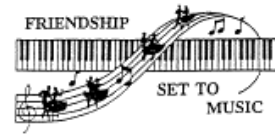

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WANTED: Gently used square dance attire to be donated to the West Coast Association. These clothes will be sold on E-Bay with the proceeds being donated to the 2015 State Convention. Contact Rita Baxter at 863-326-1741 or lanceandrita@yahoo.com to make arrangements for delivery or pick up.

Would you like to see what is for sale? Go to http://www.ebay.com/csc/LBakedAlaska/m.html?LH_Complete=1&ipg=50&since=15&sop=13&rdc=1

March 10, 2015 – West Coast Dancer Submission Deadline for the April/May/June Issue. For info: evhenning@peoplepc.com.

March 15, 2015 – Deadline for Submissions to Northwest Association's *Panhandle Press*. For info: panhandlepress@hotmail.com.

Do you have a class graduation coming up? Did you know that you can obtain free copies of the *Bow & Swing* (state of Florida publication) and the *American Square Dance* magazine (an international square dance publication) to give to your graduates? Just email Randy Boyd at bowandswing@gmail.com and let him know how many copies you need, when your graduation is, and what address to mail them to.



From the Editor...

What a great way to end the season for West Coast Membership Dances! Nine or ten squares of dancers danced the afternoon away with the calling of Dave Magee (Port Charlotte), Bob Avery (Lake Placid), Mike Gormley (Sebring), Wes Morris (St. James City), Ted Hughes (St. Pete), and Robert Arias (Brandon), and the cueing of Dick Chase (N. Ft. Myers), Bob Avery (Lake Placid), Russ Collier (Port Charlotte), Jennie Martin (Arcadia and owner of the Palace Dance Hall), and Ione and Wally Wade (Punta Gorda). Dancers came from everywhere – St. Pete, Lake Placid, Port Charlotte, Lakeland, Bartow, Winter Haven, Auburndale, Mulberry, Wauchula, Arcadia, and Lake Wales. Thank to Jennie Martin for the use of the hall and to Robert Arias for his great job as the emcee!

Our next membership dance will be the President's Ball on September 20th at Strawberry Square Dance Center in Plant City. Put this on your calendar now so you don't have a conflict! We will be introducing our new officers and recognizing the volunteers who work so hard to keep square dancing alive on the west coast of Florida. We will not be having a VIP dance this year; we will be combining it with the President's Ball.

Have you given any thought to your class graduations? How can you make it a special event? Are you giving out professional looking diplomas? Have you thought about maybe creating a packet of information to give the new dancers with information such as the history of your club, West Coast Association information, membership applications for your club and the West Coast Association, reprints of pertinent articles, a copy of the *Bow & Swing*, *American Square Dance*, and the *DANCERgram*?

I am the class coordinator for Buttons & Bows of Lakeland and I would like to share some things I do for our graduation that you might want to consider doing for yours.

- ❖ We have a party for the new dancers, inviting experienced dancers to attend. The experienced dancers are asked to bring finger foods.
- ❖ I have re-created the diploma so I have it electronically and I can type the names in so each certificate is an original. There is a place for the caller and the club president to sign the certificates.
- ❖ I purchase colored (one color for Mainstream and another color for Plus) report holders with pockets in them. I then print off several articles that I have written or reprinted from square dance publications and put them in the pockets on one side. I put a copy of the Bow & Swing, American Square Dance, and the DANCERgram in the other pocket. I also include the history of our club, a B&B membership application, a tri-fold about the West Coast Association, and a WC membership form. The articles I include are:
 - The Only Thing Constant in Life is Change
 - Ask Not What You Can Do...
 - Benefits of Dancing
 - Do's and Don'ts
 - Guidelines for New Dancers
 - Rumor has it...
 - Square Dance Manners
 - Tips for Tips
 - Eye Contact
 - Angels
 - Value of Hands
 - Square Dance Tips
 - So You Want To Be An Angel – A Square Dance Angel that is!

For solo dancers, you might want to add:

- Dancing Single in a Couples Activity
- Partner
- Singles Friendly

All of these articles, and many more, can be found at www.dancergram.com – Articles.

It takes some time to put these folders together, so better get started now!

I feel that the more information you can give the new dancers the better. And of course, I am always available to answer any questions they may have.

Don't forget that the West Coast Association will reimburse you for any class expenses such as printing, advertising, etc. The cost of the caller is not a reimbursable expense. Just complete a West Coast check request form, attach your receipts, and give or send them to John and Lynne Scott, 6647 Crescent Lake Drive, Lakeland, FL 33813 or scan and email them to John at ttocsj1@gmail.com.

Please notify me of when your graduations are scheduled as I would like to try to attend them. If I am unavailable, I will try to find someone else to attend in my place.

Health & Sympathy

The entries listed below are for callers, cuers, West Coast Association officers and representatives and other Florida associations, 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!

Caller/Cuer **Carl Rod** lost his sister in Massachusetts over the weekend. He will be flying up there Wednesday for the funeral and will return late Sunday afternoon. If you would like to send a card, his address is 1928 Eighth Street S.E., Winter Haven, FL 33880-4704. Carl is a caller and cuer in the Polk County area.

Cuer **Jennie Martin**, owner of the Palace Dance Hall in Arcadia, is having health issues. Please keep her in your prayers. If you would like to send her a card, her address is 5693 N.W. CR 661, Arcadia, FL 34266.

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

This contact list can also be found at
www.dancergram.com

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Your Source...

2015 West Coast Association membership bars are now available!

I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

May 23 – 25, 2015 – **61st Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention** – Lakeland

November 13 – 14, 2015 – **West Coast Association's Fall Fun Fest** – Bartow

USDA SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA

**The only National Dancer's Association Organized
By Dancers For Dancers and Operated by Dancers**

Background:

When a new dancer graduates and is welcomed into the club, they have mastered the necessary figures to dance the mainstream program. However in many instances they are not aware of the background or history of the club they are joining or other information that would be a great help to them.

It is suggested, that during the second half of their dance lessons, time should be allotted for the information provided in this trifold. Other club information could be given also to the dancer during these breaks in their class. This way by the end of their instructions they will not only be well versed in the basics of dancing and will have some of the information they need to enter the "Wonderful World of Square & Round Dancing."

This trifold will be in the question and answer format. Some answers will be provided by the club while others will be generic in nature.

Q. What is the history of the club?

Q. What is expected of us as club members?

Q. Are there other clubs with new dancers? Will we be able to dance with them?

Q. What is a "Mother Club or Home Club"?

A. Explain that your club brought the new dancers into the wonderful world of square dancing. They should go to dance at as many other clubs and square dance events as they like and as often as they are able. They should always remember however to come home and support their "Mother Club or Home Club" and dance there regularly.

Q. What is a Square dance weekend?

Q. What is Banner Stealing or Banner Raid and Banner Retrieval?

A. Explain how your club goes on a raid or banner stealing and what you do. Let them know this is a friendly way for clubs to visit one another. Also let them know that this is sometimes done differently in other areas.

Q. How should we dress for the club dances?

Q. How should we dress on weekends, State or National Square Dance events?

A. Dress Code is flexible and depends on the event being sponsored. The sponsors set the Dress Code for their individual functions and monitor and enforce the code as they may desire. For additional information also see Booklet B074 "A Club Guide to Successful Lessons".

Q. What other dance programs are available to me?

A. Plus, Advanced, and Challenge.

Q. How long should we dance at the mainstream program?

A. At least one year or until you are comfortable with that program.

Q. What is Round Dancing?

A. Round dancing is choreographed ballroom dancing.

Q. Are there various programs in Round Dancing?

A. 1. Yes, the programs are broken down into Phase 2 through 6.

2. There are various rhythms; Two Step, Waltz, Rumba, and Fox Trot to name a few.

3. Lessons are required to learn the steps.

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USDA USA Traveler

Goal: to attend a club dance, a state or national convention, or a local festival in all 50 states.

Rules: A badge and a bar will be awarded to the participant(s), at no charge to them, after they have visited at least 12 states, and have a form signed and returned to USDA to be verified. Additional different colored bars will be awarded as follows:

12 states – Red bar

24 states – White bar

36 states – Blue bar

48 states - Silver bar

50 states – Gold bar

No duplication of states is permitted. You must visit each of the 50 states.

Badges and bars will be presented at the annual USDA meeting that held during the annual National Square Dance convention.

Any participant who visits 48 or 50 states will also be awarded paid admission(s) to the next National Square Dance convention.

USDA will maintain records of all participants so you may check to see which states you have or have not visited.

Participants traveling as a couple only need to fill out one form, with both names on it.

Go to www.usda.org.USA Traveler, and print your USA Traveler form and get started today.

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ECMA

1. When a dancer goes down, a second dancer attends to him/her.
2. Remaining couples join hands and take a step backward. This will allow the injured person and attendant air and room.
3. Raise joined hands as high as possible in the form of an arched circle.
4. On seeing this signal, the caller or hall monitor will immediately place an **Emergency Call for Medical Aid**.

What's Happening This Week?

Week March 9, 2015

All clubs, callers, and cuers are asked to provide the editor with new dance schedules on an annual basis, as well as any updates, changes, and cancellations as needed. Failure to do so will result in your listing being removed from this publication.

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

Monday (March 9) – *Harmony Hoedowners Final Dance of the Season* – Sebring Country Estates Civic Association Clubhouse, 3240 Grand Prix Driver (down the street from Wal-Mart), Sebring – Alternating Mainstream and Plus 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Sam Dunn, Cuer: Jenny Martin. Casual attire. All dancers are welcome. For info: www.samdunn.net or samdunn@samdunn.com.

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

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.

Tuesday (March 10) – *Buttons & Bows of Lakeland* - Magnolia Building 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., alternating Mainstream and Plus with two rounds between tips 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Ben Rubright, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Beautiful wood dance floor – square dance attire optional – hearing enhancement – finger foods. For info: jgsap988@yahoo.com - 863-815-7400 (H).

Woodmere A2 Dance - 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.) – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481 or Venice cell 941-223-0987 or redbates@juno.com.

Maple Leaf Squares - Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte – Plus 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Dave Magee; Cuer: Ione Wade. Square dance attire preferred. For info: 941-627-4889 or loisD523@kingston.net.

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

Horizon Village Squares – 9200 Littleton Road (south of Shell Factory) – Caller: Wes Morris; Cuer: Russ Collier – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For info: 239-282-6322 or j.h.morris@embargmail.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 suncoastsquares@gmail.com or 727-443-6242 or ianai@mail.com.

Wednesday (March 11) – Camp Inn – 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 C-1 Dance - 19681 Summerlin Boulevard, Ft. Myers – 1:30 – 2:20 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481/redbates@juno.com.

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

Palmetto Palms Plus Dance - 19681 Summerlin Boulevard, Ft. Myers – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481/redbates@juno.com.

Betmar Round Dance – Betmar Park Clubhouse #2, 37137 Lakewood Drive, Zephyrhills – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Cuer: **Charlie Lovelace**. For info: 813-782-9818 or 813-312-3954 or jcgiesler1@yahoo.com.

Strawberry Square Club - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. Mainstream/Easy Plus. Caller: **Mike Cox**. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Dee Ann Wilson 813-704-4329 or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513. Banner Chairman: Sharon Kowalaski 813-754-3109.

Strawberry Square C-2 Dance and 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; 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please contact: Wayne Sorrells 770-490-1670; Nancy Hall 813-752-1816, or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

Strawberry Square C-1 Dance/Intro - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Ross Howell. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com; 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please contact: Wayne Sorrells 770-490-1670; Nancy Hall 813-752-1816, or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

Cultural Center Squares – Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Rooms F & G, Port Charlotte, FL. Caller: Art Miller; Cuers: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier. Workshop 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. - 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. alternating Mainstream and Plus. For info: Mary 941-380-5336 or Jennie 863-494-2749. For info: Mary 941-380-5336 or Jennie 863-494-2749.

Thursday (March 12) – Citrus Park Snobirds St. Patrick's Dance – Citrus Park, 25601 Trost Boulevard (Clubhouse), Bonita Springs – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Jerry Fell**, Cuer: Mike Alexander. For info: blingley@gmail.com.

Charlotte Promenaders 46th Anniversary Dance - 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: **Johnny Preston**; Cuer: **Bill Webb**. For info: 941-412-8588 or 941-429-8271 or sqdbird@aol.com.

Pine Ridge Promenaders St. Patrick's Dance - Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yards east of Hwy. 27, Lake Placid - Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Mike Doughty**; Cuer: **Larry Chatos**. For info: 863-243-1226.

Strawberry Square Phase 3+ Figure Clinic & Dance/Teach - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 6:30 – 7:15 p.m. – Cuer: Jack Jenkins. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the Dance Center, call Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Strawberry Square Phase 4 Dance/Teach – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.. – Cuer: Jack Jenkins. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the Dance Center, call Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

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, website: www.suncoastsquares.com or [email: suncoastsquares@gmail.com](mailto:suncoastsquares@gmail.com) or ianai@mail.com or contact Joe U at 727-443-6242.

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

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: myrnajayblackburn@gmail.com or 208-369-6949.

Friday (March 13) – Sounds of Sebring A-2 Classic – Kenilworth Lodge, Sebring, FL – Callers: Ron Libby and Johnny Preston. Full page includes: 2 nights lodging, 4 meals (1 hot meal, 2 full continental breakfasts). Five full sessions of A2 (additional C1 star tips). A/C halls – hardwood dance floors – after party with concert. Complete package per person – double occupancy: Lodge \$205 – Villa \$220 – Efficiency \$230. Deposit: \$50; balance due February 12, 2015; cancellation date: February 12, 2015. Make checks payable to Ron Libby and mail to 1355 Land Harbor, Newland, NC 28657. For info: 352-409-1369 or ronlibby@aol.com.

Woodmere Park C-1 Dance - 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.) – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481 or Venice cell 941-223-0987 or redbates@juno.com.

Corkscrew Curliques – Corkscrew Woodlands Park, 21798 Corkscrew Woodlands Blvd., Estero – Caller: Wes Morris; recorded rounds - Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For info: 239-560-2572 or 239-282-6322.

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, Nancy Hall 813-752-1816 or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

Strawberry Square A-2 Workshop/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; Dona Watson 813-756-6145, or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

Sun City Swingers St. Paddy's Party – SCC Atrium Dance Studio, N. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City - Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Marty Vanwart, Cuer: Alice Bubel. Finger foods will be served. 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 (March 14) – Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Leprechaun Fling - Brandon Community Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – Caller: Walter Lougee; Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., alternating Mainstream, Plus, and Squares 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Finger foods. For info: 813-571-7786 or 813-685-3826 or www.floridasquaredance.com/bats.

Sounds of Sebring A-2 Classic – Kenilworth Lodge, Sebring, FL – Callers: Ron Libby and Johnny Preston. Full page includes: 2 nights lodging, 4 meals (1 hot meal, 2 full continental breakfasts). Five full sessions of A2 (additional C1 star tips). A/C halls – hardwood dance floors – after party with concert. Complete package per person – double occupancy: Lodge \$205 – Villa \$220 – Efficiency \$230. Deposit: \$50; balance due February 12, 2015; cancellation date: February 12, 2015. Make checks payable to Ron Libby and mail to 1355 Land Harbor, Newland, NC 28657. For info: 352-409-1369 or ronlibby@aol.com.

Gem Estates Square Dance – Gem Estates Clubhouse, Elgin Drive, Zephyrhills – Caller: Marty Vanwart; Cuer: Sandra Burke – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For info: 813-355-3638 or petersan.burke495@gmail.com

Buttons & Bows of Venice Anniversary Dance - Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – Plus/Rounds 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Caller: Scotty Sharrer; Cuer: Karen Haiflich. Square dance attire optional. For info: jigurumd@verizon.net.

Strawberry Square Phase 5 Figure Clinic & Dance – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cuer: Jack Jenkins – 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the Dance Center, call Nicki Horne at 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Strawberry Square Plus Dance – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Early Rounds: 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Squares and Rounds: 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Caller: Sam Dunn; Cuer: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Wayne Sorrells 770-490-1670, Mary Lee Van Valkenburg 813-707-1702, Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

Palace Promenaders St. Patrick's Dance - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Art Miller; Cuer: Jennie Martin – Squares and Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. 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 (March 15) – Happy Promenaders St. Patrick's Dance – 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: Red Bates; Cuers: Mike Alexander and Dick Chase. 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.

Palace Promenaders Round Dance Extravaganza - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Cuers: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. For info: Jennie 863-494-2749 or Mary 941-380-5336. Park in back of the building.

Sounds of Sebring A-2 Classic – Kenilworth Lodge, Sebring, FL – Callers: Ron Libby and Johnny Preston. Full page includes: 2 nights lodging, 4 meals (1 hot meal, 2 full continental breakfasts). Five full sessions of A2 (additional C1 star tips). A/C halls – hardwood dance floors – after party with concert. Complete package per person – double occupancy: Lodge \$205 – Villa \$220 – Efficiency \$230. Deposit: \$50; balance due February 12, 2015; cancellation date: February 12, 2015. Make checks payable to Ron Libby and mail to 1355 Land Harbor, Newland, NC 28657. For info: 352-409-1369 or ronlibby@aol.com.

Cloverleaf Leprechauns St. Patrick's Dance - 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: Dick DeMerritt, Cuer: Judy Doane – finger foods. For info: 352-799-8625, lmuttitt@tampabay.rr.com or <http://www.geocities.com/leprechaun34601>.

Monday (March 16) – Temple Twirlers St. Patrick's Dance – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Callers: Ron Reardon, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Dancers please use the entrance marked “Gage Hall” on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: WLFLOYD@aol.com.

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.

Tuesday (March 17) - Woodmere A2 Dance - 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.) – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481 or Venice cell 941-223-0987 or redbates@juno.com.

Maple Leaf Squares - Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte – Plus 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Dave Magee; Cuer: Lone Wade. Square dance attire preferred. For info: 941-627-4889 or loisD523@kingston.net.

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

Horizon Village Squares – 9200 Littleton Road (south of Shell Factory) – Caller: Wes Morris; Cuer: Russ Collier – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For info: 239-282-6322 or j.h.morris@embargmail.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 suncoastsquares@gmail.com or 727-443-6242 or ianai@mail.com.

West Coast Classes and Workshops National Caller and Cuer 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. – Cuer: Mike Cox. For info: 813-649-0754.

June 14 – 17, 2015 – **North Star Callers School** – Oak Grove Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, MN - Staff: Ken Ritucci (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach), and Special Guest Instructors: Ed Foote (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach) and Randy Dougherty (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach). Plenty of microphone time, professional assessment of your skills; understand what it takes to be a leader, full 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. Only \$375 per student – space is limited – register today! For an application and more information, contact Ken Ritucci at 413-734-0591 or write kenritucci@aol.com – www.kenritucci.com.

July 13 – 16, 2015 – **Jubilee Callers School** – BSDA Friendship Hall, Fultondale, AL – Staff: Ken Ritucci (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach) and John Marshall (Virginia). Special emphasis on understanding music, rhythm and signing call development and on-sight calling techniques. Plenty of microphone time, professional assessment of your skills; understand what it takes to be a caller, full 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. Only \$385 per student – space is limited – register today! For an application and more information, contact Ken Ritucci at 413-734-0591 or write kenritucci@aol.com – www.jubileecallerschool.com.

July 13 – 16, 2015 – **Maryland Summer Caller School** – 5049 Durham Road West, Columbia, MD - Callers/Instructors: Tom Miller, Pennsylvania (Callerlab accredited callercoach); Tim Marriner, South Carolina (Callerlab accredited callercoach); and Tom Seller, Maryland (teaching caller schools since 1984). Program for beginning and experienced callers. Catering to your needs and interests – lots of mike time. Improve: your voice, choreography, and showmanship. Cost: \$300 per caller (No charge for non-calling partner). Food and lodging not included. Program: Begins Monday, July 13 at 0:00 a.m. Ends Thursday, July 16, 2015 at 12:00 noon. Lodging: Hotels are located a few miles from the site. Food: A large variety of local restaurants are

available within a short driving distance. Location: 504For info: Tom Sellner, 443-812-8048, sellnerthomas@yahoo.com, 5049 Durham Road West, Columbia, Maryland 21044.

August 13 – 16, 2015 - **NORCAL Callers School** – Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church, 728 W. Fremont Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA – Staff: Ken Ritucci (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach), Rob French (California), Scott Byars (California), Harlan Kerr (California). Plenty of microphone time, professional assessment of your skills; understand what it takes to be a leader, full 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. Only \$400 per student – space is limited – register today! For an application and more information, contact Ken Ritucci at 413-734-0591 or write kenritucci@aol.com.

October 8 – 12, 2015 – **Northeast Callers School** – Mill-a-round Dance Center, Manchester, NH – Staff: Ken Ritucci (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach), Norm Poisson, Ted Lizotte (New Hampshire) and Special Guest Instructors: Betsy Gotta (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach from New Jersey) and Tom Miller (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach from Pennsylvania). Plenty of microphone time, professional assessment of your skills; understand what it takes to be a caller, full 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. Only \$400 per student – space is limited – register today! For an application and more information, contact Ken Ritucci at 413-734-0591 or write kenritucci@aol.com – www.northeastcallerschool.com.

October 18 – 22, 2015 - **Pride RV Resort Smoky Mountain Caller School** – 4394 Jonathan Creek Road (I-40 and Exit 20), Waynesville, NC – Callers: Tony Oxendine and Jack Pladdys. A one of a kind Callers School featuring two of the world's most well-known callers. This will be an intense week with an emphasis on choreographic and music management and presentation – featuring in depth sessions on sight calling, modular calling and CRaMS. Because of the intense nature of this school, and to ensure adequate microphone time and one-on-one sessions, ATTENDANCE IS LIMITED TO 10 CALLERS. Spouses encouraged to attend - \$100 surcharge includes all meals. For info: 800-926-8191 – or www.pridervresort.com.

Looking Ahead...

March 26, 2015 – **Beginners Square Dance** – Craig's RV Resort, 7895 NE Cubitis Avenue, Arcadia, FL – callers will be the ones with new dancers at the dance. All callers bringing new dancers are asked to forward a list of the calls you have covered to Mike Gormley at WA8VEC@arri.net so a calling list can be prepared prior to the dance. Experienced dancers are invited to attend too so the new dancers can be split up and not all be in the same square. For info: 419-376-0557 or WA8VEC@arri.net.

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://www.ebay.com/csc/LBakedAlaska/m.html?LH_Complete=1& ipg=50& since=15& sop=13& rdc=1 (EBay used square dance attire site)

<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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