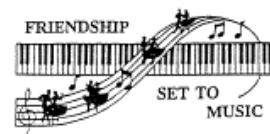

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immediately prior to the Wednesday night Strawberry Square Fun Plus dance with Mart Vanwart. For info: yellowrose7045@gmail.com.

September 1, 2016 – Deadline for Members of the Florida Callers Association to Submit Profiles for Calling at the Florida State Convention. For info: lewisquare@yahoo.com or 561-731-3119.

September 5, 2016 - Deadline for submissions to the *Bow & Swing* October issue. Send to bowandswing@gmail.com.

September 7, 2016 - Deadline for Submissions to the October 2016 Issue of the Northeast Association's *The Grapevine*. For info: thegrapevinemag@hotmail.com.

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!



Lynne Scott was knocked down by a man chasing a frisbee Friday afternoon, July 31st at Daytona Beach. She has four fractures of the pelvis and is in Halifax Medical Center in Daytona Beach until she is stabilized and can be transported to Lakeland, probably to a skilled nursing facility.

Lynne and her husband John are treasurers of the West Coast Association.

If you would like to send her a card, her address is 6647 Crescent Lake Drive, Lakeland, FL 33813.

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Your Source...

I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

November 11 – 12, 2016 – **West Coast Association’s Fall Fun Fest** – Bartow

March 24 – 25, 2017 – **Florida State Convention Ribbons, Buttons and Raffle Tickets**

West Coast Association membership badges and bars

Marshall Flippo

To the average reader in his hometown of Abilene, Texas, the name of Marshall Flippo may not be well known. But ask anyone in the Square Dance World – he is known by all. From humble beginnings, one of “our own” has made it to the “Big Time” and has maintained a career of 65+ years. He became one of only a handful of Top Square Dance Callers in the nation and worldwide. He is a modest, quiet spoken man. He implies that he just sort of “glide stepped” into international fame among the great Square Dance callers. But in the world of Square & Round dancing, Flippo is a STAR.

Marshall Flippo was born in Tuscola, Texas (a small town just south of Abilene). His parents moved to Abilene by wagon when he was 2. He worked for Meads Bakery as a bread wrapper starting at age 12. He joined the Navy and served in World War II. When he returned, he went back to work for Meads Bakery.

Flippo and Neeca married in 1949, they took Square Dance lessons from Betty Casey in early 1951 in her house in Abilene, and he started calling in 1952. They joined a couple of clubs and he started calling a little. They didn't have a regular caller, so different ones would memorize a "set pattern" singing call and together they could call a "dance". Flippo was the only one with whom it "stuck". Neeca is loved by everyone as well. They say the highlight of their life was on June 8, 1963, when their son, John, was born.

The dancers in the Abilene area, back in 1958, were in need of a building to hold their square dances. Four couples (Marshall and Neeca Flippo, Ed and Delona Fischel, Bill and Helen Smothers, and Larken and Mabel Drake) agreed to put up \$1500 each for their share, or to work a number of hours to make up their share. So, with \$3,500 in cash they decided to make this happen. A triangle shaped half acre of land was purchased February 15, 1958, for \$500 just west of Abilene in Tye, Texas. With many hours of work and donated materials the Wagon Wheel became a reality. However, there was not enough cash on hand to build the building, so materials were volunteered and everyone helping was welcomed. That's how the telephone poles and picket fence came to be in the building. Neeca Flippo worked for the Telephone Company and arranged to have the telephone poles and railroad cross arms donated. The telephone poles are still very visible in the peak of the roof and extend the length of the building. The Flippos used a part of their back fence to go under the floor for support. They scrounged for products and they donated two of their closet doors from their house for the bathroom doors at the wagon Wheel, which are still there. The building had a hardwood floor, a concrete patio, a kitchen, band stand, and an office. The flooring was purchased and installed by them and at the first dance, the floor buckled and had to be fixed. As Neeca said, "We weren't carpenters and didn't know to allow for the floor to swell!"

The Square & Round dancers have kept the western décor as it was in the building. They added onto the building in 1975, making the floor 100' long. Refrigerated air and a new roof have been added. Today it is one of the premier Square & Round Dance halls in the country.

Marshall Flippo named the building the Wagon Wheel because there were many wagon wheels around in those days and they drove all over looking for people who would donate them for the décor.

Flippo and Neeca vacationed in Kirkland Lodge at the Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri. It is a "kind of square dance resort". In 1961 Bill Hagedorn invited Marshall to go there as a staff caller. This meant his wife giving up her job with Bell Telephone and he giving up his job with Texas Highway Department. He would spend six months of the year as staff caller and travel the other six months. When Kirkwood closed in the fall for the winter, he would tour the Northeast. Then he would work back through the Southern states and, hopefully, he would

work through Oklahoma, Kansas, and Nebraska. Then in February, he would be on the West Coast. In 1973 the Flippos became co-owners of Kirkwood Lodge and operated the popular resort for over 20 years.

Marshall was an excellent barefoot water skier and a golfer.

In Abilene, he launched a 65+ year career of Professional Square Dance calling that has taken him across the country and around the world. He has recorded literally thousands of records and called for thousands of dancers. In the Square Dance world, he is known by literally everyone. He is so popular and has made so many friends, that on his 80th birthday in 2007, he received more than 800 cards. He says "Well I stopped counting at 800".

Square dance callers modify popular songs to retain the artist's melody and some of the words. But, the revisions add instrumental measures so dance figures can be called. Flippo became a Master of this. He has recorded for Blue Star Records, Chapparal Records, Rhythm Records, Royal Records, Square Dance Label, Dance Ranch Records, ESP Records, Square Times, River Boat Records, Four Square Records, Desert Gold Recordings, and bobcat Records. He has recorded so many over 1000 that he has lost track.

He has been successful as a recording caller with his renditions of "Auctioneer: on Blue Star, establishing a new high in square dance record sales.

- Marshall Flippo was inducted into the Texas Callers Hall of Fame in 2007.
- He has earned 2 gold records.
- He was Caller of the Year in 2011 presented by Rhythm Records.
- Flippo, as he is called, was Roasted at the Convention in Las Vegas in 2011.
- He was Staff Caller for Kirkwood Lodge in Osage Beach, Missouri, for 42 years.
- He has served on CALLERLAB's Board of Governors and in 1970 was inducted into the Square Dance Hall of Fame.
- He received the Lifetime achievement Award from Callerlab in 2016 – He is the only one to have received this award.
- Flippo has a Gold Card from Callerlab.
- In 1969, he was asked to call, along with Gary Shoemake, at the Texas Inaugural Ball when Preston Smith was Governor. On that Tuesday night, 200 squares of dancers were in attendance in Austin, Texas.
- Marshall Flippo has traveled to Germany 3 times, to Japan 4 times, and to London, Sweden, and Spain as a Square Dance Caller.

Throughout his 65+ year career as a Professional Caller, at age 88 he has maintained a busy life calling dances. He still teaches a beginners Class in his winter hometown of Tucson, Arizona. He has decided he needs to stop traveling, and since he "started" his professional career in Abilene at the Wagon Wheel, he wanted to "end" it back in Abilene at the Wagon Wheel.

So, on September 5th of this year, Labor Day, a “Marshall Flippo Day” is scheduled at the Wagon Wheel. Dancers, former dancers, other professional callers, and many who want to honor this Giant of Square Dance fame from all over will be there. An afternoon dance will be from 2:00 – 4:00. From 4:00 – 6:00 is set aside for visiting. At 6:00 a dinner will be served by the Abilene Area Square & Round Dance Assoc. 7:00 – 7:30 Kathy Stevens, of Lawn, Texas, will be cueing Rounds. At 7:30 – 9:00+ two other Professional callers and long-time friends, Gary Shoemake and Ken Bower, will MC the Square & Round Dance, all in honor of Marshall Flippo.

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Ken's Korner

By Ken Ritucci

WE NEED EACH OTHER

As a teacher of callers, it always amazes me how many times I hear from student callers who tell me that in their area, many of the local callers or their own club caller will not help them learn to call.

I know that many years ago, it was very common because the more established callers were afraid to help anyone. They thought that eventually they would lose their calling jobs. In some cases, this did happen, but why did they lose their jobs? Perhaps the newer caller came along and was just better than the established caller. Perhaps the student caller was nicer to the dancers or more open to trying things and calling what the dancers might have wanted.

It's no secret that many long time callers get set in their ways and will not change. We live in a world where change is inevitable, so if we do not continue to practice our craft and make changes to reflect the environment, then we will eventually become irrelevant.

I also hear of callers who tell newer callers that “they don't need to go to a callers school” because the experienced caller will help them. Some do help them, but I always tell perspective new callers to attend seminars and schools, not just mine. The more educated the caller is and the more they train, the odds are that they will be a better caller.

I still see it to this day, callers are jealous of potential new callers. There is no reason for this. I think this kind of an attitude is wrong and destructive. If these established callers want to do something for the activity, they should be helping the newer caller. Instead, they are being selfish and greedy. But, as they say, the cream eventually rises to the top.

I urge everyone to continue to help new callers and would-be callers; along with dancers, they are the future of our activity.

Reprint from *Ken's Newsletter* February 2015 Issue

What's Happening This Week?

Week of August 8, 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 (August 8) – **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: **Marty Vanwart**, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Casual attire. Dancers please use the entrance marked "Gage Hall" on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: bbkilk@verizon.net.

Tuesday (August 9) – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland** – Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – Caller: Bob Stern; Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Cost: Members \$6 – Guests \$7 - Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – wood floors – hearing enhancement – casual attire acceptable. For info: sqdncfan@gmail.com or 863-224-3393.

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 mutschlerdan@yahoo.com or 678-656-2523.

Wednesday (August 10) – **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

NOTE ABOUT THE RE-FINISHED FLOOR AT STRAWBERRY SQUARE

The new surface is at present not friendly to rubber and most soft soled shoes. Strawberry Square has some "booties" that will fit over your rubber soled shoes. (They are like the workmen wear who come into your house.). Otherwise bring your own dance shoes, or shoes with leather soles. It will take a little while for the new floor surface to be totally friendly to all shoes. If you don't have leather soled shoes, consider bringing some crew socks or heavy athletic socks to wear for dancing. They should work fine.

the Dance Center, please call Bob and Barb Hancock 419-633-0610 or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513. **See note above regarding floor.**

J & C Spinaround 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: Robert Arias; Cuers: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier. Workshop 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. - 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. alternating Mainstream and Plus. For info: Mary 941-380-5336 or Jennie 863-494-2749. For info: Mary 941-380-5336 or Jennie 863-494-2749.

Thursday (August 11) – ***Snell's Bo's and Bells*** – Hale Activity Center, 330 Douglas Avenue, Dunedin, FL – Caller/Cuer: Allen Snell – Workshop 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. - \$6 per person – casual attire. For info: 727-862-4842.

Shufflin' Squares - Lake Ashton Golf Club, 4141 Ashton Club Drive, Lake Wales, FL – alternating Mainstream and Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Caller: Keith Stevens – square dance attire optional. For info: lanceandrita@yahoo.com.

Jacaranda Trace – 3600 William Penn Way, Venice - A-2 - 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Caller: Mike Cox. For info: 941-408-2627.

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 – 7:00 – 9:00 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 – **NO DANCE** For info: dhua7@aol.com or 727-544-0227.

Friday (August 12) - ***Strawberry Square Summer Program Plus/Advance Dance*** Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: **Marty Vanwart** - 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. **See note above regarding floor.**

Saturday (August 13) – ***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 (August 14) –

Monday (August 15) – *Temple Twirlers Ice Cream Social* – 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: **Bob Ormsbee**, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Casual attire for the summer. 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 (August 16) – *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 mutschlerdan@yahoo.com or 678-656-2523.

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!

August 1, 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: lanceandrita@yahoo.com.

May 9, 2016 – **Summer Round Dance Workshop** – Herons Glen, North Ft. Myers – Phase II review and teaching Phase III – 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Russ Collier. For info: 941-661-1920.

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: Please carry your dance shoes into the hall and wear them when walking on the dance floor so that foreign matter isn't brought on to the floor causing scratches marring of the new surface.**

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.

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

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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.

February 3 – 18, 2017 – **Square/Round Dance Cruise – Floating Callers’ College** – Grand Princess sailing out of San Francisco to Hawaii – Callers: Scot and Erin Byars (Crown Records Recording Artist); Cuers: MaryAnn Callahan and Craig Cowan. Complete CALLERLAB curriculum plus vocal sessions. Eight days of instruction classes on at-sea days). Prices starting at \$2,114 (prices per person/double occupancy and include all dance fees, port taxes, and government fees. Your cruise may be tax deductible! If you are currently calling, you may be able to deduct both your caller’s school fees and your cruise fare from your federal income taxes! On student’s travel will be eligible for deduction. 4dance Academy does not guarantee any tax benefits; please verify these benefits with your tax professional. Instructor: Scot Byars (CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach). Tuition \$100 (in addition to the \$150 dance fee paid with cruise). Make check payable to 4dance Academy and mail to 2140 Byron Road, Sacramento, CA 95825 or visit www.gr8dancing.com to pay with PayPal. For more information, call Scot at 916-320-7207.

February 19, 2017 - **Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association (SCCA) Annual Clinic** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Time TBD. You do not have to be a member of the Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association to attend. For info: ted.hughes@juno.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...

August 17, 2016 – **West Coast Association Business Meeting** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 6:00 p.m. immediately prior to the Wednesday night Strawberry Square Fun Plus dance with Mart Vanwart. For info: yellowrose7045@gmail.com.

October 15, 2017 - **Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association (SCCA) Meeting** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 12:30 p.m. 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: ted.hughes@juno.com.

January 7, 2018 **(TENTATIVE)** - **Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association (SCCA) Meeting** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 12:30 p.m. 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: ted.hughes@juno.com.

February 4, 2018 **(TENTATIVE)** - **Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association (SCCA) Clinic** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Details TBA. You do not have to be a member of SCCA to attend this clinic. For info: ted.hughes@juno.com.

March 18, 2018 **(TENTATIVE)** - **Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association (SCCA) Meeting** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 12:00 p.m. prior to the Beginners 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: ted.hughes@juno.com.

March 18, 2018 – **Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association (SCCA) Beginners Ball** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Callers and Cuers: members of SCCA. Early Rounds 1:30 – 2:00 p.m. Class level squares and rounds 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Experienced dancers invited to attend and dance with the new dancers. For info: ted.hughes@juno.com.

April 1, 2018 **(TENTATIVE)** - **Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association (SCCA) Meeting** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 12:30 p.m. 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: ted.hughes@juno.com.

October 14, 2018 **(TENTATIVE)** - **Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association (SCCA) Meeting** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 12:30 p.m. 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: 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)

Publications

www.flwestcoastdancer.com (West Coast Dancer)

<http://newsquaremusic.com/sioindex.html> (Sets in Order)

Associations/Organizations

www.flwestcoastdancer.com (West Coast Dancer)

<http://floridasquaredance.com/westcoast/index.html> (West Coast Assn.)

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

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

<http://scafl.com>. (Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association)

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

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

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

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

www.travelinghoedowners.com (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)

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.rodbarngrover.com> (Rod Barngrover)

<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)

Miscellaneous

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

<http://www.dosado.com/cgi-bin/lib/shop-wrapper.pl?page=rdpubs&shop=dosado&cart=3901977.2052>[http://www.squaredance\(rounddancepublications\)radionetwork.com](http://www.squaredance(rounddancepublications)radionetwork.com) (square dance radio network)

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