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WANTED: 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 2014 State Convention. Contact Jenny Green at 863-287-5724 or jenanngreen@aol.com to make arrangements for delivery or pick up.

July 5, 2012 – **Submission deadline for the August issue of Bow & Swing.** For info: bowandswing@gmail.com.

From the Editor....



Time is running out to take advantage of the extended advance rate of \$30 per person for the 2013 Florida State Convention. You have until June 30th to take advantage of this rate. This is a special promotion; on July 1st it goes up to \$35 per person and \$40 per person at the door.

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!

Charlie Newsome apparently has had a reaction to pain/muscle relaxing medication for his severe back pain which has been constant (walking, standing, sitting, or laying) since last Saturday morning, June 9th. He started hallucinating and being somewhat confused Wednesday afternoon, June 13th and has been hospitalized ever since. They have been trying to determine if it was the medicine, or something else that started the episodes. He had some more events today and this evening and he is not allowed to get out of bed alone. The good thing is that while he is hospitalized they have called in an orthopedic doctor to study the MRI of the spine to see what can be done for the constant sciatic pain. The one thing that has been ruled out is a stroke; and the MRI, when compared to the MRI of the brain in 2010, shows little change (which means the progression of cells dying is not as fast). We know prayers help and would appreciate any offered for his relief of pain and a solution to what caused this latest event. Cards and words of encouragement may be sent to Charlie at 12368 Brady Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32223. (Reprint from Northeast Association's Joys & Concerns 6/15/12) Charlie is a past president of the Florida Federation.

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

This contact list can also be found at

www.dancergram.com

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Your Source...

I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

October 26 – 27, 2012 – **33rd Annual Party-Rama** – Sebring, FL

November 9 – 10, 2012 – **West Coast Association's 38th Annual Fall Fun Fest** – Bartow

February 1 – 2, 2013 – **Florida Winter Festival** – Lakeland

May 24 – 26, 2013 – 59th Florida State Convention – Lakeland

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

New Charity Dance Announced

For approximately 25 years, square dancers in the West Coast area of Florida have supported the McDonald's Training Center Parents Group. Now that they are under new management, they have decided that they no longer want us to hold these dances.

A new charity has been selected replace of that dance. The Hope Children's Home on 11415 Hope International Drive, Tampa, has been selected to receive the funds raised from our dance. Hope is a local organization that gives children a safe place to live and attend their own school. Several of the children have been there for many years and have graduated and will be going on to college. You may visit their web site www.hopechildrenshome.org to find out more about their organization. They are supported strictly by donations and receive no state or federal funding.

The first dance for this charity will be Sunday, November 4, 2012, at the Strawberry Square Dance Center in Plant City. Early rounds will be at 1:30 with alternating Mainstream and Plus and rounds throughout the afternoon until 4:00 p.m. The callers will be Art Springer and Sam Dunn and the cuer will be Charlie Lovelace. Advance ribbons will be sold at \$6 a piece.

There will be other fundraising activities in support of the Hope Children's Home. Watch future issues of the DANCERgram for information on these activities.

Flyers and ribbons will available shortly.

For information, please contact Flo Byington at flobyington@yahoo.com.

September Designated Square Dance Month

Governor Rick Scott has signed the proclamation designating September as Square Dance Month in Florida. This will be a good opportunity for to get media coverage for square dancing. A copy of the signed proclamation is below and you can also download a copy from www.dancergram.com.



RICK SCOTT
GOVERNOR

SQUARE DANCE MONTH

WHEREAS, square dancing is one of the oldest recreational heritages of the American people; and

WHEREAS, square dancing has enjoyed a sustained and widespread popularity for several centuries and interest in this folk art is still intense today; and

WHEREAS, folk and square dancers are an integral, important and expressive part of American art and culture; and

WHEREAS, square dancing eased the danger and hardships of life on the frontier; and


WHEREAS, the outgoing social exercise of this wholesome physical and old-time cultural activity offers a valuable antidote for the tensions and pressures created by the conflicts of modern American life; and

WHEREAS, various square dance associations throughout the United States and Florida will celebrate the month of September as *National Square Dance Month*;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing September 2012 as *Square Dance Month*.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Great State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee the Capital, this 19th day of June, in the year two thousand twelve.


Governor

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Square Dance History Project (SDHP)

Web Site

Video

Audio

In 2011 The ARTS received a request for financial support for a Square Dance History project. This project's major product is a web site with historical information. The web site includes a substantial collection of videos. The project group has also identified the location of other materials that can be made available with payment; this payment can be a fee to the owner of the footage and/or laboratory costs involved in making a digital copy from 16mm or 35mm film. The web address SquareDanceHistory.org has been activated with a description of the project, identification of the principal participants and the currently committed financial supporters.

On September 16, 2011, The ARTS approved a grant of \$2,500.00 to help fund a Square Dance History Project.

In June 2012 we received the following update from David Millstone, SDHP coordinator,

Last November's Dare To Be Square weekend brought six top-notch callers representing many different styles and regions. We posted 100 video clips of the dances, in two locations:

YouTube channel <http://www.youtube.com/user/SquareDanceHistory/videos>

VidCaster <http://squaredancehistory.vidcaster.com/>

More recently, we uploaded 25 video clips of edited interviews with the six callers who were on staff: <http://squaredancehistory.org/omeka/exhibits/show/brasstown-interviews>

This link will take you to the prototype of our new Square Dance History Project's website. The home page for the exhibit provides links to each caller, and that subsequent page will offer two tabs, one for the caller's bio and one that takes you to a page listing those interviews, with a summary of the contents. Click on the photograph or underlined link to the right of each summary to bring up the video clip itself. In all, there are about two hours of interview footage available for viewing. Funding for the videography came from Country Dance and Song Society.

Even more recently, we've uploaded a dozen clips of traditional West Virginia caller Bill Ohse. These can be found on a new YouTube channel: <http://www.youtube.com/user/SquareDanceHistory2/videos?query=Ohse>

Additional videos on that channel range include MWSD, French-Canadian squares singing squares, New England squares, southern Appalachian four-couple squares, Kentucky set running, big sets, Ozark squares with jiggling, some demonstration pieces, and a CALLERLAB talk by Herb Egender on his experiences as a member of Pappy Shaw's Cheyenne Mountain Dancers.

We are in the process of importing video footage from the many different YouTube channels into our SD History Project collection, where it can be catalogued and organized for easy searches.

I'll keep you informed. Thanks again for your support of this project.

David Millstone

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What's Happening This Week?

Week of June 25, 2012

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

Monday (June 25) – *Temple Twirlers Birthday Anniversary Dance* – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Robert Arias**, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Casual attire for the summer. Dancers please use the entrance marked “Gage Hall” on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

Kings Point Swingers A-2 Dance – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Squares/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. If you have danced this level before, you can come at 6:00 p.m. for a rusty hinge workshop. Visitors to Kings Point should tell the gate you are attending a Kings Point Swingers event at the Clubhouse Studio. For info: Sonny 813-634-8212 or George 813-642-0900.

Tuesday (June 26) – *The Groves* – Groves Clubhouse, 7924 Melogold Circle, Land O Lakes – Mainstream class 7:00 – 8:00 p.m., Mainstream dance 8:00 – 9:00 p.m. All dancers welcome. \$4 per person. Caller: Allen Snell. For info: 813-966-5759 or wlfloyd@aol.com.

Suncoast Squares Pride Benefit Dance – 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. Suncoast Squares raises money for St. Pete Pride each year with this benefit dance. \$5 per person. No experience necessary. Proceeds are donated to St. Pete Pride. For info: www.suncoastsquares.com or 727-599-1440 or ritter@ij.net.

Wednesday (June 27) – *Cultural Center Squares* – Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Port Charlotte, FL. Callers: Robert Arias; 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.

Kings Point Swingers Advanced Round Dance – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center – 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. – Cuer: Mike Cox. Visitors please wear your square dance badge and tell the guard at the entrance gate that you are attending the dance at the Clubhouse Studio. For info: 813-634-8212 or 642-0900 or mc8152@verizon.net or 813-649-0754.

Thursday (June 28) – *Lake Kennedy Squares* – Lake Kennedy Center, 400 Santa Barbara Blvd., Cape Coral – alternating Mainstream and Plus tips – Caller: Wes Morris – casual attire – \$4 per person. For info: 239-574-0575.

Suncoast Squares A1 – 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 ritter@ij.net.

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

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. - \$5 per person – caller: Allen Snell. For info: settarose1@verizon.net or 727-809-3429 or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429 or mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net.

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

No classes during
July and August!

Friday (June 29) – *Snell's Bos 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. For info: settarose1@verizon.net or 727-862-4842 or 727-809-3429 or mcox47@mail.emsvillage.net.

Dixie Grande Squares – **NO DANCE** For info: carlsqrdrod@yahoo.com or 863-651-3292 (c) or 863-293-9369 (H).

Spinning Wheels - Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa. Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Art Springer, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: raindancer999@yahoo.com.

Sun City Swingers – Sun City Center Community Hall, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Bob Ellis**, Cuer: Pat Hagen. To help Dads enjoy this night even more, Dad’s Favorite Snacks will be served to them and all Dancers to enjoy. Beverages will also be provided. Ok Dads since this is your night come on out and join us as we honor you with this epic Event Dance. Casual for the summer. 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.

Saturday (June 30) – **Strawberry Square Phase 5 Dance and Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you can’t reach the Dance Center, call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

Palace Promenaders Summer Program – **NO DANCE** For info: Jennie 863-494-2749 or Mary 941-380-5336.

Sunday (July 1) – **The Groves** – Groves Clubhouse, 7924 Melogold Circle, Land O Lakes – Mainstream dance 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. All dancers welcome. Casual attire. Please bring finger food to share. Caller: Allen Snell. For info: 813-966-5759 or wlfloyd@aol.com.

Orange Blossom Squares Red, White & Blue Night – La Hacienda Center, The Villages 352-259-6040 – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Elmer Sheffield**, Cuer: Joanne Helton. For info: hal.baumann1959@gmail.com or 352-259-6552.

Monday (July 2) – **Temple Twirlers** – Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 2707 W. Waters Avenue (northeast corner of Habana Avenue), Tampa – ER 7:00 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: **Roland Blanchette**, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Casual attire for the summer. Dancers please use the entrance marked “Gage Hall” on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: flobyington@yahoo.com.

Kings Point Swingers A-2 Dance – Kings Point Main Clubhouse Studio Room, 1902 Clubhouse Road, Sun City Center – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Squares/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. If you have danced this level before, you can come at 6:00 p.m. for a rusty hinge workshop. Visitors to Kings Point should tell the gate you are attending a Kings Point Swingers event at the Clubhouse Studio. For info: Sonny 813-634-8212 or George 813-642-0900.

West Coast Classes and Workshops National Caller and Cuer Colleges

Please provide start date, start and ending time, level (beginner, Mainstream, Plus, etc.) exact address (with city) where class and/or workshop will be held, instructor's name, contact name, email address and phone number.


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

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April 17 – August 22, 2012 – **Summer Round Dancing with Ione and Wally Wade** – South County Regional Park, 670 Cooper Street, Punta Gorda. – Phase 2 – 3 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. For info: 941 505-1979, wally.wade@hotmail.com.

June 21, 2012 – **Cape Coral Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Lake Kennedy Senior Center, 400 Santa Barbara Blvd., Cape Coral – 6:00- 7:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Wes Morris. For info: 239-282-6322 or j.h.morris@embargmail.com.

July 17, 24, and 31 - **Suncoast Squares Open Lesson Nights** – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. Caller: Mike Cox. A GLBT Club – all are welcome (including the straight community) – casual attire. Open to the public and no experience is necessary. \$5, but you get in free if you have never danced with us before. Friends-of-Friends at Open Lesson Nights allow anyone who brings a first timer to also get in free that night. For info: www.suncoastsquares.com or 727-599-1440 or rritter@ij.net.



No classes at
Promenade Squares
during July and August!

August 7, 2012 – **Suncoast Squares Mainstream Dance Lessons** - King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – 7:30 – 9:00 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.

August 7, 2012 – **Suncoast Squares Plus Dance Lessons** - King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – 9:00 – 10:00 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.

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

September 13, 2012 – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Introduction to Square Dancing** – Brandon Community Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon – 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. - \$4 per person per lesson – couples, families, singles and teens welcome. Lessons start September 20, 2012. Please RSVP to one of the following: Linda Ormsbee 813-972-3629 or D’Ann Olree 813-571-1770.

September 13, 2012 – **Bay Area Twirlers (BATS) Beginner Square Dance Lessons** – Brandon Community Center, 502 E. Sadie Street, Brandon – 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. - \$4 per person per lesson – couples, families, singles and teens welcome. Lessons start September 20, 2012. Please RSVP to one of the following: Linda Ormsbee 813-972-3629 or D’Ann Olree 813-571-1770.

October 4, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Phase 2 Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you can’t reach the Dance Center, call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-227 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

October 4, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Phase 3 Workshop** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you can’t reach the Dance Center, call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-227 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

October 4 – 8, 2012 – **Northeast Callers School** – Mill-a-round Dance Center, Manchester, NH – Callers: Ken Ritucci (CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach), Norm Poisson, Jerry Story (CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach), Steve Kopman, and Don Moger. Plenty of microphone time; professional assessment of your skills; understand what it takes to be a leader, fuller CALLERLAB curriculum, and develop a calling career that is best for you. Whether you are presently calling or desire to be a caller, this school will help you with your calling career. \$375

per student. Space is limited. Register today!!! For info: 413-734-0591 or kenritucci@aol.com; www.northeastcallersschool.com.

October 10, 2012 - **Strawberry Square First C-1 Dance of the Season** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Caller: Art Springer. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dan and Thelma Ogilvie 813-752-1350.

November 4, 2012 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Beginner Square Dance Lessons** - Florida Presbyterian Homes on Lake Hunter, McArthur Center, 811 Lakeside Avenue, Lakeland – 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette - \$4 per person per session. For info: sgdncfan@aol.com or 863-874-4522.

November 4, 2012 – **Buttons & Bows of Lakeland Plus Workshop** - Florida Presbyterian Homes on Lake Hunter, McArthur Center, 811 Lakeside Avenue, Lakeland – 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette - \$4 per person per session. For info: sgdncfan@aol.com or 863-874-4522.

November 4, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Beginner Round Dance Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. – Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the Dance Center, call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

November 9, 2012 – **Strawberry Square C-1 Class/Workshop** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Caller: Keith Stevens. This class is for those dancers who have completed a C-1 class, but are not ready to dance at the C-1 level. Keith will work with the dancers at increasing their proficiency. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

November 9, 2012 – **Strawberry Square C3A Teach and Workshop** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 12:45 – 2:45 p.m. Caller: Keith Stevens. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

November 13, 2012 – **Strawberry Square A2 Workshop/Review** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon - Caller: Keith Stevens. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dave and Betty Bradley 989-289-6446.

November 13, 2012 – **Strawberry Square C1 Class/Workshop** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Caller: Keith Stevens. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

December 3, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Beginner Square Dance Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant – 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette – first class free (class fee \$5 per person). For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com. If you can't reach the dance center, call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, or Mary Lee Van Valkenburg 813-707-1702, or Linda Lynn 813-659-9040, or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

December 3, 2012 – **Strawberry Square Plus Square Dance Lessons** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant – 8:00 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller/Instructor: Roland Blanchette – first class free (class fee \$5 per person). For info: 813-752-0491 or www.strawberrysquaredancing.com. If you can't reach the dance center, call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, or Mary Lee Van Valkenburg 813-707-1702, or Linda Lynn 813-659-9040, or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

January 3, 2012 – **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 sgdbird@aol.com.

January 7, 2013 – **Strawberry Square A-1 Class/Workshop** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:00 p.m. - Caller: Marty Van Wart. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dave and Betty Bradley 989-289-6446.

January 7, 2013 – **Strawberry Square A-2 Class/Workshop** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. - Caller: Marty Van Wart. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278, Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432 or Dave and Betty Bradley 989-289-6446.

January 10, 2013 – **Strawberry Square Intro to C1 (Part 2)** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. - Caller: Marty Van Wart. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

January 20, 2013 – **Strawberry Square Special Event for Mainstream and Plus Level Dancers – Without Rounds** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Tim Marriner.

January 22, 2013 – **Strawberry Square Snowbirds Basic Round Dance Class** - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 5:30 p.m. – Cuer: Karen Fisher. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the Dance Center, call Don and Barbara Huff 813-752-2278 or Gayle Sterling 207-649-0432.

January 22 – March 12, 2013 – **Dance by Definition in Plus Level Workshop** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Sam Dunn - designed for dancers who have been dancing for two years or more - \$5 per person – casual attire – no new incoming people beginning February 5. To be fair to the dancers, if you want this workshop you must attend all sessions or contact Sam. For info: 813-752-0491 or <http://strawberrysquaredancing.com>. If you can't reach the dance center, call Gayle or Tim at 207-649-0432 or Sam at 863-382-6792 or www.samdunn.net.

January 27, 2013 – **A Day of Plus** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Caller: Sam Dunn. \$30 per couple for the entire package. Five hours of dancing – no split sessions. Pick up a flyer so you indicate which Plus moves you want to work on. To ensure your space, register now! Mail your check made payable to Strawberry Square, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City, FL 33563. Schedule: 8:30 a.m. – coffee and muffins; 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. – dancing; 11:30 a.m. - break/free time; 1:30 – 4:00 p.m. – dancing. Casual attire. For info: 813-752-0491 or <http://strawberrysquaredancing.com>. If you can't reach the dance center, call Sam at 863-382-6792 or www.samdunn.net.

April 12, 2013 - **Charlotte Promenaders Final 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: Dave Magee; Cuer: Ruth Siegmann. For info: 941-412-8588 or 941-429-8271 or sqdbird@aol.com.

Looking Ahead...

October 20 – 21, 2012 - **Fall Weekend of Rounds** – Stardust Dance Center, 1405 s. Collins Street (hall located in corner between Bealls Outlet and Family Dollars), Plant City, FL - Cuers: Bruce and Kristine Nelson – Phase 3 & 4+ weekend of dancing and clinics – weekend package \$75 per couple. **Saturday:** 9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. – Warm-up Rounds with Council Cuers; 10:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. – Clinic for All conducted by Bruce and Kristine; 11:45 – 1:00 p.m. – Lunch provided by Round Dance Council of Florida; 1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. – Warm-up Rounds with Council Cuers; 1:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. – clinic for all conducted by Bruce and Kristine; 3:45 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. – round Dance Council Meeting for Council Members; 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Phase 3/4+

Dance conducted by Bruce and Kristine; Sunday: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Clinic for All conducted by Bruce and Kristine; 11:00 – 12:00 noon Phase 3/4+ Dance with Bruce and Kristine. Continental breakfast will be provided both mornings. Partial weekend prices available up to sellout. Refundable until day of event. Cancelled check is your receipt. Mail \$75 check payable to RDCF to Ken and Joanne Helton, P. O. Box 97, Yalaha, FL 34797 Host Hotel: Comfort Inn, 2003 South Frontage Road, Plant City, FL; 813-707-6000; \$69 +tax per night. *Flyer can be found at www.dancergram.com.*

October 20, 2012 – **Round Dance Council of Florida Fall Meeting** - Stardust Dance Center, 1405 S. Collins Street (hall located in corner between Bealls Outlet and Family Dollars), Plant City, FL - 3:45 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. – for all Council Members. If you are a round dance cuer in the state of Florida, please consider joining this organization. For info: Tim Wilaby (President) - timwilaby@cox.net.

Links

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Websites

<http://floridasquaredance.com/>

https://www.facebook.com/#!/home.php?sk=group_149454955123658&ap=1 (Florida Federation's Facebook page)

Associations/Organizations

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

<http://scafl.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://www.ilvinyl.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.suzieqcreations.com (Suzie Q Creations)

www.Bobsengraving.com (New physical address: Bob L. Adams, Bobs Engraving, 8827 Megan Lane, Orlando, FL 32836; Telephone: 407-777-8952; www.bobsengraving.com; e-mail address: bobsengraving@aim.com)

<http://www.aronssquaredanceshopandpatterns.com/> (Aron's Square Dance and Western Wear Shop)

<http://www.calyco.com/> (CaLyCo Crossing - a full line square dance shop)

<http://www.tictactoes.com/> (Tic Tac Toes - shoe vendor)

www.sheplers.com (Sheplers - the world's largest western stores and catalog)

www.PerfectPetticoats.com (Perfect Petticoats)

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

Square Dance Halls

www.Strawberrysquaredancing.com (Strawberry Square)

Callers/Cuers

<http://www.mike-gormley.com> (Mike Gormley)

<http://www.samdunn.net/> (Sam Dunn)

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

www.2fwd2.com (Lisa Wall)

www.keithstevens.com (Keith Stevens)

Clubs

www.sailfishsquares.org

Miscellaneous

<http://www.dosado.com/cgi-bin/lib/shop-wrapper.pl?page=rdpubs&shop=dosado&cart=3901977.2052>[http://www.squaredance\(rounddancepublications\)](http://www.squaredance(rounddancepublications))

radionetwork.com (square dance radio network)

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