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Gently used square dance attire to be donated to the West Coast Association. These clothes will be sold on E-Bay with the proceeds being donated to the 2015 State Convention. Contact Rita Baxter at 863-326-1741 or lanceandrita@yahoo.com to make arrangements for delivery or pick up.

December 31, 2013 — Deadline to Notify the Round Dance Council of Florida That You are Available and Willing to Cue at the 2014 Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention.

Send a list of the songs you want to cue, and if you want to do a teach, send that information too. There are no forms to complete. Email Tim Wilaby, President, at terriwilaby@hotmail.com.

January 5, 2014 – Deadline for Submissions to the January 2014 Issue of the Bow & Swing – For info: bowandswing@gmail.com.

January 5, 2014 - West Coast Association Membership Dance -

Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City. Caller/Cuers: Bob Stern and area callers and cuers. Early Rounds 1:30 – 2:00 p.m., Mainstream, Plus, and rounds 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. West Coast members FREE; guests \$5 per person. Any caller, cuer, prompter interested in being on the schedule for this dance, should contact Bob Stern at rpstern@aol.com. For info: anndonslocum@juno.com.

January 15, 2014 – Deadline to Submit Nominations to the Hall of Fame. For info: http://floridasquaredance.com/halloffame/index.html. Mail nominations to Donna Hendricks, 5150 Mt. Plymouth Road, Apopka, FL 32712.

February 1, 2014 – Deadline to submit nominations for Extra Mile Award. For info:

 $\frac{http://www.floridasquaredance.com/documents/ExtraMileAwards/Extra%20Mile%20Nomination%20Form.pdf.}{}$

From the Editor...



Can you believe 2014 is almost here? Where has the time gone?

There will be more seasonal clubs opening in the next month or two and then we will be in full swing with all the clubs in the West Coast area open for two or three months, and then it will start dropping off again.

Our next West Coast membership dance is this Sunday, January 5th in Brooksville. We will be dancing at the home of the Cloverleaf Leprechauns.

Bob Bourassa was originally scheduled to be the emcee but due to his passing earlier in the year Bob Stern has been scheduled to take his place. Bob is secretary of the Florida Callers Association, and a member of the Suncoast Callers Association and the Central Florida Callers Association and he lives in Leesburg. The details of the dance are listed above and below in the "What's Happening This Week?" section.

The next big weekend is the Florida Winter Festival in Lakeland January 30 – February 1 at the Lakeland Center. Tony Oxendine, Jerry Story, John Saunders, Jack Pladdys, and Tim Crawford are scheduled to call. Rey and Sherry Garza, Carol and Jimmy Griffin, and Gene and Jackie Tyre are scheduled to cue. Advance ribbons are available for \$42.50 each and I have a supply to sell.

There will be Plus, DBD, and Advanced squares and Phase II – V rounds. The flyer is available at www.dancergram.com.

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 <u>www.dancergram.com</u> for additional information on West Coast dancers and former dancers!

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

This contact list can also be found at

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Bow & Swing Editorial

From Bill Boyd

This editorial is a reprint from Sets and Orders, January 1949. The reason people square danced then is for the same reasons we dance today. FUN! When trying to recruit new dancers maybe we should remember why we started and why we stayed. It was fun!

Why Are They Square Dancing? By Harold Sturrock

It has been said that there are as many reasons for people doing certain things as there are people doing them. This can hardly be said of Square Dancing since Square Dancers are so numerous, but this does bring up an important point. Take the last roundup for example. Over 1,500 persons packed Glendale Civic Auditorium for a four hour Sunday afternoon session of dancing. Why? A rambling reporter might summarize it this way.

There is...

Recreation: As a diversion from the routine of day-to-day existence. Square Dancing offers as much fun as any form of participating entertainment.

Association: In terms of common interest, any Square Dance group, large or small has something of a "meeting of the minds" when translating the caller's patter into a floor pattern.

Relaxation: You can unhook your dignity on any Square Dance floor for here is relaxation at its peak. To leave your cares home and let yourself go is almost a must.

Exhilaration: Animation being the fundamental of Square Dancing it naturally follows that a spirit of gaiety, and enjoyment pervade and prevail.

Exertion: While not exerting to an exhausting degree, a perceptible physical effort, more than equal to your daily dozen may be required. Exercise is the word.

Competition: Trying not to be outdone is one of the most interesting sidelights of the dance. This goes for keeping up with the caller as well as matching performance with the other members of your set.

Transition: Since Square Dancing has moved out of the barn and into the auditorium, many more are attracted to it. Further expansion of the dance appears to be limited only by the number of auditoriums and callers available in the given area.

Mission: to bring together, groups of people who want to have a lot of fun at a minimum of expense where it doesn't matter much whether you are a doctor, lawyer or Indian chief. The foregoing seem to be reasons enough to justify the spread of Square Dancing, especially in Southern California.

Make you[r] New Years Resolution that this year you will do your best either as a dancer, caller or cuer to make sure that you and those around you have fun.

Reprint from American Square Dance – January 2013

All Things Considered

By Ed Foote

The Ability of European Dancers

For 25 years it has been a fact that dancers in Europe dance better than those in the U.S. How did this happen?

My first calling trips to Europe were in 1982 and 1983. I called in Germany, Belgium, Denmark and the Netherlands, and the ability level was the same as in the U.S. Six years later everything was different. What caused this? It all started with Sweden.

The October issue of this magazine contained two articles on dancing in Sweden. The first, entitled "Swedish Squares" was written in 1998 and described the experience of a square dancer who visited Sweden in that year. The second, entitled "Square Dancing in Sweden" described how Swedish employees of Ericsson Telecom were sent on an assignment to Saudi Arabia and were exposed to square dancing there by people from the U.S. Here is the rest of the story.

The engineers were contracted to Aramco, the Saudi Arabia oil company, and worked at its oil refinery there. This was in 1980 & 1981. Saudi Arabia needed western technology, but it did not want any intermingling of its population with those of western countries. So all westerners, including those from the U.S. and Sweden, had to live in a large compound, consisting of homes, schools, restaurants and recreational facilities. The only time people left the compound was to work at their day job for Aramco, and then they would return each evening.

What to do for recreation? A few Americans, who were also working for Aramco, had some square dance records and knew how to dance them, so they taught these records to other westerners. This grew to a point where the group subsequently, in the late 1980s would bring a U.S. caller to Saudi Arabia once a year for a week to call.

After a year or so the people working at Aramco would rotate back to their home countries, so the Swedish engineers went home in 1982. But they were still enthusiastic for square dancing. In 1980 there was one square dance club in Stockholm, and it did traditional dancing. The Swedish engineers contacted this group and together with records, tapes and a pamphlet of call definitions from Sets in Order in the U.S. began to teach friends and neighbors how to square dance.

These people in turn would teach new people, some of whom became callers, who then started classes, and the whole thing snowballed. By late 1985, when I first did a calling tour to Sweden, there were over 40 clubs in the country.

But Sweden was, in essence, learning on its own. There was no one from the U.S. to advise them that in America most people only knew the calls from one position. So Sweden assumed that you really had to know the calls by understanding how to do them from every possible position. As a result, people studied very hard in class, and the subsequent new callers would also teach the calls from all positions – what today we call D.B.D. (Dance By Definition).

When I did my two week Sweden tour in 1985, I was shocked. I had never seen Mainstream and Plus dancers this good – I had only seen this type of understanding at Advanced and Challenge. Next month we will see how Sweden affected dancing in all of Europe.

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Your Source...

I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

January 30 – February 2, 2014 – Florida Winter Festival – Lakeland

March 21 – 22, 2014 – Central Association's 14th Annual Shamrock Swing – The Villages

What's Happening This Week?

Week of December 30, 2013

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

Monday (December 30) – Heel and Toe – Senior Center Annex, 702 Indiana Avenue, St. Cloud – Caller: Bill Boyd; Plus workshop 6:30 – 7:00 p.m., Dancing to the level of the floor 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. \$5 per person. Casual attire. Please call ahead to ensure there will be a dance. For info: 407-319-0790 (C), 407-931-1688 (H), or bell-gelt@mpinet.net. Website: www.floridasquaredance.com/heelandtoe.

King's Point – King's Point Main Clubhouse, Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City – A2 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Mike Cox. For info: Mike Cox 813-649-0754 or George 813-642-0900.

Temple Twirlers – **NO DANCE** For info: bbkjlk@verizon.net.



Tuesday (December 31) – Arcadia Palace Promenaders New Year's Eve Dance – Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 NE Floridian Circle, Arcadia, FL - Callers: Art Miller, Robert Arias, and Wally Wade; Cuer: Jennie Martin. Bring covered dish to share; meat will be furnished; dry camping at the hall is welcome; plenty of parking at the hall; \$20 per couple. Dance at 8:00 p.m. eat at 9:00 p.m. dance till 12:00? Hotel: Holiday Inn Express, 2709 SE Hwy. 70, Arcadia, FL 34266; 863-494-5900. Ask for SQD for the special square dance rate. \$105.99 per night. For info: Jennie Martin 863-494-2749 or Mary Dow 941-380-5336.

A Maine-ly New England New Year Celebration – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL – Caller: Tim Marriner; Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. 7:30 p.m. – 12:30 a.m. Plus squares with Phase 2 – 4 rounds. Cost (includes dinner): \$30 per person prior to April 30, 2013; \$35/person after. Reservation deadline December 15, 2013. If you want to sit with a particular group, all reservations should be submitted together. For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com.

Maple Leaf Squares - **NO DANCE** For info: 941-624-0871 or <u>r.freidmann97@gmail.com</u>. **Woodmere A2** - 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 <u>redbates@juno.com</u>.

Ding-a-Lings - **NO DANCE** For info: chrounds@capital.net.

Horizon Village Squares – **NO DANCE** For info: 239-282-6322 – j.h.morris@embargmail.com.

Suncoast Squares – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – Early Rounds 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Mainstream 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. – Plus 9:00 – 10:00 p.m. Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. A GLBT Club – all are welcome (including the straight community) – casual attire. For info: www.suncoastsquares.com or 727-599-1440 or rritter@ij.net.



<u>Wednesday (January 1)</u> – <u>Betmar Belles & Beaus</u> - <u>NO DANCE</u> For info: Roger Bertrand 989-742-4639.

Strawberry Square Club - NO DANCE For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call DeeAnn Wilson 813-704-4329 or 404-405-8946; Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513; David Bradley 989-444-9913.

Strawberry Square C-2 Dance & Workshop - **NO DANCE** For info: LeeAnn Houser at 516-780-3150 / <u>leesny@aol.com</u> or Wayne and Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513.

Strawberry Square C-1 Dance & Intro to C-2 - **NO DANCE** For info: LeeAnn Houser at 516-780-3150 / leesny@aol.com or Wayne and Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513.

Cultural Center Squares – **NO DANCE** For info: Mary 941-380-5336 or Jennie 863-494-2749.

<u>Thursday (January 2)</u> – <u>Shufflin' Squares</u> - 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: Marty Van Wart; Cuer: Carl Rod – square dance attire optional. For info: <u>easchwartz@tampabay.rr.com</u>.

Charlotte Promenaders First Dance of the Season - Port Charlotte Beach Recreation Center, 4500 Harbor Boulevard, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 (parking passes will be provided) – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Plus Squares 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Caller: Red Bates; Cuer: Dick Chase. For info: 941-412-8588 or 941-429-8271 or sqdbird@aol.com.

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

Glen Haven Squares – Glen Haven RVP, 37251 Chancy Road, Zephyrhills – MS/Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: George Varney, Cuer: Ella Bettencourt. For info: Dale Remington 813-788-7074 / dreming1@verizon.net or George Varney 813-782-0885.

Snell's Bo's and Bells (Dunedin) – Dr. William E. Hale Senior Activity Center, 330 Douglas Avenue, Dunedin – Workshop 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Squares (mix of Mainstream, Plus, and Rounds) - 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. - \$6 per person – caller: Allen Snell. For info: settarose1@verizon.net or 727-809-3429 or 727-862-4842 or jsantoro6@verizon.net.

Suncoast Squares A2 Dance and Workshop – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Caller: Mike Cox. A GLBT Club – all are welcome (including the straight community) – casual attire. For info: www.suncoastsquares.com or 727-599-1440 or rritter@ij.net.

Jacaranda Trace – 3600 William Penn Way, Third floor in Auditorium, Venice – A2 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. For info: Mike cox 813-649-0754 or Alice 941-408-2627.

Lake Kennedy Squares – NO DANCE For info: 239-574-0575.

Promenade Squares – Senior Center, 7625 - 59th St. N., Pinellas Park – Beginner's Class 6:00 p.m., Early Rounds 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: mblackburn13@tampabay.rr.com or 208-369-6949.

Friday (January 3) – Buttonwood Bay Squares White Elephant 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: Nelson Wakeman assisted by Jama. For info: Tim Stewart tistewart58@comcast.net or 586-610-8370

Strawberry Square First C-3A Dance/Workshop of the Season - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller/Instructor: Keith Stevens – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Casual attire – fragrance free – hearing assist device available! For info: LeeAnn Houser at 516-780-3150 / leesny@aol.com or Wayne and Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513.

Punta Gorda Phase 3 & 4 Round Dance Club - South Community Regional Park, 670 Cooper Street, Punta Gorda – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Cuers: Wally and Ione Wade. For info: 941-505-1979 or ionewade@centurylink.com.

Woodmere C-1 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.

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: Keith Stevens. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com; 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please contact: Wayne Sorrells 770-490-1670; Art & Ruth Kinsley 603-721-2206, or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

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; 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please contact: Wayne Sorrells 770-490-1670; Art & Ruth Kinsley 603-721-2206, or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

Snell's Bo's and Bells (Largo) – Largo Community Center, 400 Alternate Keene Road (just north of E. Bay Drive between Keene/Starkey Road and Highland Avenue), Largo – Early Rounds 7:00 p.m., Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:45 p.m. – Caller: Allen Snell - \$6 per person. For info: settarose1@verizon.net or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429 or jsantoro06@verizon.net.

Sun City Swingers "Welcome in the New Year" Dance — 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: Ron Reardon, Cuer: Pat Hagen. Please come join us for this Festive Holiday Special Dance. Square dance attire preferred. Airconditioned hall, wood floor, and lighted, paved off-street parking. Club members will provide delicious finger foods and the Club will provide beverages. For info: Dick and Mary Schultz 813-633-8718 rsch462636@aol.com or Bob and Beverly Barringer 813-633-3651.

<u>Saturday (January 4)</u> – <u>Strawberry Square</u> – 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: Mike Cox, Cuer: Mike Cox. For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com. If you can't reach the dance center, call Wayne Sorrells 770-490-1670, Mary Lee Van Valkenburg 813-707-1702, or Linda Lynn 813-659-9040, or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

Palace Promenaders - Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia — Caller: Art Miller; Cuer: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier — Squares and Rounds 7:00 — 9:00 p.m. For info: Jennie 863-494-2749 or Mary 941-380-5336. Park in back of the building. For info: Jennie Martin 863-494-2749 or Mary Dow 941-380-5336.

<u>Sunday (January 5)</u> – <u>West Coast Association Membership Dance</u> – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City. Caller/Cuers: Bob Stern and area callers and cuers. Early Rounds 1:30 – 2:00 p.m., Mainstream, Plus, and rounds 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. West Coast members FREE; guests \$5 per person. Any caller, cuer, prompter interested in being on the schedule for this dance, should contact Bob Stern at rpstern@aol.com. For info: anndonslocum@juno.com.

Cloverleaf Leprechauns – SEE WEST COAST MEMBERSHIP DANCE ABOVE. For info: 352-666-7433, slerner3@tampabay.rr.com

Shufflin' Squares Advanced Dance – Lake Ashton Health & Fitness Center (HFC), off SR 653 South, Winter Haven – 2:00 p.m. – Caller: Keith Stevens. New and inexperienced advanced dancers are welcome. It will be a workshop and teach. Dress is casual. We dance by computer generated squares. For info: Keith Stevens 863-326-9774 or keithuns@yahoo.com
Orange Blossom Squares - La Hacienda Center, The Villages – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Whit Brown, Cuer: Irene Knapp-Smith. \$12 per member couple in advance and \$14 per guest couple in advance; \$16 at the door for everyone. For info: Ed Gargiula at 352-753-8094 or is edfran@thevillages.net.

Monday (January 6) – 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: Red Bates; Cuer: Pat Hagen. 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.

Temple Twirlers Roaring 20's Dance - Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa — ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 — 9:30 p.m. — Caller: Ron Reardon, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Dancers please use the entrance marked "Gage Hall" on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: bbkjlk@verizon.net.

Heel and Toe – Senior Center Annex, 702 Indiana Avenue, St. Cloud – Caller: Bill Boyd; Plus workshop 6:30 – 7:00 p.m., Dancing to the level of the floor 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. \$5 per person. Please call ahead to ensure there will be a dance. For info: 407-319-0790 (C), 407-931-1688 (H), or bell-gelt@mpinet.net. Website: www.floridasquaredance.com/heelandtoe.

King's Point – King's Point Main Clubhouse, Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City – A2 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Mike Cox. For info: Mike Cox 813-649-0754 or George 813-642-0900.

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.

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

Updated December 30, 2013

Round Dance Workshop – Kings Point, Main Club House, Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center – Advanced Rounds 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. – Cuer: Mike Cox. For info: 813-649-0754.

December 15, 2013 – **Strawberry Square Beginners Round Dance Workshop** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Fee: \$6 per person per session. Cuer/Instructor: Linda Carnegie and Cary Shea. Casual clothes and comfortable shoes recommended. Fragrance free – hearing assist device available! For info: Jack and Nell Jenkins at 828-508-3690 / jskidancer01@aol.com or Linda Carnegie at 518-312-5546.

January 2, 2014 - **Buttonwood Squares**, Beginner Square Dance Workshop. Every Thursday (except March 6th) from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm. Buttonwood Bay RV Resort, 10001 US 27 South, Sebring, FL. (approximately 5 miles south of Sebring). Caller/ Instructor is Mike Gormley. For info: Tim Stewart (President) at 586-610-8370 or email tjstewart58@comcast.net.

January 2, 2014 - **Buttonwood Squares,** Mainstream_**Square Dance Workshop**. Every Thursday (except March 6th) from 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm. Buttonwood Bay RV Resort, 10001 US 27, Sebring, FL. (approximately 5 miles south of Sebring) Caller/ Instructor is Mike Gormley. For info: Tim Stewart (President) at 586-610-8370 or email <u>tjstewart58@comcast.net</u>.

January 6, 2014 – **Moore Haven Beginners Square Dance Class** – Moore Haven Sportsman Village Condo Association, 1159 Daniels Road, S.E., Moore Haven – 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. – learn by definition - \$5 per person per session – Caller/Instructor: Mike Gormley. For info: 419-376-0557 or mike@mike-gormley.com.

January 6, 2014 – **Moore Haven Plus Workshop** – Moore Haven Sportsman Village Condo Association, 1159 Daniels road, S.E., Moore Haven – 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. – learn by definition - \$5 per person per session – Caller/Instructor: Mike Gormley. For info: 419-376-0557 or mike@mike-gormley.com.

January 6, 2014 – **Strawberry Square A-1 Class/Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller/Instructor: Marty Van Wart – 12:00 n – 2:00 p.m. Casual attire - \$5 per person per session - fragrance free – hearing assist device available! For info: Ruth and Art Kinsley at 603-512-7240 / akinsley@juno.com or Wayne and Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513.

January 6, 2014 – **Strawberry Square A-2 Class/Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller/Instructor: Marty Van Wart – 12:00 n – 2:00 p.m. Fragrance free – hearing assist device available! For info: Ruth and Art Kinsley at 603-512-7240 / akinsley@juno.com or Wayne and Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513.

January 7, 2014 - **Buttonwood Squares Plus Square Dance Workshop**. Every Tuesday (except March 4th) from 3pm to 4:30pm. Buttonwood Bay RV Resort, 10001 US 27, Sebring, FL. (approximately 5 miles south of Sebring). Caller/instructor is Nelson Wakeman. For info: Tim Stewart (President) at 586-610-8370 or email tjstewart58@comcast.net.

January 7, 2014 – **Woodmere Park Beginner Class** - Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd. (off Jacaranda Blvd.), Venice – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Caller/Instructor: Red Bates. For info: 941-828-0481, 941-223-0987 (C), redbates@juno.com.

January 7, 2014 – **Strawberry Square DBD Plus Workshop** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller/Instructor: Keith Stevens – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Perfect your skills at Plus dancing. This workshop is for Plus dancers with at least two (2) years of dancing experience that want a little more challenge added to their dancing enjoyment or want to move to another level of dance. Dancers at the Advanced level would also find this workshop more challenging and helpful for dancing at the Advanced level. Dancers will be evaluated after first two workshops. Fee: \$5 per person per session. Fragrance free – hearing assist device available! For info: Wayne and Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513 / cds1025@bellsouth.net.

January 8, 2014 – **Punta Gorda Beginning Waltz Lessons** - South Community Regional Park, 670 Cooper Street, Punta Gorda – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – Cuers: Wally and Ione Wade. For info: 941-505-1979 or ionewade@centurylink.com.

January 8, 2014 – **Crystal Lake Squares Plus Workshop** – Crystal Lake Village, 237 Maxwell Drive, Wauchula (2 miles north of Wauchula on U.S. Hwy. 17 – every Wednesday, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. – possible pre-January start (call for info) – learn by definition - \$4 per person per session. Caller/Instructor: Mike Gormley. For info: 419-376-0557 or mike@mike-gormley.com.

January 8, 2014 – Crystal Lake Squares Mainstream Square Dance Workshop – Crystal Lake Village, 237 Maxwell Drive, Wauchula (2 miles north of Wauchula on U.S. Hwy. 17 – every Wednesday, 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. – possible pre-January start (call for info) – learn by definition - \$4 per person per session. Caller/Instructor: Mike Gormley. For info: 419-376-0557 or mike@mike-gormley.com.

January 8, 2014 – Crystal Lake Squares Beginners Square Dance Class – Crystal Lake Village, 237 Maxwell Drive, Wauchula (2 miles north of Wauchula on U.S. Hwy. 17 – every Wednesday,

4:00 – 5:30 p.m. – learn by definition - \$4 per person per session. Caller/Instructor: Mike Gormley. For info: 419-376-0557 or mike@mike-gormley.com.

January 9, 2014 – Lake Kennedy Beginner Square Dance Lessons – Lake Kennedy Senior Center, 400 Santa Barbara Blvd., Cape Coral – 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Wes Morris - \$5 per person per session. For info: 239-574-0575.

January 9, 2014 – **Strawberry Square Intro to C-1** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller/Instructor: Marty Van Wart – 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Casual attire - \$5 per person per sessions - fragrance free – hearing assist device available! For info: LeeAnn Houser at 516-780-3150 / leesny@aol.com or Wayne and Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513.

August 14 – 17, 2014 – **Norcal Callers School** – Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church, 728 W. Fremont Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA – Instructors: Ken Ritucci (Callerlab Accredited Callercoach), Scott Byars, and Harlan Kerr. Whether you 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; full Callerlab curriculum; and understand what it takes to be a caller. Space is limited – register today - \$37/student. For application and more information, contact Ken Ritucci 413-734-0591 or kenritucci@aol.com.

Looking Ahead...

May 24 – 25, 2014 – **Frontier Fête** – Samoëns, Haute Savoie, France – presented by Frontier Wheelers Square Dance Club. Caller: Dave Preskitt. For info: www.frontierwheeleers.com.

June 6 – 8, 2014 – **Västerås Sweden Convention** – For info: www.conventoin 2014.se or Convention 2014 c/o Carina Runnebring, Kungsörsvägen 18 – 732 47 Arboga, Sweden.

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Websites

http://floridasquaredance.com/

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

Publications

www.flwestcoastdancer.com (West Coast Dancer)

http://newsquaremusic.com/sioindex.html (Sets in Order)

Associations/Organizations

www.flwestcoastdancer.com (West Coast Dancer)

http://floridasquaredance.com/westcoast/index.html (West Coast Assn.)

http://www.floridasquaredance.com/rdc/ (Round Dance Council of Florida)

<u>http://www.you2candance.com</u> (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

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

Vendors

http://virginiaswesternwear.com/ (Virginia's Western Wear & Square Dance Shop, Mascotte, FL) http://www.jlvinyl.com/SQUARE---ROUND-DANCING.html (vinyl decals) www.travelinghoedowners.com (Square Dance DVDs – Both Instructional and Dance) www.swskirts.com (Jan Southwest Style Skirts & Pat's Tees) www.suziegcreations.com (Suzie Q Creations) http://www.aronssquaredanceshopandpatterns.com/ (Aron's Square Dance and Western Wear Shop) http://www.calyco.com/ (CaLyCo Crossing - a full line square dance shop) http://www.tictactoes.com/ (Tic Tac Toes - shoe vendor) 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.keithstevens.com (Keith Stevens) Clubs www.sailfishsquares.org

http://www.mike-gormley.com/square_dance/Crystal%20Lake%20Squares.htm (Crystal Lake Squares)

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<u>http://www.dosado.com/cgi-bin/lib/shop-wrapper.pl?page=rdpubs&shop=dosado&cart=3901977.2052</u>http://www.squaredance (round dance publications)radionetwork.com (square dance radio network)

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