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December 1, 2011 – Deadline for Submissions to January 2012 Keepin' Posted. For info: jfbaker55@bellsouth.net.

December 1, 2011 – Deadline for Submissions to the February 2012/March 2012 *West Coast Dancer*. For info: evhenning@peoplepc.com.

December 1, 2011 – Deadline for Northeast Association's *The* **Grapevine**. For info: thegrapevine@pergrossi.com.

December 1, 2010 – Deadline for submissions to the January 2012 *American Square Dance* magazine. For info: americansquaredance@gmail.com.

December 4, 2011 - West Coast Association Membership

Dance – Corkscrew Woodlands, Estero – Early Rounds 1:30 – 2:00 p.m., Squares (alternating Mainstream and Plus) and rounds 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Emcee: TBA – square dance attire preferred. West Coast members FREE; guests \$5 per person. For info: sqdncfan@aol.com or 863-874-4522.

December 5, 2010 - Deadline for submissions to the January **2012** issue of the *Bow and Swing*. For info: bowandswing@gmail.com.

From the Editor....



I hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving and that you were able to spend time with family and friends.

Our next West Coast membership dance is this Sunday, December 4, at Corkscrew Woodlands in Estero. Howard Cole is the emcee and he has made arrangements for local callers and cuers to join us for the afternoon. Early rounds are from 1:30 – 2:00 p.m.

Squares are from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. We alternate Mainstream and Plus. West Coast members are FREE and guests are \$5 per person.

It's hard to believe that the year is almost over but now is the time to make your New Year's Eve plans. Several clubs are having their own New Year's Eve dance. Some require registrations and others don't. The flyers I have received for New Year's Eve dances are posted at www.dancergram.com. The last I heard Strawberry Square still has some openings. In addition to a great dance program, they have a catered dinner prior to the dance.

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).

Don't forget to go to www.dancergram.com for additional information on West Coast dancers!

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Your Source...

I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

January 26 – 28, 2012 – Florida Winter Festival – Lakeland

March 16 – 17, 2012 – Central Association's 12th Annual Shamrock Swing – The Villages

May 25 – 27, 2012 – **58**th Florida State Convention – Lakeland

If you see a flyer that has my name and contact information stamped on it, I have ribbons for that dance.

2012 Florida State Convention



This past weekend we attended the NSDCA Camporee in Sorrento. We had a great time in spite of a little rain on Friday & Saturday. When we returned home on Sunday, we got a call from Bob & Jennie Courter's son advising us of the passing of Bob Courter that morning. Bob & Jennie are our Registration Chairmen and our thoughts and prayers are with Jennie and

the Family. If Jennie asks for your help in any way with the Registration duties, please be sure to give her just a little of your time.

The "3G Kindle" wireless reader to be given away in just 3 short weeks at the Northeast "Fall Festival" on November 19, 2011. This will be a wonderful gift for someone. We will let you know the winner in the January Newsletter. We thank all those who participated in this raffle. The proceeds help to defray the costs of the convention.

We want to thank the Callers and Cuers who have been promoting the Convention. A big thank you also to those dancers who are taking the time to complete and submit the survey forms. Things are really heating up in the competition. As of the end of October we have one clear leader but still have several callers and cuers within striking distance. It will be interesting to see what happens as many clubs are re-opening after a summer of not dancing.

We wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. It is not too late to get Convention Ribbons to give as Christmas gifts. If you have trouble locating someone in your area with ribbons, you can contact us and we will get them to you. You can reach us at 352-622-7678 or carolemc82@gmail.com.

Garland & Carole McKenzie General Chairmen

National Squares Online, November, 2011



This email contains links to our new online newsletter format. By clicking on the image to the left, you will be provided a view and access to a multiple page, electronic page turning format to view the latest edition of the National Executive Committee's National Squares Online Publication. ENJOY!

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Meet the Assistant Chairman

Top Ten

The 61st NSDC committees have prepared a 'Top Ten' reasons for attending the 61st NSDC. Of course, they believe just visiting Spokane, Washington could be the number one reason for attending the 61st NSDC but that reason falls number ten. To view the Top Ten, click here

Square, Round or Other Dancing

The National Square Dance Convention is all about dancing, square dancing, round dancing, other forms of dancing for all ages, men, women, children. The 61st NSDC offers a wonderful venue in an area where there is much to do and see on your way to the convention or after you leave the convention. Washington and its surrounding areas hold many wonderful places to visit, sights to see and experiences to enjoy. To view more of what to see and do click here

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Cory-Ography In The Classroom

By Corben Geis, Vice Chairman of the Callers in the Schools Committee. CALLERLAB

SHATTERING THE NEGATIVE IMAGE

How many times do you talk to people about square dancing and they immediately recall horror stories from certain high school experiences? Wouldn't it be great to talk to people at random about or activity and have them respond about the wonderful times and the fun had while square dancing in high schools.

Let's be honest. Most of the square dancing in the schools is just on a short term basis. You might be able to spark some interest in a few of the kids to take lessons, but generally, the time spent in the school is the only time these students will be exposed to square dancing.

That means the caller has one colossal message to spread to the students. Make your limited square dance times with the children, teens and young adults a fantastic, memorable experience. Why is this good public relations? Because, when these folks are older and are approached to take lessons in the future, the first thing to come to their mind will be positive thoughts and great memories.

Promote square dancing as a

Recreational activity which is an

Original idea for fitness.

Preserve square dancing as an

American heritage for a newer

Generation of audiences.

Accrue square dancing's benefits by the

Needs and importance of

Displaying it as a social

Activity to the youth of America.

Reprint from American Square Dance - December 2011

Point of Order

From Kappie Kappenman

Singles Friendly By Penny Green Reprint from DANCERgram – February 9, 2009

"Singles Friendly" – that's a new expression. What does that mean? It's a phrase used by our National Singles organization, Single Square Dancers USA®, to designate a couples club that welcomes singles and ensures that they get to dance.

Although some clubs may say they welcome singles, do they really? Do they ensure that the singles don't sit alone; that they get to dance? This doesn't mean a club is required to provide partners for singles, who can be male or female. It shouldn't be required when it's common courtesy and good manners to ensure that everyone is having fun and getting to dance. How much fun is it to come to a dance by yourself, sit alone and not get to dance (after they have paid to dance)?

And it's not just Singles who are left out, so are the callers' and cuers' spouse and sometimes a married dancer will show up without their spouse.

If everyone would "share" their partner at least once during the evening, then this group of people would have a chance to dance a few times and they would be so grateful.

Is your club "Singles Friendly"?

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What's Happening This Week?

Week of November 28, 2011

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

Monday (November 28) – Kings Point Swingers A-2 Dance – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center 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 Birthday/Anniversary Dance – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Callers: Sharon Short, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Dancers please use the entrance marked "Gage Hall" on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. Square dance attire preferred. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

<u>Tuesday (November 29)</u> – <u>Ding-a-Lings</u> - 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: <u>chrounds@capital.net</u>.

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.

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.

Horizon Village – 9200 Littleton Road, N. Ft. Myers (south of the shell factory and west of US 41) – Plus and Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Len Siegmann, Cuer: Ruth Siegmann. For info: 239-823-7661

Woodmere A2 Dance - 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.) – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481 or Venice cell 941-223-0987 or redbates@juno.com. **Maple Leaf Squares Rusty Hinge Dance** – 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.

Suncoast Squares – MCC King of Peace Church (rear entrance by the parking lot), 3150 Fifth Avenue North, St. Petersburg – These dances are for the GLBT and Straight Communities – all are welcome! Early Rounds 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream Squares – 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.; plus Squares 9:00 – 10:00 p.m. - \$2.50 donation for Rounds; \$5 donation for Squares – casual attire. Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. For info: rritter@ij.net.

Wednesday (November 30) – Strawberry Square C-2 Dance and Workshop - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 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 Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dan and Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350.

Strawberry Square Club - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. Mainstream/Easy Plus. Caller: TBA. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Linda Lynn 813-659-9040 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

Timber Pines – 6872 Timber Pines Boulevard, Spring Hill – Early Rounds 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – caller: Bob Bourassa - square dance attire optional – for gate access and directions call 352-666-1546.

Strawberry Square C-1 - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City — 1:00 — 3:00 p.m. Caller: Keith Stevens. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dan and Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350.

Kings Point Swingers Advanced Round Dance – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center – 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, Port Charlotte, FL. Callers: Art Miller; Cuers: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier. 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. alternating tips. For info: Mary 941-380-5336 or Jennie 863-494-2749.

Thursday (December 1) – Shufflin' Squares - Lake Ashton Golf Club, 4141 Ashton Club Drive, Lake Wales, FL – ER 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., alternating tips (Mainstream/Plus) 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. advanced tip 9:30 p.m.. Caller: Sharon Short; Cuer: Carl Rod – square dance attire optional. For info: eschwartz23@tampabay.rr.com.

Snobirds – **NO DANCE** For info: <u>blingley@gmail.com</u>.

Pine Ridge Promenaders – Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yards east of Hwy. 27, Lake Placid - Mainstream/Plus 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Gib Mattson. For info: 863-699-2789.

Dunedin – Dr. William E. Hale Senior Activity Center, 330 Douglas Avenue, Dunedin - Beginners 6:30 – 7:30 – Squares (all sets) 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 <a href="mailto:mcox47@ma

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.

Jacaranda Trace – 3600 William Penn Way, Venice - A-2 - 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Caller: Mike Cox. For info: 941-408-2627.

Suncoast Squares – MCC King of Peace Church (rear entrance by the parking lot), 3150 Fifth Avenue North, St. Petersburg – These dances are for the GLBT and Straight Communities – all are welcome! A-2 – 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. - \$7 – casual attire. Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. For info: rritter@ij.net.

Promenade Squares – Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – ER 7:15 - 7:45 p.m. Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:45 - 9:30 p.m. - caller: Dick Demerit, cuers: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin. For info: walkey1a@yahoo.com or 727-789-3836.

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 (December 2) – Buttonwood Bay Squares Welcome Back Dance - 10001 U.S. Rt. 27 S., Sebring (5 miles south of Sebring on Rt. 27) – 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.

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.

Snell's Bo's and Bell's – Largo Community Center, 400 Alternate Keene Road, Largo – Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:45 p.m. – Caller: Allen Snell. For info: settarose1@verizon.net or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429 or mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net.

Strawberry Square C-2 Dance and Workshop - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 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 Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dan and Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350.

Manatee RV Park – 6302 U.S. 41 South, Ruskin – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Plus Squares 7:30 – 9:30 p.m., Advanced 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: Guests. For info: Joe 813-641-9418 or Mike 813-649-0754.

Strawberry Square A-2 Dance – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – A2 Workshop 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., A-2 Dance 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Caller: Ross Howell. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dave and Betty Bradley 989-289-6446.

Woodmere Park C-1 Dance - 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.) – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481 or Venice cell 941-223-0987 or redbates@juno.com.

Dixie Grande Squares – Grace Lutheran Church, 321 Avenue C SE, Winter Haven – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Squares 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – square dance attire preferred – Caller/Cuer: Carl Rod. For info: carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com or 863-651-3292 (c) or 863-293-9369 (H).

Spinning Wheels' Celebrate Art Day - Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Come party with the Spinning wheels as we welcome Art Springer back. There will be food, fun, and dancing. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace – casual attire. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

Sun City Swingers – Sun City Center Community Hall, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Bob Ellis, Cuer: Pat Hagen. Square dance attire preferred. Air-conditioned hall, wood floor, and lighted,

paved off-street parking. For info: Geri and Tom at gjkilgallon@verizon.net or 813-633-9742 or Donna and Frank at 813-634-7016.

<u>Saturday (December 3)</u> – <u>Bay Area Twirlers (BATS)</u> – Sadie Street Rec Center, 502 Sadie Street, Brandon – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Squares (alternating Mainstream and Plus) 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Caller: Clyde Stocker, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: starnut1@verizon.net.

Buttons & Bows of Venice – Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – Square/Rounds 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Caller: Red Bates; Cuer: UNK. For info: remsenny@aol.com.

Strawberry Square – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Early Rounds 7:00 p.m., Plus with Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Square dance attire preferred – Caller: Sharon Short, Cuer: Jimmy and/or Carol Griffin. For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com. If you can't reach the dance center, call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, or Mary Lee Van Valkenburg 813-707-1702, or Linda Lynn 813-659-9040, or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

Palace Promenaders – Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia – Caller: Art Miller; Cuer: Jennie Martin – Squares and Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For info: Jennie 863-494-2749 or Mary 941-380-5336.

<u>Sunday (December 4)</u> – <u>West Coast Association Membership Dance</u> – Corkscrew Woodlands, Estero – Early Rounds 1:30 – 2:00 p.m., Squares (alternating Mainstream and Plus) and rounds 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Emcee: Howard Cole – square dance attire preferred. West Coast members FREE; guests \$5 per person. For info: sqdncfan@aol.com or 863-874-4522.

Motivators - St. Cloud Senior Center, 3101 – 17th Street, St. Cloud – A-2 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., C-1 Tip 4:00 p.m. – Caller: Ron Libby. For info: apepkie@cfl.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.

Cloverleaf 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: TBA, Cuer: Judy Doane – square dance attire preferred. For info: 352-270-8469, lmuttitt@tampabay.rr.com or http://www.dloridasquaredance.com/leprechaun34601/.

Timber Pines A2 Dance - 6872 Timber Pines Boulevard, Spring Hill – A1 – A2 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. caller: Bob Bourassa - square dance attire optional. For info: 352-666-1546.

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

Monday (December 5) – Auburndale Round Dance Party – Ariana Beach Club, 320 Ramsgate, Auburndale – 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. – Cuer: Carl Rod. Please bring finger food. For info: carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com or 863-293-9369.

Sun-N-Fun First Dance of the Season – 7125 Fruitville Road, Woodland Hall, Sarasota – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Plus squares with rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer; Cuer: Bill Webb. For info: Bill and Marge Webb at 941-343-9720 or 440-526-7258 or billwebb2@gmail.com or John and Shirley Galik at 941-371-3914.

Sassy Squares First Dance of the Season – 3240 Grand Prix Drive, Sebring – A2 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Sam Dunn; Cuer: TBA - casual attire. For info: http://samdunn.net/harmony.htm.

Kings Point Swingers A-2 Dance – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center 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 - 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.

West Coast Classes and Workshops 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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November 15, 2011 – **Strawberry Square A-2 Review/Workshop** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 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 Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dave and Betty Bradley 989-289-6446.

November 15, 2011 – **Sun City Swingers Open House for New Dancer Classes** - Sun City Center Community Hall, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Classes begin November 22. Caller/Instructor: Van Coble. For info: Leah 813-633-3986 or Geri 813-633-9742.

November 15, 2011 – **Strawberry Square First C-1 Class/Workshop of the Season** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Caller: Keith Stevens. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dan and Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350.

November 17 – 21, 2011 – **Silver Sate Caller College** – Las Vegas, NV. Staff: Doug Davis* (Spokane, WA), Nasser Shukayr* (San Antonio, TX), and Hanna Tenenbaum (Malmoe, Sweden). Contact: Nasser Shukayr at nshukayr@gmail.com.

November 22, 2011 – **Sun City Swingers Open House for New Dancer Classes** - Sun City Center Community Hall, Room 3, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City – beginning class 6:30 – 8:00 p.m., Plus workshop 8:00 – 9:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Caller/Instructor: Van Coble. For info: Leah 813-633-3986 or Geri 813-633-9742.

November 27, 2011 – **Temple Twirlers Beginner Square Dance Class Start-Up Party** – Hospitality Room, Silver Dollar Resort, 12515 Silver Dollar Drive, Odessa – 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Sharon Short. This night is FREE for all. Finger food requested. First class will be December 4, 2011. For info: 813-239-3314 or sshar@aol.com.

December 4, 2011 – **Temple Twirlers Beginner Square Dance Class** – Hospitality Room, Silver Dollar Resort, 12515 Silver Dollar Drive, Odessa – 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Sharon Short. Registration opens for the first three weeks. \$3 per person per session; angels are free. For info: 813-239-3314 or sshar@aol.com.

December 5, 2011 – **Strawberry Square Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. - Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette. \$5 per person; first class free. Casual clothes and comfortable shoes recommended. For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com.

December 5, 2011 – **Strawberry Square Plus Square Dance Lessons** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 8:00 – 9:30 p.m. (immediately following beginner class) – for those wanting to get back into square dancing, a refresher or just finished Mainstream - Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette. \$5 per person. Casual clothes and comfortable shoes recommended. For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com.

January 2, 2012 – **Auburndale Beginner Round Dance Classes** – Ariana Beach Club, 321 Ramsgate, Auburndale. 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Cuer/Instructor: Carl Rod. For info: 863-293-9369 or carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com.

January 3, 2012 – **Woodmere Park Beginner Class** - 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.) – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller/Instructor: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481 or Venice cell 941-223-0987 or redbates@juno.com.

January 6, 2012 – **Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Location TBA – 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Carl Rod. For info: 863-293-9369 or carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com.

January 6, 2012 - Maple Leaf Squares Beginners Class Open House — Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway (I-75 Exit 170 go SW 1 ½ miles), Queensway Hall — 1:00 — 3:00 p.m. — Caller/Instructor: Dave Magee. For info: callerdave@comcast.net or 941-235-1611.

January 7, 2012 - **Strawberry Square First Phase 5 Dance and Workshop** — Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City — Cuer: Charlie Lovelace — 10:30 a.m. — 12:30 p.m. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or David Heugel 910-200-3828.

January 8, 2012 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Beginners Square Dance Class** – Heatherwood, Harden Boulevard, Lakeland, FL – 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette. For info: sqdncfan@aol.com or 863-224-3393.

January 11, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Intro to A-1 Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 12:00 – 2:00 P.M. – Caller/Instructor: Mary Van Wart. For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com. If you can't reach the dance center, call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dave and Betty Bradley 989-289-6446.

January 12, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Intro to C-1 Class** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Caller: Marty Van Wart. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dan and Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350.

January 15, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Day of Plus** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Sam Dunn. 9:00 Coffee and donuts; 9:30 – 12:00 Dancing; 11:30 a.m. – break – free time; 1:30 – 4:00 p.m. Dancing. \$30 per couple for entire package (6 hours of dancing – no split sessions). **To ensure your space, register** now! Be sure to print a registration form off Sam's website or www.dancergram.com so you can complete the checklist indicating what calls you want him to work on. Send your \$30 check now to

Strawberry Square, Inc., 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL 33563. Casual dress. For info: call Sam at 863-382-6792 or www.samdunn.net.

January 24 and 31, February 7 and 14, 2012 – **Strawberry Square DBD All position Plus Workshops** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Caller: Sam Dunn. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Linda Lynn 813-659-9040 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

January 24 and 31, 2012, February 7, 14 & 28, 2012; March 6 & 13, 2012 — **Snowbird Basic Round Dance Classes** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City — Cuer: Linda Moulton. 3:30 — 5:30 p.m. - \$5 per person.

August 16 – 20, 2012 – Socal Callers School – Cedar Brook Dance Center, 12812 Garden Boulevard, Garden Grove, California. Whether you are presently calling or desire to be a caller, this school will help you with your calling career. Plenty of microphone time; professional assessment of your skills; understand what it takes to be a leader, fuller CALLERLAB curriculum, and develop a calling career that is best for you. Space is limited. Register today! \$350 per student. For info: 413-734-0591 or kenritucci@aol.com

October 4 – 8, 2012 – **Northeast Callers School** – Mill-a-round Dance Center, Manchester, NH – Callers: Ken Ritucci (CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach), Norm Poisson, Jerry Story (CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach), Steve Kopman, and Don Moger. Plenty of microphone time; professional assessment of your skills; understand what it takes to be a leader, fuller CALLERLAB curriculum, and 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. \$375 per student. Space is limited. Register today!!! For info: 413-734-0591 or kenritucci@aol.com; www.northeastcallersschool.com.

Looking Ahead

For a complete list of upcoming dances by year, click here www.dancergram.com.

May 4 – 6, 2012 – **51**st International Square and Round Dance Convention – University of Guelph, 50 Stone Road East, Guelph, Ontario, N1G 2W1 – Canada – new location – new format – new program. Squares: Mainstream – A2; Rounds: Phase II – V; Line dancing; rectangle dancing. Hardwood floors in all rooms. Callers: Jim Lee (Canada), John Marshall (Virginia), Don Moger (Quebec), and Steve and Irene Bradt (Pennsylvania). Schedule: Friday: Trail-In 2:00

p.m.; Friday All Rooms: 6:30 – 10:00 pm.; Saturday: 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 p.m.; Sunday: 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. For info: Sharron Hall, 8 Seven Oaks Circle, St. Catharines ON L2P 3N6; 905-641-1872 or www.td-dance.ca.

Links

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Websites

http://floridasquaredance.com/

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

Associations/Organizations

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

http://sccafl.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://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.61stnsdc.com 60th National Square Dance Convention - Spokane, WA

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

Vendors

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

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

www.suziegcreations.com (Suzie Q Creations)

<u>www.Bobsengraving.com</u> (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://www.floridasquaredance.com/jcspin/ (Jimmy and Carol Griffin)

www.2fwd2.com (Lisa Wall)

www.keithstevens.com (Keith Stevens)

Clubs

www.sailfishsquares.org

Miscellaneous

http://www.squaredanceradionetwork.com (square dance radio network)

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