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Florida Federation of Square Dancers

Do you have favorite recipes to take to the dances? Would you like to share them?

A cookbook is being created for a fundraiser for the 2017 Florida State Convention.

If you have receipts you want to share, please forward them to Terri Little at islandmom74@att.net along with your name and what association you are affiliated with **by December 15, 2015.**

May 1, 2015 - Deadline for Submissions to Central Association's Keepin' Posted for the July issue. For info: apicheco@att.net

May 3, 2015 – Suncoast Callers and Cuers Association Meeting and Annual Picnic – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 12:00 noon. If you call, cue, or teach square and/or round dancing in the West Coast Association area, please support this association with your membership. For info: 936-366-2504 or fisher.karen1026@gmail.com.

May 5, 2015 - Deadline for Submissions to the June 2015 Issue of the Bow & Swing – For info: bowandswing@gmail.com.

From the Editor...



First of all, thank you for the messages, cards and phone calls during my recent back surgery. The surgery was scheduled for 4:30 p.m. on Monday, April 16th, but it was delayed two hours. It was a three hour surgery and I wasn't moved from recovery to a room until about 10:30 p.m. that night. I was discharged late Thursday afternoon. I am doing physical therapy at home and can't drive at the present time.

I received notice a few weeks ago that Glen Haven Squares in Zephyrhills held their last dance on March 25th and have disbanded. I hate to hear this but it's the same reason as always – no one wants to step up and take an office.

The State Convention is getting closer and closer! Have you made your arrangements yet? If you are planning to stay at the host hotel you'll need to make your reservations right away so you can get the square dance rate of \$65 + taxes. Be sure to ask for the square dance rate. The host hotel is the Ramada Lakeland Hotel, 3260 U.S. Highway 98 North, Lakeland, Florida. Their

phone number is 863-688-8080. For more information on the Convention, please go to <http://floridasquaredance.com/convention/index.html>. You'll also want to purchase your ribbon(s) early so you can get them at the discounted rate of \$27 per person for the entire weekend. You not only save a few bucks, you won't have to stand in the long line at the Lakeland Center to purchase them!

Last year a new way of programming the callers was tested. After hearing comments from several different sources, there has been another change this year. Instead of 50 minute calling slots for prime time callers in the evening, they will be 30 minute slots. This will allow more prime time callers to be scheduled in the evenings.

Beginning in 2016, the convention will only be two days long. This will not only reduce some of the expenses, i.e. the Lakeland Center rent, but will perhaps bring more dancers that no longer want to dance for three days. This will be tested for two years and then a decision will be made to whether we continuing have a two day convention or go back to a three day convention.

The 2017 kick off will be held during this year's convention. The kick-off is the "invitation" to the next convention. Each regional association will be participating and the West Coast Association needs volunteers for their part of the kick-off. If you would like to participate, please contact Jenny Green at jgreen102286@gmail.com or 863-287-5724.

As the convention gets closer, there will probably be more calls for volunteers to help in other aspects of the convention. There are many opportunities for people to help.

Health & Sympathy

The entries listed below are for callers, cuers, West Coast Association officers and representatives and other Florida associations, 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 lost his mother on April 1st. She was 94 years old and was a resident at Carpenter Home Estates in Lakeland at the time of her passing. Lillian, and her late husband Fran, were square dancers and danced with Buttons & Bows of Lakeland when they were dancing in Mulberry. Lillian is survived by Doug, his wife Sharon, another son Ray, and one granddaughter. If you would like to send a card, Doug and Sharon's address is 1331 Costine Drive, Lakeland, FL 33809.

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

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Your Source...

2015 West Coast Association membership bars are now available!

I carry ribbons and flyers for the following dances:

May 23 – 25, 2015 – **61st Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention** – Lakeland

November 13 – 14, 2015 – **West Coast Association's Fall Fun Fest** – Bartow

LAST CASTING CALL

Judy Anderson
 Director of Publicity

Wow! It is hard to realize this will be our “*LAST CASTING CALL*” for the 61st Florida State Convention. Time sure does have the habit of traveling too quickly!!

Recently the “Producers, Jack and Barbara Hoffman”, received the list of the Vendors who will display their various sundry wares for your anxious perusal. Here is the list that I have been given:

Suzie-Q Creations: Our usual and reliable badge, dangle and engraver lady. She will again have many unusual items on display. The insulated cups with various designs are very pretty and very practical, too. I love mine and get compliments every time I carry it. And she is doing the unique dangles for our Dangle Dances. Stop by her huge display table, you just might get an idea for a gift or two. I'm sure that someone you know is having a birthday soon am I right?

Creative Crafts by Lorraine, Inc.: Or better known as *The Tee Shirt Lady*. She always has a variety of unique designs on t-shirts and zippered sweat shirts. Lots of pretty colors to choose from. So soft and huggable, too. If she doesn't have the design in the color you want, she will take your order, make it and ship it to you.

Jan's Square Dance Shoppe: Jan has a full line of square dance clothes and accessories for both women and men. She is coming to us from out of State but she has been at our State Conventions several times in the past. You won't be disappointed in the variety of designs and luscious colors she will be bringing to entice you into expanding your square dance wardrobe. And don't you just want some new clothes anyway?

Kyra Sales: They have those beautiful *Miche Bags*. They are also bringing some other accessories along with a nice selection of jewelry. Stop by and say hello to Ray and Kathy while you check out their lovely purses. These are as unique as they can be, multi-bags all in one design, great quality too.

Here are some other quickie reminders about this "*HOLLYWOOD SCENE IN 2015*"

The weekend activities actually start on Thursday evening at the Trail End Dance at the Strawberry Squares in Plant City. GPS: 4401 Promenade Blvd, Plant City, FL 33563.

Early rounds with Susan Snider start at 7:00 PM. Then caller, Bill Chesnut, takes over the mike for a great evening of square dancing. This hall is where our Florida Square Dance Hall of Fame is located. Be sure to check the walls at all the honorees. Will your name be added there sometime in the future? Wouldn't that be fantastic!!

Also planned for Thursday night --- *Please note* --- if you have a favorite movie star, come dressed like him or her or any animated character you like. You just MIGHT win a PRIZE!!!! I have my costume ready but who are you dressing as? Superman with his bright cape? Marilyn Monroe in her iconic dress? Or maybe Winnie-the Pooh with his honey-pot? This will be fun!

So after a good night's sleep at the Host Hotel, Ramada Lakeland Hotel (863-688-8080) or in your RV at the Carefree Lakeland RV Resort (863-687-6146) the fun really begins at 10:00 AM Friday Morning. As the callers use to say "needle down, let's begin, square-em up" and so the chaos begins. Make a special note to meet 4 new friends that very first tip.

We have a new lady over-seeing our Singles Hall on Friday night. Her name is Julie, so do stop by and make her feel welcome. Julie is not new to square dancing, quite the contrary, but she has graciously taken over this position to help out her fellow solo dancers. She is anxious to meet 'n greet all you solo/single dancers and maybe introduce you to other like dancers. Wouldn't that be fun?

There is still time to get your raffle tickets for the beautiful "very special" square dancing quilt. By now I'm sure almost everyone has seen it and sighed over it. Wouldn't you like to own it? Need more chances? There is still some time --- and it is STILL 1 ticket for \$1.00 and STILL 7 tickets for \$5.00; however time IS running out for this too!

In signing off I just want to say a big THANK YOU for following and commenting on our “Casting Call” articles. The Producers and all the Directors wish each of you dancers a great fun fill 61st Florida State Convention.

THE HOLLYWOOD SCENE IN 2015

A New Song & Dance Routine

It’s A Party...Square dancing is party time every time you do it. Square dancing brings people together for fun and fellowship - even when learning how. The fun starts right on the very first night. You meet new people and make new friends. And the fun keeps right on going as long as you do – most square dance groups meet once a week. It’s a wonderful way to share common interests with other people, and to escape the worry and pressures of today’s busy world.

It’s a Challenge...Modern square dancing is a mental and physical challenge. It is dancing, it is thinking, it is teamwork. You can’t do it by one’s or two’s. Moving in rhythm to the music keeps you physically fit. Reacting quickly to the square dancer caller’s calls keeps you mentally on your toes. And your team of eight dancers depends on you to keep those toes moving

Learning the basic steps is easy. Experienced square dance callers teach you the moves and the names of the calls that you dance. You practice those moves until they feel as natural as walking. Then even more fun begins as you join a club. Your square dance caller combines the basic moves and steps into whole dance patterns. You and your teammates follow the calls – each arm turn brings a surprise – and as the pattern concludes all the arm turns bring you back to your partner.

It’s American Folk Art, too...Modern square dancing has an American heritage. The ancestors of this dance came to America with the earliest settlers. The “traditional” roots of our heritage dance are well established in Canada, New Zealand, Australia, as well as the French colonies to name a few. Over the centuries it has changed into what we know today as modern square dancing. It is as American as barn raisings, barbecues and ice cream socials. In recent decades square dancing mushroomed in popularity as more and more people got in tune with this traditional art form. Square dancing is still on the move – new dance figures are being added and you never have to worry about being bored with what is sure to become your favorite pastime.

It’s the New Generation of Square Dancing...Perhaps you think you know square dancing from your school days. Well, think again, because this is not your father’s dance routine. You will hardly recognize modern square dancing. There is new music, from Golden Oldies to unique calls to learn. No more rough dancing in the barn. Modern square dancing happens in school halls, dance halls, resorts and cruise ships. Square dancers travel to new places all over the world. Even people who don’t speak English square dance! You will find square dance clubs within most countries of the world including Japan, Sweden and Germany – they dance in English, but they don’t speak it. Learn to dance and a whole new world of opportunities for fun and fellowship will open up for you.

Its About People From all Walks... Square dancers are all kinds of folks sharing a love of action and teamwork. Square dancers are company presidents, secretaries, machinists, farmers, corporals, colonels, doctors, nurses, whatever you think of. When square dancers get together they talk about square dancing. No one knows who's the corporal and who is a colonel. What they want to know about you is can you really dance. That is what matters.

Square dancing is movement to music. It is done in couples, with teams of four couples. It is not a spectator sport. It is for the active in heart and mind. Square dance clubs are ready made groups of friends. When you travel there are dance clubs to find on every continent, in every country, in every state or province. There is no better way for active, contemporary people to meet each other and build a circle of friends.

All of the above was taken from a CALLERLAB pamphlet and is being made available with the permission of CALLERLAB. If you would like to learn more about the CALLERLAB Foundation and the brochures visit callerlab.org.

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What's Happening This Week?

Week April 13, 2015

All clubs, callers, and cuers are asked to provide the editor with new dance schedules on an annual basis, as well as any updates, changes, and cancellations as needed. Failure to do so will result in your listing being removed from this publication.

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

Monday (April 13) – 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. – Callers: **Allen Snell**, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace. Dancers please use the entrance marked "Gage Hall" on the Habana Avenue side under the covered driveway. For info: WLFLOYD@aol.com.

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.

Tuesday (April 14) – 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: Marty Vanwart, Cuer: Charlie Lovelace.

Beautiful wood dance floor – square dance attire optional – hearing enhancement – finger foods. For info: sgdnfcfan@gmail.com or 863-224-3393.

Woodmere Final A2 Dance of the Season - 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.

Horizon Village Squares Final Dance of the Season – 9200 Littleton Road (south of Shell Factory) – Caller: Wes Morris; Cuer: Russ Collier – Plus/Rounds 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For info: 239-282-6322 or j.h.morris@embarqmail.com.

Suncoast Squares – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – Early Rounds 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Mainstream 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. – Plus 9:00 – 10:00 p.m. Caller/Cuer: Mike Cox. A GLBT Club – all are welcome (including the straight community) – casual attire. For info: www.suncoastsquares.com or suncoastsquares@gmail.com or 727-443-6242 or ianai@mail.com.

Wednesday (April 15) – Strawberry Square C-2 Dance and Workshop - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – 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; Nancy Hall 813-752-1816, or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

Strawberry Square C-1 Dance/Intro - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon – 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; Nancy Hall 813-752-1816, or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

Cultural Center Squares – Centennial Hall, 2280 Aaron Street, Rooms F & G, Port Charlotte, FL. Caller: Art Miller; Cuers: Jennie Martin and Russ Collier. Workshop 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. - 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. alternating Mainstream and Plus. For info: Mary 941-380-5336 or Jennie 863-494-2749. For info: Mary 941-380-5336 or Jennie 863-494-2749.

Thursday (April 16) – Shufflin' Squares - Lake Ashton Golf Club, 4141 Ashton Club Drive, Lake Wales, FL – **Advance** 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. (**NO ROUNDS**) alternating tips (Mainstream/Plus) 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Caller: Ben Rubright; Cuer: Carl Rod – square dance attire optional. For info: lanceandritabaxter@yahoo.com.

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: **Robert Arias**; Cuer: **Russ Collier**. For info: 941-412-8588 or 941-429-8271 or sgdbird@aol.com.

Strawberry Square Phase 3+ Figure Clinic & Dance/Teach - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 6:30 – 7:15 p.m. – Cuer: Jack Jenkins. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the Dance Center, call Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

Strawberry Square Phase 4 Dance/Teach – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.. – Cuer: Jack Jenkins. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the Dance Center, call Nicki Horne 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

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, website: www.suncoastsquares.com or email: suncoastsquares@gmail.com or ianai@mail.com or contact Joe U at 727-443-6242.

Jacaranda Trace – 3600 William Penn Way, Venice - A-2 - 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Must be proficient in A1. Caller: Mike Cox. For info: Alice Sawyer 941-408-2627.

Promenade Squares Easter Hats Dance - 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: myrnajayblackburn@gmail.com or 208-369-6949.

Friday (April 17) – 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, Nancy Hall 813-752-1816 or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

Strawberry Square A-2 Workshop/Dance – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – A2 Workshop: 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., A-2 Dance: 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Keith Stevens. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com; 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please contact: Wayne Sorrells 770-490-1670; Dona Watson 813-756-6145, or Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

Sun City Swingers – North Campus Dance Studio, Atrium Building, North Course Lane, Sun City – Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Caller: Ron Reardon, Cuer: Alice Bubel. 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.

Saturday (April 18) – Strawberry Square Phase 5 Figure Clinic & Dance – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – Cuer: Jack Jenkins – 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the Dance Center, call Nicki Horne at 813-707-8905 or 813-727-6210.

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

Sunday (April 19) – Strawberry Square Phase 2-3-4 Round Dance Party - Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 2:00 p.m. – \$6 per person - Cuer: Charlie Lovelace - finger foods appreciated. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you can't reach the Dance Center, call 828-356-4817 or Nicki Horne at Nicki Horne at 813-727-6210.

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 – casual attire. For info: 352-799-8625, lmuttitt@tampabay.rr.com or <http://www.geocities.com/leprechaun34601>.

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Tuesday (April 21) - Suncoast Squares – King of Peace MCC Church, 3150 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg – Early Rounds 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. –

The Monday night class at Strawberry Square will continue until May 18th if there are enough dancers for a square.

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 suncoastsquares@gmail.com or 727-443-6242 or ianai@mail.com.

No Auburndale Round Dance Classes Monday, April 12 – Monday, April 27th; classes will resume on Monday, May 4th.

West Coast Classes and Workshops National Caller and Cuer Colleges

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

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

Updated April 13, 2015

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.

May 13 – August 19, 2015 – **Summer Round Dance Class** – Herons Glen Ballroom, 2250 Avenida Del Vera, N. Fort Myers, FL – beginning waltz and two step – 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. - Cuers/Instructors: Wally and Ione Wade. First lesson free. For info: 941-505-1979 or ionewade@yahoo.com.

June 1, 2015 – **Strawberry Square Beginners Square Dance Class** – Strawberry Square Dance Center, 4401 Promenade Boulevard, Plant City – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Callers/Instructors: Sam Dunn, Roland Blanchette, Ron Reardon, Marty Vanwart, and Keith Stevens. First two weeks of class are FREE and then it is \$5 per person per session. Dancers are encouraged to pay the full amount for the ten weeks up front. For info: www.strawberrysquaredancing.com or 813-752-0491. If you are unable to reach the Dance Center, please call Cherylene Sorrells 770-825-6513.

June 14 – 17, 2015 – **North Star Callers School** – Oak Grove Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, MN - Staff: Ken Ritucci (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach), and Special Guest Instructors: Ed Foote (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach) and Randy Dougherty (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach). Plenty of microphone time, professional assessment of your skills; understand what it takes to be a leader, full 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. Only \$375 per student – space is limited – register today! For an application and more information, contact Ken Ritucci at 413-734-0591 or write kenritucci@aol.com – www.kenritucci.com.

July 13 – 16, 2015 – **Jubilee Callers School** – BSDA Friendship Hall, Fultondale, AL – Staff: Ken Ritucci (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach) and John Marshall (Virginia). Special emphasis on understanding music, rhythm and signing call development and on-sight calling techniques. Plenty of microphone time, professional assessment of your skills; understand what it takes to be a caller, full 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. Only \$385 per student – space is limited – register today! For an application and more information, contact Ken Ritucci at 413-734-0591 or write kenritucci@aol.com – www.jubileecallersschool.com.

July 13 – 16, 2015 – **Maryland Summer Caller School** – 5049 Durham Road West, Columbia, MD - Callers/Instructors: Tom Miller, Pennsylvania (Callerlab accredited callercoach); Tim Marriner, South Carolina (Callerlab accredited callercoach); and Tom Seller, Maryland (teaching caller schools since 1984). Program for beginning and experienced callers. Catering to your needs and interests – lots of mike time. Improve: your voice, choreography, and showmanship. Cost: \$300 per caller (No charge for non-calling partner). Food and lodging not included. Program: Begins Monday, July 13 at 0:00 a.m. Ends Thursday, July 16, 2015 at 12:00 noon. Lodging: Hotels are located a few miles from the site. Food: A large variety of local restaurants are available within a short driving distance. Location: 504For info: Tom Sellner, 443-812-8048, sellnerthomas@yahoo.com, 5049 Durham Road West, Columbia, Maryland 21044.

August 13 – 16, 2015 - **NORCAL Callers School** – Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church, 728 W. Fremont Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA – Staff: Ken Ritucci (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach), Rob French (California), Scott Byars (California), Harlan Kerr (California). Plenty of microphone time, professional assessment of your skills; understand what it takes to be a leader, full 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. Only \$400 per student – space is limited – register today! For an application and more information, contact Ken Ritucci at 413-734-0591 or write kenritucci@aol.com.

October 8 – 12, 2015 – **Northeast Callers School** – Mill-a-round Dance Center, Manchester, NH – Staff: Ken Ritucci (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach), Norm Poisson, Ted Lizotte (New Hampshire) and Special Guest Instructors: Betsy Gotta (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach from New Jersey) and Tom Miller (Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach from Pennsylvania). Plenty of microphone time, professional assessment of your skills; understand what it takes to be a caller, full 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. Only \$400 per student – space is limited – register today! For an application and more information, contact Ken Ritucci at 413-734-0591 or write kenritucci@aol.com – www.northeastcallerschool.com.

October 18 – 22, 2015 - **Pride RV Resort Smoky Mountain Caller School** – 4394 Jonathan Creek Road (I-40 and Exit 20), Waynesville, NC – Callers: Tony Oxendine and Jack Pladdys. A one of a kind Callers School featuring two of the world's most well-known callers. This will be an intense week with an emphasis on choreographic and music management and presentation – featuring in depth sessions on sight calling, modular calling and CRaMS. Because of the intense nature of this school, and to ensure adequate microphone time and one-on-one sessions, ATTENDANCE IS LIMITED TO 10 CALLERS. Spouses encouraged to attend - \$100 surcharge includes all meals. For info: 800-926-8191 – or www.pridervresort.com.

January 5, - March 30, 2016 – **Intro of Phase 3 Foxtrot, Jive, Rumba, and Cha** – 670 Cooper Street, Punta Gorda – 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. Cuers/Instructor: Ione and Wally Wade. For info: Wally and Ione Wade – 941-505-1979 or ionewade@yahoo.com.

January 4 – March 21, 2016 – **Step Review** – Camp Florida, 100 Shoreline Drive, Lake Placid, Florida 33852 - 10:15 – 10:45 a.m. – Cuers/Instructors: Wally and Ione Wade – 941-505-1979 or ionewade@yahoo.com.

January 4 – March 21, 2016 – **Phase 3 Waltz** – Camp Florida, 100 Shoreline Drive, Lake Placid, Florida 33852 - 10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. – Cuers/Instructors: Wally and Ione Wade – 941-505-1979 or ionewade@yahoo.com.

January 4 – March 21, 2016 – **Beginning Waltz** – Camp Florida, 100 Shoreline Drive, Lake Placid, Florida 33852 - 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Cuers/Instructors: Wally and Ione Wade – 941-505-1979 or ionewade@yahoo.com.

January 4 – March 21, 2016 – **Slow Two Step Review** – Camp Florida, 100 Shoreline Drive, Lake Placid, Florida 33852 - 12:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. – Cuers/Instructors: Wally and Ione Wade – 941-505-1979 or ionewade@yahoo.com.

January 4 – March 21, 2016 – **Intermediate** – Camp Florida, 100 Shoreline Drive, Lake Placid, Florida 33852 - 2:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. – Cuers/Instructors: Wally and Ione Wade – 941-505-1979 or ionewade@yahoo.com.

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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://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.ebay.com/csc/LBakedAlaska/m.html?LH_Complete=1& ipg=50& since=15& sop=13& rdc=1 (EBay used square dance attire site)

<http://virginiaswesternwear.com/> (Virginia's Western Wear & Square Dance Shop, Mascotte, FL)

<http://www.jlvinyl.com/SQUARE---ROUND-DANCING.html> (vinyl decals)

www.travelinghoedowners.com (Square Dance DVDs – Both Instructional and Dance)

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

www.suziegcreations.com (Suzie Q Creations)

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

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

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

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

www.PerfectPetticoats.com (Perfect Petticoats)

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

Square Dance Halls

www.Strawberrysquaredancing.com (Strawberry Square)

Callers/Cuers

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

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

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

www.keithstevens.com (Keith Stevens)

Clubs

www.sailfishsquares.org

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

Miscellaneous

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

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