

USDA NEWS

NEWSLETTER OF THE WORLD'S
LARGEST SQUARE DANCE ORGANIZATION



VOLUME XXXVIII ISSUE 4

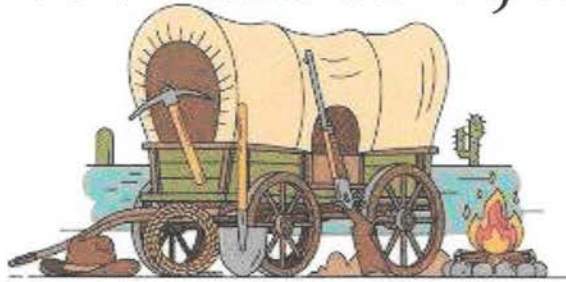
OCT - DEC 2026

SQUARE DANCING

THE OFFICIAL FOLK DANCE OF AMERICA

FRONTIER DAYS

November 7, 2026



GOOD TIMES SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CLUB Las Vegas, Nevada



Eric Henerlau - Caller



Zena Beaulieu- Cuer

Advanced 5:30-7:00 PM
Pre-Rounds 7:00-7:30 PM
MS/PLUS/ROUNDS 7:30-10:00 PM
Donation : Advanced \$15 Evening \$15
Advanced and Evening \$25

First Christian Church Hall
2225 West Mesquite Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89106

Info: Tom (702) 203-1938 or Rita (702) 526-6192

TABLE OF CONTENTS

Las Vegas Frontier Days	2
Presidents Message	4
Message from the Editors	5
77th NSDC Pre-Convention	6
Events in the Western Region	7
78th NSDC	8
Events in the Plains Region	9
Golden State Roundup	10
We say Goodbye to Mike Sikorsky	11
Events in the Central Region	12
Pennsylvania Fabulous Fall Festival	13
USDA Youth Programs	14
76th NSDC Youth program Highlights	15
Say Goodbye to Lynda Willis	16
77th NSDC	17
76th NSDC	18-20
Square Dance Revival	21
Washington Area Square Dance Cooperative Association 2027 (WASCA) Festival	22
USDA Insurance Coordinator Notes	23
National Square Dance Month	24
You 2 Can Dance	25
Beyond the Dance Floor	26
USDA NEWS Policies	27
Celebrate the Life of Mike Sikorsky	28
Re-Imagining Square Dancing	29
Convention Schedule	30
Oregon Winter Festival	31
USDA Executive Committee Members	32

Inside this Issue

Message from our Presidents

Message from the editors -- a quick recap of summer events.

Messages from our Regional Vice Presidents -- updates from across the country. Welcome our new Central Region VP, experienced yet enthusiastic.

Check notes from our Insurance Coordinator if you still have questions contact her.

Say goodbye to one of our own. Lynda Willis has passed, but her husband, Ed will continue supporting the Centennial Award Program

Say Goodbye to one of our favorite Callers and get details about the Celebration of Life for Mike Sikorsky

Learn about a new program -- Square Dance Revival -- they can help you reach potential new members

Read about our Youth programs and participate in the webinar "Attracting and Retaining Youth Dancers"

Register for an upcoming National Square Dance Convention®. You will find lots of information about the 76th, 77th and 78th NSDC's.

Read about National Square Dance Month on page 24.

Find out more about the informative Beyond the Dance Floor sessions on Zoom. If you miss one, past sessions can be found on the web site: USDA.org

Plan your future travels. Check out upcoming Conventions and Festivals on page 31. Go to individual organizations web pages for more information.



A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENTS SCOTT AND SANDY EBRIGHT



This past quarter has been eventful for us!

It began with a fantastic National Square Dance Convention in Waco, Texas at the end of June. We had a number of good USDA meetings and events and accomplished allot.

We welcomed a new Youth Advisor (Denise Jenkins) and new Central Region Vice-President (Bill and Debbie Shepard). Dan Reedy, who was the former Central Region VP, transitioned over to the Plains Region VP position with the retirement of Mark and Bina Krebsbach from the USDA Executive Committee. Mark and Bina devoted many years serving with USDA and will be greatly missed.

This year, USDA, along with the National Executive Committee (NEC), awarded \$7,500 in Youth Scholarships to four high school seniors and first-year college students. Two of the winners, Sienna Townsend and Elizabeth Herdt, attended the USDA Annual Meeting in Waco to accept their awards. The other two winners, Naomi Lang and Martin Gruetzmacher, will be presented their awards personally by USDA Executive Committee members at a later date. Congratulations to these outstanding young women and men! We had nine scholarship applications this year and hope that trend will continue.

Several USDA past and present Executive Committee members and a square dance caller were recognized and remembered for their contributions with special resolutions:

- Alitia and John Becker – Special recognition of service with Honorary membership
- Joy Vaccari – Memorial remembrance
- Mike Sikorsky – Memorial remembrance
- Jim Maczko – Jim Maczko Meritorious Service Award – inaugural award made to Jim Maczko. This will be a recurring award available to qualifying recipients. More details to come for nomination and qualification requirements.

Several educational webinar sessions were presented by USDA Executive Committee members and other square dance leaders, and attendance was outstanding. The 75th NSDC committee did a great job of advertising all of the education sessions. If you don't take advantage of these at the Nationals, you are really missing out on great learning opportunities in areas such as club leadership, advertising, all kinds of topics surrounding youth dancing (scholarships, grant funds, promotion ideas), and the chance to talk to other square dancers to hear their ideas and what's going on in their part of the country/world.

Other highlights of the quarter have been state conventions in Tennessee, Alabama, Wisconsin and Kentucky, and the USA West Convention in Utah, as well as big festivals in Maryland and Oregon. Next quarter is packed with many conventions and festivals including Georgia, Indiana, Pennsylvania, and Missouri.

One of the most exciting things that also happens at this time of year is the start of lessons for many of our clubs. This year the new Mainstream and Plus programs will roll out. We've already witnessed some real excitement over new dancers' reactions to announcing they will be ready in 14-16 weeks to dance anywhere in the world at the Mainstream level! And if they have other friends (new dancers) who would like to join them, they can jump right in early in 2027! Let's hope this spurs a revival of square dancing!

Speaking of which, hats off to some groups that have formed and are very active on Facebook – Square Dance Recruitment/Retention and Square Dance Revival. There is some very good information being shared on their sites and an opportunity for us all to join together to get the word out on our favorite activity to recruit new dancers and learn better ways to retain our existing dancers. This is not the same old stuff, but is filled with new ideas, thoughts, and strategies to help square dancing move forward into the future. We strongly urge you to take a look at these groups and join in their efforts!

We hope this fall brings some much-needed relief from the heat and stores your energy and soul! Hope to see you around the square in our travels.

In His Service,
Scott and Sandy Ebright



A MESSAGE FROM THE EDITORS ART AND LILLY HARDIN

Greetings,
It's been a long busy summer!

We hope that everyone enjoyed the summer and had an opportunity to dance at conventions, festivals and regional events. We have been to many dances including, the California State Festival, the Ohio State Festival, the New Mexico State Square Dance, the Colorado State Festival, the US National Convention in Waco Texas, the Route 66 Festival in Elk City Oklahoma, and the Canadian National Convention in Penticton British Columbia.

We have also been to USA West in Cedar City Utah, the Peach Promenade in Grand Junction Colorado, and this weekend we are on our way to the South Dakota State Festival in Hermosa South Dakota. So many dances, so little time. We have had a great time meeting new people and we hope everyone found some fun dances to keep themselves busy.

Many of you know Tom and Tina Wilkins from Alabama. They were General Chairman for the 72nd National Square Dance Convention® in Mobile Alabama and are the past USDA Vice-Presidents for the Central Region from 2017- 2020. They are great supporters of many square dance events in the central region and around the country. Last month they lost their home to a house fire while attending the Alabama State Square Dance Convention. We believe that the square dance community is the greatest support group in the world. Tom and Tina are a part of our square dance family and they need our help and our prayers. Please support them in any way you can.

Did you know that September is International Square Dance Month and November 29th is International Square Dance Day. What an honor to participate in an activity loved by so many around the world. Most clubs start their square dance lessons in September, wonder if this is why? Might just be that September is when school starts. Summer is over and people have more free time. Classes and introducing new people to square dancing Is a great way to celebrate an internationally recognized event.

Here in Colorado, we celebrate Proclamation Day each September. Proclamation Day is the day that the governor officially signed the document proclaiming square dancing as the official Colorado state folk dance. We get together and dance in the rotunda area of the capital building. The governor stops by and welcomes all the dancers, we get a photo, some recognition and everyone has a good time.

November 29th is International Square Dance Day. Right after Thanksgiving , what a fun time to plan a special event take a look at the article on International Square Dance Month and International Square Dance Day on page 24 in this issue.

Thank you for reading the USDA NEWS, we hope you find something interesting to improve square dancing in your area.

Art and Lilly Hardin,
Editor's USDA News



77th National Square Dance Convention®

*Let's square up in the
sunshine state!*

On behalf of the 77th National Square Dance Convention® (77NSDC), we invite you to join us in **Daytona Beach, Florida**, on **January 22–23, 2027**, for our Pre-Convention meetings and Kick-Off Dance. This important weekend sets the stage for the **77th NSDC®, June 28–July 1, 2028**, and brings together dancers, leaders, callers, cuers, and volunteers from around the world.

All meetings will take place at the **Hard Rock Hotel Daytona Beach**, our host hotel for Pre-Convention and the central hub for the weekend's activities. During Pre-Convention, updates and plans will be finalized for the 77th NSDC®, including facilities, programming, registration, education, youth activities, and special events unique to our beautiful coastal location.

For attendees not staying at the Hard Rock Hotel, we are pleased to offer **discounted valet parking** throughout the Pre-Convention weekend. This ensures convenient access to all meetings, meals, and evening activities without the challenge of finding parking along the busy Daytona Beach corridor.

As a **pre-registered dancer** for the convention, you are eligible for **discounted hotel rates** and **FREE admittance** to the **Saturday Night Kick-Off Dance**, once you complete the online **Pre-Convention Registration Form**.

All Pre-Convention registration and hotel booking is now online at: <https://77nsdcfl.com/pre-convention/>
Please submit your registration by **December 20, 2026**, if you plan to attend.

We look forward to welcoming you to **Daytona Beach** for an exciting, productive, and inspiring Pre-Convention as we prepare to host dancers from around the world in 2028.

General Chairman: Trent and Beth Hubbert

gc@77nsdcfl.com

Assistant General Chairman: Michele and Dave Vieira

agc@77nsdcfl.com

Schedule of Pre-Convention Meetings January 22-23, 2027	
Friday	Saturday
8:30am – 9:30am Virtual City Tour	8:30am – 9:00am General Meeting
10am-12pm Convention Center Tour	9:00am-12:30pm Breakout Sessions
12:15pm-1:30pm Prepaid Lunch (Counterpart)	12:30pm-1:30pm Prepaid Lunch (Counterpart)
1:45pm-5pm NSDC Meetings	2:00pm-4:30pm Wrap-up meetings
5pm-6:30pm Prepaid Dinner (Counterpart)	6:00pm-6:45pm Photo Sessions
	6:30-7:30pm Prepaid Dinner (Optional)

Beach Side Extravaganza January 21-23, 2027		
Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2pm-5pm Round Dancing	2pm-5pm Round Dancing	2pm-5pm Plus, A and C with Tony and team.
7pm-10pm Square Dancing with Rounds	7pm-10pm Square Dancing with Tony and team.	7pm-10pm Pre-convention Kick of Dance
	7pm-10pm Round Dancing	

Daytona Beach, FL June 28 – July 1, 2028

EVENTS IN THE WESTERN REGION

Nina Grigsby Western Region Vice President

WESTERN REGION REPORT

(Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming)

Salutations to our USDA officers, committee members, and all our affiliates, associations, and clubs! I hope everyone had an amazing Summer. This Summer was filled with several exciting dancing events, festivals, and many other activities that I hope everyone had an opportunity to partake in one or two between vacations and traveling. USDA also presented several new webinars as part of their “Beyond the Dance Floor” series to increase awareness and enjoyment of square dancing that I am sure inspired you and your fellow dancers. CALLERLAB has announced that the “new” Plus Program is now officially in effect. We are confident that these updates will continue to excite and inspire dancers, provide fresh opportunities for learning and growth, and enhance the enjoyment of square dancing for dancers and callers alike.

This past year has provided many wonderful opportunities to travel throughout the Western Region and across the country, reconnecting with longtime friends and making many new ones along the way. I especially enjoyed sharing the dance floor and fellowship with so many of you at regional festivals, special dances, and other square dance activities. If our paths did not cross during my travels, I hope we will have the opportunity to connect as you pass through Tucson, Arizona, or at one of the many regional festivals and special events ahead.

Our Western Region affiliates and clubs have an exciting year planned, with many opportunities to dance, travel, renew friendships, welcome new dancers, and celebrate the fellowship that makes our square dance community so special.

Oct 5 - 8, 2026 – Huntsman World Senior Games, Washington County Legacy Park, St. George, UT
Oct 10, 2026 – Burlington (Fall Leaves), Rollin’ Wheels, Maple Grove Grange, Wheat Ridge, CO
Oct 16 – 18, 2026 – Rise Up and Dance, ISRDA Round Dance Festival, Boise Valley Square Dance Hall, Boise, ID
Oct 16 – 18, 2026 – Cornucopia Jamboree, Albuquerque Square Dance Center, Albuquerque, NM
Oct 17, 2026 – Pumpkin Palooza, Dayton High School, Dayton, NV
Oct 23 - 25, 2026 – 65th Harvest Hoedown, Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds, Yuba City, CA
Oct 30, 2026 – Halloween Spooktacular Dance, Eagles Hall, Fallon, NV
Nov 7, 2026 – Good Times Frontier Days, First Christian Church Friendship Hall, Las Vegas, NV
Nov 13 - 14, 2026 – Bakersfield Square Dance Roundup, Kern County Fairgrounds, Bakersfield, CA
Dec 2 - 7, 2026 – Aloha and Beyond, Queen Kapiolani Hotel, Oahu, HI
Dec 5, 2026 – 22nd Annual Teddy Bear Dance, Boise Valley Square Dance Hall, Boise, ID
Dec 15, 2026 – Holiday Square Dance, Bob Ruud Community Center, Pahrump, NV
Jan 14 - 16, 2027 – Tucson Square Dance Festival, Casino del Sol, Tucson, AZ
Jan 8 – 9, 2027 – Hummingbird Hoedown, St. Andrew’s Catholic Church, Sierra Vista, AZ
Jan 23, 2027 – Beach Bash 805, Pismo Beach Vet’s Hall, Pismo Beach, CA
Jan 29 – 31, 2027 – Oregon Mid-Winter Square Dance Festival, Linn County Fairgrounds, Albany, OR

Details of more amazing events are posted on affiliate websites.

Hope to see you soon and dance with you sooner!

Nina Grigsby
USDA Western Region VP

Explore Our Heartland

78th NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION®

OVERLAND PARK CONVENTION CENTER
OVERLAND PARK, KANSAS
METROPOLITAN KANSAS CITY

JUNE 27 - 30. 2029



Website
nsdc78.com



EVENTS IN THE PLAINS REGION

Daniel Reedy Plains Region Vice President

PLAINS REGION REPORT

(Arkansas, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, Wisconsin)

Greetings Everyone!

My name is Daniel Reedy, this past June I was elected to the Plains Region Vice President. I have served as the Central Region Vice President and for seven years as the Youth Advisor. I am an Army veteran (28 years), and as a single parent raised three children who all square dance. I was the owner/operator of a Bison ranch. And I am a recent widower.

I am very excited about my new position and am looking forward to traveling and visiting the States within the Plains region. One of my additional responsibilities is the Administration of the USDA Youth Grant Program. I look forward to working with the new Youth Advisor, Denise Jenkins; I always take the opportunity to promote youth and help clubs in their endeavors to recruit and retain youth. Denise and I will be hosting the USDA Winter Conference this January in Springfield, Missouri.

I look forward to meeting you in a Square soon.

Upcoming Plains Region events:

Arkansas — ASSDF Fall Festival , Clinton, Arkansas October 8-10, 2026

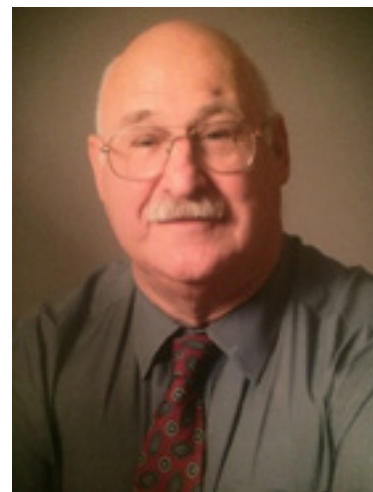
Kansas -- Kansas Round Dance Association Fall Festival, Haysville, KS October 10

Missouri —Annual State Festival , Springfield, Missouri, October 23-24, 2026

Nebraska— State Convention , York, Nebraska, September 18, 2026

Oklahoma -- State Festival, Ardmore Convention Center, November 6-8, 2026

God Bless
Dan Reedy





13RD ANNUAL GOLDEN STATE ROUND UP

MAY 22, 23, & 24, 2026

LODI GRAPE FESTIVAL FAIRGROUNDS 413 E. LOCKEFORD STREET LODI, CALIFORNIA 95240

FEATURED STAFF



**MIKE
SIKORSKY**
ARIZONA



**PAT
CARNATHAN**
CALIFORNIA



**ADAM
CHRISTMAN**
WASHINGTON



**JAY
HENDERSON**
IDAHO



**KEVIN & VICKI
KLEIN**
CALIFORNIA

4 DANCE HALLS
Mainstream • Plus • Advanced • Rounds

- FRIDAY NIGHT NEWER DANCER
DANGLE DANCE
- SATURDAY NIGHT AFTER PARTY
and ICE CREAM SOCIAL
- SUNDAY NIGHT DANCE PARTY

ON SITE CAMPING
REGISTER ONLINE AT WWW.NCSDA.COM



We are saddened to say goodbye to one of our favorite callers



Michael (Mike) Sikorsky was born in Kansas City, MO, where he lived till he was 9 years old. At 9, he moved with his parents, Michael Sr. and Mildred (Defebaugh) Sikorsky and his brother, Jerry, to Southern California. He left California in the early 1990's for Arizona, where he lived until his passing.

As many know, Mike was an international full-time traveling square dance caller and called his first dance almost 54 years ago on July 7, 1972. He was passionate about square dancing and totally loved what he did. He put himself through college by calling square dances, earning a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management. He liked to tell people that he received his diploma in the mail, looked at it, and thought "I did it, oh wait a minute that means a real job," then respectfully put the diploma in a dresser drawer and never saw it again.

He was known as the dancing caller who had everyone watching him as much as dancing to him. He also danced in the squares using a headset and going from square to square. Sometimes you'd be dancing to his calling and find yourself stopping to watch him when you were supposed to be dancing. This was especially true for the girls. So, it was sad to see him not able to dance while he called due to his ALS, but the key is he could still call and call a good dance. In fact, he called a dance the night before he became ill with an infection, sepsis and ultimately respiratory failure.

Mike loved welcoming dancers to his dances, hanging out by the door once his equipment was set up, and chatting with people during the breaks. He used to look for whoever wasn't in a conversation on a break and go talk with them. Making everyone he talked with feel special. Over the past couple years, Mike wanted to help callers teach people how to square dance and created a Beginners Teaching Guide (BTG). One of his caller students asked if he could do one for teaching the Plus level of square dancing, a Plus Teaching Guide (PTG). He fully finished the PTG and was going to go back to edit the BTG to finalize it, but unfortunately, time ran out. Both of these guides he gave away freely to anyone who wanted them. He had more than 100 people who got the guide updates on a regular basis.

Internationally, he called all over the world as well as on many cruises. His travels took him to Germany, China, Taiwan, Sweden, and many more places over the years. Most recently, he called in Tokyo, Japan, and on a cruise from Tokyo to Vancouver. In addition to traveling internationally, he called all over the United States, many places he would call for the clubs annually.

In addition to square dancing, Mike was a songwriter. One he highly promoted was "Bradley the Brown-Nosed Reindeer." He made a few CD's/albums and music videos of songs he wrote.

He is survived by his wife, Janet Long, his daughter Monica (Mike) Goss, granddaughters Autumn (Jared) Kacirk, Jaimee (Justin) Boman, great granddaughters Jennica Kacirk, Juliette Kacirk, Amelia Boman and Eleanor Boman, his brother Jerry (Janet) Sikorsky, niece Kristen (Justin) Bishiop, nephew Ryan (engaged to Kim) Sikorsky, great nephew Ethan Bishop, great nieces Alice Bishop and Lucie Bishop and cousins Lynn (Rich) Eames, and Karen Defebaugh.

EVENTS IN THE CENTRAL REGION

Bill and Debbie Shepard Central Region Vice President

CENTRAL REGION REPORT

(Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Mississippi, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, Tennessee, West Virginia)

We are Bill & Debbie Shepard from Mt. Juliet (Nashville) Tennessee. We were appointed Central Region Vice President by Scott Ebright at the National Square Dance Convention in Waco, Texas on June 27, 2026. We are also Tennessee State Association President, so due to commitments for Tennessee, we will attend as many State Conventions as our schedule permits.

We attended the Tennessee State Convention in August. There were over 1400 dancers there. I believe this is the largest attended State Square Dance Convention in the country. If you missed it, we hope you will be able to attend in the future.

Summer is almost over, and some Clubs will be starting classes. We hope you will be able to attract some new dancers, and they will increase the square dance community.

Biography of Bill and Debbie Shepard

- Bill started square dancing in 1979 and was President of Circle Eights Square Dance Club from 1982-1985.
- He was Area 2 Vice President to the Tennessee Square Dance Association in 1985 & 1986.
- He became President of Tennessee State Square Dance Association in 1988-1992.
- In 1991, 1996, 1999, 2002, and 2009 he was Chairman of the Tennessee State Square Dance Convention.
- In 1994 he became USDA Central Region Vice President for 3 years.
- In 1999 he became President of United Square Dance Association.
- In 2002 he wrote the rules for the USDA USA Traveler program and in 2005 completed dancing in all 50 states.
- From 2002-2006 Bill was President of the Tennessee State Square Dance Association.
- In 2006 Bill was appointed Central Region Vice President for USDA.
- In 2006-2008 he was Vice President of the Tennessee State Square Dance Association.
- In 2012 he met Debbie and they were married in 2013.
- Together they were Vice President of Tennessee State Square Dance Association from 2022-2026.
- We are now President of the Tennessee State Square Dance Association, 2026-2028.

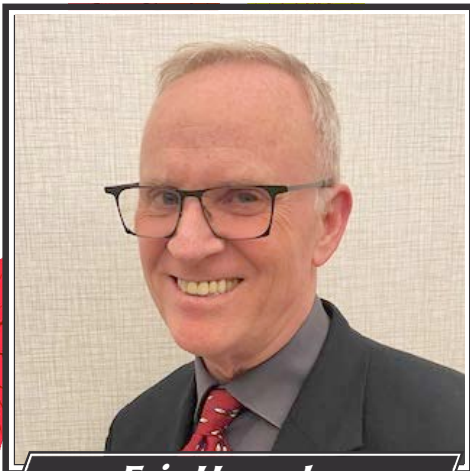
We have thoroughly enjoyed square dancing and all the positions we have held.

Square dancers are the greatest people in the world.

We hope to be dancing many more years and making a lot of new friends.



Bill Harrison



Eric Henerlau



Mark Franks

The Pennsylvania
Square & Round Dance
Federation Presents

The Pennsylvania Fabulous Fall Festival October 1-3, 2026



Jet Roberts



**Amy & Ken
Shotting**



**Randy & Marie
Preskitt**



**Tom Denniston
& Ellen McCabe**



Blair County Convention Center
One Convention Center Drive, Altoona, PA 16602

Visit our website at www.PaFabFallFest.com for updated information and online registration.

v3.0

USDA YOUTH PROGRAM
Denise Jenkins
YOUTH GRANT ADMINISTRATOR
Dan Reedy



The banner features a blue and red color scheme. On the left, a silhouette of a man in a blue suit and a woman in a red dress with a white skirt are dancing. Above them is a circular logo with the text 'UNITED SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA' and 'USDA' below it, with a map of the USA in the center. The main text reads 'Attracting and Retaining our YOUTH in Square Dancing' in a mix of blue and red fonts. Below this, it says 'A Webinar for Square Dance Clubs and Interested Dancers'. A date box indicates 'October 17 11:00 AM PT' with a calendar icon. To the right is a musical staff with three red notes. At the bottom, a blue banner says 'Sponsored by USDA – United Square Dancers of America'.

UNITED SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA
USDA

Attracting and Retaining
our
YOUTH
in
Square Dancing

**A Webinar for Square Dance Clubs
and Interested Dancers**

 **October 17
11:00 AM PT**

Join us!

Sponsored by
USDA – United Square Dancers of America

Link to the Youth Webinar can be found at: www.usda.org home page.

September 1, 2026 marks the first Anniversary of the USDA Youth Grant program. We have processed grant applications to eight different organizations spread across the entire country. The program is set up to assist organizations to recruit, retain, and assist youth in all USDA dance organizations. The application process is very simple and straightforward, once we have your request an answer will be provided within 30 days. So take a look to see if this can be an asset for your club as well. Grant application can be found at: https://www.usda.org/Youth_Dancing/Grant_Application/Application_for_Youth_Grant.pdf

Dan Reedy
USDA Grant Administrator



76th NSDC

Youth Program Highlights



- ★ Two hours of youth only dancing everyday – check the detailed schedule for locations.
- ★ Enjoy a free pizza party for lunch on Thursday sponsored by United Square Dancers of America. Open to all youth 19 and under, supervision provided by USDA Executive Committee.
- ★ Teach the adults how to dance with a youth and help them earn a froggy dangle. Get one for you, too.
- ★ Participate in the “Trash Dancing” workshop to learn flourishes and embellishments.
- ★ Dance in the pool and get your ducky dangle.
- ★ Kick up your heels at the youth only After Party.

Check the 76th NSDC's Mobile App and Detailed Schedule prior to the Convention for dates, locations and times of all the Youth activities.

Youth under the age of 16 must be supervised at all times, babysitting services will not be provided.

76th NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION®

June 23–26, 2027 • Loveland, CO

John Q. Hammons Conference Center at Embassy Suites
4705 Clydesdale Pkwy, Loveland, CO 80538

To register or for information, visit: <https://76nsdc.com>
and join us on Facebook 

WE SAY GOODBYE TO ONE OF OUR OWN.

Ed and Lynda have served on the USD Executive Committee for many years. They are currently the Centennial Award Chairman.

Lynda (Linda) Jean Swansick Willis
April 16, 1950-July 25, 2026

Mrs. Lynda Willis of Wilmington, NC entered rest quietly at home in Wilmington after a prolonged illness. Lynda was born April 16, 1950, in St Paul, MN. a daughter of the late Douglass & Harriet Swansick. She was a graduate of the University of Minnesota Minneapolis & Duluth. After graduation, Lynda took a job in Yellowstone National Park—which she'd dreamed about since a childhood visit—and made friends that she continued to be in touch with many years later. Yellowstone is also where she met Ed, her husband of 47 years, a love story that began with horseback riding and a staff tradition of Christmas in August.



The two of them would go on many adventures together—including camping in all 50 states and visiting 51 of the 63 US national parks, many state and regional parks and many Canadian National Parks. They also volunteered and served in many community groups including eleven years on the Executive committee of United Square Dancers of America; the board of Alliance for Round, Traditional, & Square-Dance; Kiwanis; Master Gardeners, Federal Point Historic Preservation Society and several animal rescues & rehab facilities. They were members of Wilmington 76'ers, Angier Twirlers, and North Carolina camping squares square dance clubs. They also served several years as Insurance chairmen for the Folk, Round and Square Dance Federation of North Carolina, and the 64th NSDC.

Lynda was also an extremely talented musician, playing the organ, piano, clarinet, dulcimer, autoharp, guitar, mandolin, & banjo-uke. Though not a fan of performing in public, she enjoyed her time playing with the Camping Squares jam sessions & the Sweet Adelines barbershop group.

Lynda was preceded in death by her parents, sister Susan Sherman, brother Dave Swansick, and a daughter. She is survived by her husband Ed Willis; and daughter & son in law Samantha & Joseph Alicia of New York.

In lieu of flowers, Lynda would have loved for you to make a donation to the local no-kill shelter, USDA (United Square Dancers of America)'s youth or handicap programs, ARTS, the Federal Point Historic Preservation Society, or a charity of your choice.

A memorial service and celebration of life is being planned for fall.



77th NSDC - Daytona Beach FL 2028

The 77th National Square Dance Convention® will be held in Daytona Beach, Florida at the Ocean Center convention center (101 N Atlantic Ave, Daytona Beach, FL 32118) from June 28 to July 1 2028.

For more information go to 77nsdcfl.com.

DAYTONA
BEACH®



*National Square
Dance Convention®*
JUNE 28-JULY 1, 2028

Register now by
either going to
77nsdcfl.com or
scanning this
QR code



FOR CONVENTION DETAILS GO TO 77NDSCFL.COM!

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM!

*Let's square up in the
sunshine state!*



Dance in the  of the Rockies with

The GHOST RIDERS

SQUARE DANCE BAND



Featuring
Gary Bauman, Landon Norman, Ron Pfisterer & David Zachry

76th NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION[®]

John Q. Hammons Conference Center
— at Embassy Suites —

Performing nightly June 23-26, 2027

WED 7:30-10 PM, THURS-SAT 7-10 PM

To sign up for the NSDC or more information,
visit <https://76nsdc.com>

★ Celebrate ★
NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE MONTH
in September by
REGISTERING FOR THE
76th NSDC



SQUARE DANCING
FRIENDSHIPS
MEMORIES
Loveland, CO

76th NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION®

★ **JUNE 23-26, 2027** ★

EMBASSY SUITES & JOHN Q. HAMMONS CONFERENCE CENTER

SIGN UP TODAY: <https://76nsdc.com>

KOLORADO KALEIDOSCOPE FASHION SHOW

*You're Invited to
What's Special
About Colorado!*

**Saturday, June 26,
1:30 p.m.**

**Embassy Suites'
Atrium Restaurant**

*Featuring Traditional and
Non-Traditional Styles*



**76th NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE
CONVENTION®**
June 23-26, 2027

**Embassy Suites &
John Q. Hammons Conference Center**
4705 Clydesdale Parkway, Loveland, CO

Sign up at
<https://76nsdc.com/register/>



SQUARE & ROUND DANCE ISN'T GOING TO GROW ITSELF

WE CAN HELP YOUR CLUB REACH PEOPLE WHO HAVE NEVER EVEN CONSIDERED SQUARE & ROUND DANCING

Stop waiting for people to find square & round dancing. Go where they are. Effective marketing isn't a one-time announcement—it builds awareness, creates curiosity, and keeps showing people why they might want to try it. Learn practical strategies for reaching people outside the square/round dance world and turning attention into interest, and interest into new dancers.

FREE RESOURCES FOR CLUBS: Practical ideas for reaching people outside the square-dance world—including community awareness and communication strategies to attract non-dancers of all ages. We want to serve you with what you need. As we hear from you, we add new resources.

WEBSITE & ONLINE PRESENCE: Tools and guidance to help clubs create websites and online information that make newcomers want to take the next step. Ideas for Facebook, Instagram and TikTok—including what to post, what not to post, and how to reach people who don't already know about square dancing.

SQUARE DANCE REVIVAL! PODCAST: Real conversations about the future of dancing. Hear callers, leaders, marketers and innovators talk honestly about what works—and what doesn't. Mike Hogan, Mike Seastrom, Allan Hurst, Hunter Keller, Paul & Linda Robinson are just some of our expert featured guests who give you proven strategies you can use to grow your club.

NATIONAL SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN

We're taking square dancing to people who don't know us yet. We've reached almost a million people on FB & Insta who don't know about square & round dancing and about 5000 people clicked through to find lessons to date.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO FIGURE THIS OUT ALONE.

Square Dance Revival! shares resources free of charge and works with clubs, callers, cuers, and district/state & national organizations that share our goal of growing square and round dancing.



Scan to discover free resources, podcasts, marketing ideas and more.

GET THE IDEAS DELIVERED: Subscribe to the Square Dance Revival! bi-weekly newsletter for practical club-growth ideas, marketing tips.

New ideas. New resources. Every two weeks.

LEADERSHIP REVIVAL: Practical leadership training for people who want to help their clubs solve problems, embrace change and build a stronger future.

Registration for training closes September 30.
Go to squaredancerevival.org for information.



Square Dance Revival! is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, donor-funded organization.

66TH WASCA ANNUAL SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE
***SPRING FESTIVAL
REVVIN' IN 2027***



MARCH 18-20, 2027 • HERNDON, VA

DOUBLETREE BY HILTON WASHINGTON DULLES AIRPORT • WWW.WASCACLUBS.ORG

GREAT CALLERS!

Ken Burke, Bill Harrison, Dayle Hodge,
Eric Henderlau, Ted Lizotte, Ken Ritucci,
Mike Seastrom, Buddy Weaver,
and Jennifer Lins (line dancing)

AMAZING CUERS!

Rey & Shirley Garza,
Randi & Marie Preskitt, and
Curt & Tammy Worlock

REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES: Free parking, 10% discount at hotel restaurant & café,
free hotel shuttle from IAD, and free hotel shuttle to Metro

USDA INSURANCE COORDINATORS NOTES

ELIZABETH SANDERS

Greeting Everyone,

More forms on the website have been updated. PLEASE make sure that the form you are using is the latest version of that form. Most of the forms should have a revision date later than 2025.

Let's address some problems that have occurred this year.

1. Insurance portal – There is one time during the year when you can delete a facility or a name from the roster and that is the ONLY time that you can delete names and facilities. That time is when you are registering your club for the first time each year. After you have paid for your club, you cannot delete any names or facilities. That includes any members that passed during the year, left your club for another club or who just stopped dancing.
2. New or Replacement Certificates – You can go into the portal to add new facilities at any time during the year. However, you will have to send me an email letting me know that you need a new certificate. If you have misplaced your certificate DO NOT go into the portal and enter the information again. Send me an email letting me know that you need a replacement certificate.
3. 2027 Rate – No, I do not have the rate yet, but tune in at the November USDA Webinar and I am sure I will know the new rate for 2027. What you can do now is get your clubs to update their rosters and facilities ON PAPER – not in the portal. As soon as the insurance company releases the 2027 portal, I will let you know. I expect that to be November 1, 2026. Prior to that I will also be sending all the insurance coordinators new instructions for 2027.
4. Please do not save forms to your computer. You need to go directly to the website (www.usda.org) for your forms every time. If a form is part of the portal, then you don't need to complete the form and send to me. Send the summary form with your check. Class Rosters, Exhibition forms and accident forms can be emailed to me.

As always, you can call or email me with questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Sanders
USDA National Insurance Coordinator
P O Box 417, Stephens, GA 30667
insurance@usda.org

NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE MONTH

why it matters

JOIN THE DANCE

Get ready to embrace the joy of square dancing,
a celebration of community and tradition.

----- FAST FACTS -----

WHEN	ORIGIN	STAT	STAT	VIBE
September	Square dancing has roots in European folk dances.	Over 1,000 square dance clubs exist in the U.S.	Approximately 30 million Americans have square danced.	A joyful celebration of music, movement, and community.

***** THE STORY *****

Square dancing, an energetic and social form of dance, has been an integral part of American culture since the 19th century. It evolved from the folk dances brought over by immigrants, particularly from England, France, and Germany. The dance became popular in rural communities, where it provided a platform for social interaction and entertainment. Today, square dancing is celebrated not only for its physical activity but also for its ability to bring people together, fostering a sense of belonging.

In 1982, the U.S. Congress officially designated September as National Square Dance Month, recognizing the cultural significance of this dance form. Square dancing has also gained international recognition, with enthusiasts around the world embracing its unique charm. Events like the National Square Dance Convention, held annually in different locations across the country, attract thousands of dancers, showcasing the enduring appeal of this lively tradition.

Square dancing is characterized by its lively music, spirited calls, and the formation of squares, where groups of four couples perform intricate dance patterns. The calls, often led by a ‘caller,’ guide dancers through sequences that can vary from simple to complex. This dynamic nature keeps dancers engaged and encourages creativity, as each performance can offer a different experience. The social aspect is equally important, as dancers interact and forge connections through shared enjoyment.

As we celebrate National Square Dance Month, it’s a perfect time to engage with local clubs and participate in events that promote this cherished American tradition. Whether you’re a seasoned dancer or a newcomer, the joy of square dancing is accessible to all. This September, let’s honor and enjoy a dance that has united generations and continues to foster community spirit across the nation.

You2CanDance

A BRAND NEW MARKETING WEB SITE PROMOTING SQUARE, ROUND, AND CONTRA DANCING

*High Definition Video Clip of Each Dance Form
with professional voice-overs*

- ☐ Detailed Descriptions of Each Dance Form
- ☐ Find a Caller, Find a Cuer, and Find a Club sections
- ☐ High Definition Pictures

This site was created by ARTS-Dance to be a tool for promoting Square Dancing, Round Dancing, and Contra Dancing. Rather than trying to describe each activity on a flyer posted on a bulletin board, you can direct the potential dancer to this site to **show them**. They can watch video, read detailed descriptions and then find a leader or club in their area using either the resources page of the web site, or the contact info you have provided on your advertising

check it out

➔ www.You2CanDance.com

To learn more about using this web site as part of a nation-wide marketing plan go to the Facebook page (You 2 Can Dance) or the ARTS-Dance web site (arts-dance.org). It doesn't cost you a thing and is there for you to use to help promote our dance forms.

LEADERS and CLUBS

Email info@You2CanDance.com to have your info included in the site.



The United Square Dancers of America's *Zoom* Series

Beyond the Dance Floor

Dancing! — While we are so excited to be back dancing after the Covid epidemic, we lost many of our dancers, clubs, callers, and cuers during that time. The great news that came from the pandemic is how well the square dance community all over the World has adapted to and benefitted from the challenges we've been facing and continue to face. How have we benefitted? Remote networking platforms such as Microsoft Teams and Zoom have introduced us to new friends and dance experiences we might never have enjoyed before — from Zoom dance sessions with international participation to opportunities to participate in State, National and International dance events, conventions and workshops.

In October of 2020 the **United Square Dancers of America — USDA** — your National dancers' organization, introduced a monthly series of web-based programs via *Zoom* to support clubs on the business and marketing end of our activity. The programs were used to introduce more dancers across the country to who/what USDA is, the programs and services we provide, and a way to keep square and round dancing in the forefront of people's thoughts even if they weren't able to get together on the dance floor. Since the introduction of the initial workshops, topics have evolved to include Marketing & Promotions, the SSD dance program, square dance resources, promotional information about our National Square Dance Conventions, Social Connections and the recruitment and retention of callers. We've been lucky enough to partner with CALLERLAB, ROUNDALAB and ARTS on several of these programs and look forward to partnering with other national organizations for future program offerings. We've had participation from dancers, callers cuers from all over the world, sharing ideas, program guidelines and coping strategies.



Beyond The Dance Floor – It takes a lot of effort and organizational skills to keep our favorite activity alive and USDA is here to help. From bylaws to event planning, club officer duties, promotion, communications, newsletters, youth and handicapped programs – this series is designed to help groups across the country and across the World build and grow your clubs.

Want Direct Notification of the Next Session? Watch your email, our website and Facebook for links to the actual, **FREE** workshops. If you would like to be added to our email notification list send us your name and email address to Education@usda.org.



For more information or to check on scheduling updates, please contact us at:

USDA Online Education: Bonnie Abramson — Education@usda.org

Or visit our Facebook page and join our Facebook group

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/314405916617> (United Square Dancers of America—USDA)



USDA NEWS PUBLICATION POLICY

USDA NEWS is the official newsletter of the United Square Dancers of America, the largest square dance organization in the world. Our goal is to cover all aspects of the square dance activity. USDA NEWS is not copyrighted and we welcome the reprinting of any material by USDA Affiliates and other publications. A credit line is appreciated whenever any of our material is reprinted.

We also welcome articles of interest to the square dance world in general. When submitting articles for use in USDA NEWS please include your name, address, phone number and email address and also indicate the author of the article. The editor does reserve the right to reject, edit, omit, or rewrite all material submitted.

The opinions expressed within the publication do not necessarily reflect that of the USDA or the Editorial staff.

USDA ADVERTISING POLICY

Please provide ads and fliers in digital format. Email News@usda.org and mail check payable to United Square Dancers of America. Mailing address: Lilly Hardin, PO Box 4782, Dillon, CO 8045.

Deadline Dates are one month before the quarterly. Issue date, see table below.

USDA NEWS has two editions; a printed edition and an on-line edition. The printed edition is a black and white copy except for the cover and the four to Eight center pages. The color pages are available for purchase on a first-come basis. The on-line edition is a full color copy. When submitting copies for black and white advertising in the printed edition you can send a color copy for use. It will be printed in black and white, but the on-line copy will be in color.

ADVERTISING RATES			Publication	Deadline
<u>WHITE</u>	<u>COLOR</u>	<u>BLACK &</u>	Jan-Mar	Dec 01
½ Page	\$25.00	\$20.00	Apr-Jun	Mar 01
Full Page	\$50.00	\$40.00	Jul—Sept	Jun 01
			Oct—Dec	Sept 01

SUBSCRIPTIONS: If you would like to receive notice when a new issue is posted on our website, go to www.Subscribe.USDA.org, and follow the instructions. As soon as a new on-line edition is posted you will receive an email with a link to the website.

For your own personal copy of the quarterly USDA NEWS, complete the form below and return it with a check made out to: USDA.



USDA NEWS SUBSCRIPTION

Subscription Type -- New ☐ Renewal ☐

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
(MUST HAVE + 4 DIGITS)

PHONE: _____ Email: _____

Please fill in this form completely. Attach check or money order made out to:USDA.

\$6—1 Year

\$12—2 Years

\$18—3 Years

MAIL COMPLETED FORM TO LILLY HARDIN, PO BOX 4782, DILLON, CO 80435-4782

Join family and friends
celebrate the life
of

**Mike
Sikorsky**



Sunday

February 21, 2027

1:30-4:00

**Mesa Spirit
3020 East Main Street
Mesa, AZ 85213**



A CALLERLAB Scholarship has been created in Mike's
name for callers with any level of experience.

<https://callerlab.org/new-mike-sikorsky-memorial-scholarship-fund/>

“Re-Imaging Square Dance”

A project endorsed by The ARTS

The intent of this project is to publicize a new, exciting, modernized logo and slogan, and define an image of square dancing to which the public will respond.

The New Square Dance Logo-----

The logo was designed by Zackery Turner, an artist in Medford, Oklahoma. The British Columbia Square and Round Dance Federation had commissioned the logo, so that its members would have something a bit more modern to use on promotion posters. Various color schemes are available on the web site of Canadian BC:

<http://squaredance.bc.ca/bcsrdf-logo>



The slogan ----- “Live Lively --- Square Dance!”

This slogan was chosen after reviewing multiple phrases used by various clubs around the nation. A square dance caller/marketing professional, Mike Hogan, suggested it. The ARTS voted for it to be used in future marketing material. “Lively” means full of life and energy, active and outgoing, energetic, animated, spirited, vivacious, enthusiastic, vibrant, exuberant, cheerful, zestful, and exciting.”

The “slogo”

The Re-Image Committee created a “slogo” to incorporate the slogan and the logo in a single graphic. The committee has created pins with the slogo, shown on the web site:

www.LiveLivelySquareDance.com

For more information please contact Jerry Reed, ARTS Executive Director at ExecutiveDirector@arts-dance.org



CONVENTION SCHEDULE

Send your State Association or Federation Convention dates to News@usda.org and we will list it here at no charge

October 1-3, 2026 -- Pennsylvania Fabulous Fall Festival, Blair County Convention Center, One Convention Center Drive, Altoona, PA
Oct. 23-24, 2026 -- Missouri State Festival, Glendale Christian Church 2110 S. Blackman Rd, Springfield, MO.
November 6,-8,2026 -- 36th Indiana Square and Round Dance Convention, French Lick Springs, Resort French Lick IN
Nov. 7-8, 2026 -- Oklahoma State Federation Square Dance Festival, 2401 N Rockford Rd Ardmore, OK
November 8, 2026 -- 50th Annual Northern New Jersey Mini- Festival
November 13-14, 2026 -- Georgia State Convention, Dalton Convention Center, 2211 Tony Ingle Parkway, Dalton, GA 30720
December 2-7, 2026 -- Aloha State Festival, Honolulu, HI. See buddyweaver.com/Hawaii for details.
January 15-17, 2027 , -- Tucson Square and Round Dance Festival, Casino Del Sol Resort Tucson, AZ
Jan. 22-23, 2027 -- 15th Annual General Butler Bash, Somerset, KY
January 29 - 31, 2027 -- Oregon Mid-Winter Festival Linn County Fair & Expo Center Albany, OR www.midwinterfestival.org
February 26-27, 2027 -- 72nd Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention, The Center At Deltona 1640 Dr. Martin Luther King Blvd. Deltona, FL
March 5 -7, 2027 -- 72nd Annual Mississippi State Festival, Pearl Methodist Church, Family Life Center, 226 South Pearson Rd. Pearl, Mississippi
March 12-13, 2027 -- 2027 Louisiana Square And Round Dance Convention, Promenade Hall 5400 Benton, RD, Bossier City, LA
March 18-20, 2027 -- WASCA 2027 Spring Festival, DoubleTree by Hilton Washington Dulles Airport Hotel, 13869 Park Center Road, Herndon Va 20171
March 28-30, 2027 -- Golden State Round Up, Lodi Grape Festival Event Center, 413 E. Lockeford St., Lodi, CA

April 9-10 2027 -- South Carolina 50th State Convention, Gateway conference Center, 3200 Commerce Drive, Richburg, SC, 9729
April 16-18, 2027 -- California State Square Dance Convention Madera District Fair, Madera CA
April 23 & 24, 2027 -- North Dakota State Festival, Grand Forks North Dakota
May 7 - 9, 2027 -- Nevada Silver State Festival, Circus Circus Hotel and Casino, 500 N. Sierra Street, Reno, NV
May 7 - 8, 2027 -- Ohio Dance Convention – A Royal Affair, Sheraton Suites 1989 Front Street Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 2027
May 21-23, 2027 -- New Mexico State Square Dance Festival, St. Peters Catholic Church, 113 East Deming St. Roswell, NM 88201
May 28 - 31, 2027 -- 56th Montana State Square Dance Festival, Lolo, MT
June 3 - 6, 2027 -- 65th Annual Texas State Federation Square and Round Dance Festival, Multi-Purpose Event Center, 1000 5th Street, Wichita Falls TX
June 4 - 5, 2027 -- 73rd Kansas Square Dance Festival, West Heights UMC - Family Center 745 N. Westlink Ave. Wichita, Kansas 67212
Jun 11-12, 2027 -- Idaho State Square and Round Dance Festival, Priest River Lamanna High School, 596 Highway 57, Priest River, Idaho
June 23-26, 2027 -- 76th National Square Dance Convention®, Loveland, CO see: 76nsdc.com
July 23-25, 2027 -- 41st Illinois Square Dance Convention, Crowne Plaza Springfield, 3000 South Dirksen Pkwy, Springfield, IL,
July 30-31, 2027 -- HASSDA Festival, Riverfront Community Center 123 Esplanade Street, Leavenworth, KS
August 5-7, 2027 , -- Tennessee State Square and Round Dance Convention, Mills Conference Center, 234 Airport Rd, Gatlinburg, TN
August 13-15, 2027 -- 67th WI State Square and Round Dance Convention, Dreyfus University Center, UW Stevens Point, Stevens Point, WI

Diamond Cir-Q-L8 & Roll to Mid Winter Festival in 2027



Featured Caller
Ted Lizotte

January 29, 30, 31, 2027

**Linn County Fair and Expo Center,
Albany, OR**



www.facebook.com/MidWinterSDFestival



www.midwinterfestival.org



Chairwoman

Brooke Davison

davison.brooke.77@gmail.com



Featured Clogging Cuer
Trevor DeWitt

CO-Chair

Linda Neuschwander

linleeneu@comcast.net



Featured Cuers
Pamela and Jeff Johnson

USDA NEWS
C/O Lilly Hardin
PO Box 4782
Dillon, CO 80435-4782

PRSRT STD
US Postage
PAID
Kansas City, MO
Permit 350

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

UNITED SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA
2026-2027 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
www.usda.org/officers.php

PRESIDENT

Scott and Sandy Ebright (TN)
937-830-1481, 865-466-5514
Email: president@usda.org

VP EASTERN REGION

Shiela Moody (MA)
207-286-4771, EasternVP@usda.org

VP CENTRAL REGION

Bill and Debbie Shepard (TN)
931-215-9318, CentralVP@usda.org

VP PLAINS REGION

Dan Reedy (AR)
731-612-1155, PlainsVP@usda.org

VP WESTERN REGION

Nina Grigsby (AZ)
240-481-3580, WesternVP@usda.org

SECRETARY

Marilyn Schmit (OR)
503-508-0539, Secretary@usda.org

**TREASURER, PHOTOGRAPHY,
ARCHIVES**

Jim and Judy Taylor (CO)
(H) 303-795-3278, (C) 720-456-0413
Email: Treasurer@usda.org

PAST PRESIDENT

Ellery and Karen Gulbrand (WI)
(H) 920-434-0669, Past@usda.org

APPOINTED POSITIONS

CENTENNIAL AWARD

Ed Willis (NC)
910-616-3639, centennial@usda.org

INFORMATION & SOUND

LPaul and Sally Schmidt (CA)
(LP) 619-222-0445, (S) 619-804-5266
Email: Sound@usda.org, Info@usda.org

PARLIAMENTARIAN, 501(C)(3)

Jim Maczko (CA)
(H) 619-295-2635, (C) 619-840-7791
Email: 501c3apply@usda.org

GROUP RENEWALS 501(C)(3)

Patricia Inglis (GA)
(H) 678-684-3886 (C) 404-932-5512
Email: 501c3renew@usda.org

USDA NEWS EDITORS, APPAREL

Art and Lilly Hardin (CO)
(H) 970-262-6415 (L) 719-440-0945
Email: News@usda.org

INSURANCE COORDINATOR

Eddie and Elizabeth Sanders (GA)
706-759-3642, Insurance@usda.org

**LEADERSHIP, EDUCATION &
PUBLICATIONS**

Doug and Willa Bradshaw (CO)
(H) 303-988-7466
(D) 303-250-2536, (W) 303-250-2542
Email: Publications@usda.org

**HISTORIAN, SHOWCASE OF
IDEAS, APPAREL**

Edythe Weber (MO)
816-830-0350, Historian@usda.org

USA TRAVELER PROGRAM

Jerry & Donna Robey (IL)
(H) 815-977-5763 (C) 352-284-7912
Email: Traveler@usda.org

**FACILITIES, AFTER PARTY,
BADGES & SOCIAL MEDIA**

Milene McCall (KY)
502-525-3356
Facilities@usda.org, Social@usda.org

**ONLINE EDUCATION & SOCIAL
MEDIA**

Bonnie Abramson (CA)
916-213-3640
Education@usda.org, Social@usda.org

YOUTH ADVISOR

Denise Jenkins (MO)
417-684-0458, Youth@usda.org

HANDICAPABLE DANCERS

Alitia Becker (LA)
318-547-9578, Handicap@usda.org

WEBMASTER

Dan and Jean Wheeler (MO)
816-223-0803
Webmaster@usda.org