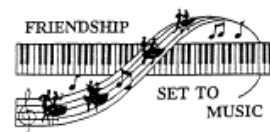

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Lakeland Center, 701 Lime Street, Lakeland, Florida – everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. See convention program for location and time of meeting. For info: frausbs@aol.com.

May 24, 2015 – Florida Federation Meeting – Lakeland Center, 701 Lime Street, Lakeland, Florida – 9:00 a.m. - everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. See convention program for location of meeting. For info: anitainop@comcast.net.

May 24, 2015 – Florida Callers Association Meeting – Lakeland Center, 701 Lime Street, Lakeland, Florida – 10:00 a.m. - everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. See convention program for location of meeting. For info: bnapoy@fairpoint.net.

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

- ★ **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**.

The West Coast Dancer will still be a quarterly publication. However, there will not be any revisions to any quarterly issue. The Deadline for changes and additions will still be the 10th of the preceding month of publication.

Pictures (with or without labels) are always welcome!

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!

...**Paul Miller** went to be with the Lord early today (May 17, 2015). Keep the entire Miller family in your prayers during this difficult time. At this time arrangements for a memorial service are pending. Paul, and his wife Cheryl, are the current Florida Federation Parliamentarians, past Federation president (two times) and past president of the Northwest Square & Round Dance Association (a few times). If you would like to send a card, Cheryl's address is 2166 Middleton Drive, Navarre, FL 32566.

Joe Usiti, past president of Suncoast Squares, returned from a trip to Prague with acute sinus infection, bronchitis, lost hearing in both ears (gradually coming back), can hardly talk or breathe, swollen glands, coughing, chest congestion and pains in the chest every time he coughs or breathes. He is still having difficulty talking; he loses his breath.

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

Tips on Going Solo to a Convention

Here are some tips to get a dance partner when you're solo at a convention:

- Get a "solo" ribbon and wear it everywhere – the dance floor, the vendor area, the snack bar. You never know when someone may see you and realize you're available.
- Smile. Even if you're sitting out a dance, smile, tap your toes to the music, clap if it's part of a dance – in other words, participate from the sidelines. Show that you're enjoying yourself. After all, that's why you came, isn't it?
- Accept offers to dance. Maybe the individual isn't your first choice, but one dance won't hurt, and you might just end up in a square with someone who does strike your fancy.
- If you're a lady, dance with another lady if a square needs a couple. The idea is to get on the floor and dance. No one knows if you can dance as long as you sit.
- Chat with the person you're sitting with. Chat with people in the hall and on the elevator and on a tour bus. Make it easy for someone to approach you and ask you to dance.
- Know the calls, and know them well. If you don't, brush up before the convention. We all make an occasional mistake, but if you break down a square more than once, you'll find yourself sitting out a lot. On the other hand, it is absolutely exhilarating to have someone grab your hand and say, "Let's dance! I'm ready for a great square!"
- Last but not least, don't be shy. Remember that at a singles' convention, anyone can ask someone else to dance!

Reprint from the *Intercom* – February 2009

Official newsletter of Single Square Dancers USA

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Partner, Partner, come out wherever you are!

By Penny Green

Many times I am asked “How can I find a partner?” or “Where can I find a partner?” Then there are the times I am asked “Will I get to dance if I go to that dance?” or “Will there be someone for me to dance with, if I go to that dance?” Believe it or not, it’s not always women asking me these questions!

There is no pat answer for any of these questions; but I can tell you, you won’t find a partner sitting at home waiting for a phone call or only dancing at your home club. You have to get out there and “network”.

Networking is a not-so-new “buzz word” in the business world. The Webster definition is: the exchange of information and services among individuals, groups or institutions; specifically, the cultivation of productive relationships for employment or business. Now you’re probably asking “how do you take this and apply it to square dancing?” It works in very much the same manner as it does in the business world; you get out there and talk to people, meet people, make sure people know your name and that you are a dancer and available for dancing.

First, always have business (or social) cards with you that have at least your name, phone number and email address (if you have one). These come in very handy if you should meet a partner; just give him/her a card and say something like “if you ever need a dance partner, I hope you’ll consider asking me.” Perhaps he/she will give you a card in return.

Always go to the dances whether you know if you are going to dance or not. You never know if there will be someone there who is looking for a partner. There might be someone there who is only in town for a week; or in the area on vacation or business for two or three weeks; or maybe someone has just moved to the area. If you miss just that one night, you might miss your one opportunity to have a partner. I have two or three partners I met this way; I happen to be at a dance one night when they showed up; they left with my contact information; and when they are back in the area, they call me to meet them at a dance.

When you arrive at a dance, don’t sit down and stay there waiting for someone to come to you to ask for a dance. If it’s your first time to visit the club, let them know at the door that you are solo if anyone needs a partner. I recommend that if you don’t know if the club welcomes solos, that you call ahead to find out before you go. Unfortunately, there are still some clubs around that do not welcome unattached singles at their dances! If you have a solo ribbon or badge, wear it to the dance so the other dancers can easily identify you as someone needing a partner.

I recommend standing by the door so you can observe who is arriving and if a solo arrives looking for a partner, the people at the desk can find you easier.

If you are at a club dance where you know everyone, be sure to mingle and talk to all of them. These couples have to be reminded that there is a single in the hall that needs a partner and if you sit in a corner and don’t move around the room, they won’t notice you’re there!

Don't shy away from attending conventions and weekend festivals! Most, if not all, of them have singles sections; take advantage of them. How else will you find the other singles looking for partners in a place with several hundred or thousand dancers? Some conventions have a Singles Room, a Singles Get-Acquainted Dance, a Singles Host Hotel, or even Singles After-Parties. Take advantage of these too; you'll get to meet a lot of the other singles.

Several states have their own Singles Association with an annual weekend and there is a national singles organization with an annual convention (Dance-A-Rama) on Labor Day weekend which is held at a different location every year. These are always fun weekends; you can plan them around your vacations and tour the area while you are there. There are tours scheduled in conjunction with the Dance-A-Rama so you can see some really interesting things when you attend these dances.

Our national organization, Single Square Dancers USA®, has a directory of all the singles friendly clubs in the United States, promotes a website to find partners (dancepartner.com), has an electronic newsletter (SSDUSAGram) which lists a large number of the singles dances around the country, and has someone who helps link roommates for the conventions and festivals.

It also helps to participate in all of the singles square dance activities i.e. join your state singles association, the national singles association (Single Square Dancers USA®), singles after parties, singles conventions, singles dances, etc. Believe it or not, there are some single dancers who only go to singles activities so you won't meet them at couples activities.

I have danced single for most of the past 25+ years and it took me a long time to build a network, but I can safely say there are very very few dances in Florida that I go to now that I don't know somebody. In fact at the last state convention, my partner asked me if there was anyone there that I didn't know.

It's scary to go to that first festival or convention, but once you go that first time it becomes easier and easier because you meet more and more people each time. Even if you don't learn everyone's name right away, you'll start recognizing faces and seeing them at other dances.

In order to be successful in building your network, you have to remember to always be friendly, maintain your dancing skills (no one wants to dance with a bad dancer), don't be pushy, and don't try to "dominate" a partner. We're all in the same boat so let's help each other out and make sure everyone gets a chance to dance.

It takes time to build a network, so what are you waiting for? Get out there and get started!

What if...

What if... no one joined a club?

What if... no one helped with the "chores" of running a club i.e. set up and taking down for the dance, working in the kitchen, greeting, etc.?

What if... no one wanted to be an officer at the club, regional, state, and national level?

What if... no one visited other clubs?

What if...no one sponsored a class?

What if...no one participated in banner raids?

What if... no one joined a regional square dance association?

What if... all the workers quit?

What if ... no one angeled at new dancer classes?

What if... no one attended the state, regional, and national conventions and festivals?

What if.. no one participated in demonstrations?

What if... no one promoted square dancing?

What if... Penny Green stopped producing the DANCERgram?

There wouldn't be any square and/or round dances for you to enjoy! Think about it!

Penny Green, *DANCERgram* Editor

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New Square Dance Logo - Shirts

As most of you know, there is a new Square Dance logo, slogan, and a combination of the logo/slogan (also known as a slogo.) The ARTS has established a Re-Image Committee to oversee and coordinate efforts to Re-Image Square Dancing as a way to promote the activity and encourage more people to join.

The Re-Image Committee (Jim & Judy Taylor) has created slogo pins, car window stickers, and bolo ties. The reception of the new logo and slogo has been overwhelmingly positive. Additionally, we have received numerous requests for information about sources to order shirts with the new logo.

We are pleased to announce we received information from CALLERLAB reporting the Live Lively online store is now opened. The online store offers Polo shirts and T-Shirts. Optional pockets are available on both styles. Prices range from \$18.00 to \$23.00.

Polo shirts will have an embroider logo on the front chest.

T-shirts will have a screen printed logo. A large logo on the back and smaller logo on the front chest.

Click on the Live Lively logo on the Go Blue home page in the lower right hand corner. Use the following link: www.shopgoblue.com

Select your color, size, method of payment and your order will be processed and mailed directly to you.

The shirts ARE NOT print on demand. A "Close Date" is posted on the web site. Orders will be produced in "batches" and will be completed within two weeks of the closing date. The first "Close Date" is May 22, 2015.

Payment methods, PayPal, American Express, Discover, MasterCard and Visa

NOTE - Please note that they will accumulate orders and produce on specific dates so there may be a lag in time from the time you order to the actual production and shipping of the product. If in a hurry, you may check with the CALLERLAB Home Office since they plan to have an inventory of popular sizes and colors.

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Thanx for your support,

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What's Happening This Week?

Week May 18, 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 18) – Temple Twirlers Birthdays/Anniversaries - 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. **NOTE: Temple Twirlers will go to casual attire on June 1st.**

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 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 (May 19) – 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 20) – 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 21) – 61st Florida State Convention Trail-End Dance – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Caller: Bill Chesnut, Convention Caller Chairman; Cuer: Susan Snider (Convention Cuer Chairman)- Early Rounds 7:00 p.m. – Squares 7:30 p.m. Admission is by donation in the amount of your choosing. Come dressed as your favorite Hollywood Star. Win a prize for the best costume! For info: jackbarb@juno.com.

Shufflin' Squares – NO DANCE For info: lanceandritabaxter@yahoo.com.

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 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 Hawaiian Dance - 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.

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Hitch 'n Go Chapter 082 – Sanlan Ranch, 3929 U.S. 98 South, Lakeland, FL. Caller: Ron Reardon. For info: Phil and Deanna Sortore (presidents) – pd1956@verizon.net – 813-741-9763 (H) – 813-431-3934 (C) or Karen and John Lowe (secretaries) – thelowes@tampabay.rr.com – 352-344-4702 (H) – 352-634-2196 (C).

Strawberry Square A2/Plus Dance – **NO DANCE** 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.

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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.

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Tuesday (May 26) - 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: Bill Boyd, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Beautiful wood dance floor – square dance attire optional – hearing enhancement – finger foods. For info: jgsap988@yahoo.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.

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 Lone 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.

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.jubileecallersschool.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, 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.

September 20, 2015 – **Strawberry Square Phase 2 Review Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Cuer/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. – Cues/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. – Cues/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. – Cues/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. – Cues/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. – Cues/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. Cuers/Instructor: lone and Wally Wade. For info: Wally and lone 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 lone 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 lone 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 lone 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.

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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://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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