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# PRESIDENT'S CORNER

We wish you all a Happy New Year and pray that your clubs prosper and grow.

Thank you Swinging Squares for hosting the 51st Roundup. We all had a great time dancing to Tony and Sandy!

The Northwest meeting for officers and delegates will take place by ZOOM January 11, 2026 at 2 pm CST. Any member can contact their delegate with ideas and concerns to be presented. If you are a delegate for your club and can't attend the Zoom meeting please find an alternate and let us know ahead of time so they can vote for your club.

Northwest is hosting the Plus Workshop January 24th at Grand Square Hall in Panama City. All mainstream and plus dancers are welcome. We are also sponsoring the Sweetheart Dance February 14th for everyone with Bill Chesnut, Terri and Tim Wilaby at Panama City. This year the 2026 52nd Roundup is on July 24-25 at Tallahassee, FL Please start planning to come because it will be here before you know it.

Florida will be hosting the 2028 National Square Dance Convention<sup>®</sup> in Daytona! Please try to support this effort by volunteering. Please note it is the last week in June.

Presidents Brian and Barbara McDonald

The Florida Federation website is now at [www.dancergram.com/aa-floridasquaredance.com/index.html](http://www.dancergram.com/aa-floridasquaredance.com/index.html).

Send flyers for Florida Federation website publication to Cliff Reiss at [dgramwebmaster@yahoo.com](mailto:dgramwebmaster@yahoo.com).



# NWFSRDA CLUBS

## AGAPE SQUARES

Mondays 6:00-7:00 pm Class  
7:00-8:30 pm Club (SSD, MS, P)  
Caller: Varies  
Cross Point Church Fellowship Hall  
214 Partin Dr. Niceville, FL  
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## CAPITAL TWIRLERS

Mondays 7-9:00 pm (MS, P)  
Caller: George Lavender  
Tallahassee Senior Center  
1400 N. Monroe, Tallahassee, FL  
CONTACT: Bob Rankin (850) 421-8886

## EASTSIDE SQUARE DANCE CLUB

Fridays 7-8:30 pm  
Caller: Robert & Gwen Doyle, Instructors  
Eastside Christian Church  
5906 E Hwy 22 Callaway, Panama City, FL  
CONTACT: Robert Doyle (850) 624-1623

## EMERALD WAVES SQUARES

Tuesdays 6-6:30 pm Practice Time  
6:30-7:30 pm (Basic, MS)  
7:30-8:45 pm (MS, P)  
Caller: Nick Hartley  
Ragon Hall  
2600 Stratford Rd., Pensacola, FL  
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## SEASIDE SQUARES

Fridays 7:30-9:30 pm (MS, P)

Caller: Varies

### Ragon Hall

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## SWINGING SQUARES

Thursdays 5:15-6:15 pm Rounds Class

6:15-7:15 pm Basic class

7:15-8:30 pm (MS, P)

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Sundays 3-5:00 pm

Cuer: Terri Wilaby

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**January 11, 2026**, Northwest Zoom meeting at 2 pm CST

**January 16-17, 2026**, 71st Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention.

**January 19, 2026**, Special guest caller Tim Tyl at Tallahassee Senior Center.

**January 24, 2026**, Plus Workshop, Grand Square Hall, Panama City, 10 to 4 pm, caller Alec Schmidt. Pot luck lunch 12 to 1 pm.

**January 30, 2026**, January Shine at Ragon Hall. Ted Kennedy caller and Jack Pointer cuer, Friday 7 pm.

**February 14, 2026**, NW Sweetheart Dance at Grand Square Hall, Panama City. Bill Chesnut caller and Terri & Tim Wilaby cuer 1-4 pm.

**March 13, 2026**, Shamrock Shimmer at Ragon Hall, Pensacola FL. Nick Hartley caller.

**March 28, 2026**, Blue and White Dance at Grand Square Hall, Panama City, FL. Caller is Ted Kennedy and cuer Tim and Terri Wilaby 10 am to 4 pm, pot luck lunch at noon.

**July 24-25, 2026, NWFSRDA** 52nd Roundup at Tallahassee Senior Center, Tallahassee FL. Caller Jet Roberts and cuers Susan Snider and Mark Fitzer.

# AGAPE SQUARES

We have enjoyed another year of dancing, friendships, travel and fun! It's sometimes hard to wrap our heads around how fast a year goes by. It starts off in January with the Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention and usually ends with the New Year's Eve (daytime) Dance at Ragon Hall with all kinds of dancing in between!

Our Agape dancers have danced on cruise ships and traveled to various locations to dance.

We had a great RoundUp in October with Caller, Tony Oxendine and Cuer, Sandi Sturgis.

We really enjoyed getting to know some of the new NWF dancers at our host hall, Grand Square Hall! We are happy to report that there are new dancers in all of our NWF clubs. Keep up the good work of sharing the fun and continuing to start new classes. Agape class is still going on and will probably graduate in April or May.

As a reminder for those new dancers, if you are comfortable with Mainstream and are interested in a workshop to introduce some of the Plus calls, NWFSRDA has scheduled a Workshop with Caller, Alec Schmidt, on



Saturday, January 24th at Grand Square Hall, PC from 10:00-4:00pm with a potluck lunch. All clubs with interested dancers are invited.

Each club had their Christmas Parties. Our thanks to all the dancers that attended our Agape Squares Dance on December 15. (pics) Nick Hartley was our caller for the evening and our class really got to dance! We had wonderful dancing, food and fellowship.



# CAPITAL TWIRLERS

The Capital Twirlers began the fourth quarter on a sad note. We lost long-time Twirler Scott Guthrie on October 29. Scott had not danced for some time because of health issues, but he still came occasionally just to carry on conversation. Some of you may remember dancing with Scott in years past at a Roundup, but I bet you didn't know he was selected as the Bonneville 200 MPH Club's Person of the Year in 2022. You can read about Scott's interesting life at <https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/tallahassee-fl/glen-guthrie-12587618>.

The Twirlers have been preparing for the 2026 Roundup. As our usual custom when hosting the Roundup in Tallahassee, we have booked the Senior Center's fabulous dance floor in July instead of the Fall. Our Roundup co-chairs Chuck and Laura Davis, and Libby Penrod have secured caller Jet Roberts and Cuers Susan Snider and Mark Fetzer. The dance will be July 24 and 25, and we look forward to seeing everybody there.

In November, the Twirlers held a historic election. For the first time ever, all six club officers changed in the same year. The outgoing board members had all served two or more years in their respective positions, and all decided to let some others have an opportunity. Fortunately, five of our newer club members stepped up to the task, and the slate was filled with minimum arm-twisting. The 2026 officers are: Bob Rankin, President; Colin Graves, Vice President; John Penrod, Treasurer; Emily Chambliss, Secretary; Nanci NeSmith, Social Secretary; and Andy NeSmith, Member at Large. John Penrod is the only member with previous board experience. We are excited to see what these "newbies" will bring to the leadership of the club.

Vice President elect, Colin Graves, has already jumped into the planning for our 2026 class. There will be an open house on January 12, and the class will begin on January 26.

We held our Christmas dance on December 15. Because it was on our regular Monday night, there were no out-of-town guests, but approximately 30 club members and local guests enjoyed a great time.

The Senior Center will be closed for the MLK holiday on January 19, but we have secured the Fellowship Hall at Fellowship Presbyterian Church because Tim Tyl will be back in town, and we didn't want to miss an opportunity to dance to his calling.



## **EASTSIDE SQUARE DANCE CLUB**

No report from Eastside Squares but hope they all had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Robert had hip surgery and was in the hospital. Our prayers are for your continued healing.

Thank you Robert and Gwen for changing days for the Swinging Squares Christmas party. It was greatly appreciated by all.

Please remember their usual dance night has changed to Friday nights 7 pm to 8:30 pm.

Barbara- Editor

### **10-24 2025 Roundup pictures**



# EMERALD WAVES SQUARES

Another year is about over, and we continue to look forward to the new year as Emerald Waves Squares continues to grow as Pensacola's newest club. This past October we hosted our annual open house-event at Ragon Hall and in November did an introduction to square dancing at the Roundup Nightclub in Pensacola. Though we didn't pick up any new dancers from the Roundup event, we had a great time and good participation from the patrons. Additionally, it brought awareness of our club and modern square dancing to the local community. Our open-house event picked up six new students, now attending classes with dedication and have already become club members. Bringing our membership up to 30 active members. Several of our members are also members of Seaside Squares and Agape Squares in Niceville. It's great to see dancers supporting and becoming members of our neighboring clubs.



As always, we can't give enough praise to the Seaside Squares Angels that continue to dance with us every Tuesday and are always in full support of our club. It goes without saying, we would be a square-sitting club if it were not for our world-famous caller Nick Hartley and lovely wife Lynette. Their devotion to dancing and our club and their over-the-top energy, upbeat and current music keeps everyone on the floor dancing, laughing and smiling. We also want to give a huge shout-out to Alec Schmidt, our club Co-Caller. Alec is progressing in his skills as a caller/instructor and is doing a fantastic job! It's always a pleasure to have him join in with Nick or to lead the classes in Nick's absence.

The **2025 Pensacola Rainbow Stroll**, September 18 - 20, was a great success and brought in more than 70 dancers to Pensacola and Ragon Hall for a three-day dance event known as a "Fly-In", as many dancers flew in from out of state. Our beloved Nick Hartley was joined by international level caller Chris Phillips from the

Ft Lauderdale/Miami area and together, they put on an amazing event! The dance levels were Mainstream through Advanced and a bit of Challenge. The event featured a free lunch with food donations from many local Pensacola restaurants and vendors, a silent auction and gift basket drawings.



The 2025 event was such a success that planning has already begun for the **2026 Rainbow Stroll – Pensacola Promenade**. The event will go forward annually as the Pensacola Rainbow Stroll with a different event theme added every year thereafter.

The news of the fun and excitement of our event reached throughout the square dance community, coast to coast, Florida to California, with so much energy and enthusiasm that we've been approached by international caller, Michael Kellogg from California, requesting to be our guest caller (and in Michael's words) and to have the honor of calling with one of his all-time favorite callers Nick Hartley! Don't take that statement lightly! For our club to be contacted from a Westcoast caller anxious to make the journey to Florida, call for our Panhandle dancers and work with Nick and Lynette is an extremely high compliment and a tribute to the dedication and hard work of all our Northwest callers and the Northwest Florida Association clubs and dancers!

Mark your calendars now!

*The Pensacola Rainbow Stroll – Pensacola Promenade 2026*

September 17-20, 2026,

Ragon Hall 2600 Stratford Rd. Pensacola, FL

Event pricing with early-bird pricing, Host hotels and dance schedule forthcoming!

We hope, and encourage, all active dancers in the community and surrounding communities will come visit our club and support the continued growth of the square dance culture.

*Now let's go Dance!*

## SEASIDE SQUARES

Alec Schmidt, who made his first caller club dance at Seaside Squares on the 26<sup>th</sup> of September, has continued to make himself available at the plus and A levels of dancing in the absence of Nick Hartley. Nick and Lynette were enjoying time in Hawaii. Thank you Alec!

Seaside Squares “Raise the Roof” dance on October 10<sup>th</sup> was very successful. A big thank you goes out to Ted Kennedy and Nick Hartley who donated their time and energy to our dance. Thank you to everyone who attended and those who made donations. We still have a long way to go in order to reach our goal of a new roof, but certainly closer because of your help. Cheryl Hamilton and her crew provided funnel cakes-tasty indeed!

A fun time was had by all attending our “Spooktacular” event on October 31<sup>st</sup>. Food and sweets were plentiful. Nick Hartley as always was entertaining. Sorry if you missed his costume. It was a sight to see! Thank you Nick!



Ted Kennedy called “Our Gathering Before Thanksgiving” dance on the 21<sup>st</sup> of November. Dancers brought non-perishable food items for the Manna Food Bank. Thank you to our generous dancers. Ted did a few workshop calls for those dancers with less experience. Thank you Ted!

At our December meeting, we welcomed new members, Daniel Vanaskie & Wendy Zech. They were taking beginner lessons on Tuesdays with Emerald Waves Squares & on

Mondays with Agape Squares. They have also joined the NWFSRDA. Welcome Wendy & Daniel.

Our Christmas dance on the 12<sup>th</sup> of December was well attended. There is always room for more. Ted Kennedy called a great dance. He called two A tips in the beginning and then alternated with mainstream and Plus tips. We even had some round dance music so Arlene could dance. Non-perishable foods were also donated to Manna Food Bank at this dance. Donations from the two dances were over two hundred pounds.

Seaside A's held their Christmas dance on the 18<sup>th</sup> of December. Students have completed the A1 calls. Nick Hartley has done a fantastic job teaching the new dancers and improving the more experienced dancers.

We hope square dancers of all levels (no Challenge) will join Seaside Squares and Nick Hartley for our NewYear's Eve DAY dance from 1 pm to 4 pm, Wednesday December 31<sup>st</sup>. Cost is \$10.00 per person. It will be an entertaining, fun filled event with plenty of good food.

Seaside Squares dance from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm alternating between Mainstream and Plus. Our callers will do a workshop from 7:00pm to 7:30pm for whatever level dancers need. We will be dark Christmas Day and Friday 26 December, 2025.

We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming January Shine dance on Friday, January 30th with Caller, Ted Kennedy and Cuer, Jack Pointer. Please also plan to join us for our Shamrock Shimmer dance with Nick Hartley on Friday, March 13th. Look for our flyers on our Facebook page and in the hall.

Seaside Squares hopes everyone has a blessed holiday season and a terrific 2026.

# SWINGING SQUARES

We hope everyone will be enjoying fellowship and exercise while square dancing in 2026! There are so many activities to look forward to and 2025 was a very busy year for Swinging Squares. Our Social Media volunteers keep our information current and we appreciate Joan Payne, Rebecca Bradley, and Rebecca Nelson for all the work they put forth. Visit our website for pictures and updates, [grandsquarehallpanamacity.com](http://grandsquarehallpanamacity.com)

Our Gobble Wobble dance for Thanksgiving was really fun because lots of dancers wore turkey hats and we think we had a real life pilgrim because he was all decked out in awesome attire! Everyone had such a good time being silly! Our Christmas dance was no different because everyone went to great lengths to put on holiday attire for this special occasion. Sandy Lange had people bring festive food and wow...our club prepared food that was over the top! Sandy and Joan made hot chocolate for everyone and people brought cookies to swap. Margaret Perkins brought homemade Christmas ornaments and magnets for everyone to take home. Karen Doak volunteered for the donation drive for Bay County Animal Services. The donations filled up 2 cars and on December 22, many club members will go with Karen to drop off supplies.

Deborah and John Luzny are decorating the hall to the nines! They really go all out to make the hall look fabulous!

## New information:

### **2026 officers:**

President—Sandy Lange

Vice President—Helen Crowe

Treasurer—Joe Sellars

**January 24—Plus Workshop** 10 am to 4 pm. There will be a covered dish 12-1 pm. Alec Schmidt will be the caller.

**February 5 and 12—Open Houses** with new classes beginning February 19th. All times start at 6:30 pm.

**February 14—Sweetheart Swing** 1 to 4 pm, see flyer.

# SWINGING SQUARES



# T-N-T ROUNDS

T-N-T Rounds will start a new class starting in January 2026 for a period of **14 weeks**.

For more information please call **Terri at (850) 712-5230**.

Terri's email: [terriwilaby@hotmail.com](mailto:terriwilaby@hotmail.com)



## NEW YEAR IN MADAGASCAR 2026





## IN MEMORY

Joy Vacarri 12-28-2025 Long time member and officer of Northwest.

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	<p>Please get in touch to offer comments and join our mailing list for sales and specials!</p>	

# GRAND SQUARE HALL REGULAR DANCE SCHEDULE

**1105 Bob Little Rd., Panama City, Fl. 32401**

President: Kathie Kern (850) 896-5798

Building Manager: Jon Kern (850) 228-8568

**SUNDAY: AVAILABLE**

**MONDAY: BOP & SWING DANCE CLUB**

Doors Open & Lessons 6:30-7:30 pm

Dance 7:30-9:00 pm

Contact: Don Pitts (850) 348-2670

**TUESDAY: COUNTRY BALLROOM INFUSION**

Dance 6:30-8:30 pm

Contact: Joe Gray (850) 258-9847

**WEDNESDAY: AVAILABLE**

**THURSDAY: SWINGING SQUARES**

Rounds class 5:15-6:15 pm

Contact: Miriam Merriwether (850) 974-0091

Squares class (New Class) 6:30-7:30 pm

Dance 7:30-8:30 pm

Contact: Kathie & Jon Kern (850) 896-5798

Caller: Miriam Merriwether

**SATURDAY: OPEN FOR SPECIAL DANCES**

Contact: Jon Kern (850) 228-8568

**IMPORTANT NOTES:**

Visitors are always welcome! All clubs occasionally cancel. Please verify with contact. Grand Square Hall is owned & operated by dancers of the Panama City Square & Round Dance Association, a non-profit corporation dedicated to preserving our square & round dance heritage.

# RAGON HALL

2600 Stratford Road, Pensacola, FL 32526

(850) 293-7720

Please call to verify dancing is happening.

## MONDAY

West Coast Swing 5:00-9:00 pm  
Instructor: Justin Grubb (850) 503-9978

## TUESDAY

### *EMERALD WAVES*

Continuing Class and Dance 6:30-8:30 pm  
Contact: Tim Tharp (703) 585-7177

## WEDNESDAY

**OPEN**

## THURSDAY

Advanced Square Dancing 6:00-8:30 pm  
Caller: Nick Hartley

## FRIDAY

### *SEASIDE SQUARES*

Mainstream/Plus Squares 7:30-9:30 pm  
Callers: Varies  
Contact: Linda Steadman (850) 293-7720  
ragonhall3@gmail.com

## SATURDAY

Assorted Activities

## SUNDAY

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*Swinging Squares  
Square & Round Dance Club  
54th Anniversary  
March 28, 2026*

# *Blue & White Ball*

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

**10-11 Rounds Workshop  
11-12 Advanced  
12-1 Potluck Lunch**

**1-1:30 Early Rounds  
1:30-4 Squares &  
Rounds**

*Cuers  
Tim & Terri Wilaby*



*Caller  
Ted Kennedy*



**\$12 per person**



**Sandy Lange 850-832-7317  
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**We are an all volunteer, not for  
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# 2026 NWFSRDA 52nd Annual Roundup July 24–25

Tallahassee Senior Center  
1400 N Monroe Street, Tallahassee



*Jet Roberts, Caller*



*Susan Snider and Mark Fetzer, Cues*

## Friday and Saturday Night

7:00 – 7:30 Early Rounds  
7:30 – 7:45 Introductions & Opening Tip  
7:45 – 9:45 Squares w/Rounds

## Saturday Morning and Afternoon

9:00 – 11:00 Plus/Plus Workshop  
11:15 – 12:00 NWF Meeting (Dining Room)  
11:15 – 12:00 Mainstream (Ballroom)  
1:00 – 2:00 Advanced Level Dancing  
2:15 – 4:00 Rounds (Teach & Dance)  
4:15 – 5:00 Mainstream/Beginning Plus

*Square Dance Attire requested but not required.*

*Additional information on back of flyer.*

**Round Up Co-Chairs – Chuck and Laura Davis 850-354-2218 or [keylime7@comcast.net](mailto:keylime7@comcast.net).**

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Tallahassee, FL 32303 850-727-5541

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Ribbon prices through June 15: NWFSRDA members \$15.00 pp;

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After June 15: NWFSRDA members \$18.00 pp;

non-members \$36.00 pp.

One-day only pricing, at the door: Friday night \$18.00 pp;

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Make check payable to NWFSRDA and mail with completed form to:

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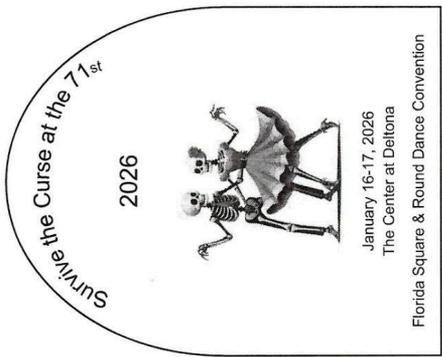
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*Convention use only.*

A dancer who is not an Association Member will be a Provisional Member of the Florida Federation of Square Dancers for the duration of the Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention after acceptance of the registration form. 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

# 71st Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention



January 16 & 17, 2026  
 The Center at Deltona  
 1640 Dr. M.L.K. Blvd, Deltona, FL 32725

**Trail-End Dance:**

(Donation at the door)  
 The Center at Deltona  
 Thursday, January 15, 2026  
 Early Rounds 6:30 - 7:00 PM  
 Squares and Rounds 7:00 - 9:30 PM

<b>Sponsored by:</b> Florida Federation of Square Dancers Round Dance Council of Florida Florida Callers Association	<b>Hosted by:</b> Florida Federation of Square and Round Dancers
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## Hotels for the 2026 State Convention:

### HOST HOTEL: Homewood Suites Lake Mary

755 Currency Cir, Lake Mary, FL 32746 18 miles/25 minutes

407-805-9111 \$129 King, \$149 Dbl Queen (+taxes & fees)

GROUP NAME: Square Dance DEADLINE: 12/18/25

Holiday Inn Express & Suites Orange City

1330 Saxon Blvd, Orange City, FL 32763 5.6 miles/12 minutes

386-917-0004 \$159 Dbl Queen (+taxes & fees)

GROUP NAME: Square Dance DEADLINE: 12/18/25

Comfort Inn & Suites, Orlando

590 Ava Ct, Sanford, FL 32771 14 miles/21 minutes

321-401-8260 \$139 King or Dbl Queen (+taxes & fees)

GROUP NAME: Square Dance DEADLINE: 01/01/26

Hampton Inn & Suites Lake Mary

850 Village Oak Ln, Lake Mary, FL 32746 18 miles/25 minutes

407-995-9000 \$179 King or Dbl Queen (+taxes & fees)

GROUP NAME: FL Sq & Rd Dance Convention DEADLINE: 12/25/25

Please visit: [www.floridasquaredance.com/convention/](http://www.floridasquaredance.com/convention/)

For up-to-date information

### FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER

Keep an eye on the convention website for more information and the menu

REGISTER EARLY ~ DEADLINE: January 2, 2026

Friday, January 16, 2026, 4:15p-6:30p in the Main Hall.

Ribbon price: Dinner \$25 per person

## Ribbons are to be picked up at the Convention Registration table.

Ribbon Type	Before 5/31/25	6/1/25 – 10/31/25	11/1/25 and later
All Weekend	\$45	\$50	\$55
Weekender Fri eve & all Sat	\$35	\$37	\$40
Single Day	\$30 Available at Registration ONLY		

\*\*All prices are in USD All prices are per person.

Please register early

Returned ribbons cheerfully refunded until Jan 16, 2026, for any reason.

Service Charge for NSF or returned check: \$35

### Dress code:

Casual for morning and afternoon sessions  
Square Dance attire for the evenings is admitted but not required

Make checks payable to: 71st FSDC and mail to:

Jenny Green Phone: 863-220-2542

108 Mound St. Email: [jagreens35@gmail.com](mailto:jagreens35@gmail.com)

Longwood, FL 32750

Any dancing child under the age of 16 will be admitted to the convention free of charge WITH A PAID DANCING ADULT.

For security purposes, purchasing by credit card through the mail will not be permitted.

### FREE PARKING

ONLY DRY RV Hookups available at the Center at Deltona

# Northwest Sweetheart Dance

14th Feb 2026

YOU ARE INVITED TO DANCE WITH US



CALLER  
BILL CHESNUT

1 PM TO 3:30 PM  
MAINSTREAM, ROUNDS & PLUS

3:30 PM TO 4 PM  
ADVANCED

This is a donation dance.



CUERS  
TERRI & TIM WILABY

GRAND SQUARE HALL  
1105 BOB LITTLE RD.  
PANAMA CITY, FL

CONTACT INFORMATION: BARBARA MCDONALD AT  
BARBARAMCDONALD310@GMAIL.COM

# WINTER PLUS WORKSHOP

JANUARY 24, 2026  
at Grand Square Hall

Morning Session 10 am - Noon  
Light Pot-Luck Lunch  
Afternoon Session 1 pm - 4 pm

Donations for  
NWFSRDA

\$10 per  
person

50/50 split  
the pot

Caller



Alec  
Schmidt

1105 Bob Little Rd.  
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