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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 jenangreen@aol.com to make arrangements for delivery or pick up.

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

The **Rural Callers & Gateway Callers Associations** are saddened to report that the annual **Christmas in July Dance** has been cancelled this year due to an overbooking of the venue. It was scheduled for Saturday, July 7th - please note this change to your calendars.

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!

Lon Ligon shared with us that [Caller] **RJ Hogan** has returned home after undergoing surgery at Shands Hospital in Gainesville last week. He is making good progress on his recovery. Cards and words of encouragement may be sent to RJ & Joanie at 6410 SE 92nd Terrace, Gainesville, FL 32641. (Reprint from Northeast Association's Joys & Concerns 7/2/12)

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

February 1 – 2, 2013 – **Florida Winter Festival** – Lakeland

May 24 – 26, 2013 – **59th 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.

Beaus & Belles

By Mike Sikorsky

Mike Sikorsky has a winter square dance program in Mesa, Arizona, and tours nationally & internationally. Mike is owner/producer of Mesa Apache Productions (MAP) square dance music, and is the author of two books teaching the Activator Stream system of Patter Calling, a system he invented. Mike won the Most Entertaining Caller award at the first Ozzie Awards in April 2011, with over 37,000 votes cast worldwide. Mike is attempting to tour central Florida during the last week of September each year. Any clubs wishing to book Mike should email him at arizonacaller@gmail.com.

After a discussion with the Bow & Swing editor Bill Boyd, this author was requested to write the following article. Before we begin, let's take a look at the primary premise:

Beaus & Belles should be Basic. 4th or 5th night of Beginners class Basic.

Consider for a moment what the benefits would be if Beaus & Belles was taught as a position description, much like Beginners are taught to recognize Lines. When a Partner Trade is taught, dancers are oft times told to pass right shoulders as they pass their partner during the call. In this author's experience, this Partner Trade should pass happens so quickly, the new dancer brain most often does not recognize it as a shoulder pass at all, since it does not remotely resemble a Pass Thru, which is the only Pass call they've been doing thus far in their learning.

Does it not seem possible how Partner Trade could be more easily learned by telling the Beau to always walk around the outside of the Belle as they pass?

Could they also be told the Beau is usually the Boy and the Belle is usually the girl, but not always? Does this not seem to provide the possibility of mild Patter variety at a later date?

Now let's examine why this author believes Beaus & Belles have been relegated to Advanced, and then only from limited positions. Callers have Forever & Forever Amen been teaching Beaus as being the left-handed dancer of each partnership, and the Belle as being the right-hand dancer of each partnership. This description seems to require the dancer to have an out-of-body experience so they can view the square from a helicopter-like perch, much like the caller's vantage point. To this caller's way of thinking, the above is typical caller-think, and it makes Beaus & Belles very difficult to learn.

Try asking the dancers to identify who their current partner is. Then ask them to identify their own right hand. Is your right hand towards your partner? From a normal line facing out, the caller could say "that's YOU, boys. You are the Beaus". From the same line, in the next sentence, the caller could ask the dancers to identify their own left hand. Is your left hand towards your partner? "That's YOU, girls. You are the belles". Then, when teaching Partner Trade, it would be easy to have the dancers turn towards their partner as they turn, having the Beau always walk outside and around the belle.

A few weeks later, it seems it would be fairly simple to call Heads Star Thru, then Outsides Squeeze in between them, a really cool way to call "Spread:" without saying "Spread". Then, after Pass Thru is called, a same-sex partner? Raise your hand. Now the caller can teach Belles Trade, just for workshop variety, telling the dancers to pass right shoulders and both face back in, as they change places. The ending formation is normal right hand Ocean Waves with the boys on the end (the Zero Arrangement), so normal choreo calling would immediately follow.

Several weeks later, after the caller has taught Dixie Style to a Wave, the above "Heads Star Thru & Outsides Squeeze In, then Pass Thru" could be called. Then, have the Beaus Trade this time, putting the dancers in a left hand Ocean Wave with the boys in the center, like the caller just created when he/she taught Dixie Style to a Wave.

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59th Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention

May 24, 25, & 26, 2013 – The Lakeland Center, Lakeland

Happy 4th of July! Summertime is here!

If you think the Kick-Off for the 59th Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention “Life’s a Beach in 2013” was a great “Beach Party”. Wait and see what happens at the State Convention next year!!! The Chairmen and their committees are already hard at work to assure you have the best “Beach party” you’ve ever attended. There will be surprises, fun, sun, sand, beach balls, beach-goers galore and o yes, plenty of great dancing! With the tourists, the lifeguards, the bikini-tee-shirt-clad ladies, the Beach party guy with the whistle, and all the “fun on the beach” seen on Sunday night at the Kick-Off, don’t be surprised what is in store for your fun, fellowship and dancing at the Florida State Convention next May. The Florida Callers and Cuers entertain you with their talents. Mainstream, Plus, Advanced, DBD and Dangle Dances. Enjoy Easy rounds through Advance Rounds. So, wax your surfboards, gas up your Little Deuce Coupe and head to Lakeland on May 24 to 26, 2013, for the best “Beach Party’ and Dance, Dance, Dance! Ribbons are on sale now; \$35.00/person for the full weekend. Check out our website (www.floridasquaredance.com) for Registration Forms, Trail In flyer, Convention flyer, our picture “Gallery”, and much more information on our Convention.

Congratulations to winner Susie Moon who won the Sand Pail of \$100.00 of Golden Sand Dollars” at this year’s 58th Florida State Convention. Have you purchased your “Kindle Fire & \$50.00 Gift Card” raffle ticket? This awesome prize will be awarded by our “Surfer dude” on October 27, 2012, at the FASSRD “33rd Annual Party-Rama”. You don’t need to be present to win, so purchase your ticket from your Association President or Convention Ways and Mean representative in your area.

Make your reservations at our host Hotel the “Ramada Hotel & Conference Center of Lakeland:” located at 3260 US Hwy. 98N, Lakeland, FL 33805; 863-688-8080. The hotel rate will be the special: “Square Dancer” rate of \$65.00+tax per night. Price includes two free breakfasts each morning, so book now!

IMPORTANT NEWS: Congratulations to Lisa Wall & Mark Fetzer for winning the 2012 58th FSSRDC Caller/Cuer Survey. Yes, it was a tie! Each received a check for ½ of the winning “Hotel Accommodations” prize. Callers: Bill Chesnut, Mike Dougherty, Patty Ping, Bob Poyner and Terri Wilaby were presented a prize from the 2013 59th FSSRDC. The Callers, Cuers were in the top 5 promoters and received a “runner-up” prize. Way to go Callers and Cuers! How can you help your Club Caller or Cuer? When a Caller and/or Cuer promotes the 59th Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention at any

dance you attend, you as the Club President, Club Representative or Dance committee Chairman visit the www.floridasquaredance.com /convention website and scroll down to the "Prompting Our Convention" click on the "Caller/Cuer Survey" and fill out the information. Please remember if more than one Caller or Cuer participated in the promotion, please fill out one survey for each person. The Caller or Cuer does not have to be programmed for the State convention, just a member of the Florida Caller's Association or Florida Round Dance Council.



Paul and Cheryl Miller
General Chairman

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What's Happening This Week?

Week of July 2, 2012

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

Monday (July 2) – 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: **Roland Blanchette**, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Casual attire for the summer. Dancers please use the entrance marked "Gage Hall" on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

Kings Point Swingers A-2 Dance – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center – Early Rounds 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.

Tuesday (July 3) – The 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. Caller: 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 ritter@ij.net.

Wednesday (July 4) – 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.

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.

Thursday (July 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: recorded cues from Carl Rod – square dance attire optional. For info: [easchwartz@tampabay.rr.com](mailto: easchwartz@tampabay.rr.com).

Lake Kennedy Squares – Lake Kennedy Center, 400 Santa Barbara Blvd., Cape Coral – alternating Mainstream and Plus tips – Caller: Wes Morris – casual attire - \$4 per person. For info: 239-574-0575.

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 [ritter@ij.net](mailto: ritter@ij.net).

Jacaranda Trace – 3600 William Penn Way, Venice - A-2 - 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Caller: Mike Cox. For info: 941-408-2627.

Snell’s Bo’s and Bells (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](mailto: settarose1@verizon.net) or 727-809-3429 or 727-862-4842 or [mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net](mailto: mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net).

Promenade Squares – **NO DANCE** For info: [walkey1a@yahoo.com](mailto: walkey1a@yahoo.com) or 727-789-3836.

Friday (July 6) – Snell’s Bos and Bells (Largo) – 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. – Caller: Allen Snell. For info: [settarose1@verizon.net](mailto: settarose1@verizon.net) or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429 or [mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net](mailto: mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net).

Dixie Grande Squares – **NO DANCE** For info: [carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com](mailto: 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. For info: [raindancer999@yahoo.com](mailto: raindancer999@yahoo.com).

No classes during
July and August!

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. To help Dads enjoy this night even more, Dad’s Favorite Snacks will be served to them and all Dancers to enjoy. Beverages will also be provided. Ok Dads since this is your night come on out and join us as we honor you with this epic Event Dance. 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 (July 7) – 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 Summer Program – Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Robert Arias; Cuer: Jennie Martin – Workshop 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. - 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. **NO DANCE** For info: Jennie 863-494-2749 or Mary 941-380-5336.

Sunday (July 8) – The Groves – Groves Clubhouse, 7924 Melogold Circle, Land O Lakes – Mainstream dance 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. All dancers welcome. Casual attire. Please bring finger food to share. Caller: Allen Snell. For info: 813-966-5759 or wlfloyd@aol.com.

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

Monday (July 9) – 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: **Allen Snell**, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Casual attire for the summer. Dancers please use the entrance marked “Gage Hall” on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

Kings Point Swingers A-2 Dance – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center – Early Rounds 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.

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 June 25, 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 – 6:00- 7:30 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 ritter@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 ritter@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 ritter@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.

September 13, 2012 – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Introduction to Square Dancing** – Brandon Community Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon – 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. - \$4 per person per lesson – couples, families, singles and teens welcome. Lessons start September 20, 2012. Please RSVP to one of the following: Linda Ormsbee 813-972-3629 or D’Ann Olree 813-571-1770.

September 13, 2012 – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Brandon Community Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon – 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. - \$4 per person per lesson – couples, families, singles and teens welcome. Lessons start September 20, 2012. Please RSVP to one of the following: Linda Ormsbee 813-972-3629 or D’Ann Olree 813-571-1770.

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 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Beginner Square Dance Lessons** - Florida Presbyterian Homes on Lake Hunter, McArthur Center, 811 Lakeside Avenue, Lakeland – 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette - \$4 per person per session. For info: sgdncfan@aol.com or 863-874-4522.

November 4, 2012 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Plus Workshop** - Florida Presbyterian Homes on Lake Hunter, McArthur Center, 811 Lakeside Avenue, Lakeland – 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette - \$4 per person per session. For info: sgdncfan@aol.com or 863-874-4522.

November 4, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Beginner Round Dance Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. – Cued: 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 sgdbird@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...

November 4, 2012 – **“Give a Little Hope” Square Dance Fundraiser for the Hope Children’s Home** – Hope International Ministries, 11415 Hope International Drive, Tampa, FL (<http://www.hopechildrenshome.org/>) – Callers: Sam Dunn and Art Springer; Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – Early Rounds 1:30 p.m. – Mainstream and Plus Square Dance 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. - \$6 per person; donations welcomed. For info: 813-810-5548 or flobyington@yahoo.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.suzieqcreations.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.dosado.com/cgi-bin/lib/shop-wrapper.pl?page=rdpubs&shop=dosado&cart=3901977.2052><http://www.squaredance.com/round-dance-publications>

radionetwork.com (square dance radio network)

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