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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.

Caller Donnie Miller's 92-year-old father passed away at the hospital on Saturday, July 24th. The viewing will be Friday evening, July 28th from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Fraser Funeral Home, 8168 Normandy Blvd., Jacksonville (about 1 mile west of I-295 on the west side of town. The service will be on Saturday, July 29th at the same address at 2:00 p.m. If you would like to send a card, his address is 6511 BoPeep Drive N., Jacksonville, FL 32210. Donnie is in charge of good will for the Florida Callers Association and calls in northeast Florida.

Retired Caller Lawton Smith passed away the week of July 17th. A memorial service will be held this Friday, July 28th at 11:00 a.m. at Westside Baptist church, 7775 Herlong Road, Jacksonville. Cards may be sent to his wife Eleanor Smith, 4709 Lawnview St., Jacksonville, FL 32205. Lawton called in the Jacksonville area. Former Caller Lawton Smith's memorial service

Penny Green's daughter, Rachel Rene Gunter, was killed in an accident on Thursday, July 20th, as she was driving home through heavy rain. Her visitation is Monday, July 24th from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Whidden-McLean Funeral Home, 650 E. Main Street, Bartow. The funeral will be on Tuesday, July 25th at the same location with burial at the Oak Hill Cemetery in Lakeland. Penny is the editor of the *DANCERgram* and Buttons & Bows of Lakeland's *Yellowrock News*, past president of Buttons & Bows of Lakeland (five times), past president of the West Coast Association, and past president of the Florida Federation. Rachel's obituary is below:



Rachel Rene Gunter

July 16, 1976 - July 20, 2017

RACHEL RENE PAUL GUNTER, 41, unexpectedly departed her earthly home to go to her heavenly home on Thursday, July 20, 2017.

She was born to Richard Lee Paul and Penny Tomlinson Paul Green in Casper, Wyoming, on July 16, 1976. At the age of two, she returned to Lakeland with her mother and lived in Polk County for the rest of her life. She graduated from Gause Career Development Center in 1995.

She married her high school sweetheart on July 7, 1995 and just celebrated their 22nd anniversary. Her first son, Daniel (DJ) was born April 13, 1997. On March 30, 2000, her second son, Trever, was born. She was a stay-at-home mother for several years working as a volunteer at their schools, chaperoning field trips, and attending every one of their shows and award presentations.

When she went back to work, she started at Watson Clinic in Radiology checking in patients. About 10 years after graduating from high school and after raising two sons, she decided to go to college and enrolled at Keiser University earning her Associate's and Bachelor's degrees in Criminal Justice while working full time. She graduated from Keiser on June 8, 2012. After she graduated, she worked at the Sheriff's Office 911 Call Center in Winter Haven. She left after two years and went back to Watson Clinic working in Physical Therapy checking in patients.

We will remember her for her friendliness, helpfulness, and caring attitude. Once a friend, you were always Rachel's friend. She had numerous friends from elementary school (students, faculty, and neighbors) all the way through high school and her career. Her family always came first and she was so proud of Daniel, DJ and Trever. She struggled to get through elementary and high school due to a learning disability, but she graduated from high school third in her class and then went on to obtain two college degrees.

All of her grandparents, Ennis and Betty Tomlinson, Arnold Paul and Betty Paul Henderson; her fatherin-law and mother-in-law James and Dell Gunter; and her stepfather Leon (Lee) Green Jr. predecease her.

Rachel is survived by her devoted husband of 22 years, Daniel Leon Gunter, Sr., two sons, Daniel (DJ) Leon Gunter, Jr. (Pam and granddaughter, Serenity Idell due in late November), and Trever Leon Gunter, all of Polk City; mother Penny Tomlinson Green and sister Jennifer Ann Green of Lakeland; father Richard Lee Paul; and three uncles, Mark Tomlinson, Bob Tomlinson (Kim), and Dale Thompson (Jonè) of Lakeland; two aunts Cindy Lee (Jack) of Lakeland and Sandy Paul Hall of Winter Haven; brother-in-law Jimmy Gunter (Tammy) of Ft. Meade; two sisters-in-law Cathy Gunter, Theresa Hall, and Angie Hansen (Rob). Also mourning her passing is two great uncles and numerous cousins in Florida, Georgia, and Michigan.

Heaven has gained a new angel, but we have our memories to sustain us until we see her again.

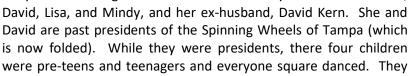
The funeral was held on Tuesday, July 25, 2017, in Bartow and interment will be held at Oak Hill Burial Park in Lakeland, FL. Condolences to family at <u>www.whiddenmcleanfuneralhome.com</u>.

Caller John Saunders' memorial dance was held on Saturday, July 22nd, in Ormond Beach. They had a good crowd enjoying the calling of John Barrett, Bill Chesnut, and John Saunders. Yes, they had recordings of John calling that they played for some of the tips. If you would like to send Linda a card, her address is 3303 Travelers Palm Drive, Edgewater, FL 32141 or her email is <u>johnlin2631@gmail.com</u>.

Dorry Clevenger's Celebration of Life was held Saturday, July 22nd, in Lakeland. Dorry and her late husband, Larry, were lifetime members of Buttons & Bows of Lakeland and had been members since 1958, past president of Buttons & Bows several times, and when we had a Knothead Konvention, they had the most years of attendance at the Konvention at the time it folded. Cards can be sent to her son, Ken Clevenger at 534 Wedgewood Drive, Alcoa TN 37701-1752 and her daughter, Kathleen Rodriguez, P. O. Box 684, Victor, ID 83455.

Clara Kern Harms passed away on July 18th at the age of 70. She is survived by four children – Jim,





started the Spin-offs, which was an offshoot of Spinning Wheels and was for all the kids. They danced the same night at Spinning Wheels in a room right next to Spinning Wheels and they all danced to Art Springer. Speakers were set up in both rooms so Art could call to both groups at the same time. If you want to send cards to the family, they can be sent in care of Mindy Meier at 1612 Lakeview Court NW, Winter Haven, FL 33881.



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

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Your Source...

Updated 6.12.17

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

- 2017 West Coast Association membership badges and bars
- 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 ¹	N/A	\$2 ea. or four for \$5
Polo Shirts ²	ТВА	\$25 ea. or two for \$45
Passports ³	N/A	<pre>\$5 ea. for non- registered convention attendees</pre>
Registration Ribbons	N/A	FullConvention4:\$40, \$45Weekender:\$35Single Day:\$25, \$25Breakdown of priceincreases⁵

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

² Samples received

³ 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.

⁴ Friday evening and all day Saturday

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

<u>Jerry Story</u>

July 19 at 10:43pm · <u>Fairfield, IA</u> ·

For anyone interested in starting a new SSD 50 Square Dance program, below is an excellent "how to get started" article. Compliments of Kip Garvey and the Sustainable Square Dance FB Chat Forum. Feel free to join this new fast moving trend.

Getting Things Started

There's always the nagging question about how to get a program like this started. A. Sponsorship. If you're fortunate enough to get an existing club to help sponsor the program, it is essential they understand that the goal is to build a destination program that does not exceed Mainstream, and actually should be targeted to just the 50 calls in the SSD program. Another option is to sponsor the program yourself. You will need some help, perhaps from a partner/spouse or one other committed friend or couple.

B. Advertise. There is no single advertising we've found that works better than the next. Word of mouth from current dancers in the program continues to be the best method to attract new dancers. But don't ignore all other means of spreading the word. I use local newspaper, 1/4 page handouts that I can put in stores and local places that folks can pick up and take home, magnetic signs for vehicles (I had 12 printed up and had several current dancers willing to place them on their cars and vehicles). The signs drive people to a website (trysquaredancing.com) and once their, prospective dancers can send me their email addresses. I collect and keep separate distribution lists, one of which is for prospective members. Before the start of any of our 3 classes, I send a blast-o-gram email out to all prospective members. Word of mouth continues to be the best method, and I emphasize the need for current dancers to give me the email addresses of any prospective dancers who are then included in my blast-o-grams. Advertising takes work. No way around it.

C. Assimilation. The first two nights are very important. With my split night, I encourage the second session dancers to come and dance the first session (no additional cost to them) so they can dance with the friends they bring. An important goal is getting the new dancers to feel they 'belong' to an established and friendly group as soon as possible.

D. Keep It Simple. Avoid over complications. Make the operational aspects easy and straight forward. A check-off sheet so you can keep track of attendance; an email list that can be kept up to date and current; keep refreshments to a minimum, as this also enhances the idea of 'party nights' where the dancers all bring along some snacks or whatever; and most important, keep the calls and traffic patterns simple and repeatable. Teach them what they need to know in order to dance what they will be dancing at the time. There's plenty of time in months to come to round out their learning and expand their understanding of the calls. E. Communicate. I send out an email every week two days before class day that contains three things: 1. Words of praise and encouragement and information on upcoming special party nights or other events; 2. A list of calls learned to date; 3. The calls to be taught in the upcoming class along with links to videos that show live dancers walking through the calls to be taught.

What's Happening This Week?

Week of July 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 (July 24) – *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: Robert Arias - Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – casual attire. Square dance attire preferred. Dancers please use the entrance marked "Gage Hall" on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: 813-382-8621 or <u>lindarobertsTempletwirlers@gmail.com</u>.

Heel and Toe – St. Cloud Senior Center Annex, 702 Indiana Avenue, St. Cloud – Caller: Bill Boyd - 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. alternating Mainstream and Plus - \$5 per person. **If you are interested in dancing, please call Rusty Gurgigno at 863-207-5410 before 3:00 p.m. on Mondays**. Website: <u>www.floridasquaredance.com/heelandtoe</u>. For info: <u>rustygurgigno@gmail.com</u>.

<u>Tuesday (July 25)</u> – Buttons and Bows of Lakeland – Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – Caller: Bob Ormsbee – 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: <u>sqdncfan@gmail.com</u> 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: <u>russcollier1@gmail.com</u>.

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.

<u>Wednesday (July 26)</u> – *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 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 <u>spinards@tampabay.rr.com</u> or <u>www.floridasquaredance.com/jcspin</u>.

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.

<u>Thursday (July 27)</u> – *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: <u>lanceandrita@yahoo.com</u>.

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: <u>www.suncoastsquares.com</u> or <u>suncoastsquares@gmail.com</u> or <u>mutschlerdan@yahoo.com</u>.

Promenade Squares – 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: <u>dhua7@aol.com</u> or 727-544-0227.

Friday (July 28) – *Strawberry Square Summer A-2 Dance* - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Caller: Marty Vanwart – 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 Wayne Sorrells 770-490-1670, Dona Watson & Henry Hillje 813-756-6145, or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

Saturday (July 29) – Strawberry Square Summer Plus Dance – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Marty Vanwart w/recorded rounds by Tom Bunn – 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.

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.

<u>Sunday (July 30)</u> –

<u>Monday (July 31)</u> - *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: 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: 813-382-8621 or <u>lindarobertsTempletwirlers@gmail.com</u>.

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<u>Tuesday (August 1)</u> – *Horizons Round Dance Club* - 9200 Littleton Road (south of Shell Factory) – Cuer: Russ Collier – 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. For info: <u>russcollier1@gmail.com</u>.

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: <u>www.suncoastsquares.com</u> or <u>suncoastsquares@gmail.com</u> or <u>mutschlerdan@yahoo.com</u> 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!

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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: <u>lanceandrita@yahoo.com</u>.

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.

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

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: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513. Please check <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> for schedule changes.

June 5, 2017 – September 11, 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: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513. Please check <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> 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.

August 22, August 29 or September 5, 2017 – **Suncoast Squares Beginners Square Dance Open** House – 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.

August 31, 2017 – **Suncoast Square 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: Lisa – 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 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 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 (<u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u>) for updates just in case there isn't enough participation. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

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

November 2, 2017 - **Maple Leaf Squares Plus Workshop** - Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, Canam Hall, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte – Plus 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Caller: Dave Magee. Square dance attire preferred - \$5 per person. For info: 941-235-1611 or <u>callerdave@hotmail.com</u> or <u>http://www.mapleleafsquares.com/</u>.

November 2, 2017 – March 29, 2018 – **Strawberry Square Phase 4 Class** – 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: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-

752-0491. Check the dance center calendar (<u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u>) 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: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491. Check the dance center calendar (<u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u>) for scheduling changes.

November 2, 2017 - **Maple Leaf Squares DBD 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 – 1:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. – Caller: Dave Magee. Square dance attire preferred - \$5 per person. For info: 941-235-1611 or <u>callerdave@hotmail.com</u> or <u>http://www.mapleleafsquares.com/</u>.

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. 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: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491. Check the dance center calendar (<u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u>) for scheduling changes.

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 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: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491. Check the dance center calendar (www.strawberrysquaredancing.com) for scheduling changes.

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: <u>callerdave@hotmail.com</u>.

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: <u>callerdave@hotmail.com</u>.

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: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> 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: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

November 7, 2017 - **Maple Leaf Squares Beginner Rounds** - Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, Queensway Hall, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte – Plus 1:00 p.m. – 2:45 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 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 <u>callerdave@hotmail.com</u> or <u>http://www.mapleleafsquares.com/.</u>

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:

<u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491. Check the dance center calendar (<u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u>) for scheduling changes. No dance on December 12, 2017.

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: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491. Check the dance center calendar (<u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u>) for scheduling changes.

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: <u>votgsquaredance@outlook.com</u> or 954-889-6971.

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: <u>votgsquaredance@outlook.com</u> or 954-889-6971.

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Websites

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ww.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.floridasquaredance.com (square dance marketing) http://sccafl.com. (Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association) http://www.flCallersassoc.org/ (Florida Callers 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.arts-dance.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)

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

<u>www.travelinghoedowners.com</u> (Square Dance DVDs – Both Instructional and Dance) www.suziegcreations.com (Suzie Q Creations)

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

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

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

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

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

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

Square Dance Halls

www.Strawberrysquaredancing.com (Strawberry Square)

Callers/Cuers

http://www.luvrounds.com/ (Charlie Lovelace) http://www.ronreardoncaller.com/ (Ron Reardon) 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

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

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