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October 1, 2010 – Deadline for submissions to the November 2011 American Square Dance magazine.

The price of the MacDonald dance ribbons are <u>\$6</u> per person this year.

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October 5, 2010 - Deadline for submissions to the November 2011 issue of the *Bow and Swing*. For info:

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From the Editor

Ten squares came together this afternoon for the annual President's Ball at Strawberry Square. Art Springer did the calling and the Griffins cued.

The 2011/2012 officers were introduced by Bob and Maria Spence, Vice Presidents of the Florida Federation. They were President: Penny Green; Vice Presidents: Lance and Rita Baxter; Secretaries: Larry and Joyce Akeson; and Treasurers: John and Lynne Scott.

John has already emailed the pictures:



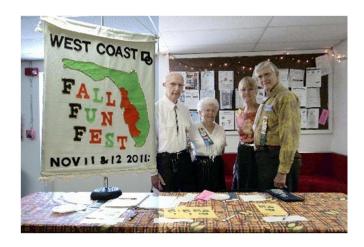
Vice Presidents Rita and Lance Baxter (Greeters)



Treasurers John and Lynne Scott (Sign in desk) and Jennifer Green, West Coast Ways & Means Chairman



Secretaries Joyce and Larry Akeson (50/50)



Fall Fun Fest Registrars Dick & Betty Stephens and Fall Fun Fest Chairmen Ann and Don Slocum



Jimmy and Carol Griffin (Cuer), Penny Green (MC), Martha and Art Springer (Caller)



On the stage: Florida Federation Vice Presidents Maria and Bob Spence introducing the Outgoing and Incoming Officers

Penny Green (President), Lance and Rita Baxter (Vice Presidents), John and Lynne Scott (Treasurers), and Joyce and Larry Akeson (Secretaries)



Callers and Cuers attending the dance: Charlie & Leona Lovelace (Cuer), Keith and Margot Stevens (Caller), Bob and Patricia Fuller-Gardner (Cuer), and Pauline and Phil Harris (Caller)



Mary Dow soliciting names for the Booster page for the 58th Florida State Convention in 2012

Photos courtesy of John Occhipinti and Yolanda Trainor We had to dance an extra set of rounds and a tip as it started to rain real hard when we got to the end of the dance. After we finished this extra bit of dancing, it had stopped raining and everyone was able to get to their vehicles without getting drenched.

Effective in October, the Suncoast Squares' once-a-month Plus dance has been permanently moved from the third Sunday to the second Sunday of the month. The covered dish dinner before the meeting, times and location will remain the same.

Health & Sympathy

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

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

Cuer Charlie Lovelace just had a melanoma removed from his shoulder.

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

This contact list can also be found at

www.dancergram.com

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Your Source...

I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

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

November 6, 2011 – **26th 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 – **58**th 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.

United Squares Dancers of America (USDA) Square Dance Insurance

Square dance insurance is available to us through the USDA. This insurance provides individuals with secondary health insurance and provides the clubs with liability insurance. The secondary insurance covers you at dances, demos, banner raids and retrievals, conventions and festivals; any activity that includes square dancing. The liability insurance provides coverage to clubs for any damage that happens to the facility where you hold your dances. Many clubs elect not to participate in this insurance program because they live in a community that already has liability insurance; however, your community liability insurance will not cover the dancer when traveling to other halls, doing demos in the community, and participating in banner raids and retrievals.

The cost is so minimal you shouldn't pass it up. For just \$4.45 per dancer, you will have \$1,000,000 combined single limit of liability for bodily injury and property damage each occurrence (subject to \$100 property damage deductible per claim) while participating in scheduled and sponsored dancing activities. \$100,000 limit on damage to premises rented to you. There is a limit or "aggregate" of \$1,000,000 for all product liability claims combined. This includes products liability for food or beverages served at a dance (e.g., when a person claims that, after eating food, he or she became ill and needed medical attention which resulted in medical expense).

Insurance is issued to cover the time period of January 1 – December 31. For those clubs who are already participating, the renewals will become due soon. In order to have continuous coverage, you should plan to send in your renewals in November. Due to the volume of renewals at the end of the year, the earlier you submit your renewals the better. Even if all of your members haven't renewed their membership, you should send in your premiums as soon as you have eight people on your roster. As the rest of your members renew their membership, you can send in additional lists to have them covered.

If you have any questions, please contact our West Coast insurance chairman, Bob Hagaman, at 352-382-2631 or rhagaman@tampabay.rr.com. Or you can go to http://floridasquaredance.com/insurance/index.html or answers to your questions or to find the forms you need to renew or start coverage for your club.

What's Happening This Week?

Week of September 19, 2011

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

Monday (September 19) . 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. Dancers please use the entrance marked "Gage Hall" on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. Come dressed in your finest western duds! For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

<u>Tuesday (September 20)</u>. *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: <u>spinards@tampabay.rr.com</u> or 727-525-7809.

Suncoast Squares – MCC King of Peace Church (rear entrance by the parking lot), 3150 Fifth Avenue North, St. Petersburg – These dances are for the GLBT and Straight Communities – all are welcome! Early Rounds 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream Squares – 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.; plus Squares 9:00 – 10:00 p.m. - \$2.50 donation for Rounds; \$5 donation for Squares – casual attire. Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. For info: rritter@ij.net.

<u>Wednesday (September 21)</u> – *Kings Point Swingers* Advanced Round Dance – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center – 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. – Cuer: Mike Cox. Visitors please wear your square dance badge and tell the guard at the entrance gate that you are attending the dance at the Clubhouse Studio. For info: 813-634-8212 or 642-0900 or <u>mc8152@verizon.net</u> 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 22)</u> – *Jacaranda Trace* – A-2 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Caller: Mike Cox. For info: 941-408-2627.

Suncoast Squares – MCC King of Peace Church (rear entrance by the parking lot), 3150 Fifth Avenue North, St. Petersburg – These dances are for the GLBT and Straight Communities – all

are welcome! A-1-6:30-8:30 p.m. - \$7 - casual attire. Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. For info: rritter@ij.net.

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.

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>.

Friday (September 23) – *Dixie Grande Squares* – Grace Lutheran Church, 321 Avenue C SE, Winter Haven – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Squares 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – Caller/Cuer: Carl Rod. For info: carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com or 863-651-3292 (c) or 863-293-9369 (H).

Spinning Wheels 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/Cuer: Mike Cox – casual attire. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

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: Art Springer, 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 24)</u> – <u>Bay Area Twirlers (BATS)</u> – Sadie Street Rec Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Squares (alternating Mainstream and Plus) 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Caller: SusanElaine Packer, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: starnut1@verizon.net.

Palace Promenaders Final Dance of the 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 25)</u>. <u>Strawberry Square Phase 2 – 4 Round Dance Party</u> – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:00p.m. – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the Dance Center, call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Dave Heugel 910-200-3828, or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

Orange Blossom Squares – La Hacienda Center, The Villages 352-259-6040 – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: RJ Hogan, Cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: hal.baumann1959@gmail.com or 352-259-6552.

Monday (September 26) . 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: Roland Blanchette, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Dancers please use the entrance marked "Gage Hall" on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. Come dressed in your finest western duds! 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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September 15, 2011 – Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Beginner Square Dance Class – Sadie Park Recreation Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon. Caller/Instructor: Van Coble. 7:00 - 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 – **Temple Twirlers Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Lakeshore Villa. Further details to be announced. For info: flybyington@yahoo.com.

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.

Please keep safety in mind when square or round dancing.

Bracelets and large rings will cut the fingers and forearms of the other dancers. Flimsy bracelets i.e. tennis bracelets can very easily be broken while dancing.

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

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.

October 25, 2011 – **Phase III – IV Round Dance Workshop** – Pinellas Park Auditorium, 7690 – 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – 8:30 – 10:00 p.m. Cuers: Jimmy and Carol Griffin. Some previous round dance experience needed - \$6 per person. Learn more Rumba, Cha Cha, Swing, Mambo, Waltz, Foxtrot and more! For info: spinards@tampabay.rr.com or 727-525-7809.

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 2, 2011 – **Herons Glen Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Herons Glen Ball Room, US-41 at the Lee/Charlotte County Line, N. Ft. Myers. Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee. Gated community; ask guard for directions to the Ball Room. For info: callerdave@comcast.net or 941-235-1611.

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 <u>redbates@juno.com</u>.

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, <u>ugottadance@optonline.net</u>.

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 carlsgrdrod@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 10, 2011 – **Maple Leaf A1 Square Dance Lessons**, Queensway Clubhouse, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte. Gated community; ask guard for directions to Queensway Hall. 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee. For info: 941-235-1611 callerdaye@comcast.net.

November 11, 2011 – Maple Leaf Beginner Square Dance Lessons, Queensway Clubhouse, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte. Gated community; ask guard for directions to Queensway Hall. 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee. For info: 941-235-1611 callerdaye@comcast.net.

November 11, 2011 – **Maple Leaf Plus Workshop**, Queensway Clubhouse, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte. Gated community; ask guard for directions to Queensway Hall. 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee. For info: 941-235-1611 callerdave@comcast.net.

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.

November 22, 2011 – **Sun City Swingers Open House for New Dancer Classes** - Sun City Center Community Hall, Room 3, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City – beginning class 6:30 – 8:00 p.m., Plus workshop 8:00 – 9:00 p.m. Caller/Instructor: Van Coble. For info: Leah 813-633-3986 or Geri 813-633-9742.

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:

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

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

Looking Ahead

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

February 17 – 20, 2012 – **Flip the Flamingo V "Scoot Back to High School"** – Location TBA – Callers: Anne Uebelacker, Chris Phillips, and Mike Cox. There will be over 20 hours of dancing and five meals included. \$95 per person until December 31, 2011; \$105 at the door. For info: www.suncoastsquares.com.

October 26 – 27, 2012 – Northwest Florida Square and Round Dance Association 38th Annual Roundup – DeFuniak Springs Florida Community Center, 361 N. 10th Street, DeFuniak Springs, FL – Featured Callers: bubba Mingus (Slidell, LA), Will Simmons and Bill VanHoesen. Cuers: Jimmy & Carol Griffin. Weekend MC – Bob Poyner. For info: Paul & Cheryl Miller pe.miller@mchsi.com or 850-939-6688 or Alec and Kay Schmidt <u>aschmidtmd@aol.com</u> or 850-678-8711.

Links

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Websites

http://floridasquaredance.com/

https://www.facebook.com/#!/home.php?sk=group_149454955123658&ap=1 (Florida Federation's Facebook page)

Associations/Organizations

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

http://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)

<u>www.swskirts.com</u> (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)

<u>http://www.calyco.com/</u> (CaLyCo Crossing - a full line square dance shop)

<u>http://www.tictactoes.com/</u> (Tic Tac Toes - shoe vendor)

www.sheplers.com (Sheplers - the world's largest western stores and catalog)

<u>www.PerfectPetticoats.com</u> (Perfect Petticoats)

http://www.grandsquare07.com (Grande Square.com – square dance clothes and accessories)

Square Dance Halls

www.Strawberrysquaredancing.com (Strawberry Square)

Callers/Cuers

http://www.mike-gormley.com (Mike Gormley)

http://www.samdunn.net/ (Sam Dunn)

http://www.floridasquaredance.com/jcspin/ (Jimmy and Carol Griffin)

www.2fwd2.com (Lisa Wall)

www.keithstevens.com (Keith Stevens)

Clubs

www.sailfishsquares.org

Miscellaneous

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

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