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October 13 – 14, 2017 – Daytona Beach Ball - The Ormond Senior Center, 351 Andrews Street, Ormond Beach, FL – Caller: Tony Oxendine – Cuers: Jimmy and Carol Griffin. Casual or traditional attire all weekend – dance on our wood dance floor – no partial packages. Friday: Early Rounds 7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – Squares and Rounds 7:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.; Saturday: Rounds 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Squares 10:30 a.m. – noon, 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., Rounds 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.; Early Rounds 7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., Squares/Rounds 7:30 p.m. –

9:30 p.m. After party 9:30 p.m. – 10:39 p.m. Dance package – Limited squares, Plus Level, No split sessions. Dance package price is \$80 per couple. For info: 386-6798-5020 or LadybirdDB@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.

DATE CHANGE November 1, 2017 – Deadline for Hall of Fame Nominations – Nominees must have a minimum of 10 years statewide involvement in the Florida Square and Round activity. Their contributions must encompass the entire state of Florida, not just one or two areas. This should require unselfish dedication of time and labor. Being an area president, Federation president, Call/Cuer Association president and/or State Convention Chairman is not enough. The Hall of fame is seeking individuals or couples whose efforts have affected the majority of the State of Florida. Preparing a nominating resume will take some time and investigation to make it complete. Talk to other dancers, callers, and/or cuers for dates, places and times the nominee was involved in statewide participation. Follow the who, what, when, and where rule as you investigate and prepare the resume. The more information the better. For additional info and the nomination form: <http://floridasquaredance.com/halloffame/index.php> or apicheco@att.net.

From the Editor...



The dance season has started! Seasonal clubs are starting to open and over the next few weeks, more and more clubs will open until we are in full swing by January. Welcome back to those of you that have returned to Florida. We have missed you!

Don't forget to send your 2018 schedules, along with themes, levels, caller and/or cuer information, address of the dance hall, and an email address and phone number for people to contact for questions. The distribution for this newsletter is currently at a little over 800 names. Some of those people then forward it on to others, so the distribution is easily at least 1,000 names! FREE advertising for your dances and classes. Why not take advantage of that? Information in the DANCERgram is more current than any printed newsletter since it is an electronic newsletter.

Please note below that the Class list is now subdivided by the type of dance – Squares, Rounds, Callers/Cuers, and Line Dancing. Each subdivision is in chronological order. I hope that this will make it easier to find a class you are looking for!

Some of the ‘new dancer dances’ have started with more scheduled to open over the next few weeks. Why do I call it ‘new dancer dances’? In all the surveys and studies, we have found that using the word class scares people off. In today’s world, everyone is in a hurry to start things and telling someone they have to attend class once a week for a 1 ½ - 2 hour class for 30 +/- weeks is a big turn-off. If you explain to potential dancers that they will be dancing by the end of the evening, they are more interested. In fact, I also tell them there are no contracts, it’s pay as you go; if you find it’s not for you, you have no obligation to return. We have to find some appealing ways to recruit new dancers. Some other things you can mention is there is no special clothing or shoes they have to wear, and the class is for 12 – 15 weeks¹. Don’t go into a lot of detail about learning the other levels; just explain that there are different levels and it’s up to them how high they go. There are very few clubs now that don’t alternate Mainstream and Plus at a dance so they will have plenty of places to go where they can dance Mainstream.

If they tell you they don’t live around here, explain that we can find dancing for them in the area they are from and once they learn to square dance, they can dance anywhere in the world. Square dancing has it’s own language and once they learn the language they can even dance in countries where English is not the main language. Basically, it’s just tell them the positive things. Don’t tell them that after they learn to dance, they have to join a club or the problem with joining a club is that you have to do work.

When your class starts, your members need to attend so they can get to know the new dancers and become friends with them. New people aren’t going to join anything where they don’t know anyone. Include them in your banner raids and special events (if applicable), make them feel like they are a part of the family. Make the first night a free open house with your club members in attendance and have refreshments. At the end of the class for the graduation, all of your club members should attend and bring refreshments and don’t forget the camera! Make it fun and acknowledge their hard work learning to dance. I’ve attended some graduations in the past few years, and graduation was pretty blah.

Did you know that the West Coast Association will reimburse your class related expenses up to \$100 per class? This does not include expenses for paying the caller or refreshments. Approved expenses are the purchase of books, videos, printing of flyers, and advertising costs. You need to submit your receipts to the West Coast Association treasurer for reimbursement.

¹ There are several callers who are now using a new curriculum that only lasts 12 – 15 weeks.

If your club is currently not holding new dancer dances, your club will probably not exist for very much longer. Having a class is where we can get our new club members, and if you're not pulling in new members your club will just dwindle away.

The Florida Callers Association will be holding their annual clinic and dance on October 20 and 21 in our area. The clinic, led by Tom Miller, will be held at their hotel in Lakeland. On Saturday night, they need a break from all the teaching, so they have a dance that we refer to as the Clinic Dance, at Strawberry Square Dance Center. The caller will be Tom Miller and the cuer will be Susan Snider from Jacksonville. Everyone is invited to attend this fun dance; it's not a dance just for the FCA members. You know that saying, "Those that do, do and those that don't, teach". Well now's the time to find out if your caller can dance! You can also earn some dangles – a purple heart for dancing in a square with three callers, an all girl or all guy square, maybe there's one for dancing in a square with three bald men! You can make up your own! This dance is in our neighborhood, there's no reason why we can't be well represented!

The Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association (SCCA) is trying something new this year. They will be having a free dance on Sunday, November 19th at Strawberry Square where they can practice their trade. Some callers and cuers want to call at a higher level, or some new callers and cuers that want input regarding their calling and cueing. In exchange for a free dance, you are asked to be human chess pieces so they can get some practice. Did you know that some callers use chess pieces to try out new formations! After each square or round, you will be asked to provide input. Please come help them out! I think it will be fun.

Health and Sympathy

The entries listed below are for callers, cuers, West Coast Association officers and representatives and other Florida associations, Federation officers and any others well known to the Florida square and round dance community. Listings for others are at www.dancergram.com – Health and Sympathy. The WC Joys and Concerns will be sent, as needed, to everyone on the DANCERgram distribution list.

Update on Cuer Russ Collier dated October 8, 2017: He continues to hold his own but remains in intensive care. His kidney output is better today. He seems to have some pain and requesting pain medication (but remember it hasn't even been a week since major surgery). Please continue to pray for his recovery.

Caller Ted Hughes is out of the hospital and seems to be doing well.

How do I get in touch with ...

This list can also be found at
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Your Source...

Updated 7.31.17

Ribbons, flyers, and fundraising items are available for the following dances:

- 2017 West Coast Association membership badges and bars
- Square Dancing – Friendship Set to Music. Ask me! Buttons
- November 11-12, 2017 – West Coast Association Fall Fun Fest ribbons.
- February 23-24, 2018 - 2018 Florida State Convention

Item	Colors/Sizes	Price
T-Shirts w/Convention Logo	Teal, Pink, Red, Royal Blue/S, M, L, XL, XXL	\$15 ea. or two for \$25
Mugs w/Convention Logo	N/A	\$3.50 ea. or four for \$12
Convention Buttons w/Convention Logo	N/A	\$1 ea. or four for \$3
Raffle Tickets for a Google Home and Chromecast ²	N/A	\$2 ea. or four for \$5
Polo Shirts ³	TBA	\$25 ea. or two for \$45
Passports ⁴	N/A	\$5 ea. for non-registered convention attendees
Registration Ribbons	N/A	Full Convention⁵: \$40, \$45 Weekender: \$32, \$35 Single Day: \$25, \$25 <i>Breakdown of price increases⁶</i>

² Drawing 11/18/17 at the Northeast Association's Fall Festival. You do not have to be present to win.

³ Samples received

⁴ Each 2018 ribbon will come with a "Dance Passport." Bring it to every dance you attend, and have it dated and initialed each time. Bring it to the Convention, and we will award prizes for the most clubs visited, the most days danced, and a random drawing from all passports received. If you are unable to attend in 2018, you may get a passport for a \$5 donation. This will support the convention, and make you eligible for the prize drawing. We will also keep in touch with monthly email updates. If you do not attend the Convention, mail your passport to Dennis Taylor, Registration Chairman, 215 Carib Drive, Merritt Island, FL 32952.

⁵ Friday evening and all day Saturday

⁶ 6/1/17 – 12/31/17; and 1/1/18 and later. All prices are per person

West Coast Square and Round Dancers' Association Announces 2018 Officers

The West Coast Association held their annual meeting on Saturday, September 23rd at Strawberry Square Dance Center. The annual election was one of the agenda items. All of the 2017 officers agreed to stay in their positions for another year. They are:

- President: Ed Drexel
- Vice Presidents: Lance and Rita Baxter
- Secretary: Terry Wetherby
- Treasurers: John and Lynne Scott

The West Coast Association covers 16 counties on the west coast of Florida. These counties include Charlotte, Citrus, Collier, DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Lee, Levy, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, and Sarasota. The Association would like to have a county representative for each of these counties. Even though some of these counties do not have any square dancing activity at the current time, it would be nice to have a representative to work on getting dancing started in those counties. The vacancies are Hernando, Lee, Levy, Manatee, and Sarasota. The representative serves as a contact person in their county for dance information, and handles West Coast Association memberships, and selling ribbons for the annual Fall Fun Fest and the Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention. There are two business meetings a year, one in Plant City and one in Arcadia. All West Coast members are invited to attend these meetings and become aware of what is happening in the west coast area of Florida.

What's Happening This Week?

Week of October 9, 2017

All clubs, callers, and cuers are encouraged to provide the editor with new dance schedules on an annual basis, as well as any updates, changes, and cancellations as needed. We reserve the right to delete listings for lack of updates.

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

Monday (October 9) – *Temple Twirlers* - Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Allen Snell**, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Pink square dance attire – finger foods. Dancers please use the entrance marked "Gage Hall" on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: [813-382-8621](tel:813-382-8621) or lindarobertsTempletwirlers@gmail.com.

Tuesday (October 10) – **Buttons and Bows of Lakeland** – Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – Caller: John Swindle – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – wood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free – finger foods. For info: sgdncfan@gmail.com or 863-224-3393.

Horizons Round Dance Club - 9200 Littleton Road (south of Shell Factory) – Cuer: Russ Collier – 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. For info: russcollier1@gmail.com.

Suncoast Squares – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – Introduction to Round Dancing 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. - Mainstream 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. – Plus workshop and dancing 9:00 – 10:00 p.m. Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. Beginner classes are at 7:30 and we have some wonderful new dancers who are just starting out on their square dance journey. Come, support them, and enjoy getting to know them. Plus workshop is afterwards at 9:00 p.m. 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 (October 11) – **Strawberry Square Summer Fun Plus** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City - Caller: Marty Vanwart – 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. - wood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. 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; Mary Lee Van Valkenburg – 813-707-1702; Barbara and Don Huff 813-752-2278.

J and C Spinarounds Phase IV and V Workshop and 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.

Cultural Center Squares – Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Rooms F and G, Port Charlotte, FL. Caller: Robert Arias - Cuers: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier – Workshop 5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Mainstream, Plus, and Rounds 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. For info: Mary 941-380-5336 or Jennie 863-494-2749.

Thursday (October 12) – **Shufflin' Squares** – Lake Ashton Golf Club, 4141 Ashton Club Drive, Lake Wales, FL – Class 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. – followed by either Plus or Advance – Caller: Keith Stevens - square dance attire optional. For info: lanceandrita@yahoo.com.

Jacaranda Trace Dance and Workshop – 3600 William Penn Way, Venice - A-2 - 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Caller: Mike Cox. Attending dancers are required to be efficient in all positions A1. 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 mutschlerdan@yahoo.com.

Promenade Squares Hobo Stew Dance – Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – Beginners 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, Cuer: Jimmy Griffin. For info: dhua7@aol.com or 727-544-0227.

Friday (October 13) – 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: **Robert Arias**. Square dance attire preferred. Air-conditioned hall, wood floor, and lighted, paved off-street parking. For info: 813-938-1038.

Strawberry Square Summer A-2 Dance - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Caller: **Keith Stevens** – Workshop 7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – Dance 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. – wood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. 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 or Dona Watson and Henry Hillje 813-756-6145.

Saturday (October 14) – Strawberry Square Final Summer Plus Dance – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller/Cuer: **Mike Cox** – Early Rounds 7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – Plus/Rounds 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. - wood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. 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 or Mary Lee Van Valkenburg – 813-707-1702.

Palace Promenaders – Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 NE Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Robert Arias – Cuers: Jenny Martin and Russ Collier – Workshop 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Mainstream, Plus, and Rounds 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Parking is available behind the building. For info: Jennie 863-494-2749 or Mary 941-380-5336.

Sunday (October 15) –

Monday (October 16) - Temple Twirlers Oktoberfest – 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 – casual attire. Dancers please use the entrance marked “Gage Hall” on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: 813-382-8621 or lindarobertsTempletwirlers@gmail.com.

Tuesday (October 17) – Horizons Round Dance Club - 9200 Littleton Road (south of Shell Factory) – Cuer: Russ Collier – 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. For info: russcollier1@gmail.com.

Suncoast Squares – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – Review session 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Mainstream 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. – Plus workshop and dancing 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.

Communicate this information to new dancers! It's not a secret!

The Class list is subdivided into types of dance – Squares, Rounds, Caller/Cuers, and Lines

October 9, 2017

Sunday - **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.

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June 5, 2017 – October 23, 2017 – **Strawberry Square Summer Beginners' Class** – 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Callers/Instructors: Marty Vanwart and Keith Stevens – 7:30 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. Please check www.strawberrysquaredancing.com for schedule changes.

August 31, 2017 – **Suncoast Squares Advance Class** - King of Peace Church, 3150 – 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – LGBT club - all are welcome (including the straight community) - Caller/Instructor: Mike Cox - high energy dancing – singles and couples – no partner needed – casual attire. There will be a special workshop at the end of the evening for the experienced Advanced dancers. For info: Leslie – 727-366-4235 or Dan – 678-656-2523.

September 12, 2017 - **Suncoast Squares Beginners Square Dance Lessons** – King of Peace Church, 3150 – 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – LGBT club - all are welcome (including the straight community) - Caller/Instructor: Mike Cox - high energy dancing – singles and couples – no partner needed – casual attire. For info: Lisa – 727-366-4235 or Dan – 678-656-2523.

October 29, 2017 – **Strawberry Square Final Night of Summer Program Phase 3/Intro to 4** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Check website (www.strawberrysquaredancing.com) for updates just in case there isn't enough participation. 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 3, 2017 - **Maple Leaf Squares A-1 Workshop** - Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, Queensway Hall, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte – Plus 1:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. – Caller: Dave Magee. Square dance attire preferred - \$5 per person. For info: 941-235-1611 or callerdave@hotmail.com or <http://www.mapleleafsquares.com/>.

November 2, 2017 - **Maple Leaf Squares Plus Workshop** - Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, Canam Hall, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte – Plus 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Caller: Dave Magee. Square dance attire preferred - \$5 per person. For info: 941-235-1611 or callerdave@hotmail.com or <http://www.mapleleafsquares.com/>.

November 2, 2017 - **Maple Leaf Squares DBD Plus Workshop** - Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, Canam Hall, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte – 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. – Caller: Dave Magee. Square dance attire preferred - \$5 per person. For info: 941-235-1611 or callerdave@hotmail.com or <http://www.mapleleafsquares.com/>.

November 3, 2017 - **Maple Leaf Squares Mainstream Workshop** - Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, Canam Hall, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte – 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Caller: Dave Magee. Square dance attire preferred - \$5 per person. For info: 941-235-1611 or callerdave@hotmail.com or <http://www.mapleleafsquares.com/>.

November 6, 2017 – March 26, 2018 – **Heron's Glen Beginners Class** - Herons Glen, 2250 Avenida Del Vera, North Fort Myers – 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. – \$4 per person - Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee. For info: callerdave@hotmail.com.

November 6, 2016 – March 26, 2018- **Heron's Glen Plus Class** - Herons Glen, 2250 Avenida Del Vera, North Fort Myers – 8:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. – \$4 per person - Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee. For info: callerdave@hotmail.com.

November 6, 2017 – **Strawberry Square Beginners Square Dance Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller/Instructor: Marty Vanwart – 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Angels needed; you do not have to be a member of Strawberry Square to help. 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 6, 2017 – **Strawberry Square Plus Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller/Instructor: Marty Vanwart – 8:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Angels needed; you do not have to be a member of Strawberry Square to help. 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, 2017 – **Strawberry Square A-2 Review/Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Keith Stevens – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. 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 or Dona Watson and Henry Hillje at 518-527-0292.

November 7, 2017 - **Maple Leaf Squares Beginners Class** - Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, Queensway Hall, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte – Plus 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Dave Magee. Square dance attire preferred - \$5 per person. For info: 941-235-1611 or callerdave@hotmail.com or <http://www.mapleleafsquares.com/>.

December 4, 2017- **Bradenton Three-Week Review Prior to New Class** – Village on the Greens Clubhouse, 508 – 44th Avenue East, Bradenton – Caller/Instructor: Mike Cox - \$3 per person per session – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. For info and registration: votgsquaredance@outlook.com or 954-889-6971.

January 8, 2018 - **Strawberry Square Intro to A-1 Class** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Marty Vanwart – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. 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 or Dona Watson and Henry Hillje at 518-527-0292.

January 8, 2018 - **Strawberry Square Intro to A-2 Class** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Marty Vanwart – 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 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 or Dona Watson and Henry Hillje at 518-527-0292.

January 8, 2018 - **Bradenton Beginners Square Dance Lessons Start** – Village on the Greens Clubhouse, 508 – 44th Avenue East, Bradenton – Caller/Instructor: Mike Cox - \$3 per person per session 12:00 noon 2:00 p.m. For info and registration: votgsquaredance@outlook.com or 954-889-6971.

January 11, 2018 – March 29, 2018 – **Strawberry Square Intro to C-1** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Marty Vanwart – 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Nancy Hall 813-752-1816 or Jack Gano 813-659-2535.

June 20 – 23, 2018 – **Academy For Advanced & Challenge Enthusiasts** – Grand Wayne Convention Center, 120 W. Jefferson Boulevard, Fort Wayne, Indiana – Caller: Vic Ceder. For info: 805-686-1108 or www.ceder.net/aace.

ROUNDS

April 29, 2017 – **Punta Gorda Phase III – Intro to Phase IV Round Dance Workshop** – Ventura Lake Park, 27110 Jones Loop Road, Punta Gorda (east side of I-75) – Cuer: Russ Collier – 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. For info: 941-661-1920.

June 4 – October 29, 2017 – **Strawberry Square First Night of Phase 3/Intro to 4** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 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. Please check www.strawberrysquaredancing.com for schedule changes.

November 2, 2017 – March 29, 2018 – **Strawberry Square Phase 4 Dance/Teach** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cuers/Instructors: Tom and Cindy Bunn (864-723-6965) – 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the dance center, please call Cindy Bunn at 864-723-6965 or Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513. Check the dance center calendar (www.strawberrysquaredancing.com) for scheduling changes.

November 2, 2017 – March 29, 2018 - **Strawberry Square Phase 3 Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cuers/Instructors: Tom and Cindy Bunn (864-723-6965) – 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. - \$6 per person per session. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com

or 813-752-0491. Check the dance center calendar (www.strawberrysquaredancing.com) for scheduling changes.

November 4, 2017 – March 31, 2018 - **Strawberry Square Phase 5 Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cuers/Instructors: Tom and Cindy Bunn (864-723-6965) – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon - \$6 per person per session. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the dance center, please call Cindy Bunn 864-723-6965 or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513. Check the dance center calendar (www.strawberrysquaredancing.com) for scheduling changes.

November 4, 2017 – March 31, 2018 - **Strawberry Square Phase 3/4 Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cuers/Instructors: Tom and Cindy Bunn (864-723-6965) – 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. - \$6 per person per session. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. Check the dance center calendar (www.strawberrysquaredancing.com) for scheduling changes.

November 5, 2017 – March 25, 2018 - **Strawberry Square Phase 3/4 Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cuers/Instructors: Tom and Cindy Bunn (864-723-6965) – 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. - \$6 per person per session. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. Check the dance center calendar (www.strawberrysquaredancing.com) for scheduling changes.

November 7, 2017 - **Maple Leaf Squares Beginner Rounds** - Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, Queensway Hall, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte – Plus 6:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. – Cuer: Ken Klumpp. Square dance attire preferred - FREE. For info: 941-235-1611 or callerdave@hotmail.com or <http://www.mapleleafsquares.com/>.

November 17, 2017 – January 19, 2018 - **Strawberry Square Beginner Two Step Lessons** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cuers/Instructors: Tom and Cindy Bunn (864-723-6965) – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. - \$6 per person per session. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. Check the dance center calendar (www.strawberrysquaredancing.com) for scheduling changes.

January 26, 2017 – April 6, 2016 - **Strawberry Square Beginner Waltz Lessons** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cuers/Instructors: Tom and Cindy Bunn (864-723-6965) – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. - \$6 per person per session. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. Check the dance center calendar (www.strawberrysquaredancing.com) for scheduling changes.

December 4 - 7, 2017 – **Fall "Dance Boot Camp** – Stardust Dance Center, 3613 Citrus Tree Court, Plant City – Cuer: Curt Worlock – Program: 8 seminars/clinics on various topics (NO new dance routines taught) – 4 nights of dancing (15 minutes open dancing (music only), 15 minutes recap with practice dancing, 1 ½ hours Pave IV – VI party dancing. Schedule: Daytime sessions: 19:00 – 10:25 a.m. stretch with Tammy, 10:30 – 12:00 noon and 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. – casual attire (be comfortable in your dance shoes), Evening programs: 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. (dress up or tastefully casual) – enlistment fee \$260 per couple (only serious recruits need apply) – strictly limited to 50 couples. WE WANT YOU if YOU if YOU want to improve. Topics covered: • leading and following • rotating your frame • contra body movement • placing feet • think about partner • pointing the way • changing position • moving with

balance. 5,000 square feet of floating hardwood floor. For info: 813-431-3235 or cworlock@tampabay.rr.com. Flyer can be found at www.dancergram.com.

February 17 – 20, 2018 – **Winter “Dance Boot Camp”** featuring how to dance part two – Stardust Dance Center, 3613 Citrus Tree Court, Plant City, FL – Cuer: Curt Worlock – Program: eight seminars/clinics on various topics (NO new dance routines taught), four nights of dancing: 15 minutes Open Dancing (Music only), 15 minutes Recap w/Practice Dancing, 1 ½ hours Phase IV – VI Party Dancing. Schedule: Daytime sessions (10:00 – 10:25 a.m. stretch with Tammy; 10:30 – 12:00 noon and 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.) – casual attire (be comfortable in your dance shoes). Evening programs: 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. (dress up or tastefully casual). We want you if you want to improve. Topics covered: • figures that go wrong • stillness in your frame • moving together • side leading • turning to banjo? • better footwork • overdoing/less is more • where is your CBMP? Strictly limited to 50 couples (only serious recruits need apply. Enlistment Fee \$260. For info: 813-431-3235. For info: 813-431-3235 or cworlock@tampabay.rr.com.

CALLERS/CUERS

October 5 – 9, 2017 – **Northeast Callers School** – Hayloft Barn, Sturbridge, MA – Caller: Ken Ritucci (Callerlab accredited Caller Coach); Special Guest Instructors: Tom Miller (Pennsylvania – Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach), Ted Lizzote (New Hampshire), and Oliver Kuester (Germany). Whether you are presently calling or desire to be a caller, this school will help you with your calling career. Plenty of microphone time, professional assessment of your skills, understand what it takes to be a leader, full CALLERLAB curriculum, and develop a calling career that is best for you. \$400 per student 0 space is limited! Register today! For an application and more information, contact Ken Ritucci at 413-262-1875 or KenRitucci@aol.com or www.KenRitucci.com.

November 5 – 9, 2017 – **Appalachian Callers School** – Cacapon Resort State Park, 818 Cacapon Lodge Drive, Berkeley Springs, WV – Callers: Betsy Gotta (New Jersey - CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach), Tom Miller (Pennsylvania – CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach), Bill Harrison (Maryland – Caller Coach), and Keith Stevens (Florida – Caller Coach). Everything under one roof!!! School – lodging – restaurant. Full CALLERLAB Curriculum for new and experienced callers. Tuition: \$350 No charge for accompanying partner. Food and lodging not included. \$50 discount for previous attendees of the Appalachian or Pocono Callers Schools. Scholarships available at CALLERLAB.com. Lodging: \$67 +_ tax is the room rate in the Cacapon Lodge. Make reservations directly with the Lodge by calling 304-258-1022. Make sure to say you are with the Appalachian Callers School. Food: full restaurant onsite and many local restaurants. School limited to 20 students. Curriculum to include, but not limited to: Mechanics of Choreography, Methods of Choreographic Control, Music, Voice, Programming, Showmanship, Teaching, Timing, Ethics, Beginner Parties, Modules, Sight Resolution, Smooth Dancing, and Self Improvement Techniques. ‘If you can’t excel with talent, triumph with effort.’ – Dave Weinbaum. For info: 732-249-2086 or ugottadance@optonline.net.

July 15 – 19, 2018 – **Canadian Callers College** – London, Ontario. For info: www.canadiancallerscollege.com.

July 26 – 29, 2018 – **The Teaching Institute** - Olivette Community Center, 9723 Grandview Drive, Olivette, MO - Ken Ritucci, Bill Harrison, Harlan Kerr. Program times: Starts Thursday, July 26 at 7:00 pm. School ends at conclusion of Student Dance Sunday night. Program levels: Beginner, Intermediate/Experienced. Cost: \$400.00 per student. No charge for spouse/partner. Key Benefits: •

Develop and Expand your Calling Skills • Increase ability to effectively teach square dance classes for all programs • Effective Class and Lesson Design • Teaching for Success--what it takes to have a great class--including the six elements of great teaching • Understanding and using teaching strategies for varying learning styles • Helpful strategies for struggling students • Self evaluation and evaluation of student progress • Keeping Classes fun and interesting • Ensuring student success and transfer of knowledge to the dance floor. Lodging: hotels are located a few miles from the hall. A listing of those facilities will be mailed for your convenience. Food: Several local restaurants are available with good food and reasonable prices. Additional information to be mailed before the start of school recommending dress and essentials, including directions to the hall. A questionnaire will be sent to better understand your goals prior to the school. Taping Sessions for your personal use IS allowed; the ability to review can benefit you year round!

LINE DANCING

November 14, 2017 – March 27, 2018 - **Strawberry Square Line Dance Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cuers/Instructors: Tom and Cindy Bunn (864-723-6965) – 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. - \$5 per person per session. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. Check the dance center calendar (www.strawberrysquaredancing.com) for scheduling changes. No dance on December 12, 2017.

Looking Ahead

Links

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Websites

<http://floridasquaredance.com/>

https://www.facebook.com/#!/home.php?sk=group_149454955123658andap=1 (Florida Federation's Facebook page)

Publications

www.flwestcoastdancer.com (West Coast Dancer)
<http://newsquaremusic.com/sioindex.html> (Sets in Order)

Associations/Organizations

<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.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 and Square Dance Shop, Mascotte, FL)
sewemupfashions.com (Sew 'em Up Fashions, Spartanburg, SC)
<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.rodbarngrover.com> (Rod Barngrover)
<http://www.samdunn.net/> (Sam Dunn)
<http://www.mike-gormley.com> (Mike Gormley)
<http://www.floridasquaredance.com/jcspin/> (Jimmy and Carol Griffin)
<http://www.luvrounds.com/> (Charlie Lovelace)
<http://www.ronreardoncaller.com/> (Ron Reardon)
www.keithstevens.com (Keith Stevens)
<http://curtandtammy.com/> (Curt and Tammy Worlock)

Miscellaneous

<http://LiveLivelySquareDance.com> (New square/round dance logo)
<http://www.dosado.com/cgi-bin/lib/shop-wrapper.pl?page=rdpubsandshop=dosadoandcart=3901977.2052>
<http://www.squaredance.com> (square dance radio network)

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