

## **DANCERgram**

Square and round dance news for the west coast of Florida

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Visit the Past, **Present**, and **Future** of Square Dancing in Florida March 18 – 19, 2016 – 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Shamrock Swing – Elks Lodge, 2955 Columbia Boulevard, Titusville, FL 32780 – Callers: Ron Libby and Larry Belcher; Cuers: Don and Linda Hichman – Mainstream, Plus, DBD, and Advance – light refreshments at Finnegan's Place – dancing starts Friday and Saturday at 10:00 a.m. - \$20 per person in advance and \$25 per person at the door – split prices available at the door. For info: 410-952-7408 or cldcpa@yahoo.com.

March 19, 2016 — Round Dance Council of Florida Meeting — Stardust Dance Center, 3613 Citrus Tree Court, Plant City, FL — 3:15 — 4:15 p.m. Anyone cueing or teaching rounds in the state of Florida should consider membership in the Round Dance Council of Florida. This meeting is held in conjunction with the Spring Weekend of Rounds. For info: frausbs@aol.com or 904-908-5184.

## March 19 – 20, 2016 – Round Dance Council of Florida Spring Weekend of Rounds – Stardust Dance Center, 3613 Citrus Tree Court, Plant City –

Clinicians: Rey and Sherry Garza. Phase 3 & 4+ weekend of dancing and clinics – open to all dancers and Cuer/Instructors – weekend package \$75 per couple – RDCF members \$40 per couple – split pricing available. For info: <a href="mailto:frausbs@aol.com">frausbs@aol.com</a> or 904-908-5184.

March 20, 2016 — Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association (SCCA) Meeting - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City — 12:00 noon immediately prior to the Student Ball. If you call, cue or teach rounds and/or squares on the west coast of Florida, you should consider membership in this association. For info: <a href="mailto:mvanwart@tampabay.rr.com">mvanwart@tampabay.rr.com</a>.

#### March 20, 2015 - Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association's

**Beginners Ball** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City - Callers/Cuers: members of the Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association – Entry Class Level Rounds 1:30 p.m., Class Level Squares 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. - \$5 per person. For info: 813-788-2004 or 936-366-2504.

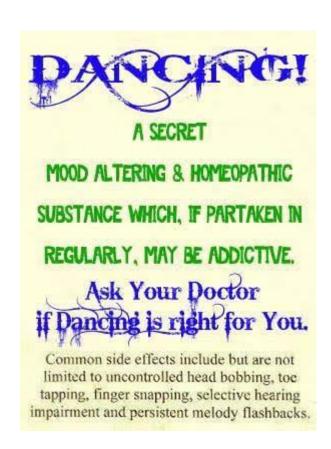
April 5, 2016 – Deadline to Submit Ads for the Florida State Convention Program Book. For info: apicheco@att.net.

April 5, 2016 - Deadline for submissions to the Bow & Swing May issue. Send to <a href="mailto:bowandswing@gmail.com">bowandswing@gmail.com</a>.

## 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!



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### Your Source...

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

May 27 – 28, 2016 – Florida State Convention – Lakeland

November 11 – 12, 2016 – West Coast Association's Fall Fun Fest - Bartow

## How To Look Good When You Are Dancing

By Ed Foote

Many people watch you while you dance: others in the set, dancers and visitors on the sidelines, and the caller. Do you impress them with good styling and appearance? We all want to look good to others when we dance – here is how to do it.

#### 1. GOOD DANCE HABITS

- A. **Keep your head raised**. Do not look at the floor. In addition to giving you a good appearance, it also lets you see what is going on in the entire set, and this will result in fewer breakdowns. Also, <u>stand erect</u> do not slouch.
- B. Take hands immediately after every call. This allows everyone in the square to be aware of the formation, and aids I proper execution of the next call, thereby averting a possible breakdown of the set.
- C. **Eliminate rough dancing**. Such techniques as hip-bumping, jumping, extra swinging and twirling, kicking, etc., are seen as great fun by some dancers. They tend to do these actions when other dances are not doing them, often disrupting the timing of the dancers who wish to dance smoothly. **Rule**: All eight dancers

- should work together as a group, using the same styling as the majority of the square.
- D. **Dance I time to the music**. Some people, concerned about doing a figure correctly, have a tendency to rush through the steps. If you do your part of a call too quickly, others may not see their position and cause your set to breakdown. It is better to relax and move to the beat of the music. **Rule**: Dance 2-4 beats behind the caller.
- E. **Counterdance**. This means moving your body so the transition from one call to another is made smoothly. It also means adjusting slightly to allow others room to do a call. (Example: heads move forward and back when the sides are told to Promenade Halfway.) Think of flowing smoothly through the calls.

#### 2. STYLING AND DRESS

- A. **GIRLS:** Consider a left-face turn back into a promenade. On a Right and Left Grand, immediately after pulling by the fourth man with the left hand do a looping U-Turn Back to your left. Time this so you finish just as your partner is stepping up beside you to Promenade. It looks sharp and impressive.
- B. GIRLS: Use skirt work. It really makes you look distinctive.
  - 1. **How to hold skirt**: Let your free hand hang at the side of your skirt. Grasp your skirt where your hand is, bend your elbow, lift your hand slightly above your waist, roll your hand backward 90° so that your palm is facing up with your skirt on top of your palm (you should not be able to see your hand).

#### 2. When to use skirt work:

- a. On Weave the Ring. It looks beautiful and is outstanding. Do the skirt work <u>very slowly</u>. Alternately raise and lower the skirt on the side nearest the man you are passing. D not swish the skirt swiftly from side-to-side – skirt work should be elegant.
- b. **On Promenade**. Consider only holding the man's right hand with your left hand and using your right hand to raise your skirt. It looks great.
- c. **If you are the end of a line**. Use skirt work with your free hand when the caller says "up to the middle and back."
- d. **On Right and Left Thru and Ladies Chain**. On the pull by, use left skirt work; on the Courtesy Turn, use right skirt work.
- e. On selected calls, when you are on the outside of the set. For example: Circulate, Load the Boat, Allemande Thar and Wrong-way Thar, Pass Thru, Wheel and Deal.
- f. On Teacup Chain. Use skirt work with your free hand.
- C. **GIRLS:** Wear a full or semi-full petticoat. It gives your dress a crisper look than a limp one would, and presents an overall better appearance.

D. **BOYS**: **Remove western hat while dancing**. Wearing a western hat indoors is improper etiquette, and conveys the old-fashioned image of square dancing that modern western dancing is trying to eliminate.

#### 3. POOR DANCE HABITS

- A. Not taking hands immediately after every call.
- B. **Rushing through a Grand Square,** using only 12-14 beats for each half of the call instead of 16 beats. Thus, dancers finish in 26-28 beats when they should not finish until the 32<sup>nd</sup> beat. If dancers have time to Swing their partner halfway through or at the end of the call, then call is not being danced in time to the music. Solution: Allow 4 beats for each 4 steps of the Grand Square.
- C. **Ignoring the music**. Dancers will lose the rhythm by:\
  - 1. Hip-bumping or high-kicking on a right and Left Grand.
  - 2. Side-jumping or hopping on a Grand Square.
  - 3. Walking the calls rather than dancing them. The difference between walking and dancing: Walking the heel of your foot touches the ground first. Dancing the front of your foot touches the grounds first. (Glide on the balls of your feet.)
- D. **Being sloppy on position**. Instead of occupying a position firmly, dancers are hesitant and either over-turn or under-turn the move.
- E. Moving up to the middle and back (from facing lines) when the caller has not said to do so. The fact that the caller says to "make a line" or "you have lines," does not mean that dancers should move up and back. This throws the timing off for everyone in the set, because the caller has usually timed the next command to flow smoothly from the previous command. Dancers should only move "up and back" if this is called by the caller. Rule: Do exactly what the caller says; do not add anything or leave anything out.
- F. Centers of facing lines slapping hands. When the caller says "up to the middle and back," hands should always be joined with adjacent dancers to maintain formation awareness. If the centers patticake hands, they probably won't hold hands with the adjacent center on other calls either.
- G. Doing an improper Do Sa Do by swinging the person in front instead of going back-to-back with them. This action demonstrates a disregard of, and lack of concern for, the correct definition of the call. Also, most people who do a "swinging Do Sa Do" will automatically form a wave, but this is <u>not</u> the correct ending position the correct ending position is two people facing. So if people automatically form a wave, they could be out of position for the next call, thus causing the set to breakdown.

## Healing from PTSD one do-si-do at a time

Posted: Feb 11, 2016 5:02 PM EST Updated: Feb 12, 2016 11:21 PM EST By Natalia Martinez

Square-dancing is helping some local military veterans heal one do-si-do at a time. (Source: Miles Jackson/WAVE 3 News)



LOUISVILLE, KY (WAVE) - You could say it's the music, or the fancy footwork, that draws them in.

"The Serenade," Kenneth Frye lists. "Swing your partner."

"I never thought I'd learn to do-si-do," Ted Spencer laughed.

But Spencer and others have learned the square-dance move thanks to a local initiative called "Dancing Well: The Soldier Project." The goal of the program is to restore the well-being of veterans and families affected by Posttraumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and brain injury through community dance. Basically, they can tune out their battles by tuning into the beat.

Dancing Well's organizer, Deborah Denenfeld, said the idea started as a way to help improve soldiers' memories. She quickly realized it also lowered pain, reduced anxiety, reconnected bonds and got veterans active in the community.

"When I first came out here, I'd been isolated for quite a while," Spencer said.

Spencer, an Army Veteran with PTSD is working towards recovery one step at a time.

"I had a couple traumatic events happen while I was in the service and never really dealt with them," he said.

Spencer isn't alone.

"Sometimes I have nightmares, and then I have some medications (that) can trigger it too," Frye, a retired Army medic said.

Frye is battling a long list of ailments, from PTSD to cancer. But looking at him dance, you would never know.

"I usually don't go square dance, but then I said, 'You know, this is fun,'" he said.

Added Spencer: "I was here dancing three minutes and I had a great grin on my face and I looked around and the other vets were grinning, the volunteers were grinning."

It's even inspired one veteran to sign up as a volunteer.

"I know some of the things that help them and I hope I can incorporate it and help these people in that way too," Nathan Weston said.

After this go-around, Denenfeld hopes to turn things up again soon, as long as the veterans are willing to give it a chance.

"If the vets would do that, they would fall in love with it, just like I did," Spencer said.

The dancing is free for veterans and their families. The location is disclosed after speaking with an organizer.

Denenfeld is in need of donations to keep the program going. It costs about \$5,000 to run each series, which includes 10 sessions.

You can visit www.dancingwell.org or their Facebook page.

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I dance because there's no greater feeling in the world than moving to a piece of music and letting the rest of the world disappear.

## What's Happening This Week?

#### Week of March 14, 2016

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

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

Monday (March 14) – Horizon Village Squares – 9200 Littleton Road (south of Shell Factory), N. Ft. Myers – Caller: Dave Magee; Cuer: Russ Collier – Plus/Rounds 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – casual attire. For info: <a href="mailto:callerdave@hotmail.com">callerdave@hotmail.com</a>.

**Temple Twirlers** — NO DANCE For info: BBKJLK@verizon.net or http://ww.templetwirlers.com.

<u>Tuesday (March 15)</u> – *Woodmere A2 Dance* - 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.), Venice – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481 or Venice cell 941-223-0987 or redbates@juno.com.

**Maple Leaf Squares** – Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte – Plus 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Dave Magee. Square dance attire preferred. For info: 941-627-4889 or <a href="loisD523@kingston.net">loisD523@kingston.net</a> or 941-235-2736.

**Horizon Village Round Dance Club** – 9200 Littleton Road (south of Shell Factory), N. Ft. Myers – Cuer: Russ Collier – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For info: 941-505-0960 or 941-661-1920.

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

**Suncoast Squares** – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, St. Petersburg – Early Round 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: <a href="https://www.suncoastsquares.com">www.suncoastsquares.com</a> or <a href="mailto:suncoastsquares.com">suncoastsquares.com</a> or <a href="mailto:sunco

Wednesday (March 16) – Camp Inn Grand Squares – Camp Inn RV Resort, 3455 N. Highway 27, Frostproof – alternating Mainstream and Plus – 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. - Caller: Ron Reardon. Casual attire. For info: <a href="mainto:larrycorder50@gmail.com">larrycorder50@gmail.com</a>.

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

**Palmetto Palms C-2 Dance** - 19681 Summerlin Boulevard, Ft. Myers – 1:30 – 2:20 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481/redbates@juno.com.

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

Wade-A-Rounds in Punta Gorda – South County Regional Park, 670 Cooper Street, Punta Gorda – Phase III Waltz Review - Cuer: Ione Wade – 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. For info: 941-505-1979 or ionewade@yahoo.com.

**Betmar Acres Round Dance** – Betmar Acres Clubhouse #2, 37137 Lakewood Drive, Zephyrhills, Florida – Charlie Lovelace cueing on the  $2^{nd}$  and  $4^{th}$  Wednesdays and Sandy Burke cueing on the  $1^{st}$ ,  $3^{rd}$ , and  $5^{th}$  Wednesdays. 7:00-9:00 p.m. – price \$5 per person. For info: <u>igiesler1@yahoo.com</u> – 813-782-9818 (H) – 813-312-3954 (C).

J & C Spinarounds Phase IV & V Workshop & Dance – Walter Fuller Recreation Center, 7891 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue N., St. Pete, FL – 7:00 – 8:45 p.m. – Cuers/Instructors: Jimmy and Carol Griffin. For info: 727-525-7809 or <a href="mailto:spinards@tampabay.rr.com">spinards@tampabay.rr.com</a> or <a href="mailto:www.floridasguaredance.com/jcspin">www.floridasguaredance.com/jcspin</a>.

**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.

**Strawberry Square Club** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City — 7:00 — 9:30 p.m. Mainstream/Easy Plus. Caller: Jerry Roberson. For info: <a href="https://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com">www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</a> or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Bob and Barb Hancock — 419-633-0610 or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513. Banner Chairman: Sharon Kowlaski 813-754-3109.

Strawberry Square C-1 Dance w/Intro to C-2 Star Tip - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller: Keith Stevens. For info: <a href="https://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com">www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</a>; 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please contact: Wayne Sorrells 770-490-1670; Nancy Hall 813-752-1816, Jack Gano – 813-759-8172 or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

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

<u>Thursday (March 17)</u> – <u>Shufflin' Squares</u> - Lake Ashton Golf Club, 4141 Ashton Club Drive, Lake Wales, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., alternating tips (Plus/Advance with announced Mainstream) 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Caller: Gary Brown; Cuer: Carl Rod – square dance attire optional. For info: lanceandrita@yahoo.com.

Citrus Park Snobirds St. Patrick's Day Dance — Citrus Park, 25601 Trost Boulevard (Clubhouse), Bonita Springs — ER 7:00 — 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 — 9:30 p.m. — Caller: Mac McCall, Cuer: Dick Chase. For info: 603-361-3009.

**Charlotte Promenaders** - Port Charlotte Beach Recreation Center, 4500 Harbor Boulevard, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 (parking passes will be provided) – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Plus Squares 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Caller: Robert Arias; Cuer: Ione Wade. For info: 941-429-1311 - cbharding@yahoo.com or 941-429-8271 - jdclay8146@gmail.com.

**Pine Ridge Promenaders** St. Patrick's Day Dance - Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yards east of Hwy. 27, Lake Placid - Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Robert Arias, Cuer: Jennie Martin. For info: 828-290-2147 or bobnsue97@hotmail.com.

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

*Citrus Squares* – First United Methodist Church, 21501 W. Highway 40, Dunnellon, FL – Caller: Ellis Lindsey – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. 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 welcome (including the straight community) – casual attire. For info: <a href="https://www.suncoastsquares.com">www.suncoastsquares.com</a> or <a href="mailto:suncoastsquares.com">suncoastsquares@gmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:beemerr90s@juno.com">beemerr90s@juno.com</a>. **Jacaranda Trace A2 Dance/Workshop** – 3600 William Penn Way, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor on the far right of the elevator, Venice - 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Dancers must be proficient in positions A1. Caller: Mike Cox. For info: <a href="mailto:hpsawyer@aol.com">hpsawyer@aol.com</a> or 941-408-2627. Please call if you will be unable to attend.

**Promenade Squares** St. Patrick's 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: Bob Ormsbee, cuers: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin. For info: <a href="mailto:dhua7@aol.com">dhua7@aol.com</a> or 727-544-0227.

<u>Friday (March 18)</u> – <u>Buttonwood Bay Squares Goodbye Back Dance</u> - 10001 U.S. Rt. 27 S., Sebring (5 miles south of Sebring on Rt. 27) – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Square Dance 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Sonny McCartney; Cuer: Ione Wade. For info: Tim Stewart tistewart58@comcast.net or 586-610-8370.

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

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**Corkscrew Curliques** — Corkscrew Sanctuary, 21798 Corkscrew Woodlands Blvd., Estero — Caller: Wes Morris; recorded Rounds - Mainstream with announced Plus 7:00 — 9:00 p.m. — square dance attire optional. For info: 239-560-2572 or 239-282-6322.

**Strawberry Square A-2 Workshop/Dance** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – A2 Workshop: 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., A-2 Dance: 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Jerry Roberson. For info: <a href="www.strawberrysquaredancing.com">www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</a>; 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.

**Dixie Square Dance Club** – Grace Lutheran Church, 327 Avenue C SE, Winter Haven, FL – Mainstream with announced Plus tips – Early Round 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Squares and Round 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: Carl Rod - \$3 per person per session. For info: 863-293-9369.

Sun City Swingers - NO DANCE For info: hlhtfh@yahoo.com or 941- 776-0477.

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Sherry Garza. Phase 3 & 4+ weekend of dancing and clinics — open to all dancers and Cuer/Instructors — weekend package \$75 per couple — RDCF members \$40 per couple — split pricing available. For info: frausbs@aol.com or 904-908-5184.

*Indian Creek Squares* - Seminole Hall, Indian Creek RV Resort, 17340 San Carlos Blvd., Fort Myers Beach, FL - Early rounds at 7:00, Plus 7:30 to 9:30 - Caller: Dave Magee, Cuer: Dick Chase. For info: 989 372-0852.

**Buttons & Bows of Venice** - Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – Plus/Rounds 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Caller: Scotty Sharrer; Cuer: Ione Wade. Square dance attire optional. For info: 941-493-6035 or <a href="mailto:chrisziomek@yahoo.com">chrisziomek@yahoo.com</a>.

Strawberry Square Phase 5 Figure Clinic and Dance Review/Phase V Dance/Class – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Cuer: Jack Jenkins. For info: <a href="www.strawberrysquaredancing.com">www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</a> or 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the Dance Center, call Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

**Strawberry Square Plus Dance** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Early Round 7:00 – 7:30 – Plus 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Caller: Jerry Roberson; Cuer: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin. For info: <a href="https://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com">www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</a> 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; Barb & Don Huff – 813-752-2278; Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

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

**Palace Promenaders** – Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Art Miller; Cuer: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier – Dinner at 6:00 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 (March 20) — SCCA Beginners Ball — Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City — Emcee: Ron Reardon - Callers and Cuers: members of Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association (SCCA) — Callers and Cuers: members of the Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association. Early class level Rounds 1:30 p.m. and class level squares 2:00 — 4:00 p.m. - \$5 per person. Experienced dancers, please plan to attend and show your support of our new dancers. For info: 813-7898-2004 or 936 — 366-2504.

Crystal Lake Squares Flashlight Dance and Final Dance of the Season - Crystal Lake Village, 237 Maxwell Road (on Rt. 17 – 2 miles north of Wauchula) – Mainstream/Plus/Phase II Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – finger foods - Caller/Cuer: Mike Gormley. Square dance attire optional. For info: 765-499-1268.

J & C Spinarounds Round Dance Party – La Plazza Mobile Home Park – Recreation Hall – 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Largo – 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Cuers: Jimmy and Carol Griffin. For info: 941-525-7809 – spinards@tampabay.rr.com – www.floridasquaredance.com/jcspin.

Round Dance Council of Florida Spring Weekend of Rounds – Stardust Dance Center, 3613 Citrus Tree Court, Plant City – Clinicians: Rey and Sherry Garza. Phase 3 & 4+ weekend of dancing and clinics – open to all dancers and Cuer/Instructors – weekend package \$75 per couple – RDCF members \$40 per couple – split pricing available. For info: <a href="mailto:frausbs@aol.com">frausbs@aol.com</a> or 904-908-5184.

Camp Florida Resort Round Dance Party - Camp Florida Resort Clubhouse Great Room, 231 Shoreline Drive, Lake Placid, FL - 2:00 - 4:30 p.m. — Cuers: Ione Wade and Russ Collier - no charge for dancers and visitors - dancers are asked to bring finger foods to share. For info: Ione Wade 941-505-1979 - ionewade@yahoo.com or Diane Lucey at dialucey@aol.com

<u>Monday (March 21)</u> – *Horizon Village Squares* – 9200 Littleton Road (south of Shell Factory), N. Ft. Myers – Caller: Dave Magee; Cuer: Russ Collier – Plus/Round 19:00 a.m. For info: callerdave@hotmail.com.

**Temple Twirlers** – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Round 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Callers: Ron Reardon, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Square dance attire preferred. Dancers please use the entrance marked "Gage Hall" on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: <a href="mailto:BBKJLK@verizon.net">BBKJLK@verizon.net</a> or <a href="http://www.templetwirlers.com">http://www.templetwirlers.com</a>.

Tuesday (March 22) – Buttons & Bows of Lakeland - 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: Ron Libby – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – Members: \$6 per person and Guests: \$7 per person – finger food – wood floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free – square dance attire optional. For info: sqdncfan@gmail.com or 863-224-3393.

**Woodmere A2 Dance** - 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.), Venice – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481 or Venice cell 941-223-0987 or <a href="mailto:redbates@juno.com">redbates@juno.com</a>.

**Maple Leaf Squares** - Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte – Plus 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Dave Magee. Square dance attire preferred – please wear green. For info: 941-627-4889 or <a href="lois D523@kingston.net">lois D523@kingston.net</a>.

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

Horizon Village Round Dance Club – 9300 Littleton Road (south of Shell Factory), N. Ft. Myers – Cuer: Russ Collier – Plus/Round 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For info: 941-505-1960 or 941-661-1920.

**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: <a href="https://www.suncoastsquares.com">www.suncoastsquares.com</a> or <a href="mailto:suncoastsquares.com">suncoastsquares.com</a> or <a href="mailto:suncoastsquares.com">suncoastsquares

## 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!

#### March 14, 2016

**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: <a href="mailto:lanceandrita@yahoo.com">lanceandrita@yahoo.com</a>.

January 15, 2016 - **Maple Leaf Mainstream Workshop** — Can Am Hall, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte — 1:00 p.m. — 3:00 p.m. — Caller: Dave Magee. For info: <a href="mailto:phonemoves@juno.com">phonemoves@juno.com</a> or 941-235-1611.

January 15, 2016 - **Maple Leaf Plus Workshop** - Can Am Hall, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte – 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. – Caller: Dave Magee. For info: <a href="mailto:phonemoves@juno.com">phonemoves@juno.com</a> or 941-235-1611.

January 25, 2016 – Morning Side Park Squares Workshop – Morning Side Park behind Walmart on Hwy. 301 – Caller: Walter Lougee – 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. For info: <a href="mailto:walter/lougee@verizon.net">walter/lougee@verizon.net</a>.

February 14, 2016 - **Basic 50 Workshop** – Pleasant Lake Carefree RV Resort, 6633 53<sup>rd</sup> Avenue East, Brandenton, FL – 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Robert Arias. For info: 813-601-1834.

February 17, 2016 – **Eagle Point Mobile Home Park Beginner Square Dance Class** – Eagle Point Mobile Home Park, 10303 Burnt Store Road, Punta Gorda, FL – 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. – Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee. For info: 941-235-1611

February 17, 2016 – March 30, 2016 - Crystal Lake Squares Beginners Square Dance Class – Crystal Lake Village, 237 Maxwell Road (on Rt. 17 – 2 miles north of Wauchula) – 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Mike Gormley. Learn by definition \$4 per person per session. For info: 419-376-0057 or <a href="mike@mike-gormley.com">mike@mike-gormley.com</a>.

February 25, 2016 – **Plus Workshop** – Maple Leaf Golf Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway, CanAm Hall, Port Charlotte – Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee – 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Dancers are expected to be proficient in Plus. This is not a Maple Leaf Square Dance Club offering. For info: 941-235-1611.

**DATE CHANGE:** March 19, 2016 – March 30, 2016 - Crystal Lake Squares Mainstream Square **Dance Workshop** – Crystal Lake Village, 237 Maxwell road (on Rt. 17 – 2 miles north of Wauchula) – 2:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Mike Gormley. Learn by definition - \$4 per person per session. For info: 419-376-0057 or <a href="mike@mike-gormley.com">mike@mike-gormley.com</a>.

May 29, 2016 – **Seminar for Experienced Callers** – Monaghan Community Fire Hall, 245 W. Siddonsburg Road, Dillsburg, PA – Accredited Caller Coach: Tim Marriner and Caller Coach: Bill Harrison – All day seminar – three sessions (Morning, Afternoon, and Evening) – specifically for callers, working for clubs, that have a method of Choreographic Management, be it Sight, Modules, Mental Image, Memory, Reading, or any combination. Sponsored by the South Central Pennsylvania Callers & Cuers Association. Schedule: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.; 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Lunch (probably pizza delivered); Session 1; 1:00 – 4:30 p.m. Session 2; 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. Dinner; 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. Session 3. Cost: \$50 per call – spouse and guests free. Things to bring: note pad, recording device, music, mic. checkers. For info: 717-432-8043 or idprosser@juno.com.

June 8 – 12, 2016 – **Heart of America Callers School** – KAW Valley Dance Center, 200 SW 30<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 105, Topeka, KS (next door to the CALLERLAB home office) – CALLERLAB accredited caller coaches: Tim Marriner, Paul Henze, and Jerry Junck – full CALLERLAB curriculum emphasizing Formation Management – Modules, Presentation Techniques – Music, Singing Call Techniques – Voice, Patter Calling – Sight Resolution – for new and experienced callers – enrollment is limited, register early! Cost: \$325 per student; no additional charge for partners who are encouraged to attend. For info: 402-375-2420 or 402-980-2446 (C) or <a href="mailto:junck@aol.com">junck@aol.com</a>.

July 28 – 31, 2016 – **Atlanta Callers School** – City of Light, 1379 Tullie Road NE, Atlanta, GA 30329 – Callers: Ken Ritucci (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach) and Bill Harrison. Plenty of microphone time – professional assessment of your skills – understand what it takes to be a leader – full CALLERLAB curriculum – 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/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.northeastcallersschool.com.

August 18 – 21, 2016 – **NORCAL Callers School** – Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church, 728 W. Fremont Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA – Callers: Ken Ritucci (Callerlab Accredited Callercoach), Saundra Bryant,

and Rob French. . Plenty of microphone time – professional assessment of your skills – understand what it takes to be a leader – full CALLERLAB curriculum – 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/student. Space is limited! Register today! For an application and more information, contact Ken Ritucci at 413-734-0591 or write <a href="mailto:kenritucci@aol.com">kenritucci@aol.com</a> – <a href="https://www.northeastcallersschool.com">www.northeastcallersschool.com</a>.

October 6 – 10, 2016 – **Northeast Callers School** – Mill-a-round Dance Center, Manchester, New Hampshire – Callers/Instructors: Ken Ritucci (CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach), Norm Poisson; Special Guest Instructors: Steve Kopman (Tennessee), Bill Harrison (Maryland), and Walt Bull (Maine). Plenty of microphone time – professional assessment of your skills – understand what it takes to be a leader – full CALLERLAB curriculum – 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/student. Space is limited! Register today! For an application and more information, contact Ken Ritucci at 413-734-0591 or write <a href="kenritucci@aol.com">kenritucci@aol.com</a> – www.northeastcallersschool.com.

## **Demos/One-nighters**

This is a new section for you to promote your demos and one-nighters. If you need dancers to help you out, please forward the information so it can be added here.

## Looking Ahead...

April 8, 2016 - **Camping Chapter 018 Dance** – Clearview Methodist Church, 3515 – 38th Avenue North, St. Pete – Callers: Ted Hughes and any other visiting callers; Cuer: Jimmy Griffin. Dance level will be to the floor (Mainstream, Plus, etc....). Directions: From I-275, Exit 38<sup>th</sup> Avenue exit and travel west to 45th Street North. Entrance to the fellowship hall is from39th Avenue North. The church is across the street from the GT E credit union on 38<sup>th</sup> Avenue. For info: ted.hughes@juno.com.

### Links

Websites

## http://floridasquaredance.com/

https://www.facebook.com/#!/home.php?sk=group 149454955123658&ap=1 (Florida Federation's Facebook page)

http://www.floridasquaredance.com/convention/national-bid.html (2021 National Square Convention Bid)

**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.)

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

http://www.you2candance.com (square dance marketing)

http://sccafl.com. (Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association)

<u>http://www.flCallersassoc.org/</u> (Florida Callers Association)

http://www.usda.org/ (United Square Dancers of America)

www.iagsdc.org (International Assn. of Gay Square Dance Clubs)

http://www.Callerlab.org (CALLERLAB)

http://www.americanCallers.com (American Callers Assn.)

http://www.roundalab.org/ (ROUNDALAB)

http://ssdusa.org (Single Square Dancers USA®)

<a href="http://www.nsdca.org">http://www.nsdca.org</a> (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

<u>http://virginiaswesternwear.com/</u> (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.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)

<u>www.PerfectPetticoats.com</u> (Perfect Petticoats)

http://www.grandsquare07.com (Grande Square.com – square dance clothes and accessories)

**Square Dance Halls** 

<u>www.Strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> (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)

http://www.dosado.com/cqi-bin/lib/shop-

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

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