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Square and round dance news for the west coast of Florida

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January 5, 2012 – **Submission deadline for the February issue of Bow & Swing.** For info: bowandswing@gmail.com.

January 8, 2012 - **West Coast Association Membership Dance** –

900 North Broad Street (U.S. 41 N.), Brooksville, FL – Early Rounds 1:30 – 2:00 p.m., Squares (alternating Mainstream and Plus) and rounds 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Emcee: Bob Bourassa – square dance attire preferred. West Coast members FREE; guests \$5 per person. For info: sqdnxfan@aol.com or 863-874-4522.

January 15, 2012 – **Deadline for Hall of Fame Nominations.**

The Hall of Fame was organized to honor dancers, callers, cuers, publishers, teachers, organizers, promoters and/or vendors for their contribution to the dance activity *statewide*. Nominees must have a minimum of 10 years statewide involvement in the Florida Square and Round Dance activity. Their contributions must encompass the entire state of Florida, not just one or two areas. This should require unselfish dedication of time and labor. Being an area president, Federation president, Caller/Cuer Association president and/or State Convention chairman is not enough. The Hall of Fame is seeking individuals or couples whose efforts have affected the majority of the State of Florida. The fact that one is nominated is a very high honor, whether or not they enter the Hall of Fame.

Preparing a nomination resume will take some time and investigation to make it complete. Talk to other dancers, callers and/or cuers for dates, places and times the nominee was involved in statewide participation. Follow the who, what, when and where rule as you investigate and prepare the resume. The more information submitted, the better.

The completed resume can then be forwarded to the Board of Directors of any of the five area associations, the Florida Callers Association, or the Round Dance Council of Florida for their review and approval and it will be forwarded to the chairman of the Hall of Fame Committee. The resume can also be sent directly to the Hall of Fame Committee chairman: Penny Green, 5450 Golden Gate Boulevard, Polk City, FL 33868-9746 or sqdnxfan@aol.com.

January 24, 2012 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland 60th**

Anniversary Celebration - 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – Buttons & Bows is the oldest continuously operating square dance club in the state of Florida. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Squares (alternating Mainstream and Plus) 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer; Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Square dance attire preferred – beautiful wood floor for dancing. For info: jgsap988@yahoo.com / 863-815-7400 or sqdnxfan@aol.com / 863-874-4522.

February 1, 2012 – **Deadline for Extra Mile Award**

Nominations. For those callers and cuers that go that Extra Mile without personal gain in giving freely of their time and talents to the square dance community. For information and nomination form: <http://floridasquaredance.com/documents/ExtraMileAwards/extra-mile.html>.

From the Editor...



Here we are in a new year! It's now time for more dances to start up in southwest Florida and Pasco County so the dance list below is still growing.

With the start of the new year, I thought it would be good to review the purpose and format of this electronic newsletter. I'm always adding new people to the distribution list and they aren't as familiar with the format or how I do things.

I started this newsletter when I was West Coast president back in 2005-2006. It was a short email that was sent on an as needed basis. I continued with it after I left that office and it has evolved into a weekly newsletter with graphics, photos, etc. being sent to close approximately 600 people. Some people on the distribution list then forward it on to their club members, friends, etc. So the number of people receiving the DANCERgram is much higher.

When I started the DANCERgram, I was working a full time job commuting back and forth from Auburndale to Orlando. I am on disability now and don't currently have a paying job (unfortunately), but I am very busy looking for work, taking care of my mother in a long term facility, chauffeuring my grandsons, being president of the West Coast Association, now parliamentarian of the Florida Federation, vice president of Florida Singles, co-president of Buttons & Bows of Lakeland, and co-chair of the 2014 Florida State Convention. I really don't know when I would have time for a job, but there are bills to be paid! I try very hard to get the DANCERgram out every Sunday night but sometimes it doesn't get out until Monday.

In 2009 a website was created where the current issue is posted in its entirety and each section is posted as a separate document. All of the back issues are also posted in the Archive section along with articles I have written over the years and miscellaneous reprinted articles are also posted. You can also find flyers for special dances located on the website. As of today, January 2, 2012, this website has had 18,637 hits.

The target audience for this newsletter is the West Coast Association area of Florida which covers 16 counties from Levy County to the north to Lee County to the south and from St. Pete/Clearwater to the west to Highway 27 to the east. This is a large area for our association to cover and utilizing email is the best way to communicate with everyone. I have been asked on occasion to mail hard copies to individuals without email. I have not started this service, and currently don't plan to, due to the cost of postage, paper and toner and the time involved.

The DANCERgram is not owned by any organization i.e. the West Coast Association. It is my newsletter that I provide as a service to you the dancer, caller, cuer, student, etc. It takes me approximately eight to ten hours per week to compile the newsletter, post it on the website, and email it to my 600 readers. Each issue can range from 15 to 30 pages which affects the length of time to actually put the newsletter together. This doesn't include the time it takes to read through emails and respond to them, answer phone calls, etc. I receive no compensation for this service. I do receive an occasional reimbursement from the West Coast Association for

printing and toner as I also carry hard copies of the newsletter and flyers with me to promote our dances. Promoting our dances has evolved into me carrying ribbons for special dances.

The purpose of the DANCERgram is to provide dance information and other related information that I feel the West Coast dancers would be interested in reading. Since many of you are snowbirds, I also include information on your state conventions. Many of you travel so I also include information on major dance weekends (nationally and internationally).

Since it is a weekly newsletter, I make every effort to provide current and specific information. By specific, I mean that I try not to list 'guest' for the caller and cuer of each dance. If I do list 'guest', it's because no one has provided me with the information.

Since I am unable to attend every dance in our area, I have to depend on others to provide me with information, dance schedules, schedule changes, etc. Some clubs, callers and cuers are very diligent in providing me information for their dances and classes, and I thank you for your efforts. Others are very lacking in this area and I either don't receive information at all or I read or hear about it after the fact.

I maintain a master calendar, which is currently 47 pages long that lists all the dances and weekends for our area through January 2013. It is set up as a calendar and every weekly dance (with theme if applicable) and convention or festival that I have information on is listed. This calendar is available if you are planning a special dance and you want to know about possible conflicts.

Most clubs have a different caller and/or cuer for every dance. A very few have the same caller and cuer every week. As you can imagine, it takes some time to ensure the correct information is listed every week.

Now, as to the format:

Table of Contents

The Table of Contents is self-explanatory, but just below that are upcoming deadlines for submitting articles to various Florida publications, award nomination deadlines, and West Coast meetings, as well as Suncoast Callers and Cuers meeting.

From the Editor...

This section is for me to highlight special dances and weekends and to provide information that doesn't really fit into any of the other sections of the newsletter. This is also where you will find most of the photos that are published.

Health & Sympathy

This section is to notify you of deaths and illnesses of callers and cuers (current and retired), Federation leadership (current and retired), West Coast association leadership (current and retired). I am unable to list this information in the newsletter for every single dancer in our area. This would create another job that I don't have time for. Any

information on dancers can be found on the website under Health & Sympathy. Everyone needs to get in the habit of checking the website each week to see if there is any information that isn't listed in the publication itself. This information is listed for two weeks and then is removed. I try to include a picture if I have one as many of you know other dancers by sight but not by name.

How do I contact....?

This listing provides the contact information for each of the West Coast officers and county reps, the insurance chairman, the presidents of the Florida Federation, Florida Callers Association, Round Dance Council of Florida, Suncoast Callers & Cuers Association, Florida Singles, state square dance campers organization, the Federation webmaster, the Bow & Swing editor, and the West Coast *Dancer* editor. I have tried to list all the contacts that you may need at some time.

Your Source for Ribbons

As mentioned above, I carry a lot of flyers promoting dances and weekends. The dances listed in this section are the ones that I have ribbons for. I try to stamp my name and contact information on the flyers for the dances I have ribbons for so if you pick up a flyer at a dance that I am not attending, you will know you can purchase your ribbons from me.

What's Happening This Week?

This includes the dance schedules for all the dances in our area that I have information on. You will find the name of the club or dance, the complete GPS address, dance levels, attire, theme (if applicable), times, contact information, and any other information I feel you need to have regarding the dance. New information from one week to the next is highlighted in yellow so you can find things easier. The schedule is from Monday to Monday in case the DANCERgram isn't e-mailed until Monday.

West Coast Classes and National Caller Colleges

This section contains all the information I have regarding square and round dance classes in our area as well as caller colleges around the country. Since classes are only open for new students for the first three weeks, the listing is only posted until the third week after the start of the class.

Looking Ahead

When I receive new information regarding theme dances, special dances, weekends, festivals and Federation, West Coast and Suncoast Callers and Cuers meetings and deadlines, they are listed here and then moved to the chronological listing (by year) or the Deadline list on the website.

Links

This is a list of links that I think are of interest to everyone. The list is broken down by categories – Websites, Associations/Organizations, Vendors, Square Dance Halls, Callers/Cuers, Clubs, and Miscellaneous.

I make every effort to maintain current and accurate information; however, things change or something comes up between issues. If that happens, an addendum is emailed to everyone. I try to reduce the number of addendums that are sent so I don't send one out immediately upon receipt of information (unless it's time sensitive) so I can combine information.

Now, on to other things!

A huge crowd attended the New Year's Eve party at Strawberry Square on Saturday night. The theme was "Puttin' on the Ritz". Everyone was in the mood with tuxedos, top hats, and lots of black, gold, and silver!



Father Time (Don Huff)



Baby New Year (Dave Bradley)



The servers are ready to start!



As did Jack Gano and his shadow, Janice Serencko dancing to "Me and My Shadow".



So are the waiters!



Charlie and Leona entertained us.

The first West Coast membership dance of 2012 will be in Brooksville this Sunday, January 8. Our plan is to start rotating this dance between Brooksville and Zephyrhills. The emcee this Sunday will be Bob Bourassa. If any callers or cuers would like to be on the program Sunday, please contact Bob at rbourassasr@tampabay.rr.com to let him know of your interest.

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!

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

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Your Source...

I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

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.

Shamrock Swing 2012

Can you believe its 2012? Where do the months go? We hope you all enjoyed the holidays.

It's only two months before the Central Florida Association's Shamrock Swing will be held in the La Hacienda Recreation hall in the Villages. Have you picked up a flier? Do you have your Ribbons? Have you signed up to be a booster?

March 16 and 17 will be here before we know it. This will be a fun dance with our Callers Tim Marriner and Ron Libby, and Cuers Jimmy and Carol Griffin. Again we will have a full program of Round Dancing, and Square dancing. Mainstream through Advanced in the evenings, and Saturday 1:00 to 5:00 we will have workshops of the same levels.

Our Host Hotel is Comfort Suites just across the street from the dance hall. Our group rate is \$80 + tax which includes their Deluxe Continental Breakfast. Phone 352-259-6578 and identify yourself as a Square dancer attending the Shamrock Swing. Campgrounds nearby are Recreation Plantation 352-753-7222, and Southern Oaks RV Resort 352-347-2550.

Check our flyer for the ribbon registration form, and complete details at www.floridasquaredance.com.

Wishing all a Happy, Healthy New Year.

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2012 FLORIDA STATE SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CONVENTION



It is hard to believe that in five short months we will be heading to Lakeland for the State Convention. We hope everyone had healthy and safe holiday season. With the holidays behind us it is time to make your plans for the Convention. Have you purchased your ribbons yet? Have you made your hotel reservations? When you contact the Host Hotel, be sure to tell them you are with the square dancers to get the contracted rate.

We have reduced ribbon prices for YOUTH. Purchase a YOUTH ribbon for half-price before April 30, 2012. Any youth ribbons purchased at the Convention will be full price.

Spread the word among non-dancers that we are having a "Welcome To Our World" program on Saturday and Sunday where non-dancers will be taught basic moves so that they can experience the square dance activity.

The "3G Kindle" wireless reader was given away at the Northeast "Fall Festival" on November 19, 2011. The winner was Karen Allen of Jacksonville. We thank everyone who participated in this raffle.

We have started a new Raffle for a \$500 CASH prize to be given away at the State Convention. See your area Ways & Means Chairman for tickets.

If you are a Veteran and have not previously signed up to participate in the Flag Ceremony at the convention, please stop by our table at any of the dances and add your name to the list. We

will draw the names in May and participants for 2012 will be notified at that time. You do not have to wear your uniforms. Red, White, & Blue square dance clothes will be the dress code.

We hope to see you in Lakeland at the Winter Festival. Stop by the State Convention table and say "Hello". We will have ribbons, polo shirts, totes and raffle tickets available.

Please plan to attend the Benefit Dance for the 2013 State Convention on Saturday, February 11, 2012 at the Bartow Civic Center, 2250 S Floral Ave., Bartow, Florida 33830. Callers for this evening will be Bob Poyner, Art Springer and Howard Cole and the cuer will be Terri Wilaby.



Happy Dancing.

Garland & Carole McKenzie
General Chairmen

Florida Callers Association President's Message

This month's President's message is a bit long. This is an article I read online. I am not the author. Lots of strong points made here!

Roland and Linda Morin, President

New Dancers, Necessary Nuisances?

by Scott Bryce

Tuesday, November 29, 2011 at 4:35 p.m.

In the world of Modern Western Square Dancing, I have often said that we treat our new dancers like trash. People in the square dancing community don't understand what I mean. It has often baffled me why they don't see it. Last Saturday I got to see not just in theory, but in practice, how we treat our new dancers.

We know we need new dancers for our activity to stay alive. Square dancing is a dying hobby, and we need new participants to help us make expenses. In square dancing's heyday, there were expensive halls and expensive callers that made the experience a lot of fun. Now we dance in less desirable locations and the callers who made the activity great in the 60's, 70s and 80's are starting to retire or pass away. One of the things that has changed is the structure of the class. In 1980, when I learned to square dance, the class was 3 hours, and the regular dance was on a different night. Now the class and the dance are on the same night with each taking half of the 3 hours.

We used to hold level dances, with the entire 3 hours called at the level the new dancers could dance. All of the local clubs coordinated their teaching schedules so that their dancers would all participate in the level dances. Now we hold special dances with alternating (Plus/Class Level) tips, and invite the new dancers to dance with us all night long. We don't tell them ahead of time that with round dances between tips, they will be sitting out $\frac{3}{4}$ of the time. We also don't tell them that the first $\frac{1}{2}$ hour will be devoted to round dancing only, so they will get less dance time than they would in a $1\frac{1}{2}$ hour class.

We tell the new dancers that square dancing is "Friendship set to music," but is that really true? For the established dancers it is, but for the new dances, it is something different.

About a year ago I entered into a steady relationship with a woman. One thing we shared in common is a love of dancing. She used to be involved in monthly community dances that featured folk dancing, reels, line dancing, traditional squares and ballroom. I do Modern Western Square Dancing. The community dances are no longer available to her, so she has started square dance lessons. Last Saturday she went to her first special dance with alternating tips.

It is sort of an unusual thing to bring a date to a dance, and the first thing I do is scout the room for the single women, but I had no intention of sitting out the Plus tips. I found a Plus dancer without a partner. Both women, my new dancer date and the Plus dancer, are friends. My date knows that I have no romantic interest in my Plus partner, so there is no reason for her to feel threatened, at least not in that way.

The music started, and dancers squared up. The caller wanted to know how many new dancers were in attendance, so he asked the new dancers to raise their hands. Something became apparent right away. The few new dancers who were at the otherwise well attended dance were not evenly distributed around the floor. They were in bunches. This is a trend that would continue through the evening. When we squared up for the new dancer tips, I tried to find a strong square for my new dancer date, but I found that the stronger dancers were setting squares. Someone, even a strong dancer like myself, was not going to get into a square with other strong dancers, if his partner was a new dancer.

I never danced one new dancer tip when I didn't have at least 3 new dancers in my square. Twice we had 4 new dancers. Most of the squares on the floor had none. The calling was fast, as it should be, but when you have 4 new dancers in your square, each with little floor time, and each accustomed to the stop and go calling at lessons, they get each other confused. My date is catching on quickly, and she would have done well in a square of stronger dancers, but try as I might, a square of strong dancers just wouldn't

have us. It got to the point where my new dancer date dreaded going out on the floor, and I hoped beyond hope that I could get a square where she was the only new dancer.

The Plus tips were different. My Plus partner is a strong dancer who loves to play, so it was easy to find a strong square for the Plus tips. And my steady relationship, the woman with whom I hope to share an activity I enjoy so much, got to watch as I had a riotous time dancing with another woman, and wonder if she will ever get to the point where I can have that kind of fun with her. Will she ever be good enough to be accepted into the larger square dance community, especially if she, as a new dancer, is never welcome into a square that is strong enough to ensure her success?

The great dancers, the ones having so much fun, have been dancing for decades. Most new dancers struggle for years, or they give up and find an activity that they enjoy more.

The buzz from the new dancers I have heard from was that the dance was extremely frustrating, and they wanted to leave.

It was an awkward Plus tip when I was watching a couple in lessons watch us have such a fun time, when the look on their faces said that they were hoping, hoping, that someday the activity could be that much fun for them too, but what they were watching was so complex, could they ever learn it?

Somehow we have convinced ourselves that people will be drawn to square dancing when they see how much fun we are having. No. People will be drawn to square dancing when they see how much fun THEY are having. Are we making the activity fun for the new dancers? I don't think we are.

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What's Happening This Week?

Week of January 2, 2012

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

Monday (January 2) – *Harmony Hoedowners* – **NO DANCE** For info:
<http://samdunn.net/harmony.htm>.

Twilight Twirlers – Bonita Springs Community Building at Reynolds and Old 41 – Rusty Hinge Workshop 6:30 p.m.; Mainstream 7:00 p.m. – rounds and lines on tape – Caller: Howard Cole. For info: Howard Cole at 239-691-5670 (hwcole@att.net) or Leo Malinowski at 239-775-8111.

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

Sassy Squares – 3240 Grand Prix Drive, Sebring – A-1 – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. - Caller: Sam Dunn. For info: 863-214-1923 or samdunn@samdunn.com.

Kings Point Swingers A-2 Dance – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Squares/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. If you have danced this level before, you can come at 6:00 p.m. for a rusty hinge workshop. Visitors to Kings Point should tell the gate you are attending a Kings Point Swingers event at the Clubhouse Studio. For info: Sonny 813-634-8212 or George 813-642-0900.

Temple Twirlers – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Ron Reardon, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Dancers please use the entrance marked “Gage Hall” on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

Tuesday (January 3) – Ding-a-Lings - Rice Creek RV Resort, 10714 Hwy. 301 South, Riverview – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Ron Reardon, Cuer: Pat Hagen – square dance attire preferred. For info: chrounds@capital.net.

R&R Gators – Alligator RV Park, 6400 Taylor Road, Punta Gorda – Plus/Rounds 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Dave Magee, Cuer: Russ Collier. For info: callerdave@comcast.net or 941-235-1611.

Horizon Village – 9200 Littleton Road, N. Ft. Myers (south of the shell factory and west of US 41) – Plus and Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Len Siegmann, Cuer: Ruth Siegmann. For info: 239-823-7661

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.

Maple Leaf Squares – Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway (I-75 Exit 170 go SW 1 ½ miles), Queensway Hall – alternating Plus and Mainstream tips 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Dave Magee. For info: callerdave@comcast.net or 941-235-1611.

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

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.

Wednesday (January 4) – 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](tel:941-828-0481)/redbates@juno.com.

Palmetto Palms First Plus Dance of the Season - 19681 Summerlin Boulevard, Ft. Myers – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. For info: [941-828-0481](tel:941-828-0481)/redbates@juno.com.

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](tel:941-828-0481)/redbates@juno.com.

Betmar Bells & Beaus - Betmar MHP, Clubhouse #2, Lakewood Drive, Zephyrhills – Rounds/Squares – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Callers: **Walter Lougee**, Cuer: Ella Bettencourt. For info: 813-783-7523 or tckelly2@aol.com.

Camp Inn Grande Squares - 3455 U.S. Hwy. 27 North, Frostproof – FREE square dance workshop 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. - 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. squares and rounds – Caller: **Ron Reardon**, Cuer: TBA – casual attire. For info: 863-382-6792 or samdunn@samdunn.net.

Strawberry Square C-2 Dance and Workshop - 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.

Strawberry Square Club - 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.

Timber Pines – 6872 Timber Pines Boulevard, Spring Hill – Early Rounds 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. - Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Bob Bourassa – cuer: John Ayers - square dance attire optional – for gate access and directions call 352-666-1546.

Strawberry Square C-1 Workshop and Dance - 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.

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 mc8152@verizon.net or 813-649-0754.

Cultural Center Squares – Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Port Charlotte, FL. Callers: Art Miller; 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 (January 5) – 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: Keith Stevens; Cuer: Carl Rod – square dance attire optional. For info: [easchwartz@tampabay.rr.com](mailto: easchwartz@tampabay.rr.com).

Charlotte Promenaders First Dance of the Season – Port Charlotte Beach Recreation Center, 4500 Harbor Boulevard, Port Charlotte – Early Rounds 7:00 p.m., Plus 7:30 – 9:45 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates, Cuer: Dick Chase. For info: 941-426-2364 or 941-429-8271 or [sqdbird@aol.com](mailto: sqdbird@aol.com).

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

Snobirds Everybody's Birthday Party – Citrus Park, 25601 Trost Boulevard (Clubhouse), Bonita Springs – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Howard Cole, Cuer: Mike Alexander. For info: [blingley@gmail.com](mailto: blingley@gmail.com).

Pine Ridge Promenaders Hello 2012 – Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yards east of Hwy. 27, Lake Placid - Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Gib Mattson; Cuer: TBA – cake and ice cream will be served. For info: 863-699-2789.

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](mailto: settarose1@verizon.net) or 727-809-3429 or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429 or [mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net](mailto: mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net).

Jacaranda Trace – 3600 William Penn Way, Venice - 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-2 – 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. - \$7 – casual attire. Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. For info: [rritter@ij.net](mailto: rritter@ij.net).

Promenade Squares – Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – Beginners Class 6:00 p.m., ER 7:15 - 7:45 p.m. Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 - 9:15 p.m. - caller: Dick Demerit, cuers: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin. For info: [walkey1a@yahoo.com](mailto: 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: [lalecl@aol.com](mailto: lalecl@aol.com).

Friday (January 6) – Buttonwood Bay Squares White Elephant Dance - 10001 U.S. Rt. 27 S., Sebring (5 miles south of Sebring on Rt. 27) – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Square Dance 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Nelson Wakeman assisted Jama. For info: Roger and Connie McElfresh 863-655-4243 or [rogerconniemc@tnni.net](mailto: rogerconniemc@tnni.net).

Curliques - Estero Woodlands Clubhouse – Estero, FL – Workshop: 6:30 p.m.; Plus dance 7:00 p.m. – Caller: Howard Cole – rounds and lines on tape. For info: Howard Cole at 239-691-5670 or [hwcole@att.net](mailto: hwcole@att.net).

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.

Strawberry Square C-2 Dance and 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 Dan and Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350.

Manatee RV Park – 6302 U.S. 41 South, Ruskin – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Plus Squares 7:30 – 9:30 p.m., Advanced 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: **Mike Cox**. For info: Joe 813-641-9418 or Mike 813-649-0754.

Strawberry Square A-2 Dance – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – A2 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.

Woodmere Park C-1 Dance - 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.

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 – 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 – square dance attire preferred. 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: **Bob Ellis**, Cuer: Pat Hagen. Square dance attire preferred. Air-conditioned hall, wood floor, and lighted, paved off-street parking. For info: Geri and Tom at gikilgallon@verizon.net or 813-633-9742 or Donna and Frank at 813-634-7016.

Saturday (January 7) – Strawberry Square First Phase 5 Dance and Workshop of the Season – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com 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.

Buttons & Bows of Venice Buttons and Bows – Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – Square/Rounds 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Caller: **Red Bates**; Cuer: **Bill Webb**. For info: remsenny@aol.com.

Strawberry Square – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Early Rounds 7:00 p.m., Plus with Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Square dance attire preferred – Caller: **Kip Moulton**, Cuer: **The Griffins**. For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com. If you can't reach the dance center, call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, or Mary Lee Van Valkenburg 813-707-1702, or Linda Lynn 813-659-9040, or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

Palace Promenaders – Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Art Miller; Cuer: Jennie Martin – Squares and Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Man and lady gift to exchange. For info: Jennie 863-494-2749 or Mary 941-380-5336. Palace Square Dance Hall, 1647 North-East Floridian Street (right off Rt. 17) , Arcadia, FL – Caller: Art Miller; Cuer: Jennie Martin. Park in back of the building. For tickets or information: Jennie Martin 863-494-2749 or Mary Dow 941-380-5336.

Sunday (January 8) – West Coast Association Membership Dance – 900 North Broad Street (U.S. 41 N.), Brooksville, FL – Early Rounds 1:30 – 2:00 p.m., Squares (alternating Mainstream and Plus) and rounds 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Emcee: Bob Bourassa – square dance attire preferred. West Coast members FREE; guests \$5 per person. For info: sgdncfan@aol.com or 863-874-4522.

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! Covered dish dinner from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Bring a covered dish to share. Squares (alternating Mainstream and Plus (Advance if there are enough Advance dancers!) Caller: Mary Van Wart. For info: rritter@ij.net.

Strawberry Square Phase 4-5 Dance – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:00 p.m. – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com 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.

Crystal Lake Squares Welcome Back Dance – Crystal Lake Village, 237 Maxwell Road (on Rt. 17 – 2 miles north of Wauchula) – Mainstream/Plus 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Caller: Russ Young. Square dance attire optional. There are no rounds scheduled at this time. For info: dmorriso@vistanet.net.

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.

Cloverleaf Leprechauns – **See West Coast Membership Dance above.** For info: 352-799-8625, lmuttitt@tampabay.rr.com or <http://www.geocities.com/leprechaun34601>.

Timber Pines A2 Dance - 6872 Timber Pines Boulevard, Spring Hill – A1 – A2 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. caller: Bob Bourassa - square dance attire optional. For info: 352-666-1546.

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

Monday (January 9) – Fisher’s 2012 Phase III – IV Round Dance Parties – Stardust Dance Center, 1405 S. Collins St. (Big Lots Shopping Center), Plant City – 7:45 – 9:30 p.m. – Cuers: Karen and Dick Fisher. \$12 per couple per session. For info: 936-366-2504 – rffisher@tamu.edu – www.fisherdance.com.

Twilight Twirlers – Bonita Springs Community Building at Reynolds and Old 41 – Rusty Hinge Workshop 6:30 p.m.; Mainstream 7:00 p.m. – rounds and lines on tape – Caller: Howard Cole. For info: Howard Cole at 239-691-5670 (hwcole@att.net) or Leo Malinowski at 239-775-8111.

Harmony Hoedowners – 3240 Grand Prix Drive, Sebring – Plus Workshop 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds – 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. - Caller: Sam Dunn. For info: 863-214-1923 or samdunn@samdunn.com.

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

Sassy Squares – **NO DANCE** For info: 863-214-1923 or samdunn@samdunn.com.

Kings Point Swingers A-2 Dance – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Squares/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. If you have danced this level before, you can come at 6:00 p.m. for a rusty hinge workshop. Visitors to Kings Point should tell the gate you are attending a Kings Point Swingers event at the Clubhouse Studio. For info: Sonny 813-634-8212 or George 813-642-0900.

Temple Twirlers - Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Robert Arias**, 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.

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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January 3, 2012 – **Pine Ridge Promenaders Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Sunshine RV Park, Rt. 70 – 1,000 yards east of US 27, Lake Placid – 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Nelson Wakeman. Registration open for the first three weeks. For info: Jim Moores at lmooers@hotmail.com.

January 3, 2012 – **Phase III – IV Choreographed Ballroom Time to Tango** – Stardust Dance Center, 1405 S. Collins Street (Big Lots Shopping Center), Plant City – figure clinics, new routines, and round dancing – 7:45 – 9:30 p.m. – Cuers/Instructors: Karen and Dick Fisher. \$12 per couple per session. For info: 936-366-2504 – rffisher@tamu.edu – www.fisherdance.com.

January 3, 2012 - **Buttonwood Bay Plus Workshop** – 10001 U.S. Rt. 27 S., Sebring (5 miles south of Sebring on Rt. 27) – 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Nelson Wakeman. Registrations open for the first three weeks. For info: rogerconniemc@tnni.net.

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 5, 2012 – **Temple Twirlers Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Lakeshore Villa Clubhouse, 15401 Lakeshore Villa Street, Tampa -6:30 – 8:30 p.m. \$3 per person per sessions. The first night (January 5, 2012) is FREE. Caller/Instructor: Ron Reardon. For info: 813-810-5548 or flobyington@yahoo.com.

January 5, 2012 – **Buttonwood Bay Mainstream Workshop** – 10001 U.S. Rt. 27 S., Sebring (5 miles south of Sebring on Rt. 27) – 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Nelson Wakeman. Registrations open for the first three weeks. For info: rogerconniemc@tnni.net.

January 5, 2012 – **Buttonwood Bay Beginner Square Dance Lessons** - 10001 U.S. Rt. 27 S., Sebring (5 miles south of Sebring on Rt. 27) – 2:30- 4:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Nelson Wakeman. Registrations open for the first three weeks. For info: rogerconniemc@tnni.net.

January 6, 2012 – **Dixie Grande Squares Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Grace Lutheran Church, 327 Avenue C SE, Winter Haven – 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Carl Rod. For info: 863-293-9369 or carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com.

Holiday Closings

Groves Beginner Square Dance Class – Jan. 3 & 10

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 – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette. \$4 per person per session. For info: sgdnxfan@aol.com or 863-224-3393.

January 8, 2012 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Plus Workshop** – Heatherwood, Harden Boulevard, Lakeland, FL – 4:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette. \$4 per person per session. For info: sgdnxfan@aol.com or 863-224-3393.

January 9, 2012 – **Auburndale Beginner Round Dance Classes** – Ariana Beach Club, 321 Ramsgate, Auburndale. 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Carl Rod. For info: 863-293-9369 or carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com.

January 9, 2012 – **Auburndale Phase 2 – 3 Round Dance Workshop** – Ariana Beach Club, 321 Ramsgate, Auburndale. 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Carl Rod. For info: 863-293-9369 or carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com.

January 9, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Intro to A-1 Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 12:00 – 2:00 P.M. – Caller/Instructor: Marty Van Wart. For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com. If you can't reach the dance center, call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dave and Betty Bradley 989-289-6446.

January 9, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Intro to A-2 Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Marty Van Wart. For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com. If you can't reach the dance center, call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dave and Betty Bradley 989-289-6446.

January 10, 2011 – **Ding-a-Ling Squares Free Introduction to Square Dancing** – Rice Creek RV Park, 10714 Hwy. 301 South, Riverview – 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. - Caller/Instructor: Ron Reardon - \$3 per person per session. Class starts January 17. For info: chrounds@capital.net.

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 17, 2011 – **Ding-a-Ling Squares Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Rice Creek RV Park, 10714 Hwy. 301 South, Riverview – 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. - Caller/Instructor: Ron Reardon - \$3 per person per session. Class starts January 17. For info: chrounds@capital.net.

January 24 and 31, February 7 and 14, 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.

August 16 – 20, 2012 – **Socal Callers School** – Cedar Brook Dance Center, 12812 Garden Boulevard, Garden Grove, California. Whether you are presently calling or desire to be a caller, this school will help you with your calling career. Plenty of microphone time; professional assessment of your skills; understand what it takes to be a leader, fuller CALLERLAB curriculum, and develop a calling career that is best for you. Space is limited. Register today! \$350 per student. For info: 413-734-0591 or kenritucci@aol.com

October 4 – 8, 2012 – **Northeast Callers School** – Mill-a-round Dance Center, Manchester, NH – Callers: Ken Ritucci (CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach), Norm Poisson, Jerry Story (CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach), Steve Kopman, and Don Moger. Plenty of microphone time; professional assessment of your skills; understand what it takes to be a leader, fuller CALLERLAB curriculum, and develop a calling career that is best for you. Whether you are presently calling or desire to be a caller, this school will help you with your calling career. \$375 per student. Space is limited. Register today!!! For info: 413-734-0591 or kenritucci@aol.com; www.northeastcallersschool.com.

Looking Ahead

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

January 20, 2012 – **Sun City Swingers “Chili” Daze** - 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. Square dance attire preferred. 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.

January 27 - 28, 2012 – **37th Annual South Carolina Square & Round Dance Convention** – Springmaid Beach Resort & Conference Center, Myrtle Beach, SC – For info: 843-315-3100.

February 17, 2012 – **Sun City Swingers Sweet Heart Dance** - 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. Square dance attire preferred. 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.

March 16, 2012 – **Sun City Swingers St. Paddy’s Party** - 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. Square dance attire preferred. 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.

March 16 – 17, 2012 – **21st Annual Fuzzy Navel Dance** – Christ Lutheran Church, 829 William Hilton Parkway, Hilton Head Island, SC – For info: Pat Inglis, 1340 Oakengate Drive, Stone Mountain, GA 30083, 404-294-0268. *Flyer can be found at www.dancergram.com.*

April 13, 2012 – **Sun City Swingers Friday the 13th Dance** - 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. Square dance attire preferred. 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.

April 27 -28, 2012 – **“Promenade Your Date to the Nutmeg State” 54th New England Square & Round Dance Convention** – Connecticut Convention Center, 100 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT. For info: Buck and Cathy Grimes chairman@nesrdc.org; www.nesrdc.org.

May 18, 2012 – **Sun City Swingers Spring Fling** - 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. Square dance attire preferred. 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.

June 15, 2012 – **Sun City Swingers Salute to Dads** - 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. Square dance attire preferred. 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.

July 20, 2012 – **Sun City Swingers Ice Cream Social** - 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. Square dance attire preferred. 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.

July 27 – 29, 2012 – **Illinois Square & Round Dance Convention** – Oak Brook Hills Marriott Resort, 3500 Midwest road, Oak Brook, IL. For info: Duane and June Bradley, 11-S-300 Saratoga Avenue, Lemont, IL 60439. 630-739-6748; duane@bradley5.com.

August 10 – 12 – 2012 – **53rd Wisconsin Square & Round Dance Convention** – La Crosse Convention Center, La Crosse, WI. For info: Jan and Charlie Bitter, 5185 Ciscel Drive, Oshkosh, WI 54904; 920-231-3453; mrcharlie@charter.net; www.wisquaredanceconvention.org.

August 17, 2012 – **Sun City Swingers Vacation Days** - 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. Square dance attire preferred. 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.

August 30 – September 2, 2012 – **42nd Single Square Dancers USA Dance-A-Rama “Come Dance in the Heart of America”** – Airport Holiday Inn & Conference Center, 6111 Fleur Drive, Des Moines, IA. For info: 515-276-9039; dar2012@ssdusa.org, dar2012.ssdusa.org.

September 21, 2012 – **Sun City Swingers Fall Fest** - 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. Square dance attire preferred. 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.

October 5 – 7, 2012 – **56th Annual “Show Me” State Festival** – Capital Ritz, 2712 Plaza Drive, Jefferson City, MO. For info: www.mrda.net.

October 19 – 21, 2012 – **Indiana State Square Dance Convention** – Indianapolis Marriott East, 7202 E. 21st St., Indianapolis, IN. For info: registrationform@indancers.org; indancers.org; lwilson413@aol.com.

October 25 – 28, 2012 – **Booo at Bushnell, 2012 FANSDC Camp-o-ree** – blueberry Hill RV Resort, 6233 County Road 609, Bushnell, FL. For info: 352-793-4112; bob and Barbara Rosenthal, 386-754-1478, 386-365-7136, rar123@comcast.net. *Flyer can be found at www.dancergram.com.*

October 26, 2012 – **Sun City Swingers Halloween Bash** - 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. Square dance attire preferred. 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.

November 30, 2012 – **Sun City Swingers Turkey Trot** - 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. Square dance attire preferred. 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.

December 21, 2012 – **Sun City Swingers Jingle Bell Hop** - 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. Square dance attire preferred. 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.

December 31, 2012 – **A New Year’s Eve Cruise on the S.S. Strawberry** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Dinner and dancing – 7:30 p.m. – 12:30 a.m. Plus with Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Square dance attire preferred – Caller: Sam Dunn, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. \$30 per person until April 30, 2012; then \$35 per person. If you want to sit together as a group, reservations must be made together. For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com. If you can’t reach the dance center, call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, or Mary Lee Van Valkenburg 813-707-1702, or Linda Lynn 813-659-9040, or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432. *Flyer can be found at www.dancergram.com.*

July 3 – 6, 2014 – **International Association of Gay Square Dancers Convention** – Salt Lake City, UT – details TBA.

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://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://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.61stnsdc.com> 60th National Square Dance Convention – Spokane, WA

<http://www.nsddirectory.com/> (National Square Dance Directory - information and contacts for clubs in the U.S., Canada and around the world)

Vendors

www.travelinghoedowners.com (Square Dance DVDs – Both Instructional and Dance)

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

www.suzieqcreations.com (Suzie Q Creations)

www.Bobsengraving.com (division of Suzie Q Creations – covering southwest Florida)

<http://www.aronssquaredanceshopandpatterns.com/> (Aron's Square Dance and Western Wear Shop)

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

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

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

www.PerfectPetticoats.com (Perfect Petticoats)

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

Square Dance Halls

www.Strawberrysquaredancing.com (Strawberry Square)

Callers/Cuers

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

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

<http://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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