

UNITED SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA NEWS RELEASE



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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2015 ANNUAL MEETING

The United Square Dancers of America held its annual Board of Directors meeting on June 24, 2015, at the 64th National Square Dance Convention in Springfield, MA. As part of the Annual Meeting, the Board of Directors elected the following new officers for the 2015-2016 year:

President	Jerry and Donna Robey
Vice President Eastern Region	Lisa Breault
Vice President Central Region	Ed and Lynda Willis
Vice President Plains Region	Floyd and Judy Engelhardt
Vice President Western Region	LPaul and Sally Schmidt
Treasurer	Jim and Judy Taylor
Secretary	Scott and Brenda Deal

At the meeting, the Board of Directors approved four new membership applications, welcoming the following state and regional affiliates into the United Square Dancers of America. There are now 57 USDA Affiliate Organizations.

- Central Ohio Corporation of Square Dance Clubs (Central Region)
- Northeast Georgia Square Dance Federation (Central Region)
- Square Dance Minnesota (Plains Region)
- Hawaii Square Dance Federation (Western Region)

In another item of business, the USDA Board of Directors adopted a resolution in support of the “Live Lively” square dance logo and slogan promulgated by ARTS-Dance. The resolution reads:

Be it resolved that the UNITED SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA encourages its Affiliates, and their member organizations, to support the new Square Dance Logo and Slogan by revamping all of their publications and promotional materials incorporating the logo and slogan to reflect the modern image of the new Live Lively – Square Dance – Logo and Slogan.

Remember - **ALL dancers** are welcome to attend the USDA Annual Meeting. It provides an excellent opportunity to learn about the United Square Dancers of America and how the organization supports dancers and dancing across the country. The next USDA Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 22, at 1:00 PM in conjunction with the 65th National Square Dance Convention in Des Moines, IA. Watch the USDA website at <http://www.usda.org/Meetings/nextmeeting.htm> for further information.

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