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#### January 5, 2018 - Deadline for Submissions to Bow & Swing for the February 2018 Issue For info: howandswing@gmail.com

the February 2018 Issue. For info: <a href="mailto:bowandswing@gmail.com">bowandswing@gmail.com</a>.

January 7, 2018 - West Coast Association Membership Dance – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Callers: Bob Stern and Ron Reardon – Cuers: Jimmy and Carol Griffin – Early Rounds 1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. – alternating Mainstream, Plus and Rounds (Phase 2 – 4) 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. – floating wood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. Please help keep the dance floor clean and neat by not carrying food or beverages across the dance floor and wearing street shoes on the floor. Shoe covers are provided at the door. West Coast members FREE; guests \$5 per person. For info: <u>lanceandritabaxter@yahoo.com</u>.

**DATE CHANGE** - January 21, 2018 - **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 meeting info: ted.hughes@juno.com. For membership info: Mike@Mike-Gormley.com.

# January 25, 2018 – Deadline for Submission to the Northeast Association's *The Grapevine*. For info: <a href="mailto:squaredancejax@gmail.com">squaredancejax@gmail.com</a>.

If your dance or club has a newsletter and/or an email distribution list, please add <a href="mailto:sqdncfan@gmail.com">sqdncfan@gmail.com</a> to your distribution. This will ensure your changes or cancellations are included in the DANCERgram.

## Inspirational Quotes (from the collection of Ed Foote)

"When you lead, it's a very lonely place at night, but it's worth it."...Billie Jean King, tennis pro

"A brook would lose its song if you removed the rocks." ... author unknown

"What is not love is always fear"...book, A Course in Miracles

"Friends are like stars. You don't have to see them to know they are there."...author unknown

"It's easy to underestimate the impact that a single gesture of love can have on another person's life."...Finding Our Way Home, by Gerald Jampolsky and Diane Cirincione

## From the Editor...



It's the first of a new year and there are many changes in our area!

I received word today that Cuer Dick Chase and his wife Darlene will be moving to the Seattle area to be near their son and his family. I was in an e-discussion with Dick last night and he told me Darlene is moving to Seattle next week and he will

remain in the area until he is able to sell their house. Dick cued in southwest Florida in the Ft. Myers area. He always supported the West Coast Membership Dances and the Fall Fun Fest. Even if he wasn't cueing, he and Darlene came to dance.

Good news! We have three new cuer couples and a new caller in the Tampa Bay area.

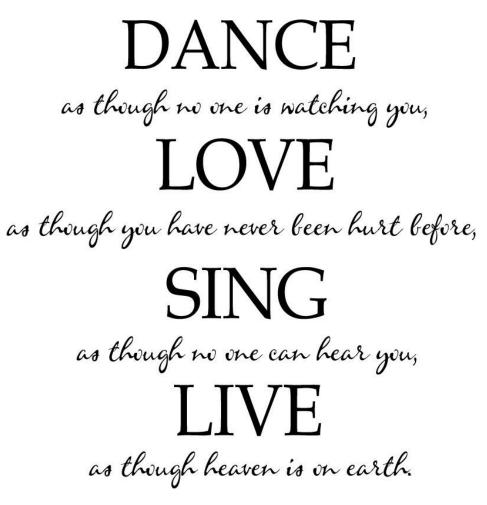
- 1. The new cuer at Strawberry Square, replacing Jack Jenkins, is **Tom Bunn and his wife**, **Cindy**. They are from South Carolina and have been in the area for a few months. Check the DANCERgram or the Strawberry Square website for their dance schedule. Due to their busy schedule at Strawberry Square, they are not able to take on additional bookings.
- Pamela and Jeff Johnson are the new cuers at the Stardust Ballroom and they are from Grand Rapids, Michigan. There will be a dance party on Tuesday night, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, so everyone can meet them. The details are further down in this issue. It is unknown now if they are interested in additional bookings.
- 3. **Bucky and Joyce Tenney** recently moved into Strawberry Square and they hail from Vermont. Bucky is a caller and cuer and Joyce is also a cuer. They are interested in some bookings while they are in the area, which will be until mid-April (this is subject to change). Bucky's cell phone number is 802-373-8470 and Joyce's cell phone number is 802-730-5486.
- 4. I have received word that a well-known caller has moved to Zephyrhills and will be here year-round. I will "release" his name, when I receive confirmation!

Be sure to check out the This Week section below! All the clubs are re-opening this week after closing for the holidays and there are several dances just starting up for their dance season. You surely can't say you can't find a dance!

## 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.

Wes and Joy Morris need your prayers and support as they deal with Wes' numerous health issues. If you would like to contact him, his email address is <u>jhmorris@embarqmail.com</u> and his mailing address is 5356 Anchorage Drive, St. James City, FL 33956. Wes was a caller in southwest Florida, but he is on medical leave now. Snail mail is probably the preferred method of contact, as Joy is very busy and doesn't check email very often.



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## Your Source...

#### Updated 1.1.18

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

- 2018 West Coast Association membership badges and bars
- Square Dancing Friendship Set to Music. Ask me! Buttons
- February 23-24, 2018 2018 Florida State Convention
- November 9-10, 2018 West Coast Association Fall Fun Fest ribbons.

Item	Colors/Sizes	Price
T-Shirts w/Convention Logo	Teal, Pink, Red, Royal Blue/S,	\$15 ea. or two for \$25
	M, L, XL, XXL	
Mugs w/Convention Logo	N/A	\$3.50 ea. or four for \$12
Convention Buttons	N/A	\$1 ea. or four for \$3
w/Convention Logo		
Polo Shirts <sup>1</sup>	ТВА	\$25 ea. or two for \$45
Passports <sup>2</sup>	N/A	\$5 ea. for non-registered
		convention attendees
Registration Ribbons	N/A	Full Convention <sup>3</sup> : \$45
		Weekender: \$35
		Single Day: \$25
Raffle Tickets for a Starburst	72" x 72"	\$2 ea. or four for \$5
quilt made and donated by		Ticket drawn at the 2018
Jeff and Diane Hissong.		Florida Convention. YOU
		DO NOT HAVE TO
		ATTEND TO WIN!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Samples received

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Friday evening and all day Saturday

## **CALLERLAB Viewpoints**

From Dana Shirmer, Exec. Director

#### 45<sup>th</sup> CALLERLAB Convention

The excitement is growing as the CALLERLAB Convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico nears. The Embassy Sites Hotel will be the exciting site of this year's Convention, which officially begins with the Opening Session at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, March 26, 2018, and concludes after our Annual General Meeting at noon on Wednesday, March 28. In between is an exciting array of interest sessions, leadership panels, entertainment, committee activities, panel discussions, and networking opportunities. There are things of interest not only to callers and their partners, but also dance leaders, dancers, and indeed, anyone with an interest in our wonderful activity. This convention is our annual opportunity t come together to celebrate achievements, connect with friends, learn from each other, and plan for the future.

This year our theme is ""Change Your Perspective" and we have plenty of sessions lined up to help you do just that. An impressive roster of talent will be presenting seminars and panels aimed at giving you the tools to seize the initiative and spark new opportunities. If you're wondering how you can recruit more beginners and retain them, make your classes more appealing, raise the profile of square dancing in your area, train more successful dancers, or reenergize your existing groups – you will find sessions that speak to these topics and many others.

As in the past, there will be a Beginner Dance Party Leadership Seminar (BDPLS) aimed at those interested in calling community dances, party nights, and other special events involving non-dancers. The BDPLS runs from Saturday morning to Sunday noon and includes a dance Sunday afternoon. That is followed by an Orientation Session to help new attendees plan to get the most out of the Convention. Our Ways and Means committee will be hosting a Mainstream fund raising dance with proceeds going to the CALLERLAB Foundation on Sunday evening at 7:00pm. This dance will be open to the general public and provides an opportunity to hear some of the best callers in the business do their stuff all at one dance.

This year we are happy to announce that we will have vocal coach Lisa Lincoln in attendance and she will do two voice sessions. One session will be directed to male callers and the second towards female callers. Also, this year, the Caller Coach Committee is arranging to do critique sessions for those who wish some constructive evaluation.

Special interest sessions and committee meetings begin following the Opening Session on Monday morning. Four sessions of 75-minute slots run through the rest of Monday and all day Tuesday. With only one or two exceptions, committee meetings are open to everyone, not just committee members. If you would like to see what is currently going on in a particular committee, this is your chance. A wide variety of interest sessions and panels are available – again, open to anyone who is interested.

Topics include technical subjects such as choreography, use of music, care of the voice, getouts, modules, sigh calling, teaching, and many others. But that is only one aspect. There are also sessions on marketing, recruiting, business, a visit with the legends, enhancing club social ties, and much more. There is literally something for everyone. Mike Hogan will also provide a Keynote Presentation on CALLERLAB's new marketing plan.

Many of these sessions include panel discussions where you can interact with the speakers and other audience members to share experience and expertise. These sessions, attended not only by callers, but also partners and dance leaders representing organizations from around the world, are immensely valuable in providing a broad perspective and keen insight into issues we face. They provide a powerful vehicle for sharing insights and opinions and forging new understandings.

As productive as the meetings and sessions are, many people say the most valuable part of Convention is the opportunity for informal networking, reconnecting with old friends, and making new friends. The breaks between sessions, meals, and evening banquets are all structured to promote this type of activity.

And, of course, there is a lot of just plain fun. Sunday night and each evening after the banquet there will be dancing events and other forms of entertainment scheduled. All of that plus the attractions offered by Albuquerque, New Mexico! This promises to be an outstanding Convention!

You will return home from Convention with new information, new tools, new ideas, and new energy to drive square dancing forward in your area. There is really nothing else like it. If you would like to register or get more information, contact the Hoe Office at 785-783-3665 or visit www.CALLERLAB.org.

We look forward to seeing you in Albuquerque at the 45<sup>th</sup> CALLERLAB Convention!

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## American Callers' Assoc. Viewpoints

By Tom Davis, President

#### The Future with Optimism and Confidence

It is with the greatest of enthusiasm and optimism on behalf of the Executive Board of the American Callers Association that I would like to wish all square dancers and callers a very happy, healthy, and prosperous 2018.

ACA was formed over 26 years ago with a firm belief, supported by statistical data, that square dancers, clubs, associations and callers are under too much stress as they attempt to recruit, teach and dance too many movements with too much teaching. The fun and friendship level was at an all time low as was recruiting new dancers, retaining current dancers and retrieving

former dancers. In fact, square dancing is and was in nothing short of a crisis situation. ACA's answer was and is to simplify the square dancing program.

The ACA philosophy is and was "Offering More Fun and Friendship by Reducing Stress on the Dancers." Another ay it could be said is the acronym "kiss" – "Keep it Sweet and Simple." KISS means to continue to communication with the square dance market to ask the dancers and callers what they prefer.

Callers and Dancers Must Stand Side by Side To Find a Way to Save Square Dancing." Recent data have shown that the number of square dancers has decreased by 88% since our high periods in the 1970s. in fact, the numbers of square dancers are decreasing by 11% per year. What does this tell us? Square dancing's continued existence is in nothing short of crisis despite the fact that square dancing can be the most fun-filled and rewarding activity in the country.

The American Callers' Association is dedicated to reverse the steep decline in square dancing despite changes in social media leisure time consumption.

The ACA value was and is to look for ways to halt the decline despite changing life styles of groups like the Baby Boomers and Generations X and Y, rural image of square dancers, and complicated and cumbersome entry programs into square dancing.

What do we all need to do?

- Work to attract and enhance the image of square dancing to one of fun, friendship and fellowship with exceptional health and social benefits.
- Focus on telling non-square dancers or former square dancers about the fun and friendship of square dancing.

These two actions are ambitious, critical and difficult to accomplish. All of us can make it happen. ACA is optimistic that in the long run that all of us can effect a reversal to the decline of square dancing, and view an optimistic future for square dancing. ACA, through its newsletters looks for ways to reverse the decline of square dancing despite societal changes and technology.

Any individual club, caller, or association who wishes to communicate his/her opinions on this subject or communicate their success stories in recruiting is encouraged to contact the American Callers' Association at <u>Loulet@aol.com</u> or Dr. Patrick Demerath at <u>pdemerath17@gmail.com</u>.

Please visit our website at and newsletters at AmericanCalers.com/news.

ACA sincerely wishes a happy, healthy, and prosperous 2018 to all.

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### Moore Thoughts

From Paul Moore

#### The Subject Was Roses

Not too long ago I got a request to post a picture of the first Square Dance Float in the Tournament of Roses Parade. I was surprised by how many people commented on it...and even more, how many posted it to their own time line. If you not seen it, here is the flat from the 1950 Rose Parade.

Yes, there is story behind this and subsequent Rose Parade floats. Perhaps one of the largest "Live" audiences ever to watch one single square dance was the one that viewed the spectacular presentation during the January 2, 1950 Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena, California. An estimated million and a half eager spectators lined the several miles of pavement that marked the route of march for this spectacular and colorful pageant. They applauded the antics of the "Hoop and Holler Kids," and the calling of Jack Hoheisal on the specially designed square dance float sponsored by the Western Square Dance Association of San Gabriel Valley. Another million or more spectators watched the float over television. Others throughout the country saw pictures of it in their newspapers and saw it in their newsreel theatres.

But, the Square Dance float disappeared for several years, until John Fogg and Charlie Naddeo came along. The float reappeared in the 1976 Tournament of Roses. Here is that story:

Speaking of persons who deserve square dance Oscars, we'll have to place high on the list those who were involved in putting together the square dance float in the January 1<sup>st</sup> Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena.

The dream of a float has been with a number of the veteran square dancers ever since 1950, when an entry featured the late Jack Hoheisal and a square of youthful dancers. Attempts at having a square dance float in recent years were foiled at every turn.

"Sorry but all the floats have already been assigned for this year" was a stock phrase.

"We began to get the idea that they really didn't want a square dance float," explained Charlie Naddeo, one of the prime movers on this year's project. "Somebody on the committee had the old-fashioned idea that square dancing was still in the barn and we were determined to prove them wrong."

Finally, after almost giving up the idea for another year, John Fogg, another of the prime movers, learned only in October that one of the accepted sponsors had cancelled its float.

"That was our cue," said John. "With some inside help and some fancy talking we said we wee a sincere group of citizens and that we could produce a top-notch product. Evidently that did the trick and the square dancers were given the go-ahead.

Now, most of the floats for this New Year's Day extravaganza are planned many months, sometimes a full year into the future. The square dancers had a scant three months to go and this included not only designing the float but the actual construction and raising \$35,000. Undismayed, they rolled up their sleeves and started to work.

Professional float designers working with the float committee came up with a display that combined floral dancers in action along with a group of musicians also fashioned out of flowers. Pictures depicting a number of phases in the history of square dancing form the mid-1600s to the present formed a border across the top of the float. Other than the professional construction, all the labor was donated by square dancers in the Southern California area. Their job was primarily to put the finishing touches, including the flowers, on the float. According to pageant requirements, everything visible on one of these mobile displays must be some form of plant life. For this reason, the dancers and musicians fashioned out of paper maché were covered with petals. Their faces and the portraits along the sides of the float were covered by different colored seeds and much of this was put together more than a week before the parade.

Work got a little hectic as the final hours drew near and literally hundreds of dancers worked around the clock placing the thousands of camellias, orchids, roses and mums on the steel constructed chassis. Finally, just hours before parade time the most fragile of the blooms were attached to the float and the work was completed. Once it was over those who shared in the work, as well as the many hundreds around the world who contributed their dollars to the project, could understandably give out with a sigh of relieve. It was a big undertaking but it was indeed a labor of love a job well done.

The square dance float had a good run, but word from both John Fogg and Charlie Naddeo, founders and promoters of the annual tournament of Roses square dance float, is that there would be no square float in the 1986 New Year's Day gala. At the moment, no explanation in the change of signals. But the fact that this annual event brought square dancing into the homes of millions of TV viewers around the world indicates that its absence will be a disappointment to many.

Both Hohn (who mortgaged his home a number of times in the past to finance the project) and Charlie are on the float. In addition, the many square dancers who put endless voluntary hours in building and decorating the float and the dancers who danced on its moving floor along with the thousands over recent years who contributed to the project should not be over looked. The square dance world thanks them all and says "well done."

**TOURNAMENT OF ROSES PARADE FLOAT A REALITY**: Stay tuned to your television set January 12<sup>th</sup>. If we are at all fortunate, the square dance float sponsored and paid for by square dancers around the world will show upon your screens.

Rose Parade float aftermath: More people than ever in the past were made aware of square dancing on New Year's Day when the float, sponsored by square dancers of America, made its trip down Colorado Boulevard in Pasadena. The success of this venture and the successful paying off any existing deficits could lead to another float in the parade next year.

The Square Dance float did reappear in the Parade for several years.

Whether there will be another float in this famed parade in the future is not known at this time. It's a costly and time-consuming effort with many rules and guidelines to follow and with lastminute pressures to ensure that the float will be ready in time.

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## What's Happening This Week?

#### Week of January 1, 2018

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.

Although every effort is made to provide an accurate dance schedule, sometimes information on changes and/or cancellations. If you don't attend a dance on a regular basis, you should call and confirm there will still be a dance.



Monday (January 1) – Royal Squares – NO DANCE For info: 352-728-3658. Indian Creek Advanced/C-1 Dance – NO DANCE For info: jack@revette.org. Horizon Square Dance Club – NO DANCE For info: callerdave@hotmail.com. Temple Twirlers - NO DANCE For info: 813-363-2848 or BBKJLK@verizon.net.

Tuesday (January 2) – Stardust Round Dance Party – Stardust Dance Center, 3613 Citrus Tree Court, Plant City, FL – Meet your new dance instructors Cuers: Pam and Jeff Johnson – Phases 2 – 4 - 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. - \$15 per couple. 4,500 square feet of floating hardwood floor. For info: 218-256-1873 or rapidballroom@gmail.com.

*Woodmere Park A-2 Dance* – 3951 Woodmere Park Boulevard, Venice, FL – Caller: Red Bates – 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. For info: 941-223-0987 or <u>redbates@juno.com</u>.

**R&R Gators** - Alligator RV Park, 6400 Taylor Road, Punta Gorda – Plus/Rounds 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Dave Magee, Cuer: Judy Barnhill – casual attire. For info: <u>callerdave@comcast.net</u> or 941-235-1611.

*Horizon Round Dance Club* – Horizon Village, 9300 Littleton Road, North Ft. Myers – Cuer: Judy Barnhill – all rounds – 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. For info: Dwayne 606-302-1731, Judy 865-216-7808 or <u>tn2001@yahoo.com</u>.

**Suncoast Squares** – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5<sup>th</sup> 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. In addition, workshop is afterwards at 9:00 p.m. 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.

Wednesday (January 3) – Grande Squares at Camp Inn First Dance of the Season -Camp Inn RV Resort, 10400 Highway 27, Frostproof – Caller: Ron Reardon - March 10, 2017 – alternating Mainstream and Plus 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. – casual or square dance attire acceptable. For info: Larry Corder at 740-502-3371 or Harley Daum at 218-831-7799.

**Palmetto Palms First A2 Dance of the Season** – 19681 Summerlin Boulevard, Ft. Myers, FL – Caller: Red Bates – C1 Dance 1:20 p.m. – 2:20 p.m. – A2 Dance 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Casual attire. Cost of dancing this year is \$12/couple or \$6/person. (Don't worry if you're a single. There'll be a place for you). Your exact change will help the gatekeeper. For info: 941-223-0987 or <u>redbates@juno.com</u>.

**Palmetto Palms First Plus Dance of the Season** - 19681 Summerlin Boulevard, Ft. Myers, FL – Caller: Caller: Red Bates - Cuer: Mike Alexander – Early Rounds 7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – Squares and Rounds 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Cost of dancing this year is \$12/couple or \$6/person. (Don't worry if you're a single. There'll be a place for you). Your exact change will help the gatekeeper. For info: 941-223-0987 or <u>redbates@juno.com</u>.

**Palmetto Palms First C-1 Dance of the Season** - 19681 Summerlin Boulevard, Ft. Myers, FL – Caller: Red Bates - 1:20 p.m. – 2:20 p.m. Casual attire. Cost of dancing this year is \$12/couple or \$6/person. (Don't worry if you're a single. There'll be a place for you). Your exact change will help the gatekeeper. For info: 941-223-0987 or <u>redbates@juno.com</u>.

**Strawberry Square C-2 Dance** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Keith Stevens – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the dance center, please call Nancy Hall at 813-752-1816 or Jack Gano at 813-659-2535.

**Strawberry Square Club** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Ralph Peacock – Workshop 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. Mainstream/Easy Plus 78:30 – 9:30 p.m. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the dance center, please call Bob and Barb Hancock at 419-633-0610 or Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513. Banner Raids welcome at Wednesday night club dances only. Banner Chairman: Sharon Kowalski at 813-754-3109.

**Strawberry Square C-1 Dance w/C-2 Tip** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Keith Stevens – 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the dance center, please call Nancy Hall at 813-752-1816 or Jack Gano at 813-659-2535. **Cultural Center Squares** – Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Rooms F and G, Port Charlotte, FL. Caller: Robert Arias - Cuer: Judy Barnhill – 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.

Thursday (January 4) - Citrus Park Snobirds First Dance of the Season – Citrus Park, 25501 Trost Boulevard (Clubhouse), Bonita Springs – Caller: Ralph Peacock - Cuer: Mike Alexander – Early Rounds 7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – Mainstream, Plus, and Rounds 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Square dance attire preferred. Tell the gate attendant you are attending the square dance. For info: jta440@msn.com or 239-992-0207.

**Pine Ridge Promenaders Happy Birthday** – Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yards east of U.S. 27), Lake Placid – Caller: Sonny McCartney – Mainstream and Plus 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. For info: 863-699-2789 - 570-703-3774 - <u>bobnsue97@hotmail.com</u>.

**Strawberry Square Phase 3 Dance/Teach** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cuer: Tom Bunn – 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. - wood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> 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.

**Strawberry Square Phase 4 Dance/Teach** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cuer: Tom Bunn – 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. - wood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> 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.

*Charlotte Promenaders* - Port Charlotte United Methodist Church, 21075 Quesada Avenue, Port Charlotte – Caller: Red Bates – Cuer: Judy Barnhill – Early Rounds 7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – Plus Squares and Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. For info: jdclay8146@gmail.com or 330-647-4596 or 941-456-2580.

**Shufflin' Squares'** – Lake Ashton Golf Club, 4141 Ashton Club Drive, Lake Wales, FL – Class 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. – Alternating Plus, Advance, and Rounds – Caller: Ted Kennedy – Cuer: Carl Rod - square dance attire optional. For info: <u>lanceandrita@yahoo.com</u>.

*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) – <u>rickducharme@ymail.com</u>.

**Suncoast Squares A2 Dance and Workshop** – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5<sup>th</sup> 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 Birthdays 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. - Callers: Bob Ormsbee, Cuer: Jimmy Griffin. For info: <u>dhua7@aol.com</u> or 727-544-0227.

<u>Friday (January 5)</u> – Clearview Squares – Clearview United Methodist Church, 4515 – 38th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – Caller: Ted Hughes; Cuer: Jimmy Griffin – Rounds 7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream, Plus, and Rounds 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. For info: 727-641-0408 or ted.hughes@juno.com. **C-Gulls Dance Club** – Tony Rotino Senior Center, 5817 Driftwood Parkway, Cape Coral, Florida – Caller: Vic Ceder. Moderate C4 dancing in a friendly atmosphere. Day 1: first dance session – 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., second dance session – 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. RSVP by email to Pat Harrington at <u>ppharrr@gmail.com</u>. This will provide contact information if there are any last minutes changes. For info on dances, including costs and available accommodations, please contact C-Gulls scheduling wizard Pat Harrington at <u>ppharrr@gmail.com</u> or <u>www.c-gulls.org</u>.

*Woodmere Park C-1 Dance* – 3951 Woodmere Park Boulevard, Venice, FL – Caller: Red Bates – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. For info: 941-223-0987 or <u>redbates@juno.com</u>.

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

**Strawberry Square A-2 Workshop/Christmas Dance** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Keith Stevens – Workshop 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. Dance 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the dance center, please call Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513 or Dona Watson and Henry Hillje at 518-527-0292.

**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: TBA. Square dance attire preferred. Air-conditioned hall, wood floor, and lighted, paved offstreet parking. For info: 813-938-1038.

<u>Saturday (January 6)</u> - Indian Creek First Plus Dance of the Season - Indian Creek RV Resort, 17340 San Carlos Boulevard, Ft. Myers Beach – Caller: Ralph Peacock – Cuer: Mike Alexander – Early Rounds 7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – Plus and Rounds 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Casual attire. For info: jack@revette.org.

**Stuart Bunch Dance Club** – Temple Shalom, 23190 Utica Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL – Caller: Vic Ceder. Full C3B dancing in a friendly atmosphere. Day 1: Saturday afternoon: C3B 8 Tips 1:30 p.m., C4 Star Tip 4:15 p.m.; Saturday evening: C3B 8 tips 6:30 p.m., C4 star tip 9:15 p.m. Day 2: Saturday morning C3B 8 tips 10:00 a.m., C4 star tip 12:15 p.m.; Sunday afternoon: C3B 8 tips 1:30 p.m. RSVP by email to Jeff Barlow at <u>ib@auk.com</u>. This will provide your contact if there are any last minute changes regarding the dance. For info on dances, including costs and available accommodations: <u>ib@auk.com</u> or <u>www.stuartbunch.org</u>.

**A January Snowflake Special** – Ocala West United Methodist Church, 9330 SW 105<sup>th</sup> Street (off SR 200), Ocala, Florida – hosted by the Ocala Twirlers - Callers: Whit Brown and Rod Barngrover – Cuer: Bev Landwehr – 2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. – admission for dancing and food: Advance tickets: \$10 per person; \$12 per person at the door. Menu: pulled pork BBQ sandwiches, baked beans, potato salad, coleslaw and more. For information and tickets contact: Norm Barnes 352-873-1734, Whit Brown 407-736-9022, or Rod Barngrover 386-275-6342.

Buttons & Bows of Venice - Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (1<sup>st</sup> light north of US 41, look for Woodmere Park sign) – Caller: Dave Magee – Cuer: Judy Barnhill – 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. – finger foods. For info: 941-493-6035 or <u>chrisziomek@yahoo.com</u>.

**Strawberry Square Phase 3/4 Dance/Teach** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cuer: Tom Bunn – 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> 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.

**Strawberry Square Plus** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Ron Reardon – Cuer: Jack Jenkins – 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; Mary Lee Van Valkenburg – 813-707-1702; Barbara and Don Huff 813-752-2278.

**Palace Promenaders** – 1627 NE Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Ted Kennedy – Cuer: Judy Barnhill – Mainstream, Plus, and Rounds. Parking is available behind the building. For info: Jennie 863-494-2749 or Mary 941-380-5336.

Sunday (January 7) – West Coast Association Membership Dance – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Callers: Keith Stevens and Ted Hughes – Cuer: Tom Bunn – Early Rounds 1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. – alternating Mainstream, Plus and Rounds (Phase 2 – 4) 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. – floating wood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. Please help keep the dance floor clean and neat by not carrying food or beverages across the dance floor and wearing street shoes on the floor. Shoe covers are provided at the door. West Coast members FREE; guests \$5 per person. For info: lanceandritabaxter@yahoo.com.

**Orange Blossom Squares** – La Hacienda Recreation Center, 1200 Avenida Central, The Villages – Caller: Ted Kennedy – Cuer: Loretta Hanhurst – Early Rounds 7:00 p.m. – 7:39 p.m. 0 Plus and Rounds 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. For info: <u>wanda4446@gmail.com</u>.

Happy Promenaders Anniversary Dance – Hitching Post RV Park Rec Hall, 100 Barefoot Williams Road, Naples – Caller: Red Bates; Cuer: Mike Alexander. Early Rounds 7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.; Mainstream, Plus, and Rounds 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. For info: 239-530-0675 (H) or 989-430-2749 (C) or marjorietobey@yahoo.com.

**Crystal Lake Squares First Dance of the Season** – Plaid is the theme - Crystal Lake Village, 237 Maxwell Road (on Rt. 17 – 2 miles north of Wauchula) – Mainstream/Plus/Phase II Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Caller/Cuer: Mike Gormley. Finger foods will be served. Square dance attire optional. For info: 765-499-1268 or <u>ron.storms@gmail.com</u>.

**Stuart Bunch Dance Club** – Temple Shalom, 23190 Utica Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL – Caller: Vic Ceder. Full C3B dancing in a friendly atmosphere. Day 1: Saturday afternoon: C3B 8 Tips 1:30 p.m., C4 Star Tip 4:15 p.m.; Saturday evening: C3B 8 tips 6:30 p.m., C4 star tip 9:15 p.m. Day 2: Saturday morning C3B 8 tips 10:00 a.m., C4 star tip 12:15 p.m.; Sunday afternoon: C3B 8 tips 1:30 p.m. RSVP by email to Jeff Barlow at <u>ib@auk.com</u>. This will provide your contact if there are any last minute changes regarding the dance. For info on dances, including costs and available accommodations: <u>ib@auk.com</u> or <u>www.stuartbunch.org</u>.

Monday (January 8) – Harmony Hoedowners First Dance of the Season – NOTE: NEW LOCATION - First United Methodist Church, 200 S. Lake Avenue, Avon Park – Alternating

Mainstream, Plus, and Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Sam Dunn – Cuer: Unk. Casual attire. All dancers are welcome. For info: www.samdunn.net or <u>samdunn@samdunn.com</u>.

*Royal Squares* - **NO DANCE** For info: 352-728-3658.

Indian Creek Advanced/C-1 Dance – Indian Creek RV Resort, 17340 San Carlos Boulevard, Ft. Myers Beach – Caller: John Hughes – 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Casual attire. For info: jack@revette.org.

*Horizon Village* - 9200 Littleton Road (south of Shell Factory) – Caller: Dave Magee - Cuer: Judy Barnhill – Plus/Rounds 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – casual attire. For info: <u>callerdave@hotmail.com</u>.

**Temple Twirlers The "Stars" Are Out** - 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. Come dressed as your favorite actor or actress. Dancers please use the entrance marked "Gage Hall" on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: <u>bbkilk@verizon.net</u>.

<u>Tuesday (January 9)</u> – **Buttons and Bows of Lakeland** – Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – Caller: Don Bacheldor – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – **Guests: \$7 per person, Members: \$6 per person** - wood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free – finger foods. For info: sqdncfan@gmail.com or 863-224-3393.

*Woodmere Park A-2 Dance* – 3951 Woodmere Park Boulevard, Venice, FL – Caller: Red Bates – 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. For info: 941-223-0987 or <u>redbates@juno.com</u>.

**R&R Gators** - Alligator RV Park, 6400 Taylor Road, Punta Gorda – Plus/Rounds 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Dave Magee, Cuer: Judy Barnhill – casual attire. For info: <u>callerdave@comcast.net</u> or 941-235-1611.

*Horizon Round Dance Club* – Horizon Village, 9300 Littleton Road, North Ft. Myers – Cuer: Judy Barnhill – all rounds. For info: Dwayne 606-302-1731, Judy 865-216-7808 or tn2001@yahoo.com.

**Suncoast Squares** – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5<sup>th</sup> 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!

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

#### January 1, 2018

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>.

#### SQUARES

November 2, 2017 – January 25, 2018 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Beginners Class** – Presbyterian Homes on Lake Hunter, McArthur Center, 811 Lakeside Avenue, Lakeland – Caller/Instructor: Marty Vanwart – 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. For info: <u>sqdncfan@gmail.com</u> or 863-224-3393.

November 2, 2017 – January 25, 2018 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Plus Class** – Presbyterian Homes on Lake Hunter, McArthur Center, 811 Lakeside Avenue, Lakeland – Caller/Instructor: Marty Vanwart – 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. For info: <u>sqdncfan@gmail.com</u> or 863-224-3393.

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 Square Dance Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller/Instructor: Marty Vanwart – 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. – floating wood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. 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. – 9:30 p.m. – floating wood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. 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 – March 27, 2018 - **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>

November 7, 2017 – **Royal Squares Beginner Lessons** - Great Hall at Royal Highlands, 21505 Royal Saint George's Lane, Leesburg, Florida – Caller/Instructor: Henry Ferree – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome. If you do not have a partner, we will match you with a dance partner. For info: 352-728-3658.

November 7, 2017 - **Royal Squares Plus Lessons/Workshops** - Great Hall at Royal Highlands, 21505 Royal Saint George's Lane, Leesburg, Florida – Caller/Instructor: Henry Ferree – 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome. If you have friends that dance, invite them to come out and enjoy an afternoon of "fun and exercise". For info: 352-728-3658.

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. – floating hardwood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. 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 or Dona Watson and Henry Hillje at 518-527-0292.

November 8, 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 - \$5 per person. For info: 941-235-1611 or <u>callerdave@hotmail.com</u>.

November 9, 2017 - **Maple Leaf Squares Mainstream Workshop** - Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, Queensway Hall, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte – 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Caller: Dave Magee - \$5 per person. For info: 941-235-1611 or <u>callerdave@hotmail.com</u>.

November 9, 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 - \$5 per person. For info: 941-235-1611 or <u>callerdave@hotmail.com</u>.

November 10, 2017 – March 30, 2018 - **Maple Leaf Squares A-1 Workshop** - Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, CanAm Hall, 2100 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte – Plus 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. – Caller: Dave Magee - \$5 per person. First dance of the season is a Rusty Hinge. For info: 941-235-1611 or <u>callerdave@hotmail.com</u>.

December 5, 2017 - Woodmere Park First Plus Workshop of the Season – 3951 Woodmere Park Boulevard, Venice, FL – Caller: Red Bates – 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. For info: 941-223-0987 or <u>redbates@juno.com</u>.

December 8, 2017 - Woodmere Park First Plus DBD for Advanced Workshop of the Season – 3951 Woodmere Park Boulevard, Venice, FL – Caller: Red Bates – 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. For info: 941-223-0987 or redbates@juno.com.

January 3, 2018 – March 28, 2018 – **Crystal Lake Plus Lessons and/or Workshop**, Crystal Lake Community, 237 Maxwell Drive, Wauchula – Caller/Instructor: Mike Gormley – 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. - \$4 per person per session. For info: <u>ron.storms@gmail.com</u> or 765-499-1268.

January 3, 2018 – March 28, 2018 – **Crystal Lake Basic Square Dance Lessons**, Crystal Lake Community, 237 Maxwell Drive, Wauchula – Caller/Instructor: Mike Gormley – 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. - \$4 per person per session. For info: <u>ron.storms@gmail.com</u> or 765-499-1268.

January 6, 2018 – March 31, 2018 - **Royal Coachman Mainstream Class** – Royal Coachman RV Park Recreational Center, 1070 Laurel, Nokomis – Caller/Instructor: Red Bates – noon – 2:00 p.m. For info: 941-223-0987 or <u>redbates@juno.com</u>.

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. – floating hardwood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. 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 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. – floating hardwood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. 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 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: <u>votgsquaredance@outlook.com</u> or 954-889-6971.

January 11, 2018 - **Citrus Park Snobirds Beginners Square Dance Class** – Citrus Park, 25501 Trost Boulevard (Clubhouse), Bonita Springs – Caller: Ralph Peacock - Cuer: Mike Alexander – Early Rounds 7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – Mainstream, Plus, and Rounds 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. FREE class! Square dance attire preferred. For info: <u>ita440@msn.com</u> or 239-992-0207.

.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. – floating wood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. For info: <u>www.squaredancing.com</u> 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.

February 1, 2018 – May 10, 2015 - **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Beginners Class** – Presbyterian Homes on Lake Hunter, McArthur Center, 811 Lakeside Avenue, Lakeland – Caller/Instructor: Marty Vanwart – 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. For info: <u>sqdncfan@gmail.com</u> or 863-224-3393.

February 1, 2018 – May 10, 2015 - **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Plus Class** – Presbyterian Homes on Lake Hunter, McArthur Center, 811 Lakeside Avenue, Lakeland – Caller/Instructor: Marty Vanwart – 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. For info: <u>sqdncfan@gmail.com</u> or 863-224-3393.

March 30, 2018 - **Woodmere Park Final Plus DBD for Advanced Workshop of the Season** – 3951 Woodmere Park Boulevard, Venice, FL – Caller: Red Bates – 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. For info: 941-223-0987 or <u>redbates@juno.com</u>.

April 10, 2018 - **Woodmere Park Final Plus Workshop of the Season** – 3951 Woodmere Park Boulevard, Venice, FL – Caller: Red Bates – 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. For info: 941-223-0987 or <u>redbates@juno.com</u>.

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 <u>www.ceder.net/aace</u>.

#### ROUNDS

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. – floating wood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> 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 (<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. – floating hardwood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. 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 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. – floating hardwood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. 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 (<u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u>) 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. – floating hardwood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. For info: <u>www.squaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491. Check the dance center calendar (<u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u>) 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. – floating hardwood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491. Check the dance center calendar (www.strawberrysquaredancing.com) for scheduling changes.

November 7, 2017 – March 27, 2018 - **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 <u>callerdave@hotmail.com</u>.

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. – floating hardwood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. 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 6, 2017 – March 28, 2018 - **Basic Cha and Rumba** – Silver Dollar Golf Resort, Hospitality Room of the Clubhouse, 12515 Silver Dollar Drive Odessa, FL – Cuer/Instructor: Sandra Burke – 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – reviewing basic cha and rumba - \$3 per person. For info: Willie Pilon at 519-251-8453.

January 3, 2018 – **Citrus Park Advanced Round Dance Class** – Citrus Park, 25601 Trost Boulevard (Clubhouse), Bonita Springs – Cuer/Instructor: Mike Alexander – 1:00 p.m. For info: <u>ita440@msn.com</u> or 239-992-0207.

January 3, 2018 – March 28, 2018 – **Crystal Lake Phase II Two Step Round Dance Lessons**, Crystal Lake Community, 237 Maxwell Drive, Wauchula – Caller/Instructor: Mike Gormley – 2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. - \$4 per person per session. For info: <u>ron.storms@gmail.com</u> or 765-499-1268.

January 3, 2018 – **Citrus Park Intermediate Round Dance Class** – Citrus Park, 25601 Trost Boulevard (Clubhouse), Bonita Springs – Cuer/Instructor: Mike Alexander – 2:00 p.m. For info: <u>jta440@msn.com</u> or 239-992-0207.

January 3, 2018 – **Citrus Park Beginners Round Dance Class** – Citrus Park, 25601 Trost Boulevard (Clubhouse), Bonita Springs – Cuer/Instructor: Mike Alexander – 3:00 p.m. For info: <u>jta440@msn.com</u> or 239-992-0207.

January 8, 2018 – February 12, 2018 - **Stardust Choreographed Ballroom 1 (Intro to Rounds)** – Stardust Dance Center, 3613 Citrus Tree Court, Plant City, FL – Cuers/Instructors: Pamela and Jeff Johnson – 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – \$75 per couple (five lessons) (preferred) or \$37.50 per single (five lessons). 4,500 square feet of floating hardwood floor - hearing enhancement - fragrance free - stereo recording stations available (music on the left and cues on the right channel). For info: 218-256-1873 or <u>rapidballroom@gmail.com</u>. We prefer dancers pay for the entire session. However, you may also pay per class - \$15 per couple or \$7.50 per person.

January 9, 2018 – February 13, 2018 - **Stardust Choreographed Ballroom 2 (Phase III and Intro. To IV)** – Stardust Dance Center, 3613 Citrus Tree Court, Plant City, FL – Cuers/Instructors: Pamela and Jeff Johnson – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – \$75 per couple (five lessons) (preferred) or \$37.50 per single (five lessons). 4,500 square feet of floating hardwood floor - hearing enhancement fragrance free - stereo recording stations available (music on the left and cues on the right channel). For info: 218-256-1873 or <u>rapidballroom@gmail.com</u>. We prefer dancers pay for the entire session. However, you may also pay per class - \$15 per couple or \$7.50 per person.

January 9, 2018 – February 13, 2018 - **Stardust Choreographed Ballroom 3 (Phase IV)** – Stardust Dance Center, 3613 Citrus Tree Court, Plant City, FL – Cuers/Instructors: Pamela and Jeff Johnson – 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – \$75 per couple (five lessons) (preferred) or \$37.50 per single (five lessons). 4,500 square feet of floating hardwood floor - hearing enhancement - fragrance free - stereo recording stations available (music on the left and cues on the right channel). For info: 218-256-1873 or <u>rapidballroom@gmail.com</u>. We prefer dancers pay for the entire session. However, you may also pay per class - \$15 per couple or \$7.50 per person.

January 26, 2018 – April 6, 2018 - **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. – floating hardwood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491. Check the dance center calendar (<u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u>) for scheduling changes.

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? Floating hardwood floor - hearing enhancement - fragrance free - stereo recording stations available (music on the left and cues on the right channel). Strictly limited to 50 couples (only serious recruits need apply. Enlistment Fee \$260. For info: 813-431-3235. For info: 813-431-3235 or <a href="mailto:cworlock@tampabay.rr.com">cworlock@tampabay.rr.com</a>.

February 26, 2018 – March 26, 2018 - **Stardust Choreographed Ballroom 1 (Intro to Rounds)** - Stardust Dance Center, 3613 Citrus Tree Court, Plant City, FL – Cuers/Instructors: Pamela and Jeff Johnson – 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – \$75 per couple (five lessons) (preferred) or \$37.50 per single (five lessons). 4,500 square feet of floating hardwood floor - hearing enhancement - fragrance free - stereo recording stations available (music on the left and cues on the right channel). For info: 218-256-1873 or <u>rapidballroom@gmail.com</u>. We prefer dancers pay for the entire session. However you may also pay per class - \$15 per couple or \$7.50 per person.

February 27, 2018 – March 27, 2018 - **Stardust Choreographed Ballroom 2 (Phase III and Intro to IV)** – Stardust Dance Center, 3613 Citrus Tree Court, Plant City, FL – Cuers/Instructors: Pamela and Jeff Johnson – 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – \$75 per couple (five lessons) (preferred) or \$37.50 per single (five lessons). 4,500 square feet of floating hardwood floor - hearing enhancement fragrance free - stereo recording stations available (music on the left and cues on the right channel). For info: 218-256-1873 or <u>rapidballroom@gmail.com</u>. We prefer dancers pay for the entire session. However you may also pay per class - \$15 per couple or \$7.50 per person.

February 27, 2018 – March 27, 2018 - **Stardust Choreographed Ballroom 3 (Phase IV)** – Stardust Dance Center, 3613 Citrus Tree Court, Plant City, FL – Cuers/Instructors: Pamela and Jeff Johnson – 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – \$75 per couple (five lessons) (preferred) or \$37.50 per single (five lessons). 4,500 square feet of floating hardwood floor - hearing enhancement - fragrance free - stereo recording stations available (music on the left and cues on the right channel). For info: 218-256-1873 or <u>rapidballroom@gmail.com</u>. We prefer dancers pay for the entire session. However you may also pay per class - \$15 per couple or \$7.50 per person.

May 20 – 24, 2018 – Fontana Village Resort 103<sup>rd</sup> Accent on Rounds – Fontana Village Resort, Fontana Dam, North Carolina – Cuers/Instructors: Host Staff: John and Peg Kincaid, College Park, Maryland and Bill and Carol Goss (Mesa, AZ), Randy and Marie Preskitt (Everett, WA), and Curt and Tammy Worlock, Plant City, FL – Phases 3 – 6 – teachers in each phase, clinics, hearing enhancement available - spacious central air-conditoned hall with floating hardwood floor. Check in Recreation Hall Sunday 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. Dancing begins Sunday 8:00 p.m. Round dance attire required at evening sessions (daytime and Sunday evening optional). Dancers are responsible for their housing arrangements. For info: 301-935-5227 or AccentOnRounds@aol.com.

September 9 – 13, 2018 - Fontana Village Resort 104<sup>th</sup> Accent on Rounds – Fontana Village Resort, Fontana Dam, North Carolina – Cuers/Instructors: Host Staff: John and Peg Kincaid, College Park, Maryland and Mark and Pam Prow, Seabrook, Texas and Curt and Tammy Worlock, Plant City, FL – Phases 3 – 6 – teachers in each phase, clinics, hearing enhancement available – spacious central air-conditioned hall with floating hardwood floor. Check in Recreation Hall Sunday 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. Dancing begins Sunday 8:00 p.m. Round dance attire required at evening sessions (daytime and Sunday evening optional). Dancers are responsible for their housing arrangements. For info: 301-935-5227 or <u>AccentOnRounds@aol.com</u>.

#### CALLERS/CUERS

May 27 – 30, 2018 – **Rocky Mountain Gold Callers School** – Wheat Ridge, Colorado – Callers: Bear Miller (Colorado – Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach), Ken Ritucci (Massachusetts – Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach) – assisted by Bob Riggs (Colorado). Whether you are presently calling or desire o be a caller, this school will help you with your calling careers. • Plenty of microphone time • Professional assessment of your skills • Understand what it takes to be a leader • Full CALLERLAB curriculum • Develop a calling career that is best for you. For an application and more information, contact Bear Miller at 303-919-1395 or email <u>beardenver@comcast.net</u>. Only \$400 per student – space is limited! Register today!!

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

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!

October 4 – 8, 2018 – Northeast Callers School – Host Hotel and Hayloft Barn, Sturbridge, Massachusetts – Callers/Instructors: Ken Ritucci (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach), Ed Foote (Pennsylvania - Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach), Todd Fellegy (Connecticut), Ben Rubright (Florida), and Lisa Lincoln (New Mexico – Vocal Coach). Plenty of microphone time • Professional assessment of your skills • Understand what it takes to be a leader • Full CALLERLAB curriculum • Develop a calling career that is best for you. Whether you are presently calling or desire to be a caller, this school will help you with your calling career. Only \$400 per student – space is limited! Register today! For an application and more information, contact Ken Ritucci at 413-262-1875 or write KenRitucci@gmail.com www.NortheastCallerSchool.com.

#### 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. – floating hardwood dance floor – hearing enhancement – fragrance free. For info: <u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> or 813-752-0491. Check the dance center calendar (<u>www.strawberrysquaredancing.com</u>) for scheduling changes.

#### CLOGGING

January 8, 2018 – **Intermediate Clogging Classes** – SFSC Gym, Lake Placid Campus, Lake Placid. Registration with the college is required. Fees are approximately \$5 per class with a minimum class enrollment of five students - 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. For info: Colleen - 863-465-1700.

January 10, 2018 - **Beginner Clogging Classes** – SFSC Gym, Lake Placid Campus, Lake Placid. Registration with the college is required. Fees are approximately \$5 per class with a minimum class enrollment of five students – time TBA. For info: Colleen - 863-465-1700.

## **Demos/One Nighters**

January 12, 2018 – **Groves RV Resort Square Dance Party** – Groves RV Resort, 16175 John Morris Road, Fort Myers, Florida – Caller: Mike Gormley – 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. simple squares, circles, Virginia Reel, Contra, Trios, Lines, Grand Parade, mixers. Contact Roberta O'Connell, Activity Coordinator, 401-835-4884 or <u>rconnell@suncommunities.com</u>.

March 24, 2018 – **Sea Breeze Mobile Home Estates Party Dance** – Sea Breeze Mobile Home Estates, 3901 71<sup>st</sup> Street W., Bradenton, Florida – Caller/Instructor: Mike Gormley – public welcome – Square, Line, Mixers, Trios, circles, Grand March, Contra – 7:00 p. – 10:00 p.m. For info: Mike Gormley at 419-376-0557 or <u>mike@mike-gormley.com</u>.

## Looking Ahead

#### PLEASE NOTE 2020 National Convention Date Change

The date of the 2020 National Square Dance Convention to be held in Seattle, Washington, has been changed from the last weekend in June to the third weekend in June. The new date is June 17 - 20, 2020.)



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Websites

## http://floridasquaredance.com/

<u>https://www.facebook.com/#!/home.php?sk=group 149454955123658andap=1</u> (Florida Federation's Facebook page)

Publications

<u>www.flwestcoastdancer.com</u> (West Coast Dancer) <u>http://newsquaremusic.com/sioindex.html</u> (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://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://www.nsdca.org (Single Square Dancers USA<sup>®</sup>) http://www.andca.org (National Square Dance Campers) http://www.nsdca.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

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

<u>sewemupfashions.com</u> or <u>tom1nancy@wmconnect.com</u> (Sew 'em Up Fashions, Roebuck, 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) <u>www.suzieqcreations.com</u> (Suzie Q Creations)

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

<u>http://www.calyco.com/</u> (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)

www.PerfectPetticoats.com (Perfect Petticoats)

<u>http://www.grandsquare07.com</u> (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

<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=3901977.2052</u>http://www.squaredance (round dance publications)radionetwork.com (square dance radio network) A square and round dancer concerned about the preservation of our dance activity publishes this E-Newsletter. This is not a publication of the West Coast Square and Round Dancers' Association, Inc. The target audience is the dancers in the West Coast area of the state of Florida and contains dance information for the upcoming week in this area as well as major dances around the state and nation, and any other information of interest to the dancers. Publication is weekly with addendums as needed. All yellow highlighted information is new. Please forward this newsletter to your membership or other interested parties, or provide printed copies to your members and visitors. The newsletter is also available at <a href="http://www.dancergram.com">www.dancergram.com</a>. If you would like a copy emailed to you or would like your club information added, please contact the editor at <a href="https://square.and.com">square and Round Dancers' Association, which is published bimonthly and is provided free of charge for all dancers. For circulation, listings, club news, ads and articles, contact Ed Henning at 813-659-4787 or <a href="https://www.enense.gov">www.enense.gov</a>.