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May 5, 2017 – **Deadline for Submissions to Bow & Swing for the June 2017 issue.** For info: bowandswing@gmail.com.

May 31, 2017 – **Deadline to Pay Membership Dues to Suncoast Callers & Cuers Association (SCCA)**. If you have not paid your dues (\$10 per person) by the first meeting in October, your name will be automatically removed from the membership list. For info: mulberryspauling@tampabay.rr.com or 863-912-5027.

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.

Condolences to Jeanne Keller whose mother, BEE BERKANA, passed away on April 18, 2017. She was the mother-in-law of caller, **Robert Arias**. Details are not available at this time. Cards may be sent to Jeanne Keller, 612 Brenda Drive, Brandon, FL 33510-3726. Robert is the caller for Palace Promenaders in Arcadia and he guest calls at Sun City Swingers in Sun City, Temple Twirlers of Tampa, and Cultural Center Squares in Port Charlotte.

Caller Scotty Scharrer has returned to work after his back injury. He is completing three weeks of therapy.



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

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Your Source...

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

- 2017 West Coast Association membership badges and bars
- November 25 – 27, 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 ¹	N/A	\$2 ea. or four for \$5
Polo Shirts ²	TBA	\$25 ea. or two for \$45
Passports ³	N/A	\$5 ea. for non-registered convention attendees
Registration Ribbons ⁴	N/A	Full Convention⁵: \$35, \$30, \$45 Weekender: \$30, \$32, \$35 Single Day: \$20, \$25, \$25 <i>Breakdown of price increases⁶</i>

¹ Drawing 11/18/17 at the Northeast Association's Fall Festival. You do not have to be present to win.

² Merchandise not received yet.

³ Each 2018 ribbon will come with a "Dane 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.

⁴ Ribbons, registration flyers, and additional passports not received yet.

⁵ Friday evening and all day Saturday

⁶ Before 5/31/17; 6/1/17 – 12/31/17; and 1/1/18 and later. All prices are per person

ALL YOU EVER NEED TO KNOW ABOUT RELATIONSHIPS CAN BE LEARNED IN A DANCE CLASS

1. Lead her GENTLY and she'll follow you anywhere. (For every ACTION there is an equal and opposite REACTION.)
2. Never CRITICIZE YOUR DANCE PARTNER. The only person you can even consider fixing is YOU. (The person who is responsible for making the adjustment is the one who knows an adjustment is needed.)
3. A lead is an INDICATION of some desired direction. (It's a SUGGESTION, not DEMAND.)
4. A dance PARTNERSHIP is 50/50. BOTH partners are equally responsible for the outcome of the partnership. (Know your part.)
5. If either of us insists on knowing who is right and who is wrong about our dancing, "WE BOTH LOSE".
6. The FIRST rule in learning dancing or something new is "DON'T HURT ANYBODY" that you might be dancing with.
7. BE SENSITIVE to your partner and never blame or ridicule. YOU can make it right. (Don't adjust your partner, adjust YOURSELF.)
8. While you are dancing, always try to concentrate on WHAT is right rather than WHO is right.
9. TEAMWORK gets the most points. YOU are judged by how good you can make your PARTNER look.
10. A good PARTNERSHIP requires patience, understanding and an awareness of the partner.
11. Stay FOCUSED
12. The way to help a partner improve is to do YOUR part so well that you know that you are not part of the PROBLEM.
13. Listen to the MUSIC around you. Life is a JOY when we are both in step to the same MUSIC.
14. PRAISE works wonders. Always applaud The LITTLE THINGS and the bigger things will follow.
15. Every dance is a FIVE-MINUTE RELATIONSHIP. If someone can't complete one whole dance without criticizing, it's highly probable that when the music stops, the criticism won't.
16. We frequently judge others, not by who they are, but by who WE are when we are with them. Make your partner FEEL WONDERFUL.

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Not Your Grandpa's Hoedown: Square-Dance Calls Get A Remix

By [Annika Cline](#)

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Callerlab kicked off its 2017 convention with a square dance.

"Do an allemande left with the corner maid. Drop hands, pass, now promenade. Heads square through, four hands..."

To some it might sound like a riddle, but others know exactly how to follow those directions. They're square-dance calls — directions for the dancers. And they've gotten a remix of sorts.

Modern Western square dancing was taking its first steps in the 1940s. Barry Clasper has been a caller for more than 30 years and he said the dance was popularized 'round and 'round the globe during World War II.

"It's grown as a result of mostly U.S. servicemen traveling around the world, and so they would start doing it wherever their bases were," Clasper said. "And the people in the local area would see it, and they picked it up. So now there's dancing all over Europe, in Sweden, in Germany, in England and France."

And later, the Philippines, Australia, Japan ...

"It's really big in Japan, they really enjoy it," Clasper said.

The dance is a testament to memory skills. There are hundreds of those calls to learn, in seemingly endless combinations.

To make things even trickier, Clasper said, before the 1970s, the names of the calls meant different things to different people.

“Most people know the call ‘do-si-do,’” he said. “There were 27 different defined actions for do-si-do depending on where you were in the country.”

Get those people together on the dance floor and it would probably be a mess. So an organization called **Callerlab** was established, holding its first convention in 1974 to define square-dance calls.

And they still meet each year. This year’s convention is happening in Mesa, and they kicked it off with, what else? A square dance.

Dancers know the calls now. People from around and outside the country dance together on the same floor. Clasper said what they talk about now is how to pass the mic to new callers. He said the average age of Callerlab members is around 65.

“The hurdle we’ve had to get people over is the perception that square dancing is this hick thing from the movies. The hay bales and that kind of thing,” he said.

Sure, you’ll find a lot of square dances set to country music. But Clasper said if that genre’s not your thing, no problem.

“The thing that you need to dance is a regular beat, roughly 125 beats per minute. But beyond that, it could be anything,” Clasper said.

Even something like the pop hit, "Blurred Lines."

“When I first started, I heard square dance and I’m like, I don’t know ...” said 16-year-old Courtney Sewell. “But now that I’m into it it’s so much more fun.”

She was at the convention dressed up in a poofy blue skirt adorned with foxes wearing waistcoats and monocles. She’s been calling dances for two years.

“A friend of my mother’s got us into it,” she said.

So Sewell went along, a little reluctantly, that first time. Now she calls, and mom and dad dance.

“It’s also fun because when I started I realized I’m telling my parents what to do,” she laughed.

And she realized, hey, maybe this hobby isn't so ... square.

"And then I progressed even further once I figured out that there are songs that I knew, just me personally from my time listening to the radio," Sewell explained.

Now, Sewell said, she has her classic standards and her pop go-tos. And even some Disney hits.

"I have 'Colors of the Wind' from 'Pocahontas' over here," she said.

And Sewell's really hoping someone will create a caller version of "24K Magic" by Bruno Mars.

But you don't have to be a 16-year-old to call to a new tune, as evidenced by a few seasoned callers at the convention singing "One Call Away" — a Billboard hit from 2015.

What's Happening This Week?

Week of April 24, 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 (April 24) – *Temple Twirlers Birthday/Anniversary 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: **Allen Snell**, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Square dance attire preferred. Dancers please use the entrance marked "Gage Hall" on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. PLEASE NOTE: Door fees increased to \$6 for guests and \$5 for members. For info: 813-382-8621 or lindarobertsTempletwirlers@gmail.com.

Tuesday (April 25) – *Buttons and Bows of Lakeland* – Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – Caller: Marty Vanwart – 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: sqdnxfan@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 (April 26) - Strawberry Square Summer Fun Plus – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Marty Vanwart – 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 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 Wayne Sorrells – 770-490-1670; Mary Lee Van Valkenburg – 813-707-1702; Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

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: Art Miller - Cuers: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier - 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Mainstream, Plus, and Rounds. For info: Mary 941-380-5336 or Jennie 863-494-2749. For info: Mary 941-380-5336 or Jennie 863-494-2749.

Thursday (April 27) – 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: 239-7705257 or prentice0626@gmail.com.

Strawberry Square Phase 4 Figure Dance/Teach — Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Cuer/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.

Shufflin' Squares – Lake Ashton Golf Club, 4141 Ashton Club Drive, Lake Wales, FL – Early Rounds 7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. - alternating Mainstream/Plus – 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 Pajama Party Dance – Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – Mainstream/Plus/DBD Workshop 6:00 p.m. - Early Rounds 7:15 - 7:45 p.m.

Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:45 - 9:30 p.m. - Callers: Bob Ormsbee, Cuer: Jimmy Griffin. For info: dhua7@aol.com or 727-544-0227.

Friday (April 28) – 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: Gary Bubel. 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: Marty Vanwart – 7:00 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 Wayne Sorrells 770-490-1670, Dona Watson & Henry Hillje 813-756-6145, or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

Strawberry Travelers Square Dance Campers – Florida Sheep Festival, Greater Ocala Dog Club. For info: bspectrum319@aol.com.

Hitch N Go Square Dance Campers Paradise Oaks RV Resort – Caller: Ron Reardon. For campground info: 352546-5500. For dance info: thelowes@tampabay.rr.com.

Saturday (April 29) – Strawberry Travelers Square Dance Campers – Florida Sheep Festival, Greater Ocala Dog Club. For info: bspectrum319@aol.com.

Hitch N Go Square Dance Campers Paradise Oaks RV Resort – Caller: Ron Reardon. For campground info: 352546-5500. For dance info: thelowes@tampabay.rr.com.

Strawberry Square 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 Wayne Sorrells – 770-490-1670; Mary Lee Van Valkenburg – 813-707-1702; Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

Strawberry Square Final Phase 5 Figure Dance/Clinic – 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Cuer/Instructor: Jack and Nell Jenkins – 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. - \$6 per person per session - 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 Jack and Nell Jenkins 828-508-3690.

Strawberry Square Final Phase 3 Dance w/Phase 4 Intro Teach – 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Cuer/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.

Palace Promenaders Farewell Dance for the Summer – 1627 NE Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Robert Arias – Cuers: Jenny Martin and Russ Collier – Mainstream, Plus, and Rounds. Parking is available behind the building. For info: Jennie 863-494-2749 or Mary 941-380-5336.

Sunday (April 30) – Strawberry Travelers Square Dance Campers – Florida Sheep Festival, Greater Ocala Dog Club. For info: bspectrum319@aol.com.

Hitch N Go Square Dance Campers Paradise Oaks RV Resort – Caller: Ron Reardon. For campground info: 352546-5500. For dance info: thelowes@tampabay.rr.com.

Strawberry Square Classic Rounds - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Pot luck after the dance – 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

Monday (May 1) - 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 – finger foods. 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.

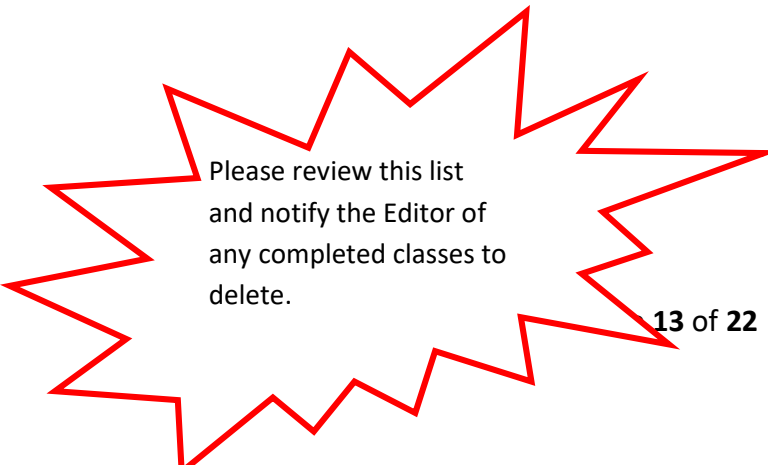
Tuesday (May 2) – Horizons Round Dance Club - 9200 Littleton Road (south of Shell Factory) – Cuer: Russ Collier – 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. For info: russcollier1@gmail.com.

Suncoast Squares – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – 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.

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



Please review this list and notify the Editor of any completed classes to delete.

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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.

Thursday – **Craig's RV Basic 50 Club** – Craig's RV Park – 7895 N.E. Cubitis Avenue (5.3 miles north of Palace Promenaders' Dance Hall; west side of Hwy. 17), Arcadia – Caller/Instructor: Robert Arias – 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. For info: 813-601-1834.

September 22, 2016 – **Strawberry Square Phase 2 – 3 Class** - 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Cuer/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 25, 2016 – **Strawberry Square Choreographed Ballroom (Round Dancing) Beginners Class in Rumba and Cha Cha** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cuers/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 and ASCAP licensed.

October 22, 2016 - **Strawberry Square Phase 3 Dance w/Phase 4 Intro Teach** - 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Cuer/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 1, 2016 – April 25, 2017 – **Strawberry Square First A-2 Review Workshop of the Season** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL – Caller: Keith Stevens. 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 5, 2016 – **Strawberry Square Phase 5 Figure Clinic/Dance** - 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Cuer/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.

December 4, 2016 – **Russ & Wilma's Round Dance Workshop** – South County Regional Park Carmalita Hall, 2610 Carmalita, Punt Gorda – Cuer/Instructor: Russ Collier – Phase 3 – 4 – 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. For info: 941-661-1920 or russcollier1@gmail.com.

December 6, 2016 – April 11, 2017 – **Woodmere Park Plus Workshop** – 3951 Woodmere Park Boulevard, Venice, FL – Caller: Red Bates – 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. For info: 941-223-0987 or redbates@juno.com.

December 9, 2016 – **Woodmere Mainstream/Plus Review** – Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.) – Time TBA – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481 or Venice cell 941-223-0987 or redbates@juno.com.

December 21, 2016 – **Palmetto Palms Workshop** - 19681 Summerlin Boulevard, Ft. Myers, FL – 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. RSVP and confirm dance level: 989-372-0852.

January 4, 2017 – **Punta Gorda Beginners Round Dance Class** – South County Community Services, 670 Cooper Street, Punta Gorda – 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Dick Chase. Casual attire. For info: 239-770-5257 or prentice0626@gmail.com.

January 5, 2017 - **Maple Leaf Squares Plus DBD** - Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, CANAM Hall, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte – 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee. You must be proficient in Plus to participate. Email Dave (callerdave@hotmail.com) if you intend to attend. For info: callerdave@hotmail.com.

January 6, 2017 – **Maple Leaf Squares Beginners Class** - Maple Leaf Golf and Country Club, CANAM Hall, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte – 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. – Caller/instructor: Dave Magee - \$4 per person per session. For info: callerdave@hotmail.com.

January 6, 2017 – **Indian Creek Advanced Choreographed Ball Room Lessons** - Indian Creek RV Resort, Room 11, 17340 San Carlos Boulevard, Ft. Myers Beach – Cuer/Instructor: Mike Alexander – 3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. For info: 508-965-7195.

January 6, 2017 – **Indian Creek Intermediate Choreographed Ball Room Lessons** - Indian Creek RV Resort, Room 11, 17340 San Carlos Boulevard, Ft. Myers Beach – Cuer/Instructor: Mike Alexander – 4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. For info: 508-965-7195

January 6, 2017 – **Indian Creek Beginners Choreographed Ball Room Lessons** - Indian Creek RV Resort, Room 11, 17340 San Carlos Boulevard, Ft. Myers Beach – Cuer/Instructor: Mike Alexander – 5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m. For info: 508-965-7195.

January 7, 2017 – **Indian Creek Social Dance Class** - Indian Creek RV Resort, 17340 San Carlos Boulevard, Ft. Myers Beach – learn Round dance steps and rhythms and how to execute those moves without cues. The class will concentrate on Cha Cha and Rumba. Instructor: Dick Chase – 3:30 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. For info: For info: 239-770-5257 or prentice0626@gmail.com.

January 7, 2017 – **Indian Creek RV Resort Social Dance Class** – Indian Creek RV Resort, 17340 San Carlos Boulevard, Ft. Myers Beach - Cuer: Instructor: Dick Chase – 3:30 – 5:15 p.m. Casual attire. For info: 239-770-5257 or prentice0626@gmail.com.

January 8, 2017 – **Strawberry Square Jive Classes** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cuer: Jack Jenkins – 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. – six-week session. 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.

January 10, 2017 – **Suncoast Squares Plus Class** - King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – 9:00 – 10:00 p.m. Caller/Instructor: 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.

January 12, 2017 – **Citrus Park Snobirds Beginner Square Dance** – Citrus Park Clubhouse, 25501 Trost Boulevard, Bonita Springs – Caller/Instructor: Wes Morris or Mac McCall – FREE! - 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. For info: 239-498-8833 or 239-992-0207.

January 17, 2017 – **Suncoast Squares New Dancer Classes** - King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. A GLBT Club – all are welcome (including the straight community) – casual attire. For info: www.suncoastsquares.com or suncoastsquares@gmail.com or mutschlerdan@yahoo.com or 678-656-2523.

January 18, 2017 – **Odessa Rumba and Cha Beginners Lessons** – Silver Dollar RV Resort, 12515 Silver Dollar Drive, Odessa – Cuer/Instructor: Sandra Burke – 4:30 p.m. For info: petrsan.burke495@gmail.com.

April 19 – October 25, 2017 – **Strawberry Square First Summer Fun Plus 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 Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

April 22, 2017 – October 28, 2017 – **Strawberry Square Summer Plus Dance** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Callers: Mike Cox (with Rounds) 2nd, 4th, and 5th, Marty Vanwart (with recorded Rounds) 1st and 3rd – 7:00 – 9:30 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.

April 28 – October 27, 2017 – **Strawberry Square Summer A-2 Dance** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Callers: Keith Stevens 1st and 3rd, Marty Vanwart 2nd and 4th 7:30 – 9:30 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.

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.

Start date change - 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.

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June 4 – 7, 2017 – **Northstar Callers School** – Oak Grove Lutheran Church, 7045 Lyndale Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN. For info: kenritucci.com/caller-schools/northstar or Brian Freed 612-961-6572 or brian@callerbrian.com.

June 14 – 17, 2017 – **(AACE) Academy for Advanced and Challenge Enthusiasts** – Grand Wayne Convention Center, Fort Wayne, IN. For info: 805-686-1108 or aace@ceder.net or www.ceder.net/aace.

June 5, 2017 – September 11, 2017 – **Strawberry Square Summer Beginners' Class** – 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Callers/Instructors: Marty Vanwart and Keith Stevens – 7:00 – 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.

July 20 – 23, 2017 – **Atlanta Callers School** – City of Light, 3125 Presidential Parkway, Atlanta, GA – Callers: Ken Ritucci (Massachusetts) (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach) and Tony Oxendine (South Carolina) (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach). Plenty of microphone time • understand what it takes to be a leader • Professional assessment of your skills • Develop a calling career that is best for you • Full CALLERLAB curriculum. Whether you are presently calling or desire to be a caller, this school will help you with your calling career. Only \$400 per student – Space is limited! Register today! For info: 413-262-1875 or kenritucci@aol.com or www.kenritucci.com.

August 10 – 13, 2017 – **2017 Norcal Callerlab School** – Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church, 728 W. Fremont Avenue., Sunnyvale, CA – Callers: Ken Ritucci (Massachusetts) (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach), Harlan Kerr (California), and Bill Harrison (Maryland). Plenty of microphone time • understand what it takes to be a leader • Professional assessment of your skills • Develop a calling career that is best for you • Full CALLERLAB curriculum. Whether you are presently calling or desire to be a caller, this school will help you with your calling career. Only \$400 per student – Space is limited! Register today! For info: 413-262-1875 or kenritucci@aol.com or www.kenritucci.com.

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.

October 29, 2017 – **Strawberry Square Final Night of Phase 3/Intro to 4** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cues: 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 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.

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 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. – 9:00 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.

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.

DATE CORRECTION 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.

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 for publication.

Looking Ahead

May 21, 2017 – **Monster Mash – the Square Dance** - King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox -. A GLBT Club – all are welcome (including the straight community). Come as a playful monster...a cookie monster, the almost dead, a graveyard smash, vampire, ghoul, zombie, wolfman, baying hound, Dracula or perhaps a feminine version of any monster. Use your imagination. You can simply be a monster square dancer. When you arrive, remember to say that Brois sent you! For info: www.suncoastsquares.com or suncoastsquares@gmail.com or mutschlerdan@yahoo.com.

July 8, 2017 – **Christmas in July Square & Round Dance to Help Others Walk** – Williston Crossings RV Park, 410 NE 5th Street, Williston, FL – to benefit the Shriner's Crippled Childrens Hospital – Touch a Quarter – Touch a Heart. Sponsored by the Rural Callers Association and Gateway Callers – 2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. One of the many fun events is the quarter line up. One foot of quarters is \$3.25. Bring your quarters and lets see how long we can make the line. Chinese Auction, raffles, door prizes, non-stop dancing – Squares and Rounds - \$10 per couple. Come dance to help the kids walk. With everyone helping, this dance has raised over \$20,000. For info: Mary Chesnut at 352-214-5880.

September 29 – October 1, 2017 – **Fall Weekend of Rounds** sponsored by the Round Dance Council of Florida – Grand Square Hall, 1105 Bob Little Road, Panama City, FL 32404 - featuring Barbara and Wayne Blackford. Friday: 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Dance - Phase 3-4 w/Rounds cued by members of RDCF. Saturday: 9:15 a.m.- 9:30 a.m. Warm-up Rounds, 9:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Clinic, 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Lunch, 12:30 p.m. – 12:45 p.m. warm-up rounds, 12:45 p.m. –

3:15 p.m. Clinic, 3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. RDCF meeting, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. 3/4 dance cued by members of RDCF. Sunday: 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Clinic. Cost: \$75 per couple. Hotel: Comfort Suites – 850-215-5551, 264 N. Tyndall Parkway, Callaway, FL. Camping: Military Only – FamCamp@TyndallAFB. For info: Susan Snider 904-98-5184 or Sandy Sturgis 850-265-9488.

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

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.66nsdc.com> 66th National Square Dance Convention – Spokane, WA
<http://www.nsdirectory.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.luvrounds.com/> (Charlie Lovelace)
<http://www.ronreardoncaller.com/> (Ron Reardon)
<http://www.rod barngrover.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=rdpubsandshop=dosadoandcart=3901977.2052><http://www.squaredance.com> (round dance publications)
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