



## **BOW AND SWING**

**The Square Dance Magazine for the Dancers in Florida**

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### **From The Bow and Swing Editor**



It is now the November of 2024 and so much is going on. I went to the Callers Instructional Clinic in October, and I was surprised. The Instructor Kip Garvey imparted a lot of information about calling that when I walked away from this activity on 1987 was unheard of. It was refreshing to hear his take on calling.

If you are interested in exploring being a caller. Contact your local club caller and he can help. We have lost 3 wonderful callers just this month. Ted Hughes, Bobby Keefe and This weekend Sam Dunn

I received a lot of comments both good and bad on the last issue of The Bow and Swing. If you have any comments both good and bad, please e-mail me at

[bowandswing@sfbigelow.com](mailto:bowandswing@sfbigelow.com)

The deadline for the next issue will be November 15, 2024

Stephen F. Bigelow M.Ed.

**FEDERATION MEETING Sunday November 3 at 10AM Elebash Hall @  
St. Catherine's Episcopal Church 4758 Shelby Ave. Jacksonville, Fl.  
Remember to set your clocks back one hour on Saturday evening.**

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## **From the ACA President By Bill Chestnut**

When I got the call from Mac Letson and Stephen Bigelow asking me to write another article for the ACA newsletter, I was very honored. Writing causes me to research and as a general rule I learn a bunch in order to put out a little information. Hopefully someone reads it.

Having been involved in square dancing and calling over 50 years, I have seen tremendous changes in my chosen favorite activity. The class I took in 1965 was 12 weeks long. We learned square dance moves and we met a bunch of great people. The caller, Scotty Thomas, told us how to do the moves, we danced them and enjoyed each other. The club members were in charge of everything but the actual dance. The clothes were festive, and no one argued about the exact definition of a call. Did I mention we had a lot of fun?

In today's world of square dance, we work hard as callers to teach X number of calls in a designated time period. In most cases, we rush dancers through the class so they can join our regular dances. We tend to discuss calls in caller talk such as "is it hinge ¼ or just hinge?" Many dancers don't care, they just want to dance and have fun like we told them to get them into classes.

Back in the good old days, like most callers, I would come to the dance, setup my equipment, socialize with the dancers, call the dance, pack up and head home. The dancers did the rest of the work. I like working for dancer run clubs. In today's world the callers have had to pick up more of the responsibility for the dances and as a result, the dancers don't feel "ownership" of their clubs. We have more callers run clubs and the dancer has one basic job – come dance. If the dancers have more of the responsibilities, would they be more inclined to try to find more dancers to help with the jobs?

There are ideas being circulated to help make classes shorter. We have experimented with the ACA short list called square dancing, the Callerlab community dance program, the social dance program and now we have heard about a new proposal. I look forward to learning more about that. When I came into the activity, we had one level called square dancing. Lots of people danced. The definitions were standardized, and levels created. It made it easier to dance as you traveled around. We taught the MS program in a class and had our dancers dance at that level for a year before taking plus lessons. The new dancers were encouraged to bring in new dancers and be the "Angels" for the next class. Then we would introduce plus to them. As dancer numbers have declined, we get them through the MS program and into plus as quickly as possible. Can we do something to change that trend?

I still do an occasional party dance for non-dancers. They show up to dance for a couple of hours, enjoy the music, the easy calls, the motions, the fellowship and then go home. Some of these parties have big crowds. The people come out for fun. Are we doing that at our clubs? No matter what the number of calls or the length of the class, what can we do to get more people coming through the door the first time? (I will skip my normal insertion on the effect of square dance clothes as advertising.) Then when they show up the first time, what can I / We do to get them coming back?

Let me know if you have thoughts on anything in my articles. I want to learn from you.

Keep 'em square and in case you forgot, wash your hands.

Bill Chesnut

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## **From the President of Florida Callers Rod Barngrover**

Howdy All Fellow Callers, Cuers and Square Dancers, this may seem strange but in the publication world stories are written well before your current issue arrives in your email box. So, this message is being written up before the actual Florida Callers Association Caller Clinic that was held the weekend of October 17- 19, 2024. All the details of the clinic and the new FCA officers that will be voted into office for the FCA is actually after the publication of this message so for this November issue I will leave you all in suspense! Your next FCA President will introduce himself and the new officers in your December 2024 message! The planning for the Florida Square Dance Federation continues as we are now 77 days away from the 70th FSSRDC Convention "Spin The Big Top" on January 17 and 18, 2025. The next Convention Benefit Dance will be on November 9, 2024, from 4:00 to 8:00 pm at the Wildwood Community Center, 6500 Powell Rd., Wildwood, Florida. With the month of November, we are now officially in the fall months with all the comfort foods and lots of dancing with the dancers who are now arriving back to Florida to enjoy our fall and winter months. With all the food we eat in November it is a great time to be at more of the dances and get your friends to join the new classes in your area. Let's all keep those affected by Hurricane Helene in our thoughts and prayers. Since this is the month of "Thanks" I want to say thank you to all of the dancers and callers that have supported me during my time as your Florida Caller's President and I know that you all will be there in full support of our next FCA President and the new officers. Again, I want to thank you all for the "Extra Mile" award that you presented me with back in January 2024. It has been a pleasure continuing the promotion of Square Dancing to all those involved as we continue to share our square dance family with others. As always be safe out there as we continue thru 2024 which continues to "zoom" by. Remember wherever you are dancing smile and help to "motivate" and encourage the new students and the other dancers as well as we continue to "promenade and yellowrock" this November with all our square dance family. With that said this is the last FCA President's message from yours truly Rod Barngrover as my term is now over and I pass the microphone and gavel to the next FCA president and this cowboy rides away to another square dance.

Rod Barngrover,

FCA President November 2024.

## **From Teri Little, Used Clothing**

Once again, there will be recycled Square Dance Clothing sale at the Florida Square Dance Convention (January 18-19, 2025) in Deltona which will benefit the convention.

I am requesting donations from around the state of any gently used CLEAN square dance clothing.

Donations can be brought to the convention as early as Thursday evening at the Trail End dance.

Please ask dancers in your area to go through their closet and recycle items they no longer wear or that no longer fit (those pesky closet gnomes!).

You can contact me as follows:

Terri Little  
321-427-7950  
islandmom74@att.net

Thanks to all!  
See you in November...or maybe before!

Terri Little

## **News from the Federation Presidents Cal and Ann Maki**

Sending prayers to all the Square Dancers, Callers and Cuers that went through and suffered damage from Hurricanes Helene and Milton. Hope the majority of you are back square dancing.

We are coming up to the busy part of the year with festivals and weekend celebrations and dances. Hope to see you all at some of these. The weekend of November third we have the important Federation meeting in Jacksonville. There is also a dance that the Northeast is sponsoring the 1st and 2nd.

Don't forget to come to the next State Convention Benefit dance which will be held in Wildwood on November 9th from 4 to 7. We need you all to come!

There are other important dances, too! Check your newsletters for times and places.

Make your reservations for the "Spin the Big Top" State Convention! Time is approaching and we have a great dinner and circus act on Friday night! You won't want to miss that. You can dance Thursday night at the Trail End dance and then all day Friday and Saturday with some of your favorite callers and cuers and the best part is you can meet some "old" friends and share.

Dawn and Charles, Convention Chairs may need some last minute help so if you have a free hand don't forget to reach out to them.

There are some 2-day weekend dances coming up.  
Northeast - 70th Fall Festival, Nov. 1 and 2 in Jacksonville  
Strawberry Fall Fest, Nov. 15 and 16 in Plant City.

The Federation Board Meeting will be Sunday , Nov. 3rd after the Fall Festival in Jacksonville. There will be a Time Change that weekend.

Ann and Cal Maki  
FL.Fed. of Square and Round Dance  
561-715-8286

## **FLORIDA FEDERATION WEBSITE**

[www.floridasquaredance.com](http://www.floridasquaredance.com)

## **Florida Federation Square Dance News**

Click [Here](#) for Registration for the State Convention

## **Florida State Dress - New in 2024**



**The New Official Florida State Dress**

[Learn how it is made](#)

## **Alliance for Round, Traditional and Square-Dance (ARTS)**

NEW! NEW! NEW! Video Promotion Project (Available Online) If you are looking for a video resource to help you recruit or retain dancers we can help! The ARTS has created

videos with information about the many benefits of dancing. Links to the videos are intended to be posted and shared throughout the dancing community. As the videos become available links will be posted, shared and publicized. All clubs are encouraged to help publicize these videos. The goal of this project to produce short (90-second) videos which would be available via a URL link on the web. These videos will support the marketing & promotion of our great activity. Michael Streby has taken the lead for this project. These videos provide information about the many benefits of dancing. We are pleased to report that the first five of six 90second videos is available online. The videos feature Dr, Douglas Lee as he discusses the many benefits of dancing. In the first video he points to the Emotional and Psychological benefits participants gain. He emphasizes that dancing provides exercise and positive socialization, which is equally, if not more, beneficial. He notes that dancers experience happiness. In the second video he notes that Square Dancing helps fight one of the very serious health issues diabetes - by helping increase insulin resistance. In the third video, he reports dancing helps strengthen muscles and helps increase balance. Both of which are VERY important as we age. In the fourth video, Dr. Douglas Lee notes that Square Dancing helps improve the quality of life for people suffering from early dementia. Square Dancing involves physical activity and requires participants to make mental decisions, both of which help fight early dementia. (NEW!) In the fifth video, Dr Douglas Lee discusses the very valuable social aspects of dancing, including many activities outside of the actual square dance. These activities include picnics, day trips, celebrations such as the 4th of July, and many others. This type "outside" gatherings helps build what has been named "social capital." The videos are posted on the ARTS web site under "Promotion Videos": [www.ARTS-Dance.org](http://www.ARTS-Dance.org) "Doctors say that Square Dance movements raise heart rates like many good aerobic exercises should. All the changes of direction loosen and tone up the muscles — but not so severely as to cause injury. In Square Dancing, when you're not moving, you're clapping hands and tapping your feet, which all contribute to long-term fitness." Square Dancing may look complex to non-dancers. However, new dancers learn one move at a time, practice that move, then learn another and another. After a series of lessons, new dancers blend in with experienced dancers. Other web sites which provide important promotion & marketing information include: 1) [www.You2CanDance.Org](http://www.You2CanDance.Org) - includes information about the various forms of dancing 2) [www.livelively.org](http://www.livelively.org) - includes a wealth of information about the activity including where to dance ARTS

## **In Sympathy**

**Bobby Keefe, Ted Hughes, Sam Dunn. These callers have left us this month. They have left a hole in our squares and in our hearts. Remember as long as look back and remember them. They never leave us and live forever in our hearts and minds**



### RAK Obituary

Robert Arden "Bobby" Keefe, born 12-8-39 and Born Again in January 1990, passed from this world into the arms of his Heavenly Father on Sunday, October 13, 2024. Born in Jacksonville, FL to Howard and Lucile Keefe. Even though the Depression and WWII were imminent, Bobby had a blessed childhood. He attended local schools and graduated from Paxon High School in 1957. He served in the Air Force and Army National Guard for several years, having completed training in electronics. After returning home, he worked for Edgewood TV for a period and then went to work for Jacksonville Electric Authority until his retirement as Supervisor of Maintenance, after 27 years employment. Other endeavors following retirement from JEA included working for Atlantic Beach Auto Parts and owning his own automotive machine shop. He also worked for Dupont Mining for 5 years as a Training Specialist and Site Supervisor for contract personnel.

His primary non-work interest, however, was teaching and calling Western-style square dancing, starting in 1960 and ending with his retirement in early 2024.

In January 1990, Bobby felt the call on his life for Christian service and returned to college to obtain a music degree. He served as Minister of Music at Fellowship Baptist Church in Raiford, FL since April 2006.

Preceded in death by his father, mother, sister, brother and brother-in-law, he has stated that his life has been the greatest journey one could ever ask for.

Bobby is survived by his loving wife and partner of 40 years, June, son Robert Jr. (Kara) of Rossville, GA and daughter Kendra (Ken) Phelps of Sardis, MS. Six grandchildren, Travis (Meghin Cone) Keefe, Ryan (Mackinley) Keefe, Darian Keefe, Kourtney (Landon Nye) Brown, Katlan Howell and Brandon (Katie) Phelps and seven greatgrandchildren. The funeral service was held at his church in Raiford on Saturday, October 19, 2024. Interment was at Riverside Memorial Park, 7242 Normandy Boulevard, Jacksonville, following the funeral. In lieu of flowers, please make donations in Bobby's name to the Florida Cancer Society.



Bobby started dancing in the fall of 1961, taking a class with the Western Cutters Club, Jacksonville, FL taught by club caller Bob Reynolds. He immediately wanted to become a caller, so Bobby started a class for teenagers and youth on Saturday mornings at the old feed store in Marietta on the west side of Jacksonville. Soon he was hired for his first regular calling position by the Western Cutters Club. Over the years Bobby has called for various open clubs in the Jacksonville area including the Friendly Frolics, Dixie Chain Gang, Red Fez Squares, Ancient City Squares (St. Augustine) and the Sunshine Twirlers (Gainesville, FL). In 1971 he started the first higher level clubs in the area, the QuarterMores Advanced Club and the Sand dollars C-1 Club. It was during this time that Bobby spent a lot of time on the phone with Jack Lasry of Miami, who was the only Challenge level caller in Florida, learning the techniques of Challenge level calling. Bobby called Advanced, C-1, C-2, and C-3 for a club he formed in Daytona with the help of Hugh and Linda Gardner. He also called C-1 and C-2 for a club in Savannah, Georgia. In 1985 Bobby retired from JEA as Supervisor of Mechanical Maintenance and started calling and traveling full time. Bobby and his lovely wife June became 'worn out' after so many years of being a traveling square dance caller. In 1997 they decided to retire from the activity and concentrate on building their new home. Bobby & June got a strong 'square dance itch' again in 2007, so they started dancing with the Grand Squares club in Gainesville, FL. (Lon Ligon club caller). With Lon's encouragement, Bobby has started to call again...much to the delight of many old friends.

This obituary is very hard for your editor. Bobby was a dear friend and one of the best callers I have danced with in over 40 years of dancing. Bobby's master of calling extended from the most basic to the advanced and Challenge levels. No matter what level you danced Bobby would make it challenging and fun at the same time

### **Tributes to Bobby have been coming in from other callers in Florida**

I did not know Bobby very well myself, because we lived in different areas of the state. I knew him a little bit from belonging to the Florida Callers Association. I did attend a few dances he called at the Advanced level, and realized he was good at his craft.

Mike Gormley  
Sebring, FL

Bobby was a great square dance caller. From the most basic level through the challenge level he had an ability to read the floor, make the difficulty doable, and all with a smile on his face. Bobby was encouraging in my early years of calling by insisting that clear explanations of each call were essential. In years past, Bobby and June were always an encouragement to Sandra and me and to the Northeast Callers Association.  
Jim Duncan

When I was asked to write a few lines about Bobby, I was introduced to impossible. Bobby was another of my many mentors and I will miss him. Bobby took a couple of

years off from calling, and then came back as the kinder, gentler Bobby. He still expected you to know how to do the moves, but didn't fuss quite as loud if you made a mistake. Bobby attended quite a few of my dances and made me a better caller. He did not mind offering "advice" to callers. Hand usage, body flow, timing, whatever he could do to help you, he was there. RIP Bobby. (more on some of this later).

Bill Chesnut

Peggy and I had just moved to Gainesville in 1974 or 75. I had been calling in the Panama Canal Zone and up in Memphis. When we got to Gainesville, we decided I wouldn't get involved with calling right away, and we would just wait and see what the level of dancing was in this area. There was a dance at the Thelma Bolton Center downtown. At the center they were having a regular dance with local callers – RJ Hogan, Bill Chesnut, Bobby Keefe, Gil Crosby and a caller from out of town, James Maxey. Peggy and I went to the dance and decided to just watch and see how it went. RJ Hogan called the first tip, and we watched and realized we could dance with this group. The next caller was Bobby Keefe, and Bobby assured us we would be able to dance to him. We got up to dance. Well, Bobby was an "all position" caller and very good at what he did. When he started calling, Peggy and I had trouble understanding exactly what he wanted us to do. It was Mainstream, but he called from such different positions it was quite challenging! We were struggling to keep up, and Bobby kept calling us out by name to try and get us into the correction positions. He was calling stuff like "Check your Phantom Diamonds, Diamond Circulate and Spread..." Peggy and I were embarrassed. After that dance we watched the other callers and realized it was just Bobby Keefe who was so challenging. At the end of this tip, I went up to Bobby and told him I would never believe him again when he said we could dance to him. I still think he did that on purpose. We were embarrassed and pretty upset with Bobby for misleading us at the time, but Peggy and I eventually took classes from Bobby and were finally able to dance to him. We became good friends, but I never let him forget that time he lied to us!!

Peggy and I just loved Bobby and became good friends with him and his wife. We enjoyed dancing with him at the Quarter Mores in Jacksonville. What a great caller!

Lon Ligon



I just heard on this date 10-20-2024 that Sam Dunn has meet an unfortunate end

Sam was very surprised and pleased to receive the Extra Mile Award from the Florida Federation of Square & Round Dancers on May 18, 2007. This is an award presented by the Florida Federation each year to show appreciation to both callers and cuers who go beyond the norm in giving freely of their time and talents to the square dance activity.

This award was given to him in recognition of valuable contributions to the square and round dance movement in the state of Florida

**Sam & Sue Dunn** took beginner square dance lessons in Ohio in 1974. He called his first singing call one year later. Sam has been calling for the last 50 years. They have been married for 56 years.

Sam was the club caller for the Kittyhawk Squares in Dayton, Ohio for 25 years. Sam & Sue started spending the winter months in Florida in 2001. Sam retired from International Truck & Engine after 32 years. In August 2003, they decided to sell their home in Ohio and moved to Sebring, Florida.

They have 3 children, 11 grandchildren, and 1 great granddaughter.

Sam's credits include

- Charter member of the American Callers Association
- Belongs to the American Callers Association, the Florida Callers Association, and the Suncoast Callers & Cues Association
- Past president of the Miami Valley Callers Association, and the Midwestern Ohio Callers Association
- Recorded on Red Boot Star, Tarheel records, and most recently on Miracle records
- Has been the sound chairman for 4 Ohio State Square Dance conventions
- Sings tenor in the popular calling/singing group The Good Ole' Boys
- Calls and teaches all levels from basics to A-2
- Has traveled to England - London, Ontario, and Mexico to call festivals and square dance cruises
- Sam & Sue have been on staff at many square dance weekends including
  - English Mountain in Tennessee
  - Weekend Getaway
  - Rainbow Jamboree
  - Pumpkin Promenade
  - Labor Day Fun Fest
  - Single Rama
  - Featured caller at the West Coast Fun Fall Fest in Lakeland, Florida in 2005 and 2009
- Club caller for
  - Grande Squares in Frostproof, Florida
  - Harmony Hoedowners in Sebring, Florida
  - 1-2-3 Squares in Sebring, Florida



It is with great sadness that the family announces the death of Edward H. Hughes (Ted). He was born in Springfield, MA, August 15, 1936, and passed away on June 17, 2024, in Saint Petersburg Florida. He was 87 years old. He is survived by his daughter Debra Ann McNeil of Southampton, MA; grandchildren Carey Scott, Samantha Paige and Jessalyn Hughes. As well as, several great-grandchildren, a brother Raymond F. Hughes of Easthampton, MA; a cousin, Wendy Seiffert, and nieces and nephews. As a young man Edward Hughes joined the Navy, and later the Air Force, achieving the rank of Major. He was honorably discharged from the Springfield National Guard in 1983. He spent 33 years serving our country. As a civilian, Ted served as 1 of 23 sky marshals based out of Logan International Airport in Boston. When the program was dissolved, he transferred to border patrol and continued protecting our country. Ted joined the Masons in 2010, and he worked to be a better person and to do good for his fellow citizens. He's also a long-standing member of the Florida Callers Association and the Sun Coast Cuers & Callers Assoc. He was a 50-year-old member of the National Square Dance Campers Association (Sunshine State Pioneers 018). Ted was a free spirit. He found joy in travel, pets, people and dancing. He was a caller for dances up & down the coast. East to west north to south, Ted never met a stranger that was not soon a friend. One could always count on Ted for a great story, funny joke, or a very good life lesson. He will be loved and missed by many.



**For sale: from the Estate OF Ted Hughes**

Caller Ted Hughes passed away on June 17, 2024, at 9:33 p.m. He was in recovery after an eight-hour surgery at the time. Ted is originally from Massachusetts, but he was living in St. Pete. Over the years, he has called for Temple Twirlers, Square Dance Campers Chapter 018, and he called for several West Coast Association Membership Dances, Florida State Conventions, and National Square Dance Conventions®. If you would like to send cards to his partner, Tammy Radcliffe, her address is 3434 46th Street North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33713.

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For Sale



Speaker stands \$5 each

Contact: [DEEHORNBY@YAHOO.COM](mailto:DEEHORNBY@YAHOO.COM)

for arrangements, shipping not included



Hilton WA 180 (as is, not tested)

\$75

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for arrangements, shipping not included

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For Sale



Mountain Man speaker and case (as is, not tested)  
\$50

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for arrangements, shipping not included



Mountain Man speaker (as is, not tested)  
\$50

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for arrangements, shipping not included

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For Sale



Bose speakers (as is, not tested)

\$20 each

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for arrangements, shipping not included



Sennheiser XSW 1-835A wireless microphone, BRAND NEW STILL IN SEALED WRAP  
\$200 FIRM

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for arrangements, shipping not included



(OPEN BOX VIEW) Sennheiser XSW 1-835A



V-Tech VT-1040, 600 Ohm microphone, XLR (as is, not tested)  
\$15

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Microphones (as is, not tested)

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Unknown Mic with 1/4" and 1/8" plug, \$10  
Unknown Mic with desktop tri-pod, \$10

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## Club News

### Clover Squares – Chiefland, FL - Caller Jim Duncan

Clover Squares meet on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and sometimes the 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at the Methodist Church in Chiefland from 3-5 pm. Jim Duncan is our caller, and we dance the Mainstream level with announced Plus tips

Sending some pics of our club this past month with our Caller Jim Duncan celebrating his birthday a couple of days early and we have been Having the youth of the Church join us on Wed. after school. We meet every 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month, from 2 to 4, at the Methodist Church In Chiefland. We do Main street with learning some Plus calls. Our next dance will be a Halloween Costume Dance and we will have Bill Cassidy calling .So come on out and join us. Scoop Jesk



Jim Duncan Caller



Happy Birthday Jim Duncan

## **Mixed Nuts Caller Bill Chesnut**

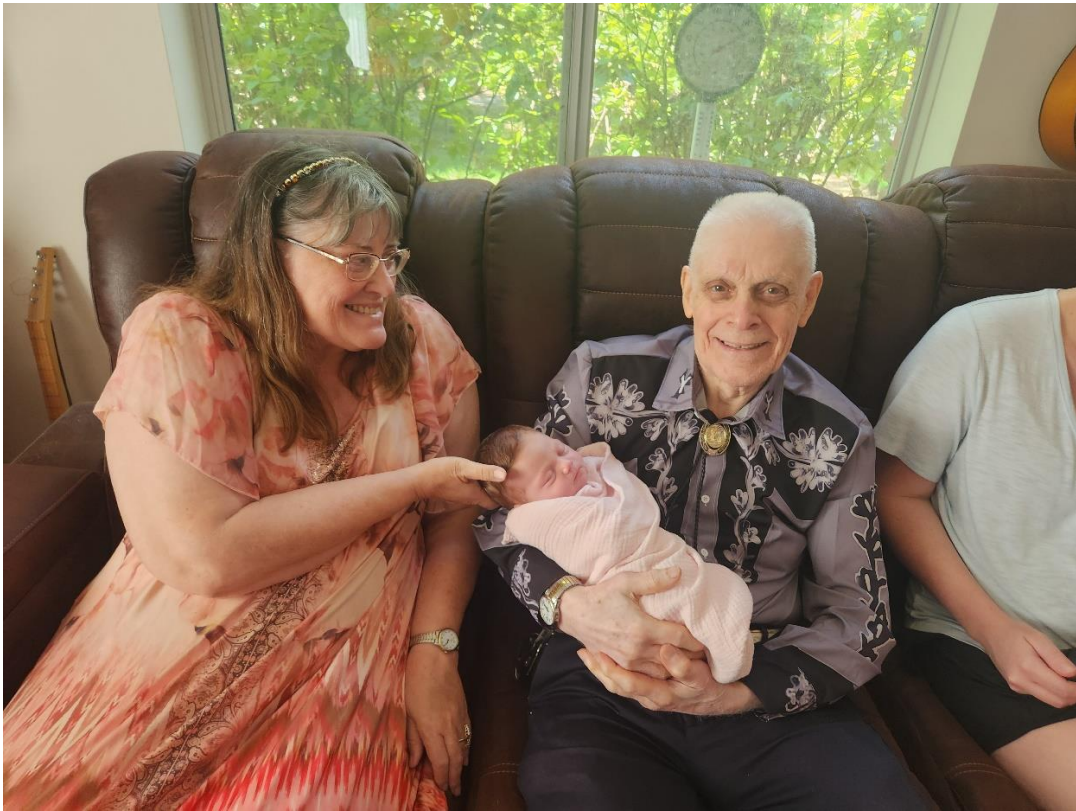
Mixed Nuts dances Mondays from 4-6 at Grace Presbyterian Church 3146 NW 13th St. in Gainesville, Bill Chesnut is our Caller.  
We dance the Advanced Level but it is easy to learn so come on out and try it, we do have a lot of fun and welcome newcomers.  
Give us a call or e mail and let us know you are coming. 352 256 8628  
cell billchesnut4@gmail.com e mail. Hope to see you soon. Scoop Jesk

## **Grand Squares Caller Bill Cassidy**

The Grand Squares dances on Tuesday nights from 6:30-8:30 at Meizon Church 3411 NW 83rd Street, Gainesville. Bill Cassidy is our caller and calls Mainstream and Plus.  
Contact Robin Frazer for more information at [robin.frazer@yahoo.com](mailto:robin.frazer@yahoo.com)







Ava River Moody was born on the Fourth of July, and is now a very healthy and robust three month old.



Lon Ligon, founder of the Grand Squares, continues to be active. He calls at least one tip every week, and continues to dance, but seems to have embraced retirement. Lon is a new Great "Poppu" and is proud of the newest addition to his family.



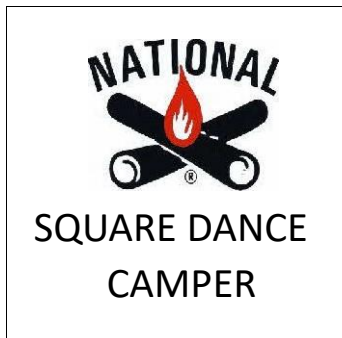
Lon, a life long musician and an avid guitarist, has already bought Ava two guitars! This girl is destined to follow in her Great "Poppu's" footsteps.

**From the Presidents of National Square Dance Campers Association.**

Hello to all Square & Round Dancers

We are John & Dolly Ide, Presidents of the National Square Dance Campers Association. I can't begin to tell you how many times we have run into square & round dancers who are campers, but did not know that the camping-dancing clubs existed.

The NSDCA has 3 clubs in the state of Florida. You can camp and dance in almost any month of the year with one or more of these



clubs. We all generally meet for a 2- or 3-day weekend somewhere here in Florida and occasionally in Southern Georgia each month of the year. Our NSDCA TIMES publication keeps our members up to date with the dates and locations of NSDCA camping weekends throughout the USA, with chats and pictures from their past weekend adventures and lots more great information of things to come.



Once a year, all our NSDCA clubs gather for an International Camporee. Our next Camporee will be in Shreveport,

Louisiana, June 19, 20 & 21 2025. If you are planning to attend the NSD Convention in Shreveport, La. we invite you to come and party with us the week before the convention. Our camporee is being held at the Shreveport Fairgrounds which is also the NSDC campers venue and you may stay camped at the same place throughout both events. This will allow you time to tour the area and relax between these two great events. Our camping weekends and Camporees are not limited to campers, you are welcome to stay at a motel/hotel and attend the events. Please consider attending one of these fun

events, but be careful, if you are not a camper you just might get hooked on all that camping/glamping fun!

## **Callers Clinic at The Villages**

I attended the callers school given by Kip Carvey on the 17-19 of October. As a former caller this was interesting in regard to how things have changed since I was calling in the 1980;s The instructor was Kip Garvey. Kip Garvey began calling as a teenager in 1960. Initially he was club Caller for a teen square dance club in Andover, Massachusetts. He soon began calling for many local New England square dance clubs. Calling for several teen and adult clubs over the years, Kip has taught dancers every year since 1960. Kip has called in 48 States, England, Holland, Germany, Austria, Japan and China. He has been a featured caller in nearly every major square dance festival across the United States and was a principle Caller at the World Square Dance Convention for several years... This is something that all the Florida callers attend about every other year. This is done to make sure that all the Florida callers continue to learn to make our dancing enjoyable no matter where you dance in Florida



**Kip Garvey**



**Lloyd\* & Ruth\* McKenrick**

The dance on Saturday was a lively and fun affair with over 6 squares in attendance. Kip kept all the squares dancing with his unique dance moves.





## **United Square Dancers of America (USDA)**

### What Is USDA? Our Mission

The UNITED SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA, INC. (USDA) was formed on June 26, 1981, during the National Square Dance Convention held in Seattle, Washington, and grew to represent 310,000 dancers throughout the United States. USDA is an organization formed by dancers, for dancers, and is under the operational control of dancers. The purpose of the organization is to:

- Promote and perpetuate the total Square Dance Movement which includes Square, Round, Contra, Clogging, Line and Heritage Dancing.
- Establish a line of communication from the individual dancer to a recognized unified body so that an expression of varied opinions can establish or influence policy for making decisions at the national level.
- Provide education to further the growth and enjoyment of Square Dancing.
- Encourage cooperation between member clubs, state associations, councils, federations; national and international organizations; or other groups involved or interested in the promotion of Square Dancing.
- Provide a forum for implementing the benefits of membership in the UNITED SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA and assist members in any way possible.
- Represent Square Dancing to the general public as a wholesome, enjoyable family type recreation.
- As a service organization, the United Square Dancers of America strives to provide benefits for the entire Square Dance community:
  - Economical dancer accident and club liability insurance coverage
  - Youth scholarships
  - Handicapable Dancer Assistance
  - USDA News - informative quarterly newsletter covering the USDA
  - Educational pamphlets and brochures to inform club and group leaders on the operational / business aspects of club activities provided to all at not cost via this website - [www.usda.org](http://www.usda.org)
  - USDA USA Traveler Program to encourage dancers to travel throughout the United States with the goal to dance in all 50 States and receive a paid registration to the National Square Dance Convention®
  - Social Media assistance has been added as another of USDA's services

- Centennial Dancer program awarding medallions to those dancers who have reached the age of 100.
- Nonprofit status is available through membership in USDA at a reasonable charge.
- Offers a Discount Prescription, Vision and Hearing Program available to all - not just dancers - but anyone.
- Represent the Square Dancers within the broader Square Dance Community by serving on the Alliance of Round, Traditional and Square-Dance (ARTS-Dance) Governing Board.

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<https://www.dancergram.com/aa-FWS/convention/index.html/>

### *National Square Dance Conventions*

2024 06 26-29 - 73<sup>rd</sup> NSDC, Milwaukee, WI - <https://73nsdc.com/>  
2025 06 25-28 - 74<sup>th</sup> USDC, Shreveport, LA - <https://www.74nsdc.com/>  
2026 06 24-27 - 75<sup>th</sup> USDC, Waco, TX - <https://75nsdctx.com/>

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2024 06 22-26 - 48<sup>th</sup> Annual ROUNDALAB Convention, Milwaukee, WI -  
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1990	Frank Tokanos	2023	Sandy Sturgis
1991	Pat Hagen		

## Round A Lab (RAL) Happenings

### October and November 2024

#### SAD NEWS

Richard Matthews of Slidell, Louisiana, passed away on Monday due to complications of his fall in May. Richard has been a full member of ROUNDALAB since 1996 and with his partner Frances has posted 106 dances to the Index of Rounds since 2000. They won the 2021 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Round of the Quarter for "I'll do it all over again," a Phase II Two-Step. Additional information will be forwarded as it becomes available.

#### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN "Dancing with a Difference"

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#### 2024 CONVENTION PROCEEDINGS

Proceedings from the 2024 RAL Convention in Milwaukee have been posted to the website.

#### RAL MEMBER SCHOLARSHIPS

RAL Members are eligible to receive a Wayne Wylie or National Education Committee scholarship to attend a ROUNDALAB Convention, Mini-Lab or other ROUNDALAB approved education event. If you have not yet claimed your scholarship, please apply at the website. The application deadline for NEC is December 31 and WWSF 12 months before your event.

#### NEW LEADER SCHOLARSHIPS

##### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

All ROUNDALAB members are eligible for one \$250 **National Education Committee** scholarship to attend a ROUNDALAB Convention or approved school. Deadline for NEC scholarship applications is December 31.

All ROUNDALAB members are also eligible for one **Wayne Wylie** scholarship to attend a ROUNDALAB Convention or approved school. Deadline for WWSF scholarships is June 1 of the year your education event.

Are you mentoring a new round dance leader? ROUNDALAB has a **New Round Dance Leader** scholarship program which pays all RAL fees for one year to a new round dance leader. The application deadline is February 1. Six applicants will receive a scholarship for 2025.

#### OFFICE CLOSURE

The RAL Office will be closed November 15 to 24. During this time, email and phone messages will be reviewed and urgent business attended. There will be no packages shipped during this period.

## **DEADLINES**

Nov 1 – RAL Winter Journal

Dec 31 – NEC Scholarship Application

Feb 1 – New Leader Scholarship Application

## **Upcoming Events**

For more information on these and other events, visit "Upcoming Events" at the ROUNDALAB website. Contact information, leaders, and flyers are available at the site.

Nov 1-3 56th San Diego Round Dance Festival, San Diego, CA

Nov 8-10 Harvest Holiday, Fort Worth, TX

Nov 15-17 Fall Fling by The Sea 2024, Garibaldi, OR

Nov 16 Kansas Round Dance Association, Haysville, KS

Dec 28-31 New Year's Eve Celebration: The Holiday Ball, Columbia, SC

Dec 31-Jan 1 New Year's Eve Gala, Montoursville, PA

## **Looking ahead 2025**

RAL June 21-25, Little Rock, AR

NSDC June 25-28, Shreveport, LA

ICBDA July 9-12, Springdale, AR

## **Looking ahead 2026**

RAL June 21-24, 50th RAL Convention, Waco, TX

NSDC June 24-27, 75th NSDC Convention, Waco, TX

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## **SUBMISSION FOR NOVEMBER 2024**

**SUBMISSION FOR NOVEMBER 2024**  
A new dance just out in July 2024, "Blowin' Smoke" choreographed by Carolyn & Tony Ahart has the absolute best music. It is very much a love song, sung by Teddy Swim (Jaten Collin Dimsdale) from Conyers, Georgia! It is just so romantic the way he sings it! You will love the verse that says "I love the way you twist your hair; I'm seeing how you roll your eyes; I'm watching how your cheeks turn red; must mean I'm doing something right". Don't we all roll our eyes at our partner when we dance? When your partner says something romantic, don't we blush? Then Swim sings "You already know you're a ten and it shows." This song expresses true love for someone – they are not just "Blowin' Smoke".

I was able to get the music on iTunes and the full cue sheet is on Roundalab. Give this romantic Cha a try and see if you do not just love the music! I know when you look at it, you'll think this is tricky for a round dance to be done at a square dance, but it really isn't that bad and so worth trying. Take a little time at your club dance to review the Varsovienne Position, Parallel Chase & Sweethearts so the dancers will be ready to do between tips at a square dance.

Enjoy the Dance,  
Judy & Dwayne Barnhill  
[www.roundswithjudy.com](http://www.roundswithjudy.com)

## **BLOWIN' SMOKE QUICK CUE SHEET**

Phase IV + 1 (Sweetheart) Cha  
Speed 42.5  
INTRO A B A (1-8) C B(MOD) C B(MOD) END

### **INTRO**

L Vars, Both Facing Wall, L Foot Free 2 Measure Wait ; ;

### **A**

Parallel Chase ; ; L Lariat ½ Man Face COH ; Cucaracha / Lady in 4 ;  
Basic ; ; Chase w/U'Arm Pass to BFLY Wall ; ;  
New Yorker to Open LOD ; Walk 2 & Cha ; Circle Away & Together into a ; ;  
Lariat ½ Man Face COH ; Cucaracha ; Chase w/U'Arm Pass to Handshake  
Wall ; ;

### **B**

Trade Places ; Crab Walk Ending ; Open Break ; Spot Turn to Handshake ;  
Trade Places ; Crab Walk Ending ; Shoulder to Shoulder ; U'Arm Turn to BFLY ;  
Ronde Box ; ; Twice ; to a Handshake ;  
Flirt to a Fan ; ; Start an Alemana ; Lady in 4 to L Vars Wall ;  
A (1-8)

Parallel Chase ; ; L Lariat ½ Man Face COH ; Cucaracha / Lady in 4 ;  
Basic ; ; Chase w/U'Arm Pass to BFLY Wall ; ;

### **C**

½ Basic ; to Fan ; Start a Hockey Stick to Shadow Wall ;  
Sweetheart, Twice ; ; (No Hands) Finish Hockey Stick ;  
Basic ; to handshake Wall ;

### **B MODIFIED**

Trade Places ; Crab Walk Ending ; Open Break ; Spot Turn to Handshake ;  
Trade Places ; Crab Walk Ending ; Shoulder to Shoulder ; U'Arm Turn to BFLY ;  
Ronde Box ; ; Twice ; to a Handshake ;  
Cross Body to COH ; ; Cross body to Wall ; ;

**C**

½ Basic ; to Fan ; Start a Hockey Stick to Shadow Wall ;  
Sweetheart, Twice ; ; (No Hands) Finish Hockey Stick ;  
Basic ; to handshake Wall ;

**B MODIFIED**

Trade Places ; Crab Walk Ending ; Open Break ; Spot Turn to Handshake ;  
Trade Places ; Crab Walk Ending ; Shoulder to Shoulder ; U'Arm Turn to BFLY ;  
Ronde Box ; ; Twice ; to a Handshake ;  
Cross Body to COH ; ; Cross body to Wall ; ;

**END**

Thru to Aida ; Switch & Hold

**All Clubs in Florida (For addresses look at listings below)**

<u><a href="#">Northwest</a></u>	<u><a href="#">Northeast</a></u>	<u><a href="#">Central</a></u>	<u><a href="#">Southeast</a></u>	<u><a href="#">SCCA/West Coast</a></u>
<u><a href="#">Agape Squares</a></u> Niceville	<u><a href="#">Clover Squares</a></u> Chiefland	<u><a href="#">A Stars (*)</a></u> Port Orange	<u><a href="#">A-Jacks (*)</a></u> Boynton Beach	<u><a href="#">Tropical Twilers</a></u> Sebring FL
<u><a href="#">Capital Twirlers (*)</a></u> Tallahassee	<u><a href="#">Dixie Dancers</a></u> Lake City	<u><a href="#">Canaveral Squares (*)</a></u> Rockledge	<u><a href="#">Castoffs (*)</a></u> Boynton Beach	<u><a href="#">C-Gulls Dance Club (*)</a></u> Fort Myers
<u><a href="#">Seaside Squares</a></u> Pensacola	<u><a href="#">Grand Squares (*)</a></u> Gainesville	<u><a href="#">Casselberry Hoedowners (*)</a></u> Casselberry	<u><a href="#">Galaxy Squares (*)</a></u> Wilton Manors	<u><a href="#">Herons Glen A1/A2 Dancers</a></u> N. Fort Myers
<u><a href="#">Swinging Squares</a></u> Panama City	<u><a href="#">High Springs Square Dance Club</a></u> High Springs	<u><a href="#">Celebrity Squares (*)</a></u> Anthony	<u><a href="#">Long Key Squares (*)</a></u> Long Key	<u><a href="#">Horizon Village Square &amp; Round Dance Club</a></u> N. Fort Myers
<u><a href="#">T-N-T Rounds (url)</a></u> Pensacola	<u><a href="#">Joy Seas</a></u> St. Augustine	<u><a href="#">Dixie Diamonds (*)</a></u> Melbourne	<u><a href="#">Roadrunner Squares # 193 (*)</a></u> ..campers..	<u><a href="#">Susan's Fun Rounds</a></u> N. Fort Myers
<b>Area Club (not a FL Federation Member)</b> <u><a href="#">Panama City Square Dancers (*)</a></u> Panama City	<u><a href="#">Mixed Nuts/ BAD Dancers</a></u> Gainesville	<u><a href="#">Granada Squares &amp; Denim &amp; Lace (*)</a></u> Ormond Beach	<u><a href="#">South Florida Mustangs (*)</a></u> Wilton Manors	<u><a href="#">Maple Leaf Squares &amp; Rounds</a></u> Port Charlotte
<b>Also Check Out These NW Dance Halls... ...click here</b> Pensacola & Panama City	<u><a href="#">Moose Promenaders</a></u> Jacksonville	<u><a href="#">New Circle Squares (*)</a></u> Ocala OTOW	<u><a href="#">Treasure Coast Squares</a></u> (Ft. Pierce-Closed-History Only)	<u><a href="#">Palace Promenaders</a></u> Arcadia
	<u><a href="#">Rollaways</a></u> Jacksonville	<u><a href="#">Hitch 'N' Go</a></u> ..campers..	<u><a href="#">Whirlaways Round Dance Club (*)</a></u> Fort Pierce	<u><a href="#">Pine Ridge Promenaders</a></u> Lake Placid
	<u><a href="#">Salty Bobbers (*)</a></u> Steinhatchee	<u><a href="#">Orange Blossom</a></u>		<u><a href="#">Promenade Squares</a></u> Pinellas Park
	<u><a href="#">Seabreeze Singles</a></u> Jacksonville			<u><a href="#">Rounds With Judy (*)</a></u> Fort Myers/Port Charlotte
	<u><a href="#">Square Wheels</a></u> ..campers..			
	<b>Out of State Member Club</b>			

	<p><u>Coastal Georgia Squares</u> Brunswick, GA</p>	<p><u>Squares (*)</u> The Villages</p> <p><u>Ocala Twirlers</u> Ocala</p> <p><u>Pilot Squares</u> Ocklawaha</p> <p><u>Space Trackers</u> Merritt Island</p> <p><u>Spindrifters (*)</u> Port Orange</p> <p><u>Sternwheelers</u> Bellevue</p> <p><u>Whirl &amp; Twirl (*)</u> Oveido</p> <p><u>Wrangler Country Squares (*)</u> Barberville</p>		<p><u>Shufflin' Squares (*)</u> Lake Wales/Winter Haven</p> <p><u>Strawberry Square (*)</u> Plant City</p> <p><u>Strawberry Travelers</u> <i>..campers..</i></p> <p><u>Stuart Bunch</u> Punta Gorda</p> <p><u>Suncoast Squares (*)</u> St. Petersburg</p> <p><u>Swingin' Gators</u> Punta Gorda</p> <p><u>Tampa Bay Rounds (url)</u> St. Petersburg</p> <p><u>Tampa Bay Square Dance Revival (*)</u> St. Petersburg</p> <p><u>Temple Twirlers (*)</u> Tampa</p> <p><u>Whispering Pines Village</u> Sebring</p> <p><u>Charlotte Promenaders</u> Port Charlotte FL</p>
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This is the current list that I have for all NEFSARDA clubs in the Northeast area. If your information is wrong or changes, please have an officer of your club notify the Grapevine editor, Stephen Bigelow. If you would like your club added, consider joining NEFSARDA, then send me your club information.

Stephen F Bigelow M.Ed.  
[grapevine@sbigelow.com](mailto:grapevine@sbigelow.com)  
904-612-1081

## **Monday Clubs**

### Mixed Nuts

Mixed Nuts Advanced Square Dance Club, Dancing Monday afternoons 4 – 6 pm  
Grace Presbyterian Church, 3146 N W 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Gainesville, FL  
Caller Bill Chesnut 352-256-8628

### Joy Seas

7 to 9 PM. St Augustine South Club house in St Augustine FL 32086  
Call before you go to verify, they are dancing Call Mary Burzo 904 501-1817. See our current article for updates.  
Mike Akers Caller

## **Tuesday Clubs**

### Rollaways

7:00 – 9:00 PM at Sandalwood High School 2750 John Prom Boulevard, Jacksonville  
Caller Mark Fetzer  
Cuer Susan Snider  
President Emily Jones  
Banner Chairman Virginia Bomhold (904) 521-2754

### Seabreeze Singles

Dance Review 7:00 to 7:30 PM, Club Dance 7:30 to 9:30 PM at Frances Padgett  
Arlington Senior Center, 1078 Rogero Road, Jacksonville.  
Caller Mike Akers  
President Pamela Newman (904) 516-7115  
Banner Chairman Vickie BeLue (904) 707-8188

### Salty Bobbers

7:00 - 9:00 PM at Community Center, 612 SW 812th Street, Steinhatchee.  
Caller Charlie Pergrossi  
Club Contact Jeanette Geer (352) 507-9425  
Banner Chairman Doug Moore (512) 605-7773

### Dixie Dancers

7:00 - 9:30 PM at Teen Town, 533 NW DeSoto Street, Gainesville.

Caller Bill Chesnut

President and Banner Chairman Bob and Barbara Rosenthal (386) 466-2984

### Grand Squares

6:30 to 8:30 PM at Meizon Church, 3411 NW 83rd Street, Gainesville, FL

Callers Lon Ligon

Club Contact Robin Frazer (352) 317-1636

## **Wednesday Clubs**

Clover Squares - 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month from 3-5 at the First United Methodist Church in Chiefland, 707 North Main Street, Chiefland, FL

Caller Jim Duncan

Club Contact Gerry Jesk (352) 949-4446

## **Thursday Club**

### Coastal Georgia Squares

7:00 to 9:00 Christian Life Center behind College Place UMC, 3890 Altama Ave, Brunswick, GA. If you're planning to attend the dance from out of town, **please contact me prior to the dance** in case there is a conflict with a church activity.

Don Heins – (912) 269-7909. [donheins@MSN.com](mailto:donheins@MSN.com)

High Springs Square Dance Club is conveniently located halfway between Gainesville and Lake City. We dance at the Civic Center off Highway 441 near Winn Dixie. The dance is every Thursday night from 7 to 9 pm with the setup starting at 6:30 pm. The address is 19107 NW 240th Street, High Springs, FL. **Contact Deborah Cassidy to confirm we are dancing. 352-262-0760.**

### Moose Promenaders

Club dance 7:00 to 9ish PM at Moose Lodge,  
5051 Collins Road, Jacksonville.

Caller Bill Chesnut

President Wayne and Debbie Miller (904) 891-7016

Banner Chairman Hanna Watts (904) 387-6287

## **NORTHWEST FLORIDA SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE ASSOCIATION CLUBS**

**AGAPE SQUARES** Mondays 7:00-8:30 pm (SSD, M, P)

Caller: Varies (class 6-7 pm)

Cross Point Church Fellowship Hall, 214 Partin Dr. Niceville, FL.

CONTACT: Sherrilee Lewis (850) 217-7746

**CAPITAL TWIRLERS** Mondays 7-9 pm (MS, P, A)

Caller: George Lavender (January 29th classes start)

Tallahassee Senior Center, 1400 N. Monroe, Tallahassee, FL.

CONTACT: Libby Penrod (850) 566-2117

**SEASIDE SQUARES** Friday 7:30-9:30 pm (MS, P)

Caller: Varies

2600 Stratford Rd., Pensacola, FL.

CONTACT: Deecee Haslett (850) 293-7720

**SWINGING SQUARES** Friday 6-8pm (MS, P)

Callers: Mike Goff and Miriam Merriwether (class 6-7pm)

Grand Square Hall, 1105 Bob Little Rd, Panama City, FL.

CONTACT: Jon & Kathy Kern (850) 896-5798

**T-N-T ROUNDS** Sundays 3-5 pm

Cuer: Terri Wilaby

T-N-T Hall

6419 Dallas Ave., Pensacola, FL.

CONTACT: Terri and Tim Wilaby (850) 712-5230 [terriwilaby@hotmail.com](mailto:terriwilaby@hotmail.com)

**West Coast Dances by day.**

**MONDAY**

**Citrus Squares**

Recreational Building  
Whispering Pines City Park  
1700 Forest Drive  
Inverness

Caller: Charlie Pergrossi  
Alternating class level MS & Plus  
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
Weekly, year-round  
[cpergrossi@gmail.com](mailto:cpergrossi@gmail.com)  
352-213-6559

**Heron's Glen**

2250 Heron's Boulevard  
N. Ft. Myers

Callers: Darrin Henry & Alan Hall  
Advanced Lessons & Dance Lessons:  
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Dancing: 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
Weekly, seasonal  
317-504-3894  
[dhenrycaller@aol.com](mailto:dhenrycaller@aol.com)  
423-313-6508  
[hallcsa@aol.com](mailto:hallcsa@aol.com)

**Suncoast Squares**

Allendale UMC  
3803 Haines Road N.  
Saint Petersburg

Main parking lot behind the sanctuary building;  
the door is located there.

Caller: J.R. St. Jean  
Mainstream & Plus  
8:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.  
Weekly, year-round  
A GLBTQ+ Club – all welcome (including the  
straight community)  
[www.suncoastsquares.com](http://www.suncoastsquares.com) –  
[suncoastsquares@gmail.com](mailto:suncoastsquares@gmail.com)  
678-656-2523  
[mutchlerdan@yhoo.com](mailto:mutchlerdan@yhoo.com)

**Temple Twirlers**

Oak Grove United Methodist Church  
2707 W. Waters Avenue  
(Northeast corner of Habana Avenue)  
Tampa  
Guest Callers & Cuers  
Mainstream, Plus, Rounds  
2nd & 4th Mondays, year-round  
813-407-0935  
[murphysclan@aol.com](mailto:murphysclan@aol.com)

**TUESDAY**

**Strawberry Square Dance Center**

4401 Promenade Boulevard  
Plant City

Caller: Jim Davis  
New Dancer Dance  
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
Weekly, Nov – Mar  
813-752-0491  
[www.strawberrysquaredancing.com](http://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com)  
[strawberrysquaredance@gmail.com](mailto:strawberrysquaredance@gmail.com)  
770-825-6513  
[sorrellscherylene@gmail.com](mailto:sorrellscherylene@gmail.com)

**Susan's Fun Rounds**

Horizon Village  
9200 Littleton Road  
N. Ft. Myers  
Cuer: Susan Wolford  
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
Weekly, Nov – Mar  
256-673-0170  
[2susanwolf@gmail.com](mailto:2susanwolf@gmail.com)

**Swingin' Gators**

Alligator Park  
6400 Taylor Road  
Punta Gorda  
Callers: Varies  
Cuer: Judy Barnhill  
Plus & Rounds  
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 n  
Weekly, Nov - Apr  
606-302-1731  
[tn2001@yahoo.com](mailto:tn2001@yahoo.com)

**Tampa Bay Rounds**

J. W. Cate Recreation Center  
5801 – 22nd Avenue North  
St. Petersburg  
Cuer/Instructor: Sandy Sturgis  
Lessons: 6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.  
Dance: 7:15 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
Weekly, year-round  
850-814-3861 (call or text)

**WEDNESDAY**

**Strawberry Square Dance Center**

4401 Promenade Boulevard  
Plant City  
Callers: Keith Stevens (2nd & 4th)  
Tim Scholl (1st & 3rd)  
C-1  
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
Weekly, Nov – Apr  
813-752-0491  
[www.strawberrysquaredancing.com](http://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com)  
[strawberrysquaredance@gmail.com](mailto:strawberrysquaredance@gmail.com)  
770-825-6513  
[sorellscheryene@gmail.com](mailto:sorellscheryene@gmail.com)

**Strawberry Square Dance Center**

4401 Promenade Boulevard  
Plant City  
Callers: Callers: Keith Stevens (2nd & 4th)  
Tim Scholl (1st & 3rd)  
C-2 Teach & Dance  
C-2 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.  
Weekly, Nov – Apr  
813-752-0491  
[www.strawberrysquaredancing.com](http://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com)  
[strawberrysquaredance@gmail.com](mailto:strawberrysquaredance@gmail.com)  
770-825-6513  
[sorellscheryene@gmail.com](mailto:sorellscheryene@gmail.com)

**THURSDAY**

**Charlotte Promenaders 2**

23400 Harold Avenue  
Port Charlotte  
Caller: Various  
Cuer: Susan Wolford  
6:30 p.m. – 9:15 p.m.  
6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Rounds W/S  
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – Plus & Rounds  
8:00 p.m. A-1 Tip  
9:00 p.m. – 9:15 p.m. A-1 Tip  
Weekly Jan – Mar  
256-673-0170  
[2susanwolf@gmail.com](mailto:2susanwolf@gmail.com)

**Horizon Village**

9200 Littleton Road  
N. Ft. Myers  
Caller: Varies  
Cuer: Judy Barnhill  
Plus & Rounds  
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Weekly, Nov - Mar  
440-382-7542  
[Ddarling194@gmail.com](mailto:Ddarling194@gmail.com)

**Pine Ridge Promenaders**

Sunshine RV Resort  
(1,000 yds. East of U.S. 27)  
Lake Placid

Guest Callers and Cuers  
Mainstream & Plus  
Weekly, Jan - Mar  
847-209-3443  
[aljilly@hotmail.com](mailto:aljilly@hotmail.com)  
585-465-7466  
[Dlucey60@gmail.com](mailto:Dlucey60@gmail.com)

**Shufflin' Squares**

Lake Ashton Golf Club  
4141 Ashton Club Drive  
Lake Wales

Callers: Dave Muller & Keith Stevens  
1st & 3rd Thursdays, year-round  
2nd & 4th Thursdays Plus & MS W/S  
863-332-9657  
[keithuns@yahoo.com](mailto:keithuns@yahoo.com)

**Snell's Bo's & Bell's**

Dunedin Community Center  
1920 Pinehurst Road  
Dunedin

Caller/Cuer: Allen Snell  
Mainstream, Plus, Easy Rounds or  
Lines  
Weekly, year-round  
727-809-0323  
[Settarose1@gmail.com](mailto:Settarose1@gmail.com)

**Strawberry Square Dance Center**

4401 Promenade Boulevard  
Plant City

Cuer: Tom Bunn  
Phase IV Clinic/Dance  
7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.  
Weekly, Nov – Mar  
813-752-0491

[www.strawberrysquaredancing.com](http://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com)  
[strawerrysquaredance@gmail.com](mailto:strawerrysquaredance@gmail.com)  
770-825-6513  
[sorrellscherylene@gmail.com](mailto:sorrellscherylene@gmail.com)

**Suncoast Squares**

Allendale UMC  
3803 Haines Road N.  
Saint Petersburg

Main parking lot and door behind the sanctuary  
building

Caller: J.R. St. Jean  
A-2 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
Weekly, year-round  
A GLBTQ+ Club – all are welcome (Including the  
straight community)

[www.suncoastsquares.com](http://www.suncoastsquares.com)  
[suncoastsquares@gmail.com](mailto:suncoastsquares@gmail.com)  
678-656-2523  
[mutschlerdan@yahoo.com](mailto:mutschlerdan@yahoo.com)

**FRIDAY**

**Maple Leaf Squares**

Effective January 2025 – new location  
CAN-AM Hall

Maple Leaf Golf and Country Club  
2100 Kings Hwy.

Port Charlotte  
Caller: Varies

Cuer: Judy Barnhill  
Mainstream, some Plus, and Rounds  
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
2nd & 4th Friday

Alternates with Palace Promenaders  
Jan – Mar

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

**Palace Promenaders**

1627 NE Floridian Circle  
Arcadia

Caller: Robert Arias  
Cuer: Judy Barnhill 3:00 p.m. – 5:00  
p.m. 1st, 3rd, & 5th - Alternates with  
Maple Leaf Squares  
941-380-5336  
[marymarydow@gmail.com](mailto:marymarydow@gmail.com)

**Promenade Squares**

J W Cate Recreation Center  
5801 22nd Ave. N.  
St. Petersburg  
Mainstream, Plus, Rounds  
Caller: Scotty Sharrer  
Cuer: Sandy Sturgis  
Weekly, year-round  
727-544-4704  
[friendib@verizon.net](mailto:friendib@verizon.net)

**Strawberry Square Dance Center  
Friday Frolic**

4401 Promenade Boulevard  
Plant City  
Caller: Jim Davis  
Alternating Mainstream and Plus  
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Weekly, Nov – Apr  
813-752-0491  
[www.strawberrysquaredancing.com](http://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com)  
[strawerrysquaredance@gmail.com](mailto:strawerrysquaredance@gmail.com)  
770-825-6513  
[sorrellscherylene@gmail.com](mailto:sorrellscherylene@gmail.com)

**Strawberry Square Dance Center**

4401 Promenade Boulevard  
Plant City  
Callers: varies  
Advanced WS & Dance Workshop:  
7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Dance: 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.  
Weekly, Nov – Apr  
813-752-0491  
[www.strawberrysquaredancing.com](http://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com)  
[strawerrysquaredance@gmail.com](mailto:strawerrysquaredance@gmail.com)  
770-825-6513  
[sorrellscherylene@gmail.com](mailto:sorrellscherylene@gmail.com)

**SATURDAY**

**Strawberry Square Dance Center**

4401 Promenade Boulevard  
Plant City  
Caller: Various  
Cuer: Various  
Mainstream, Plus & Rounds  
Early Rounds 7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Alt Sqs & Rounds 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.  
Weekly, Nov – Apr  
813-752-0491  
[www.strawberrysquaredancing.com](http://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com)  
[strawberrysquaredance@gmail.com](mailto:strawberrysquaredance@gmail.com)  
770-825-6513  
[sorellscheryene@gmail.com](mailto:sorellscheryene@gmail.com)

**Strawberry Square Dance Center**

4401 Promenade Boulevard  
Plant City  
Cuer: Tom Bunn  
Phases 3 & 4 Multi-Rhythm Dance  
Thrus & teach  
1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
Weekly, Nov - Mar  
813-752-0491  
[www.strawberrysquaredancing.com](http://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com)  
[strawerrysquaredance@gmail.com](mailto:strawerrysquaredance@gmail.com)  
770-825-6513  
[sorrellscherylene@gmail.com](mailto:sorrellscherylene@gmail.com)

**SUNDAY**

**Shufflin' Squares**

Lake Ashton Health & Fitness Ctr.  
6052 Pebble Beach Boulevard  
Winter Haven  
Caller: Keith Stevens  
C-1 lesson from 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
Advanced dancing – 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.  
Weekly, year-round  
863-326-9774  
[keith@keithstevens.com](mailto:keith@keithstevens.com)

**Strawberry Square Dance Center**

4401 Promenade Boulevard

Plant City  
Phases 2 – 5  
Cuers: varies  
7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.  
Weekly, November – April  
813-752-0491

[www.strawberrysquaredancing.com](http://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com)  
[strawerrysquaredance@gmail.com](mailto:strawerrysquaredance@gmail.com)  
770-825-6513  
[sorrellscherylene@gmail.com](mailto:sorrellscherylene@gmail.com)

### **Tropical Twirlers**

First Christian Church  
510 Poinsettia Ave.  
Sebring, FL

Caller: Mike Gormley  
Starting November 3, Beginner Square  
Dance Lessons 4 pm - 6 pm. Weekly,  
Fall/Winter/Spring

In addition, starting December 1st,  
Experienced dancers, calling to the  
floor, 6 pm to 8 pm, Weekly thru March  
419-376-0557

[mike@mike-gormley.com](mailto:mike@mike-gormley.com)

## **AS SCHEDULED DANCES**

### **Happy Promenaders**

Riverwood Plantation  
4600 Robert E. Lee Boulevard East  
Estero

Caller: Ralph Peacock  
Cuer: Judy Barnhill  
Mainstream, Plus, & Rounds  
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
January – March (once a month)  
Sandra Schwartz  
203-300-2418  
[Sandra1813@gmail.com](mailto:Sandra1813@gmail.com)

### **SCCA DANCES**

Different locations/Different dates  
Callers: varies  
Cuers: varies  
Called and cued to the floor  
Early Rounds: 1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
Squares/Rounds: 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
606-302-1731  
[tn2001@yahoo.com](mailto:tn2001@yahoo.com)

### **Strawberry Square Dance Center**

4401 Promenade Boulevard  
Plant City

Caller: Jim Davis  
Dance Party  
Social, easy line, folk, & square dance  
7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

813-752-0491  
[www.strawberrysquaredancing.com](http://www.strawberrysquaredancing.com)  
[strawerrysquaredance@gmail.com](mailto:strawerrysquaredance@gmail.com)  
770-825-6513  
[sorrellscherylene@gmail.com](mailto:sorrellscherylene@gmail.com)

### **RoadRunners Square Dance**

#### **Campers #193**

Caller: Sam Dunn  
Cuer: Chuck Ryall  
Locations and dates vary  
727-577-3882



Wlouise57122@gmail.com

**Strawberry Travelers Square Dance  
Campers #153**

Caller: Charlie Pergrossi or Mike  
Gormley

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

**Central Florida Where to Dance**  
*SUNDAY CLUBS*

**CASELLBERRY HOEDOWNERS**

Casselberry Recreation Center, 200 N Triplet Lake Drive, Casselberry

1:30-2:00 Rounds, 2:00-3:30 Mainstream / Plus Dance,

Lines or round dancing between tips. 3:30-4:30 Beginners Class

Caller: **Rod Barngrover**, Cuer: **Earle Collins**

Phone: 352-275-6342 (Rod Barngrover) Email: rbarngrovercaller@gmail.com

Phone: 407-339-2359 (Julia Parker) Email: hoedowners@centurylink.net

Webpage: www.hoedowners.net

**MELBOURNE- ROUND DANCE CLUB**

Melbourne Ballroom, 3545 W New Haven Ave

5:00-6:00 Beginners, 6:00-7:00 All dance, Phase II, III, IV

800-9:00 Teach / Review

**Earle & Carol Collins**, Email: collins.cbd@gmail.com

Phone: 407-509-1151 (Earle) 407-376-4079 (Carol)

**THE VILLAGES - ORANGE BLOSSOM SQUARES**

**(The oldest club in the Villages)**

La Hacienda Recreation Center, 1200 Avenida Central, The Villages

6:45-8:45 Plus Dance w/ Rounds

Caller: Local, Cuers: **Margaret Newberry/ Lloyd & Ruth  
McKenrick**

Phone: 352-633-109, Banner Raids: 317-403-9302

Email: sue.brown2256@gmail.com, Website: [www.orangeblossomsquares.org](http://www.orangeblossomsquares.org)

*MONDAY CLUBS*

### **BELLVIEW - STERN WHEELERS**

United Methodist Church, 5640 SE Brown Rd, 2:00-4:00 Advance Dance

Caller: **Bob Stern**, Phone: 352-323-1295, Email: bobstern4@gmail.com

### **MELBOURNE - SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING**

The Springs of Suntree, 8300 Holiday Springs Road, Melbourne

6:30 to 9:30 pm, Tea Break, other refreshments at 8:00

Teacher: **James Kutzner**, Senior Teacher: **Catie Geist**

Recorded Music, No charge for the SCD class, bring mug for Tea & bottled water.

Phone: 321-427-3587 Email: catiegeist@att.net

### **MERRITT ISLAND - INDIAN RIVER CLOGGERS**

Kiwanis Island Park, 951 Kiwanis Island Park Rd, Merritt Island

7 – 9 pm Mondays & Wednesdays

We invite experienced cloggers to join us any time. Beginner clogging classes available!

FCC Certified Instructors.

Email: [info@indianrivercloggers.org](mailto:info@indianrivercloggers.org) for information. Website: [IndianRiverCloggers.org](http://IndianRiverCloggers.org)

### **OCALA - The OCALA TWIRLERS**

Mary Syue Rich Community Center, 1821 NW 21st Ave, Ocala

1:00-3:00 MS/Plus Dance, Caller: **Dave Vieira**

Contact to Confirm: Ron & Linda Imus

Phone: 574-370-9169 Email: rlius46@aol.com

## *TUESDAY CLUBS*

### **OCKLAWAHA - ROUND DANCE**

L & R Studio, 13151 SE 120th Street, Ocklawaha

12:30-2:30 Phase IV Class - 3:00-5:00 Phase III Class

Cuers: **Lloyd & Ruth McKenrick**

Phone: 352-288-4973 Email: landrcuers@gmail.com

Private lessons by appointment

### **ORMOND BEACH - GRANADA SQUARES DENIM AND LACE**

Ormond Beach Senior Center, 351 Andrews Street, Ormond Beach

6:00-6:45 pm Lessons Workshop, 7:00-8:45 pm Mainstream and Plus

Caller: **Rod Barngrover**

Phone: 352-275-6342 (Rod Barngrover) Email: rbarngrovercaller@gmail.com

Pamela Kelley 386-671-6223 Email: denimandlacedanceclub@yahoo.com

Website: [www.granadasquaresdenimandlace.com](http://www.granadasquaresdenimandlace.com)

### **OCALA - NEW CIRCLE SQUARES**

On Top of the World's "Arbor Club", 8447 SW 99<sup>TH</sup> Street Rd, Ocala

12:00-2:00 pm Plus Lessons 2:00-4:00 Mainstream Dance  
(Mainstream to include all dancers)

Caller: **Dave Vieira**

Contact for Schedule: [macvten@gmail.com](mailto:macvten@gmail.com)

You **MUST** be on the list to get through the gate.

Call Dave Vieira: 214-953-5269

### **WEST MELBOURNE - ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING**

Social Hall of the Unitarian Universalist Church, 2185 Meadowlane Ave,  
Melbourne

**June & July 6:00 to 9:00 pm**

Teacher: **Catie Geist** Recorded Music

Bring a flashlight to light your way at the end of the evening. The dance is free the first time you attend and \$5 a week after that.

Bring your water bottle and a snack to share at the break

Phone: 321-427-3587 Email: [catiegeist@att.net](mailto:catiegeist@att.net)

### *WEDNESDAY CLUBS*

#### **MERRITT ISLAND - INDIAN RIVER CLOGGERS**

Kiwanis Island Park, 951 Kiwanis Island Park Rd, Merritt Island

7 – 9 pm Mondays & Wednesdays

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#### **OCKLAWAHA - PILOT SQUARES**

Lake Weir Chamber of Commerce, 13125 East Hwy 25, Ocklawaha

12:00-2:00 Advance Dance 2:00-3:00 C-1 Dance

Caller: **Bruce Busch** Email: [rarden50@gmail.com](mailto:rarden50@gmail.com)

### *THURSDAY CLUBS*

#### **ANTHONY - CELEBRITY SQUARES**

Anthony United Methodist Church, 2396 NE 97th Street, Anthony

(8 miles north of Ocala) Activities building behind church

Large Recycle Shop on Premises (**Call to confirm**)

7:00-9:00 Plus Dance

Caller: **Rod Barngrover**

Phone: 352-275-6342 (Rod Barngrover) Email: [rbarngrovercaller@gmail.com](mailto:rbarngrovercaller@gmail.com)

Phone: 352-817-6961 (Walter Cyr) Email: [cyrinfla@gmail.com](mailto:cyrinfla@gmail.com)

### **MELBOURNE - PALM BAY PROMENADERS**

American Legion Post # 81, 2909 S Harbor City Blvd, Melbourne

7:30 Early Rounds, 8:00-10.00 Plus Dance w/Rounds

Caller: **Lenny Newberry/ Darrell Cevasco** (Alternate)

Cuer: **Scott Vallee** Email: [llandsv@gmail.com](mailto:llandsv@gmail.com)

### **MERRITT ISLAND - SPACE TRACKERS**

Merritt Island Presbyterian Church, 155 Cone Road, Merritt Island

(1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Thursdays) 7:00-9:00 Mainstream/Plus Squares

Caller: **Whit Brown**

Phone: 321-255-4738 Email: [reid20@bellsouth.net](mailto:reid20@bellsouth.net)

Banner Raids: 321-452-3941 Website: [www.spacetrackers.com](http://www.spacetrackers.com)

## *FRIDAY CLUBS*

### **BARBERVILLE - WRANGLER COUNTRY SQUARES**

Pioneer Art Settlement, 1776 Lightfoot Lane, Barberville

(September to May) 7:00-9:00 Advance Class

Caller: **Rod Barngrover** Phone: 386-275-6342 or 386-749-4767

Email: [rbarngrovercaller@gmail.com](mailto:rbarngrovercaller@gmail.com)

## *SATURDAY CLUBS*

### **OCKLAWAHA - ROUND DANCE**

L & R Studio, 13151 SE 120th Street, Ocklawaha

Second Saturday each month 2:00 to 4:00 Phase II thru IV

Cuers: **Lloyd & Ruth McKenrick** Phone: 352-288-4973

Email: [landrcuers@gmail.com](mailto:landrcuers@gmail.com) Private lessons by appointment.

### **OVIEDO - WHIRL & TWIRL**

Lutheran Haven Retirement, Center-Fellowship Hall

2041 W State Road 426 (Aloma Ave), Oviedo the Building is flying the American Flag!!

4:30-5:00 Early Rounds 5:00-6:00 Mainstream w/Rounds

6:00-7:00 Plus w/Rounds

Caller: **Rod Barngrover** Cuer: **Earle Collins**

Phone: 407-448-9021

Facebook / Messages to: Whirl and Twirl Square Dance Club

Please call: 407-448-9021 for Class/Lesson information or to inquire about arranging a square dance Party or Event with us!!!

### **PORT ORANGE - SPINDRIFTERS**

Port Orange Adult Center, 4790 South Ridgewood Ave, Port Orange

(Call to confirm) 7:00-9:00 Plus Dance

Caller: **Darrell Cevasco** Contact: 980-581-1795

Email: spindriflersfuntimesquares@gmail.com

### **COCOA - CONTRA DANCE**

Walter Butler Community Center, 4201 N. Cocoa Blvd (Highway U.S. 1) Cocoa

**2nd Saturdays** 7:30 pm (Beginner Lesson at 7:00 pm)

Doors open at 6:30 pm

Couples Waltz at Break and Last Dance of the evening, Group clean-up at end of evening.

Website: <https://spacecoastcontra.org>

### **VARIOUS WEEKENDS**

#### **CAMPING CLUBS**

**ROADRUNNER SQUARES #193** - Square Dance & Camping Club

Club Caller: **John Sweeney**

Club Cuer: **Chuck & Mary Ryall**

John & Dolly Ide 352-208-5980

**Camping Schedule listed on Website:** [www.whirlaways.org/rr\\_193\\_index.html](http://www.whirlaways.org/rr_193_index.html)

**STRAWBERRY TRAVELERS #153** - Square Dance & Camping Club

Club Caller: **Charlie Pergrossi & Mike Gormley**

Club Cuer: **Susan & Don Wolford**

Susan Wolford: 256-673-0170,

**Camping Schedule listed on Website:** <https://fansdc.net/strawberry-travelers-153>

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There are 3 ways to advertise.**

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Place an ad in our  
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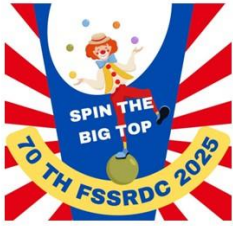
**MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: 70th FSSRDC**

**MAIL TO:** Ailene Picheco  
345 Hula Circle  
Merritt Island, FL 32952

**EMAIL AD COPY TO:** apicheco@att.net  
**CONTACT PHONE:** 321-652-0680

Attach ad copy here

Boosters



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**BOOSTER NAMES \$1.00 Per Name**

See 'NOTE' Below for Special Club Ad.


**NOTE: Add your Club Logo**, along with your club member names and purchase an ad.  
\$25 for quarter page ad (about 25 names) - \$35 for a half page ad (about 35 names)  
*Ad will be returned at your request for your approval.*

**MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: 70th FSSRDC**  
MAIL TO: Ailene Picheco, 345 Hula Circle, Merritt Island, FL 32952  
EMAIL AD COPY TO: [apicheco@att.net](mailto:apicheco@att.net) Contact Phone: 321-652-0680

Personal Ad (No advertising)



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**PERSONAL MESSAGE - NO Advertising  
\$10.00 1/6 page**

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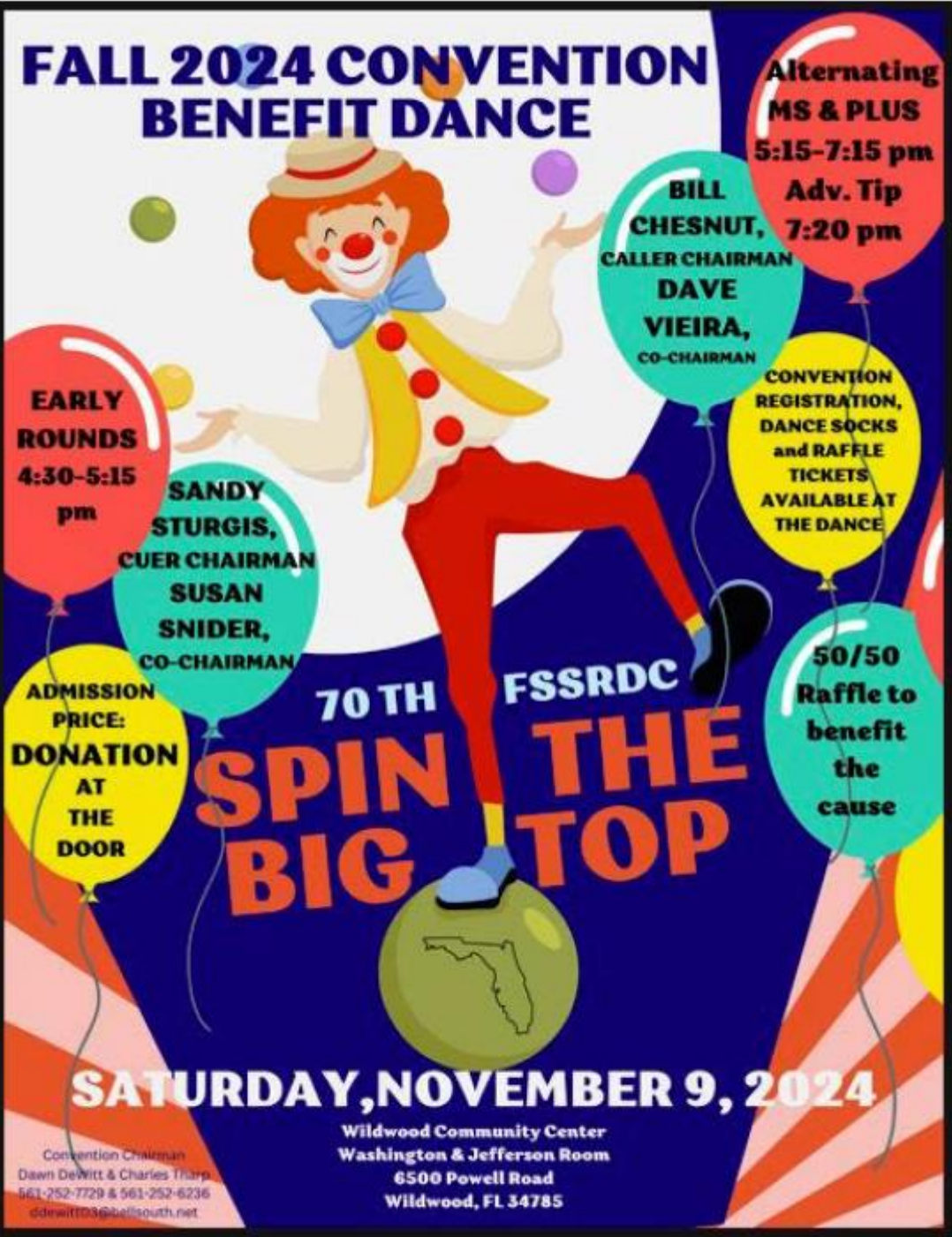
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# FALL 2024 CONVENTION BENEFIT DANCE



**Alternating  
MS & PLUS  
5:15-7:15 pm  
Adv. Tip  
7:20 pm**

**BILL  
CHESNUT,  
CALLER CHAIRMAN  
DAVE  
VIEIRA,  
CO-CHAIRMAN**

**CONVENTION  
REGISTRATION,  
DANCE SOCKS  
and RAFFLE  
TICKETS  
AVAILABLE AT  
THE DANCE**

**EARLY  
ROUNDS  
4:30-5:15  
pm**

**SANDY  
STURGIS,  
CUER CHAIRMAN  
SUSAN  
SNIDER,  
CO-CHAIRMAN**

**ADMISSION  
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Raffle to  
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**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2024**

**Wildwood Community Center  
Washington & Jefferson Room  
6500 Powell Road  
Wildwood, FL 34785**

Convention Chairman  
Dawn DeWitt & Charles Thorp  
561-252-7729 & 561-252-6236  
ddewitt03@bellsouth.net

**MS,  
PLUS,  
ADV. & C  
SQUARES**

**Phase  
2-5  
Rounds**

**Fri.  
Dinner  
Show  
\$45pp**

**Dry  
camping  
on  
site**

**Trail End  
Dance  
Thursday  
nite**

**Two full  
days of  
Dancing**

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**70 TH FSSRDC**

**JANUARY 17- 18, 2025**

**The Center at Deltona  
1640 Dr. MLK Blvd.  
Deltona, Florida 32725**

**TO REGISTER  
SCAN ME**

**Make check payable to:**  
70th FSDC  
Mail to: Jenny Green  
108 Mound St.  
Longwood, FL 32750  
Service Charge for NSF or  
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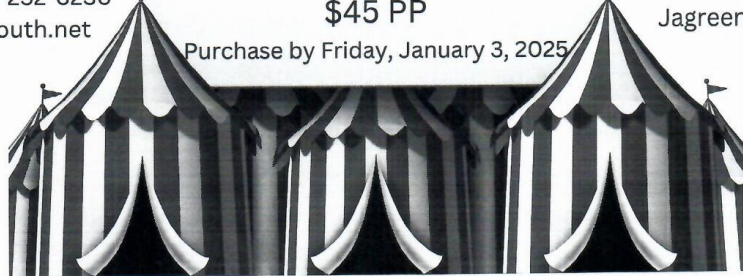
# 70<sup>TH</sup> Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention **SPIN THE BIG TOP**

Registration Type	By 5/31/24	By 10/31/24	After 10/31/24
All Weekend	\$45	\$50	\$55
Weekender (Fri eve & All Sat)	\$35	\$37	\$40
Single Day (onsite purchase only)			\$30

Convention Chairman  
Dawn DeWitt & Charles Tharp  
561-252-7729 & 561-252-6236  
ddewitt03@bellsouth.net

**DINNER & SHOW FRIDAY**  
4:15 - 6:30 PM  
**\$45 PP**  
Purchase by Friday, January 3, 2025

Registration Chairman  
Jenny Green  
863-287-5724  
Jagreen535@gmail.com



A dancer who is not an Association Member will be a Provisional Member for the Florida Federation of Square Dancers for the duration of the Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention once registered. The application for registration signifies that the dancer will abide by the rules of the Convention, local Regulations and Laws.  
Donations to the Florida Federation, the Florida Callers Association, the Round Dance Council of Florida or their conventions are not tax deductible for income tax purposes.

Friday, Jan. 17, 2025 4:15 pm to 6:30 pm **\$45pp**

at  
The Center at Deltona

**Dinner**



by popular opinion,  
presenting an Italian  
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**Show**  
**CIRCUS**

**BY RAVELLI**



Deadline to  
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1/3/25

**\$45pp**  
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Your purchase helps  
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**ViSiT the onsite,  
lunch time food  
trucks on Friday, 1/17  
& Saturday 1/18  
11:00 am - 2:00 pm**



**Rustic Road**



**Jd'licious**



**Angel's Frozen  
Delights**



Check out the food truck  
menus on Facebook

The Center at Deltona  
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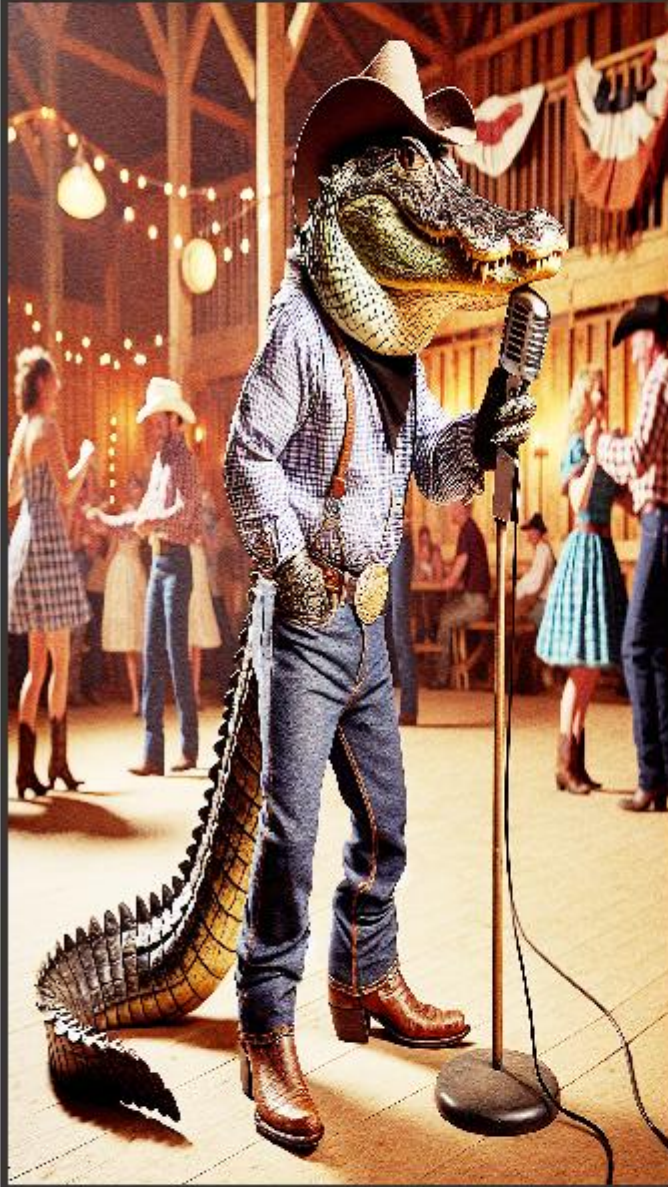
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National Convention in Shreveport LA.

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**DECEMBER 31, 2024**

is the deadline for Dance Leaders to register and submit a caller profile,  
1. Sign up online today at [www.74thNSDC.com](http://www.74thNSDC.com)  
to receive your registration number for the 74th NSDC,  
2. Then you can go to <https://sdconvention.com>  
to complete your Dance Leader Profile to

***Call on the Wild Side!***



## 74th NSDC

June 25-28, 2025

Shreveport Convention Ctr.  
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SHREVEPORT, LA | June 25-28, 2025

## 74<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention®

### Shreveport Convention Center - June 25-28, 2025

**400 Cardo Street, Shreveport, Louisiana**  
**Come Dance on the Wild Side**  
**Register online at [74nsdc.com](http://74nsdc.com)**

RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:  
**Rhonda Bailey**  
**74<sup>th</sup> NSDC**  
**111 Wood Duck Lane**  
**Texasiana, TX 75501**  
**Email: [RhondaW2523@outlook.com](mailto:RhondaW2523@outlook.com)**

**For Convention Use Only**

Registration # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Received \_\_\_\_\_  
 Payment Processed \_\_\_\_\_  
 Checker or Fed # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rev Form 8/10/24

#### INFORMATION FOR COMPLETING FORM

1. You can complete this form and pay online at [www.74nsdc.com](http://www.74nsdc.com).
2. Please PRINT legibly to ensure accuracy of information.
3. If you have already PRE-REGISTERED using our short form, please enter names in the appropriate space for each badge and enter \$0 (zero) in subtotal for each name already registered to avoid duplicate charge. If not pre-registered, enter registration fee for each dancer and correctly calculate amounts in the subtotal lines, then calculate and enter the total due.
4. **Registration fees:** Adult \$70, Youth ages 5-17 by 6/25/2025 - \$35.00 Under 5 Free.
5. **Purses will increase May 1, 2025.** Adult: \$95 - Youth ages 5-17: \$42.50. Persons 3-5: circle Adult or Youth. **\*\*Only feed birthday of Youth\*\***
6. **Registrations are non-transferable.**
7. **No One-, Two-, or Three-Day Registrations.**
8. A \$10.00 fee per registrant will be imposed for cancellations or changes before April 30, 2025. **No refunds after April 30, 2025.**
9. Registrations received after April 30, 2025, will receive e-mail confirmation. If sending by mail include credit card information, check, or money order payable in U.S. funds to 74th NSDC with this form. **Do not send cash.** If registering by email, email payment information on form. You will receive an invoice by email. (Note \$3.00 CC payment convenience fee.)

#### TOURS can be purchased on separate brochure or online at [74nsdc.com/tours](http://74nsdc.com/tours)

- DANCERS - PLEASE HELP US PLAN! Check all that apply.
- SED Only  Instream  Plus  Advanced  Challenge  Contra
- Lives  Chopping  Hours  Handicapped  Scoot

#### PROGRAMMED CALLERS & DANCE LEADERS

You must update your profile yearly & online by 1/23/24 at [index.nsvonline.com](http://index.nsvonline.com).

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Type: \_\_\_\_\_  
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#### HOTEL & CAMPING INFORMATION ON REVERSE

Convention Hotels and Campgrounds must be reserved through 74th NSDC Registration & Housing for 74th NSDC rates.

Check box if you will manage your own accommodations.

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\*E-mail address will only be shared with the NEC.  Check if you do not want your email shared.

First Name & Last Name for CONVENTION BADGES

No. of paid NSDC's prior to 74th	1. Adult	2. Adult	3. Adult/Youth	4. Adult/Youth	5. Adult/Youth	Subtotals
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Magnet for Badge (pins provided free) # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$2.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Program Book & Daily Schedules (\$25 after 4/30/2025) # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Round Dance Syllabus -  USB Drive or # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Printed copy (Must be purchased by 4/20/2025) # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Printed copy & USB (Must be purchased by 4/20/2025) # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$30.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Saw & Saw Book -  USB Drive or  Digital Download # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Cookbook # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Heating Assistance Device (NEC) - Refundable Deposit # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$50.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Wednesday Night Special Event - Dennis Swanberg # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$30.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Dinner & Show \$62 per person # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$60.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Show only \$30 per person # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$30.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

HV Camping from back side of form (4 night minimum) # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$36.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Convenience Fee for Credit Card Processing # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$3.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*Dinner entree - Blackened Catfish or Grilled Chicken # \_\_\_\_\_ Total Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_

PAYMENT (Complete if paying in person or by postal mail (US Funds))

Check Enclosed  Cash (in Person) - Receipt # \_\_\_\_\_  Credit Card

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Card Type (Visa, MasterCard, AmEx, Discover) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Dressy casual attire allowed and form. Proper dance attire is requested after 8pm for all dancers.  
 74th NSDC Convention badge required for entrance to all convention activities.  
 Shoes must be worn at all times.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

More information available at [www.74nsdc.com](http://www.74nsdc.com)

### HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Code	Hotel	Rate
1	Hilton Shreveport Hotel - Headquarters	\$169
2	Sam's Town - Weekday Rate (Sunday - Thursday) Caller/Cuer Hotel - Weekend Rate (Friday - Saturday)	\$115 \$145
3	Holiday Inn - Shreveport (3-minute - 0.7 mile)	\$115
4	Holiday Inn Express - Shreveport (3-minute - 0.7 mile)	\$115
5	Hampton Inn - Bossier (6-minute drive)	\$139
6	Hilton Garden Inn - Bossier (6-minute drive)	\$139
7	Homewood Suites - Bossier (6-minute drive)	\$169

Indicate choice of hotel preference by specifying number: #1 \_\_\_ #2 \_\_\_ #3 \_\_\_

Hotel assignments will be made in order of registration form received & according to availability. This form must be received, and rooms booked by March 1, 2025 for Sam's Town or May 1, 2025 for other hotels to guarantee 74th NSDC pricing.

Room nights needed: (4 Night Minimum)

S 6/21  S 6/22  M 6/23  T 6/24  W 6/25  T 6/26  F 6/27  S 6/28  S 6/29

# Additional arrive early? \_\_\_\_\_ or stay late nights? \_\_\_\_\_ Total nights requested \_\_\_\_\_

Room request:  Single  Double  Queen  King  Handicapable

**SHARED ROOMS** - only one person per room should complete a hotel reservation request. Please list all room occupants here: \_\_\_\_\_

Housing Committee does not find or assign roommates.

**BLOCK HOUSING:** All Block Housing requests are due by **July 15, 2024 and must be filed by Sept 15th**, include the name, email, and phone number of Block Housing Leader.

Block Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Block Leader Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

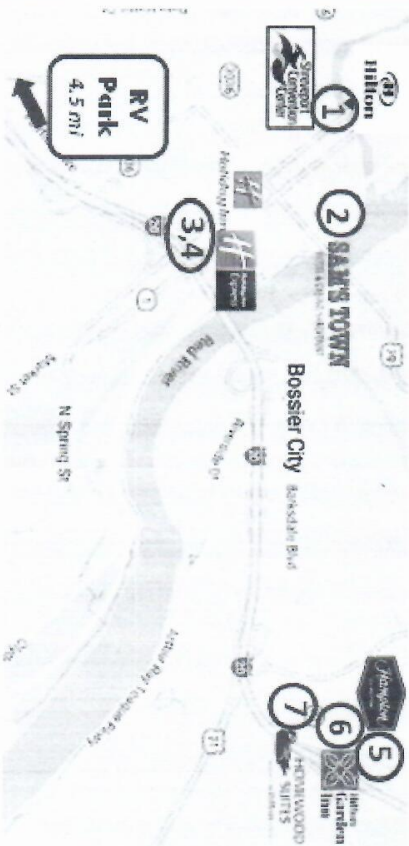
No airport shuttle services provided. See [www.74nsdc.com](http://www.74nsdc.com) for transportation information.

Register and submit your hotel room choice early (on the form or online) to have the best chance of having your selection available, and no later than May 1, 2025. A weblink and phone number to the hotel reservation system will be sent to attendees in the order that the forms are received.

Do you prefer email or text notification? Email \_\_\_\_\_ Text \_\_\_\_\_

**Note that hotels will not take your reservation for our convention until July 1, 2024.** The hotel will provide your confirmation number as you provide your credit card number to hold the room. **You must be registered for the convention with a registration number to receive the convention contracted rate.** No self or online registration is available for the contracted rate except through the weblink and phone number which will be provided by the convention Housing Vice-Chairman.

### MAP OF HOTELS & CAMPGROUND SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER



### RV & CAMPING ACCOMMODATIONS

Campground	Distance	Rate per Day
State Fair of Louisiana 3701 Hudson Street, Shreveport, LA 71109	4.5 miles / 9-minute drive	\$35.00

Each site is roughly the same size with full hookups including water and sewer with 30 or 50-amp electrical connections.  30 amp requested  50 amp requested.

Assignments will be made in the order of registration form received & according to availability to make sure we have plenty of 50-amp connections. This form must be received, and sites must be booked by May 1, 2025, to guarantee the 74th NSDC pricing. We have over 200 sites available, so no issue on availability.

Site nights needed: (4 Night Minimum)

S 6/21  S 6/22  M 6/23  T 6/24  W 6/25  T 6/26  F 6/27  S 6/28  S 6/29

# Additional arrive early? \_\_\_\_\_ or stay late nights? \_\_\_\_\_ Total nights requested \_\_\_\_\_

**Buses Not Available.** Parking Available at Convention Center \$5 per day (in/out).

**GROUP CAMPING** requests must be received by January 2, 2025. Everyone that is part of the group must fill in Group Name and Group Leader Name. **To camp together, best to arrive together.**

Group Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Group Leader Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

Your confirmed campground may assess a one-night penalty fee for cancellations received less than 72 hours of arrival, including early departure. On-line registration available. All site reservations will be coordinated through RV & Camping Vice-Chairman with this form. For further information see web site: [www.74nsdc.com](http://www.74nsdc.com).



# Come Camp on the Wild Side

Camping accommodations for the 74th National Square Dance Convention® are available at the State Fair of Louisiana, located at 3701 Hudson St. in Shreveport. Each site (\$35 nightly) is roughly the same site with full hookups, including water and sewer with 30 or 50-amp connections. The 200-site campground is 4.6 miles from the Shreveport Convention Center. There is no bus shuttle service to the convention center. Parking is available at the convention center for \$4 per day (in/out) and at the nearby Sam's Town and Bally's Casino Resorts. The 74th NSDC has rented the campground's air-conditioned hospitality building for our campers to have a place to meet and socialize and there are restrooms with showers onsite. (The campground is currently undergoing renovations, which will be completed in time for the 74th NSDC!)



To the Camping area take 20 West to exit 16A, Hearne Avenue and State Fair Grounds, 4.6 miles from the convention center. From the camping area, simply take I-20 East and exit 19A and north to Caddo Street for the Convention parking structure or right at Fainin to dead end at Clyde Fainin for free parking at either Sam's Town or Bally's Casino parking.

An aerial view of the State Fair of Louisiana grounds in Shreveport shows campground sites highlighted in green (pictured above). Also depicted is a map showing parking areas. Be aware there may be height restrictions.

*Register for the 74th National Square Dance Convention® and secure your campsite today!*

## RESERVATIONS

Assignments will be made in order of **COMPLETED REGISTRATION** form received: <https://www.74nsdc.com/register-online>. You can not register to camp if you have not registered first for the 74th NSDC. Sites must be booked through the 74th NSDC Registration & Housing by **May 1, 2025** to guarantee pricing.

Site reservations will be coordinated through the RV and Camping Vice-Chairmen Dan and Vicki Hatfield, [vhat@cox.net](mailto:vhat@cox.net). Reserve your RV and Camping using the online form found at our website <https://www.74nsdc.com/housing>. Requests for Group Camping must be received by **Jan. 2, 2025**.

No reservations or payments can be made at the Fairgrounds, you must have registered and paid for your RV camping site either by mail, in person with one of our team members, or online through the website: <https://www.74nsdc.com/housing>.

## *Searching for more information about the 74<sup>th</sup> NSDC?*



1. Join our 74<sup>th</sup> NSDC Facebook group, <https://www.facebook.com/groups/750145379807873>, for the latest news and events.
2. Visit our website at [www.74nsdc.com](http://www.74nsdc.com). Click on Team & Contact and toggle down to FAQ for Frequently Asked Questions, the direct link is <https://www.74nsdc.com/faq>. While you are on our website, please take a moment to look around and explore our site. It is a work in progress so check back periodically for updates!
3. Subscribe to and read the *National Squares* e-Magazine. Each convention is responsible for producing the monthly magazine from August-May preceding their convention. The 74<sup>th</sup> NSDC's first issue will be August 2024! Go to <https://nsdcnec.com/national-squares-e-magazine/> and scroll to the bottom of the page to enter your name and email address to subscribe. It's free!

**74<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION**

# Come Explore with the 74th NSDC

## Experience New Orleans 6/22/25-6/25/25

Take a trip with us to Louisiana's most famous city. Fly into New Orleans a few days early to experience this tour and then ride our bus back to Shreveport for the convention. Stay in the heart of NOLA and see all that the French Quarter has to offer. Highlights include a trip to Mardi Gras World, an airboat swamp tour and fine dining experiences in the city.

## Come Bowl with Us!

Experience our convention after-after party Friday night at the bowling alley. Busses will transport you from the convention center to historic Holiday Lanes for a night of bowling, food and fun! A package price gets you unlimited bowling and shoes, access to our snack and ice cream sundae buffet and karaoke. Door prizes, contests, arcade. Party into the early hours with us!

## Historic Natchitoches

This all-day tour will transport you to historic Natchitoches, Louisiana's oldest settlement and the filming location for "Steel Magnolias". To start, you will tour Fort St. Jean Baptiste, an original French fort and even have the opportunity to dance in the fort! Next, a hop-on tour guide will give a city tour. Afterward, enjoy food and shopping in the historic downtown on your own. Learn, Explore, Enjoy!

## Gator & Friends

This tour will take you to Gators and Friends where you can have close and personal experience with our convention mascot. You also have the opportunity to zip line over a swamp of gators for an additional cost. Afterward, enjoy lunch at BeauJax Craffthouse where you can eat a gator.

## Down on the Farm

In this special experience, you will be transported to a local dairy farm where you can learn all of the ins and outs of life on the farm. Afterward you will be treated to a box lunch at the farm and the opportunity to square dance by the cows.

## Shreveport City Tour

See all that Shreveport has to offer on this two-hour tour of the city and the surrounding area from the comfort of an air-conditioned tour bus.

Watch future editions of *National Squares*, our website [www.74NSDC.com/tours](http://www.74NSDC.com/tours), and Facebook group for details and signup information on the 74th NSDC tours.

*Background photo of Holiday Lanes bowling alley courtesy of Rachel Rose, 74th NSDC Chairman Social and Special Events, Fashion Show*

# WE WANT YOU



*to come Dance on the Wild Side*

## 74<sup>th</sup> NSDC

*Shreveport Convention Center • June 25-28, 2025*

*Sign up today: <https://www.74nsdc.com/register-online>*

*Join our Facebook group for the latest news and events!*

# ATTENTION SQUARE DANCERS WHO LIKE TO CAMP

If you are planning to camp at the  
70th National Square Dance Convention in Shreveport,  
Why not come early and party with us?

You are invited to a

**JUNE  
19, 20 & 21  
2025**



**67<sup>th</sup> NSDCA  
INTERNATIONAL  
CAMPOREE**

## Square Dance Bash on the Bayou

That's right. We're having a Camping & Dancing Party  
right at the

**Shreveport Louisiana Fairgrounds**

Squares, Rounds, & Lines, Dance Workshops,  
Campfires, Games, After parties, and some good "Cajun Eatin" !

*Hold on there...here's the really good part...*

*You don't have to move your camper*

**YOU WILL ALREADY BE AT THE NSDC CAMPING VENUE.**

**"Just 10 miles from Shreveport Convention Center!"**

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