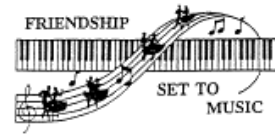

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June 5, 2015 - Deadline for Submissions to the July 2015 Issue of the Bow & Swing – For info: bowandswing@gmail.com.

June 10, 2015 - **West Coast Dancer Submission Deadline for the July/August/September Issue.** For info: evhenning@peoplepc.com.

June 15, 2015 - **Deadline for Submissions to Northwest Association's**

Panhandle Press. For info: panhandlepress@hotmail.com.

Volunteer Opportunities at the 2015 Florida State Convention

- ★ **2016 Kick-off** – participate in the kick-off on Sunday night. This is the invitation to attend next year's convention. No rehearsals! Contact Jenny Green at jgreen102286@gmail.com or 863-287-5724.
- ★ **Ways & Means** – Set at the Ways & Means table selling convention shirts and other fundraising items – 30 minute blocks of time. Contact Cheryl Miller at pe.miller@mchsi.com or 850-939-6688.
- ★ **Hospitality** – Greet and hand out program booklets at the entrance doors at the end of the building where the convention is being held at the Lakeland Center. Contact Anita Taylor at anitainop@comcast.net or 904-272-6551.
- ★ **50/50** – sell 50/50 tickets. The following time slots are available: 8:30 – 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, 8:30 – 9:30 p.m. or 7:30 – 8:30 on Saturday night. Contact Val Newsome at vnewsome@icloud.com or 904-683-3512.

Do you have favorite recipes you take to the dances? Would you like to share them?

A cookbook is being created for a fundraiser for the 2017 Florida State Convention.

If you have recipes you want to share, please forward them to Terri Little at islandmom74@att.net along with your name and what association you are affiliated with **by December 15, 2015.**

Ed Henning has been notified that he can no longer send revisions to the Florida Federation webmaster as he receives them. He can only send information once a month. **All info has to be sent to Ed by the 10th of each month!**

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!

Barbara Hoffman's sister, Pat, passed away on Tuesday, May 5th. Cards can be sent to Barbara at 550 Captains Way, Merritt Island, FL 32952. Barbara and her husband, Jack, are past Federation presidents and chairman of the 2016 convention.

Hello everyone,

Want everyone to know or may not have known **John [Saunders]** has been having some trouble with eating & digesting his food. He has always had heart burn & has taken a medication for that for years, We scheduled an appointment to see Dr. Straker at the Palm Endoscopy Center in Altamonte for an upper GI endoscopy & colonoscopy today. Our thinking he may have diverticulosis.

The colonoscopy found to be clear of any problems.

The endoscopy Dr. Straker found a large, fungating mass in the lower third of the esophagus. The mass was partially obstructing & circumferential. Biopsies were taken and were found to be a malignant esophageal tumor.

What a shock. Dr. Straker was surprised that John wasn't having more trouble & pain swallowing. He is not in any pain at the present. Dr. Straker put him on soft food, so John said choc. pudding, mash potatoes, ice-cream - all his favorites are on the menu.

Michelle, our daughter, was with us, praise GOD. As she knows all the Drs. there & with Dr. Straker's advice they agreed on Dr. Z. (not sure of the spelling of his name). Our son Michael lives in Durham, NC & he is in contact (a friend) with a Dr. there that is with Duke University & a leading Dr. in the Oncologist department & will be giving a second opinion on the test results when they are done & he can review the results.

Treatment- An oncologist is the next Dr. we will be working with, Dr. Z. & his team of Drs in Orlando. Appointments are being made already. First a CT scan will be taken, blood work will start next week.

There maybe or will be radiation & chemo from what Dr. Straker said as methods of treatment to shrink the tumor. Surgery is not an option at the time.

We will take one day at a time and do whatever is necessary to get rid of the tumor. We are OK...still in shock. Doing a lot of research on this.

Your Prayers, Prayers, Prayers....Positive thinking....will be so appreciated. Prayers work....

We will keep everyone updated with this unexpected adventure, which life is throwing our way, with a positive attitude and your prayers.

He is to continue all his regular activities, which includes his calling, his love, per the Dr. orders. This will keep him busy for as long as he's able...He is very positive about this and plans on calling as long as possible. This has been his passion for 52 years & has no plans to stop.

Love to all, John & Linda

You are welcome to pass this along to other who emails we don't have.

Update May 9th: In a message dated 5/7/2015 9:12:39 P.M. Mountain Daylight Time, dalesue@earthlink.net writes:

TALKED TO JOHN TODAY AND HE IS GETTING ALL SET FOR CHEMO AND RADIATION TREATMENT. HE GOES IN THE HOSPITAL NEXT MONDAY TO HAVE PORT PUT IN FOR THE CHEMO/RADIATION TREATMENT TO ENTER THE BODY. BOTH TOGETHER REALLY CAN BE VERY ROUGH ON THE BODY. LET'S KEEP THE PRAYERS GOING. - DALE

Update on 5/9 -

Paul Miller reported that John is in St. Vincent Hospital on Shircliff Way, Jacksonville, FL 32204.

His Home address is: 3303 Travelers Palm Drive, Edgewater, FL 32141.

EDITOR'S NOTE: John Saunders is a caller who lives in the Daytona Beach, Florida, area. He is one of the callers for the Florida Winter Fest and the Daytona Beach Ball.

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

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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

Paul Place Memorial Cruise

March 7, 2015, we had 60 Square Dancers take the Paul Place Memorial Cruise, on the Vision of the Seas leaving from Tampa. This was the most dancers that we had go on the Memorial Cruise. There were many first time cruisers. I'm happy to say they had a wonderful cruise, dancing to the calling of Larry Belcher from Alabama. Most of the dancers came from one of the three clubs he calls for in Birmingham, Alabama. Our Cuer came all the way from New Zealand. This was the first time she and her partner have ever been on a cruise, also their very first time to travel to America. They had a wonderful time. I feel sure they will be back to take the Paul Place Cruise again.

Also on the cruise there were 12 Dancers, who came from St. Petersburg, Florida. They all wore blue matching shirts. Some of our dancers did not make it to the group photo before the cruise.

I had built up a very nice friendship with the Captain of the Vision, just a wonderful Captain. He gave us a private tour of the bridge, and was present himself to answer as many questions as the group wanted to ask. This private tour was very much appreciated by the group, and myself.

Thanks to my Friendship with Captain Marek, one of the highlights of the Cruise, was being given permission to dance in the Centrum. First there was a demo, to show other cruisers what square dancing is all about. I was not able to take part in that demo. I no longer have a partner. After the demo, the dancers were inviting other nondancers to come on the floor and try it. The floor was full the whole time. Everyone who took part had a wonderful time, Larry Belcher is a wonderful teacher.

Why not join us for next year's Paul Place Cruise? This time on a bigger ship, the Navigator of the Seas leaving from Fort Lauderdale on March 27, 2016. Larry Belcher will be the Caller, and Eileen Webster from New York is the Cuer. Join in the fun, of this wonderful advent in the Memory of Paul Place. Help build up the Scholarship fund. We will let you know how much royal Caribbean are paying into the Scholarship fund.

I do this Memorial Cruise to keep Paul's memory alive. I do not get a free cabin and am happy to do it. I do this cruise from my heart. Paul was a wonderful Caller and person.

You can also catch up with Larry Belcher before this cruise. He is going to be calling for the Shamrock Swing in central Florida. Be sure to check him out.

Lili-Ann Gallagher

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Square Dance Organizations

This information was collected by the Education Committee of the United Square Dancers Of America, Inc. and will provide a brief summary of the major organizations associated with the square, round, clogging, contra, and folk dance movement.

Introduction

There are many organizations involved in the square dance movement. The purpose of each organization is teared to its members. The following is a brief summary of the functions of the major National and International organizations within the square dance movement.

United Square Dancers of America (USDA)

Eleven charter member organizations joined in June 1981 to create the United Square Dancers of America (USDA). This nonprofit organization serves to represent the Square Dancer in decisions that are made relative to the development of the square dance activity. Membership is open to any organized group representing the dancers within a state. Benefits of membership include an economical dancer accident and gr5oup liability insurance program, educational materials for dancers and leaders, a discount prescription drug program, forum for encouraging the benefits of dancer/leader interaction, active programs for youth and handicapable dancers.

National Square Dance Convention

The four-day National Square Dance Convention is without question the "World's Greatest Square Dance Event". Thousands of dancers from all 50 states and many foreign countries meet at a different location in the USA each year to learn about every phase of the square dance hobby as well as to meet and dance with their many friends who also come yearly. The convention is sponsored each year by a different square dance organization in a different state. Guidance for all of the national conventions is

provided by the National Executive Committee (NEC) whose members are all previous convention chairmen.

LLOYD SHAW FOUNDATION

The Lloyd Shaw Foundations was formed in 1964 to preserve and promote all forms of American and associate folk dance. The archives produces records, books, and dance curriculum kits, sponsors university workshops to train teachers to teach dance, and maintain a square dance archives that is recognized by the Library of Congress. Membership is open to all interested individuals, clubs and organizations.

CALLERLAB

CALLERLAB is an international association of square dance callers formed in 1971 to assist the caller members both professionally and personally in all aspects of their involvement in the square dance activity. Its purpose is to provide caller accreditation, leadership and direction for the calling profession in order to strengthen and standardize the dance program for square dancing.

AMERICAN CALLERS ASSOCIATION

ACA is a nonprofit professional organization established by callers, round dance, and contra leaders, dedicated to the promotion and perpetuation of the square dance activity. ACA was established so that callers, cuers, and contra instructors would have a choice. Members of ACA are licensed through BMI/ASCAP for music performance to perform copyrighted music, thereby absolving the dancer clubs of the need to obtain a music license.

ROUNDALAB

ROUNDALAB was founded in 1977 and is an international nonprofit professional organization of round dance teachers, open to all who are actively teaching and/or cueing round dancing at any level anywhere in the world. Its primary purpose is to make round dancing more enjoyable and understandable for the teacher and the dancer. ROUNDALAB promotes, protects and perpetuates the general round dance movement as a complement to the overall square dance program.

CONTRALAB

CONTRALAB is an international organization that was established to assist contra callers in improving their skills and to act as a forum for the exchange of ideas. It is an organization for contra callers who desire to retain, maintain, promote and perpetuate the contra dance.

National Cloggers Association

The National Cloggers Association was formed in 1971. A Clog College was organized in 1975, which led to the formation of CLOGGERLAB, the professional association of clogging instructors.

I.A.G.S.D.C.

The International Association of Gay Square Dance Clubs is a non-profit association created to promote square dancing; enhance the image of Gay and Lesbian people, especially within the square dance community, encourage the growth of square dancing

within the Gay and Lesbian community, and provide opportunities for friendship, social interchange, and the exchange of ideas among member clubs.

Overseas Dancer Association

This nonprofit organization is devoted to the concept of friendship through square dancing around the world. Its members either live outside the American continent (overseas) or learned to dance overseas or who have danced overseas for at least six months on a regular basis. The ODA maintains contact between these dancers upon their return to the United States of Canada.

National Square Dance Campers Association, Inc.

The NSDCA provides an opportunity and encourages those interested in both modern western square dancing and camping, to combine the two activities for a mutual enjoyment. Membership is open to couples and singles. There are many changes of NSDCA distributed through the USA.

Single Square Dancers U.S.A.

SSUDSA is a national organization of single square dance clubs and single square dancers. The SSDUSA promotes and stimulates square dancing among unmarried adults of all ages by assisting any group who wishes to start a new singles square dance club, publishing a newsletter and a directory of singles square and round dance clubs.

ARTS – Dance

The Alliance of Rounds, Traditional and Square Dance. The ARTS functions in an advocacy role, representing ALL dance groups directly or indirectly associated with round, traditional, and square dancing. Like all alliances that represent diverse organizations with common interest, the ARTS concept provides a strong, central voice, concerned equally with the collective interest of all its affiliated organizations.

For additional information about USDA or any of its programs, please visit our web site www.usda.org or email the Education/Publications Committee at usda.education.publications@usda.org. Leadership Education material can also be printed directly from USDA website.

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Florida Winter Festival

9th Annual Florida Winter Festival – February 5-7, 2015

Grand Squares International and the Florida Winter Festival Staff THANK everyone who attended the 9th Annual Florida Winter Festival. The snow and cold weather in the northern states had many dancers seeking a warmer and extra exciting dance venue to escape the harsh winter. There were 33 states represented along with dancers from Great Britain, Spain and Germany who found their way to Lakeland to enjoy the superb square dance staff of Jerry Story, Tony Oxendine, Jack Pladdys and John Saunders, and the excellent round Dance staff of Jimmy and Carol Griffin, and Don and Linda Hichman.

The “Winter Wonderland” (Plus & Rounds) hall was filled with dancers whirling & Twirling at all times, making the weekend again one of the best in Square & Round dancing. The dancers in the “Silver Bells” hall enjoyed learning new rounds and dancing the classics. The “Snowball Hall” was packed with Advance dancers showing off their dancing skills while the staff enjoyed keeping them straight.

Friday evening’s after party was filled with skits by the staff, making themselves laughing fools. On the serious side, the closing solo song by Jerry Story sent the dancers home with a smile, looking forward to returning on Saturday for more dancing and fun.

Lucky dancers won big pots of ½ & ½ drawings each evening. Eight lucky couples won weekend packages to dances around the country and to next years Florida Winter Festival. Those dancers had huge smiles on their face.

The “Whirl & Twirl” club from Orlando had the most pre-registered dancers for the in-state club. Sage Swinger’s from Bath, Maine, had the most pre-registered from out of state. Each club received \$200.00 to help the club promote the square dance activity in their area.

With fewer places to shop for square dance attire, dancers loved the chance to shop with the following Vendors: Sew’en Up Fashions, Sew & Saw, and Suzie Q Creations.

Thanks to John and Mo Barrett, Vendor chairman.

A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU TO: YOU the DANCERS for supporting the weekend, making the Florida Winter Festival one of the very best festivals in the country.

Mark your calendar for the dates of Friday January 29 and Saturday, January 30, 2016, for the 10th Annual Florida Winter Festival to again be held in the Lakeland Center.

The staff for 2016 will be: Tony Oxendine, Jack Pladdys, John Saunders and new addition calling for 2016 is Ted Lizotte (New Hampshire) on the Squares; and Jimmy and Carol Griffin, and Don and Linda Hichman cueing the Rounds.

Very special “Thank you” to another group of dedicated dancers who’s help was very much appreciated for their promoting the festival by passing out flyers, selling ribbons, ½ & ½ tickets, decorating, setting up and tearing down – Jay and Teri Peck, Judi Corbett, Dale Fredrickson, Penny Green, Ray and Elsa Huddleston, Randy and Carol Poole, Jack and Barbara Hoffman, Steve Claire and Pam Kelley, Gary and Kim Bressett, and Jim and Karen Albright. Our special thanks to the above dancers who stepped up to help out in a big way when we lost of our decorating staff members – John Corbett.

For flyers or information for the 10th Annual 2016 Florida Winter Festival please contact Grand Squares Inc., 2520 Sardis Rd. N., Suite 100, Charlotte NC 28227; 704-502-8097; www.GSIInternational.org or John and Linda Saunders, 3303 Travelers Palm Dr., Edgewater, FL 32141; 386-428-1496; johnnysa@aol.com or johnlin2631@gmail.com.

New Square Dance Song and Video

The YouTube link below features a new song by Anna Jois titled "the Squaredance Song." The song was written specially for the Swedish Square Dance Convention 2015 and was first performed at the Swedish Square Dance Convention 2015. Anna Jois performed it live a second time at the after party.

The video clip is VERY good - - it features a variety of dancers different ages (some young - some not so young) and different attire (some traditional square dance attire and some casual clothes). The clip shows one thing common and present among all the dancers - THEY ARE HAVING FUN!!

Here is the YouTube link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NwS2n_kYiUs&feature=youtu.be

ENJOY -

Thanx for your support,

Jerry Reed
ARTS Executive Director

What's Happening This Week?

Week May 11, 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 (May 11) – Temple Twirlers Mother's Day 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: **Allen Snell**, 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 – Community House, 716 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. If there are eight people by 2:00 p.m. on

Monday, there will be a dance. For info: 407-319-0790 (C), 407-931-1688 (H), or bellgelt@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 (May 12) – Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Cinco de Mayo Dance - 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: Ron Reardon, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Wear your Mexican clothes if you like! Beautiful wood dance floor – square dance attire optional – hearing enhancement – Mexican food. For info: sgdncfan@gmail.com or 863-224-3393.

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 (May 13) – Cultural Center Squares – Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Rooms F & G, Port Charlotte, FL. Caller: Robert Arias; 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 (May 14) – 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. Dancers must be proficient in A1. Caller: Mike Cox. For info: Alice Sawyer 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 (May 15) – Strawberry Square A2/Plus Dance – 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Marty Vanwart. 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.

Sun City Swingers – North Campus Dance Studio, Atrium Building, North Course Lane, Sun City – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Ron Reardon**. 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 (May 16) – Palace Promenaders - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Robert Arias; 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.

***PLEASE NOTE:** Sun City Swingers will not be dancing through the summer. Friday, May 29, 2015 will be their last dance for the season. They will not be dancing June, July, August, and September 2015. They will resume dancing Friday, October 2, 2015.*

Sunday (May 17) – Strawberry Square Phase 2-3-4 Round Dance Party - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:00 p.m. – \$6 per person - Cuer: Charlie Lovelace - finger foods appreciated. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the Dance Center, call 828-356-4817 or Nicki Horne at Nicki Horne at 813-727-6210.

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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.

May 13 – August 19, 2015 – **Summer Round Dance Class** – Herons Glen Ballroom, 2250 Avenida Del Vera, N. Fort Myers, FL – beginning waltz and two step – 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. - Cuers/Instructors: Wally and Ione Wade. First lesson free. For info: 941-505-1979 or ionewade@yahoo.com.

June 1, 2015 – **Strawberry Square Beginners Square Dance Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Callers/Instructors: Sam Dunn, Roland Blanchette, Ron Reardon, Marty Vanwart, and Keith Stevens. First two weeks of class are FREE and then it is \$5 per person per session. Dancers are encouraged to pay the full amount for the ten weeks up front. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

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.

PLEASE NOTE: *Carl Rod's Round Dance classes in Auburndale and square dance workshop in Winter Haven have shut down for the summer. They will resume sometime in September.*

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: 5049 Durham Road West, Columbia, Maryland 21044. For info: Tom Sellner, 443-812-8048, sellnerthomas@yahoo.com.

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.

September 20, 2015 – **Strawberry Square Phase 2 Review Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Cues/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins. For info: jskidancer01@aol.com.

September 20, 2015 - **Strawberry Square Phase 3 Review Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:30 – 8:30 p.m. – Cues/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins. For info: jskidancer01@aol.com.

September 26, October 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2015 – **Strawberry Square Two-Step Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Cues/Instructors: Jack and Nell Jenkins – 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – no experience needed - \$6 per person per session. This class will teach the two-step rhythm that is danced at square dances. For info: jskidancer01@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 15, 2015 - **Strawberry Square Phase 4 Dance with Teach** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins. For info: jskidancer01@aol.com.

October 15, 2015 - **Strawberry Square Phase 3 Dance with Teach** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins. For info: jskidancer01@aol.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.

October 24, 2015 - **Strawberry Square Phase 3+ with Introduction to Phase 4** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins. For info: jskidancer01@aol.com.

November 7, 2015 - **Strawberry Square Phase 5 Figure Clinic** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins. For info: jskidancer01@aol.com.

October 15, 2015 - **Strawberry Square Phase 5 Dance/Teach** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 11:00 – 1:00 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins. For info: jskidancer01@aol.com.

January 5, - March 30, 2016 – **Intro of Phase 3 Foxtrot, Jive, Rumba, and Cha** – 670 Cooper Street, Punta Gorda – 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. Cuer/Instructor: Ione and Wally Wade. For info: Wally and Ione Wade – 941-505-1979 or ionewade@yahoo.com.

January 4 – March 21, 2016 – **Step Review** – Camp Florida, 100 Shoreline Drive, Lake Placid, Florida 33852 - 10:15 – 10:45 a.m. – Cuers/Instructors: Wally and Ione Wade – 941-505-1979 or ionewade@yahoo.com.

January 4 – March 21, 2016 – **Phase 3 Waltz** – Camp Florida, 100 Shoreline Drive, Lake Placid, Florida 33852 - 10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. – Cuers/Instructors: Wally and Ione Wade – 941-505-1979 or ionewade@yahoo.com.

January 4 – March 21, 2016 – **Beginning Waltz** – Camp Florida, 100 Shoreline Drive, Lake Placid, Florida 33852 - 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Cuers/Instructors: Wally and Ione Wade – 941-505-1979 or ionewade@yahoo.com.

January 4 – March 21, 2016 – **Slow Two Step Review** – Camp Florida, 100 Shoreline Drive, Lake Placid, Florida 33852 - 12:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. – Cuers/Instructors: Wally and Lone Wade – 941-505-1979 or ionewade@yahoo.com.

January 4 – March 21, 2016 – **Intermediate** – Camp Florida, 100 Shoreline Drive, Lake Placid, Florida 33852 - 2:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. – Cuers/Instructors: Wally and Lone Wade – 941-505-1979 or ionewade@yahoo.com.

Looking Ahead...

June 12, 2015 – **West Coast Association Meeting** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 5:00 p.m. If you are unable to attend, please forward your reports to Penny Green at sgdncfan@gmail.com. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend this meeting. There is a dance after the meeting of alternating Plus and Advance tips. Bob Stern will be calling. For info: sgdncfan@gmail.com or 863-224-3393.

September 11, 2015 - **West Coast Association Meeting** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 5:00 p.m. If you are unable to attend, please forward your reports to Penny Green at sgdncfan@gmail.com. Election of officers will be held at this meeting. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend this meeting. There is a dance after the meeting of alternating Plus and Advance tips. Bob Stern will be calling. For info: sgdncfan@gmail.com or 863-224-3393.

September 20, 2015 – **West Coast Association President's Ball** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Early Rounds 1:30 – 2:00 p.m. – Alternating Mainstream and Plus tips 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Caller: Ron Reardon – Cuer: Jack Jenkins. Square and Round Dance volunteers will be recognized and the new officers will be introduced. For info: sgdncfan@gmail.com or 863-224-3393.

October 15, 2015 - **Strawberry Square First Phase 4 Dance with Teach of the Season** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins. For info: jskidancer01@aol.com.

October 15, 2015 - **Strawberry Square First Phase 3 Dance with Teach of the Season** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins. For info: jskidancer01@aol.com.

October 15, 2015 - **Strawberry Square First Phase 5 Dance/Teach of the Season** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 11:00 – 1:00 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins. For info: jskidancer01@aol.com.

December 6, 2015 – **West Coast Association Membership Dance** – Corkscrew Woodlands, 21600 Corkscrew Woodlands Boulevard, Estero, FL – Emcee: Wes Morris – Early Rounds 1:30 – 2:00 p.m. – Alternating Mainstream and Plus Rounds 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. West Coast Association members FREE; guests \$5 per person. For info: sgdncfan@gmail.com or 863-224-3393.

January 3, 2016 - **West Coast Association Membership Dance** – The Groves Golf and Country Club, 7924 Melogold Circle, Land 'O Lakes, FL – Emcee: TBA – Early Rounds 1:30 – 2:00 p.m. – Alternating Mainstream and Plus Rounds 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. West Coast Association members FREE; guests \$5 per person. For info: sgdnxfan@gmail.com or 863-224-3393.

March 13, 2016 - **West Coast Association Membership Dance** – Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia, FL – Emcee: Robert Arias – Early Rounds 1:30 – 2:00 p.m. – Alternating Mainstream and Plus Rounds 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. West Coast Association members FREE; guests \$5 per person. For info: sgdnxfan@gmail.com or 863-224-3393.

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.ilvinyl.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)

<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://LiveLivelySquareDance.com> (New square/round dance logo)

<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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