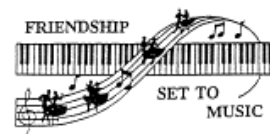

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Florida State Convention May 27 – 28, 2016!

Greeters for one or two hour blocks of time to greet dancers as they enter our section of the Lakeland Center. You will be asked to hand out program books, answer questions, and give directions. If you can give some time, please contact Jenny Green at jgreen102286@gmail.com or 863-287-5724.

May 5, 2015 - Deadline for submissions to the Bow & Swing June issue. Send to bowandswing@gmail.com.

May 28, 2016 – 63rd (2017) Convention Committee Meeting – Lakeland Center, Exhibition Hall West, 701 W. Lime Street, Lakeland – 8:00 a.m. For info: rayelsa@aol.com.

May 28, 2016 – 63rd (2017) Convention Committee Meeting – Lakeland Center, Lake Parker D, 701 W. Lime Street, Lakeland – 9:00 a.m. For info: rayelsa@aol.com.

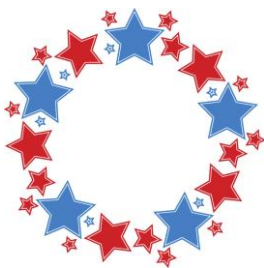
May 28, 2016 – Round Dance Council of Florida Meeting - Lakeland Center, Sikes K, 701 W. Lime Street, Lakeland – 8:00 a.m. If you cue or teach rounds in the state of Florida, you should give serious consideration to joining this organization. For info: frausbs@aol.com.

May 29, 2016 – Florida Federation Meeting – Lakeland Center, Lakeland – held in conjunction with the Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention – 9:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend this meeting. For info: sqdnxfan@gmail.com or 863-224-3393.

May 29, 2016 – Florida Callers Association Meeting – Comfort Inn & Suites, 3520 U.S. Highway 98 N., Lakeland – 9:00 a.m. Anyone calling or teaching squares in the state of Florida should consider membership in the Florida Callers Associations. Comfort Inn & Suites is the Florida State Square Dance convention host hotel for the Florida Caller's Association. For info: davecaller@gmail.com or 334-475-0975.

May 29, 2016 – 62nd (2016) Convention Committee Break Out Meeting - Ramada Lakeland Hotel, 3260 US Highway 98 North, Lakeland – 1:00 p.m. All Florida square and round dancers are encouraged and welcome to attend this meeting. For info: jacknonemckinney@Bellsouth.net, lindactester@bellsouth.net, and wlsyphard@aol.com.

May 29, 2016 – 64th (2018) Convention Committee Meeting - Ramada Lakeland Hotel, 3260 US Highway 98 North, Lakeland – 2:00 p.m. All Florida square and round dancers are encouraged and welcome to attend this meeting. For info: lindawasserman0@gmail.com or lewiswasserman@gmail.com.



We are looking for female veterans (any branch of service) to be a part of the color guard at the next Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention in Lakeland on May 28, 2016. The plan is to have an all-female guard. If you are interested in participating, please contact Ailene Picheco at apicheco@att.net or 321-652-0680. She will need your full name and branch of service.

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

West Coast Association membership badges and bars



ARTS (Alliance of Round, Traditional, and Square Dance)

BETSY GOTTA HONORED - At the 2016 CALLERLAB Convention in Norfolk, VA our very own Betsy Gotta was honored when she was presented a CALLERLAB Life (Gold Card) Membership. The Gold Card Membership was created to recognize Members who have served CALLERLAB in an outstanding way. This is a VERY high honor and the number of recipients is very small. There have been less than 20 Life Members since CALLERLAB was established over 40 years ago.

Presentation of the Life (Gold Card) recognized Betsy's many years of outstanding and continuous support and service to CALLERLAB. She and her husband, Roy, have donated thousands of dollars to the CALLERLAB Foundation from the sale of their dancing videos. She has served numerous terms on the Board of Governors and the Executive Committee, including Vice Chairman. She is one of very small number of female CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coaches. She was instrumental in the updating of the Caller Coach manual as Chairman of the Caller Training Committee. Her many accomplishments are much too numerous to list them all here.

Betsy has served on the ARTS Board for several years as the CALLERLAB representative. She has also served as the ARTS Chairman and Vice Chairman. Her dedication and support of our dance activity is evidenced by all her accomplishments and honors, including presentation of CALLERLAB's highest award, the Milestone Award.

We are honored to know Betsy and Roy and very pleased to recognize her many - many years support of our dance activity.

CONGRATULATIONS BETSY!!!

65th NSDC - Des Moines, IA - (June 22 - 25, 2016)

The 65th NSDC will be held in Des Moines, IA at the end of June 2016. This four day event is much more than just a big dance.

Some of dancing's best callers and cuers will be on the program and this wide variety of entertainers provides the opportunity to dance with callers and cuers you may not see again.

In addition to the dancing, there are a wealth of education opportunities. These include leadership seminars, marketing and recruiting ideas, information about association and club administration. There will also be interest sessions for dancers interested in learning to call. The sewing demonstrations include fashion and other tips. Many vendors will also be offering dance related sales items. After parties provide dance fun after the convention program is done.

If you want more information, please visit: <http://66nsdc.com/additional-links>

We encourage you to register and attend this convention.

2016 IAGSDC CONVENTION - Toronto, Canada (July 1 - 4, 2016)

Every year, dancers from clubs in Canada, the USA, and Japan gather together for a wonderful weekend of dancing, parties, and fun as only a gay organization can provide!

This year the convention theme is "Maple Leafs Regroup" and will be held over the first week end of July in Toronto. In addition to the dancing there are numerous other activities in the Toronto area.

If you want more information, please visit: <http://www.toronto2016.com/toronto.html>

We encourage you to register and attend this convention and visit Toronto and the many tourist attractions.

2016 USAWEST CONVENTION - Pocatello, ID - (August 17 - 20, 2016)

The theme for the 2016 USA West Convention is "Scootback to Pocatello" and will be held in the Red Lion in Pocatello, ID from August 17 - 20, 2016)

In addition to the fabulous dancing with some of the finest callers and cuers there will be a wealth of education opportunities. These include leadership seminars, marketing and recruiting ideas, and information about association and club administration. These sessions allow you to share your experiences with other dancers and learn new things! There will also be many other activities to enjoy.

There will be vendors including badge maker, embroiderer, clothing and other dance related supplies.

Come to Pocatello and enjoy some of the finest tourist attraction in the Northwest.

For registration and other information visit: <http://www.idaho.usawest.net/index.html>

We encourage you to register and attend this convention and visit the many tourist attractions.

RE-IMAGE & LIVE LIVELY ACTIVITIES

Jim & Judy Taylor, Re-Image Committee, continue to investigate new ways to publicize our efforts to Re-Image Square Dancing. They are always looking for new methods and products to help "spread the word" about this important effort. They will have new products in addition to our tried & true goodies at both the 65th NSDC and the 2016 USA West convention.

The wide spread use of the new logo and Live Lively slogan has been truly amazing. We very much appreciate the support the Re-Image efforts have received throughout the activity worldwide.

A VERY BIG Thank You to Jim & Judy and the dozens of dancers who have helped them.

Thanx for your attention,

Jerry

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Secret Hints for Dancing Load the Boat

By Ed Foote

If Load the boat is going to break down, it will be due to the centers. The reason is that the initial Pass thru in the center is too big. This happens because the dancers take two full steps after passing shoulders in the Pass thru.

The result is the center box is now so big that people lose their orientation, which causes the square to break down. Or, if the square does not break down, it takes too long to finish the call, which means the square is now behind the other squares on the floor.

SECRET HINT. The centers Pass Thru must be VERY SHORT. In other words, after the centers pass right shoulders in doing the initial Pass thru, they must IMMEDIATELY turn their back on the flagpole center of the square.

As a caller, how do I get them to do this? By painting a visual picture of what happen. I say these specific words: “Yu must stay very close to the person with whom you are doing the Pass thru. This means the material on your sleeve should be constant contact with the material on the other person’s sleeve – during the ‘turn out’ part and also during the Partner Trade.”

I also tell them that they are too far apart if any daylight can be seen between their shoulder and the other person’s shoulder during the “turn out” and the Partner Trade.”

Then, as a joke, but also to paint the visual picture, I say: “think of it as a no-hands Yellow Rock.” Dancers will often treat this as a fun thing and start bumping each other intentionally, but it means they have gotten the idea.

I have found that these 3 visual pictures: material on the sleeves, no daylight and the Yellow Rock, get the job done.

If you are dancer helping out a Plus class, and the caller does not emphasize this idea of being very close in the center, be sure and tell people what has been mentioned here.. You will be helping them a great deal.

NOTE: Sometimes the centers, after the initial Pass Thru, will face in (instead of out) and then slide sideways. This puts them in the correct position, but they have made 2 mistakes to get there. I have seen this done by people who have been dancing for years.

For some reason, it is always the girls who do this, never the boys. Perhaps it is a psychological thing that girls do not want to turn their back on someone.

If a person is doing this, they need to be corrected right away, because if they keep doing this for a long time it will be very difficult for them to break the habit later. If they encounter a caller at a workshop who starts fractionalizing the center part, they will break down the square. It also means that anyone seeing them dance this way will think they are a poor dancer.

If you are a dancer helping out at a Plus class, and you see someone doing this, be sure to say something to that person during the break. The action is so subtle that the caller may miss seeing it while calling.

WHAT TO TELL THE OUTSIDERS. They have the easy part – just pass 3 people and face in. The only thing they may do wrong is go too slow. If this happens, tell them to speed up.

How to Save Your Square

By Ed Foote

(reprinted from *American Square Dance Magazine*)

YOU can save your square! YOU individually can be the person to keep your square going and keep it from breaking down. Here's how to do it.

- 1. TAKE HANDS WITH THOSE STANDING BESIDE YOU.** This must be done **immediately** after completing every call. Not only does this help you see the new formation of the square, it helps others see it too. If people can see their starting formation, then they are much more likely to complete the next call.

Weak dancers tend not to take hands. (This is one reason they are weak.) If they break down, they will take you along with them, so it is in your best interest to take their hands, even if they do not offer them.

Important. When hands are joined, **elbows must be bent.** If arms are outstretched when hands are touching, the set is much too large to operate smoothly.

- 2. KEEP YOUR HEAD TURNED TOWARD THE CENTER OF THE SQUARE.** This gives you the big picture. It lets you know exactly where you should be, where trouble spots might be starting, and whether you should speed up or slow down your steps in order to keep everyone together.

The majority of the time your head will be turned to the right, since many calls are presented in a flow which has the square moving to the right. But looking to the left will also be necessary.

Weak dancers use tunnel vision. They just look straight ahead and hope they will survive the next call. It only takes 2 or 3 dancers in the square who have their heads always turned toward the center to keep the square going. Decide that YOU will be one of these people.

Bottom line: Your head should be constantly in motion while you dance, always looking for the big picture. Do this and YOU will save your square.

3. KEEP THE SET SMALL. Basic rule: The smaller the square, the fewer the breakdowns. There are several ways to keep the square small.

1. Take hands after every call. (B) Bend your elbows when you take hands. (C) Take small steps. This forces other people to also take small steps, and thus the square becomes smaller.

4. ALWAYS HAVE YOUR SQUARE LINED UP WITH THE WALLS. The reason: The human race tends to be straight-line oriented, so the mind relates much better to the task at hand when things are aligned in straight lines, as opposed to being at an angle. If your square is at an angle to the walls, people are more likely to break down on calls they know simply because they become disoriented.

For example: if a set will become slightly offset from being lined up with the walls, now a Cast Off or other turning motion may cause some people to become confused, which can cause them to break down on the next call.

A situation which is almost guaranteed to cause the square to be misaligned with the walls is if the caller says "Promenade, don't slow down, heads (or sides Wheel Around."

Solution. Take it upon yourself to take slight adjustments on the net 2 or 3 calls to get the set aligned with walls. This means slightly overdoing or under-doing some calls. This will cause others net to you to do this also, and thus the set slowly becomes aligned with the walls.

If the caller pauses after calling the "Wheel Around" before giving the net all, you can try signaling the square while it is standing there to adjust slightly to align with the walls. The dancers will go along with you, either because they recognize what you are trying to do, or because they don't know about walls and will follow anyone who seems to know what they are doing.

Note: If the caller sees you making an effort to get your square aligned with the walls, he/she will sometimes pause a little to allow you time to do this. Also, the caller will know you are a good dancer and will watch your square for the entire dance. It is a nice feeling to know that the caller needs you to successfully complete his/her program.

SUMMARY: If you do everything listed here, YOU will save your square. You will also become recognized as a good dancer who knows what is going on.

What's Happening This Week?

Week of May 2, 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 (May 2) – 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. – Caller: **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: bbkilk@verizon.net or <http://www.templetwirlers.com>.

Tuesday (May 3) – 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.

Suncoast Squares – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th 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: www.suncoastsquares.com or suncoastsquares@gmail.com or beemerr90s@juno.com.

Wednesday (May 4) – Strawberry Square Fun Plus Dance – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Mary Vanwart – 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com 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.

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

Chase-A-Rounds in Punta Gorda – South County Regional Park, 670 Cooper Street, Punta Gorda – Phase III Waltz Review - Cuer: Dick Chase – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. For info: 239-770-5257 or prentice0626@gmail.com.

Cultural Center Squares – Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Rooms F & G, Port Charlotte, FL. Caller: Art Miller; Cuers: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier. Workshop 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. - 7:00

– 9:00 p.m. alternating Mainstream and Plus. For info: Mary 941-380-5336 or Jennie 863-494-2749. For info: Mary 941-380-5336 or Jennie 863-494-2749.

Thursday (May 5) – **Shufflin’ Squares** - Lake Ashton Golf Club, 4141 Ashton Club Drive, Lake Wales, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., alternating Plus and Advance 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Caller: Keith Stevens; Cuer: Carl Rod – square dance attire optional. For info: lanceandrita@yahoo.com.

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 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: www.suncoastsquares.com or suncoastsquares@gmail.com or beemerr90s@juno.com.

Promenade Squares - Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – Beginner’s Class 6:00 p.m., Early Rounds 7:15 - 7:45 p.m. Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:45 - 9:30 p.m. - caller: Bob Ormsbee, cuers: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin. For info: dhua7@aol.com or 727-544-0227.

Friday (May 6) – **Strawberry Square Summer Program Plus/Advance Dance** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Keith Stevens - 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com 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 Kowalski 813-754-3109.

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 – North Campus Dance Studio, Atrium Building, 945 North Course Lane, Sun City – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Marty Vanwart, Cuer: TBA. Please come join us for this Festive Holiday Special Dance. Square dance attire preferred. Air-conditioned hall, wood floor, and lighted, paved off-street parking. For info: hlhtfh@yahoo.com or 941- 776-0477.

Saturday (May7) – **Palace Promenaders** - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Robert Arias; 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 (May 8) –

Monday (May 9) – **Temple Twirlers Mother’s Day Dance** – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Marty Vanwart, 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: bbkilk@verizon.net or <http://www.templetwirlers.com>.

Tuesday (May 10) – Buttons & Bows Ice Cream Social - 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: sgdncfan@gmail.com or 863-224-3393.

Suncoast Squares – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th 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 suncoastsquares@gmail.com or beemerr90s@juno.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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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: lanceandrita@yahoo.com.

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](tel:941-235-1611)

April 27, 2016 – **Chase-A-Rounds Beginner Round Dance Class** - South County Regional Park, 670 Cooper Street, Punta Gorda – Cha-cha and Rumba - Cuer: Dick Chase – 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. For info: 239-770-5257 or prentice0626@gmail.com.

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 jdprosser@juno.com.

June 7, 2016 – **Strawberry Square Summer Square Dance Lessons** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. – Callers/Instructors: Keith Stevens and Marty Vanwart. The lessons will be from the new CALLERLAB accelerated and condensed program that includes the more frequently called commands in the Mainstream list (this is different than “Basic 50”). It is designed to be a shorter and easier entrance program for new dancers. The program will last 10 weeks. Students who attend all 10 classes will receive five free dance coupons to attend regularly scheduled Strawberry Square Club dances on Wednesday nights. Following completion of this program Keith and Marty will continue teaching the rest of the commands in the same time slot until the Fall class starts on November 7th. 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. (NOTE: This information received from Keith Stevens, Marty Vanwart, and Cherylene Sorrells.)

June 8 – 12, 2016 – **Heart of America Callers School** – KAW Valley Dance Center, 200 SW 30th 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 junck@aol.com.

June 8 – September 28, 2016 - **Linville Land Harbor Mountain Mixers A-2 Review** - Highway 221 between Pineola, NC and Linville, NC – Caller: Ron Libby (Land Harbor, NC) - 7:00 p.m. – 9:00p.m. For info: 828-898-8188 or www.mountainmixers.com.

July 11 – 14, 2016 – **Summer Caller School** – 5049 Durham Road West, W. Columbia, MD. For info: Tom Sellner, 5049 Durham Road West, Columbia, MD 21044; sellnerthomas@yahoo.com; 410-730-2354.

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), Sandra 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 kenritucci@aol.com – www.northeastcallersschool.com.

September 22, 2016 – **Strawberry Square Phase 2 – 3 Class** - 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Cues/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins – 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. - \$6 per person per session. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Jack and Nell Jenkins 828-508-3690.

September 24 – October 29, 2016 – **Strawberry Square Two-Step Classes** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cues/Instructors: Jack and Nell Jenkins (members of Roundalab and Round Dance Council of Florida; BMI & ASCAP licensed) – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. For info: 828-508-3690 (leave message if no answer).

September 25, 2016 – **Strawberry Square Choreographed Ballroom (Round Dancing) Beginners Class in Rumba and Cha Cha** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cues/Instructors: Jack and Nell Jenkins – 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. - \$6 per person per session. For info: 828-508-3690 (cell – leave message if no answer) – BMI & ASCAP licensed.

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 kenritucci@aol.com – www.northeastcallersschool.com.

October 20, 2016 - **Strawberry Square Phase 4 Figure Teach/Dance** - 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Cues/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins – 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. - \$6 per person per session. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Jack and Nell Jenkins 828-508-3690.

October 22, 2016 - **Strawberry Square Phase 3 Dance w/Phase 4 Intro Teach** - 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Cues/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins – 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. - \$6 per person per session. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Jack and Nell Jenkins 828-508-3690.

November 5, 2016 – **Strawberry Square Phase 5 Figure Clinic/Dance** - 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Cues/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins – 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. - \$6 per person per

session. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Jack and Nell Jenkins 828-508-3690.

November 7, 2016 – **Strawberry Square Beginners Square Dance Class** – 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Caller/Instructor: Marty Vanwart – 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. 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.

November 7, 2016 – **Strawberry Square Plus Workshop** – 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Caller/Instructor: Marty Vanwart – 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. 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.

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...

May 7, 2016 - **Palace Promenaders Start of the Summer Program** - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Robert Arias; Cues: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier – 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.

October 8, 2016 - **Palace Promenaders Start of the Fall Program** - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Art Miller; Cues: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier – 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.

October 29, 2016 - **Palace Promenaders Hobo Stew Dance** - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Art Miller; Cues: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier – 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.

November 26, 2016 - **Palace Promenaders Pie Night** - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Art Miller; Cues: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier – 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.

December 17, 2016 - **Palace Promenaders Christmas Dance** - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Art Miller; Cuer: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier – 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.

December 31, 2016 - **Palace Promenaders New Year's Eve Dance** - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Art Miller; Cuer: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier – 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.

February 4, 2017 - **Palace Promenaders Cincinnati Dance** - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Art Miller; Cuer: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier – 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.

February 11, 2017 - **Palace Promenaders Valentine & Pie Dance** - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Art Miller; Cuer: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier – 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.

February 18, 2017 - **Palace Promenaders 33rd Anniversary Dance** - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Art Miller; Cuer: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier – 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.

March 11, 2017 - **Palace Promenaders St. Patrick's Day Dance** - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Art Miller; Cuer: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier – 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.

March 19, 2016 – **West Coast Association Membership Dance** - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller Emcee: Robert Arias along with area callers and cuers – Early Rounds 1:30 – 2:00 p.m. – alternating Mainstream and Plus 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Members: FREE – Guests: \$5 per person. For info: yellowrose7045@gmail.com.

April 15, 2017 - **Palace Promenaders Easter Parade Dance** - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Art Miller; Cuer: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier – Squares and Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – wear your Easter bonnet 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.

April 29, 2016 - **Palace Promenaders Farewell Dance for the Summer** - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Art Miller; Cuer: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier – 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.

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.)

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

<http://www.ilvinyl.com/SQUARE---ROUND-DANCING.html> (vinyl decals)

www.travelinghoedowners.com (Square Dance DVDs – Both Instructional and Dance)

www.suzieqcreations.com (Suzie Q Creations)

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

<http://www.calyco.com/> (CaLyCo Crossing - a full line square dance shop)

<http://www.tictactoes.com/> (Tic Tac Toes - shoe vendor)

www.sheplers.com (Sheplers - the world's largest western stores and catalog)

www.PerfectPetticoats.com (Perfect Petticoats)

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

Square Dance Halls

www.Strawberrysquaredancing.com (Strawberry Square)

Callers/Cuers

<http://www.mike-gormley.com> (Mike Gormley)

<http://www.samdunn.net/> (Sam Dunn)

<http://www.floridasquaredance.com/jcspin/> (Jimmy and Carol Griffin)

www.keithstevens.com (Keith Stevens)

Clubs

www.sailfishsquares.org

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 \(round dance publications\)radionetwork.com](http://www.squaredance(rounddancepublications)radionetwork.com) (square dance radio network)

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