance** — Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – casual attire. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

November 25, 2011 – **Spinning Wheels Thanksgiving Dance Leftover Pot Luck** — Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Mike Cox, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – casual attire. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

November 26, 2011 – **Strawberry Square Thanksgiving Dance** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Sam Dunn; Cuers: Karen Fisher – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Mary Lee Van Valkenburg 813-707-1702, Linda Lynn 813-659-9040, or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

December 2, 2011 – **Spinning Wheels Teddy Bear Picnic** – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – casual attire. Bring a new toy or Teddy Bear for the Kids "toys for Kids". For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

December 16, 2011 – **Spinning Wheels Winter Celebration Dance** – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – casual attire. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

December 17, 2011 – **Strawberry Square Christmas Dance** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Red Bates; Cuers: Pat Hagen – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Mary Lee Van Valkenburg 813-707-1702, Linda Lynn 813-659-9040, or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

December 21, 2011 – **Strawberry Square Club Christmas Party** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. Mainstream/Easy Plus. Caller: Art Springer. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Linda Lynn 813-659-9040 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

December 23, 2011 – **Spinning Wheels Christmas Dance (tentative)** – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Mike Cox, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – casual attire. For info: <a href="maintaintentation-r

December 23, 2011 – **Strawberry Square A-2 Christmas Dance** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – A-2 Workshop 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – A-2 Dance 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Caller: Keith Stevens. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dave and Betty Bradley 989-289-6446.

December 30, 2011 – **Spinning Wheels New Year's Eve Dance** – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – casual attire. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

January 4, 2012 – Palmetto Palms First C-1 Dance of the Season - 19681 Summerlin Boulevard, Ft. Myers – 1:30 – 2:20 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481/redbates@juno.com.

January 4, 2012 – Palmetto Palms First A-2 Dance of the Season – 19681 Summerlin Boulevard, Ft. Myers – 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481/redbates@juno.com.

January 4, 2012 – **Palmetto Palms First Plus Dance of the Season** - 19681 Summerlin Boulevard, Ft. Myers – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. For info: <u>941-828-0481/redbates@juno.com</u>.

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

February 8, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Club Valentine Dance Party** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. Mainstream/Easy Plus. Caller: Marty Van Wart. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Linda Lynn 813-659-9040 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

April 11, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Club Final Dance of the Season** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. Mainstream/Easy Plus. Caller: Sam Dunn. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Linda Lynn 813-659-9040 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

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Websites

http://floridasquaredance.com/

https://www.facebook.com/#!/home.php?sk=group 149454955123658&ap=1 (Florida Federation's Facebook page)

Associations/Organizations

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

www.swskirts.com (Jan Southwest Style Skirts & Pat's Tees)

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

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