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#### August 5, 2015 - Deadline for Submissions to the September 2015 Issue of the Bow & Swing – For info: <u>bowandswing@gmail.com</u>

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 <u>sqdncfan@gmail.com</u>. 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: <u>sqdncfan@gmail.com</u> or 863-224-3393.

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 <u>islandmom74@att.net</u> along with your name and what association you are affiliated with by December 15, 2015.

# 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 (<u>www.dancergram.com</u> – Health & Sympathy).

Don't forget to go to www.dancergram.com for additional information on West Coast dancers and former dancers!

Word has been received that **Paul McClain** passed away last week. There are no further details at this time. Paul and his wife were presidents of the Florida Federation in 1994-95.

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

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#### Your Source...

#### I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

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

January 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 – Florida Winter Festival – Lakeland

# Squarely Speaking

By Don and Marie Ward What Does Your Club Co That Makes It Different? (Reprinted from American Square Dance, August 2015)

As you know the major festivals and weekends are just around the corner. What makes these events seem to be better than our own club dances? Many will say "these are larger so they are more fun". They are larger, but are they really more fun? If so you might want to ask yourself why?

Many of our Square and Round Dance Clubs have become rote (mechanical or habitual repetition). Club members attend the dance more out of a feeling of obligation than a true excitement for the dance activity itself. We all have a certain degree of culpability in creating this environment. Do you recall when you first started dancing? If you were like Marie and I, you were excited that you were going to a dance that evening. You were looking forward to seeing your friends, and wondering what choreography gems your caller and cuer would regale you with that night.

Why has that feeling changed for those of us who have danced for years? It could be that we all have some responsibility in creating this effect. Many of our Callers and cuers continue to use the same old tired music and materials. Many clubs have become complacent, repeating the same themes year after year. I am not suggesting that an

annual "Special Dance" is a bad thing, only that we need to search for new ideas in how to present it. Any given club presents a theme for almost every holiday on the books. News Flash. So does every other club in your area. Just look at your local Square and Round Dance Publication. If it is Valentine's Day, how many Valentine's Day themed dances do you see?

I am of the opinion that if you want your dances to be well attended you need to think "out of the box". One of my clubs, the Capital Singles, recently did this. Last April we held a Salmon Bake Dinner Dance. For this club it was a new theme and one of the best attended dances in several years. Food tends to bring dancers out. Special food such as Salmon brings more dancers out. This club took a risk and stepped outside of their comfort zone. The reward was a much larger dance than normal and a bolstering of their treasury. As the club caller, I had to step up as well. Most of my singing calls that evening had something to do with fish. I had to look hard but I found enough to compliment the Salmon theme.

Themes are a good way to generate interest; but keep in mind you don't necessarily have to stay with the old standards. Recently, another club I call for "The Prairie Steppers" held a Hobo Night as a new theme. They served Hobo Stew and I did a bunch of Train songs, wore Hobo garb, etc. The evening had a packed hall and was a great success.

There are too many theme possibilities to name. I would encourage you to look at your upcoming dance season and sew where there are opportunities to "think out of the box". If you are having trouble coming up with some ideas, the internet is a wonderful source. Even just going to Google and typing in "dance themes" will bring up a plethora of options. Remember, they don't have to be "square dance" themes. They can be any type of dancing (school, formal or even party themes). Keep in mind you can overdo it also. I know of a club that has two dances with the same theme in a season. They are seeing numbers dwindle, and I believe it has to do with the fact that the dance is not necessarily "special" any longer. It is "overdone".

Have you ever thought you could combine calls and develop a "special call" for the evening? A few years back a colleague of mine was doing an aeronautical themed dance. He used songs like "I'll Fly Away, Snoopy and The Red Baron, and Tie For Me to Fly". Preparing for this dance he took a call out of the encyclopedia "Linear Wave to a Wave". The basics of the call are Single Hinge, out facers Fold (the beginning of Linear Cycle) and the lead dancer then weaves by left shoulders, then weave by right shoulders with the other dancers, facing to the right setting up a Right Hand Ocean Wave. Trailing dancers would follow facing to the left at the end to blend into the right hand ocean wave.

You might ask what this has to do with a Plane theme dance. Nothing until he changed the name "Fly That Plane". Dancers would spread their arms as if they were wings of a

plane making the sound of an airplane and do the call. If done successfully they earned their 'Pilots License'. Yes it is corny, but the dancers had a ball. Isn't that what we all want? This is an example of a caller thinking "out of the box".

You can make your average club dance a great deal of fun. Keep it lively and make certain everyone is made to feel welcome. As callers and cuers, remember you an Entertainer! Don't be afraid to step out of your comfort zone. It is much like the Army slogan "Be All You Can Be".

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#### Marsu, the Mascot...

for the Rollaways Square Dance Club in Jacksonville, is on his way traveling to square dance clubs all over the country – AGAIN! The 11 year old caller Cameron Harnish and his sister picked Marsu up at the National Convention in Massachusetts in June. They will take him to another club and that club will take him to another club and so on. Marsu has gone on journeys three times before and traveled thousands of miles in the U.S. and Canada.

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### 65th National Square Dance Convention

Do The Iowa Scene In 2016 June 22 – 25 • www.65nsdc.org

All of us had a great time in Springfield, Massachusetts. Now is the time to start thinking about the 2016 convention, which will be held in the Iowa Events Centers in Des Moines, Iowa. Contrary to what most people think Iowa is not all flat land, we have rolling hills and tall bluffs to see and enjoy. Along the Missouri River by Council Bluffs, for example, are the Loess Hills, one of the few naturally occurring wind-blown silt deposits from thousands of years ago.

Des Moines is at the cross roads of interstate 80 which is a major east west highway system. If you want to see scenery along the way we have listed 10 alternate routes using two lane rods to get to Des Moines. They are listed on our website, 65nsdc.org.

Des Moines is also easy to get to by air. We have a very modern International Airport, which has 18 direct flights in and out of the city, and is only 6 miles from the Iowa

Events Center. There is also a Mega bus that links 120 major cities for really low prices. One of the stops is only a few blocks from the Events Center.

We have listed several of our best hotels on the back of our registration form. All will be linked by the purchase of bus pass. A majority of these hotels are also linked by a skywalk, which is climate controlled, which are also linked to the Iowa Events Center.

For those of you camping we will be using the Iowa State Fair Campground with 1600 sites, many of them are full hookups. It has mature trees on gently rolling land; you may need lumber to level your RV.

Parking at the Events Center is \$7.00. There are other parking spaces around the Events Center as well.

The Events Center has four names; depending on which direction you approach it from, Veterans Memorial Auditorium, Community Choice Credit Union Convention Center, HyVee Hall and Iowa Hall of Pride.

The Events Center has 4 floors, which will be used for the convention. The 300 numbered rooms will be used for Education Seminars, Panels and clinics, with some of these rooms also offering dancing, lines, hexagons, clogging, contra, rounds, advanced, challenge, DBD, high energy and low energy. Other areas will offer the Live Band, Fashion Show, Exhibitions, Showcase of Ideas, Sew & Save and more.

Registration will be located in part of the Memorial Hall; this is the main entrance to the convention center, which is the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. Ways & Means, Information, Tours, Lost and Found are some of the other items that can be found at this location.

When not dancing visit our Capitol Building. It is the only five domed Capitol in the country, one of the domes is gold plated with 24 karat gold leaf and the other four domes have gold on them near the very top.

Another place you may want to visit is our historic governor's mansion, Terrace Hill. The family lives on the second floor. Construction began in 1866 and was finished in 1869 at a total cost of \$250,000. The tower is 90 feet tall.

We also have a genuine English King's Manor House, the Salisbury House. It was brought over from England stone by stone. It was moved by cosmetic magnate Carl Weeks in the 1920's. It has 42 Rooms and is over 20,000 square feet.

During the end of the week of our convention (Friday, Saturday &Sunday) downtown Des Moines will host a Juried Art Festival featuring 190 of the nation's best artists selected from a competitive jury process. There is love music and we have applied to do a square dance demonstration as part of the entertainment. We will be offering a golf tournament on Wednesday, June 27, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This will include bus transportation to and from, 18 holes with lunch and prizes. Check the tour brochure or go online for more details.

If you arrive early and want to stay late you may want to visit: Adventureland Amusement & Water Park (Pools, fun rides, food vendors, entertainment and amazing water slides.)

Another reason to attend the 65<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention is the Midwestern Hospitality. Although Des Moines is a major city, metropolitan area of 500,000, it is composed of mostly small town comfort.

We are #1 as the best city for young professionals according to Forbes Magazine.; 5<sup>th</sup> best city for retirement across the nation; and 6<sup>th</sup> best state to retire in, both according to Bankrate.

We know it's the number one place to square dance in 2016!

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#### What's Happening This Week?

#### Week of August 3, 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 (August 2)** – *Temple Twirlers* – *CANCELED* For info: <u>WLFLOYD@aol.com</u>. NOTE: Temple Twirlers will go to casual attire on June 1<sup>st</sup>.

*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 <u>bell-gelt@mpinet.net</u>. Website: <u>www.floridasquaredance.com/heelandtoe</u>.

*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 (August 3)** – *Suncoast Squares* – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5<sup>th</sup> 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: <u>www.suncoastsquares.com</u> or <u>suncoastsquares@gmail.com</u> or <u>beemerr90s@juno.com</u>.

<u>Wednesday (August 4)</u> – *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.

<u>Thursday (August 5)</u> – Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Dance and Workshop – Presbyterian Homes on Lake Hunter, 16 Lake Hunter Drive, Lakeland, FL – 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Roland Blanchette – casual attire. For info: <u>sqdncfan@gmail.com</u> or 863-224-3393.

*Citrus Squares* – First United Methodist Church, 21501 W. Highway 40, Dunnellon, FL – Caller: Ellis Lindsey – Beginner lessons from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. (based on experience level of individuals) – Mainstream and Plus 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – square dance attire between Labor Day and Memorial Day For info: 352-465-2142 (H) – 352-419-2504 (C) – rickducharme@ymail.com.

**Suncoast Squares A2 Dance and Workshop** – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, St. Petersburg - 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Caller: Mike Cox. A GLBT Club - all are community) welcome (including the straight \_ casual attire. For info: www.suncoastsquares.com or suncoastsquares@gmail.com or beemerr90s@juno.com. 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** – **NO DANCE** For info: <u>mblackburn13@tampabay.rr.com</u> or 208-369-6949.

**Friday (August 6)** – *Strawberry Square A2/Plus 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: Mike Cox. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u>; 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.

**Saturday (August 7)** – *Palace Promenaders* - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Robert Arias; Cuer: Jennie Martin – Workshop 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. - Squares and Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For info: Jennie 863-494-2749 or Mary 941-380-5336. Park in back of the building. For info: Jennie Martin 863-494-2749 or Mary Dow 941-380-5336. Sunday (July August 8) – Suncoast Squares – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, St. Petersburg – Plus and Rounds 6:30 - 9:00 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 beemerr90s@juno.com.

Monday (August 9) - Temple Twirlers - Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa - ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – 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: <u>WLFLOYD@aol.com</u>.

Heel and Toe - Community House, 716 Indiana Avenue, St. Cloud, 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.

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Tuesday (August 10) - Buttons & Bows - Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland, FL – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Keith Stevens – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – Members: \$5 per person and Guests: \$6 per person – finger food – wood floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free – square dance attire optional. For info: sqdncfan@aol.com or 863-224-3393.

Suncoast Squares – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, St. Petersburg – 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 <u>suncoastsquares@gmail.com</u> or 727-443-6242 or ianai@mail.com.

The list of callers for the June 1<sup>st</sup> beginners' class has just been released. They are as follows:

8/3 - Roland Blanchette 8/10 - Marty VanWart 8/17 - Keith Stevens

# 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!

#### Updated August 3, 2015

**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.

**Shufflin' Squares Workshop** - Lake Ashton Golf Club, 4141 Ashton Club Drive, Lake Wales, FL – Caller: Keith Stevens – 7:00 p.m. – teaching to the floor. Workshop will end on October 15<sup>th</sup>. For info: <u>lanceandrita@yahoo.com</u>.

**Shufflin' Squares Advance Workshop** – Lake Ashton Golf Club, 4141 Ashton Club Drive, Lake Wales, FL – Caller: Keith Stevens – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. For info: <u>lanceandrita@yahoo.com</u>.

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 12, 2015 – **First Coast Rounds Phase 3 – 4 Waltz Clinic** – St. Catherine's Episcopal Church, 4758 Shelby Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32210 – Clinicians: Barbara and Wayne Blackford – 8:30 a.m. – Continental Breakfast; 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. – clinic; 12:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Lunch; 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Clinic. All day \$40/couple. Mail registration to Susan Snider, 5110 Santa Cruz Lane, Jacksonville, FL 32210. For info: 904-908-5184 or <u>frausbs@aol.com</u>.

September 20, 2015 – November 29, 2015 – Strawberry Square Phase 2 Workshop/Dance Review – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins - \$6 per person per session. For info: jskidancer01@aol.com.

September 20, 2015 – November 29, 2015 - **Strawberry Square Phase 3** Workshop/Dance **Review** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:30 – 8:30 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins - <mark>\$6 per person per session</mark>. For info: <u>iskidancer01@aol.com</u>. September 26, October 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2015 – **Strawberry Square Two-Step Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Cuers/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: <u>jskidancer01@aol.com</u>.

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: <u>jskidancer01@aol.com</u>.

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: <u>jskidancer01@aol.com</u>.

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 - \$6 per person per session. For info: <u>jskidancer01@aol.com</u>.

October 15, 2015 - **Strawberry Square Phase 5 Dance/Teach** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins - \$6 per person per session. For info: <u>iskidancer01@aol.com</u>.

October 15, 2015 - **Strawberry Square Phase 4 Round Dance Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins - \$6 per person per session. For info: jskidancer01@aol.com.

October 15 – 17, 2015 – Florida Callers Association Annual Clinic – Comfort Inn & Suites, 3520 U.S. North Highway 98, Lakeland, FL – Free caller clinic for FCA members; nonmembers are encouraged to participate at only 450. Clinician: Al Stevens (Prattville, AL). This clinic is a three-day clinic to enhance the skills of new and experienced callers. Everyone attending should enjoy the experience of the newest callers while appreciate what Al has to offer in a clinic. Remember, a clinic is to help each other. A clinic is not to judge other callers but to help everyone, including "old timers". Schedule: Thursday, October  $15^{th} - 3:00 - 5:00 \text{ p.m.}$ ; 7:00 –

9:00 p.m. Friday, October  $16^{th} - 9:00 - 11:30 a.m.; 2:00 - 4:30 p.m.; 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Saturday, October <math>17^{th} - 9:00 - 11:30 a.m.; 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Clinic Dance - 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. - featuring Al Stevens calling and Susan Snider cueing. Early Rounds 7:30 p.m., Plus Squares 7:30 - 10:00 p.m. This is a free dance to any caller and partner attending the clinic. Dance location: Strawberry Square, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City. Sunday, October <math>18^{th} - 9:00 a.m. - Bi-Annual Florida Callers meeting. If you will be staying at the hotel, mention the Florida Callers Association for the negotiated rate - $75.99. For info: Dave Muller - 334-475-0975 - davecaller@gmail.com or Bob Poyner - 850-834-3548 or bnapoy@fairpoint.net.$ 

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 - **\$6** per person per session For info: <u>jskidancer01@aol.com</u>.

October 15, 2015 - **Strawberry Square Phase 5 Dance/Teach** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins - \$6 per person per session. For info: jskidancer01@aol.com.

October 15, 2015 - **Strawberry Square Phase 4 Round Dance Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins - \$6 per person per session. For info: jskidancer01@aol.com.

November 3, 2015 – April 26, 2016 – **Strawberry Square A-2 Review Workshop** – Strawberry Square, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Caller: Keith Stevens - \$6 per person per session.

November 3, 2015 – April 26, 2016 – **Strawberry Square C-1 Workshop** – Strawberry Square, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Caller: Keith Stevens - \$6 per person per session.

November 7, 2015 - **Strawberry Square Phase 5 Round Dance Figure Clinic** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins - <u>\$6 per person per session</u>. For info: <u>jskidancer01@aol.com</u>.

November 7, 2015 - 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 - <mark>\$6 per person per session</mark>. For info: <u>jskidancer01@aol.com</u>.

December 6, 2015 – **Strawberry Square Beginner Round Dance Class** – Strawberry Square, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. – Cuers/Instructors: Jack and Nell Jenkins - \$6 per person per session.

December 7, 2015 – March 27, 2016 - **Strawberry Square Basic/Mainstream Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette - \$5 per person per session.

December 7, 2015 – March 27, 2016 - **Strawberry Square Plus Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 8:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette - \$5 per person per session.

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 <u>ionewade@yahoo.com</u>.

January 4, 2016 – **Strawberry Square A-1 Class** – Strawberry Square, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 12:00 noon – 2:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Marty Vanwart - \$5 per person per session.

January 4, 2016 – **Strawberry Square A-2 Class** – Strawberry Square, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Marty Vanwart - \$5 per person per session.

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 <u>ionewade@yahoo.com</u>.

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 <u>ionewade@yahoo.com</u>.

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 <u>ionewade@yahoo.com</u>.

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 Ione Wade – 941-505-1979 or <u>ionewade@yahoo.com</u>.

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 Ione Wade – 941-505-1979 or <u>ionewade@yahoo.com</u>,

# Looking Ahead...

August 23, 2015 - Paul Kurek Memorial Square and Round Dance – 6949 Venture Circle, Orlando, FL - 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Admission is free, and there will also be a recycle sale. For info: <u>bell-gelt@mpinet.net</u>.

September 20, 2015 – November 29, 2015 – **Strawberry Square Phase 2 Workshop/Dance Review** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 6:30 – 7:30 pm. – Cuer: Jack Jenkins - \$6 per person per person.

September 20, 2015 – November 29, 2015 – **Strawberry Square Phase 3 Workshop/Dance Review** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:30 – 8:30 p.m. – Cuer: Jack Jenkins - \$6 per person per person.

October 24, 2015 – **Strawberry Square Phase 3+ Intro to Phase 4 Dance/Teach** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. – Cuer: Jack Jenkins - \$6 per person per session.

October 24, 2015 – **Strawberry Square Phase 5 Dance/Teach** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Cuer: Jack Jenkins - \$6 per person per session.

November 3, 2015 – April 27, 2016 – **Strawberry Square C-2 Dance with C3A Star Tips** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Caller: Keith Stevens - \$6 per person per session.

November 3, 2015 – April 27, 2016 – **Strawberry Square C-1 Dance with C2 Star Tips** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller: Keith Stevens - \$6 per person per session.

December 11, 2015 - **Strawberry Square A-2 Dance** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Ross Howell - \$7 per person.

December 12 - 13, 2015 - **Strawberry Square Challenge Dances** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – C-1 Session 1: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Session 2: 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. - Caller: Ross Howell - \$7.50 per person.

February 12, 2016 - **Strawberry Square A-2 Dance** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Curt Braffet - \$6 per person. February 13, 2016 - **Strawberry Square Plus Dance** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Squares/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Curt Braffet - \$6 per person.

February 14, 2016 – **Strawberry Square Sweetheart Ball** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 6:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Cuer: Jack Jenkins - \$7.50 per person.

February 19, 2016 – **Strawberry Square A-2 Dance** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Tim Marriner - \$7 per person.

February 20, 2016 - **Strawberry Square Challenge Dances** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – C-1 Session 1: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Session 2: 2:00 – 4:00 P.M. – Caller: Tim Marriner - \$7 per person.

March 25, 2016 - **Strawberry Square A-2 Dance** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Ron Libby - \$6 per person.

March 26, 2016 - **Strawberry Square Challenge Dances** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – C1 Session 1: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Session 2: 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. - Caller: Ron Libby - \$7.50 per person.

March 26, 2016 - **Strawberry Square Plus Dance** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Squares/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Ron Libby – Cuers: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin - \$6 per person.

# 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://sccafl.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<sup>®</sup>)

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 60<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention – Spokane, WA

<u>http://www.nsddirectory.com/</u> (National Square Dance Directory - information and contacts for clubs in the U.S., Canada and around the world)

Vendors

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

http://www.jlvinyl.com/SQUARE---ROUND-DANCING.html (vinyl decals)

<u>www.travelinghoedowners.com</u> (Square Dance DVDs – Both Instructional and Dance)

www.swskirts.com (Jan Southwest Style Skirts & Pat's Tees)

www.suzieqcreations.com (Suzie Q Creations)

<u>http://www.aronssquaredanceshopandpatterns.com/</u> (Aron's Square Dance and Western Wear Shop)

<u>http://www.calyco.com/</u> (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)

<u>http://www.grandsquare07.com</u> (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

Miscellaneous

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

<u>http://www.dosado.com/cqi-bin/lib/shop-</u> <u>wrapper.pl?page=rdpubs&shop=dosado&cart=3901977.2052http://www.squaredance (round</u> dance publications)radionetwork.com (square dance radio network)

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