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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.

At this time there will not be a dance at Camp Inn in Frostproof or Harmony Hoedowners in Sebring this year due to whatever is going on in Sam Dunn's life. At the request of Sam, all of his calling engagements have been canceled.

December 10, 2013 - Deadline for Submissions to the January/February/March 2014 *West Coast Dancer*. For info: evhenning@peoplepc.com.

December 15, 2013 – Deadline for Submissions to the Panhandle Press (Northwest Association's newsletter). For info: panhandlepress@hotmail.com.

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

From the Editor...

Six or seven squares enjoyed an afternoon of dancing at our West Coast membership dance this past Sunday in Estero. Calling was done by Howard Cole, Wes Morris, and Wally Wade. Cueing was done by Russ Collier and Wally and Ione Wade.

Our next membership dance will be in Brooksville on Sunday, January 5th. Bob Bourassa was originally scheduled to be the emcee, but due to his passing Bob Stern has been booked to take his place. Bob is from the Leesburg area but is a member of the Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association. He is also the secretary of the Florida Callers Association. If any other callers and cuers would like to be programmed for this dance, please contact Bob at rpstern@aol.com or 352-323-1295 (H) or 315-697-2751 (C).

If your club will not be dancing during the Christmas holiday please let me know so we can get the word out to the dancers.

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 and former dancers!

Caller **Doug Waldren** has fallen and broken his foot. He is using a wheelchair as much as possible. There is a follow up doctor's appointment on December 31st. If you would like to send a card, his address is 1331 Costine Drive, Lakeland, FL 33809.

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Extra Mile Award

Do you know a caller and/or cuer that has gone that Extra Mile without personal gain in giving freely of their time and talents to the square dance Community? Don't you think they should be recognized for their efforts? Well now is the time to do something about that.

The Florida Federation has an award just for that! It's called the Extra Mile Award. Below is information about the award:

PURPOSE OF AWARD: To show appreciation to both Callers and Cuers who go that EXTRA MILE, without personal gain, in giving fre4ely of their time and talents to the Square Dance activity.

CRITERIA FOR AWARD:

Any Caller or Cuer who is a member of the Florida Callers Association or the Round Dance Council of Florida.

PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATION:

1) The board of the Florida Federation of Square Dancers shall be the selection committee, with the current president as chairman of same. New members coming on will replace the ones going off.

- 2) Any dancer may submit a name of a caller/cuer to the selection committee prior to February 1st of the year in which the nominee is to be selected. (A Nomination Form must be fully completed.)
- 3) The selection committee meets during the February working weekend to review the nominee(s) and arrive at a final decision.

PROCEDURE FOR PRESENTING AWARD/AWARDS:

- 1) The award(s) should be presented on Saturday evening at the Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention held in May of the same year, by the president of the Florida Federation.
- 2) The award(s) presented shall be a framed certificate and an "Extra Mile Award Recipient" bar or dangle.

It takes a while to complete a nomination form, so if you have someone in mind why not get started on this now? The deadline for submitting nominations is February 1, 2014. The nomination form can be found at

http://www.floridasquaredance.com/documents/ExtraMileAwards/Extra%20Mile%20Nomination%20Form.pdf. The completed nomination can be sent to any member of the Florida Federation Board.

For your information, below is a list of past recipients of the Extra Mile Award:

<u>Year</u> Received	<u>Name</u>	<u>Area</u>
2011	Sandy Sturgis	Northwest
2011	Scotty Scharrer	Southeast
	Ernie Rollen	Northeast
2010	Patti Ping	Northwest
[Jack Lewis	Southeast
2000	Pat Hagen	West Coast
2009	Keith Stevens	West Coast
2000	Lon Ligon	Northeast
2008	Roland Morin	Central
	Charlie Pergrossi	Northeast
2007	Sam Dunn	West Coast
[Bob Poyner	Northwest
	Bill Chesnut	Northeast
2006	Lisa Wall	Northeast
	Skip Cleland	Central
1994	Paul & Nita Walker	Northeast
1993	Al Guthrie	Southeast
	Henri Arsenault	Southeast
	Frank Bedell	Southeast

Hall of Fame

And what about the dancers, callers, cuers, publishers, teachers, organizers, promoters and/or vendors for their contributions made to the dance activity <u>statewide</u>? There is also recognition for these important people too.

The Hall of Fame was organized to honor dancers, callers, cuers, publishers, teachers, organizers, promoters and/or vendors for their contributions made to the dance activity **statewide**. The Hall of Fame became a reality due to the work of Chet & Julia Vetter, Mori & Phyllis Sogolo, Art & Martha Springer and Marty & Birdie Martin. The first inductees were made May 19, 1983 at the state convention. The square dance hall at Strawberry Square became the permanent home of the Hall of Fame at a Grand Opening dance held on December 4, 1983. At the State Convention, new members are presented with a small plaque to keep and a larger plaque is installed at Strawberry Squares Hall for public viewing.

As of the State Convention in the year 2004, 74 inductees have been installed in the Florida Hall of Fame. These inductees consist of dancers, callers, cuers, publishers and vendors. Some have qualified in two categories.

Display cases for past presidents of the Florida Federation of Square and Round Dancers, the Florida Callers Association and the Round Dance Council of Florida have been provided by the Hall of Fame Committee. Each of the five area associations have a plaque displaying persons from their area who have been honored as person or couple of the year. An additional plaque lists the State Convention General Chairman and Caller Chairman & Cuer Chairman for each of the State Conventions.

The Hall of Fame is financed through funds derived from State Conventions. The three sponsoring associations, Florida Federation, Callers Association and Round Dance Council, each contribute one-third (1/3) of expenses.

The Selection Committee is a group of dancers, callers & cuers from every area of the state and both sexes are represented. These are known only to the Hall of Fame Committee and not to each other. Members of the Selection Committee must have been active in the Florida dance activity for at least 10 years, have visited & danced in a number of areas within the state and be knowledgeable of what is going on. Voting is done in secret by sending resumes & ballots to each voting member; ballots are completed & returned to the Hall of Fame Committee Chairman without revealing the name & address of the voter. The ballots are opened in the presence of a quorum of the Hall of Fame Committee.

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.

Preparing a nominating resume will take some time and investigation to make it complete.

Talk to other dancers, callers and/or cuers for dates, places and times the nominee is involved in statewide participation. Follow the who, what, when and where rule as you investigate and prepare the resume. The more information submitted, the better.

One the resume is finished there are two ways in which to present the information to the Hall of Fame Committee. The resume may be submitted to the board of directors of any of the five area associations, Callers Association or Cuers Association. The area or association board of directors will review the resume and vote to reject or pass it on to the Hall of Fame Committee. The resume may also be sent to the Hall of Fame committee chairman. Resumes must be received by the Hall of Fame committee by January 15th of each year. It is suggested that any association not submit more than 2 resumes for consideration per year. The Hall of Fame Committee shall meet and review all resumes presented and vote by secret ballot to forward such resumes to the Selection Committee for the final vote.

All resumes should be submitted to the chairman of the Hall of Fame Committee on or before January 15th.

Donna Hendricks 5150 Mt. Plymouth Road Apopka, FL 32712 <u>r65vette@hotmail.com</u>

To retrieve the Hall of Fame Nomination Form, go to http://floridasquaredance.com/halloffame/resume.html.

Below is a list of previous recipient:

2012	Charlie & Val Newsome		
2012	Jack & Kathy McKinney		
2011	Bruce & Colleen Morgan		
2011	Jim & Jan McConnaha		
2006	Randy & Carol Poole		
2004	Bill & JoAnn Boyd		
2002	Loren & Florence Long		
2002	John & Linda Saunders		
2001	Jack & Zonie Taylor		
2001	Murl & Sally Herbert		
2000	Duke & Doris McCleskey		
	Marvin & Olena Taylor		
1000	Cliff & Jean Allen		
1999	Worley & Nan Carrier		
	Art & Martha Springer		
1996	1996 Dave & Shirley Nihart		

	Jack & Marie Pierson	
	George & Johnnie Eddins	
1994	George & Rita Deschambeau	
1994	PeeWee & Mary Stewart	
	Frank & Nan Habersberger	
1000	Frank & Iris Gilbert	
1990	Marty & Birdie Martin	
	Dick & Bea Rae	
	Cliff & Lorraine Hendricks	
1989	George & Boots Oglesby	
	Joe & Joy Vaccari	
	Frank & Connie Bedell	
1007	Mori & Phyllis Sogolow	
1987	Chet & Julia Vetter	
1986	Charlie & Madeline Lovelace	
	Jay & "Mike" Fenimore	
1985	Gordon & Edna Blaum	
	Jack & Carolyn Lasry	
	Don & Marie Armstrong	
	Ernest (Bart) & Ruth Bartley	
1984	Jimmy & Elizabeth Clossin	
	Al & Dot Cody	
	Harry & Helen Moore	
	Gene & Ima Baylis	
1983	Ed & Kay Mack	
	Jim & Helen Galloway	

The highlighted names are the ones I know of that are from the West Coast Association. I believe Chet and Julia Vetter were in another association when they were inducted but then they moved to Strawberry Square.

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

May 23 – 25, 2014 – 60th Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention – Lakeland

60th Florida State Convention

Our Convention Chairmen, the mother-daughter team of Penny and Jenny Green have advised the following: There will be dangle dances at the convention this year. Since these dances are quite popular, we want you to be sure and look at the program when you arrive at the convention so you won't miss these events. The caller scheduling meeting was a success and we believe everyone will enjoy the new programming layout. Along with this, we can report we have at least 5 vendors so far.

Now to registration: If you have not registered yet send in your \$27.00 per person now to Mary Lee Van Valkenburg, 4237 Promenade Blvd., Plant City, FL 33563. And, don't forget to make those reservations for your hotel room. Host hotel is the Ramada Lakeland Center (863) 688-8080. For you campers, the host campground is Lakeland RV at \$18.50 per night with after parties every night. They are asking that reservations be made no later than 15 days prior to the convention.

The winner of the Jared's Galleria Raffle was Shirley Bonvisuto. Congratulations! Now in the works is a new raffle for a \$500 prepaid Visa Gift Card to be given away at the Convention.

Here is some information for the Honor Guard for the State Convention. On Saturday night an Honor Guard posts the colors to start the ceremonies. This Honor Guard is chosen from dancers who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces. They are not required to wear a uniform--red, white and/or blue square dance attire is okay. One veteran from each branch of the service will be selected to carry their service flag. And another veteran will be chosen to carry the U.S. Flag. The Convention Chairmen selects from a master list each year. If you are interested in participating, please contact Ailene Picheco by email apicheco@att.net or call 321-652-0680. She will need your name, address, phone number, email address and branch of service.

The Committee continues to work hard to make this a real Diamond Delight for the whole weekend. You don't want to miss it. PLEASE get registered now.

Charlie & Val Newsome Publicity Chairman 60th Florida State Convention

YOU ARE INVITED



Square Dance Competition

Monday, February 24, 2014

Lake Ashton Clubhouse

Lake Wales, Florida

For Men and Women 50 Years and Over Mainstream, Plus and Advanced Categories Event Managers – Keith and Margot Stevens

Call or email NOW to request an entry booklet that will be mailed the first week of January 2014

863-533-0055

What's Happening This Week?

Week of December 9, 2013

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

Monday (December 9) – 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.floridasguaredance.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 Installation of Officers - 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: Sharon Short, 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.

Tuesday (December 10) – Buttons & Bows of Lakeland – Magnolia Building 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., alternating Mainstream and Plus with two rounds between tips 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Carl Rod, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Beautiful wood dance floor – square dance attire optional. For info: 863-224-3393 / sqdncfan@aol.com.

Maple Leaf Squares – Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club, 2100 Kings Highway (I-75 Exit 170 go SW 1 ½ miles), Queensway Hall – Mainstream with announced Plus tips 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Dave Magee. For info: r.friedmann97@gmail.com or 941-624-0871.

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 redbates@juno.com.

Ding-a-Lings - 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.

Horizon Village Squares - 9200 Littleton Road (S. of Shell Factory), N. Ft. Myers – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller: Wes Morris; Cuer: Russ Collier. For info: 239-282-6322 – <u>j.h.morris@embargmail.com</u>.

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.

Wednesday (December 11) – Betmar Belles & Beaus - Betmar Park Clubhouse #2, 7 Lakewood, Zephyrhills – Early Rounds 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. – Mainstream and Plus Squares and

Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Caller: Dave Buys; Cuer: Ella Bettencourt. Optional attire. For info: Roger Bertrand 989-742-4639.

Strawberry Square Club - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. Mainstream/Easy Plus. Caller: Art Springer. 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 - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller/Instructor: Ross Howell – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. C-3A Star Tip at the end. 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.

Strawberry Square C-1 Dance & Intro to C-2 - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City — Caller/Instructor: Ross Howell — 1:00 — 3:00 p.m. 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.

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 12) — *Pine Ridge Promenaders Pajama Party* — Sunshine RV Resort, Rt. 70 (1,000 yards east of Hwy. 27, Lake Placid - Mainstream/Plus 7:30 — 9:30 p.m. — Caller: Mike Doughty; Cuer: Larry Chatos. For info: 863-699-2789.

Glen Haven Squares – Glen Haven RVP, 37251 Chancy Road, Zephyrhills – All Singing Calls/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 – Lake Kennedy Center, 400 Santa Barbara Blvd., Cape Coral – alternating Mainstream and Plus tips – Caller: Wes Morris; Cuer: Russ Collier – casual attire - \$4 per person. 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 727-826-0086.

Friday (December 13) — 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: Ross Howell. 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 – 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: Art Springer, Cuer: Pat Hagen. Square dance attire preferred. Air-conditioned hall, wood floor, and lighted, paved off-street parking. For info: Dick and Mary Schultz 813-633-8718 rsch462636@aol.com or Bob and Beverly Barringer 813-633-3651.

<u>Saturday (December 14)</u> – <u>Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Holly & Mistletoe Dance</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: Sharon Short, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: <u>millerralphie@yahoo.com</u>.

Buttons & Bows of Venice - Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice – Plus/Rounds 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Caller: Red Bates; Cuer: TBA. Square dance attire optional. For info: vickikoors@sbcglobal.net.

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: Ron Reardon, Cuer: Karen Fisher. 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. Please park in back of the building. For info: Jennie Martin 863-494-2749 or Mary Dow 941-380-5336.

<u>Sunday (December 15)</u> – <u>Suncoast Squares</u> – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – Plus and Rounds 6:30 - 9:00 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.

Griffin's Round Dance Party – Pinellas Park Auditorium, 7690 59th Street, Pinellas Park – 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Cuers: Jimmy and Carol Griffin. For info: 727-525-7809 or spinards@tampabay.rr.com.

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: Red Bates, Cuer: Judy Doane – finger foods. For info: 352-666-7433, slerner3@tampabay.rr.com or http://www.geocities.com/leprechaun34601.

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: Ron Libby, Cuer: **Irene Knapp-Smith**. For info: Ed Gargiula at 352-753-8094.

Monday (December 16) – Carl's Round Dance Party – Lake Ashton Health & Fitness Center, 6052 Pebble Beach Blvd. off SR 653, Winter Haven - Caller/Cuer: Carl Rod. 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. - \$5 per person. Please bring finger food. For info: carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com or 863-293-9369.

Temple Twirlers Christmas and Birthday/Anniversary Dance — Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa — ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 — 9:30 p.m. — Caller: Ron Reardon, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Meat supplied by the club; members will bring finger food to share. 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!

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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 2, 2013 – **Strawberry Square Beginner Square Dance Lessons** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette – 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. First class free to new dancers. Fee: \$5 per person per session. Casual clothes and comfortable shoes recommended. Fragrance free – hearing assist device available! For info: Barb Hancock at 419-633-0610 or Wayne and Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513 / atcds1025@bellsouth.net.

December 2, 2013 – **Strawberry Square Plus Square Dance Lessons** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette – 8:00 – 9:30 p.m. First class free to new dancers. This class is for those who have completed Mainstream class and those wanting to brush up on their dancing skills. Fee: \$5 per person per session. Casual clothes and comfortable shoes recommended. Fragrance free – hearing assist device available! For info Barb Hancock at 419-633-0610 or Wayne and Cherylene Sorrells at 770-825-6513 / atcds1025@bellsouth.net.

December 4, 2013 – **Foxwood Village Beginners' Square Dance Class** – 4444 U.S. 98 North (behind Sam's Club), Lakeland – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette. NO CLASS ON DECEMBER 11th. For info: rolandblanchette@gmail.com.

December 5, 2013 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Beginners Class** – Presbyterian Homes at Lake Hunter, 811 Lakeview Street, Lakeland – time TBA. Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette. Casual attire. First class free - \$5 per person per session thereafter. For info: sqdncfan@aol.com or 863-874-4522.

December 5, 2013 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Plus Workshop** – Presbyterian Homes at Lake Hunter, 811 Lakeview Street, Lakeland – time TBA. Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette.

Casual attire. First class free - \$5 per person per session thereafter. For info: sqdncfan@aol.com or 863-874-4522.

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 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 – **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), <u>redbates@juno.com</u>.

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 – **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...

December 10, 2013 - Deadline for Submissions to the January/February/March 2014 West Coast Dancer. For info: evhenning@peoplepc.com.

December 15, 2013 – **Deadline for Submissions to the Panhandle Press** (Northwest Association's newsletter). For info: panhandlepress@hotmail.com.

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 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: http://www.floridasquaredance.com/documents/ExtraMileAwards/Extra%20Mile%20Nomination%20Form.pdf.

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

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

March 15, 2014 – **Deadline for Submissions to the Panhandle Press** (Northwest Association's newsletter). For info: panhandlepress@hotmail.com.

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

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

June 15, 2014 – **Deadline for Submissions to the Panhandle Press** (Northwest Association's newsletter). For info: panhandlepress@hotmail.com.

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

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

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

September 5, 2014 - April 5, 2014 - **Deadline for Submissions to the October 2014 Issue of the Bow & Swing** – For info: bowandswing@gmail.com.

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

November 5, 2014 - April 5, 2014 - **Deadline for Submissions to the December 2014 Issue of the Bow & Swing** – For info: bowandswing@gmail.com.

December 2014 - **Deadline for Submissions to the January 2015 Issue of the Bow & Swing** – For info: bowandswing@gmail.com.

January 17, 2014 - Charlotte Promenaders First Dance of the Season – Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Boulevard, Venice, FL – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Caller: Nick Hartley. For info: 941-429-8271 or sqdbird@aol.com.

January 19, 2014 – **2nd Round Dance Extravaganza** – Palace Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia, FL – Phase II – IV 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Hosted by Jenny Martin and Russ Collier. Guest cuers will be announced at a later date. For info: Jenny Martin 863-494-2749 or Russ Collier 941-505-0960 or russcollier1@gmail.com.

Links

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)

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®)

<u>http://www.nsdca.org</u> (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)

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

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

www.suzieqcreations.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)

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

Square Dance Halls

<u>www.Strawberrysquaredancing.com</u> (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)

Miscellaneous

<u>http://www.dosado.com/cqi-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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