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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 2015 State Convention. Contact Rita Baxter at 863-326-1741 or lanceandrita@yahoo.com to make arrangements for delivery or pick up.

February 1, 2014 – Deadline to submit nominations for Extra Mile Award. For info: <http://www.floridasquaredance.com/documents/ExtraMileAwards/Extra%20Mile%20Nomination%20Form.pdf>.

February 5, 2014 - **Deadline for Submissions to the March 2014 Issue of the Bow & Swing** – For info: bowandswing@gmail.com.

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 and former dancers!

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

This contact list can also be found at
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Your Source...

I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

January 30 – February 2, 2014 – **Florida Winter Festival** – Lakeland

March 21 – 22, 2014 – **Central Association's 14th Annual Shamrock Swing** – The Villages

May 23 – 25, 2014 – **60th Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention** – Lakeland

November 14 – 15, 2014 – **West Coast Association's Fall Fun Fest** - Bartow

The Mother of Senior-Seniors

Esther Chute, the Mother of Senior-Seniors

On April 20, 2013 a special birthday party was held in Waterville, Nova Scotia for a very special lady and square dancers. Dancers from several areas of Nova Scotia were on hand to celebrate the 100th birthday of Esther Chute. In case you think you may have misread this or that it is a misprint, I will repeat it. Esther Chute, an active square dancer with the Berwick (Nova Scotia) Belles 'N Beaus, with club caller Tommy Collins just celebrated her 100th birthday. Both the Canadian Square and Round Dance Society and the Square and Round Dance Federation of Nova Scotia have recognized her for 52 years of square dancing. Esther was recently quoted as saying, "Two weeks ago, I got up three times in an evening, which is a pretty good night for me these days. Once I get up, I can keep going for a while".

Esther Chute was born April 18, 1913, in South Berwick, Nova Scotia. During these past 100 years, Esther has been a wife, mother, grandmother and a great-grandmother. After graduating from college she got a job teaching in New Ross. She later married and gave up her teaching job and devoted herself to raising her two children. Later on she has helped in providing homecare for her in-laws.

At the age of 45 she found herself widowed and living alone in a 14 room house. She had never imagined that she would someday be faced with making the decision of selling her home or learning to run a farm. After 20 of the most memorable years of her life, Esther decided to keep the house and learn how to farm. One of the first things she did was to purchase a car which she did from the proceeds of her first year's apple crop. Berwick's official slogan is the "Apple Capital of Nova Scotia".

While learning how to run a farm Esther also went to high school to learn bookkeeping. She did income tax preparations in the community for several years and still does her own taxes.

During the past 60 years, Esther has remained a busy lady. She has held numerous offices in the community club, and until last year she administered the Christ Church Memorial Fund. She is a charter member of the local chapter of the Women's Institute of Nova Scotia. In addition to that she loves to sew, knit, cook, bake and do scrapbooking in her spare time. Oh, did I mention that for the past 52 years she has square danced?

When asked about turning 100 years old Esther said she really didn't see much difference. Except for a few back problems, that the doctors call arthritis, she feels pretty good. She went on to say, "I've always kept busy, and I've lived a clean life – I never smoked or drank, I can't do the work I used to do, but I find I have to be doing something.. I have to be busy."

Esther Chute, we are so grateful that square dancing is one of the ways you keep busy. Thank you so much for the 52 years you have given us and our wonderful activity. In today's world when people are so desperately looking for role models, we thank you for providing us with such a positive model. May God Bless and Happy Dancing.

And the Beat Goes On!

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A Message by George Carlin

(Food for Thought as we enter the new year)

The paradox of our time in history, is that we have taller buildings but shorter tempers, wider Freeways, but narrower viewpoints. We spend more, but have less, we buy more, but enjoy less. We have bigger houses and smaller families, more conveniences, but less time. We have more degrees but less sense, more knowledge, but less judgment, more experts, yet more problems, more medicine, but less wellness.

We drink too much, smoke too much, spend too recklessly, laugh too little, drive too fast, get too angry, stay up too late, get up too tired, read too little, watch TV too much, and pray too seldom; we have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values. We talk too much, love too seldom, and hate too often.

We've learned how to make a living, but not a life. We've added years to life not life to years. We've been all the way to the moon and back, but have trouble crossing the street to meet a new neighbor. We conquered outer space but not inner space. We've done larger things, but not better things.

We've cleaned up the air, but polluted the soul. We've conquered the atom, but not our prejudice. We write more, but learn less. We plan more, but accomplish less. We've learned to rush, but not to wait. We build more computers to hold more information, to produce more copies than ever, but we communicate less and less.

These are the times of fast foods and slow digestion, big men and small character, steep profits and shallow relationships. These are the days of two incomes but more divorce, fancier houses, but broken homes. These are days of quick trips, disposable diapers, throwaway morality, one night stands, overweight bodies, and pills that do everything from cheer, to quiet, to kill. It is time when there much in the showroom window and nothing in the stockroom.

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Square Dancers Honoring All Veterans

In 2009 some military veterans and square dancers with the Heardmont Squares in Shelby County, Alabama learned that **Homes for Our Troops** was embarking on a project in nearby Trussville, Alabama to build a specially adapted home for an Army Ranger who was severely injured on a mission in 2007 when the Chinook helicopter he was riding in crashed in the mountains of Southern Afghanistan. This created an interest in finding out more about who is **Homes for Our Troops**, how do they operate and how can we help? Information was obtained, interest grew and the Heardmont Squares decided to hold a special Veterans Day benefit dance. This dance was such a success that it has become an annual event. Another local area club, the "Wheel Arounds" joined forces with the Heardmont Squares to help fund and sponsor this annual **Veteran's Day Remembrance "Benefit" Dance** to support **Homes for our Troops**.

The 2013 Veterans Day Remembrance "Benefit" Dance ended as a resounding success, from the opening pageantry of the Color Guard salute to our Nation and Armed Forces, to the closing ceremony with the retirement of the colors and taps in remembrance of all fallen veterans. The dancers were treated to an array of military decorations, a private museum of actual memorabilia from various wars and to a night of dancing, by internationally recognized caller Nasser Shukayr. Rounds were cued by retired Marine David Holladay and Annie Marrs led the Line dancing. Not only were there guest[s] from across the state of Alabama, but also from Georgia, South Carolina and Tennessee. Special guests Vance and Theresa Donaldson, Presidents of the Georgia State Convention and Georgia club members. This year's event Honored Cpl. James "Michael" Boucher, who lost both legs while in Afghanistan. Michael was presented the key to his new home at a ceremony on December 7, 2013. Homes for our Troops has provided over 100 specially adapted homes to meet the needs of our National's most severely injured veterans at no cost to the veteran.

To date, the total amount raised as a result of the 2014 Veteran's Day Remembrance "Benefit" Dance is almost \$5,000. Since the inception of this dance in 2009 over \$20,000.00 has been donated through these events by Squares Dancers to provide specially adapted homes for our selected veteran. Should you desire to join us in this effort, please send checks made payable to Homes for Our Troops and send to the following address so they can be included in the final total.

Homes for Our Troops
c/o Walter Brough, Event Coordinator
5184 Caldwell Mill Road, Suite 204-234
Hoover, Alabama 35244

Mr. Brough said it is our goal to have all Square Dancers, Callers, clubs and Associations involved in helping support this event each year. *This dance is about the Veterans.* No Club, Caller, or anyone involved in the dance has, or will, receive any money donated in support of the veteran through this annual event. All the donations received goes directly to **Homes for Our Troops** to build a home for the injured Veteran. Each year the Heardmont Squares, Wheel Arounds and other veterans annually fund the cost to make this event possible. We do this because we believe in the men and women who put their life on the line for all of us. They

deserve our respect and support as they go through these difficult rehabilitations and life adjustments, which they must continually make for the rest of their lives.

How great an honor if the entire Square Dance community could, in time, totally fund the building of a Home for a deserving Veteran.

For more information you can reach Mr. Brough at the above address, his cell phone: 205-914-3737 or send him an email: walter@heardmontsquares.com.

He also invites you to join the Heardmont Club should you be in the area. They dance on the 1st and 3th Fridays at 7pm. Check their web-site: www.heardmontsquares.com for directions.

What's Happening This Week?

Week of January 20, 2014

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

Monday (January 20) – ***Carl's Round Dance Party*** – Lake Ashton Health & Fitness Center, 6052 Pebble Beach Blvd. off SR 653, Winter Haven - Caller/Cuer: Carl Rod. 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. - \$5 per person. 30 minutes of rounds, snack break, one tip of square dancing, 30 minutes of rounds, ... Please bring finger food. For info: carlsardrod@yahoo.com or 863-293-9369.

Sun-N-Fun Cake Walk Dance - 7125 Fruitville Road, Woodland Hall, Sarasota – Phase 3 – 4 Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Plus squares with rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Sharon Short**; Cuer: **Jack Jenkins**. 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.

Heel and Toe – Senior Center Annex, 702 Indiana Avenue, St. Cloud – Caller: Bill Boyd; Plus workshop 6:30 – 7:00 p.m., Dancing to the level of the floor 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. \$5 per person. Casual attire. Please call ahead to ensure there will be a dance. For info: 407-319-0790 (C), 407-931-1688 (H), or bell-gelt@mpinet.net. Website: www.floridasquaredance.com/heelandtoe.

King's Point – King's Point Main Clubhouse, Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City – A2 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Mike Cox. For info: Mike Cox 813-649-0754 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: bbkilk@verizon.net.

Tuesday (January 21) – ***Maple Leaf Squares Ice Cream Social*** - 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: 941-624-0871 or r.friedmann97@gmail.com.

Woodmere A2 - 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.

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.

Horizon Village Squares – 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: Wes Morris, Cuer: Russ Collier. For info: 239-282-6322.

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 (January 22) – **Camp Inn Grand Squares** – Camp Inn RV Resort, 3455 N. Highway 27, Frostproof – alternating Mainstream and Plus – 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. - Caller: Ron Reardon. Casual attire. For info: larrycorder50@gmail.com.

Palmetto Palms A-2 Dance - 19681 Summerlin Boulevard, Ft. Myers – 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. Casual attire. For info: redbates@juno.com or 941-828-0481.

Palmetto Palms Plus Dance - 19681 Summerlin Boulevard, Ft. Myers – 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. Casual attire. For info: redbates@juno.com or 941-828-0481.

Betmar Belles & Beaus Pie Night - Betmar Park Clubhouse #2, 7 Lakewood, Zephyrhills – Mainstream and Plus Squares and Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Caller: **Marty Van Wart**; Cuer: Ella Bettencourt. Optional attire. For info: Roger Bertrand 207-576-1647.

Strawberry Square Club - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. Mainstream/Easy Plus. Caller: **Kip Moulton**. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Dee Ann Wilson 404-405-8946 or dwilson299@charter.net.

Strawberry Square C-2 Dance & Workshop - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. Caller: Ross Howell. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Nancy Hall at 802-318-7691 or nhallcms@gmail.com or Wayne and Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513.

Strawberry Square C-1 Dance & Intro to C-2 - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Caller: Ross Howell. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Nancy Hall at 802-318-7691 or nhallcms@gmail.com or Wayne and Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513.

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. For info: Mary 941-380-5336 or Jennie 863-494-2749.

Thursday (January 23) – **Charlotte Promenaders** - 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: **Marty Van Wart**; Cuer: **Bill Webb**. For info: 941-412-8588 or 941-429-8271 or sgdbird@aol.com.

Pine Ridge Promenaders – Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yards east of Hwy. 27, Lake Placid - Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Ed Foote**; Cuer: **Jennie Martin**. For info: 863-699-2789.

Glen Haven Squares – Glen Haven RVP, 37251 Chancy Road, Zephyrhills – MS/Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: George Varney, Cuer: Ella Bettencourt. For info: Dale Remington 813-788-7074 / dreming1@verizon.net or George Varney 813-782-0885.

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. - \$6 per person – caller: Allen Snell. For info: settarose1@verizon.net or 727-809-3429 or 727-862-4842 or jsantoro6@verizon.net.

Suncoast Squares 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.

Jacaranda Trace – 3600 William Penn Way, Third floor in Auditorium, Venice – A2 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. For info: Mike cox 813-649-0754 or Alice 941-408-2627.

Lake Kennedy Squares – Lake Kennedy Center, 400 Santa Barbara Blvd., Cape Coral – alternating Mainstream with announced Plus tips – Caller: Wes Morris; Cuer: Russ Collier – casual attire - \$5 per person. For info: 239-282-6322.

Promenade Squares – Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – Beginner's Class 6:00 p.m., Early Rounds 7:15 - 7:45 p.m. Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:45 - 9:30 p.m. - caller: Dick Demerit, cuers: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin. For info: mblackburn13@tampabay.rr.com or 208-369-6949.

Friday (January 24) – Strawberry Square C-3A Dance/Workshop - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller/Instructor: Keith Stevens – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Casual attire – fragrance free – hearing assist device available! For info: Nancy Hall at 802-318-7691 or nhallcms@gmail.com or Wayne and Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513.

Punta Gorda Phase 3 & 4 Round Dance Club - South Community Regional Park, 670 Cooper Street, Punta Gorda – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Cuers: Wally and Lone Wade. For info: 941-505-1979 or ionewade@centurylink.com.

Woodmere C-1 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.

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; 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please contact: Wayne Sorrells 770-490-1670; Art & Ruth Kinsley 603-721-2206, or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

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; 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please contact: Wayne Sorrells 770-490-1670; Art & Ruth Kinsley 603-721-2206, or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

Snell's Bo's 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 - \$6 per person. For info: settarose1@verizon.net or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429 or jsantoro06@verizon.net.

Sun City Swingers – North Campus Dance Studio, 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. Please come join us for this Festive Holiday Special Dance. 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.

Saturday (January 25) – Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Tailgate Party- 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: Gary Bubel, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: pattiwilkerson44@yahoo.com.

Buttons & Bows of Venice - Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – Plus/Rounds 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates; Cuer: TBA. Square dance attire optional. For info: vickikoors@sbcglobal.net.

Strawberry Square C-2 Dance Day Long special with C-3A Star Tips - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Ross Howell – 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. - \$7.50 per dancer/session. For info: Nancy Hall at 802-318-7691 or nhallcms@gmail.com or Wayne and Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513.

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: Art Springer, Cuer: Mike Cox. For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com. If you can't reach the dance center, call Wayne Sorrells 770-490-1670, Mary Lee Van Valkenburg 813-707-1702, or Linda Lynn 813-659-9040, or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

Palace Promenaders - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Art Miller; Cuer: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier – 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.

Sunday (January 26) – Crystal Lake Squares – Crystal Lake Village, 237 Maxwell Road (on Rt. 17 – 2 miles north of Wauchula) – Mainstream/Plus 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Caller/Cuer: Mike Gormley. Square dance attire optional. There are no rounds scheduled at this time. For info: dmorriso@vistanet.net.

Happy Promenaders 40-something Birthday Party – Happy Promenaders - Hitching Post RV Park Rec Hall, Naples (Directions: From Rt. 41 (Tamiami Trail East), turn south onto Barefoot Williams Road (west of Rt. 951/Collier Blvd. and just east of the Hitching Post strip mall). Take first left turn toward pool and Rec Hall.) Caller: Mac McCall; Cuer: Mike Alexander. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream and Plus Squares 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. For info: call Jan (239) 642-8612 or playwalt@comcast.net.

Strawberry Square Phase 2 – 4 Round Dance Party – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:00p.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.

Cloverleaf Leprechauns – 900 North Broad Street (U.S. 41 N.), Brooksville, FL – ER 1:30 – 2:00 p.m., Plus/Rounds 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., A-1 tip 4:15 p.m. – Caller: **Don Hanhurst**, Cuer: Judy and Jake Doane – finger foods. For info: 352-666-7433, slerner3@tampabay.rr.com

Shufflin' Squares Advanced Dance – Lake Ashton Health & Fitness Center (HFC), off SR 653 South, Winter Haven – 2:00 p.m. – Caller: Keith Stevens. New and inexperienced advanced dancers are welcome. It will be a workshop and teach. Dress is casual. We dance by computer generated squares. For info: Keith Stevens 863-326-9774 or keithuns@yahoo.com

Orange Blossom Squares 50-Year Anniversary - La Hacienda Center, The Villages – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Ron Libby**, Cuer: **Loretta Hanhurst**. \$12 per member couple in advance and \$14 per guest couple in advance; \$16 at the door for everyone. For info: Ed Gargiula at 352-753-8094.

Monday (January 27) – Sun-N-Fun - 7125 Fruitville Road, Woodland Hall, Sarasota – Early Phase 3 – 4 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 440-526-7258 or billwebb2@gmail.com or John and Shirley Galik at 941-371-3914.

Temple Twirlers Birthday/Anniversary Dance - Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Ed Foote**, Cuer: **Pat Hagen**. Dancers please use the entrance marked “Gage Hall” on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: bbkilk@verizon.net.

Heel and Toe – Senior Center Annex, 702 Indiana Avenue, St. Cloud – Caller: Bill Boyd; Plus workshop 6:30 – 7:00 p.m., Dancing to the level of the floor 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. \$5 per person. Please call ahead to ensure there will be a dance. For info: 407-319-0790 (C), 407-931-1688 (H), or bell-gelt@mpinet.net. Website: www.floridasquaredance.com/heelandtoe.

King's Point – King's Point Main Clubhouse, Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City – A2 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Mike Cox. For info: Mike Cox 813-649-0754 or George 813-642-0900.

West Coast Classes and Workshops

National Caller and Cues Colleges

Please provide start date, start and ending time, level (Beginner, Mainstream, Plus, etc.), GPS 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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Round Dance Workshop – Kings Point, Main Club House, Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center – Advanced Rounds 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. – Cues: Mike Cox. For info: 813-649-0754.

January 6, 2014 – **Strawberry Square A-1 Class/Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller/Instructor: Marty Van Wart – 12:00 n – 2:00 p.m. Casual attire - \$5 per person per session - fragrance free – hearing assist device available! For info: Ruth and Art Kinsley at 603-512-7240 / kinsley@juno.com or Wayne and Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513.

January 6, 2014 – **Strawberry Square A-2 Class/Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller/Instructor: Marty Van Wart – 12:00 n – 2:00 p.m. Fragrance free – hearing assist device available! For info: Ruth and Art Kinsley at 603-512-7240 / kinsley@juno.com or Wayne and Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513.

January 7, 2014 - **Buttonwood Squares Plus Square Dance Workshop**. Every Tuesday (except March 4th) from 3pm to 4:30pm. Buttonwood Bay RV Resort, 10001 US 27, Sebring, FL. (approximately 5 miles south of Sebring). Caller/instructor is Nelson Wakeman. For info: Tim Stewart (President) at 586-610-8370 or email tjstewart58@comcast.net.

January 7, 2014 – **Woodmere Park Beginner Class** - Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.), Venice – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller/Instructor: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481, 941-223-0987 (C), redbates@juno.com.

January 7, 2014 – **Strawberry Square DBD Plus Workshop** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller/Instructor: Keith Stevens – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Perfect your skills at Plus dancing. This workshop is for Plus dancers with at least two (2) years of dancing experience that want a little more challenge added to their dancing enjoyment or want to move to another level of dance. Dancers at the Advanced level would also find this workshop more challenging and helpful for dancing at the Advanced level. Dancers will be evaluated after first two workshops. Fee: \$5 per person per session. Fragrance free – hearing

assist device available! For info: Wayne and Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513 / cds1025@bellsouth.net.

January 8, 2014 – **Punta Gorda Beginning Waltz Lessons** - South Community Regional Park, 670 Cooper Street, Punta Gorda – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Cuers: Wally and Lone Wade. For info: 941-505-1979 or ionewade@centurylink.com.

January 8, 2014 – **Crystal Lake Squares Plus Workshop** – Crystal Lake Village, 237 Maxwell Drive, Wauchula (2 miles north of Wauchula on U.S. Hwy. 17 – every Wednesday, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. – possible pre-January start (call for info) – learn by definition - \$4 per person per session. Caller/Instructor: Mike Gormley. For info: 419-376-0557 or mike@mike-gormley.com.

January 8, 2014 – **Crystal Lake Squares Mainstream Square Dance Workshop** – Crystal Lake Village, 237 Maxwell Drive, Wauchula (2 miles north of Wauchula on U.S. Hwy. 17 – every Wednesday, 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. – possible pre-January start (call for info) – learn by definition - \$4 per person per session. Caller/Instructor: Mike Gormley. For info: 419-376-0557 or mike@mike-gormley.com.

January 8, 2014 – **Crystal Lake Squares Beginners Square Dance Class** – Crystal Lake Village, 237 Maxwell Drive, Wauchula (2 miles north of Wauchula on U.S. Hwy. 17 – every Wednesday, 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. – learn by definition - \$4 per person per session. Caller/Instructor: Mike Gormley. For info: 419-376-0557 or mike@mike-gormley.com.

January 9, 2014 – **Lake Kennedy Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Lake Kennedy Senior Center, 400 Santa Barbara Blvd., Cape Coral – 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Wes Morris - \$5 per person per session. For info: 239-574-0575.

January 9, 2014 – **Strawberry Square Intro to C-1** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller/Instructor: Marty Van Wart – 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Casual attire - \$5 per person per sessions - fragrance free – hearing assist device available! For info: LeeAnn Houser at 516-780-3150 / leesny@aol.com or Wayne and Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513.

July 14 – 18, 2014 – **Jubilee Callers School** – Fultondale, AL – Callers/Instructors: Ken Ritucci and Tim Marriner. For application and more info: kenritucci@aol.com or www.kenritucci.com or 413-734-0591.

August 14 – 17, 2014 – **Norcal Callers School** – Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church, 728 W. Fremont Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA – Instructors: Ken Ritucci (Callerlab Accredited Callercoach), Scott Byars, and Harlan Kerr. Whether you 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; full Callerlab curriculum; and understand what it takes to be a caller. Space is limited – register today - \$37/student. For application and more information, contact Ken Ritucci 413-734-0591 or kenritucci@aol.com.

October 9 – 13, 2014 – **Northeast Callers School** – Manchester, New Hampshire – Callers/Instructors: Ken Ritucci, John Marshall, Rob French, Dottie Welch, and Mickey

Braithwaite. For application and more info: kenritucci@aol.com or www.kenritucci.com or 413-734-0591.

Looking Ahead...

February 9, 2014 – **West Coast Association Meeting** – Lake Ashton Clubhouse, Lake Ashton Golf Club, 4141 Ashton Club Drive, Lake Wales, FL – 12:00 noon immediately preceding the West Coast Association Dance. For info: anndonslocum@juno.com.

March 21 – 22, 2014 - **62nd Heart of America Federation Festival “Hunter’s Scene in 2014”** – Hall McCarter Middle School Education Center, 5000 N. w. Valley View Road, Blue Springs, MO 64015 – featured caller: Hunter Keller (Billings, MT). Donation per person: \$15 in advance (both days), Friday only \$7 – Saturday only \$12, \$5 Youth under 18 (both days). \$18 at the door (both days), Friday only \$8 – Saturday only \$14. Square dance attire required. Vendors available. For info: Marvin & Joyce Schemmer 816-230-7270.

July 29, 2014 – **57th NSDCA International Camporee** – Pride RV Resort, 4394 Jonathan Creek Road, Waynesville, NC – Info: Ralph Taylor – Ravco2@aol.com or 205-999-3099.

July 31 – August 2, 2014 – **Forty & Fabulous!!! 40th Tennessee Square and Round Dance Convention** – W. L. Mills Conference Center, 234 Historic Nature Trail, Gatlinburg, Tennessee – Mainstream, Plus, Advanced, Lines, Phase II – VI. Tentative schedule: Thursday: Trail-in Dance 8:00 – 11:00 p.m. Friday: Noon – 11:00 p.m. Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.. Live Band: Evening hours. Fashion Show, Sewing Clinic, Contra, Singles Program, After-party, Intros, Workshops, and Teaches. For info: www.TNSquareDance.org.

August 15 – 16, 2014 – **52nd Michigan Square and Round Dance Convention** – Crowne Plaza Hotel, 5700 E. 28th Street, SE, Grand Rapids, MI – For info: 231-946-7197 – www.squaredancemichigan.com – squaredance@netonecom.net.

August 22 – 23, 2014 – **Alabama Square & Round Dane Association State Convention** – Pell City Civic Center, 2801 Stemley Bridge Road, Pell City, AL. For info: 251-401-3975.

October 17 – 19, 2014 – **55th Annual Missouri State Festival “A Blast From the Past”**, Cowan Convention Center, Lebanon, MO. For info: 573-345-4772 or 573-745-0056.

Links

Websites

<http://floridasquaredance.com/>

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

Publications

www.flwestcoastdancer.com (West Coast Dancer)

<http://newsquaremusic.com/sioindex.html> (Sets in Order)

Associations/Organizations

www.flwestcoastdancer.com (West Coast Dancer)

<http://floridasquaredance.com/westcoast/index.html> (West Coast Assn.)

<http://www.floridasquaredance.com/rdc/> (Round Dance Council of Florida)

<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://virginiaswesternwear.com/> (Virginia's Western Wear & Square Dance Shop, Mascotte, FL)

<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)

<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.keithstevens.com (Keith Stevens)

Clubs

www.sailfishsquares.org

http://www.mike-gormley.com/square_dance/Crystal%20Lake%20Squares.htm (Crystal Lake Squares)

Miscellaneous

<http://www.dosado.com/cgi-bin/lib/shop-wrapper.pl?page=rdpubs&shop=dosado&cart=3901977.2052>[http://www.squaredance\(rounddancepublications\)radionetwork.com](http://www.squaredance(rounddancepublications)radionetwork.com) (square dance radio network)

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