

## SWF Squares, Rounds and Line Dances Newsletter for the week of February 2

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From: Roger Friedmann (r.friedmann97@gmail.com)

To: ;

Bcc: dgramwebmaster@yahoo.com

Date: Sunday, February 2, 2025 at 10:24 AM EST

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Dear dancers,

Special dances coming up include Valentines Dance and Beach Boys Dance, both in mid February, mark your calendars. Flyers with full info below, a good reason to check the Newsletter all the way to the end.

## Highlights for this week

- Arcadia dancing on Friday, February 7
- Maple Leaf not dancing on Friday, February 7
- Plus lessons with Darrin Henry starts this Wednesday, February 5, see flyer below
- **Jack Pladdys, a national caller will be calling at Swingin' Gators on Tuesday, February 4**
- **Check all flyers at the end of the Newsletter**

## Looking ahead

- Happy Promenaders future dances February 23 and March 23 – flyer below
- 50<sup>th</sup> Tennessee Square & Round Dance Convention – August 2025, flyer below

## Reminders

The end of this Newsletter is reached when you see "**Squares and Rounds go hand in hand**".

**Upcoming events and Miscellaneous Announcements** section near the end shows future events' flyers as they become available.

## Photos

This week's pictures are 'borrowed' from Internet travel sites.

Yellow rock

**Roger**





## **Monday February 3**

### **ADVANCED DANCING**

Location: Herons Glen, 2250 Herons Glen Blvd, **dining room**, North Fort Myers

**A2 Workshop from 6:00 PM to 6:30 PM, A2 Dancing from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM** with Darrin and Alan

Leaders: **Darrin Henry & Alan Hall**

Info: 765-620-3813

### **BEGINNERS SQUARE DANCE WORKSHOP >>> finished for the season**

Time: **10:30 AM to 12:00 PM**

Location: VFW Hall (Veterans of Foreign Wars) 23204 Freedom Avenue, Port Charlotte, FL.

Contact: Jean Wydra 860-917-0793

### **JUDY'S ROUND DANCE LESSONS: RUMBA AND CHA**

South Punta Gorda Heights. Civic Center, 11200 First Ave., Punta Gorda

Time: 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

\$7.00 per person per class, casual attire

Contact: Dwayne Barnhill 606-302-1731

### **JUDY'S LINE DANCING >>> last dance on March 31**

South Punta Gorda Heights. Civic Center, 11200 First Ave., Punta Gorda

Time: 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Contact: Dwayne Barnhill 606-302-1731

### **NORTH FORT MYERS BEGINNERS SQUARE DANCE LESSONS**

Time: 2:00 PM to 4: PM

Location: 2000 N Recreation Park Way, North Fort Myers, FL 33903

Price: \$8.00 per person per class

Caller: Curt Braffet

Contact: Susan Wolfort 256-673-0170 [2susanwolf@gmail.com](mailto:2susanwolf@gmail.com)



## Tuesday February 4

### SWINGIN' GATORS SQUARES AND ROUND DANCES

Plus dances 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, casual dress (or pants), guest caller: **Jack Pladdys**, Cuer: **Judy Barnhill**

Location: Alligator Park, 6400 Taylor Road, Punta Gorda, FL 33950.

Info: Dwayne Barnhill 606-302-1731

### SUSAN'S FUN ROUNDS

Round Dance Teach Rumba & Cha from 5:30-6:30 PM (flyer below)

Regular ROUNDS only for more info, Ilona Wix <[ilonah.1@netzero.net](mailto:ilonah.1@netzero.net)>

Dances 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM Cuer: **Susan Wolford**

Location: Horizon Village, 9200 Littleton Road, North Fort Myers, FL.

### SUNSEEKERS SQUARES >>> angels welcome

Beginners' class 3:30PM to 5:30PM with Alan Hall

Location: South Punta Gorda Heights Civic Center, 11200 First Avenue, Punta Gorda.

Contact: Dwayne Barnhill 606-302-1731



## **Wednesday February 5**

**BEGINNERS SQUARE DANCE WORKSHOP >>> finished for the season**

Location: Eagles at 23111 Harborview Road (corner of Harborview and Kings Highway), Port Charlotte, FL

Contact: Jean Wydra 860-917-0793

Time: **10:30 am to 12:00 noon**

## **JUDY'S LINE DANCING**

Punta Gorda Isles Civic Assoc. Community Center, 2001 Shreve St., Punta Gorda

Time: 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Contact: Dwayne Barnhill 606-302-1731

## **MARCO SHORES SQUARES (BEGINNERS CLASSES IN NAPLES)**

Location: Marco Shore Estates, 1500 Manatee Road, Naples FL

**Time: 3:00 to 5:00 PM**

Caller: Curt Braffet ---- angels really appreciated  
First two weeks: free offering, afterwards \$8.00 per person per lesson  
Contact: Jean David 612-240-9884

**DARRIN'S PLUS LESSONS >>> starting TODAY February 5, angels are appreciated**

Location: South Punta Gorda Heights Civic Center, 11200 First Avenue, Punta Gorda.

**Time: 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm**, cost \$6.00 per person

Caller: Darrin Henry

Contact: Tammy Henry (765) 620-3813



**Thursday February 6**

**HORIZON VILLAGE DANCE**

Regular Plus dances 3:00 to 5:00 pm every Thursday, casual dress (or pants)

Caller **Curt Braffet**, Cuer: **Judy Barnhill**

Location: Location: Horizon Village, 9200 Littleton Road, North Fort Myers, Fl.

## PINE RIDGE PROMENADERS

Dances Thursdays 7:00 to 9:00 PM. Our location is at Sunshine RV Resort located south of Lake Placid on SR 70, just east of US27. Contact Al Jilly at 847-209-3443 or Diane Lucey at 585-465-7466.

Full info for the club can be found here: [Pineridgepromenaderssqaredance.com](http://Pineridgepromenaderssqaredance.com)

02 06 Walter Zatoski Hawaiian Night  
02 13 Robert Arias Valentine Dance  
02 20 Ralph Peacock Hobo Stew  
02 27 TBA Peanut Butter and Jelly

## CHARLOTTE PROMENADERS 2

Harold Avenue Regional Park at 23400 Harold Avenue, Port Charlotte, Florida

**Change of time: 6:00 to 8:00 PM**

Guest caller: **Don Bachelder**, cuer: Susan Wolford

Contact: Susan Wolford 256-673-0170 or [2susanwolf@gmail.com](mailto:2susanwolf@gmail.com)



## Friday February 7

### ARCADIA DANCES >>> dancing today, February 7

Dances first, third and fifth Friday (unless otherwise announced)

Location: former Palace Dance Hall, 1627 NE Floridian Circle, Arcadia, FL,

Caller: **Robert Arias**; Cuer: **Judy Barnhill. 3:00 PM to 5:00 pm.** Plus and Mainstream tips and rounds.

For info: Mary Dow [941-380-5336](tel:941-380-5336).

### MAPLE LEAF DANCES SQUARES AND ROUNDS >>> not dancing today, February 7

Dances at a **new location**: Maple Leaf G&CC 2100 Kings Hwy, Punta Gorda FL, CanAm Hall

Dances every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4th Friday of the month **3:00 to 5:00 pm**

Mainstream and Plus cost \$7.00 per person, singles are welcome

Caller: **Darrin Henry** cuer: **Judy Barnhill**

Contact: Roger Friedmann ([r.friedmann97@gmail.com](mailto:r.friedmann97@gmail.com))

**Note: Dates chosen to alternate with Arcadia dances**

02 14

02 28

03 14

03 28 Last of the season

### SQUARE DANCE CONTINUED MAINSTREAM CALLS CLUB

Location: Harold Avenue Regional Park at 23400 Harold Avenue, Port Charlotte, Florida

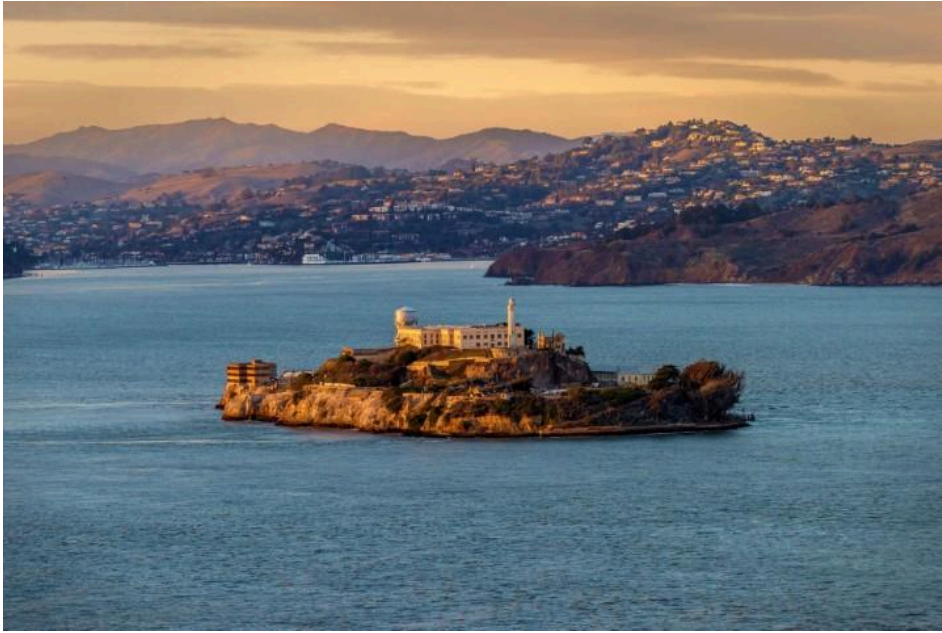
Time: 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM, \$8.00 per person per class, no partner required

Caller: Ralph Peacock

Contact: Susan Wolford 256-673-0170 or [2susanwolf@gmail.com](mailto:2susanwolf@gmail.com)







**Saturday February 8**





**Sunday February 9**





## **Upcoming Events and Miscellaneous Announcements**

### **SPECIAL DANCES**

# Catch a Wave ... with "The Beach Boys"

Sunday ~ February 16, 2025



1:30 - 2:00pm Advance Dancing

2:00 - 4:00pm MS ~ PLUS ~ Rounds

Alligator Park Clubhouse

6400 Taylor Rd - Punta Gorda FL

Information: 765-620-3813 \$8.00 per person

765-620-3813

# Valentine Dance

Featuring:

**Curt  
Braffet**



*National  
Caller*

*Royal  
Recording Label*

## Thursday, February 13, 2025

**Schedule** 6:00 - 7:45 Square & Rounds

7:45 - 8:00 SPECIAL TIP:

**Here & There: Plus/Advanced Squares**

**Location** Harold Avenue Park  
23400 Harold Ave  
Port Charlotte, Florida

**Bring your favorite finger  
food to share**

**Susan Wolford**  
**Cuer**



**For Information:** [2susanwolf@gmail.com](mailto:2susanwolf@gmail.com)  
256-673-0170



Thursday, February 20, 2025

6:00 - 8:00 pm

Squares with

# Rockin' & Rollin' Steppin' and strollin'

Cost: \$8.00 per  
Dancer

Bring a snack to  
share



Nick Hartley - Caller  
Susan Wolford - Cuer

Harold Avenue Park  
23400 Harold Ave  
Port Charlotte FL



# HAPPY PROMENADERS DANCES RETURN FOR 2025

*Marjie Tobey's THREE Dances in Estero  
Return for Another Season!*

**DATES:** Sundays, January 19, February 23, and March 23, 2025.

**TIME:** 2 pm to 4 pm.

**LOCATION:** Riverwoods Plantation, 4600 Robert E. Lee Blvd East, Estero.

**MAINSTREAM and PLUS CALLERS:**

- Curt Bratton on January 19 and February 23.
- Ralph Peacock on March 23.

**CUER:** Judy Barnhill.

**INFORMATION:** Sandra Schwartz at (203) 300-2418 or  
sandra1813@ymail.com



# Maple Leaf Squares and Rounds Winter 2025

January 10 and 24

February 14 and 28

March 14 and 28



Location: Maple Leaf Golf and Country Club

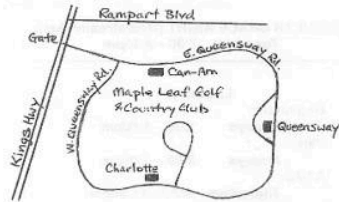
2100 Kings Hwy, Port Charlotte, FL  
At the Can Am Hall

3:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Mainstream - Plus - Rounds - Lines

Caller: Darrin Henry ~~Call:~~ Judy Barnhill

Contact: Roger Friedmann 941-624-0871 [r.friedmann97@gmail.com](mailto:r.friedmann97@gmail.com)







## CLASSES

### *PLUS level*

*Lessons / Workshop*

*~ Wednesdays ~*

*starting Feb 5 thru Mar 19 2025*

*6:00pm - 8:00pm*



- ❖ Opportunity for Mainstream dancers to expand their dancing knowledge to the next level
- ❖ Opportunity for experienced PLUS dancers to reinforce their knowledge of key definitions and abilities to be a stronger dancer

**Leader:**

**Darrin Henry**

**Location:**

South Punta Gorda Heights Civic Ctr  
11200 First Avenue  
Punta Gorda FL

**Cost:** \$6.00 per person

**Info:** [765-620-3813](tel:765-620-3813)



Dance Conventions

**TENNESSEE**

# **YIPPEE!!** *We Are* **50!**

## **TENNESSEE**

### **SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CONVENTION**

*Celebrate with us!*

**JULY 31, AUG. 1 & 2, 2025**

**LIVE BAND!!**

**WOOD FLOORS!**

#### **ROUNDS**

Phases II-VI

Waltz Rumba  
Foxtrot Jive  
Mambo Cha  
Bolero 2 Step  
W Coast Swing

#### **SQUARES**

SSD/Club 50 DBD  
Mainstream Hex  
Plus Singing Calls  
Advanced Hot Mash  
Challenge Progressive

#### **Tentative Schedule**

##### **THURSDAY**

Trail-In Dance 8:00-11:00pm  
2 Sq. Dance Halls  
2 Dedicated Rd. Dance Halls

##### **FRIDAY & SATURDAY**

10:00am - 11:00pm  
8 Halls of Dancing  
\*Live Band: Evening Hours

**W.L. Mills Conference Center**  
**234 Airport Road**  
**Gatlinburg, TN 37738**

#### **Specials**

Contra  
Singles Dance  
Sewing Clinic  
After Party  
Fashion Show  
Vendors

**Facebook: TN Square & Round Dance Convention**

<https://www.tnsquaredance.org/>

50<sup>th</sup> Tennessee State Square & Round Dance Convention

July 31, August 1 & 2, 2025

W.L. Mills Conference Center, Gatlinburg, Tennessee  
234 Airport Road, 37738

Sponsored by the TN Assn. of Square and Round Dance Clubs, Inc.

Visit: [www.tnsquaredance.org](http://www.tnsquaredance.org) Convention Contact: Dusty Disney 865-228-0561 [dustycoledisney@gmail.com](mailto:dustycoledisney@gmail.com)  
Key: M=minute, Wlk=walk, Drv=drive, CC=Conf. Ctr, St=standard room, Qn=queen room, Dbl=double room, Reno=Renovated

Please support your Convention by booking with the listed hotels. Inform them you are w/TN SQUARE DANCE CONV.  
\*\*If BOOKING LINK shown below, go to [www.tnsquaredance.org/Convention/Hotels](http://www.tnsquaredance.org/Convention/Hotels) to click on LINK.

<p>Reagan Resorts Inn \$160 Reno/Dbl/On room, \$220 Reno/King suite, \$180 Reno/King Jacuzzi, 938 Parkway (1 Mn Wls, 2 Mn Drv to CC) To book, call 865-436-5607, give Event Name 3 NIGHT Minimum Breakfast, Wi-Fi, outdoor pool - balcony</p>	<p>Sidney James Mtn Lodge \$139 Dbl/Dbl, Dbl/On King w/balcony, \$129 Courtyard - Dbl/On 616 Historic Nature Trail *\$8 pr/pr Resort fee (12 Mn Wls, 3 Mn Drv to CC) To book, call 865-436-7881, give Event Name Wi-Fi, refrig., in/outdoor pool, Cafe, pet friendly</p>	<p>Glenstone Lodge \$99 Thur.- \$139 Fr-Sat - 2 Qn 865-436-5666 (6 Mn Wls, 2 Mn Drv to CC) <a href="http://www.glenstone.com">http://www.glenstone.com</a> Wi-Fi, Indoor/outdoor pool, restaurant, balcony</p>
<p>Black Bear Inn &amp; Suites - \$145 Dbl/On or King* *\$15/night service fee) \$100 Parkway (6 Mn Wls, 4 Mn Drv to CC) 865-436-5666 <a href="http://www.blackbearinn.com">www.blackbearinn.com</a> Date Code 164093 Breakfast, Wi-Fi</p>	<p>Edgewater Hotel \$136 Thur- \$146 Fr-Sat St. Rm 402 River Road <a href="http://www.edgewaterhotel.com">www.edgewaterhotel.com</a> (5 Mn Wls, 4 Mn Drv) To book call 865-436-4151, give name of Event Breakfast, Wi-Fi, indoor pool, balcony</p>	<p>EconoLodge Inn &amp; Suites On the River 310 Cottage Dr. 865-436-5836 \$160 St. 2 Qn (To book, call 865-436-5836, give name of Event) (5 ml Wls/Drv to CC) Breakfast, Wi-Fi, Patio/Balcony, Pool</p>
<p>Gillette Motel \$180 2/Dbl, \$190 2/Qn, \$200-\$220, newly renovated On / King 235 Airport Rd. To book, call 865-436-5601, give Event Name (1 Mn Wls, 1 Mn Drv, to CC) Wi-Fi, refrigerator, microwave, outdoor pool</p>	<p>Courtyard Downtown \$229 St 1 King / St Dbl/On 315 Airport Rd (2 Mn Wls, 1 Mn Drv to CC) 865-436-2008 <a href="https://marriott.com/CLCV">https://marriott.com/CLCV</a> BOOKING LINK Wi-Fi, indoor pool, restaurant, private balcony</p>	<p>Parke Place Condos 800-323-9798 / 865-436-6303 235 Sln Mtn Rd. (6 Mn Wls, 5 Mn Drv) \$195 - 2 Bd Rm (\$60 1-time cing fee) \$285 - 3 Bd Rm (\$75 1-time cing fee) Date Code: 393033 Full kitchen, Wi-Fi, pool, patio/balcony</p>

NOTE: Some hotels have RATE CUT OFF dates, e.g. 6-31-25

Please book early  
Cash or check only, NO credit cards, please  
CUT HERE & return with payment to Registration Chairman

Hampton Inn Historic Nature Trail - 520 Airport Rd 865-436-4933  
Sng King/Sleeper Sofa Thur. \$189, Fr-Sat - \$169  
Dbl Qn Thur. - \$149, Fr-Sat - \$179 (6 Mn Wls, 2 Mn Drv)  
[www.GatlinburgHotels.com/centralhamptonbyhampton.com](http://www.GatlinburgHotels.com/centralhamptonbyhampton.com)  
BOOKING LINK (after 9/2024)

Write check to: 2025 TN State Convention

Early Registrations MUST be postmarked by July 1, 2025

TICKETS (PER PERSON) YOUTH 18 and under, FREE with an adult # attending (please list below)

Early Registration @ \$35.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Weekend after 7/1/25 @ \$40.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Friday at the Door @ \$20.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday at the door @ \$25.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ State Assn. Area \_\_\_\_\_

\*YOUTH Attending, Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

HELP US TO PLAN HALL SIZE, PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:

DANCE LEVEL		TYPE		Other Interests:
<input type="checkbox"/> SSD/Club 50	<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Rounds Ph II	<input type="checkbox"/> Lines	<input type="checkbox"/> Solo
<input type="checkbox"/> Mainstream	<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Rounds Ph III	<input type="checkbox"/> Contra	<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer
<input type="checkbox"/> Plus	<input type="checkbox"/> Challenge	<input type="checkbox"/> Rounds Ph IV		
<input type="checkbox"/> Hot Hash		<input type="checkbox"/> Rounds Ph V		
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<input type="checkbox"/> DEB				
<input type="checkbox"/> Hex				

Mail to: 2025 TN State Convention  
PO Box 7056  
Maryville, TN 37802-7056

Registration Chairman: Shea Meincke  
843-816-4061  
Email: [meincke\\_us@yahoo.com](mailto:meincke_us@yahoo.com)

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Amount Paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Date Registered \_\_\_\_\_  
Registered by \_\_\_\_\_ Ribbons Received: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_



Squares and rounds go hand in hand

**CLARIFICATION** for new readers: this newsletter is issued on Sundays with info for the coming week. It lists days of the week starting with the Monday immediately following the Sunday of issue. Under each day of the week header there is a list of the dances offered that day, complete with location (street address and town), caller/cuer, contact person's phone and/or email, times plus other info such as dance level(s), attire, bring food to share, etc as applicable. In order to emphasize changes, special events, etc, the very first section of the newsletter, **Highlights for this week**, only lists changes to regular dances of the week or reminders of special events. Similarly, the **Looking ahead** section lists advance notice of events to take place later. For full information on any dance mentioned in the **highlights for this week** section please scroll down to the appropriate day of the week header to find the info you are looking for. The end of the newsletter is reached when you see a small cartoon and the words "**Squares and rounds go hand in hand**". I guess we are adding "line dancing" to the mix.