

SWF Squares, Rounds and Lines Dances Newsletter for the week of March 16

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Date: Sunday, March 16, 2025 at 09:26 AM EDT

Dear dancers,

St Patrick's Dance today Sunday, March 16, special dance at Alligator Park, flyer here:



St. Patrick's Dance
Sunday, March 16, 2025

Caller:
Gurt Braffet

Cuer:
Susan Wolford

Alligator RV Park Clubhouse
6400 Taylor Rd
Punta Gorda, FL

1:30—1:45: Early Rounds
1:45—2:00: A2
2:00—4:00: Squares & Rounds

\$8.00 per person
Bring Your Favorite
finger food to share

For more information: call Susan Wolford 256-673-0170

1/2 & 1/2 Pot of Gold

Advanced Dance tomorrow, Monday March 17 is cancelled, the hall is not available.

Darrin Henry is planning A1 classes for next season. Dancers interested please email Roger (r.friedmann97@gmail.com) by the end of March. Please include your planned arrival in Florida so that Darrin can determine the best start date to cover most dancers. Current A dancers that would like to brush up are encouraged to confirm your intention of attending, especially if there are no Advance dances in your northern area during the summer.

Highlights for this week

- **Advanced dance cancelled on Monday March 17**, hall is unavailable
- Curt Braffet will be calling at Swingin' Gators on Tuesday March 18
- Curt Braffet is calling at Charlotte Promenaders 2 on Thursday, March 20. Snack table will be open: bring snacks to share.
- Ralph Peacock is calling at Horizon on Thursday, March 20, back at Horizon Village
- Arcadia is dancing on Friday, March 21
- Maple Leaf is not dancing on Friday, March 21
- Happy Promenaders dance next Sunday, March 23, last of the season, cuer will be Susan Walford
- Plus lessons with Darrin Henry on Wednesdays, last dance of the season this Wednesday March 19, dancers may wish to continue Plus lessons with the Friday club, see details below.
- **Check all flyers at the end of the Newsletter**

Looking ahead

- Advanced Dance next Monday, March 24 is back at the auditorium, food trucks will be in the area starting at 4:30 pm
- End of season Farewell Dance at Alligator Park on Sunday, March 30, flyer below
- Sunseekers Beginners class (Tuesday afternoons) last lesson on April 1st
- The last Advanced dance of the season at Herons Glenn will be on April 7
- 50th 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

Today's photos are from our trip to France in late March 2010, taken by yours truly. This set is from Ville Neuve-lès-Avignon, a suburb of Avignon.

Villeneuve-lès-Avignon is located on the right (western) bank of the river Rhône opposite Avignon. The city was founded by Philippe le Bel and boasts a castle he built, Fort Saint-André. The town was also the resort of the French cardinals during the sojourn of the popes at Avignon, in the 14th century.

Yellow rock

Roger





Monday March 17

ADVANCED DANCING >>> **dance cancelled today, hall is not available**

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



Tuesday March 18

SWINGIN' GATORS SQUARES AND ROUND DANCES

Plus dances 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, casual dress (or pants), guest caller: **Curt Braffet**, 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>

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

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

SUNSEEKERS SQUARES >>> last class of the season on April 1st

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 March 19

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) >>> finished for the season

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 >>> last dance of the season today, March 19

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 March 20

HORIZON VILLAGE DANCE

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

Caller **Ralph Peacock**, 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

03 20 Nelson Wakeman S.O.S. Support our students

03 27 To Be Announced

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: **Curt Braffet**, cuer: Susan Wolford

Snack table will be open: Bring snacks to share.

Contact: Susan Wolford 256-673-0170 or 2susanwolf@gmail.com



Friday March 21

ARCADIA DANCES >>> dancing today, March 21

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, March 21

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

Dances every 2nd and 4th Friday of January, February and March, **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)

Note: Dates chosen to alternate with Arcadia dances

03 28 Last of the season

SQUARE DANCE CONTINUED INTO PLUS 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





Saturday March 22





Sunday March 23

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 Brafett 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





Upcoming Events and Miscellaneous Announcements

SPECIAL DANCES

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

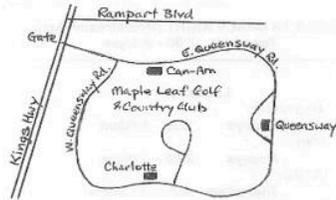
2100 Kings Hwy, Port Charlotte, FL
At the Can Am Hall

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



2024/25 End of Season

Farewell Dance

Sunday, March 30, 2025

Darrin Henry ~ Alan Hall
Judy Barnhill

1:30 - 2:00pm *Pre Rounds*

2:00 - 4:00pm *MS/PLUS ~ Rounds/Lines*

\$8.00 per person

*Alligator Park Clubhouse
6400 Taylor Road - Punta Gorda FL*

Information: 865-216-7808

... See ya next season





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/>

50th 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 Convention Contact: Dusty Disney 865-228-0561 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 CONVENTION.

**If BOOKING LINK shown below, go to 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 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 pp/Pr Resort fee (12 Mn Wlk, 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 - 3 On 865-436-5656 (6 Mn Wlk, 2 Mn Drv to CC) http://www.glenstonealodge.com BOOKING LINK Wi-Fi, Indoor/outdoor pool, restaurant, balcony</p>
<p>Black Bear Inn & Suites - \$145 Dbl/On or King* *\$15/night service fee) 1100 Parkway (6 Mn Wlk, 4 Mn Drv to CC) 865-436-5656 www.blackbearinn.org Data Code 164093 Breakfast, Wi-Fi</p>	<p>Edgewater Hotel \$136 Thur- \$146 Fr-Sat St. Rm 402 River Road www.edgewaterhotel.com (5 Mn Wlk, 4 Mn Drv) To book call 865-436-4151, give name of Event Breakfast, Wi-Fi, indoor pool, balcony</p>	<p>Econolodge Inn & Suites On the River 310 Cottage Dr. 865-436-5836 \$160 St. 2 On (To book call 865-436-5836, give name Event) (5 ml Wlk/Drv to CC) Breakfast, Wi-Fi, Patio/Balcony, Pool</p>
<p>Gillette Motel \$180 2/Dbl, \$190 2/On, \$200-\$220, newly renovated On / King 235 Airport Rd. To book call 865-436-5601, give Event Name (1 Mn Wlk, 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 Wlk, 1 Mn Drv to CC) 865-436-2008 https://marriott.com/TLCV 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 Wlk, 5 Mn Drv) \$195 - 2 Bd Rm (\$60 1-time cing fee) \$285 - 3 Bd Rm (\$75 1-time cing fee) Data Code: 392003 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 On Thur. - \$149, Fr-Sat - \$179 (6 Mn Wlk, 2 Mn Dr)
www.GatlinburgHistoricNatureTrail.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:

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

For Convention Registrar Use Only:
Amount Paid \$ _____ Cash _____ Check # _____ Date Registered _____
Registered by _____ Ribbons Received: Yes _____ No _____

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**". Line dancing" has been added to the mix.



Squares and rounds go hand in hand



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