

VASARDA

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**Deadline to submit articles and
flyers for our next issue is
July 30, 2026
Please send to Nancy Stafford
nvccnan@gmail.com**

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE FOR VASARDA DANCERS

Hello Dancers!

The 36th Virginia State Convention was a success, a big “Thank You” to Jamie Butler, Brenda and Keith Krabbenhoft along with their wonderful committees to make this a great smoothly run Convention.

The Callers, Cuers, Line Dance Instructors, Clogging Instructors, and Contra Prompters all did a fantastic job and made the Convention a lot of fun.

Work on the 37th Convention has already started. Nancy Stafford and Jeanette Lockhart, the Directors, have several wonderful ideas that they want to try. The 37th Virginia State Convention will be held February 18th, 19th and 20th 2027 at the Holiday Inn Virginia Beach/Norfolk Hotel & Conference Center. The Theme of the 37th Convention is “Swing Thru Caribbean Style”, so get your Caribbean and beach attire and show them off at the Convention.

I think these people need recognition for all their contributions and expertise they give every Convention year after year: Matt Worley, Jeremy Butler, John and Charlotte Richardson, Dick and Trish Otis, Tom and Darrella Deubel, and Rita West “Thank You”!

The next VASARDA Zoom meeting is July 26th 2026 at 7:00 pm.

It is an honor for Jeanette and me to be the VASARDA Presidents, we will do all that we can to promote Square Dancing and keep the Virginia State Convention going strong. I know we have some big shoes to fill, Tom and Nancy Stafford do an awesome job, but we will give it our all.

Take Care and Keep Dancing and Have Fun!

Wayne and Jeanette Lockhart

VASARDA Presidents

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Nancy



Jeanette

37th Virginia State Convention

“Swing Thru Caribbean Style”

We are planning a fun weekend of dancing at the 37th Virginia State Convention. The 37th Convention will be held February 18-20, 2027 at the Holiday Inn Virginia Beach/Norfolk Hotel & Conference Center. We want to thank our wonderful 2027 Committee who have already started on plans for the 2027 State Convention. The Convention would not be possible without all of the people who volunteer to help.

We have a great lineup of callers, cuers, lines instructors, clogging instructors and even a Contra prompter. There will be a lot of opportunities to dance and to greet your friends and make new friends too.

Many of the VASCA staff have already agreed to call at the Convention. Those who have agreed are: Ben Brown; Jeremy Butler; Bob Clinebell; Terry Headlee; Jim Kline; Mike McIntyre; Grant Moser and Matt Worley. Guest Callers will be Ken Burke from TN; Art LaVigne from MD; Ed Pabst from OH; Shawn and Scott Brown from PA; Greg Hatmaker from TN and Lisa Minton from PA. We are sure more callers will be joining the staff.

Virginia cuers will be Christina Eum; Calvin Crofford; Caleb Fogler; Mike McIntyre, Ken Ryder and Jim Kline.

The Lines instructors will be Donna & Doug Riley; Terry Headlee; and Kerrie Musico. Jeff Hill and Kerry Musico will also have some clogging instruction. Bob Clinebell will be prompting some Contra.

The Virginia State Convention will also have a Secondhand Rose Sale; a basket raffle and a craft/sewing hour.

The price is \$50.00 each for the full Convention. The room rate is \$129.00 plus tax. The deadline for the room rate is January 18, 2027. Please see the flyer in this Issue.

Nancy Stafford and Jeanette Lockhart, Directors

Tom Stafford and Wayne Lockhart, Special Assistants to the Directors

VASARDA & VASCA

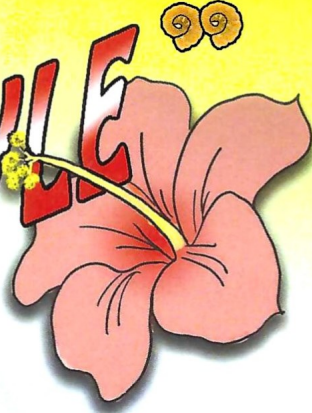
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VIRGINIA STATE CALLERS ASSOCIATION



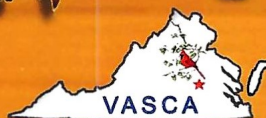
Present The VIRGINIA STATE CONVENTION

SWING THRU CARIBBEAN STYLE



February 18-20, 2027

Holiday Inn Virginia Beach/Norfolk Hotel & Conference Center





Virginia Square & Round Dance Association with the Virginia State Callers Association - 37th VA State Convention - February 18, 19, 20, 2027

Co-Directors: Jeanette Lockhart & Nancy Stafford
Jlockhart59@gmail.com & nvccnan@gmail.com
757-897-3732 & 703-217-1670

Special Assistants : Wayne Lockhart & Tom Stafford

www.vasquairedance.org

Dancer Name #1 (1st & Last) _____ Dancer Name #2 (1st & Last) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ Email(s) _____

Additional Registrant(s) _____

No. of Dancers

Price

Dance Level/Type: (Circle all that apply)

- _____ Entire 37th Conv (2/22/26-2/16/27) @ \$50.00 each \$ _____
- _____ At the 37th Door-Entire Conv @ \$55.00 each \$ _____
- _____ Thursday Only (at 37th Conv) @ \$15.00 each \$ _____
- _____ Friday Only (at 37th Conv) @ \$20.00 each \$ _____
- _____ Saturday Only (at 37th Conv) @ \$25.00 each \$ _____
- _____ VASARDA Membership @ \$5 pp each year \$ _____

Squares: Mainstream Plus DBD Advanced
Rounds: Ph II Ph III Ph IV Ph V
Contra Clogging Lines

Caller / Cuer / Line / Contra / Clogging Instructor
(Circle if on VA State Convention Staff)

Convention fees:

CHILDREN 13 AND UNDER – FREE,
YOUTH 14 TO 16 – HALF PRICE,
ADULTS 17 AND UP – FULL PRICE

Total \$ _____

SOLO (Please circle if Solo)

First VA State Convention (Circle if 1st)

Please make Check or Money Order payable to "VASARDA" - Credit Cards are accepted.

Credit Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____ CVV: _____

Name on Card: _____ Signature: _____

SEND REGISTRATIONS TO:

Brenda & Keith Krabbenhoft, Registrar
840 South Delphine Ave., Waynesboro, VA 22980
540-476-0050 or email Brendaw5@gmail.com
No Refunds given after February 13, 2027

**PROVIDED PROOF OF REGISTRATION REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES.
SQUARE DANCE ATTIRE FRI. & SAT. AFTER 7 PM
CASUAL ATTIRE THURSDAY & DAYTIME ON FRI. & SAT.
BY REGISTERING ALL REGISTRANTS CONSENT TO BE
PHOTOGRAPHED OR RECORDED WHICH MAY BE USED IN
VASARDA PUBLICATIONS. PLEASE VISIT THE REGISTRATION
DESK FOR FULL DISCLAIMER.**

HOUSING RESERVATIONS

Book Directly with:

**The Holiday Inn Virginia Beach-Norfolk Hotel & Conference Center
5655 Greenwich Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23462**

Special Lodging Rate is \$129.00 plus tax and will be honored for 2 days before and after the convention.

Deadline for the Special rate is Monday, January 18, 2027

Please book your room by calling 757-499-4400 (Toll free 800-567-3856) and reference

"Virginia Square and Round Dance Association Room Block"

Or you may use the Worldwide number at 800-465-4329 and use the **Group Code VSC**



Our Convention Directors and their Special Assistants attended a Booster Dance at Panhandlers on Saturday night, May 2, 2026.

2027 Convention Booster Dances

Several Booster Dances have already slipped by ... the first one at Flutterwheels, which required 2 pictures to get everyone in, took place on March 7th



Come out and join the fun at some of the ones that are currently scheduled and know that there are more being planned.

May 2nd, Saturday, 6:30-9:30PM Panhandlers, 110 W. North Street, Charlestown, WV 25414 with Mike McIntyre & Butch Bloxom
May 28th, Thursday, 7-9PM Double-N Dancers, 1405 Kiln Creek Parkway, Newport News, with Jim and Kathie Kline
June 1st, Monday, 7-9PM Grand Squares, 13490 Benn's Church Blvd., Smithfield, with Jim and Kathie Kline
July 14th, Tuesday, 7-9PM Foxhill Squares, 65 Hall Road, Hampton, with Jeremy Butler
July 25th, Saturday, 7-9:30PM Thumpers, 2801 Virginia Beach Blvd., Virginia Beach, with Matt Worley, Jim and Kathie Kline
August 7th, Friday, 8-10PM Tuckahoe Squares, 8787 River Road, Richmond, with Art Lavigne
October 3rd, Saturday, 7-9:30PM Shooting Stars, 8065 Carlton Street, Norfolk, with Bob Clinebell and Calvin Crofford
October 23rd, Friday, 7:30-9:30PM Merry Notes, 873 Grace St, Herndon, with Dick Otis and Ken Ryder



Membership Corner . .

The More – The Merrier – There were just 2 couples. Oh they were enjoying the round dance, but it felt too much like an exhibition to truly enjoy it. Fortunately, by the middle of the song there were 5 more couples that had joined in and it was even more fun on the dance floor. Same thing happens with square dancing. At a recent convention, there were just 2 squares on the floor. They were having fun, but despite their efforts, their laughter just wasn't filling the hall. 20 minutes later there were 8 squares on the floor and the energy, excitement, and laughs were overflowing the room. People out in the hall were looking in and coming in to see what was so much fun, who was calling, etc.

Successful - if there was a powder keg to the American revolution, it was ... Boston. As events there unfolded and the reaction from England impacted the other Colonies, things changed. What cannot be overlooked is the fact that we would not be celebrating the 250th if it weren't for the other 12 colonies recognizing that one colony could not successfully confront England. In fact, 13 colonies fighting England independently would not have worked. Instead, ironically, the 13 independent colonies banded together – to become an independent nation. It took lots of colonists from each colony, all contributing their skills and resources to both declare independence and then achieve it.

Easier – help VASARDA be even more successful in 2026 and the years to come by joining for \$5 per person. But don't stop there, volunteer your time and skills by being on the Convention Committee or the VASARDA Board or anywhere you can help. Perhaps you don't currently have time to spare, then help others pay the \$5 to join. The point is simple. The more dancers the merrier. The more participants the more successful. The more helping the easier. See you on the dance floor!

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Virginia Square and Round Dance Association - Membership Form

First and Last Names of all Members:		
Address:		
City, State & Zip Code:		
Phone and Email:		
Club Affiliation:		

ANNUAL DUES ARE \$5.00 PER DANCER PER YEAR

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Make Checks payable to **VASARDA** - Mail Check or Cash to:

Brenda Krabbenhoft
840 S. Delphine Ave
Waynesboro, VA 22980

For further information: 540-476-0050 Brendaw5@gmail.com

2026 Cardinal Awards



The 2026 Cardinal Award recipients' journey in square dancing began in 1963 in the west. After beginning college to pursue music education our recipient began bagpipe classes and was smitten with his teacher, they would later marry and begin their time calling and cueing.

After marrying in Idaho they resided there for many years before moving to Wyoming where they were very involved in their square dancing community. In 2011 they decided to retire to Smithfield and "just dance." Well, that did not happen.

Upon moving here our honorees joined VASCA and have served on the executive board for many years and play a major role in coordinating our staff members for the state convention. Our recipients call or cue or do both for many local clubs, Grand Squares, Double N Dancers, Thumpers, Wagon Wheelers and serve as guest caller/cuer for many local events. When there is a need, they fill it. When there was no dancing in the Smithfield area, they created a club. Post-pandemic when many peninsula clubs were forced to fold, they created a new club to keep dancing going there.

While they planned to retire and slow down all they have done is continue to give to the square dancing community. Writing new round dances, arranging music for Double M Records, recording singing calls, calling, cueing, dancing, quilting, volunteering, telling jokes they are only just getting started. The selection committee is thrilled to recognize **Jim and Kathie Kline** for their contributions to square dancing in the state of Virginia.

CENTRAL VA NEWS

**Tuckahoe Square Dance Club
Richmond, Virginia**

**Join Us as We Celebrate Sixty Years of Dancing on June 17, 2026
With Special Guests from the Virginia State Convention Booster Team**

**Featured Callers Mike Sikorsky & Grant Moser
Montpelier Center for Arts and Education
17205 Mountain Rd., Montpelier, VA 23192**

Refreshing bites and desserts will be served during the event.

Tickets - \$20 per Dancer

Sponsorships and Ad Space Still Available

Download Your Order Form Today!

<https://tuckahoesquares.com/60th-anniversary-dance/>

Questions? Email tuckahoesquares@gmail.com or cj.rva@outlook.com



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

May 1st, square up in your Club Colors and dance to caller Art Lavigne.

May 15th with caller Ben Brown.

May 29th *Investing in a New Voice*, Debut Dance with caller Grant Moser.

Guests will enjoy 2 for 1 Admission

June 5th dancing with Dick Otis.

June 17th Anniversary Dance featuring callers Mike Sikorsky and Grant Moser. Celebrate with us and help support the important work of VASARDA.

June 19th, join the fun and wear a Crazy Hat and Dance, with Bob Clinebell.

July 3rd, Celebrating July 4th and America 250 with caller Jeremy Butler.

July 17th with caller Bob Clinebell.

7/31 Community Hoe Down and Roundup featuring caller Matt Worley.

See our full calendar at <https://tuckahoesquares.com/dance-schedule-2/>



CENTRAL VA NEWS

**Tuckahoe Square Dance Club
Richmond, Virginia**

We hope you'll square up with us soon!

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PAST QUARTER

Club members attended both the VA State Convention and WASCA this year. Congratulations to both groups for 2 amazing events!

Our "Virginia is for Square Dance Lovers" dance on Feb. 13th with Bob Clinebell was full of ♥ and served as the kickoff for our 60th Anniversary year.

We rolled out the red carpet for a "Night at the Movies" on March 20th with Jeremy Butler. He joined the fun as "Agent K" from Men in Black and controlled the dance floor winning an Oscar for Most Recognizable costume. Oscars were awarded to dancers in 7 categories that night.

April 10th Matt Worley helped us celebrate a weekend of golf at our "Masters Par Tee". Dancers wore Masters' Green or golf attire and in between tips could try their hand at the putting green.

March Madness was the theme for our free club sponsored 5-week March "Mainstream" Madness workshop with caller Sally Terry.

Determined to be ready for the CallerLab changes in the fall, we are in full swing with a 9-week Plus Workshop with Mike Sikorsky via Zoom for 4 weeks and Bob Clinebell in person for 5 weeks. 30 club members have signed up for this Workshop which started April 7th and will end June 2nd.

If you did not have an opportunity to purchase one of our "I ♥ Square Dance" pins at State Convention or WASCA, email us at tuckahoesquares@gmail.com.

ABOUT TUCKAHOE SQUARES

We call ourselves "The Friendly Club".

Couple and Solo Dancers Welcome.

We Feature Guest Callers from the Mid-Atlantic Region.

Alternating Mainstream and Plus Tips at Each Dance.

8pm – 10pm on the 1st and 3rd Friday of Each Month.

Line Dancing Offered Many Nights with Phyllis Harris.

Where do you dance?

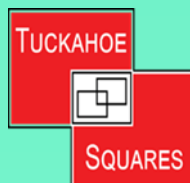
We dance at All Saints Episcopal Church, 8787 River Road, Henrico, VA 23229

How much does it cost to dance?

\$10 per dance for visitors or \$15 per month for members.

Do I have to wear square dance clothes?

While we welcome square dance attire, it is not required and most dancers dress casually. For our theme dances we encourage everyone to join in the fun and dress up if they can.



CENTRAL VA NEWS

Tuckahoe Squares



Virginia State Convention



March Mainstream Madness Workshop

CENTRAL VA NEWS

Tuckahoe Squares



Masters Par Tee Dance



CENTRAL VA NEWS

Tuckahoe Squares



**Anniversary
Kick Off and
Virginia is for
Square Dance
Lovers Dance**



March Night at the Movies Oscar Winners

SHENANDOAH VALLEY NEWS

RIVERMONT RAMBLERS

Fran Hernandez

The Rivermont Ramblers dance every 2nd and 4th Friday of the month at the Warren County Community Center, 538 Villa Drive, Front Royal, VA 22630. Mike McIntyre is our club caller and cuer. PreRounds are from 6:15 PM to 6:45 PM and 2X2s from 6:45 PM to 9:00 PM. We alternate between Main Stream and Plus depending upon the dancers in attendance on a given club night. If you have questions or need additional information contact Amy Clements, Phone 540-742-3920 or email rjwjrszf@yahoo.com

Our current students have just graduated PLUS and all five have joined our club! Tuesday nights will now be a Plus Level Danceshop. Mike will begin introducing the new Plus calls. The Danceshop will be held every Tuesday from 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM at the Warren County Health and Human Services Complex, 465 W 15th Street, Front Royal, VA 22630. Mike McIntyre is the caller/instructor. If you have questions or need additional information contact Mike McIntyre at 540-336-7412 or email call-and-que@comcast.net

We had a very good club turnout for WASCA. Ten Rambler members and our caller, Mike McIntyre attended. We really enjoyed the weekend of fun dancing to such a great line up of callers! Our next special club dance will be Tuesday, June 16, when Mike Sikorsky will be our guest caller.



St Patrick's Day Dance

**RIVERMONT RAMBLERS
SQUARE DANCE CLUB**

“ARIZONA BOOTS”



With special guest caller

MIKE SIKORSKY

Tuesday, June 16, 2026

6:15 PM – 9:30 PM

Admission \$10

Square Dance Attire Optional

Mainstream/Plus (no rounds)

Marlow Heights Baptist Church

517 Braxton Road

Front Royal, VA 22630

Questions: Call or Text Amy Clements: 540-742-3920

CIRCLE '8.

SQUARE DANCE CLUB
OF WAYNESBORO, VA, INC

CALLERS FOR 2025 - 2026 DANCE SEASON WITH THEMES

Dance Location: WoodmenLife Lodge, 4001 White Bridge Rd, Waynesboro, VA 22980

Club Dances are on Saturdays / Class on Tuesdays at Preston Yancey Fire Hall

Mainstream/Plus Dances from 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM

Always check Flyers/Dance Notices as some Afternoon Dances or Extra Dancing

Website: www.circle8squaredance.org Facebook: Circle 8 Square Dance Club of Waynesboro, VA

Sept 9, 2025	*Tues (5:30-6:15 DBD)	Mike Sikorsky	"Boots, Hats, & Lace" - early DBD, MS & Plus
Sept 13, 2025		Art LaVigne	"Apple PickinTime" MS & Plus
Sept 27, 2025	SVSARDA Dance (Circle 8 - Hosts)	Ed Pabst, Caller Ben Brown, Caller	- Carol Pabst, Cuer - Early Rds & Evening Dance - Afternoon Plus DBD
Oct 11, 2025	(Extra Dancing)	Jeremy Butler	"Fall Harvest"- Pre-2 hr DBD/Adv/Dinner (extra fee) AND <u>MS & Plus - Evening Dance</u>
Oct 25, 2025		Howard Williamson	"BOOster Dance for VA State"- MS, Plus & Lines
Nov 8, 2025		Nelson Wakeman	"Honoring Our Veterans"- Food Drive - MS & Plus
Nov 22, 2025		Bob Clinebell	"Let's Give Thanks" MS, Plus & Lines
Dec 13, 2025	(Sat. afternoon)	Mike McIntyre	"Christmas Magic" (3:00-6:00 PM) MS & Plus
Dec 31, 2025	(Wednesday)	Ben Brown	NYE Party "Lots of Glitter & Gold" 8 PM - 12 midnight - MS, Plus & Lines
Jan 10, 2026		Bob Clinebell	"Wintry Night" - MS, Plus & Lines
Jan 24, 2026	(Sat. afternoon)	Grant Moser (change)	"Wear Your Club Colors" (3:00-6:00 PM) MS & Plus
Feb 14, 2026	(Extra Dancing)	Mike McIntyre (caller change)	"Love is in the Air" - DBD from 5:45-6:15 PM AND <u>MS, Plus & Lines - Evening Dance</u>
Feb 28, 2026	(Extra Dancing)	Jeremy Butler	"Nat'l Chocolate Lovers Day" Pre-2 hr DBD/Adv/ Dinner (extra fee) AND <u>MS & Plus - Evening Dance</u>
Mar 14, 2026		Bill Harrison	"Wearing of the Green" MS & Plus
Mar 28, 2026		DARK	WASCA Festival - at Hilton Dulles Airport Hotel
Apr 11, 2026	(Extra Dancing)	Ben Brown	"OH NO! Tax Day is Soon" - Maybe Pre-DBD (extra fee) - AND <u>MS & Plus - Evening Dance</u>
Apr 25, 2026	(Sat. afternoon)	Ken Burke (change)	"Black & White Ball" (3:00-6:00 PM) MS & Plus
May 9, 2026		Terry Headlee	"Beatles, YES! w/Strawberry Fields Forever" MS, Plus & Lines
May 23, 2026		Howard Williamson	"Stars & Stripes" MS, Plus & Lines
June 13, 2026		Ed Pabst	"Sunny Days Ahead"-possibility of Rounds, if interest

Club Contacts: June & Harry Baum 540-256-1779-c email: baum.june@yahoo.com

Brenda Krabbenhoft 540-476-0050-c email: brendaw5@gmail.com

Updated Jan 15, 2026 - jb

SHENANDOAH VALLEY NEWS

Panhandler Square Dance Club

Our club hosts dances on 1st and 3rd Saturdays, offering Rounds and 2x2's from 6-9:30 pm at Asbury UMC in Charles Town, WV in the Williams Annex. We continue to enjoy our Caller and Instructor, Mike McIntyre and Cuers Butch and Roberta Bloxom. We always appreciate our regular dancers, but love when we have guests from other clubs. These friendships "old and new" enrich our love of dance. Please subscribe to our Facebook page for news about our upcoming events or contact Mike McIntyre directly at call-and-que@comcast.net

In March we donned our "Green, White or Orange" for a St Patrick's dance and our Spring finery to celebrate "Love is in the Air". April themes were Easter Lily and Pie Day dances. Upcoming in May we will hold a Spring Fever dance and our Annual Church Fundraiser Ice Cream Social dance. This one is especially popular and the funds we raise are a goodwill offering to the church in appreciation for use of our venue. In June we will host the very fun Mexican Hat dance and also recognize our beautiful home state's founding with our Almost Heaven WV Day dance.

Classes for new square dancers began in September with several Main Stream students who were later joined by others in Plus level classes. We graduated four and have a few others near that completion level. These new dancers are a welcome addition and are having so much fun! They know they still have "kinks" to work out, but the experienced dancers are always Angels – in class and at heart.

A few members attended the VA State and WASCA Festivals. Everyone reported they had a lot of fun and enjoyed the reunions with friends and the variety of callers. A few of our new graduates enjoyed the hospitality of WASCA at the Student Invitational. What fun the attendees were having!

Our club is struggling in the attendance and recruitment areas. We will be redoubling our efforts to increase our visibility. I imagine other clubs are struggling with retention as well, and it would be a great benefit to share ideas in this newsletter and other forums.



The Panhandlers 2025 & 2026 Schedule –revised 08-25-2025 IN PROCESS

DATE	EVENT	PLACE	CALLER/CUER	TIME
2025				
SEPT 6 TH	Round 'Em Up!!!	AC	McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30
SEPT 20 TH	Fall Festival Dance	AC	McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30
OCT 4 TH	Country Music	AC	McIntyre/McIntyre	6:30-7:00/9:30
OCT 18 TH	Monster Mash	AC	McIntyre/McIntyre	6:00-7:00/9:30
NOV 1 ST	Veterans Day/WASCA THEME	AC	McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30
NOV 15 TH	Turkey Gobbler	AC	McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30
DEC 6 TH	Snow Flake	AC	McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30
DEC 20 TH	Christmas Dinner Dance	AC	McIntyre/Bloxom	Pre-rds 5:00-6:00/eat 6-7/2x2 til 9:30
DEC 31 ST	New Years Eve	AC	McIntyre/ Lavigne Grimes/ Bloxom	Pre-rds 8-9/2x2 9-12 /dinner 11pm
2026				
JAN 3	DARK			
JAN 17 TH	Hot Chocolate	WH	McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30
FEB 7 TH	Team Jersey	AC	McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30
FEB 21	DARK		STATE CONVENTION	
MAR 7 TH	Green/White/Orange St.Patrick	AC	McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30
MAR 21 ST	Love Is In The Air	AC	McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30
APR 4 TH	Easter Lily	AC	McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30
APR 18 TH	Pie Dance	AC	McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30
MAY 2 ^{cd}	Spring Fever	AC	McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30
MAY 16 th	Church Fundraiser: Ice Cream Social	AC	McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30
JUN 6	Mexican Hat	WH	McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30
June 20 th	Almost Heaven WV	WH	McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30
JUL 4 TH	DARK - HOLLIDAY			
JUL 18 TH	Watermelon Dance	WH	McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30
JUL 19 TH	Sunday Afternoon Picnic		McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30
AUG 1 ST	Orange Dreamcicle	WH	McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30
AUG 15 TH	Pet Night	WH	McIntyre/Bloxom	6:00-7:00/9:30

Asbury United Methodist Church

ASBURY CENTER
104 W. NORTH ST.
Charles Town, WV 25414

WILLIAMS HALL
110 W. NORTH ST
Charles Town, WV 25414
Park behind church

For information contact:

Mike McIntyre (540)336-7412 or call-and-que@comcast.net

SHENANDOAH VALLEY NEWS

Virginia Reelers are having a good year! We have danced to wonderful callers and shared moments with friends from many nearby (and not so nearby) clubs. We are finishing up our Plus level class with 4 new students, all of whom have been eager and willing to attend local dances. We have been really excited about their enthusiasm as this has not been the norm in our experience. We are also thankful for the angels, our own and those from other clubs (Greene County and Waynesboro), who faithfully attend in order to help our new dancers to thrive. Our club recently celebrated a special birthday with our caller/instructor/friend Warren Painter and hope to have the opportunity to celebrate many more. The Reelers are dark for the summer, after our dance on June 12 with Terry Headlee, but we look forward to supporting other area clubs who are active during this time.

We look forward to seeing you in a square sometime soon. Happy dancing everyone!

Robin Shifflett

President, Virginia Reelers Square Dance Club



Happy Birthday Warren

The Blue Ridge Stars Of Amherst, VA

Invite you to a fun night of dancing
To the caller,

Terry Headlee.



Friday, May 15, 2026

Dance time is *7:30 to 10:00 PM.*

Amherst Elementary School
156 Davis Street
Amherst, VA 24521



For contact information:
Barbara Campbell: 434 660-2703
Lynn Webb: 607 423-9390

\$10 donation.

Sponsored by Amherst County Parks and Recreation.

**Blue Ridge Stars of
Amherst, VA**
WELCOMES YOU TO
COME DANCE
to caller
**Nelson Wakeman from
Edinburg, VA**



June 19, 2026

Amherst Elementary School
156 Davis St. Amherst, VA 24521

7:30 to 10:00 PM

Mainstream and Plus

\$10 donation

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NORTHERN VA NEWS

MERRY NOTES

The Merry Notes will be going DARK for the summer but we still have some fun evenings planned. If you plan to join us for May 22 with Ed and Carol Pabst we will be at a different location. Please note that dance will be held at the Ridings at Blue Spring HOA Clubhouse 43919 Edgewater Street Chantilly VA 20152. This winter we had to cancel several dances so we are extending our dance season into June for a special make up dance to be held on June 12th. Please join us for some of the dances listed below.

May 8 - "Cinco de Mayo" Chris Stacy from Virginia and Christina Eum from Virginia cuing

May 22 - "Red, White & Blue-Memorial Day" Ed Pabst from Ohio and Carol Pabst from Ohio cuing

May 29 - "Here Comes Summer" Matt Worley from Virginia and Butch Bloxom from West Virginia cuing

June 12 - "Make Up Dance" Dick Otis from Virginia and Ken Ryder from Virginia cuing

The Merry Notes dances Plus with Rounds from 7:30 to 9:30 PM on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Fridays from September thru May. We encourage square dance attire. Mask are optional. Our location is the Herndon Senior Center 873 Grace Street Herndon, Va. For additional information contact Nancy 703-217-1670 or Kelly 571-275-3389

We hope to see you soon! Trish Otis



Art Lavigne at the St. Patrick Dance



Doren McBroom and
Christina Eum

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Ryder's Rounders at St B's continue to dance phase II-IV [with an occasional special phase V] on the new beautiful wood floor in the Richardson Room at St Barnabas Episcopal Church -- 4801 Ravensworth Rd, Annandale VA --every Thursday from 7-9:30 PM. We also love to party featuring special thematic dances and tasty treats to reflect specific holidays. Club members and intermediate workshop dancers celebrated our **annual Bunny Hop Party Dance on Thursday, April 16, and Sunday, April 19.** The Richardson Room was alive with spring colors. Club members and workshop dancers enjoyed delicious treats, smooth dancing, and the workshop dancers did Ken's 2 step "**BUNNY HOP!!**". Come join us Thursday or Sunday evenings at St B's whenever you can.

We have continued our intermediate workshops on Sundays from 6:15-7:15 PM with class level dancing from 7:15-8:45 reflecting rhythms previously reviewed. We have also started a basic dance class from 5:15-6:15PM preceding our intermediate workshop. Our basic class is currently focused on cha cha figures. Our intermediate workshop is currently reviewing phase III-IV foxtrot figures. We also have an intermediate workshop and dance at Greenspring Senior Community in Springfield VA every Monday afternoon from 1:00 -3:00 PM. We're currently reviewing phase IV foxtrot figures. We'd love to have you join us and if you'd like to do so, please call Berni and Ken for more information regarding their intermediate workshops and basic class.

We invite all round dancers to join us in-person at Greenspring on Monday afternoons or St Barnabas on Sunday and Thursday evenings. If you have any questions or need more information about the clubs, the workshops, or beginner dance lessons -- please call Berni and Ken at 703 323-6615.



Advanced (A2) Square Dancing

Day and Time: Friday Nights (8PM – 10PM)

Location: Joyce Kilmer Middle School Cafeteria

8100 Wolftrap Road – Vienna, VA 22182

Cost: \$10/person

Schedule for 2025-2026

Sep 19 Dick Otis

Oct 3 Brian Jarvis

Oct 17 Ett McAtee

Oct 31 Doren McBroom

Nov 7 DARK - HFH

Nov 21 Chris Stacy

Dec 5 Kent Forrester

Dec 19 Dayle Hodge

Jan 2 DARK

Jan 16 John Marshall

Jan 30 Doren McBroom

Feb 6 Dick Otis

Feb 20 Kent Forrester

Mar 6 John Marshall

Apr 3 Brian Jarvis

Apr 17 Dave Hartman

May 1 DARK - PTOH

May 15 Chris Stacy

May 29 Ett McAtee

Directions: From **Tysons** Corner: South on Gallows Rd, turn right on Wolftrap Rd, just past the Fire Station on corner. School is one block down on right.

* On these dates in Freedom Hill Elementary School cafeteria, 1945 Lord Fairfax Dr, Vienna.

** On this date we will be in the Kilmer Center Cafeteria, which is a separate entrance on the left side of the school

Casual Attire

Couples and Singles Welcome - Computer Squares - Everyone dances!

For information:

Steve Johnson – 703-489-6841

mustchz@comcast.net or mustchz@gmail.com



Decorating Volunteers Needed!

Hey everyone! Didn't you have a great time at the Virginia State Square Dance Convention in February? Can you believe there are only nine more months to our next convention? Now is the time to start looking for your Caribbean themed dance clothes! And while you are looking, if you have great ideas – or any ideas – on how to decorate for the “Swing Thru Caribbean Style” themed convention halls, give me a shout out and help me decorate the halls of the Holiday Inn next February!

Contact Michele at MAWBEW@aol.com with ideas and hopefully volunteer to help me follow through with beautifully decorated dance halls! I'm looking forward to hearing from you and thank you in advance for supporting the 37th Virginia State Square Dance Convention! -Michele

Cowboy Showers Scholarship

If you are interested in becoming a Square Dance Caller, Round Dance Cuer, Line Dance Instructor or a Contra Prompter, consider applying for the Cowboy Showers Scholarship to help defray the cost to attend an accredited school. The fund was started in the memory of Phillip Clinton “Cowboy” Showers, a caller from Waynesboro, Virginia who along with his wife Liz, were charter members of VASCA, VASARDA and the Shenandoah Valley Callers Council. The fund is administered by VASARDA and recipients are selected by a Committee of VASCA and VASARDA members.

To request an application, contact Bob Clinebell at rclinebell@cox.net
Donations to the Cowboy Showers Scholarship fund are always appreciated and can be

SPECIAL UPCOMING DANCES, 2026—2028

75th Nat'l Square Dance Convention, June 24-27, 2026
Star Spangled Banner Festival, July 16-18, 2026
PA Fabulous Fall Festival, October 1-3, 2026
OBX Getaway Weekend, November 13-14, 2026
Virginia State Convention, February 18-20, 2027
WASCA Festival, March 18-20, 2027
76th Nat'l Square Dance Convention, June 23-26, 2027
77th Nat'l Square Dance Convention, June 28-July 1, 2028

Deadline to submit articles and
flyers for our next issue is
July 30, 2026
Please send to Nancy Stafford
nvccnan@gmail.com

Cowboy Showers Scholarship

Cowboy Showers Scholarship Application For Callers, Cuers, Contra prompters & Line Dance Instructors

Applicant's Name _____ Partner _____
Address _____

Telephone () _____ E-mail _____

Applicant's Dancing/*Performance History

How long have you been dancing _____

How long have you been Performing* _____

What schools have you attended	DATE
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Where have you Performed _____

What School will you attend with the funds received from this scholarship?
Name of school _____

Date you will attend _____ How long is the school _____

Who are the instructors _____ ?

Does tuition include room & board? Yes _____ No _____
Cost of school: Tuition \$ _____ + Room & Board \$ _____ Total Cost \$ _____

This scholarship Award will be based on financial need, current experiences and your stated intentions. Include a type written essay on a separate sheet to include your reasons for this scholarship. It is important that you state your intentions regarding your future performances

I need this scholarship because...
I will use my performance skills to...

Signature _____

* Performing or Performance means - Calling, Cueing, Prompting & Line Instructor!

Mail application to: **Cowboy Showers** Memorial Scholarship Fund

USDA's NEW YOUTH GRANT!

Short on funds for a youth-related square dance activity?

Apply for a grant from the United Square Dancers of America (USDA) Youth Advisory Committee to help cover the gap!

Examples of eligible needs include:

Helping families cover youth square dance lesson costs
Assisting youth attending State or National square dance Conventions

Filling funding gaps while starting or growing a youth square dance program



Are you registered yet?



Join the stampede and come on over to Waco, Texas,
for the 75th National Square Dance Convention®!

Scan the QR Code to sign up

Want more information? Visit our website at <https://75nsdctx.com>
where you can find information on Registration, Lodging, Vendors,
Special Events, Tours (both group & self-guided) and more!

**For your convenience, a limited number of
Mobility Scooters are available for the
75th National Square Dance Convention®.**



Pride Victory Scooter \$250 for the week.

Pride Go-Go Elite Scooter \$200 for the week.

75th National Square
Dance Convention®



**June 24-27 2026
DIAMOND JUBILEE**

**Call Gary Lester
281-857-3177**

with your credit card to reserve.

Pick up in Waco Convention Center lower lobby.



NATIONAL CONVENTION HOTELS IMPORTANT UPDATE



75th National Square Dance Convention® Waco, TX • June 24-27, 2026

The 75th National Square Dance Convention® offers a set of diverse hotel experiences during your stay in Waco. Parking is also free around the Waco Convention Center.

Hotel	Waco CC Distance	Rate	Reservation Deadline	Free Amenities			
				Breakfast	Parking	Wi-Fi	Laundry
Hilton Waco (Host Hotel) 113 S University Parks Dr	Connected to Waco CC	\$174/night	5/29/2026	✓	✓	✓	
Courtyard (Dance Leader Hotel) 101 Washington Ave	Across the street from Waco CC	\$164/night	5/29/2026	✓	✓	✓	
Cambria Hotel 110 S MLK Jr Blvd	6-8 min walk	\$172/night	6/9/2026		✓	✓	
Even Hotel 110 S MLK Jr Blvd	6-8 min walk	\$164/night	6/9/2026		✓	✓	✓
Holiday Inn Express 101 Taylor St	6-8 min walk	\$149/night	6/9/2026	✓	✓	✓	
Spring Hill Suites 115 S Jack Kultgen Expressway	2 min drive	\$147/night	6/3/2026	✓	✓	✓	✓
Aloft Waco 900 S 11th St	5 min drive	\$159/night	6/9/2026	✓	✓	✓	
La Quinta 911 S 10th Street	5 min drive	\$159/night	6/3/2026	✓	✓	✓	
Element Hotel 2200 Robinson Dr	7 min drive	\$154/night	6/9/2026	✓	✓	✓	
Home2Suites 2500 Bagby Ave	7 min drive	\$174/night	6/3/2026	✓	✓	✓	

Don't Delay, Register Today

Rooms for the 75th NSDC are filling up fast. If you've not registered, go online:
<https://75nsdctx.com/long-form-registration/>.

What to Expect Next?

Once in the Housing Booking Portal, you will have the ability to book your room at **any of the convention hotels** based on room availability. Reservation confirmations will be sent to the email address used to make the reservation.

Questions?

Please reach out to Phil Henderson, Housing Vice-Chair at 75nsdchousing@gmail.com.

We're Going to Texas, Y'all!

75th NSDC Launches Hotel Booking Portal and Tour Info for 2026 Convention



Get ready to celebrate the **75th National Square Dance Convention®** in **Waco, TX, June 24–27, 2026** - a Diamond Jubilee event honoring both the convention’s founding in 1952 and America’s 250th birthday! Expect exciting festivities including an explosive opening ceremony, a patriotic Friday celebration, and the “Sights and Sounds of Texas” fashion show, plus dancing every day.

To streamline planning, the NSDC has introduced a **new Hotel Booking Portal**, that just launched **July 19**. To access it, complete the **Registration Long Form** to receive your registration number. This number is required to book discounted hotel rooms (\$147–\$174/night) at one of 10 official hotels. You’ll receive a confirmation email with portal access and instructions. For questions, contact 75nsdchousing@gmail.com or call Housing Vice Chair Phil Henderson at (832) 541-3002.

Campers can book directly with:

- **Waco Creekside RV Resort** – 15% off cabins, RV spots, and treehouses: wacocreeksideresort.com | (254) 651-3999,
- **Camp FIMFO** – \$55/night: campfimfo.com/waco | (254) 651-3697.

Explore Waco with **self-guided tours** to local attractions like the Magnolia Silos, Dr. Pepper Museum, and Texas Ranger Hall of Fame. A sightseeing guide and transportation information will be provided.

For more adventure, choose from **15 guided tours** via Viator, including:

- Fixer Upper/City Tour,
- Waco Foodie & Wine Tours,
- Brazos River Cruises,
- Ghost Tours & Scavenger Hunts.

Book tours at 75nsdctx.com/tours.

Stay updated at 75nsdctx.com and follow on Facebook: 75th Nationals 2026 or scan the QR Code.

Learn more about Waco at destinationwaco.org.



75th National Square Dance Convention®

EDUCATION PROGRAM

The more classes you take, the more diamonds of knowledge you hold!

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

“It’s Been 75 Years: Why Change Now?”

Thursday, June 25 — 9:30-10 a.m.

Convention Center – McLennan Hall

ORGANIZATION ROUNDTABLE

“From Vision to Reality: Success Stories & Strategies for Implementing Change”

Thursday, June 25 — 10:15-11:30 a.m.

Convention Center – McLennan Hall

LEADERSHIP CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

Build Your Skills as a Club or Organization Leader

Daily — Sign up at the Education Check-In Desk

Hilton Hotel first floor hallway between Brazos Ballroom & Education Rooms

EDUCATION PANELS & SEMINARS

Check Program Book or Convention App for Schedule & Descriptions

Hilton Hotel on the first floor – Brazos Rooms A & C

SEW & SAVE PROGRAM

Check Program Book or Convention App for Schedule & Activities

Hilton Hotel on the first floor — Brazos Rooms A & C

SHOWCASE OF ORGANIZATIONS

What are National Organizations doing to promote square dancing?

Located inside hallway that backs up to McLennan 209

Glass windows are on the other side of the hallway

NEC ARCHIVES ROOM

Explore the history of our national square dance event!

Convention Center, main floor in Lone Star Room 105

Don't miss the Diamond Jubilee, Sign up: <https://75nsdctx.com>

Sew and Save at the 75th NSDC

*Enjoy these Sew and Save classes at the
75th National Square Dance Convention®
in the Waco Convention Center on June 24-27, 2026*

SEWING 101

This class is for people who are new to sewing.

MAKE IT YOURS

Resale items can be turned into works of art by your creativity. Make a t-shirt into a one-of-a-kind top by adding lace, fabric, or trim. Make a plain shirt unique by adding appliques, lace, or trim. Make a crew neck into a V-neck, a must for some of us.

TABLECLOTH SKIRTS

Did you know you can turn a tablecloth into an attractive square dance skirt? It is possible! Let Carol show you how to do it during this informative class.

SEWING 102

This class is for people who already know how to sew. It will cover how to read a pattern, adjust it for your body proportions, and how to properly cut out fashion.

PUTTING A YOKE ON A NON-YOKE SHIRT

Learn how to turn a normal dress shirt into a fancy square dance shirt by adding a yoke to it. The shirts you make will be



more unique and personalized than any of you could buy at a store.

ADDING TO IT

This class will show you how to take any outfit and make it unique and something you really love simply by adding a little something extra to it, like your favorite design, bling, or beads. The list is endless.

Make sure to check the 75th NSDC's Convention App (available for download in May) for dates and locations.



**Sign up for the National Convention and help
celebrate the Diamond Jubilee at
<https://75nsdctx.com/long-form-registration/>**

★ YOU'RE INVITED!

★ YOU'RE

You are formally invited to a 250th Birthday Celebration for the U.S.A. to be held during the 75th National Square Dance Convention® in the Waco Convention Center.

This special semiquincentennial event will be held Friday, June 26, at 6 p.m. in Chisholm Hall and will include an inspiring patriotic performance by the Central Texas Choral Society. Make sure to wear your red, white and blue!

A tentative schedule for this unique program is as follows:

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5:45 p.m. Doors Open – first 250 attendees get special dangles
- 6 p.m. Program Begins – Welcome
- 6:03 p.m. *National Anthem* – Central Texas Choral Society
- 6:05 p.m. Prayer
- 6:07 p.m. Brief Remarks about America's 250th Birthday
- 6:12 p.m. *America the Beautiful* – Central Texas Choral Society
- 6:16 p.m. *Tribute to the Armed Forces* – Central Texas Choral Society
- 6:22 p.m. *God Bless America* Sing-Along – Led by Charles Thornburg
- 6:25 p.m. Closing Remarks
- 6:30 p.m. Program Concludes
- 7 p.m. Mainstream Dancing begins with Ghost Riders Band

CENTRAL TEXAS CHORAL SOCIETY

The Central Texas Choral Society is based in Waco and draws its members from communities throughout Central Texas. With over 160 voices, the group regularly performs inspiring programs throughout the region, often collaborating with the Waco Symphony Orchestra and Waco Community Band. The group is under the leadership of Conductor Dr. David Guess, who has served on the music faculties at Baylor University, McClennan University College, and University of Mary Hardin-Baylor. For information on the CTCS, visit: <https://centraltexaschoralsociety.org>.

To register for the 75th National Square Dance Convention® to be held June 24-27, 2026 in Waco, Texas, go to: <https://75nsdctx.com/long-form-registration/>.





PLUS
SATURDAY EVENING
SQUARE/ROUND DANCE

AFTERPARTY

Masters of Ceremonies:

Betsy & Roy Gotta

Dance to your long-time favorites, and discover new favorites, too!

The **ARTS**

*The Alliance of Round,
Traditional and Square-Dance, Inc.*
<https://www.arts-dance.org>

June 27th • 10-11 pm
McLennan Hall #3
75th National Square
Dance Convention[®]
Waco Convention Center

National Square Dance Convention® Registration

Totals per year - 938,835 registrations to date!

YEAR	CITY	ATTENDANCE	YEAR	CITY	ATTENDANCE
1952	Riverside, CA	6,500	1989	Oklahoma City, OK	20,572
1953	Kansas City, MO	5,000	1990	Memphis, TN	23,651
1954	Dallas, TX	5,354	1991	Salt Lake City, UT	17,840
1955	Oklahoma City, OK	7,644	1992	Cincinnati, OH	20,703
1956	San Diego, CA	12,253	1993	St. Louis, MO	18,808
1957	St. Louis, MO	8,454	1994	Portland, OR	21,170
1958	Louisville, KY	8,027	1995	Birmingham, AL	12,719
1959	Denver, CO	8,848	1996	San Antonio, TX	16,638
1960	Des Moines, IA	12,328	1997	Orlando, FL	13,410
1961	Detroit, MI	18,195	1998	Charlotte, NC	13,085
1962	Miami Beach, FL	10,336	1999	Indianapolis, IN	10,011
1963	St. Paul, MN	10,863	2000	Baltimore, MD	10,059
1964	Long Beach, CA	14,790	2001	Anaheim, CA	13,011
1965	Dallas, TX	11,196	2002	St. Paul, MN	8,828
1966	Indianapolis, IN	14,016	2003	Oklahoma City, OK	7,732
1967	Philadelphia, PA	9,729	2004	Denver, CO	8,607
1968	Omaha, NE	10,284	2005	Portland, OR	8,136
1969	Seattle, WA	12,673	2006	San Antonio, TX	7,188
1970	Louisville, KY	19,542	2007	Charlotte, NC	8,021
1971	New Orleans, LA	13,636	2008	Wichita, KS	5,997
1972	Des Moines, IA	15,823	2009	Long Beach, CA	4,912
1973	Salt Lake City, UT	16,121	2010	Louisville, KY	6,295
1974	San Antonio, TX	18,052	2011	Detroit, MI	3,677
1975	Kansas City, MO	22,052	2012	Spokane, WA	5,576
1976	Anaheim, CA	39,796	2013	Oklahoma City, OK	4,203
1977	Atlantic City, NJ	24,568	2014	Little Rock, AR	3,843
1978	Oklahoma City, OK	23,879	2015	Springfield, MA	4,004
1979	Milwaukee, WI	22,170	2016	Des Moines, IA	3,914
1980	Memphis, TN	26,841	2017	Cincinnati, OH	3,561
1981	Seattle, WA	24,379	2018	Kansas City, MO	3,170
1982	Detroit, MI	18,050	2019	Atlanta, GA	4,049
1983	Louisville, KY	30,953	2020	Spokane, WA, Cancelled	0
1984	Baltimore, MD	20,052	2021	Jackson, MS	1,826
1985	Birmingham, AL	17,783	2022	Evansville, IN	2,032
1986	Indianapolis, IN	27,192	2023	Mobile, AL	2,312
1987	Houston, TX	20,164	2024	Milwaukee, WI	2,564
1988	Anaheim, CA	26,967	2025	Shreveport, LA	2,201



**Help Us Commemorate this
Important Milestone in Waco!**



76TH NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION
JUNE 23-26, 2027
LOVELAND, COLORADO

The Star Spangled Banner Square and Round Dance Festival, “Getting Our Kicks in 2026”

Hello Virginia Dancers,

It looks like Spring has finally arrived and with it your summer vacation planning. Why not plan to attend the fabulous **Star Spangled Banner Festival**? The Star Spangled Banner Square and Round Dance Festival, “Getting Our Kicks in 2026” is being held on July 16-18, at the [DoubleTree](#) by Hilton in Pikesville, Maryland. We are still taking registrations. Please click the links for [details](#). [Register & Pay Here](#). Remember if you pay on PayPal you still need to either register on-line or complete the registration form and email to our Registrar. Need help? Email our Registrar, Melanie Jester at RegistrarSSBF@gmail.com. Remember to register for your room at the hotel soon.

The preliminary square and round dance [schedule](#) is now posted for you to review. We have Mainstream through C1 square dancing and Rounds levels II-VI.

We are showcasing national callers Bill Harrison, Dayle Hodge, Eric Henerlau, Tony Oxendine, and Ken Burke. Our Cuers are the fabulous Curt and Tammy Worlock, Rey and Sherry Garza, and Ken and Amy Shotting.

Special dances of Hex Squares by Chris Schlitter and Line Dancing with Jen Lins

Don't miss out on this year's festival T-shirt featuring all of our callers! The shirts are now available to order through [Bonfire](#). Since this is a private company, all orders are placed directly through them. You'll be able to choose from three color options, two T-shirt quality choices, and a full range of sizes, so you can select what works best for you. Be sure to check them out and order yours while they're available!

We will have wooden flooring, the TN Shoe company, and Second Hand Rose shops. There will also be 50/50 and a Registration/Gift Card Raffle.

We had such a fabulous time last year and we hope you will join us for another great weekend of dancing this July!

See you on the dance floor!

Jackie Boggs & Becky Cate,
61st SSBF Co-Directors

www.marylandsquaredancing.com

Mason-Dixon Square Dancers Federation, Inc.
Presents the

61st

Star Spangled Banner Festival

JULY 16 - 18, 2026

Getting Our **KICKS** in 2026

AT THE

 **DOUBLE TREE BY HILTON**
1726 REISTERSTOWN
PIKESVILLE, MD 21208

Callers

Ken Burke (TN)
Bill Harrison (MD)
Eric Henerlau (CA)
Dayle Hodge (MD)
Tony Oxendine (NC)

Cuers

Rey & Sherry Garza (CA)
Amy & Ken Shotting (MD)
Curt & Tammy Worlock (FL)

"This Ain't Your Daddy's Square Dance"



www.marylandsquaredancing.com

61st Star Spangled Banner Festival

July 16, 17, 18, 2026

Square Dance Program:

- SSD/Soft Plus thru C1
- Computer numbers in DBD, Adv, & C1
- Line Dancing
- Clogging

Round Dance Program:

- 2x2s in Plus Hall in evenings
- Continuous round dancing to Phase VI
- Teach sessions & workshops
- Wood flooring in main ballrooms

Casual Dress Acceptable until 7 pm
 Square / Round Dance / Business Casual Attire after 7 pm

Questions: Jackie Boggs (443) 536-6377 valoboggs60@gmail.com and/or Becky Cate (443) 280-3304 becky.s.cate@gmail.com



2026 Housing Reservations

The DoubleTree by Hilton Baltimore North-Pikesville 1726 Reisterstown Road, Pikesville, MD 21208
 \$139.00 plus taxes per night. Deadline for this special rate is **June 16, 2026**.

Please make your reservations directly at <https://www.marylandsquare dancing.com/festival-housing> or call 1-800-HILTONS.

Please specify event "SSBF July 16, 17, 18, 2026 at DoubleTree by Hilton Baltimore North-Pikesville Maryland"

By staying in the hotel, you support MDSDF, Inc. and help to defray the ballroom fees.



2026 Festival Registration

Two options:

1. Mail completed form to SSBF Registrar, Melanie Jester, 6338 Hanover Crossing Way, Hanover, MD 21076 or email to registrarsbf@gmail.com
2. Register online at <https://www.marylandsquare dancing.com/ssbfreg-pay>

Full Festival before August 30, 2025:	\$125	Thursday Only:	\$30	Saturday Only:	\$65
Full Festival before March 31, 2026:	\$135	Friday Only:	\$65	Youth (17 and under) Full Festival:	\$30
Full Festival after April 1, 2026 :	\$140				

Adult 1: _____ Youth: _____
 Address: _____ Adult 2: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____ City State Zip: _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED _____ **CHECK #** _____ **PAYPAL:** _____ **Do you text?** Yes No **Solo Dancer?** Yes No
Circle One: Full Festival Thursday Friday Saturday Youth

Please check ONE program where you plan to spend the **majority** of your Festival dance time (one for squares/one for rounds)

Squares: ___ SSD/Soft Plus ___ Plus ___ DBD ___ Advanced ___ C1 **Rounds:** ___ Phase II/III ___ Phase IV ___ Phase V ___ Phase VI ___ No Rounds
 Request refunds thru July 10, 2026, less a \$5.- per person cancellation fee

Check or money order payable to: MDSDF-26 or PayPal at <https://paypal.me/MDSDF>

Disclaimers

- By registering and participating in the MDSDF, Inc. Festival, you give your consent and authorization for your likeness in photograph(s) or video(s) to be used in MDSDF, Inc. publications and in any and all other media, whether now known or hereafter existing. Your further acknowledge and agree that you will make no monetary or other claim against MDSDF, Inc. for the use. Of any MDSDF, Inc. Festival photographs or videos which contain your likeness.
- Festival Ribbons will be issued for dancing and need to be worn throughout the Festival



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.

2026 Pennsylvania Fabulous Fall Festival Registration

Name(s): _____
Adult 1 (LAST NAME, FIRST NAME) Adult 2 (LAST NAME, FIRST NAME)

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____
(WE WILL CONFIRM YOUR REGISTRATION AND SEND ANNOUNCEMENTS TO THIS EMAIL ADDRESS)

Please make check or money order payable to: PSRDF

Mail to:
 Barbara MacDonald
 160 Fox Run Rd
 Cranberry Twp, PA 16066

Email:
 bmacd@zoominternet.net
Phone: 724-766-2029

- _____ Early Bird (received before July 1, 2026) - Entire Festival Registration @ \$100 per person \$ _____
 - _____ Received after July 1, 2026 - Entire Festival Registration @ \$110 per person \$ _____
 - _____ Received after September 1, 2026 - Entire Festival Registration @ \$120 per person \$ _____
 - _____ Thursday evening only @ \$25 per person \$ _____
 - _____ Friday Entire Day OR _____ Saturday Entire Day @ \$60 per person \$ _____
 - _____ Youth (17 & under) - Entire Festival Registration @ \$30 per person \$ _____
 - _____ Youth name(s) _____
 - _____ Flooring Donation (See below for information on sponsoring sections of flooring) \$ _____
- TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____**

(Requests for refunds may be subject to a cancellation fee of \$10 per person after September 1, 2026)

Please check ONE program where you plan to spend the MAJORITY of your Festival dance time (one for squares/one for rounds)

- SSD Plus Advanced (A2) Rounds Ph II Rounds Ph IV Rounds Ph VI
 Mainstream Plus DBD Challenge (C1) Rounds Ph III Rounds Ph V

YOU MUST MAKE YOUR OWN HOTEL RESERVATIONS

General local hotel information can be found at www.blairconventioncenter.com/lodging

Country Inn & Suites by Radisson
 2 Convention Center Drive, Altoona, PA 16602
 Phone: 833-372-9930
 RATE: \$139/night
 Reference PAFFF when booking to get this rate. Booking deadline is 9/1/26.

Altoona Grand Hotel
 1 Sheraton Dr., Altoona, PA 16601
 Phone: 814-946-1631
 1.3 miles from the Convention Center
 RATE: \$129/night
 Reference PAFFF when booking to get this rate. Booking deadline is 7/1/26.

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Schedule of Events

- THURSDAY**
 7:30-7:50 pm Opening Ceremony
 8:00-10:30 pm Mainstream/Plus Square Dancing
 Round Dancing in dedicated Hall
- FRIDAY and SATURDAY**
 9:00 am-11:00 pm Square Dancing in 3 Halls
 Round Dancing in dedicated Hall

On-Site Dining

Lunch & Dinner available for purchase Friday & Saturday. Complete menu and pricing will be available Sept. 1, 2026.

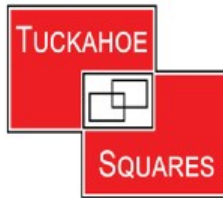
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Date		Caller	Special Event
January	16th	Jeremy Butler	
	30th	Open Mic	Amateur Caller Night
February	6th	Mike Sikorsky	Via Zoom from Arizona
	13th	Bob Clinebell	Virginia is for "Square Dance" Lovers
	20th	NO DANCE	VASARDA 36th VA State Convention, Va. Beach
March	6th	Ben Brown	Quarterly Club Meeting 6:30 PM
	20th	Jeremy Butler	Night at the Movies - Dress as Your Favorite Character
April	3rd	NO DANCE	Good Friday and Easter Weekend
	7th	Mike Sikorsky/Bob Clinebell	Plus Workshop (check website for dates, location, & caller)
	10th	Matt Worley	"Masters Par-Tee" Dance - Wear Golf Attire or Green Jackets
	17th	Jeremy Butler	
May	1st	Art Lavigne	Wear Your Club Colors (Ours are Red, White and Black)
	15th	Ben Brown	
June	5th	Dick Otis	Quarterly Club Meeting 6:30 PM
	17th	Mike Sikorsky	America 250 - 7:00pm - 9:30pm In Person
	19th	Bob Clinebell	Wear Your Favorite Hat
July	3rd	Jeremy Butler	Red White and Blue Dance - Happy 4th
	17th	Bob Clinebell	
August	7th	Art Lavigne	Summer in Full Swing Dance
	21st	Matt Worley	
September	4th	Nelson Wakeman	Quarterly Club Meeting 6:30 PM
	18th	Mike Sikorsky	Via Zoom from Arizona
	22nd	Bob Clinebell	New Dancer Class Begins at Christ Lutheran Church
October	2nd	Jeremy Butler	
	16th	Art Lavigne	
November	6th	Bob Clinebell	Wear Your Club Colors (Ours are Red, White and Black)
	20th	Ben Brown	
December	4th	Jim Kline	Quarterly Club Meeting 6:30 PM
	18th	Bob Clinebell	Christmas Dance

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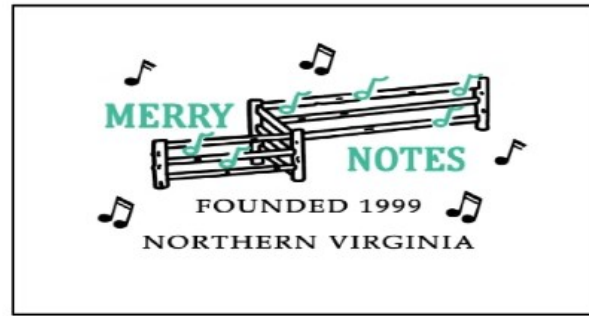
Our classes are held at the

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646 N Coolwell Rd. Amherst, VA 24521.
7:00 to 9:00 PM unless otherwise notified.

Our dance schedule for the rest of 2025-2026 are

3/20/26	Art LaVigne
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The Rivermont Ramblers 2026 Dance Schedule

DATE	EVENT	PLACE	CALLER/CUER	TIME
Jan 9, Friday	It's All About Denim	Warren County Community Center	Mike McIntyre CallnCue	PR 6:15 / 2x2 6:45-9:00
Jan 23, Friday	Nick and Chris Appreciation Dance	Warren County Community Center	Mike McIntyre CallnCue	PR 6:30 / 2x2 7-9:00
Feb 13, Friday	Valentine Party	Warren County Community Center	Mike McIntyre CallnCue	PR 6:30 / 2x2 7-9:00
Feb 27, Friday	Fun with Jeremy & Butch	Warren County Community Center	Jeremy Butler, Caller Butch Bloxom, Cuer	Pre-rounds 6-7:00 2x2's 7-9
March 13, Friday	St. Patrick Day Dance	Warren County Community Center	Mike McIntyre CallnCue	PR 6:30 / 2x2 7-9:00
Mar 27, Friday	DARK - WASCA			
Apr 10, Friday	50's Dance	Warren County Community Center	Mike McIntyre CallnCue	PR 6:15 / 2x2 6:45-9:00
Apr 24, Friday	Celebrity Dance	Warren County Community Center	Mike McIntyre CallnCue	PR 6:15 / 2x2 6:45-9:00
May 8, Friday	Mother's Day Tea Party	Warren County Community Center	Mike McIntyre CallnCue	PR 6:15 / 2x2 6:45-9:00
May 22, Friday	Military Remembrance Day	Warren County Community Center	Mike McIntyre CallnCue	PR 6:15 / 2x2 6:45-9:00
Jun 16, Tuesday	Arizona Boots	Warren County Community Center	Mike Sikorsky, Caller	6:00 – 9:00 Squares
June 26, Friday	Outdoor Picnic and Dance	441 Acton Street, Front Royal VA	Mike McIntyre CallnCue	5:30 – 6:00 Picnic 6:30 – 9:00 Dance
Jul 10, Friday	Honor our Nation	Warren County Community Center	Mike McIntyre CallnCue	PR 6:15 / 2x2 6:45-9:00
Jul 24, Friday	Melting Pot Pizza Party	Warren County Community Center	Mike McIntyre CallnCue	PR 6:15 / 2x2 6:45-9:00
Aug 14, Friday	County Music Night	Warren County Community Center	Mike McIntyre CallnCue	PR 6:15 / 2x2 6:45-9:00
Aug 28, Friday	Glow in the Dark Dance	Warren County Community Center	Mike McIntyre CallnCue	PR 6:15 / 2x2 6:45-9:00
Sep 11, Friday	DARK – Ramblers visit Merry Notes			
Sep 25, Friday	Black and White Ball	Warren County Community Center	Mike McIntyre CallnCue	PR 6:15 / 2x2 6:45-9:00
Oct 9, Friday	Festival of Leaves	Warren County Community Center	Matt Worley – Caller Butch Bloxom – Cuer	PreRounds 6:00-6:30 2x2 6:30 – 9:00
Oct 23, Friday	Taco Night	TBD	Mike McIntyre CallnCue	PR 6:15 / 2x2 6:45-9:00
Nov 13, Friday	Honor our Veterans	Warren County Community Center	Mike McIntyre CallnCue	PR 6:15 / 2x2 6:45-9:00
Dec 11, Friday	Jingle Bell Festival	Warren County Community Center	Mike McIntyre Calling Butch Bloxom Cueing	PreRounds 6:00-6:30 2x2 6:30 – 9:00
Dec 31, Thursday	New Year's Eve Dance	TBD	Callers: Mike McIntyre, Art Lavigne, Cuers: Butch & Roberta Bloxom	PreRounds: 8:00 – 9:00 PM; 2X2s 9:00 PM – 12:00 AM Pot Luck Breakfast 11:00 PM

Warren County Community Center, 538 Villa Drive, Front Royal, VA 22630

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Hello VASARDA,

On behalf of the executive board, we would like to welcome our new and returning members. As we have many new representatives joining us, we wanted to provide some general information regarding our mission and board operations.

As detailed in our Articles of Incorporation, the purposes of VASARDA are:

- To preserve and advance the cultural aspects of square dancing.
- To encourage the study and increase the knowledge of square dancing.
- To improve human relationships through increased participation in square dancing.
- To provide a means of greater cooperation among square dancers, clubs, and related organizations.

The board supports these goals by coordinating the state convention, representing the state at dance events, sponsoring the Dancer News e-magazine, and maintaining the VASARDA website (<https://www.vasquairedance.org/>).

Meeting Information

Board meetings are held virtually via Zoom on Sunday evenings at 7:00 PM. Our next meeting is scheduled for April 19th at 7:00 PM. Please also note the remaining dates for this term:

- July 26, 2026
- September 20, 2026
- January 17, 2027

Approximately one week before each meeting, the secretary will email the Zoom link, agenda, and previous meeting minutes. Please review these materials and submit any corrections or agenda additions at that time. Standard agenda items include state convention reports, membership updates, dance news and website reports.

Preparation and Attendance

To prepare, please gather any questions or concerns you would like the board to consider, as well as updates regarding dance activities in your local area.

Board Directory

Attached is the Board Member directory, which includes term end dates.

We are thrilled to have all our members on the board representing the activity we all love. Please reach out if you have any questions.

Best,
Jamie Butler
VASARDA Secretary

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Club Listing for Dancer News

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Central Virginia

CAPITOL SQUARES: Advanced Square in Richmond w/ Jeremy Butler. Dancing each Thursday. Call or email Jeremy for location. Contact: Jeremy Butler - 757-478-0025 quarterthru@cox.net

DIXIE CUPS SQUARES: Plus DBD Squares w/ Jeremy Butler or Various. Ashland Rescue Squad Bldg, 203 Duncan St, Ashland, VA 23005 Various Sundays, 2:30-5:00 pm. Contact: Caren Moore 804-730-7898 DixieCupsDBD@gmail.com

RHYTHM ROUNDERS: Phase I-VI Rounds in Richmond w/ George Springer. Christ Lutheran Church, 7809 Woodman Rd, Richmond, VA 7:00-9:00 every Tue. Contact: George & Jeannine Springer 804-730-6581 gspringer08@comcast.net

TUCKAHOE SQUARE DANCE CLUB: Mainstream & Plus Square w/ various callers. All Saints Episcopal Church, 8787 River Rd, Henrico. Dancing 8:00 – 10:00 on the 1st & 3rd Friday. Contact: Bev Cook 804-514-0360 tuckahoessquares@gmail.com or visit Website www.tuckahoessquares.com

Southwest Virginia

STAR CITY PROMENADERS: Plus Squares in Roanoke w/ Katherine Lawson. Troutville Town Hall, 5419 Lee Highway, Troutville. 7:00-9:00 pm on 1st and 3rd Thursday. Contact: President Mike Lawson by Calling or Texting: 540-521-0808 or email mikeandlorisa@gmail.com

Shenandoah Valley Virginia

BLOXOM'S BUNCH: Phase II-V Rounds w/ **Butch** Bloxom. Bloxom's studio at 449 Webber Springs Dr, Inwood, WV. Must call to find out schedule. Contact: Butch & Roberta Bloxom 540-327-4964 or 240-405-5225 bbloxom@aol.com or robertaharris65@gmail.com

BLUE RIDGE STARS: Mainstream & Plus Squares with various Callers. Amherst Elementary School, 156 Davis St, Amherst, VA – 7:30-10:00 pm on 3rd Fridays. Class & workshop with Joe Woodford – Thursdays 7:00-9:00 pm at Coolwell Rec Center, 646 N Coolwell Rd, Amherst, VA Dark July & August. Contact: Barbara Campbell 434-929-5221 bccmag-net@gmail.com

CIRCLE 8 OF WAYNESBORO: Mainstream/Plus Squares with various callers Woodmen Life Lodge, 4001 White Bridge Road, Waynesboro. Usually dance 2nd & 4th Saturdays from September thru mid- June 6:30-7:00 workshop and 7:00-9:30 alternation Mainstream/Plus. From mid-June through the end of August, we have Tuesday evening Summer Workshop at Waynesboro N340 Campground. Be sure to check our club notices and flyers for latest information. Contact: Harry/June Baum 540-456-7144/540-256-1779 baum.june@yahoo.com or see Website: circle8squaredance.org

CHARLIE'S ANGELS YOUTH SQUARE DANCE CLUB: Basic/Mainstream/Plus Squares w/Charlie Lu calling. Dance within 3 city radius of Cartlett, VA, Warrenton, VA and Gainesville, VA Square dance days & times varies by month based on youth/young adult schedule with dances usually scheduled 1-3 weeks before a proposed club dance. Typically, dance is held on a Saturday from 6:30 – 10:00 pm. For dance schedule, location and general info, contact the Young Adult Leaders: Ms. Jones or Mr. Wilson @ Charliesangelsdancin@gmail.com For lessons or other questions contact the caller: Charlie Lu @ homeschoolsquaredanceva@gmail.com

FLUVANNA FLUTTERWHEELS: Mainstream & Plus Square w/ various staff. Fluvanna County High School, 1918 Thomas Jefferson Parkway, Palmyra. 7:00 – 7:30 Plus DBD, 7:30-10:00 Mainstream / Plus on 1st Saturday of month. Class/workshop with Warren Painter & Gwenda Brookman on Mondays 7:00 – 9:00 at same location. Dark in July. Class practice sessions twice a month on the 2nd & 4th Mondays in June, July and August. Contact: Gwenda Brookman 434-326-2354 gwenypoohe@gmail.com or Warren Painter 434-981-1747 wpainter77@gmail.com or Janice Grandstaff 434-286-2585 janicedg18@gmail.com

GREENE CLOVERLEAFS: Mainstream & Plus Squares in Stanardsville w/Terry Headlee Primary School, 64 Monroe Dr., Stanardsville, VA 22973. Usually 6:00-8:30 on the 3rd Saturday. Contact: Jean Byerly 434-985-7567, home 434-466-2896 jean_byerly@yahoo.com

HOP-A-ROUNDS: Phase II-V Rounds w/ Eileen & Chip Hopper. May be dancing at Coolwell Recreation Center, 640/646 N. Coolwell Rd., Amherst VA Contact: Chip & Eileen Hopper 434-973-8217 or email hipc.hopper@gmail.com Day) . Contact Nelson Wakeman 540-975-1980 or 540-975-3158 nelsonwakeman@gmail.com

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PANHANDLERS: Mainstream & Plus Squares, Phases I-IV Rounds w/ Mike McIntyre and Butch Bloxom. Asbury United Methodist Church, 110 West North St., Charles Town, WV on 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 6:30-10:00. Contact: Dan Grimes 404-290-8696 dgcoach@gmail.com or President Leonard Finley 304-283-6431

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RIVERMONT RAMBLERS: Mainstream & Plus squares and Phase II-III Rounds w/ Mike McIntyre. Warren County Community Center, 538 Villa Drive, Front Royal, VA. Pre-Rounds at 6:30 and 2x2 from 7:00 to 9:00 on 2nd and 4th Fridays. Classes or workshops (depending on attendance) on Tuesdays 7:00-9:00 w/ Mike McIntyre at Warren County Health & Human Services Complex, 465 W 15th St, Front Royal. Contact: Nick Capozio 703-932-4112 or 540-636-2323 ncapozio@yahoo.com

VIRGINIA REELERS: Mainstream & Plus Squares with various guests usually on 2nd Fridays 7:30-10:00 pm 5th Saturday of the month or 3rd Sunday 2:00-5:00 at The Center at Belvedere, 540 Belvedere Blvd, Charlottesville, VA 22182. Dark July & August. Please check club website for exact dates and times. Contact: Mary Moranville 301-529-9605 maryville3@gmail.com or see Website www.virginiareelers.com

Northern Virginia

BIZZY BEES SQUARE DANCE CLUB: Plus Squares w/ Chris Stacy. Oakton Elementary School, 3000 Chain Bridge Rd, Oakton, VA 22124 - 7:30 – 9:30 on 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, September - May. Review/reteach of Plus calls at the beginning of each dance to help those who are feeling “rusty” Jump Back into Square Dancing! Contact: Dave & Teresa Harrington 571-306-7975 pdhtih@gmail.com

DIXIE STARS: Plus Squares w/ Bill Harrison. Freedom Hill Elementary School, 1945 Lord Fairfax Rd, Vienna. 7:30 – 9:30 on 1st & 3rd Tuesdays if 2 or more squares. Contact: Bill Harrison 301-266-2491 billharrisonwdh@aol.com

GRAND SQUARES OF PW: Mainstream & Plus Squares w/ Ron Dean. Woodbridge Senior Center, 13850 Church Hill Dr, Woodbridge 7:30 – 9:30 on every Saturday. Contact: Ron Dean 703-568-7651 sqdanceinPWC@hotmail.com

GREENSPRING SENIORS: Social Squares w/ Dick Otis. Greenspring Retirement Community, 7430 Spring Village Drive, Springfield. 1:30 – 3:00 on every Tuesday except 2nd Tuesday. Contact: Dick Otis 703-402-2005 Dick.Otis@me.com.

LAKE OF THE WOODS: Plus Squares w/ Varies callers. Lake of the Woods Clubhouse, Lower Level, 205 Lake of the Woods Parkway, or the Community Center, 110 Sweetbriar Park Rd, Locust Grove. (Use Germanna Highway [Rt. 3] entrance) 7:00-9:00 on 2nd, 4th, & 5th Fridays. Contact: Richard Unser 703-298-6254 (Text also) lowsquaredance@gmail.com or see Website: <https://sites.google.com/view/lowsquaredanceclub/home>

MERRY NOTES: 2 x 2's (Plus Squares & Phase II-IV Rounds) at Herndon Senior Center, 873 Grace St, Herndon. 7:30 – 9:30 on 2nd, 4th & 5th Fridays (dark June-Aug) with various callers & cuers. Contact: Darrella Duebel 703-425-4072 dddeubel@yahoo.com or Nancy Stafford 703-217-1670 nvccnan@gmail.com.

RAWHIDE & RUFFLES: Mainstream Squares w/ Ron Dean. Manassas Senior Center, 9320 Mosby St., Manassas. 7:30 – 9:30 - Every Thursday. Contact: Ron Dean 703-568-7651 sqdanceinPWC@hotmail.com

ROUNDS WITH THE GIRLS: Phase II-VI rounds w/ Christian Eum cueing. Freedom Hill Elem School, 1945 Lord Fairfax Rd, Vienna, VA 8:00 – 10:00 on 1st Friday, October - June. Contact: Christina Eum 703-927-5192 nitsiround@gmail.com

RYDER'S ROUNDERS: Phase II-IV Rounds w/ Ken Ryder. Currently dancing Virtually 7:30 – 9:30 every Monday. Contact: Berni / Ken Ryder 703-323-6615 kfryder@cox.net

RYDER'S ROUNDERS AT ST. B'S: Phase II-V Rounds w/Ken & Berni Ryder in St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, 4801 Ravensworth Rd, Annandale. 7:30 – 9:30 every Thursday. Contact: Berni / Ken Ryder 703-323-6615 kfryder@cox.net

T-SQUARES: Advanced Squares w/ Dick Otis at Herndon Senior Center, 873 Grace St, Herndon VA. Dances every Wednesday 7:30 - 9:00 pm Contact: Dick / Trish Otis 703-402-2005 dick.otis@me.com **TWO HEARTS:** Phase IV-VI rounds w/ Barbara & Tom Buchanan Lincolnia Senior Center, 4710 N Chambliss St, Alexandria, VA. 7:00 – 9:30 most Wednesdays, September - May. Contact: Tom / Barbara Buchanan 410-721-8987 barbaralou2315@gmail.com

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ZIG ZAGGERS: Advanced Squares w/ various callers. Joyce Kilmer Middle School, 8100 Wolftrap Rd., Vienna, VA. 8:00-10:00 1st, 3rd, & 5th Friday, Sep – May. Please email Steve to be acceded to the survey prior to each dance. We need minimum of 10 to dance. Contact: Steve Johnson at mustchz@comcast.net

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CALVIN'S ROUND DANCE CLASSES: Calvin & Barbara Crofford cueing, 6:30-8:30 pm on Tuesdays. 3rd Presbyterian Church, 8065 Carlton St, Norfolk, VA. Information: 757-633-7147 hcofford@cox.net

DOUBLE-N DANCERS: Social Square Dancing, Mainstream and Plus with Round Dancing between tips. Jim Kline calling & cueing. 7:00-9:00 pm 2nd, 4th, & 5th Thursday. Two Left Feet Dance Studio, 1405 Unit N Kiln Creek Parkway, Newport News, VA (In shopping center near Kiln Creek Elementary School). Contact: Jim & Kathie Kline, 757-758-4872 Kalling_kline@msn.com

GRAND SQUARES of SMITHFIELD: Jim Kline calling: Social Square Dancing, Mainstream and Plus with Rounds between tips. Mondays 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm, Hope Presbyterian Church, 13490 Benn's Church Boulevard, Smithfield, VA 23430. Contact: Jim Kline, 757-758-4872 Kalling_kline@msn.com

FOX HILL SQUARES, HAMPTON: Social Square Dancing with Jeremy Butler on Tuesdays, 7:00-9:00, Fox Hill Neighborhood Center, 65 Hall Road, Hampton, VA 23664. Contact: Jeremy Butler 757-478-0025, quarterthru@cox.net .

RIPTIDES: Plus squares & Phase III rounds w/ Matt Worley calling and recorded rounds at Bayside Presbyterian Church, 1400 Ewell Rd, Virginia Beach. 7:30 – 9:30 on 1st Fridays. Contact: Matt Worley 757-435-6429 mattwcrownrec@gmail.com

SENIOR SWINGERS SQUARE DANCE CLUB: Mainstream squares, Phase II rounds and lines w/ Matt Worley calling squares, Calvin & Barbara Crofford cueing rounds & Ron Reamer leading Lines. Bayside Recreation Center, Room 3, 4500 Court, VA Beach, VA Contact Matt Worley 757-435-6429 mattwcrownrec@gmail.com.

SHOOTING STARS: Classes w/ Bob Clinebell on Thursdays (except for the 2nd Thursday of each month), 7:00-9:00 pm Dances 1st Saturday of each month with Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30 pm with Calvin Crofford, Squares with Bob Clinebell 7:30 – 9:30. Contact: Rachel Kiefer 757-375-6131 hrkiefer@hotmail.com or Bob Clinebell 757-339-9389 rclinebell@cox.net

SUSY Q'S ROUND DANCE CLUB: w/ Calvin and Barbara Crofford cueing. 7:00 – 9:00 pm on 1st & 3rd Thursday. Two Left Feet Dance Studio, 1405 Unit N, Kiln Creek Parkway, Newport News, VA (In shopping center near Kiln Creek Elementary School) Information: 757-633-7147 hcofford@cox.net

THE THUMPERS: Plus Squares/Phase III Rnds/Lines w/ Matt Worley & Jim Kline - at Foundry United Methodist Church, 2801 Virginia Beach Blvd, Virginia Beach. 7:00 – 7:30 Early Rounds 7:30 – 9:30 squares & round on 2nd & 4th Saturday Contact: Matt Worley 757-499-7457 or 757-435-6429 mattwcrownrec@gmail.com

THREE AMIGOS: Plus 2 x 2 w/ Matt Worley, & Elbert Harrison - Foundry United Methodist Church, 2801 Virginia Beach Blvd, Virginia Beach. 7:30 – 9:30 on 3rd Fridays. Contact: Matt Worley 757-435-6429 or 252-619-5711mattwcrownrec@gmail.com



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