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**WHAT'S INSIDE?**

The transition is being made with Pat Inglis turning over the reins of our Insurance Program to Eddie and Elizabeth Sanders, also from the Atlanta area. The USDA Insurance coordinator position has to be one of the most demanding jobs and Pat has served us well for the past few years and we will miss her. The Sanders come to us with a list of very impressive credentials and the full recommendation of Pat and we are excited to welcome them. You can read about them on Page 8.

We are sad to report that long time USDA veteran Bill Flick passed away on September 11. Tony and Diana Rock, USDA Presidents and good friends of Bill, have written a wonderful tribute to Bill on page 10. Be sure to have the tissue handy when you read this.

As wonderful as the National Convention in Atlanta was, there was a tragic end. Long time dancers and supporters of square dancing were suddenly taken from us while on their way home from their 42n National convention. Story on page 9

Read about the two winners of our Founders Memorial Youth Scholarships of page 12.

THANK YOU to the following for their contributions to this edition of USDA NEWS.

Photographs— Judy aylor and Mrk and Bina Krebsbach

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PRESIDENTS**MESSAGE****Tony and Diana Rock**

We are so excited to be writing our first USDA News article as your newly elected presidents. The United Square Dancers of America is a fantastic organization that was created by dancers and for dancers. The USDA Executive Committee is a group of very enthusiastic, energetic dancers who work tirelessly to promote this activity. It is an honor and a pleasure to be leading this dedicated team.

We hope many of you were able to attend the National Square and Round Dance Convention this past June in Atlanta, GA. A quick review of USDA's involvement in the convention will demonstrate exactly how much this organization does for the average dancer. Let's begin on Wednesday with the Annual USDA Delegates Meeting. Thank you for those who attended and took part in the decision making process. The new format that included periodic discussion groups was well. We would also like to extend our personal congratulations to our two USDA Founders Memorial Scholarship winners this year. Delegates, please don't forget to take the new information and share it with your regional affiliates and local clubs. USDA presented four education sessions which included topics such as USDA Insurance, Social Media, 501(c)3 and Tools for Club Leadership. As has been the tradition, the Ghost Riders Band along with many outstanding callers set the stage for a great after party which was extremely well attended and the youth enjoyed a delicious pizza party hosted by the USDA. Finally, let's not forget the large display of USDA education materials that were available in the Showcase of Ideas. As a side note, check out our website for a complete list of the education publications that are available to you free of charge.

As we close out the summer months and enter into the fall season, many local clubs begin a series of lessons for new dancers. Remember to welcome these dancers and invite them to join you for coffee and dessert following lessons or plan to get together for a social event outside of the dance hall. Our hobby that we all love was originally based on forming relationships; let's put forth intentional efforts to build these new friendships. It is our hope that each of you will have a fun filled fall full of dancing and long lasting friends.

Live Lively, Square Dance!

Tony & Diana Rock



A NOTE FROM THE**EDITOR****Larry W. Dunkel**

This will be our final issue for the year 2019 and I feel that it would be fitting to wish everyone a Happy Holiday season. During the next three months there are so many different holidays that I will not attempt to name them all, but may they all be joyous occasions for you and your families. As I am writing this the local temperature will reach 97 degrees today and it has been that way most of the summer. That makes it very difficult to write about winter activities while you are wiping the sweat from your brow.

With summer coming to an end it also marks the end of our summer state conventions and festivals. From the reports I have been getting it has been a good year for most conventions with some setting new attendance records. Where else can you find so much dancing and educational information than a square dance convention? According to the information sent to us here at USDA there is one state convention left for this year and that is the Indiana State convention on November 8-10. This convention is in the beautiful resort of French Lick, IN and if you are in that area you should join them for this weekend event. For the rest of the country this year's conventions have been wrapped up and filed away and the convention committee's have already started preparing for 2020. There are so many people involved in organizing a convention and they are all "unpaid" volunteers that are willing to give so much of their time to make this a wonderful weekend for you—the dancers. When you see one of the committee members of your convention, be sure to thank them for their efforts. And remember to thank the callers, cuers, line dance instructors and other dance leaders for giving of their time and talents.

Speaking of unpaid volunteers we do not want to overlook the national convention that takes approximately four years to organize and prepare for this four day event and then suddenly it is history. We salute Atlanta for the wonderful convention they gave us this year. Although I do not have the official attendance count I have been told that it was over 4,000 and that is a number not often seen now. Thank you Atlanta for a job well done.

The Atlanta convention attracted people from around the world and more than 4,000 dancers made their way to Atlanta for an exciting week of square dancing and related events. Two of our more dedicated dancers left Atlanta Sunday morning and headed home, but they did not make it. Forty two years of National Square Dance Convention attendance came to an end for Jim and Marilyn Donnelly. Read about this tragic event on page 9.

On Wednesday, September 11, we received word that Bill Flick had passed away. Bill was a 25 year veteran of USDA and had retired just a couple of years ago. Bill was not a charter member of USDA, but he was close. Bill was featured in the July—September, 2018 issue of UDA NEWS. USDA Presidents, Tony and Diana Rock, have written a beautiful tribute to Bill on pages 10 and 11.

The square dance world lost some great people his past year. In addition to the people mentioned above we lost two square dance callers in Flippo Marshal and Lee Kopman, author to so many calls that we use today. There were others from your local area and we wonder, who is gonna fill their shoes"?

From all of us at USDA we wish everyone a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and holiday season.

Until next time.....*Larry D*

EVENTS IN THE PLAINS REGION

Fall is our favorite time of the year, here at our cabin on Lake Sibley.

God's blessings fall forth,
 upon this lake up North
 For life is so grand
 yet so near at hand
 As my eyes gaze
 through the heavenly days
 It's the waves which roll
 that makes a happy soul
 Fall is here and soon will go
 then we'll see God's dazzling white snow
 Soon to leave for square dancing this Fall
 I wonder if ----we could make 'em all??

Yes Fall is in the air up here in the Flickertail State. Combines rolling, trucks moving grain, the corn is 8 feet tall. Bina & I are chomping at the bit to hit the square dancing road.

August 5th we were in Bismarck at a lively dance called by Jerry Junck. We are so fortunate to have Jerry stop and call a dance when he comes through Bismarck each year. August 8th found us in the Chicago Illinois area visiting the Arlington Squares plus workshop conducted by caller Barry Johnson. Good job Barry, we needed that !! Thank you to Tom and Al for helping us get there!

August 9 - 11 we had the thrill of attending Wisconsin's 60th State Square Dance Convention. What a grand event, I noticed 657 dancers registered from 22 states posted at one time. Not sure if that was final figures or not. Hunter Keller was very good as usual. The Siegmann Family presented a very well received Inspirational Gospel Hour Sunday morning with live music from their band. That family is awesome. Well, good job to Scott & Brenda Deal, convention chairman.

On August 17, Hunter Keller traveled to Riverdale, North Dakota and called a dance sponsored by the Bismarck & Minot clubs. We had lots of fun, another great dance with Hunter. He asked me if Bina and I were following him around as we have danced to him in many states.

On September 8th, our Belles 'N Beaux square dance club in Bismarck, ND will be dancing in Braddock, North Dakota at the steam threshers show doing a demo with our local caller Larry Pfenning calling for us. Then the rest of September we only have a couple local dances and then we plan to get saddled up for a ten state drive about in October, (can't wait!!)

Our local club, the Belles 'N Beaux, are so very very happy and excited that our local caller, Larry Pfenning, has moved back home to allow us more local dancing with his wonderful, wonderful calling.

Until we meet again - happy dancing!!

God's Blessings,
 Mark & Bina Krebsbach

Mark and Bina
 at the Alabama
 State Convention

Note from the Editor: Mark & Bina are our VP's for the Plains area and AL is no where near the Plains States. So how did they end up in AL with a USDA display? Something tells me that Tom & Tina Wilkins had something to do with this.



What is USDA?



*United States Department of Agriculture? Unusual Sights Downtown and Around-town? Understanding, Sympathetic, Delightful, and Appreciative? No, we are the **United Square Dancers of America** – founded in 1981 by dancers and organized for the square, round, contra, clogging, line and heritage dance communities. USDA aims to support and promote square dancing (and the related dance forms) through both national-level activity and through providing resources to state and regional levels.*

Membership is open to any organized nonprofit square dance group or other groups representing square, round, contra, clogging, line or heritage dancers that will subscribe to the by-laws, rules and policies of the United Square Dancers of America, Inc. In states which do not have a statewide organization, or when the state organization elects not to join USDA, area or regional organizations may join the USDA to represent the dancers of their state. Applications for membership in USDA are available from any of the USDA officers or on the USDA website at <http://www.usda.org/member.htm>. Benefits of USDA membership include:

- Participation in a national organization dedicated to supporting, promoting, and communicating about square dancing and its related dance forms.
- Having a voice in decisions that are made at the national level relative to the continued development and growth of the square dance activity.
- Sharing experiences and ideas with like-minded dancers in other regions and states.
- Ready access to a range of free educational and promotional materials that promote and perpetuate the dance activity.
- Access to economical dancer accident and group liability insurance coverage.



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REAL FACTS ABOUT THE SQUARE DANCE INSURANCE PROGRAM

THE BASICS:

Every square dance organization needs General Liability and Accidental Medical Expense coverage while conducting and sponsoring dance activities. As closely as safety rules are followed, accidents can and will happen. This insurance program, especially designed for USDA dance groups, provides Accident Medical insurance, which helps protect club members from financial loss due to a covered accidental bodily injury, and Liability Insurance, which protects the club and its members and association officials from financial loss due to unforeseen incidents which may develop into litigation against members and dance organizations.



Pat Inglis
USDA National
Insurance Coordinator



PERIOD OF COVERAGE:

The insurance year is January 1 through December 31. Coverage becomes effective for individual clubs under the policy on the day the application and premium for insurance is received by the USDA Insurance Coordinator. There is no pro-rate provision. This is necessary due to the large administrative expense of maintaining different policy dates.

OUR DANCE FACILITIES

LIABILITY INSURANCE:

Limits of Protection: \$1,000,000 combined single limit of liability for bodily injury and property damage per occurrence (subject to a \$100 property damage deductible per claim) while participating in scheduled and sponsored dancing activities. \$100,000 limit for damage to premises rented to you.



DANCER MEDICAL INSURANCE WHAT IS COVERED?:

Accidental bodily injury sustained by an insured person while participating in dancing activities sponsored and supervised by a recognized club or organization

WHO IS COVERED?:

Club members will be insured while participating in any regularly scheduled and sponsored dancing activity worldwide, including group travel (10 or more club members) in a vehicle commercially licensed for transportation of passengers and operated by a person holding a valid operators license for such vehicle, while being transported to or from a covered dancing activity.

LIMITS OF COVERAGE:

\$10,000 Usual and Customary Accident Medical Expense, including Dental (\$10,000), Accidental Death Benefit (\$10,000), Accidental Dismemberment Benefit (loss of one hand, one foot, sight of one eye).

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OUR DANCE FACILITIES WHO IS COVERED:

The club and its members while participating in club or organization-sponsored and supervised dancing activities. Liability coverage applies in the United States, its territories or possessions, and Canada.

QUESTIONS OR CLAIMS? CONTACT:

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USDA INSURANCE COORDINATORS NOTES

Well, this time I can finally say “farewell.” It has been my pleasure to work with each of you as you took on the insurance chairman’s position for your organization. This past year brought more changes to our system with the introduction of our insurance portal. I am so glad that I was still around to experience how well it is working and how truly fast insurance certificates can be produced and sent to you – this has to have been the best improvement for our clubs during my years of service.

I wish everyone a wonderful 2020 and feel that Elizabeth Sanders will serve you well going forward. Updates are currently being made to the portal. You will receive an email in the near future with the rate for 2020 and instructions on how to use the portal for your 2020 enrollments. Do not make changes to your rosters until you begin enrolling for 2020. You can plan to begin enrolling for 2020 on November 1st !

Elizabeth has introduced herself to you below – I will be available for help for Elizabeth but she is in charge now and she can only learn by doing.

Thank you for the kind farewell messages I have received from you. I feel I have been blessed by your friendships through the years.

Pat Inglis

Greetings:

I am excited to begin this new adventure within the Square Dancing community. I had the privilege of meeting several of you at the 68th National Square Dance Convention®. Wasn’t it a great convention – of course I am a little partial. For those of you that I did not have the opportunity to meet I have included a photo with this introduction.

Eddie and I met at a square dance and have been married since March 2014. Together we have 3 sons, 1 daughter, 3 granddaughters and one grandson. The grandchildren and their parents live in Louisiana and we have two sons who live in Georgia.

I have been square dancing since January 2004 joining Team Squares, Jefferson, GA and later joined Happy Squares, Athens, GA. Eddie has been square dancing since January 2010 and has been a member of Happy Squares, Athens, GA. By the way Happy Squares will be celebrating 64 years this October.



Currently we are members of just one club, Happy Squares. Eddie has held the office of Vice-President and President in Happy Squares. I have been President of Team Squares, Vice-President of the Georgia Singles Square and Round Dance Association + (GSSRDA), and the offices of Secretary, Vice-President and President of the Northeast Georgia Federation (NEGF) but not at the same time! Jointly we have been the President of Happy Squares, President of the Northeast Georgia Federation and Business Chairman with the 68th NSDC. For both Happy Squares and Team Squares I was the club insurance coordinator and have been the insurance coordinator for the affiliate Northeast Georgia Federation since 2015.

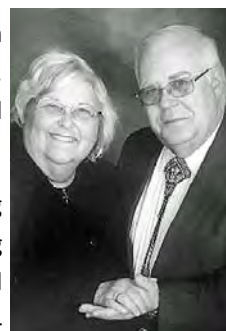
Elizabeth Eddie Sanders

USDA National Insurance Coordinator

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FEATURE ARTICLE

It had been a great week in Atlanta, GA, the host of 68th National Square Dance Convention . The Atlanta group had spent the last four years planning and putting together this event and in four days it was over. It was a wonderful convention as dancers from around the world came together to dance, renew old friendships, and explore the Atlanta area and it's history.



On Sunday morning, June 30, Jim and Marilyn Donnelly had just finished exchanging yellow rocks, shaking hands and were now ready to start their journey to their home in Bellevue, Nebraska. Prior to leaving Atlanta, Marilyn talked to her daughter Kelly and told her that they had a good time and that she would see her when she got back. She never returned. On their way home they were stopped on Interstate 24 near Metropolis, IL for construction. A semi-truck failed to stop, crashed into a car starting a chain-reaction that resulted in the death of the Donnellys. The Donnellys now in their 70's and no longer danced, but they loved the conventions and visiting with the many friends they had made over the years.

Two of those friends are our own USDA Executive Committee members, Jim and Edythe Weber from Liberty, MO. Edythe remembers the Donnellys as wonderful supporters of square dancing and loyal fans of the Kansas City Chiefs and the Kansas City Royals. She remembers many years ago chatting with them at the conventions Media Breakfasts about "OUR" teams . They worked together on one of the committees for the Wichita, Kansas convention.

Many years ago Jim and Marilyn met at a square dance and eventually married. Their square dancing was a passion they never gave up. They remained active with their club and other associations and were always willing to help. Many of our USDA Executive committee members remember them as frequent delegates to the USDA board of directors meetings. They were also active members in the Knights of Columbus and their church. Daughter Kelly said they were devoted parents, grand-parents and neighbors. They attended anything that involved the family. Whether it be a kindergarten graduation, a high school graduation, a college graduation or a baptism, they were there.

The Donnellys attended 42 National Square Dance Conventions and it came to a tragic end on June 30, 2019. Although their life ended on this date, the memories of Jim and Marilyn will live on forever. They were a special kind of people and will be greatly missed.



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2019 USDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, JUNE 26 IN ATLANTA, GA

In Memory of Bill Flick, a Great Friend

Loved by Many and Missed by All

It is with mixed emotions that Tony & I sit down to write this article. It is an extreme honor to have been considered among Bill's closest friends and to have the opportunity to share with you the beautiful person he was as demonstrated throughout his life of 87 years. On the other hand it is very difficult as every word has been written through windows of tears and sad hearts.

Love and Concern for Others

Bill's love and compassion for children (and those who work with them) can be seen in his years spent as an elementary teacher and building principal. He began his teaching career at age 20 when he taught 5th & 6th grade students and continued until his retirement as Principal at Linwood Elementary in 1986. His impact on the students was a lasting one as he was sharing with us just a couple of months ago about running into one of his former students. This man was telling Bill what a positive influence he had on his life, a fact that was quite humbling to our dear friend. Through his church, Swarthmore United Methodist Church, Bill took advantage of the many opportunities to serve others. One such example is when he routinely served meals to the homeless through the ministry of Grace Café. We recall one story when the winter weather was raging and yet Bill, difficult though it was, got to the Café to serve a hot meal to those in need. This past week we have received countless emails from fellow square dancers detailing how Bill had been so gracious and concerned for them. How he was there to offer encouragement and support no matter what the situation. Personally, Bill has been a tremendous help and encouragement to us as we served together on many square dance committees. He knew how to push us just enough to be our best just as he was demonstrating his very best. We are sure Bill would be both amazed and humbled if he knew just how great of an impact he had on so many people.



Extreme Dedication and Devotion

As a loving husband and father, Bill was a shining star of dedication and devotion. He and his late wife, Joan, spent many days traveling in their RV as they visited and danced in all 50 states. They even danced in Seville, Spain at the Universal Exposition in 1992. Bill and his daughter, Penni, were avid Phillies fans and have been home game season ticket holders for many years, a precious memory of a passionate father. Let's talk about dedication. Bill was a 60 year member of the Aston Township Lions Club where he received the Melvin Jones Award. He was also a member of the Swarthmore United Methodist Church for 48 years where he always sang in the choir, even up until his passing. He spent countless hours devoted to his passion of square dancing. He and Joan, besides traveling the country and to Spain, held offices in every level of square dance organizations from his local club, Club Sashay, to regional and state offices, National Convention committees, and the United Square Dancers of America. He and Joan were chairmen of Pennsylvania's first state convention and he attended all 23 past PA state conventions, being on most of the convention committees. He also attended National Conventions for over 20 years, serving as Vice-Chairman for Panels at Baltimore, MD in 2000. Also at the national level, he has been very active in the United Square Dancers of America, USDA. In this organization he and his late wife, Joan, served as National President for two years and Eastern Vice-President for three years. **Continued on following page**

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Later he also served as Eastern Vice Parliamentarian for four years as well as chairing four other committees. In June 2017 he was honored with a service medal representing his 25 years of service in the United Square Dancers of America. At this same time the USDA Board of Directors bestowed the title of HONORARY MEMBERS upon both Bill and Joan. To quote the editor of the USDA News, Larry Dunkel, "Whatever Bill's position, he gave it his all. He had a 'passion' to see that it was done right which probably explains why he was trusted with so many different areas of responsibility." *USDA News Volume XXX Issue 3 Jul-Sept 2018*

Did You Know?

Bill was a member of his high school marching band.

Bill loved eagles and collected them in many different types of media.

Bill was a member of the West Chester Community Choir.

Bill sang barber shop choir music.

As a member of the community choir, Bill sang the National Anthem at the several Phillies and Blue Rock (minor league) games.

Bill enjoyed leading the crowd in the correct recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance with emphasis on the phrase "One nation under God" with no pause.

Bill enjoyed doing needlepoint and made kneeling pillows depicting his church's *logo*.

Bill designed and made the needlepoint picture of the eagle shown here. It took him 11 months to complete. He saw the picture and used graph paper to count each stitch and create the needlepoint pattern.



Bill, you have been loved by so many and will be missed by all. You have left very big shoes to fill, but with your example to follow many will be trying to follow your footsteps.

Written with love by Tony & Diana Rock

Additional pictures of Bill added by the editor.



Winners of the USDA FOUNDEES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Julia Buchheit

An 18 year old graduate of Silverton High School in Silverton, Oregon, and will be attending Chemeketa Community College, where she plans to study pre-vet on her way to becoming a veterinarian. She is a third generation square dancer who is currently active in one club, the Silver City Squares, a member of the Oregon Federation of Square and Round Dancers.

Active in both school and social organizations, Dancing is definitely a part of her, as in addition to square dancing and round dancing Julia has done ballet since she was in kindergarten. She has competed in the Pacific Northwest Teen Square Dance Festival with the Silver City Squares teams for 8 years – squares, rounds and cueing.

For the past four years she has been involved with both the FFA and Theatre group at her high school. In FFA she breeds, raises and shows hogs as well as showing dairy goats. In theatre she mostly works behind the scenes as a technician though she has had a few small parts in plays.

Julia has held several officer positions both in the square dance world and in other groups. She is currently the Mid-Willamette Area Council Delegate to the Oregon Federation, secretary to the Silver Mask Thespian Society (the high school theatre club) and vice-president to the Waldo Hills Community Club. She has also served on the youth committee for Oregon's Mid-Winter Festival and Summer Festival as well as acting as the Silver City Squares delegate to the Mid-Willamette Area Council and being co-captain for one of the Silver City Squares competition teams.



Yesenia Vallejo Mourer

Yesenia has been dancing since she was 8 years old first with the Canby Cloverleafs, a 4-H club out of Canby, Oregon then with the Chaps & Petticoats and now with the Silver City Squares. She has expanded from just squares to dancing rounds and doing some calling. She has competed at the Pacific Northwest Teen Square Dance Festival for 8 years as a member of Canby Cloverleafs and the past several years as a member of the Silver City Squares.

She has earned awards from the National Honor Society, a school basketball award, and a SMILE award (Science, Math, Investigative, Learning, Experience). She has served on her high school Link Crew and is a regular volunteer at her church. She has also been a co-captain for one of the Silver City Squares competition teams.



See "The Impact that Square Dancing Has Had On My Life" on the following page.

The Impact that Square Dancing Has Had On My Life

By: Yesenia Vallejo Mourer

I started square dancing when I was 1 years old. Ever since I graduated from my first year of lessons I have never stopped. I absolutely love the sound of cowboy boots hitting the wooden floors at the beat of the callers patter music because I know it's a sign the dancers are ready to have fun. Square Dance has given me multiple opportunities to do things that I didn't even think would be able to do in public, it has helped me define who I am as a person and it has definitely inspired me to help out the youth of this generation.

Before I was an angel, my mom introduced my sister and I to the Canby Cloverleafs which at the time was a 4-H group that competed at the Pacific Northwest Teen Square Dance Festival. Unfortunately that club has discontinued however till this day I still compete with the Silver City Squares in Silverton Oregon, I've competed in Square Dancing, Round dancing and Calling. My plan for next year is to compete in cueing. Thanks to the cuers I'm able to dance Two-Step, Waltz, Rhumba, Cha-Cha and jive. Thanks to the callers I am able to dance mainstream and plus. One of my goals in life is to learn as much as I can before I can't. There are so many things that I love about Square Dancing one thing being is that it's a great community, everyone is always positive and when people share their life stories on how they got started it makes my day because I know that everyone has a different story. One thing that I'd like to share is everybody is very supportive they have encouraged me to take the next step after high school. My plan is to start at Chemeketa Community College and then transfer to Oregon Institute of Technology to become a Sonographer. Talking to multiple Square Dancers who have children that are in the field that I am interested in has helped me tremendously by giving me advice and tips.

Overall Square Dancing has helped me build friendships and relationships with amazing people that I am grateful to have in my life. It has made me want to be an inspiration to the youth because they are the next generation. I want them to know that they play a huge part within the square dance community without it.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Yesenia Vallejo Mourer



Dan Reedy, USDA Youth Advisor, presents the USDA FOUNDERS MEMORIAL YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS to USDA Oregon Delegate Marilyn Schmit. Both of this year's winners are from Oregon, but neither were able to attend the Board Meeting in Atlanta.



USDA PROGRAMS and PRODUCTS



USDA is probably best known for our Insurance Program for dancers, but are you familiar with the following?

Additional information on each of these programs and any required forms can be found on our web site

www.usda.org -or- by contacting the program chairman.

USDA TRAVELER PROGRAM

Do you like to travel? Do you like to attend square dances wherever you go? Then look into the USA Traveler Program! The purpose of the USA traveler program is to promote visitation between dancers in all 50 states by encouraging dancers to visit club dances, festivals, state conventions, or national conventions across state lines and around the United States. The goal – to dance at an event in each of the 50 United States!

A badge and a bar will be awarded to participants after they have visited at least 12 states. The goal is to dance in all 50 states and any participant who visits 48 or 50 states will also be awarded paid admission to the next National Square Dance Convention. Also see page 12

Program Chairman: Jerry and Donna Robey - email: usda.travelers@usda.org

USDA CENTENNIAL AWARD PROGRAM

Are you aware that we have dancers 100 years old that are still active in their dance clubs? Very few of us reach that age, but USDA recognizes and honors those that do with a “Centennial Award”. They will receive a framed certificate of “Recognition and Appreciation” signed by the president and the Regional Vice President of USDA, a “USDA Centennial Award” lapel pin and a special “Feature Article” about them in the USDA NEWS.

Program Chairman: Larry Dunkel—email: usdanews@usda.org

USDA YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Each year the United Square Dancers of America – the national dancers’ organization – awards a merit-based scholarship to a student who has shown their dedication to the promotion and perpetuation of the total square dance movement, including square dance, round dance, contra and clogging. If you know of a youth dancer who is a high school senior or college freshman that would like to apply for the scholarship, the application form can be downloaded from the USDA website, <http://USDA.org/trifold/ISy0403.pdf>.

Donations are needed to continue making this \$1,000 scholarship available. You can make a donation in memory of a fellow dancer, in honor of a special occasion, or simply because you support youth square dancing. USDA is a 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which qualify for tax deduction status.

Youth Advisor: Dan Reedy—email: usda.youth.advisor.@usda.org

USDA HANDICAPABLE PROGRAM

The USDA Handicapable program is monetary in nature, consisting of allocating monies toward the registration fee for eligible Handicapable dancers to attend the National Square Dance Convention. The only requirement is that they must be a Handicapable dancer and a member of a Handicapable club. Any Handicapable club in the United States may apply for these funds. In order to apply for funds, a club contact person must complete the application form and send it to the USDA Handicapable Committee chairperson.

Program Chairman: Alitia Becker—email: usda.handicapable.dancers@usda.org

Las Vegas, NV



Las Vegas Square and Round Dancers Association

Presents:

A Round Dance Afternoon

Saturday October 12, 2019 2 - 5 pm

Featuring.....

- **Deb Vogt**
- **Zena Beaulieu**
- **Ron Hartzell**
- **Carolyn Cook**



**Change
of
Venue**

All Levels 2 - 5 • Donation: \$10.00 per person

Lucky 8 Dance Studio

5015 W. Sahara Ave. Suite 128-129

Las Vegas, NV. 89146

South - West Corner of Sahara Av and Decatur Blvd.

For More Info: Call Cathy Demars 702-521-4959 or Joyce Ferris 702-360-1996

FRONTIER DAYS SQUARE DANCE FESTIVAL

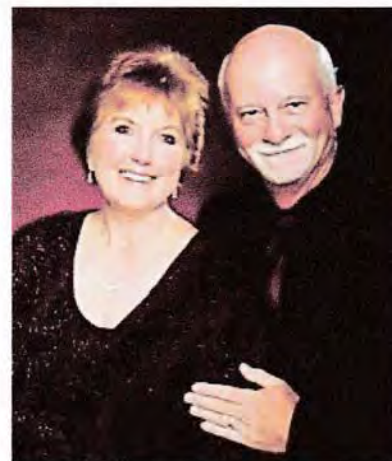
Las Vegas, Nevada

Nov 1-2, 2019



Andy Allemao

Evenings: M/S, Plus & Rounds



Milo Molitoris

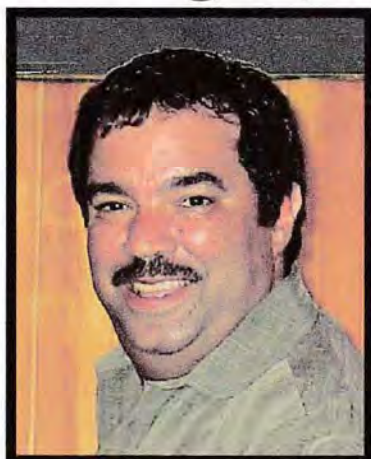
Saturday Noon: A1/A2

Mountain View Lutheran Church, 9550 W. Cheyenne Ave

NEW YEARS EVE DANCE

Las Vegas, Nevada

December 31, 2019



Johnnie Preston

*Food &
Beverages
through the evening
Party Favors
M/S, Plus, Rounds
Advanced tips*



Carolyn Cook

Good Times Square & Round Dance Club

GoodTimesSquareDancers.org

squaregirlritajo@yahoo.com

3-15-2020

22nd Annual Grand Canyon Square Dance Association

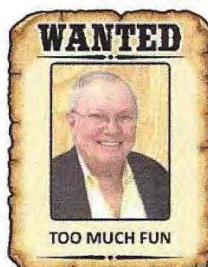
ARIZONA
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SQUARE DANCE & ROUND DANCE FESTIVAL
Friday & Saturday
MARCH 13 & 14, 2020

For your dancing pleasure presenting...

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~ FEATURED CUER ~



Gary Shoemake
(Sevierville, TN)



Lee Hailey
(Glendale, AZ)



Ronnie Fontaine
(Phoenix, AZ)



EARLY BIRD PRE-REGISTRATION SPECIAL

Pre-register for the 2020 Festival and be entered into a drawing that will be on Saturday, March 14, at 8:00pm for a chance to be reimbursed your registration fees. **MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN.**

**HURRY, DON'T DELAY... PRE-REGISTRATION TIL MARCH 11, 2020
YOU MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED TO QUALIFY.**



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— 22nd Annual GCSDA Square & Round Dance Festival —

Friday Evening Plus Hall

GARY SHOEMAKE

7:00pm - 7:30pm Pre-Rounds - **Ronnie Fontaine**
 7:30pm - 7:45pm 1st Tip Mainstream - **Gary & Lee**
 7:45pm - 9:45pm Plus with Rounds - **Gary & Ronnie**
 9:45pm - Last Tip Mainstream - **Gary & Lee**

Friday Evening Mainstream Hall

LEE HAILEY

7:45pm - 9:45pm Mainstream & Line Dancing - **Lee Hailey**
 9:45pm - **Last Tip in the Plus Hall**

Saturday Daytime Plus Hall

10:00am - 11:30am Workshop & Dance - **Gary Shoemake**

11:30am — LUNCH BREAK — 1:30pm

1:30pm - 4:00pm Workshop Rounds - **Ronnie Fontaine**

4:00pm — DINNER BREAK — 6:30pm

Saturday Daytime Mainstream Hall

10:00am - 11:30am - Workshop & Dance - **Lee Hailey**

11:30am — LUNCH BREAK — 1:30pm

1:30pm - 4:00pm **Fun Dance** - **Gary & Lee**

4:00pm — DINNER BREAK — 6:30pm

Saturday Evening Plus Hall

7:00pm - 7:30pm - Pre-Rounds - **Ronnie Fontaine**
7:30pm - 7:45pm GRAND MARCH
1st Tip Mainstream - Gary & Lee
 7:45pm - 9:45pm Plus with Rounds - **Gary & Ronnie**
 9:45pm - Last Tip Mainstream - **Gary & Lee**

Saturday Evening Mainstream Hall

7:30pm GRAND MARCH in Plus Hall
 7:45pm - 9:45pm Mainstream & Line Dancing - **Lee Hailey**
 9:45pm Last Tip in the Plus Hall

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Schedule of Fees (per Person / Kids under 18 1/2 Off)

(Kids under 18 must be accompanied by a legal guardian or parent)

All Events: Friday & Saturday

Pre-Registration till (March 11, 2020) - \$25.00

On-Site Registration - \$30.00

Individual Events: On site only

Friday Evening Dance - \$10.00

Saturday Evening Dance - \$15.00

Saturday All Day & Saturday Night - \$20.00

Pre-Registration Form (\$25.00 ea. — Postmarked before March 11, 2020)

Make Checks Payable to: GCSDA

Mail completed form below to: GCSDA Festival, c/o Peggy Gray, 808 N. 82nd St. #F114, Scottsdale, AZ. 85257-3897

For more Information: 602-222-9339

Revised : 02-15-2018

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Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ St. _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Amt. Enclosed: # dance tickets _____ Amt. _____

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"Keeping the Vision Alive in 2020"

Registration Form

June 17, 18, 19, 20, 2020 Spokane, Washington

Online Registration - Website 69nsdc.org

☐ I'd like to volunteer,
Please contact me.

Please Print

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____ Country: _____
Phone: _____ Cell: _____
Email: _____
(Email addresses will only be shared with the NEC for upcoming convention information.)

☐ Check if you do not want your email shared.

Registrations are non-transferable
Youth born after June 20, 2002 \$30.00
A \$10.00 fee per Registrant will be imposed for cancellations
Prices will increase May 1, 2020 to \$76 for adults, \$37.50 for Youth born after June 20, 2002.
Registrations received after April 30, 2020 will receive email confirmation only.
Mail-in Registrations must be sent by June 6, 2020 or email by June 12, 2020.

Registration fee per Registrant: Adult \$60.00,
Youth born 5 and under (born after June 20, 2015) FREE

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Program Book w/daily schedules (\$20.00 after 4/30/2020) # @ \$15.00
Round Dance Syllabus - USB Drive or Printed # @ \$10.00
Round Dance Syllabus - USB Drive and Printed # @ \$16.00
Sew & Save Book # @ \$15.00
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Wednesday Special Event "Dinner & Show"
Wednesday Special Event Show - "Joe Fiddler"
Wednesday Special Event Dinner - "Longhorn BBQ in the Park"
Bus Pass for Campers - 4 days # @ \$25.00
RV Camping - (4 night minimum) All camper's must register.
You will receive a profile form when your payment is received.
To camp together, arrive together

No Refunds/Cancellations after April 30, 2020 (U.S. Funds) Total \$0.00
A \$10.00 fee per registrant will be imposed for cancellations

Tours - Please complete separate Tours Order Form and submit payment

☐ Check Enclosed ☐ Visa ☐ Master Card ☐ Discover Card ☐ American Express

Print Name on Card

Card #

Expiration Date

Registration: Louis and Nancy Friedlander, phone 517-322-2571, Email reg2020@comcast.net

For Convention Use Only
Registration # _____
Date Received _____
Check # _____

Please identify at which Dance Program you intend to spend most of your dance time:
Squares: ☐ Basic ☐ M ☐ P ☐ DBD ☐ HEX ☐ A1 ☐ A2 ☐ C1 ☐ C2
☐ HI Energy ☐ Low Energy
Other: ☐ Clogging ☐ Contra ☐ Line Dancing/Country Western ☐ Handicapped
☐ Will you be participating in the Education Leadership Certification Program?
Visit our website for more information on our Education Programs, Seminars, Clinic

Housing

Select your hotel online at: www.69nsdc.org select "Housing" Tab for a direct
secure link to the Hotel Booking Module after March 1 2019.
Selected Hotel on-line? ☐ YES ☐ NO

If online NOT elected, complete the entire Housing portion of this form below:
Housing Required? ☐ YES ☐ NO Please Circle Room Nights Needed.

June 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21
Sat Sun Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri Sat Sun
Hotel Preference (hotel codes on back): 1st 2nd 3rd
3 Hotel Preferences Required

Please check the appropriate box: ☐ One Bed (1-2 people) ☐ 2 Beds (2-4 people)
☐ Wheelchair Accessible Room ☐ Special Needs Room:
Requests for Shared Rooms or Same Hotel registrations must be mailed together in the same envelope.

Same Hotel as:

For Assignment in Block Housing - Requests are due by Jan 2, 2020

☐ Block Housing - 10-25 rooms. Group Name _____

Block Leader Name: _____

Email: _____

To guarantee your room reservations, you must provide a credit card number.
Payment for the room will be charged at check in.

☐ Visa ☐ Master Card ☐ Discover Card ☐ American Express

Print Name On Card

Credit Card # _____

Expiration Date: _____ (Ensure expiration date is after June 2020) Security Code _____

Dance Leader Name to be programmed *Go to www.69nsdc.org to update your profile

Please Circle Caller Coder Contra Clogging CM Lark

Name: _____

Name: _____

Convention Badges Required for entrance to all convention activities

Dressy Casual attire allowed until 6:00 pm.

PROPER DANCE ATTIRE is Required after 6:00pm pm for all Dancers

Return completed form with payment to:

69 NSDC

4511 Bittersweet Lane

Lansing, MI 48917

Instructions for Registration (left side)

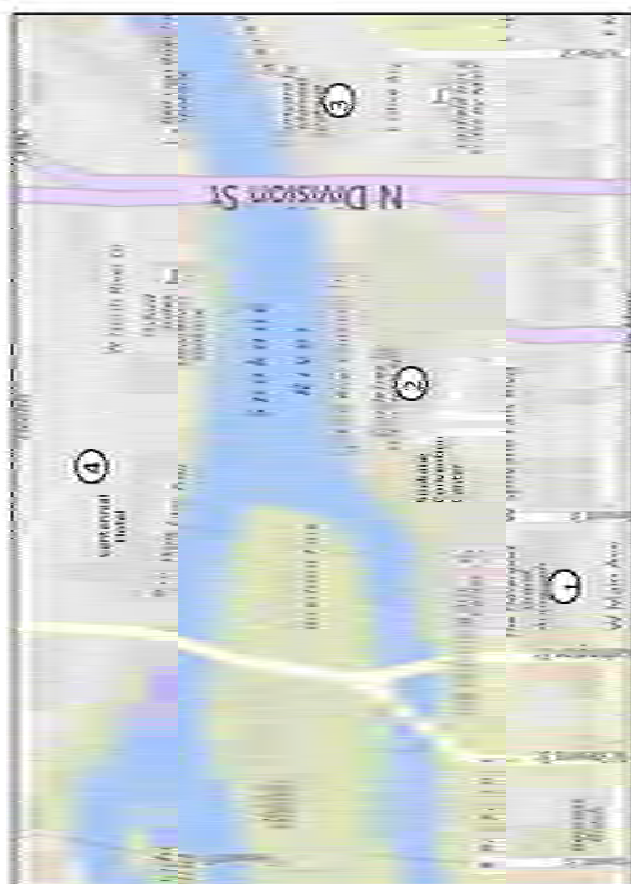
1. **Print legibly** all names, address, city, state, zip code, country, and B/D of youth (age 5-17 by 6/20/2020 -1/2 price) to ensure correct registration.
2. Correctly enter all amounts in the Subtotals including registration fee for each dancer plus quantity and amounts for all other materials and tours.
3. **Important!** Daily schedules are only available with the purchase of a Program Book. Daily schedules will not be available separately at the Convention. Most dancers will want to purchase the Program Book.
4. Correctly calculate the total and include credit card information (with signature), check, or money order payable in U.S. funds to the 69th National Square Dance Convention® and return it with the Registration Form.
5. **Do Not Send Cash. No Single Day Registrations Sold.**
6. **RV Camping.** Indicate RV Camping on your Registration Form, and enclose the required fees (four-night minimum) to cover the nights that you intend to stay. Please check appropriate boxes. RV camp sites will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. There are 30 amp & 50 amp electrical service with water. Sewage dump station on-site at no additional charge. If you plan to camp together, you must arrive together. For more information contact RV Chairman, Donald Kleeple, camping69th@gmail.com, 509-251-8215.
7. **Bus Pass** bus will only stop at Spokane County Fair Campgrounds.
8. **Tour forms and Payments** are to be mailed directly to: 69th National Square Dance Convention®, 4511 Bittersweet Lane, Lansing, MI 48917. For Tour information and form go to www.69nsc.org and click tours. Include completed Tour Form with this Registration Form.
9. A \$10.00 fee per registrant will be assessed for cancellation. **No refunds after April 30, 2020.**

Instructions for Housing (right side)

1. The 69th NSDC Housing Committee is partnering with Visit Spokane Housing Bureau to provide website access for housing reservations after March 1, 2019. Dancers can make reservations online by going to www.69nsc.org. Dancers who choose, may make housing reservations using the printed registration form, the same way dancers have made housing reservations for past Conventions.
2. Complete the housing portion of this form only if you choose not to make your hotel reservations online at www.69nsc.org. This form must be received by May 15, 2020 to receive the 69th NSDC contracted room rates. If you request housing at hotel codes 1-4, you must stay a minimum of four (4) nights, including Wednesday through Saturday, June 17-20, 2020.
3. Only one person per room should complete a hotel reservation request. Please list all room occupants. (The Housing Committee does not find or assign roommates.)
4. **Same Hotel Requests** can be made through the online site or registrations forms must be in the same envelope and mailed to arrive together.
5. Submit all Block Housing requests with the name and telephone number of the leader. All rooms not reserved by **January 2, 2020** will be returned to the general reservation pool.
6. Indicate Three (3) choices of housing preference, by specifying hotel code number. Be sure to indicate 1 or 2 beds as well as preferences. Hotels will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis according to availability.
7. **Hotel Reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card.** Your credit card will not be charged in advanced an alternative form of payment may be presented at check in.
8. **Hotel Reservations:** Spokane Housing Services will send a reservation acknowledgment within 24 hours via email if booked online or by telephone. See contact information on bottom right. If you do not receive your acknowledgment in this time frame, please contact Spokane Housing Services as information included is very important. **Hotel confirmation numbers will NOT be included in your acknowledgment email.**
9. **Change/Cancellations BEFORE May 15, 2020** — Please use the link at the bottom of your acknowledgment email or contact Spokane Housing Services. Make sure to read the Reservation Agreement on your acknowledgment email, as each property has their own cancellation policy. **DO NOT CONTACT THE HOTELS UNTIL AFTER MAY 15, 2020**
10. **Confirmation Email:** A second email from Spokane Housing Services will be sent following the housing cut-off date of Friday, May 15, 2020. Once you receive your confirmation email, please contact the hotel directly if you need to make a change or cancel your reservation. If you do NOT receive your Confirmation email by Wednesday, May 20, 2020 please contact the Spokane Housing Services, as this may mean the email did not go through.

Mailed-in Registration must be sent by June 5, 2020. Email by June 12, 2020.

Map of Hotels



Hotel Code	Hotel Name	1 Person	2 People	3 People	4 People	Distance
1	Davenport Grand Marriott	\$159	\$159	\$179	\$189	Connected
2	Double Tree by Hilton Headquarters	\$157	\$157	\$157	\$157	Connected
3	Courtyard by Marriott	\$159	\$159			.4 Miles
4	Centennial Hotel Spokane - Caller/Cuer	\$139	\$139	\$139	\$139	.5 Miles
	Spokane County Fair Campgrounds					.5 miles

Cut-off Date: May 15, 2020

Return completed form with payment to:

Spokane Housing Services
Monday through Friday
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. PST
509-744-33420
or via email at
reservations@visitspokane.com

69th NSDC
4511 Bittersweet Lane
Landing, MI 48917

02/27/2019



Pre – Registration
70th National Square Dance Convention® • Jackson, Mississippi
June 23, 24, 25, & 26, 2021
Dancing Fun in 2021 in the “City with Soul”

Register now for the 70th National Square Dance Convention®. Your early registration helps defray costs and gives you **FREE admittance** to the Saturday evening Pre-Convention Dance on March 28, 2020.

Please complete the form below and send it along with your credit card info or check payable to:

70th National Square Dance Convention®

5252 McIngvale

Hernando, MS 38632

Email: register70@yahoo.com • Phone 901-412-8140

Registration # _____
 Ribbon _____ (Internal Use Only)

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Primary Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
 Partner's (if different): _____ First Name: _____
 Youth: _____ D.O.B. _____ Youth: _____ D.O.B. _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
 Country: _____ Email: _____ Phone: (____) _____ Mobile: (____) _____
 Amount paid (U.S. currency only) \$50.00 each x _____ = \$ _____
 If born after June 23, 2003 \$25.00 each x _____ = \$ _____
 Check # _____ Cash: _____ Credit Card: _____ Total: \$ _____

\$10 cancellation fee per registration – No refunds after April 30, 2021 • This form and registration rate is void after March 28, 2020

Credit card (circle one): MC VISA Discover # _____ Expiration Date: ____ / ____ Security Code _____
 Statement Mailing Address (if different) _____
 Name on card: _____ Signature: _____

If you are a dance leader, please circle all that apply: MS Plus Adv. Challenge Cuer 2 3/4 5/6 Contra Clogging C/W Lines

Convention Badge required for entrance to all convention activities. Dressy casual attire allowed until 6:00 pm. Proper dance attire required after 6:00 pm for all dancers.



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Pre-Registration 71st National Square Dance Convention®

Evansville, Indiana June 22-25, 2022

Please complete the form below and send it along with your check or credit card info to:

71st National Square Dance Convention®

2820 Alexandria Pike, Anderson, Indiana 46012

Email: registration@71nsdc.org Website: 71nsdc.org

Registration Information: (765) 662-2553 Please Print Clearly

Primary Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
 Partner's (if different) _____ First Name: _____
 Youth: _____ DOB: _____ Youth: _____ DOB: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State _____ Zip Code: _____ Country: _____
 Phone: _____ Mobile: _____
 Email: _____ (Partner's) Email: _____
 Amount Paid (US Currency Only) \$50.00 each x _____ = \$ _____
 Youth born after June 22, 2004 \$25.00 each x _____ = \$ _____

\$10 cancellation fee per registration. No refund after April 30, 2022 This form and registration rate is void after March 13, 2021

Payment (check one) Check MasterCard Visa Discover

Name on Card: _____ Signature: _____

Credit Card No.: _____ Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Statement Mailing Address: _____

Your early registration gives you free admittance to the Saturday evening dance at the Pre-Convention on March 13, 2021.

71st NSDC Short Form 070919



Meet your 2019-2020 USDA Officers

Officers for the United Square Dancers of America are elected each year at the annual meeting held in conjunction with the National Square Dance Convention. Your officers for 2019-20 are:

President	Tony & Diana Rock Pittsburgh, PA
Eastern Region Vice President <i>CT, DE, D of C, ME, MD, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT and VA</i>	Mike & Pat Matsko Selinsgrove, PA
Central Region Vice President <i>AL, FL, GA, IN, KY, MI, MS, NC, OH, SC, TN and WV</i>	Ed & Lynda Willis Wilmington, NC
Plains Region Vice President <i>AR, IL, IA, KS, LA, MN, MO, NE, ND, OK, SD, TX and WI</i>	Mark & Bina Krebsbach Bismarck, ND
Western Region Vice President <i>AK, AZ, CA, CO, HI, ID, MT, NV, NM, OR, UT, WA, and WY</i>	Dale & Kathy Worthington Warrenton, OR
Secretary	Ellery & Karen Gulbrand Green Bay, WI
Treasurer	Jim & Judy Taylor Littleton, CO

For more information about the USDA Executive Committee as well as USDA programs and activities, check out our website at www.usda.org.



THE ROVING CAMERA



Lenny Houle (Connie) Gen. Chairman of the 64th NSDC in Springfield presents USDA Presidents LPaul and Sally Schmidt with a check.



Jerry & Donna Robey presents out-going Presidents LPaul and Sally Schmidt with their Presidents Award.

USDA Prescription Drug Card Program

We have received information about an expansion to our Prescription Drug Card Program. In addition to possibly obtaining up to 75 % off your prescription drugs, with this Enhanced Benefit Card you can now receive discounts on hearing aids and vision services.

For more information or to receive an Enhanced Benefit Card please go to the USDA Website at usda.org or contact the Prescription Drug Card Chairman: Joy Vaccari, 227 Hughes St NE, Ft Walton Beach, FL 32548. Phone 850-243-9484 Email: javajoy2@cox.net

OUTLOOK Vision Services

is a discount program that provides substantial savings off the regular retail price for eyewear at participating providers.

OUTLOOK Vision Services operates in all fifty (50) states as a discount network. The OUTLOOK provider network is comprised of well-known national and regional vision care centers, independent optometrists or opticians, small and large retail optical centers and "one-hour" type optical centers. Each approved provider is carefully selected through a stringent process to assure the program's standard of quality is not compromised. All locations are licensed and trained in the use of the latest equipment and techniques and offer the highest quality products and services. All providers carry up-to-date top of the line inventories from leading manufacturers.



Highlights:

- ◆ Nationwide vision care discount network consisting of over 10,500 providers.
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- ◆ Purchase as often as you like.
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- ◆ Immediate savings at point of purchase.
- ◆ Discounts are applied at the point of sale.
- ◆ No paperwork.

Outlook Vision Guarantees



All merchandise is covered by manufacturer's warranty for materials and workmanship. Once a purchase is made, if you find the identical eyewear within 30 days at a lower advertised price, the difference will be cheerfully refunded. If an Outlook Vision member is not completely satisfied with an eyewear purchase from a participating provider for any reason, it may be returned within 30 days to the place of purchase for a complete refund.

How to Use Your Vision Benefit

To use your vision benefit, simply show the participating provider your ID card which includes the OUTLOOK Vision logo. Your discount will be applied at the time of purchase. If they provider has questions, they should call OUTLOOK Vision at (800) 342-7188.

This is NOT INSURANCE. It is a discount program.

Cardholders are responsible for paying the discounted cost at the time of service from participating providers. Discounts may not be taken in conjunction with any third party payor arrangement, including Medicare or Medicaid or government programs. Members have the right to cancel registration within a thirty-day period. Prescriptions may be filled at any pharmacy, however, this prescription discount card provides a discount only at participating pharmacies. It does not replace COBRA or any other medical insurance program, nor is it a Medicare Part D prescription drug plan. This program is administered by Access One Consumer Health, your Discount Medical Plan Organization, 84 Villa Rd. Greenville, SC 29615. www.accessonedmppo.com. The program and its administrators have no liability for providing or guaranteeing service or the quality of service rendered. This program is not available to Montana residents, but may be used at participating Montana providers.

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USDA Prescription Savings Card Program Highlights

- It is completely FREE
- You, as well as your family and friends, can use the card
- The *USDA Prescription Savings Card* is active and ready to use
- Unlimited uses / Never expires
- No personal information needed
- Works for FDA approved prescription medications

This is NOT INSURANCE. This card is FREE. Prescriptions may be filled at any pharmacy, however, this prescription discount card provides a discount only at participating pharmacies. It does not replace COBRA or any other medical insurance program, nor is it a Medicare Part D prescription drug plan. Cardholders are responsible for paying the discounted cost at the time of service from participating providers. Discounts may not be taken in conjunction with any third party payor arrangement, including Medicare or Medicaid or government programs. This program is administered by Access One Consumer Health, your Discount Medical Plan Organization, 84 Villa Rd. Greenville, SC 29615 www.accessonedmpo.com. The program and its administrators have no liability for providing or guaranteeing service or the quality of service rendered. This program is not available to Montana residents, but may be used at participating Montana providers.

Q: *Is this insurance?*

A: No, this is not insurance. It is a discount plan that provides discounted prices on certain health care services.

Q: *Is there a monthly fee or a registration fee for this program?*

A: No, the card is free. Members pay only for services they receive.

Q: *How soon can I use my card to start saving money?*

A: There's no waiting period. Your card can be used immediately.

Q: *How do I receive a discount?*

A: Saving money on health care expenses is easy. Simply show your ID card at the time of service. Members are responsible for paying all fees directly to the provider.

Q: *Are all members of my household covered by this program?*

A: Yes, your card can be used by every person living at the same address. Additional cards can be printed from our website at <http://usda.EBCcard.com>.

Q: *Can I use my membership when I travel away from home?*

A: Yes, your discount plan can be used at any participating provider in the United States.

Q: *How do I replace a lost card?*

A: Visit <http://usda.EBCcard.com> and follow the instructions.

Q: *Who do I contact if I have questions about this program?*

A: You can visit our website at <http://usda.EBCcard.com> for more information.

Q: *How do I save the most?*

A: The most savings will come from pharmacies located in grocery stores or at independently owned pharmacies. While the card can also be used at the large, chain-store pharmacies like CVS, Walgreens and Walmart, these chain-stores often charge higher prices than grocery stores or independently owned pharmacies. Check the pricing tool on our website for the best savings.

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Member
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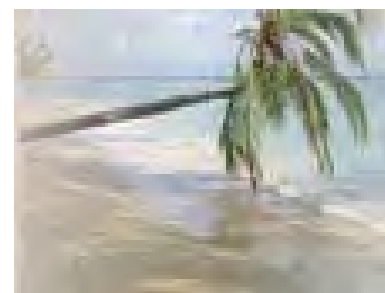
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