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WANTED: Gently used square dance attire to be donated to the West Coast Association. These clothes will be sold on E-Bay with the proceeds being donated to the 2014 State Convention. Contact Jenny Green at 863-287-5724 or jenanngreen@yahoo.com to make arrangements for delivery or pick up.

DATE CHANGE May 16, 2012 – **West Coast Folding/Business Meeting** - Community Southern Bank, 3440 S. Florida Avenue (1/4 mile north of the South Florida Avenue exit from the Polk Parkway and on the east side of the road), Lakeland – Folding

starts at 6:00 p.m. – Business Meeting starts as soon as the Folding is completed; usually around 6:45 – 7:00 p.m. All Officers, County Reps and Committee Chairman are reminded to forward reports to the West Coast Secretary at leajda@earthlink.com when they will miss a meeting. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend these meetings. Every club is asked to send a representative to not only assist with the folding and to attend the business meeting, but to pick up your copies of the West Coast *Dancer*. For info: sgdnxfan@aol.com 863-224-3393.

June 1, 2012 – Deadline for Submissions to the July 2012 issue of the *Keepin' Posted*. For info: jfbaker55@bellsouth.net.

June 1, 2012 – USDA News Submission Deadline for black and white camera-ready materials. For info: usdanews@usda.org.

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

From the Editor....



Eighteen more days! I hope you have made your plans to attend the Florida State Convention at the Lakeland Center in Lakeland on May 25 – 27.

Club Presidents: Please make arrangements to have four dancers represent your club in the Grand March on Saturday night of the convention. They should wear club colors and carry a club banner. Also please make sure your members understand that we are limited on space for a Grand March; therefore, we do not have room for all dancers to participate.

Dancers: I'm always asked about attire at the convention. During the day for workshops, casual attire is acceptable (no tank tops or short shorts please). Friday night dress for the theme of the convention, which is Mardi Gras Fun in the sun. Saturday night please wear your club colors. On Sunday night you will see many convention committee members dressed for the theme of the next convention, which will be announced at the kick-off on Sunday night.

Also, we need at least four volunteers to participate in the kick-off for 2013. There is only one rehearsal; at 7:00 a.m. on Sunday morning. The kick-off will be Sunday night during the

entertainment. If you are interested in participating, please notify Jenny Green at jenanngreen@yahoo.com or 863-287-5724.

Split prices for the convention are now available:

2 days: \$35 pp
Friday only: \$18 pp
Sunday only: \$20 pp
All day Saturday: \$25 pp
Saturday PM only: \$18 pp
Welcome to Our World: \$5 for all 3 sessions

These ribbons are only sold at the door! Even if you can't make it for the entire weekend, we hope you will try to get there for some part of it.

Please join me in welcoming Dick and Jackie Giesler as our new West Coast County Reps for Pasco County! They live in Zephyrhills and dance there, at Strawberry Square, the convention and many of the festivals in the area.

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!

Dick Fisher, husband of Cuer Karen Fisher, lost his battle with cancer at 4:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 5, 2012. Dick and Karen are winter residents of Strawberry Square in Plant City and among other memberships, they are members of the Suncoast Callers & Cuers Association and the Round Dance Council of Florida. Karen is in Washington state but cards can be sent to her through her address in Texas – 1533 Rainbow Drive, PMB 5369, Livingston, TX 77399.

Judy Buys, wife of Caller Dave Buys, recently lost her mother. I just heard about it over the weekend. If you would like to send cards, her address is 118 Deer Run Road, Worthington, PA 96262.

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 26 – 27, 2012 – **33rd Annual Party-Rama** – Sebring, FL

November 9 – 10, 2012 – **West Coast Association's 38th Annual Fall Fun Fest** - Bartow

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

Search is on for New Charity Dance

From Flo Byington

I am searching for a charitable organization that can benefit from our fundraiser which will be replacing the MacDonald's dance usually held on the first Sunday of November. This year's fundraiser will be held on November 4, 2012.

I would like suggestions from square dancers who might have an organization in mind that we could help. I do not want to give to a large organization that is well established, i.e. Metropolitan Ministeries, Relay for Life, etc. I am looking for something that involves children that may need our help. **This is not a specific club sponsored dance nor a West Coast sponsored dance. I would like for it to be representative of all the square dance community as a group.**

I have picked the theme **"Give a Little Hope"** and the money that is collected from garage sales of square dance clothing (yes I still have some and **will accept more for this project**), sale of ribbons for the dance, 50/50 and donations at the door will go to the cause that is selected. Our Pennies for Independence campaign was a huge success. If you would like to start collecting change for this fundraiser we will certainly appreciate your help.

When I receive the names of the organizations that people are interested in, I will look into them to see which ones might really benefit from our help. We will then put the names in a jar and immediately following the dance we will name the organization that will be the recipient of our help.

If you see places that are having a community project going on where we might be able to do some demos to advertise square dancing and possibly get donations for our fundraiser at that time, please let me know ahead of time so that we can get involved early enough.

I hope that I can count on you to help with this project. If it is as successful as the MacDonald's dance proved to be for so many years, each year that the dance is continued we can pick a different organization to help. This will be **"square dancers giving back to our communities"**.

Obviously one cannot do this alone so if there is anyone who might be interested in helping out with getting donations of door prizes, cash or anything that might be helpful, please contact me 813-810-5548 or flobyington@yahoo.com

I know I can count on square dancers to help out. Please let me hear from you as soon as possible so we can get started.

What's Happening This Week?

Week of May 7, 2012

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

Monday (May 7) – **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 (May 8) – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Western Night** - Orange Street, Lakeland – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Squares (alternating Mainstream and Plus) 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Allen Snell; Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Come in your western duds! – beautiful wood floor for dancing. For info: jgsap988@yahoo.com / 863-815-7400 or sgdncfan@aol.com / 863-874-4522.

Groves – Groves Clubhouse, 7924 Melogold Circle, Land O Lakes – Mainstream class 7:00 – 8:00 p.m., Mainstream dance 8:00 – 9:00 p.m. All dancers welcome. \$4 per person. Call: Allen Snell. For info: 813-966-5759 or wlfloyd@aol.com.

Suncoast Squares – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – Early Rounds 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Mainstream 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. – Plus 9:00 – 10:00 p.m. Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. A GLBT Club – all are welcome (including the straight community) – casual attire. For info: www.suncoastsquares.com or 727-599-1440 or rritter@ij.net.

Wednesday (May 9) – **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.

Cultural Center Squares – Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Port Charlotte, FL. Callers: **Robert Arias**; 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 (May 10) – **Suncoast Squares A1 – A2 Dance and Workshop** – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Caller: Mike Cox. A GLBT Club – all are welcome (including the straight community) – casual attire. For info: www.suncoastsquares.com or 727-599-1440 or rritter@ij.net.

Dunedin – Dr. William E. Hale Senior Activity Center, 330 Douglas Avenue, Dunedin – Workshop 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Squares (mix of Mainstream, Plus, and Rounds) - 7:30 – 9:00 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.

Promenade Squares 50's Sock Hop – Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – Plus workshop 6:00 p.m., ER 7:15 - 7:45 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:45 - 9:30 p.m. - caller: Dick Demerit, Cuers: Jimmy Griffin. For info: walkey1a@yahoo.com or 727-789-3836.

Friday (May 11) – Snell's Bo's and Bell's – Largo Community Center, 400 Alternate Keene Road (just north of E. Bay Drive between Keene/Starkey Road and Highland Avenue), Largo – Early Rounds 7:00 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:45 p.m. – Callers: **Roland Morin** and Allen Snell. For info: settarose1@verizon.net or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429 or mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net.

Dixie Grande Squares – Grace Lutheran Church, 321 Avenue C SE, Winter Haven – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Easy Plus 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: **Mike Cox**, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. 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.

Saturday (May 12) – Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Biker Bash - 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: Clyde Stocker, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: millerralphie@yahoo.com.

Strawberry Square Phase 5 Dance and Workshop – 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 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

Palace Promenaders Start of 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. Park in back of the building. For info: Jennie Martin 863-494-2749 or Mary Dow 941-380-5336.



Some dances may be closed for Mothers' Day. Please call ahead to ensure the dance is open.

Sunday (May 13) – Huggables - King of Kings Church, 10337 U.S. 19 (between SR 52 and Ranch Road), Port Richey – casual dress – Mainstream/Plus 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: Allen Snell. For info: 727-809-3429 or 727-809-0323 or settarose1@verizon.net or mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net.

Orange Blossom Squares Mother's Day Dance – La Hacienda Center, The Villages 352-259-6040 – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Charlie Pergrossi**, Cuer: Joanne Helton. Special ticket dance. For info: hal.baumann1959@gmail.com or 352-259-6552.

Monday (May 7) – Temple Twirlers Indoor Picnic – 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: **Roland Blanchette**, 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!

Updated May 7, 2012

April 17 – August 22, 2012 – **Summer Round Dancing with Ione and Wally Wade** – South County Regional Park, 670 Cooper Street, Punta Gorda. – Phase 2 – 3 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. For info: 941 505-1979, wally.wade@hotmail.com.

June 21, 2012 – **Cape Coral Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Lake Kennedy Senior Center, 400 Santa Barbara Blvd., Cape Coral – 7:00- 9:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Wes Morris. For info: 239-282-6322 or j.h.morris@embarqmail.com.

July 17, 24, and 31 - **Suncoast Squares Open Lesson Nights** – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. Caller: Mike Cox. A GLBT Club – all are welcome (including the straight community) – casual attire. Open to the public and no experience is necessary. \$5, but you get in free if you have never danced with us before. Friends-of-Friends at Open Lesson Nights allow anyone who brings a first timer to also get in free that night. For info: www.suncoastsquares.com or 727-599-1440 or rritter@ij.net.

August 7, 2012 – **Suncoast Squares Mainstream Dance Lessons** - King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. Caller: Mike Cox. A GLBT Club – all are welcome (including the straight community) – casual attire. For info: www.suncoastsquares.com or 727-599-1440 or rritter@ij.net.

August 7, 2012 – **Suncoast Squares Plus Dance Lessons** - King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – 9:00 – 10:00 p.m. Caller: Mike Cox. A GLBT Club – all are welcome (including the straight community) – casual attire. For info: www.suncoastsquares.com or 727-599-1440 or rritter@ij.net.

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, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Phase 2 Workshop** – 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 can't reach the Dance Center, call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-227 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

October 4, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Phase 3 Workshop** - 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 can't reach the Dance Center, call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-227 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

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.

October 10, 2012 - **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.

November 4, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Beginner Round Dance Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 6:30 – 8:00 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 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

November 9, 2012 – **Strawberry Square C-1 Class/Workshop** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Caller: Keith Stevens. This class is for those dancers who have completed a C-1 class, but are not ready to dance at the C-1 level. Keith will work with the dancers at increasing their proficiency. 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 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

November 9, 2012 – **Strawberry Square C3A Teach and Workshop** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 12:45 – 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 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

November 13, 2012 – **Strawberry Square A2 Workshop/Review** - 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 13, 2012 – **Strawberry Square C1 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 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

December 3, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Beginner Square Dance Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant – 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette – first class free (class fee \$5 per person). 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.

December 3, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Plus Square Dance Lessons** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant – 8:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette – first class free (class fee \$5 per person). 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.

January 3, 2012 – **Charlotte Promenaders First Dance of the Season** - Port Charlotte Beach Recreation Center, 4500 Harbor Boulevard, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 (parking passes will be provided) – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Plus Squares 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Caller: Red Bates; Cuer: Dick Chase. For info: 941-412-8588 or 941-429-8271 or sqdbird@aol.com.

January 7, 2013 – **Strawberry Square A-1 Class/Workshop** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 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 7, 2013 – **Strawberry Square A-2 Class/Workshop** - 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 10, 2013 – **Strawberry Square Intro to C1 (Part 2)** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 9:30 – 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 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

January 20, 2013 – **Strawberry Square Special Event for Mainstream and Plus Level Dancers – Without Rounds** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Tim Marriner.

January 22, 2013 – **Strawberry Square Snowbirds Basic Round Dance Class** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 5:30 p.m. – Cuer: Karen Fisher. 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 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

January 22 – March 12, 2013 – **Dance by Definition in Plus Level Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Sam Dunn - designed for

dancers who have been dancing for two years or more - \$5 per person – casual attire – no new incoming people beginning February 5. To be fair to the dancers, if you want this workshop you must attend all sessions or contact Sam. For info: 813-752-0491 or <http://strawberrysquaredancing.com>. If you can't reach the dance center, call Gayle or Tim at 207-649-0432 or Sam at 863-382-6792 or www.samdunn.net.

January 27, 2013 – **A Day of Plus** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Sam Dunn. \$30 per couple for the entire package. Five hours of dancing – no split sessions. Pick up a flyer so you indicate which Plus moves you want to work on. To ensure your space, register now! Mail your check made payable to Strawberry Square, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL 33563. Schedule: 8:30 a.m. – coffee and muffins; 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. – dancing; 11:30 a.m. - break/free time; 1:30 – 4:00 p.m. – dancing. Casual attire. For info: 813-752-0491 or <http://strawberrysquaredancing.com>. If you can't reach the dance center, call Sam at 863-382-6792 or www.samdunn.net.

April 12, 2013 - **Charlotte Promenaders Final Dance of the Season** - Port Charlotte Beach Recreation Center, 4500 Harbor Boulevard, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 (parking passes will be provided) – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Plus Squares 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Caller: Dave Magee; Cuer: Ruth Siegmann. For info: 941-412-8588 or 941-429-8271 or sqdbird@aol.com.

Looking Ahead...

June 2, 2012 – **Whirl & Twirl Squares 50th Anniversary Dance** – Whirl & Twirl Dance Center, 6949 Venture Circle, Orlando – Early Rounds 7:30 p.m., fun Mainstream with Rounds 8:00 – 10:30 p.m. – Caller: Jet Roberts (California), Cuers: Jimmy and Carol Griffin. \$10 per person. Limited to only 18 squares – call ahead to reserve your ribbons. For info: 407-365-8490 or www.whirlandtwirl.org.

June 26, 2012 – **Pride Benefit Night** - King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – 7:30 – 10:00 p.m. Caller: Mike Cox. A GLBT Club – all are welcome (including the straight community) – casual attire. Open to the public and no experience necessary. Suncoast Squares raises money for St. Pete Pride each year with this benefit dance. \$5 per person. Proceeds are donated to St. Pete Pride. For info: www.suncoastsquares.com or 727-599-1440 or ritter@ij.net.

July 10, 2012 - **Suncoast Squares Free Fun Night** – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – 7:30 – 10:00 p.m. Caller: Mike Cox. A GLBT Club – all are welcome (including the straight community) – casual attire. No experience necessary. For info: www.suncoastsquares.com or 727-599-1440 or ritter@ij.net.

November 2, 2012 – **Strawberry Square First A-2 Dance of the Season** - 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. Fragrance free – hearing assist device available! 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 10, 2012 – **Harmony Hoedowners First Dance of the Season** – Sebring Country Estates Civic Association Clubhouse, 3240 Grand Prix Driver (down the street from Walmart), Sebring – Mainstream and Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Sam Dunn – cuer: TBA. Effective January 2013 the 2nd Mondays will be all Plus; 4th Mondays will be Mainstream and Plus. Casual attire. All dancers are welcome. For info: www.samdunn.net or samdunn@samdunn.com.

December 21, 2012 - **Strawberry Square A-2 Christmas 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. Fragrance free – hearing assist device available! 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.

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March 15 – 16, 2013 – **Central Florida Square and Round Dancers Association's 13th Annual Shamrock Swing** – La Hacienda Center, 1200 Avendia Central, The Villages, FL – Callers: Jack Pladdys and Don Hanhurst – Cuer: Loretta Hanhurst and Mike. Two halls – Mainstream, Plus, DBD, and Advance. **Friday:** Early Rounds 7:00 p.m., Dance 7:30 – 10:30 p.m., Musical Highlights 10:00 - 10:30 p.m. **Saturday:** workshops 1:00 – 4:30 p.m., Early Rounds 7:00 p.m., Dance 7:30 – 10:30 p.m., Musical Highlights 10:00 – 10:30 p.m. Light refreshments at Finnegan's Place. \$18 per person in advance; \$20 at the door. Daily admission available at the door: \$14 per person all day Saturday. Friday or Saturday evening only: \$12 per person. Host hotel: comfort Suites - \$80 + tax for a standard room with two queen beds or a king. Each room has a refrigerator and microwave. A free deluxe continental breakfast is provided. Call direct and identify yourself as a square dancer attending the Shamrock Swing 352-259-6578. For info: Randy & Carol Poole 386-734-5295 or rpoole19@cfl.rr.com or Jack and Barbara Hoffman 321-452-3941 or jackbarb@juno.com. *Flyer can be found at www.dancergram.com.*

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

<http://www.jlvinyl.com/SQUARE---ROUND-DANCING.html> (vinyl decals)

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

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

www.suziegcreations.com (Suzie Q Creations)

www.Bobsengraving.com (New physical address: Bob L. Adams, Bobs Engraving, 8827 Megan Lane, Orlando, FL 32836; Telephone: 407-777-8952; www.bobsengraving.com; e-mail address: bobsengraving@aim.com)

<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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