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Sunday, January 9, 2011 - West Coast Membership Snowflake Ball
- Bahr's Mobile Home Park, 39444 Dancers Lane, Zephyrhills, FL - ER 1:30 - 2:00 p.m. - Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - Callers/Cuers: Ron Reardon and Area Callers and Cuers - West Coast members free - Guests \$5 per person. Any caller or cuer interested in calling/cueing please contact Ron at rsrhun@aol.com. For info: sgdncfan@aol.com - www.dancergram.com - 863-874-4552.

January 15, 2010 - Deadline for Hall of Fame Nominations

Nominees must have a minimum of 10 years statewide involvement in the Florida Square and Round Dance activity. Their contributions must encompass the entire state of Florida, not just 1 or 2 areas. This should require unselfish dedication of time and labor. Being an area president, Federation president, Caller/Cuer Association president and/or State Convention chairman is not enough. The Hall of Fame is seeking individuals or couples whose efforts have affected the majority of the State of Florida. The fact that one is nominated is a very high honor, whether or not they enter the Hall of Fame. Nominations should be submitted to the board of directors of any of the five area associations, Callers Association or Cuers Association who will then forward them on to the Federation. To download the application, go to <http://www.floridasquaredance.com/halloffame/index.html>.

February 1, 2011 - Deadline for Extra Mile Award Nominations

This award is to show appreciation to both Callers and Cuers who go that EXTRA MILE without personal gain, in giving freely of their time and talents to the Square Dance activity. Nominations should be submitted to Charlie and Val Newsome at newsome.charles@comcast.com or 12368 Brady Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32223. To download a copy of the nomination form, go to <http://www.floridasquaredance.com/extra-mile.html>.

From the Editor.....



Well here it is – 2011! And to start off the year, January will be a very busy month for the dancers on the west coast of Florida. In addition to the regularly scheduled club dances we have a special dance every weekend in January. Sunday, January 9th is the next West Coast Membership Snowflake Ball in Zephyrhills; Sunday, January 16th is the West Coast Scholarship Dance at Strawberry Square; January 20 – 22 is the Florida Winter Fest in Lakeland; and January 30th is the 5 Caller Extravaganza in Lake Wales.

If your club hasn't submitted their insurance renewals, your coverage expired on December 31st. And don't forget if your club participates in the USDA square dance

insurance program and you have a class, your class member

s can also be insured for FREE.

Just submit a list of all your class

members along with their complete address and phone number and forward it to the West Coast insurance chairman. It's very important that all of this be taken care of as soon as possible.

Please take note of the benefit dance for Bob Bourassa, a caller in Brooksville. Bob has been having health problems for quite awhile and recently had to have his foot amputated. I'm sure his medical bills are piling up and any help you can give him would be greatly appreciated.

See you on a dance floor somewhere!

Did you know that if you change the location of your dance (even if for just one night), that you need to complete the necessary insurance form and submit it?

A Benefit Dance to be held

for Bob Bourassa

Sunday, February 20, 2011

Callers: Red Bates, George

Varney and Roland

Blanchette

Cuer: Judy Doane

Cloverleaf Campground

Heather House

900 N. Broad Street

Brooksville

ER 1:30 p.m.

Squares 2:00 p.m.

For info: 352-688-9802

Health & Sympathy

The entries listed below are for callers, cuers, West Coast Association officers and representatives and other Florida associations and Federation officers and any others who are well known to the Florida square and round dance community. Listings for others can be found on the website (www.dancergram.com – Health & Sympathy).

Dan Wilkerson, caller in the Tampa Bay area, is still waiting for a decision on when his knee can be replaced. He has an appointment with the doctor on January 6th, and hopefully a decision will be made at that time.

How do I get in touch with...?

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

I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

January 20 – 22, 2011 – **Florida Winter Festival** – Lakeland, FL

January 30, 2011 – **5 Caller Extravaganza and Pizza** – Lake Wales, FL

May 27 – 29, 2011 – **57th Florida Square and Round Dance Convention** – Lakeland, FL

Cory-ography In The Classroom

By Corben Geis, ViceChairman of the Callers in the Schools Committee, CALLERLAB

All It Takes Is A Simple Plan

You are a caller and you receive a phone call from a teacher who is interested in introducing a square dance program in several area schools. You are excited. Then you get the story you don't want to hear. The teacher says something like "we started teaching the students last month on our own." Your excitement level starts to drop. The teacher than says that they have not used any music because they don't like using the old records. Just by talking on the phone, you realize that the teacher has mistakenly taught square dancing.

The teacher has no specific curriculum and was just trying to remember how they learned in high school. They reason they called you is because everyone is getting frustrated. Now what?

First of all, to avoid this entire situation, try this. Sometime this summer, draft a really nice looking dance plan for the schools. Enclose a cover letter and be sure to use attractive letterhead and eye catching paper.

Send three copies to the school. One in care of the gym teacher, one to the principal and one to an art or music teacher. This way the school receives it three times and

three different people see your letter. Sometimes, I even send one to the math teacher and the history teacher, because you can teach “square dancing” in those classes as well. Now, you might just be able to set something up before the teachers try to teach square dancing their way. This is vital. The professional caller must teach from start to finish.

For more information about Calling in the School systems, contact Mike Callahan, Chairman of the calling in the schools committee user846119@aol.com.

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Diversity Can Be A Wonderful Thing!

Thank you Frances Mitchell for the lesson I still carry with me.

Here is where my story begins. I was 5 years old and living with my Grandma and Grandpa in Lake Forest Park, Washington. Across the street was a young woman named “Carrie”. Now Carrie was I believe 15 but had special needs. She wore a diaper, she drooled, she liked to chew on coffee lids and the only way you knew she liked you was when she would pull your hair. Well, she pulled my hair a lot. She was my best friend back then.

My Grandmother never told me she was “retarded” which is the term they used to use, or developmentally disabled. She only told me Carrie was different and that difference was ok because if we were all the same life would be so boring. She would say things like “if everyone liked pink the purple companies would go out of business”. She was always able to help me understand things by making them as easy as possible.

As I grew I carried that lesson with me and to this day I can’t help but appreciate everyone for all the differences they have and who they are as an individual. I have many friends and I love them for who they are. Whether they are from the older generation and a bit more conservative, or maybe gay or lesbian, they might even be a cross dresser, they could even be heterosexual. It is all ok to me because you need every color of the rainbow to make it beautiful.

Some of us dancers are getting really tired of not being able to be who we are or dance with our friends at all square dances because of diversities. This just shouldn’t happen. Square dancing is praised as the “friendship set to music” hobby. Well, that means to me that everyone should be welcome at all dances. If you don’t like someone or don’t want to dance

with them then just don't square up with them. If you do happen to square up with someone you might not agree with don't be disrespectful to the rest of the square and walk out.

Open your hearts and your minds to all dancers. You may not agree with their lifestyles and that is ok. They aren't asking you too. They are however asking to be treated with some respect and dignity. I am asking for them to be treated with some respect and dignity.

When dancers enter a dance hall they are there for one reason...To dance!

Keep this in mind. How boring would it be if we all went to a BBQ potluck and the only thing anyone brought was the hamburger buns?

"No matter what happens remember to keep loving each other" – Isa Williams.

Hugs,
Leslie Young
Pollyanna1962@gmail.com.

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Advice for Angels

Stanford Quads Square Dance Club
By Bill van Melle, September 17, 19995

Please read through this list and keep it in mind, even if you think you've heard it all before, as the success of the class depends as much on the attitude of the club as on the talent of the students. Much of this advice is appropriate in any square dance situation, but it's especially so with newer dancers.

Be friendly

We want the new dancers to have a good time, so please make them feel welcome. Ask them to dance with you, rather than letting them fend for themselves. Talk to them during the breaks.

Don't push

This is a special case of being friendly. If a class member is unsure of a call, some of you angels may experience a great temptation to grab the person and push him or her into position. Don't do this! Really, DON'T PUSH! God, I hate to use all caps like that, but this is really important. At the very least, this is simply rude behavior. Remember, the object is not for you to get through the sequence; it's for the class members to learn. They don't learn by being shoved.

Do your best to be in the right position yourself, hold out your hand expectantly and/or exert gently (I repeat, gentle) hand pressure consistent with the flow of the call, but never, never grab or shove. It is far better to let your square break down than to start shoving people around to fix it. Squares breaking down are good feedback to the caller about what moves the dancers are having trouble with. If you observe others shoving people around (sometimes there are visiting angels who fancy themselves good dancers by the amount of pushing they do), please take them aside after the tip and encourage them to behave themselves.

If someone is already in the right position, but is looking around frantically, as if lost, the best thing you can do is nod and smile. Not that you shouldn't be smiling even when the square is breaking down...

Balanced squares

If you can do so unobtrusively, attempt to balance the number of club and class members in a square. Experienced dancers in a square help to be good examples (please do), and reduce the likelihood that one dancer's error will take down the whole square, depriving the other dancers of practice. The problem that arises time and again is that club members remember that it's important for class members to dance, and as a result neglect to square up at all until they're dragged from the sidelines to fill out the last square. Of course, that square ends up being club heavy, while the class members in their enthusiasm have already formed very class-heavy squares. Don't let this happen – get out there when the music starts! One of the best ways to achieve balance is to preferentially ask class members to be your partner. Just think – if every class member was partnered with a club member, we'd automatically have balanced squares.

Class members have priority

Remember, they're here to learn, and so they need to dance. But many are shy or not completely comfortable yet asking for a dance. If you see a class member sitting out, offer to give up your spot in the square, especially if you're in a club-heavy square. Of course, if you all do your job of asking class members to dance with you, we won't need to go humping club members like this.

Don't play caller

Sure, you can whisper small hints to people who are momentarily confused, but while a tip is in progress, don't try to do any major teaching or fixing on your own (and if you're on the sidelines, don't jump into the square trying to help.) There's already a caller up front with a microphone, and we'd like to train new dancers to pay attention to him. Reserve lengthier problem solving to breaks.

No frills

Never initiate a frill with a class member. In fact, don't even do them with club members during class tips. Frills make dancing more fun, but interfere with learning, even if a class member is not directly involved in your frill. Save your frills for the club tips at the end of the evening. Class members typically don't get interested in frills until December or January. Examples of frills are the twirl on Weave the Ring, the highland fling Do Sa Do, and the swing in the middle of Sides Promenade Halfway Round. And please dance hands up, at least for the class – it's still the standard styling for Plus in this area.

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Dancing Single in a Couples Activity

I wrote this article in October 2008, and it was just published in *American Square Dance* (an international square dance magazine). So I thought it might be a good time to run it again in the DANCERgram.

Dancing Single in a Couples Activity

By Penny Green

Kind of a spin on a Reba McEntire song entitled "Sleeping Single in a Double Bed", but this applies more to the subject at hand.

If you've never been single in the square and round dance activity, you are not aware of what it is like. And if it has been a long time since you were a single square and/or round dancer, you have probably forgotten what it is like! I have had women tell me they hadn't realized what the "singles situation" was until they lost their husbands. Think about being single and no one remembers to ask if you would like a ride to the dance. Or how about after the dance when everyone scatters to their cars and leaves but no one makes sure that the single women get to their vehicles safely and that their cars start?

Then at the dance single men and women are left to sit because couples won't let one or the other go dance with someone that doesn't have a partner. Not everyone is like me (LOL) moving around and meeting everyone; some people are shy and when they come to a dance, they just sit in their chair and wait for someone to come ask them to dance. Couples tend to overlook these people. Over the years I've known couples that would split up and each would ask a solo woman to dance; that got two more people up on the floor. I have on occasion done the same thing; given up my partner and gotten another woman up so that two more people were able to dance.

Going out to eat after the dance; sometimes the singles are invited to go, sometimes they aren't. For me, it's very uncomfortable to go to a restaurant where the tables are set for two or four people and you are the "extra person".

It's hard to believe there are actually still some clubs that won't allow singles/solos to join without a partner or even attend a dance without a partner; there are even some here in Florida! It's hard to believe in this day and age when there are more singles than ever that this is still going on!

As our dancers get older and older, there will be more and more singles in our activity. Someone told me one time that all of the couples are a heartbeat away from being single. Are you treating the singles the way you want to be treated when you become one?

I believe we are doing ourselves a disservice when we tell singles they cannot come to a new dancer class unless they have a partner or if we cancel a class because there are too many singles without partners. In the long run, it will even out. Let them come; maybe there will be another single there for them to partner with. After they learn to dance, there will be plenty of other singles for them to partner with. After awhile, they may even drop out. If we are the friendliest people around as we claim, how friendly are we when we "run people off" because of their marital status? Young people i.e. like my daughter are going to be coming in as singles too. Are we going to "run them off" because of marital status, age and because they want to dress differently than we do?

I have been asked why we have a separate association, why do we want singles sections at the conventions and festivals, and why do we have our own national convention? Thirty years ago when FASSRD2 was first created, it was even worse for the single square and round dancer. When FASSRD became a part of the Florida Federation, one of the long time members of our organization was so pleased; she told me that years ago she used to attend the Federation meetings but that she was never allowed to speak. So it was considered a real coup to have FASSRD join the Federation!

Since the singles don't always feel they are wanted at couples' dances, they want a venue to be able to meet and dance with other singles. At conventions and festivals, where there are large groups of people it's hard to tell who the "unattached" dancers are, it is best to have a central location for us to congregate so we can find a partner. Unfortunately, couples fail to see these well marked areas and they take up the seats!

There has been some improvement over the past few years in how we are being accepted in this activity, but there is still a ways to go. I think this can be attributed to FASSRD joining the Federation and dancers becoming more aware of the organization through articles and our participation in other Associations and the State Convention.

Florida Callers Association President's Message

Here we are, the holiday season is over and the new year has begun. The coming of a new year still brings thoughts of resolutions to the mind of some folks.

As the new year gets underway and classes return to their normal schedule, I hope that as callers, we can resolve to make every class a lot of fun for the new dancers. Sometimes we callers get too wrapped up in the teaching of square dance figures, making sure the moves are correctly executed with razor sharp precision. Teach tips get too long, keeping the students and angels on the floor for an excessive amount of time. I have to keep reminding myself that teach tips involve a lot of standing and walking slowly through figures. That can be more tiring than dancing a really fast paced tip. The result of excessively long teach tips often times are not fun and everyone goes home from that class feeling tired.

Fun should be our primary goal in our classes. The new dancer should certainly be taught figures according to the definition. But, if the class just cannot absorb the new figures on a given night, there is always next week. That is the time to back off and let the dancers have fun with figures they already know and just have fun dancing that night.

Our goal is to bring that new dancer into the wonderful world of square dancing, to keep the activity alive and growing. People dance for fun and the fun should start with class. The key ingredient should be FUN!

Whit Brown, President

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Bow & Swing Editorial Comment

As we enter into a New Year, we at Bow & Swing would like to wish all of our readers, subscribers and advertisers a happy and prosperous New Year. This year I have made one of my new year's resolutions to actively seek out clubs with newer callers. New callers need support if they are to grow. We tend to forget that the Jim Mayos' and Marshall Flippos of the word at one time were new callers. A new caller may not have his timing perfect and he or she may even sing off key. What does it matter? Attend the dance, encourage the new callers and in two or three years as they develop you will find yourself dancing and having fun for two reasons, both you and the caller made an effort to have fun and improve.

One of my New Year's resolutions is to attend clubs that have poor attendance. I have heard dances say, "I would attend that club, but they never have many squares." If four couples think that way, the club is missing a whole square. Talk about yourself defeating logic. Attend and bring another couple with you and you will be surprised at how much fun you can have.

One of my New Year's resolutions will be to stay an extra five minutes to help and clean up after the dance. This holds true even if I am a guest. It leads to more socialization, doesn't take that much time and it really feels good to help others. I have often said don't give until it hurts, give until it feels good.

One of my New Year's resolutions will be to turn and applaud the caller or cuer after each tip. We thank our fellow dancers and applaud for our square, it seems to me that we should give a little love to the entertainer.

One of my New Year's resolutions will be to buy a ribbon to one of the local dances or festivals to give to someone. It may be in the form of a door prize or just an outright gift. It doesn't matter, the gift will be appreciated.

All of these will be easy for me to keep as I already do these things, but I see a great many who do not. There are many things we take for granted, among these are simple courtesies some of which we just may not have been taught. We know to thank the caller at the end of the dance, but many have never even heard of applauding at the end of a tip. Many times we just don't think about attending other clubs, yet most of our callers and cuers encourage club visitations. Many of us don't realize that an extra ten minutes of help before or after the dance adds up to less than an hour a month.

So as we wish all of you a Happy and Prosperous New Year, take a few minutes to reflect on ways you too can help Square Dancing.

Bill Boyd, Editor

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60th National Square Dance Convention

Detroit Michigan – June 22-25, 2011

The Michigan square dancers are thrilled to be hosting the National Square Dance Convention in Detroit, Michigan, June 22-25, 2011. We are busy with all the details and are looking forward to showing you our city and our state.

Our convention center, Cobo Hall, is located on the beautiful Detroit River in the center of the renovated RiverWalk. The host hotel, the breath-taking Marriott Renaissance Center (we affectionately call it the Ren Cen), is just a few blocks north, also along the river. Michigan is blessed with warm, beautiful summers, bright, sunny days and cool nights. The average high and low in late June are 80°F and 60°F respectively. You can stroll along the RiverWalk to and from Cobo Hall or hop on the People Mover. The station is right in front of the Ren Cen. The People Mover drops you off just inside Cobo Hall.

Nestled on the Detroit River between Lake Erie and Lake Huron, Detroit has a rich history in the Native American culture. This includes the Mound Builders and the Iroquois. There was a time that it was a French settlement and fort, that later became a British fort. Most know its history as an industrial leader and the birthplace of mass production of automobiles. Perhaps, they did not know Detroit was the home of Henry Ford, it was where Thomas Edison lived and worked as a boy and where the first traffic light was ever placed at an intersection. Today, it is a vacation destination because of the Henry Ford Museum, Greenfield Village and Ford Rouge Factory located in Dearborn just outside of Detroit.

Stroll along the rows of beautiful antique automobiles, tractors, and locomotives at the museum. Ride through Greenfield Village in a Model T and interact with a blacksmith, a glassblower, and a potter as they share life in Early America. Marvel at Michigan's ingenuity on our Ford Rouge Factory tour. Detroit was also blessed by the wonderful musical sound of Motown. Sway with the music at the Motown Historical Museum. Enjoy the stories and music of the Supremes, the Temptations, Stevie Wonder, and Gladys Knight, just to name a few.

But there is so much more to Detroit than its history. Enjoy dinner and entertainment in Greek Town. Savor the delicious flavors of lamb moussaka and spanakopitas. Drop by the Motor City Casino for the music of Motown.

For the sports fans the Detroit Tigers stadium, Comerica Park, is a short walk or ride on the People Mover from the Ren Cen. This beautiful, modern stadium provides great seats to cheer on those "Hard Hitting Tigers" to victory. Did you know that the NCAA chose Detroit to host basketball's "Final Four" in 2009 and hockey's "Frozen Four" in 2010 at the Lions' Ford Field? Take a tour of Ford Field on our "60th NSDC Tour!"

Detroit's cultural events and neighborhoods add to the rich traditions of the city. Enjoy an evening with the Detroit Symphony. Take in a play at the breath-taking Fox, Masonic, and the Gem Theaters. These beautiful, renovated theaters of the past provide wonderful seats, excellent acoustics, and exciting shows. Or enjoy a restful tour up the Detroit River, viewing the homes of Grosse Pointe and our sister city, Windsor, Ontario.

Whether you choose to tour the beautiful state of Michigan or just enjoy our fun-filled convention, the Michigan square dancers are excited to be your hosts!

“Michigan State Motto: Si Quaeris Peninsulam Amoenam Circumsice (If you seek a beautiful peninsular, look about you!”)

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2011 Shamrock Swing

SAVE THIS DATE!

Have you noticed some square dancers are sporting a kelly green ribbon next to their name tag? These are the clever folks that have already purchased a ribbon for the 11th annual Shamrock Swing to be held on March 18 and 19, 2011 at the La Hacienda Center in The Villages. Don't wait too long to purchase your ribbons for both days at only \$18pp. You'll pay \$20pp at the door. Friday or Saturday evening the admission will be \$12pp, while all day Saturday will be \$14pp. Area reps of CFSRDA Clubs have information and you may contact them for flyers and ribbons. Or contact Ron and Sharon Paul at 3252-754-5737 or email sharonandron579@gmail.com.

Callers for your square dancing pleasure will be Bob Stern and Dee Dee Dougherty. Joanne and Ken Helton will cue the round dances. Friday evening the early rounds will start at 7:00 with announcements at 7:15. Dancing will commence from 7:30 – 10:30. Two halls will be available for Mainstream, Plus, DBD, Advance and Rounds. On Saturday there will be three halls with all level workshops from 1:00 – 5:00. Saturday evening the early rounds will start at 7:00 with announcements at 7:15 and dancing from 7:30 – 10:30.

Finnegan's Place will be serving light refreshments during all dance times. Vendors will be present on both days.

Two host hotels are located just across from the La Hacienda Dance Hall. Comfort Suites and Holiday Express offer a standard room for \$80 + tax which includes a free deluxe continental breakfast. You can call direct and identify yourself as a square dancer attending the 2011 Shamrock Swing. Comfort Suites 352-259-6578, Holiday Express 352-750-3888. There are a number of restaurants and shops within walking distance from these hotels. Campers have a choice of Recreation Plantation on Rte. 466, three miles from the La Hacienda Center (352-753-

7222 or 800-448-5646) www.recreationplantation.com or...Southern Oaks RV Resort on Rte. 441/27 in Summerfield, five miles north of the La Hacienda Center (352-347-2550).

Plan now to attend this exciting weekend. You'll see old friends, meet new ones and have a wonderful time.

For each petal on the shamrock this brings a wish your way.

Good health, good luck, and happiness for today and every day.

Allen and Judy Orazio, Media

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What's Happening This Week?

Week of January 3, 2011

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

Monday – **Sassy Squares** – 3240 Grand Prix Drive, Sebring – A-1 – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. - Caller: Sam Dunn. For info: 863-214-1923 or samdunn@samdunn.com.

Sun 'N Fun – Woodland Hill, 7125 Fruitville Road, Sarasota, FL – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Plus squares 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer; Cuer: Pat Hagen. For info: Bill and Marge Webb – 941-343-9720 or 440-526-7258 or billwebb2@gmail.com; John & Shirley Galik – 941-371-3914.

Twilight Twirlers – Bonita Springs Community Building at Reynolds and Old 41 – Rusty Hinge Workshop 6:30 p.m.; Mainstream 7:00 p.m. – rounds and lines on tape – Caller: Howard Cole. For info: Howard Cole at 239-691-5670 (hwcole@att.net) or Leo Malinowski at 239-775-8111.

Hampton Promenaders – **TEMPORARY LOCATION FOR THIS ONE NIGHT ONLY!** Auburndale Senior Center, 109 Park Street, Auburndale – ER 7:00 p.m., Squares and Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Dave Buys; Cuer: Carl Rod. For info: dmountain@tampabay.rr.com or jgsap988@yahoo.com.

Have you ever been in a square and you needed one more couple but no one comes? The universal way of notifying others that you need more people to complete a square is for everyone to clap in unison; that is everyone hits their palm at exactly the same time. Clap in this manner until the square is filled. This notifies those who are sitting out that dancers are needed in a square.

Woodmere Park – 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.) – 10 – noon – MS Review/Plus Class; 1:00-3:00 – A-2 Dance; 3:00-5:00 – Plus Workshop. Caller/Instructor: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481/ redbates@juno.com.

Kings Point Swingers A-2 Dance – 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Squares/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. If you have danced this level before, you can come at 6:00 p.m. for a rusty hinge workshop. Visitors to Kings Point should tell the gate you are attending a Kings Point Swingers event at the Clubhouse Studio. For info: Sonny 813-634-8212 or George 813-642-0900.

Temple Twirlers "A New Beginning" - 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. Dancers please use the entrance marked "Gage Hall" on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

Harmony Hoedowners - NO DANCE For info: <http://samdunn.net/harmony.htm>.

Tuesday – Ding-a-Lings Hawaiian Night – Rice Creek RV Resort, 10714 Hwy. 301 South, Riverview – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Ron Reardon, Cuer: Pat Hagen – square dance attire preferred. For info: chrounds@capital.net.

R&R Gators – Alligator RV Park, 6400 Taylor Road, Punta Gorda – Plus/Rounds 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Dave Magee, Cuer: Russ Collier. For info: callerdave@comcast.net or 941-235-1611.

Maple Leaf Squares – Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway (I-75 Exit 170 go SW 1 ½ miles), Queensway Hall – alternating Plus and Mainstream tips 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – caller: Dave Magee. For info: callerdave@comcast.net or 941-235-1611.

J and C Spin-a-Rounds – Pinellas Park Auditorium, 7690 – 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – Phase IV – V 6:30 – 8:15 p.m., Advance – Beginners Mixed Rhythms 8:30 – 10:00 p.m. For info: spinards@tampabay.rr.com or 727-525-7809.

Wednesday – Palmetto Palms First Mainstream Dance of the Season – 19681 Summerlin Boulevard, Ft. Myers - 1:30-2:20 C-1 Dance - 2:30-4:30 A-2 Dance - both casual attire. Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481/ redbates@juno.com.

Palmetto Palms First Plus Dance of the Season - 19681 Summerlin Boulevard, Ft. Myers - 7:00 p.m. Rounds; 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates; Cuer: Dick Chase. For info: 941-828-0481/ redbates@juno.com.

Camp Inn Grande Squares - 3455 U.S. Hwy. 27 North, Frostproof – FREE square dance workshop 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. - 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. squares and rounds – Caller: Ron Reardon, Cuer: Phyllis Hathaway – casual attire. For info: 863-382-6792 or samdunn@samdunn.net.

Betmar Belles & Beaus – Betmar MHP, Clubhouse #2, Lakewood Drive, Zephyrhills – Rounds/Squares – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Callers: Walter Lougee, Cuer: Ella Bettencourt - casual. For info: 813-783-7523 or tckelly2@aol.com.

Strawberry Square C-1 Dance and Workshop – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com. Dancer Center: 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the office, Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Dan and Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350, or Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Strawberry Square C-2 Workshop Dance – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Art Springer. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491.

Strawberry Square Club – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Workshop: 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Alternating Mainstream/Easy Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Sam Dunn**. Banner raids welcome. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491.

Kings Point Swingers Round Dance – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center – A1/A2 workshop 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Advanced Rounds 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. – Cuer: Mike Cox. Visitors please wear your square dance badge and tell the guard at the entrance gate that you are attending the dance at the Clubhouse Studio. For info: 813-634-8212 or 642-0900 or mc8152@verizon.net or 813-649-0754.

Cultural Center Squares – Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Pt. Charlotte – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Mainstream/Plus/Rounds – Caller: Art Miller; Cuers: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier. For info: 941-380-5336, mdow@embarqmail.com, or 863-494-2749.

Thursday – **Shufflin' Squares** – Lake Ashton Clubhouse, Thompson Nursery Road (across from the entrance to Eagle Ridge Mall), Lake Wales – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. - Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Sam Dunn; Cuer: Carl Rod – casual attire. For info: eschwartz23@tampabay.rr.com.

Snobirds Fun Night – Citrus Park, 25601 Trost Boulevard (Clubhouse), Bonita Springs – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Howard Cole, Cuer: Mike Alexander. For info: blingley@gmail.com.

Kings Point Swingers – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center – Plus w/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. - Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. Visitors please wear your square dance badge and tell the guard at the entrance gate that you are attending the dance at the Clubhouse Studio. For info: 813-634-8212 or 642-0900 or mc8152@verizon.net or 813-649-0754.

Charlotte Promenaders – Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Pt. Charlotte – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 - Caller: Red Bates; Cuers: Dick Chase. For info: 941-380-5336, mdow@embarqmail.com, or 863-494-2749.

Pine Ridge Promenaders Cake and Ice Cream Dance – Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yards east of Hwy. 27, Lake Placid - Early Rounds as scheduled, Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Gib Mattson** – finger foods. For info: 863-699-2789

Pioneer Village – Pioneer Village, 7974 Samville Rd. North Ft. Myers, FL – Mainstream with Rounds – 9:45 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Len Siegmann; Cuer: Ruth Siegmann - \$3.50 per person. For info: 239-940-6121 or marcy_stwrt@yahoo.com.

Maple Leaf Squares A2 – Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway (I-75 Exit 170 go SW 1 ½ miles), Queensway Hall – 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon – caller: Dave Magee. For info: callerdave@comcast.net or 941-235-1611.

Promenade Squares – Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – Beginners Class 6:00 – 7:15 p.m., ER 7:15 - 7:45 p.m. Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:45 - 9:45 p.m. - caller: Dick Demerit, cuers: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin. For info: lcecce@tampabay.rr.com or 727-799-3068.

Dunedin – Dr. William E. Hale Senior Activity Center, 330 Douglas Avenue (across the street from Blue Jay Stadium), Dunedin – Beginners Class 6:30 – 7:30 – Squares (mix of Mainstream and Plus) 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. - \$5 per person – Caller: Allen Snell. For info: settarose1@verizon.net or 727-809-3429 or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429 or mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net.

Citrus Squares – First United Methodist Church, 21501 W. Highway 40, Dunnellon – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Ellis Lindsey. For info: lalecl@aol.com.

Friday - Dixie Grande Squares – Grace Lutheran Church, 327 Avenue C SE, Winter Haven – Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: Carl Rod. For info: 863-293-9369 or carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com.

Buttonwood Bay Casual Dance - 10001 U.S. Rt. 27 S., Sebring – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Square Dance 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Sam Dunn. For info: Roger and Connie McElfresh 863-655-4243 or rogerconniemc@tnni.net.

Strawberry Square C2 Workshop and Dance – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Keith Stevens. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the office, Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Dan and Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350, or Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Woodmere Park – 3951 Woodmere Boulevard (off Jacaranda Blvd.), Venice – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, C-1 Dance – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481/ redbates@juno.com.

Strawberry Square A2 - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Keith Stevens, Cuer: Jimmy Griffin. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the office, Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Curliques – Estero Woodlands Clubhouse – Estero, FL – Workshop: 6:30 p.m.; Plus dance 7:00 p.m. – Caller: Howard Cole – rounds and lines on tape. For info: Howard Cole at 239-691-5670 or hwcole@att.net.

Spinning Wheels – Mango Recreation Center, 11717 Clay Pit Road, Seffner – ER 6:15 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 6:45 – 8:45 p.m. – Caller: UNK, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: or jbarnes73@tampabay.rr.com or helenm720@aol.com.

B&S Flutterwheelers – NO DANCE For info: rbourassar@tampabay.rr.com.

Snell's Bo's & Bell's – **TEMPORARY LOCATION FOR JANUARY 7TH DANCE ONLY!** Highland Rec Center just north of East Bay Drive on Highland Avenue (about midway between Starkey Rd. and Seminole Blvd). 7:30 – 9:45 p.m. – Caller: Allen Snell, Cuer: Pat Fiyalko. For info: settarose1@verizon.net or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429 or mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net.

Effective January 14, 2011, the new dance location for Snell's Bo's and Bell's will be the new Largo Community Center, 400 Alternate Keene Road, Largo. It may not be in your GPS yet so take East Bay Drive. From the west go 1.1 miles to the east from Seminole Blvd. (Alt. 19). From the east go 0.4 miles to the west from Starkey Road. Turn to the north and it is about three blocks up on the right side. If you come to a 'T' in the road, you over shot by about half a block.

Sun City Swingers - **NO DANCE** For info: suzannelynch3@verizon.net or gail3357@gmail.com.

Saturday – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Tailgate Party** – Brandon Community Center, 402 Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 p.m. Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Marty Van Wart, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – finger foods – square dance attire preferred. For info: Patti 813-571-7786 /patti44@yahoo.com or Betty 813-685-3826.

Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – ER 7:00 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: Pat Hagen. For info: www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry. Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Linda Lynn 813-659-9040, Mary Lee Van Valkenburg 813-707-1702, Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Strawberry Square Phase IV Dance/Workshop - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: lvrds@embarqmail.com or www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry. Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Palace Promenaders Cincinnati Chili – Palace Square Dance Hall, 1647 NE Floridian Street, Arcadia – Chili at 6:00 p.m. - Mainstream/Plus/Rounds – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Art Miller, cuer: Jennie Martin – square dance attire preferred – park in back of the building - \$8 per couple. For info: Jennie Martin – 863-494-2749; Mary Dow – 863-494-6062/mdow@embarqmail.com.

Sunday – **West Coast Membership Snowflake Ball** – Bahr's Mobile Home Park, 39444 Dancers Lane, Zephyrhills, FL - ER 1:30 – 2:00 p.m. – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Callers/Cuers: Ron Reardon and Area Callers and Cuers – West Coast members free – Guests \$5 per person. Any caller or cuer interested in calling/cueing please contact Ron at rsrhun@aol.com. For info: sgdncfan@aol.com – www.dancergram.com – 863-224-3393.

Happy Promenaders - Hitching Post RV Park Rec Hall, Naples (Directions: From Rt. 41 (Tamiami Trail East), turn south onto Barefoot Williams Road (west of Rt. 951/Collier Blvd. and just east of the Hitching Post strip mall). Take first left turn toward pool and Rec Hall.) Caller: Jerry Fell; Cuer: Mike Alexander. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream and Plus Squares 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. For info: call Jan (239) 642-8612 or playwalt@comcast.com.

Strawberry Square Phase IV-V Dance - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: lurvds@embarqmail.com or www.floridadanceweb.com/strawberry. Dance Center: 813-752-0491. If you need further information and cannot reach the Dance Center office, you may contact: Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Heel & Toe – St. Cloud Senior Center, 3101 – 17th Street, St. Cloud – Plus Workshop 6:30 p.m. – Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Bill Boyd, Cuer: Bev Landwehr. For info: minimercury@cfl.rr.com or 407-339-1499.

Pioneer Village – Pioneer Village, 7974 Samville Rd. North Ft. Myers, FL – Mainstream with Rounds – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Len Siegmann; Cuer: Ruth Siegmann - \$3.50 per person. For info: 239-940-6121 or marcy_stwrt@yahoo.com.

Clover Leaf Leprechauns – 900 North Broad Street (U.S. 41 N.), Brooksville, FL – ER 1:30 – 2:00 p.m., Plus/Rounds 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., A-1 tip 4:15 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates, Cuer: Judy Doane – finger foods. For info: 352-270-8469 or <http://www.geocities.com/leprechaun34601>.

B&S Flutterwheelers – **NO DANCE** For info: rbourassar@tampabay.rr.com.

Huggables – King of Kings Church, 10337 U.S. 19 (between SR 52 and Ranch Road), Port Richey – casual dress – Mainstream/Plus 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: Allen Snell. For info: 727-809-3429 or 727-809-0323 or settarose1@verizon.net or mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net.

Orange Blossom Squares – La Hacienda Center, The Villages 352-259-6040 – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates, Cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: hal.baumann1959@gmail.com or 352-259-6552.

West Coast Classes and Workshops and National Caller and Cuer Colleges

Please provide start date, start and ending time, level (beginner, Mainstream, Plus, etc.) exact address (with city) where class and/or workshop will be held, instructor's name, contact name, email address and phone number.

Please keep in mind that this information needs to be communicated out to new dancers! It's not a secret!

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January 4, 11, 25, 2011 and February 1, 8, 2011 – **Strawberry Square Country Western Line Dancing Classes** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Blvd., Plant City – Beginner Dances: 7 – 8 p.m.; Intermediate Dances: 8 – 9 p.m. – Leaders: Jeff and Diane Hisong - \$4 per session – continuation of this class is participation dependent – call the dance hall at 813-752-0491 for pre-class registration. For info: strawberrysquaredancing.com.

January 4, 2011 – **Pine Ridge Promenaders Beginner Square Dance Lessons** - Sunshine RV Park, SR. 70, Lake Placid - 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Dave Angell. For info: Will Mullens at 972-740-8035.

January 5, 2011 – **Estero Intermediate Level Square Dance Workshop** – Park Clubhouse – 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. – this class is for last year's class members – Caller: Howard Cole. For info: Dale Anders 239-560-2572.

January 6, 2011 – **Strawberry Square Beginning C-1 Class Part 2** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. – Caller: Marty Van Wart. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com – 813-752-0491. If there is no answer at the office, Don and Barbara Huff at 813-752-2278, Dan and Thelma Ogilvie – 813-752-1350 or Nicki Horne – 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

January 7, 2011 – **Woodmere Park Beginning Square Dance Class** – 3951 Wood Park Boulevard (off Jacaranda Boulevard) – Venice – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481/ redbates@juno.com.

January 8, 2011 – **Strawberry Square Phase 4-5 Dance Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – time TBA – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491.

January 10, 2011 – **Matlacha Beginners Square Dance Class** - January 13, 2011 – Matlacha Community Center, 4577 Pine Island Rd NW, Matlacha – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Wes Morris – casual attire. Pre Registration Required, For Info/Registration, call 239-283-4110.

January 13, 2011 - **Matlacha Plus DBD Workshop** – Matlacha Community Center, 4577 Pine Island Rd, NW, Matlacha – 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon – Caller: Wes Morris - casual attire. Pre Registration Required. For Info/Registration, call 239-283-4110.

January 23, 2010 – **Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association Clinic** – Lake Ashton Golf Club, 4141 Ashton Club Drive, Lake Wales, FL – 2:00 – 7:00 p.m. – Clinician: Ken Ritucci. Program will include Insight into Modern Choreography, New Ways to Use Old Calls, Add Fun and Spice to Your Presentation, and Improve Your Calling Techniques. Directions: 20 miles south of I-4 on US Rte. 27 and 1.5 miles west of US Rte. 27 on Thompson Nursery Rd. (at the entrance to the Eagle Ridge Mall). \$25 per person which includes clinic, sandwich and beverage. Limited space available. Reservations required. Contact Keith Stevens 863-326-9774 or email keith@keithstevens.com.

June 22 – 25, 2011 – **Grand Square International 5th Annual Caller School** – 60th Annual National Square Dance Convention, Detroit, MI – Caller Coaches: Tony Oxendine, Jerry Story, Vernon Jones and Ken Ritucci. Covers all experience levels. Full CALLERLAB curriculum. Modules – Singing Call Techniques – Sight Calling – Showmanship and Much More. You must be registered for the 60th NSDC to attend. Register early! Limited to first 50 callers. For info: Tony Oxendine at tony@tonyoxendine.com or 803-840-0746.

August 18-22, 2011 – **Norcal Callers School** – Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church. Sunnyvale, California – Callers: Ken Ritucci (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach), Randy Dougherty (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach), and Scot Byars. Programs for Beginning and Experienced Callers Cost: \$325.00 per caller. For reservations, a \$100 deposit is required. No charge for accompanying spouse/partner. Food and lodging not included Program: Starts Thursday, August 18th at 7:00 p.m. Ends Monday, August 22nd at 12 noon. For more Info contact Ken Ritucci, 132 Autumn Road, West Springfield, Massachusetts 01089. Phone: (413) 734-0591 Email: kenritucci@aol.com.

October 6 – 10, 2011 – **Northeast Callers School** – Mill-a-Round Dance Center, off Route 1293, Manchester, NH – two levels of programs: beginner and experienced. Topics of Discussion: Mechanics of Choreography, Timing, Voice/Delivery, Smooth Dancing/Body Flow, Programming, Teaching, Music/Rhythm, Choreographic Management, and Ethics/Leadership. Callers: Ken Ritucci, Norm Poisson, Saundra Bryant, Mike Sikorsky and Keith Stevens. \$350 per caller (\$100 deposit). For info: 413-734-0591 or kenritucci@aol.com or www.northeastcallerschool.com.

Looking Ahead

The dances/events listed in this section are the new listings I have received information on. For a complete list of the upcoming dances/events, please check the website at www.dancergram.com and you will find a separate list for each year.

January 8, 2011 – **BATS Tailgate Party** – Brandon Community Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Marty Van Wart, Cuer: TBA – square dance attire preferred. For info: Patti 813-571-7786 or Betty 813-685-3826.

January 13, 2011 – **Snobirds Everybody's Birthday Party** – Citrus Park Clubhouse, 25601 Trost Boulevard, Bonita Springs, FL – ER – 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Mac McCall, Cuer: Mike Alexander. For info: Ada 239-948-2063 or Sue 239-948-7083.

January 27, 2011 – **Snobirds Stew Night** – Citrus Park Clubhouse, 25601 Trost Boulevard, Bonita Springs, FL – ER – 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Jerry Fell, Cuer: Mike Alexander. For info: Ada 239-948-2063 or Sue 239-948-7083.

February 3, 2011 – **Snobirds Clothing Sale** – Citrus Park Clubhouse, 25601 Trost Boulevard, Bonita Springs, FL – ER – 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Howard Cole, Cuer: Mike Alexander. For info: Ada 239-948-2063 or Sue 239-948-7083.

February 10, 2011 – **Snobirds Valentine's Dance** – Citrus Park Clubhouse, 25601 Trost Boulevard, Bonita Springs, FL – ER – 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates, Cuer: Mike Alexander - snacks. For info: Ada 239-948-2063 or Sue 239-948-7083.

February 12, 2011 – **BATS Sweethearts Ball** – Brandon Community Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Ed Foote, Cuer: TBA – square dance attire preferred. For info: Patti 813-571-7786 or Betty 813-685-3826.

February 17, 2011 – **Snobirds Alumni Guests – Pie Night** – Citrus Park Clubhouse, 25601 Trost Boulevard, Bonita Springs, FL – ER – 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Howard Cole, Cuer: Mike Alexander. For info: Ada 239-948-2063 or Sue 239-948-7083.

February 24, 2011 – **Snobirds Red, White and Blue Night** – Citrus Park Clubhouse, 25601 Trost Boulevard, Bonita Springs, FL – ER – 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Jerry Fell, Cuer: Mike Alexander. For info: Ada 239-948-2063 or Sue 239-948-7083.

March 10, 2011 – **Snobirds Black and White Night** – Citrus Park Clubhouse, 25601 Trost Boulevard, Bonita Springs, FL – ER – 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Mac McCall, Cuer: Mike Alexander – snack foods welcome. For info: Ada 239-948-2063 or Sue 239-948-7083.

March 17, 2011 – **Snobirds St. Patrick's Dance** – Citrus Park Clubhouse, 25601 Trost Boulevard, Bonita Springs, FL – ER – 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Jim Lee, Cuer: Mike Alexander. For info: Ada 239-948-2063 or Sue 239-948-7083.

March 19, 2011 – **BATS Mexican Fiesta** – Brandon Community Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Sharon Short, Cuer: TBA – square dance attire preferred. For info: Patti 813-571-7786 or Betty 813-685-3826.

March 31 2011 – **Snobirds Farewell Dance** – Citrus Park Clubhouse, 25601 Trost Boulevard, Bonita Springs, FL – ER – 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Howard Cole, Cuer: Mike Alexander. For info: Ada 239-948-2063 or Sue 239-948-7083.

April 9, 2011 – **BATS Spring Swing** – Brandon Community Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Gary Brown, Cuer: TBA – square dance attire preferred. For info: Patti 813-571-7786 or Betty 813-685-3826.

May 7, 2011 – **BATS Biker Bash** – Brandon Community Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Clyde Stocker, Cuer: TBA – square dance attire preferred. For info: Patti 813-571-7786 or Betty 813-685-3826.

June 11, 2011 – **BATS Firefly Dance** – Brandon Community Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Ron Reardon, Cuer: TBA – square dance attire preferred. For info: Patti 813-571-7786 or Betty 813-685-3826.

July 9, 2011 – **BATS 50's/Square/Bop** – Brandon Community Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Keith Stevens, Cuer: TBA – square dance attire preferred. For info: Patti 813-571-7786 or Betty 813-685-3826.

August 12, 2011 – **BATS Gone Country** – Brandon Community Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Dan Wilkerson, Cuer: TBA – square dance attire preferred. For info: Patti 813-571-7786 or Betty 813-685-3826.

September 10, 2011 – **BATS Proud to be American** – Brandon Community Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Mike Cox, Cuer: TBA – square dance attire preferred. For info: Patti 813-571-7786 or Betty 813-685-3826.

October 8, 2011 – **BATS 47th Anniversary Dance** – Brandon Community Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: TBA – square dance attire preferred. For info: Patti 813-571-7786 or Betty 813-685-3826.

November 19, 2011 – **BATS Welcome Back Snowbirds** – Brandon Community Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Roland Blanchette, Cuer: TBA – square dance attire preferred. For info: Patti 813-571-7786 or Betty 813-685-3826.

December 17, 2011 – **BATS Home for the Holidays** – Brandon Community Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Sharon Short, Cuer: TBA – square dance attire preferred. For info: Patti 813-571-7786 or Betty 813-685-3826.

December 31, 2011 – **Strawberry Square “Puttin’ On The Ritz” – A New Year’s Eve Gala** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Plus Squares, A2 Tip and Rounds – Caller: Chris Phillips, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – dinner: 7:30 p.m. – coffee and snacks served all evening - \$25 per person until April 30, 2011; \$30 thereafter – reservations required. No refunds after December 15, 2011. Flyer posted at www.dancergram.com.

Links

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Websites

<http://floridasquaredance.com/>

<http://www.squaredancesites.com/florida2011/>. (57th Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention)

Associations/Organizations

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

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

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

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

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

<http://www.floridasquaredance.com/fassrd/index/html> (Florida Singles)

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

<http://www.callerlab.org> (CALLERLAB)

<http://www.americancallers.com> (American Callers Assn.)

<http://www.roundalab.org/> (ROUNDALAB)

<http://ssdusa.org> (Single Square Dancers USA[®])

<http://www.nsdca.org> (National Square Dance Campers)

<http://www.arts-dance.org> (Alliance of Round, Traditional and Square Dance [ARTS])

<http://www.59thnsdc.com> 59th National Square Dance Convention - Louisville, KY

<http://www.60thnsdc.com> 60th National Square Dance Convention - Detroit, MI

<http://www.nsddirectory.com/> (National Square Dance Directory - information and contacts for clubs in the U.S., Canada and around the world)

Vendors

www.travelinghoedowners.com (Square Dance DVDs – Both Instructional and Dance)

www.swskirts.com (Jan Southwest Style Skirts & Pat's Tees)

www.suzieqcreations.com (Suzie Q Creations)

www.Bobsengraving.com (division of Suzie Q Creations – covering southwest Florida)

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

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

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

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

www.PerfectPetticoats.com (Perfect Petticoats)

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

Square Dance Halls

www.Strawberrysquaredancing.com (Strawberry Square)

Callers/Cuers

<http://www.mike-gormley.com> (Mike Gormley)

<http://www.samdunn.net/> (Sam Dunn)

<http://home.rr.com/jcspin> (Jimmy and Carol Griffin)

www.2fwd2.com (Lisa Wall)

www.keithstevens.com (Keith Stevens)

Clubs

www.sailfishsquares.org

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