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*June 22-25*  
**EVANSVILLE, IN**

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LPaul & Sally Schmidt, Marilyn Schmit, Robyn Crans, and the family of Judy Frickey.

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My apology to anyone I failed to recognize.



READ THE STORY ON PAGE 9

## AS MARCH MADNESS FADES AWAY

### HERE COMES JUNE MADNESS

June the 22nd—through the 25th the 71st National Square Dance Convention will gather in the beautiful city of Evansville, IN. Hundreds of fun loving dancers from around the world will strut their stuff in a week of rip roaring dancing and having a ball.

As always, USDA (United Square Dancers of America) will sponsor educational classes and host the Friday Night After-Party. This has become a convention favorite with the Ghost Riders Band and Milene McCall always has a lineup of the top callers. Wednesday, June 22 at 1 pm is our Annual Board of Directors meeting. This is open to the public and we welcome you to join us for this session.

Page 9 list the USDA events, time and locations, but please check the event board at the convention as these do get changed. If you have trouble finding something please check with one of the USDA people.

We will be most happy to tell you where to go.

Happy Dancing!

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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENTS

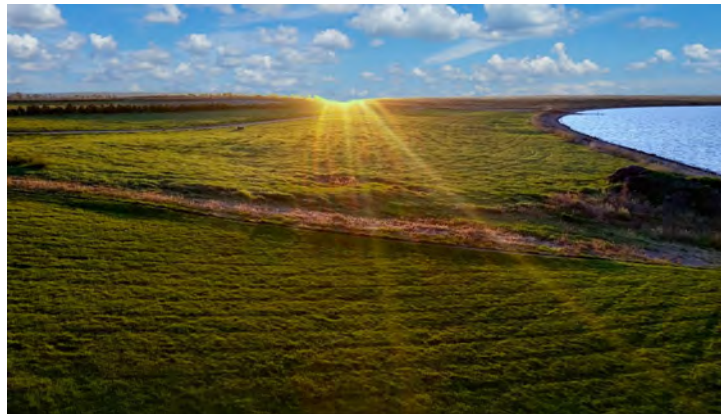


MARK & BINA  
KREBSBACH

### Greetings from North Dakota & Happy Spring

**Oh, What a Beautiful Morning**

*The sun's golden rays on the meadow  
Makes a wonderful sight for this fellow.  
God's creatures fly by and they capture my eye,  
They seem to be coming from up in the sky.  
My thanks to our Lord for this beautiful day.  
Blessed are dancers of the USDA.*



It is such a blessing to witness the blooming of God's creation, springtime. My favorite time of the year, it fills my heart with love, joy, peace, patience, gratitude and hope. It is also a blessing for the opportunities and privileges we have in this wonderful life. Square dancing is just one of those. Life presents itself with many challenges. The COVID has challenged many areas of our lives including square dancing. When reality puts us in a place that we do not like and we can't change it, then we can only trust in the Lord and he will guide our thoughts as we work our way through the situation. Square dancing is successfully working its way through this challenging time we are experiencing. Life can be difficult and those who endure the hardships are strengthened by them. One of the things we are becoming more aware of, is the fact that square dancers have an attitude of a close-knit family, caring for one another, loving one another, and supporting one another. Square dancing does go way beyond the dance floor. To be involved in square dancing is truly a blessing.

This past January the USDA Executive Committee experienced a very productive and joyful winter meeting in San Diego, CA. The USDA has an active schedule planned for the national square dance convention to be held in Evansville, Indiana this June. Attending the Annual Board of Directors meeting as a delegate for your affiliation is an important part of being an informed square dancer. We hope to see you there.

We are still looking for someone to fill the position of Vice President for both the Eastern and the Central Regions . If you know of someone for us to contact, please let us know.

Do what needs to be done for the good of all.

God's blessings!!

As Ever Square Dancers

Mark & Bina



## A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR



Larry W. Dunkel

I enjoy listening to Garrison Keillor as he presents the news from his hometown. He always begins by saying, “it’s been a quite week in Lake Wobegone, MN, my hometown.” I have decided that I need something like that to start this page, but it will require some rearranging, such as quarter instead of week and my hometown of Knoxville, TN. A lot of people outside this area don’t know that Gatlinburg and Pigeon Forge are suburbs of Knoxville, thus making us the Square Dance Capital of this region. Now that you understand that I will begin with my quarterly report.

*It’s been a quite quarter in Knoxville, my hometown.* Last quarter we reported that things were looking up and dancers were returning, new classes starting, etc., then there was a new surge of Covid and everything came to a halt. Well, this quarter we are finding that things are starting again and we hope they will continue and the dancers will return without the interruption we saw earlier. Our sister town of Gatlinburg is reporting that weekend festivals are scheduling throughout the year and of course the big event is the TN State Square and Round Dance Convention in August. That dance was held last year, but the attendance was lower due to the Covid situation and many dancers were still afraid to get back in crowds. Prior to Covid, the convention weekend would bring around 1200 dancers to this small tourist town. It was a beautiful sight to see the ladies in their colorful outfits and the men in their matching western wear. You could hear the oos and awes as they walked around town shopping and putting smiles on the merchants faces. Cash registers were heard frequently and if you listened closely it sounded as if they were playing square dance music every time a sale was made. This is not a unique situation in Gatlinburg, but in all cities where the dancers come in groups, such as conventions and festivals. Evansville is very excited and looking forward to our National Convention being held in their beautiful city. We do hope that you are planning on being a part of this year’s convention and if not, you need to reconsider. Let’s show Evansville what a few thousand dancers can do for their spirits and why we are always smiling.

A couple of years ago Mark and Bina Krebsbach were the Plains Region Vice Presidents and we had a Centennial Award to present in one of their states. I sent them an email asking if they could present this award for us. Mark replied that they would not be able to because that was the week of summer in North Dakota and he didn’t want to miss it. I found that to be very interesting. This past week I got a better understanding of what he was saying. In my part of Tennessee we have had one of the mildest winters that I can remember in recent years. This past Friday the high temperature for the day was 66°. When I woke up Saturday morning we had about 6 inches of snow and a projected low of 11° for Saturday night. We are seven days from the beginning of spring. One nice thing about TN is that if you don’t like the weather, just wait and it will change. Our forecast calls for warmer weather this weekend. So now I know what Mark was saying. I could have easily been out of town Saturday and missed this year’s winter.

One of the programs that USDA has is our editor’s exchange. Simply put, you show me yours, I will show you mine. We exchange publications with several editors across the country and I often find information of things happening in your area that I think would be of interest to the readers of USDA. In the current issue of the Tip Topics, there is an poem that should be shared with all new students. This is written by Robyn Crans and you will find it on page 22 of this issue. We thank the Greater Cleveland Federation of Dances and Vicky Sawyer, editor of the Tip Topics for allowing us to reprint this for our readers and our new students.

MARCH MADNESS 2022 IS HERE! This is the time of year college basketball lovers look forward to. As I am writing this we are only a couple of days away from the first games being played and the next couple of weeks will be filled with excitement. But March Madness is not just for basketball fans. Turn on the TV and you will be bombarded with commercials from car dealers with the best prices of the year being offered during March Madness. Been looking for that new bedroom suite? Well lucky you! Every furniture store just happens to be having that once a year March Madness Sale. And don’t you just love those March Madness Beer Commercials? Yes, March is an exciting time for basketball lovers and people waiting for that big sale.

For square dances, well, we have **June Madness!** Every June hundreds of square dancers from around the world gather together in one city and we show the world who we are. Will you be there this year? We need you! Come be a part of the square dancers JUNE MADNESS and let’s show Evansville and the world what they are missing.

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

## EVENTS IN THE CENTRAL REGION

**Ed & Lynda Willis, USDA Central Region VP**

Wow, where to start. A lot of things are going on this year. We received a phone call from Larry Hakes in Indiana last week. Larry is working on a project for the Indiana Dancers Association. They are trying to get more recognition for square dancing and are working to have Indiana declare square dancing as the state dance and eventually have it declared again as the national dance. We suggested he get in touch with Jim Maczko. He also found the following which may be of interest to others.

[https://www.netstate.com/states/symb/dances/usa\\_square\\_dance.htm#](https://www.netstate.com/states/symb/dances/usa_square_dance.htm#)

My next topic has to do with finding someone to take over for us as Central Region Vice Presidents. Our term expires in June. Please consider stepping up and supporting your fellow dancers and to become a part of this great organization. If you are interested or have a suggestion for others please contact us ASAP!

We kicked off 2022 with a bang. We took the camper to San Diego, for the USDA winter meeting wonderfully hosted by L Paul and Sally Schmidt. Great three week trip across the country in the winter.

We then had a quick trip to visit our daughter and her husband in New York, returning home to work on plans for attending several state square dances in the central region, starting with Florida on March 18th and 19th in Daytona Beach. Unfortunately we will miss the Mississippi convention on March 4th and 5th in Morton, MS. We then will be traveling to West Virginia for Easter and a service for my brother who passed in January. The next convention is the South Carolina convention in West Columbia, SC on April 29th and 30th. The Ohio State convention is scheduled for May 6th and 7th in Aurora, Ohio.

We will then travel to Evansville, In for the National Convention in June.

Please think about running for Central Region Vice President of USDA. We have really enjoyed volunteering these past three years.

Respectfully Submitted

Ed & Lynda Willis

Central Region Vice Presidents USDA

## EVENTS IN THE PLAINS REGION

**Ellery & Karen Gulbrand, USDA Plains Region VP**

Another wonderful winter graced Wisconsin and the Plains Region. We are ready to put the snow and cold temperatures behind as we begin thinking of the landscape coming alive with fresh tilled soil, flower buds and new growth. Sad to say, our square dance floors have not come alive and shown growth as we had hoped. Due to COVID and the follow-up of variants, many dancers do not feel comfortable dancing yet. This results in some dances and festivals being cancelled. We are thinking positive and are optimistic of things returning to normal so we can get on the road and head to dances to support clubs and festivals in the Plains Region.

In January we traveled to San Diego, California for the USDA Executive Committee Winter Meeting. The meeting was productive with business meetings on Friday and Saturday. We were also able to enjoy the warm temperatures and see some of the many beautiful sights in San Diego.

We are looking forward to meeting and squaring up on the dance floor with you soon. We have plans so far to attend the State Conventions in Minnesota in June and Wisconsin in August. Until then, may God send his blessings, keep everyone safe, and may our dance floors come alive with returning dancers along with new dancers.

Ellery & Karen

### ANNUAL UNITED SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22 1:00 PM

DOUBLETREE HOTEL, BALLROOM AB

EVERYONE WELCOME

## EVENTS IN THE WESTERN REGION

LPaul and Sally Schmidt, USDA Western Region

### WESTERN REGION REPORT

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

Well, as we write this it looks like “spring has sprung” around the Western Region, and dancers are happily back on the dance floor. We are dancing regularly in the greater San Diego area and looking forward to a variety of springtime travel. Late April will find us in Mobile, Alabama, for the 72<sup>nd</sup> National Square Dance Convention® pre-convention – start making your plans now for a “Party Gras” on the waterfront. In May, we will travel north to Reno, NV for the Silver State Square Dance Festival, followed by a meeting of the California Council of Square Dancers the next weekend on the Sacramento area. We will then pack up our Fifth Wheel and head out for our usual spring/summer square dance RV trip. We start in Lodi, CA over Memorial Day weekend for the Northern California Square Dancers Association Golden State Round-up. After that we will “drive the route” to Colorado’s 66<sup>th</sup> State Square Dance Festival, being held in Greeley the second weekend in June. From there, we will meander our way east to end up in Evansville, IN for the 71<sup>st</sup> National Square Dance Convention®. We hope to see many of you there “down by the river.” And looking ahead, we also hope many of you will join us for the 19<sup>th</sup> USA West Square Dance Convention, being held right here in our hometown of San Diego on August 17-20. Check out the ad in this edition of USDA News!

Don’t forget that USDA hosts its annual Board of Directors meeting in conjunction with the National Square Dance Convention. This year’s meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 22 at 1:00 PM at the DoubleTree Hotel. The annual meeting is YOUR opportunity to learn about USDA’s many programs, services, and materials that support dancers and dancing. Be sure to also visit our tables at the Showcase of Ideas to meet USDA officers and collect leadership and education materials to support your clubs and dancers back at home!

We would like to continue to encourage dancers and dance leaders around the country to participate in the USDA *Beyond the Dance Floor* webinar series. These monthly online education sessions provide a valuable opportunity to learn about USDA programs and services and discuss topics of interest to the dance community. Check out the schedule and find links to the Zoom sessions on the USDA website at [www.usda.org](http://www.usda.org).

If there is anything we can do to further support local, regional, and state dance organizations throughout the Western Region, please feel free to contact us at [WesternVP@usda.org](mailto:WesternVP@usda.org).

Live Lively, Square Dance!

LPaul & Sally Schmidt



### USDA-SPONSORED AFTER PARTY

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**Mainstream / Live Band Hall**

**SQUARE DANCE AFTER PARTY**  
**with the Ghost Riders Live Band**

# USDA INSURANCE COORDINATORS NOTES

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Greeting Everyone,

I hope everyone has registered for the 71<sup>st</sup> NSDC Insurance Saturday, June to be held in Evansville, IN, June 22 – 25, 2022. There will be a session on the 25 at 1pm in Locust Room C. Plan to attend but you need to check the listings at the convention to make sure there has not been a change in time or location.

There are several important when you can delete a facility and/or a name from the roster and that is the ONLY time that you can delete names and facilities. That time is when you are registering your club for the upcoming year and you are on the portal for the upcoming year which will be 2023. This is when you will verify all the names on the roster as members who will be dancing in 2023. For the 2023 roster you can delete any name that you know will not be a member or anyone that is not sure if they will be dancing in 2023. After you have paid for your club, you cannot delete any names or facilities. This includes any members that passed during the year, left your club for another club or who just stopped dancing. So, no deleting from the 2022 rosters.

The next issue is accidents. In the past we have told the clubs that when a dancer arrives at the dance they are covered once they leave their car. But that has changed. According to the insurance company now, the dancer must be in the area where the dance is occurring.

And now to how do you get a replacement certificate or a certificate for a new facility. If you need one for a new facility you should go into the portal and add the facility. Then email me that you need a copy of the new certificate. Or you can send me a request for a new facility and I will add the facility for you. If you have lost your certificates, email me and I will send the certificates to you again. It's that simple.

And now to fill some space here to keep it from being a half page article. Got to come up with something different this quarter. Don't want to bore you with the same story I told last quarter. Oh, you don't remember my story. Well guess you will have to find your issue – hopefully you haven't trashed it yet and read it.

Now that the rush is over, I will be keeping limited hours between now and October 1. Sunday's I am off; emails will be checked Monday thru Saturday and phone calls will be answered between 9am and 5pm Eastern Time Zone. I may not always be at home during those hours but you should leave a message and I will call you back as soon as I can.

There will be dates in June when I will not be available by phone while traveling and attending the 71<sup>st</sup> NSDC. Those dates are June 19 thru 30.

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

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Sanders

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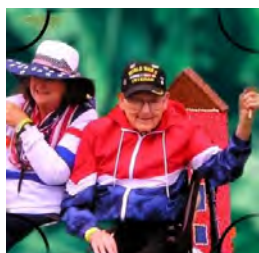
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# FEATURE ARTICLE

## PAUL SWENSON—BEAVERTON, OREGON

Paul is the newest member of our Centennial club and we are proud to have him join that group. Paul actually turned 100 on September 15, 2021, but we were unable to get together with him to present with this award until January of this year. Former USDA Executive Committee Member, Marilyn Schmit was able to present this to Paul on our behalf.



Paul is not one to sit around thinking about how old he is. Age is just a number. Do what you have always done, just plan on it taking a little longer than it once did. If you don't already have a hobby, get one. You might try helping to build a float for the Rose Parade and riding in it. Pictured here are Paul and his daughter Karen. Growing up Paul loved the Rose parade, but the highlight of the trip was touring the ships in the local shipyard. Paul dreamed of someday being a sailor. And as soon as he graduated from high school Paul joined the Navy. On October 25 the ship he was on and two others were the first to be hit by kamikazes and by another attack the following day. This one landed about 10 feet from him and should have killed him. They left him for dead, but he survived and gives thanks daily for the gift of life that he was given. Paul Swenson is a true military hero and we could fill the page with his military accomplishments.



Paul returned to his hometown of Portland, OR after the war and did what everyone did during that time period. You got a good job, a good wife, raised a good family, and bought a good house, not necessarily in that order.

Paul and his wife Bonnie loved to square dance and were very active for more than 40 years. They were responsible for establishing the Eager Beaver club in Beaverton, OR. Should you happen to be in Beaverton on a Monday, stop by and dance a tip or two and share a cup of coffee with them. They dance EVERY Monday from 1-3pm. You probably would not have any trouble getting them to share a few stories and tall tales about Paul and Bonnie Swenson.

To celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary they took a cruise through the Panama Canal. For their 70th anniversary they took the same cruise through the Panama Canal, only this time they took their kids. Paul said he wanted them to see something other than Oregon, Washington and California. At this point I had to stop and let this one digest in my mind. I never was too much on math and today's new math, well, let's not even go there. But trying to sort this out in my mind I have Paul graduating from high school, going to serve in the Navy, then coming home and marrying Bonnie. I am guessing they are about 21-22 years old at this point. Add fifty years to that and see if you agree that they are about 71 years of age when they take their 50th anniversary cruise. Then they celebrate their 70th anniversary with another cruise through the canal, but this time they take the "kids" with them. I have said this before, but let me remind you that I find humor in most situations and this is no different. My first thoughts were, OMG! Couldn't they find a sitter for a week? And wanting them to see other places than OR, WA and CA is a wonderful thought, but they are too old now. You should have taken them on your 50th anniversary cruise. While my mind is programmed to find humor, it is also looking at the real issue. Our kids are our kids and will always be our kids regardless of their age. And what a wonderful show of concern to want your kids to explore the world and their surroundings without concern of age. And what a joy it must have been to be able to spend a week on a cruise with your kids. This is the Swenson way!

From the information I have received about Paul Swenson I see a family full of love. Bonnie passed away a few years ago, but when Paul was recently asked what he did now his answer was that with his growing family he did not lack for something to do. Paul loves his family.

Paul enjoys life and whatever he does, he gives his all. For more than 40 years Paul was a mail carrier. He walked his route and actually carried the mail in a bag that hung from his shoulder.

There are a couple of questions that are always asked of someone when they reach Paul's age. One of them is "what did you do to reach this age?" What is your secret to longevity? Paul was quick to answer, "I think all those hugs from the square dancers and carrying the mail and square dancing for 40 years, that was exercise without realizing it, so I think that's why I am here,"

Paul Swenson, you are an amazing man and we salute you. Thank you for your military service and for your many years of square dancing and promoting our favorite pastime.



## United Square Dancers of America at the 71<sup>st</sup> NSDC

*Are you traveling to Evansville, IN for the 71<sup>st</sup> National Square Dance Convention®? If so, why not join us for some of the following USDA-sponsored activities?*

### USDA ANNUAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

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**ALL DANCERS WELCOME!** *Learn about how USDA supports dancers and promotes dancing across the country.*



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### USDA-SPONSORED/SUPPORTED EDUCATION SESSIONS

**Thursday, June 23**

1:30 PM, Locust C

**Organizational Roundtable**

**Saturday, June 25**

1:00 pm, Locust C

**Understanding Club and Dancer Insurance**



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**Square Dance!**

**Please stop by the USDA booth at the Showcase of Ideas to see our display and pick up some of our free Educational Publications**

# CROSSWORD CLUES

## ACROSS

1. weep
4. first Roman numeral
5. medical men
8. common Father's Day gifts
11. nurse
13. one of three "articles"
15. ones who try
19. first section of Bible (initials)
20. June celebrations
22. opp. of WSW
23. John Kennedy's wife's second husband's nickname
24. homonym for Stewarts
25. opp. of old
26. strange
28. family \_\_\_\_\_
29. \_\_\_\_\_ Ryan, actress
30. "\_\_\_\_\_, phone home!"
33. after Thurs.s
34. opp. of NE
36. state east of Connecticut
38. opp. of NNW
39. they alternate with 43 Down
45. sashes
47. state southwest of New York
49. "For \_\_\_\_\_ Us a Child Is Born"
50. "Ready \_\_\_\_\_, here I come!" (2 words)
51. popular gas station
53. 103 (Roman numeral)
55. popular delivery service
57. see \_\_\_\_\_ (be angry)
59. pull, haul
61. month before Nov.
62. opp. of yes
63. La \_\_\_\_\_ (composition by Debussy)
65. support group for drinkers
67. powerful insecticide
68. wedding promises
71. peeled
73. opp. of NW
74. initials on ships
75. opp. of older
76. gentle kind of support (initials)
77. daughter's sibling
78. Asner and Ames
79. French summer
82. mouthpiece on a bridle
84. "\_\_\_\_\_ Circumstance" (June music, 2 words)
89. season that starts in June
91. upon
92. \_\_\_\_\_ Derek (actress)
95. revolutions each minute (initials)
96. knockout
97. "\_\_\_\_\_ 'N Boots"
98. hospital section (initials)
99. modern-day composer
100. northeastern-most state
101. city transportation
102. trailing part of wedding dress
104. hesitant sound made by person speaking
105. students ready to graduate (abbrev.)
107. certain lawyer
110. Russian yes
112. ave.s
114. shoe width
116. \_\_\_\_\_ Domini (in the year of the Lord)
117. at any time
119. member of Congress (abbrev.)
120. and not
121. protected area under a tree

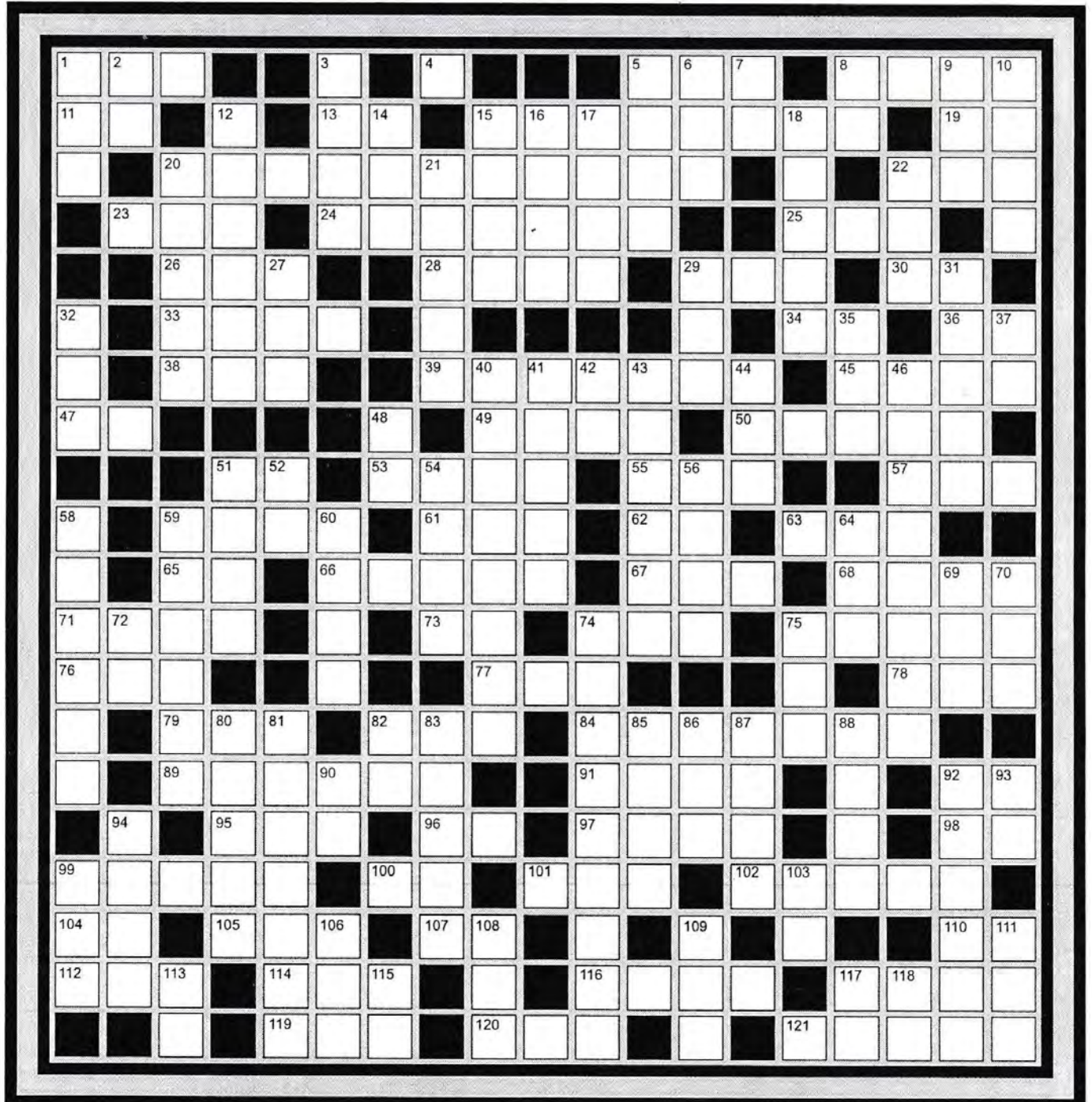
## DOWN

1. no seats left
2. opp. of off
3. June honorees
5. noises
6. fun vehicles
7. "\_\_\_\_\_ Singles" (initials)
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Eliot (initials)
9. very long time
10. holy women (French, abbrev.)
12. more June honorees
14. pecan
15. luminous heavenly body
16. grow weary
17. learn by \_\_\_\_\_ (routine memorizing)
18. given when proposing (plural)
20. increases
21. cars
22. female sheep
27. Ike (initials)
29. \_\_\_\_\_ West (actress)
31. not fresh, not novel
32. synonym for 3 Down (singular)
35. opp. of lost
37. 3<sup>rd</sup> person sing. of the verb "to be"
40. fastest
41. ones
42. first 2 letters of our city
43. they alternate with 39 Across
44. "Help!"
46. "Something old, something new, something \_\_\_\_\_, something blue"
48. state northeast of GA
51. crow
52. synonym for Dad
54. electrically charged atoms
56. peas are in these
58. \_\_\_\_\_ board (cap worn at graduation)
59. "\_\_\_\_\_ with Wolves" (movie)
60. attire for graduation – cap and \_\_\_\_\_
64. first female
66. sounds made by pigs
69. married
70. opp. of Jr.s
72. \_\_\_\_\_ Capone
74. not well-liked
75. gun group
80. spins
81. \_\_\_\_\_ State (nickname for New York)
82. exist
83. annoyed
85. burden
86. very high hills (abbrev.)
87. place where a soldier is stationed
88. child's nickname for grandmother
90. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_s (tiny chocolate candies)
92. He proposed on \_\_\_\_\_ knee.
93. either/\_\_\_\_\_
94. San Francisco version of MARTA
99. opp. of no
103. \_\_\_\_\_ Cola (initials)
106. spot
108. my middle name
109. province in Canada (abbrev.)
111. second person singular of "be"
113. holy man (abbrev.)
115. printer's measure
117. "What did you say?"
118. state north of North Carolina

# SUMMER CROSSWORD

For Dads, Grads, Brides, and Dancers

by Judy Frickey



# USDA Ways and Means

## New Items Available!

## Check It Out!

We are excited to announce the addition of two new items added to our USDA Ways and Means clothing selection.

The first item is a beautiful, medium weight, full zip fleece jacket. It comes in a variety of sizes, medium royal blue, with the USDA logo embroidered in red and white of the left chest. They are perfect for a spring or fall day, but also for those cool meeting rooms and dance halls. They are selling for the fantastic price of \$30.00 – any size! (Personalization not included)

The second new item is the stylish truckers cap with an adjustable closure in the back of white mesh, solid royal blue front with embroidered red and white USDA logo, and red beak. Get this smart looking hat for the low price of only \$15.00!



USDA continues to offer our classic red, white, or royal blue polo shirts with the embroidered USDA logo on the left chest in a variety of sizes. No pocket shirts are readily available, however the pocket polos are in limited supply. Polo shirts are \$20.00 each. Go to the USDA website at [www.usda.org](http://www.usda.org), click on “products”, then on “Ways and Means” for more ordering information. You may also contact us directly for more information.



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# NEWS

## For Immediate Release

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## Get tickets for Felix and Fingers as registration continues to grow

Just 141 seats are left for the June 22 Felix and Fingers Dueling Piano show at the Bally's Evansville Riverfront Event Center. The audience may suggest the music played. Submit a music request by email at [fmbosemiller@gmail.com](mailto:fmbosemiller@gmail.com). The cost is \$50 per person for dinner and the show, or \$25 for each. Register at [71nsdc.org](http://71nsdc.org) and get your seats before they are gone!

Registrations keep growing with over 1,400 people, and more are signing up every day. There's still time for you to join us Down By the River and see what all the fuss is about.

As of now, the 71<sup>st</sup> National Square Dance Convention® is not requiring proof of vaccination against COVID-19 or wearing of masks. The situation is dependent upon the status of Covid in June.

If you want to learn more about the Convention from General Chairman John Cook and Marty Northrup listen to Marty's Podcast at [buzzsprout.com/474541](https://buzzsprout.com/474541) and select "Evansville or Bust:" The first six minutes are hard to understand, but Cook fixes his audio equipment and the rest goes smoothly. Information about the convention can also be found on our website [71nsdc.org](http://71nsdc.org).

Check out Trail Thru and Trail End Dances to the 71<sup>st</sup> NSDC at our website [71nsdc.org](http://71nsdc.org) and in the *National Squares Online* which lists Trail Thru dance flyers for free.

# ATTENTION PLEASE HELP

**The USDA is in need of someone to fill the vacancy for the office of Vice President of the Eastern Region and the Central Region.**

**No experience is necessary, very easy job to fill with many rewards. The Executive Committee consists of many individuals who are very easy to work with and always willing to help. We have two meetings a year, one the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of January and one during the national convention.**

**If you are interested please contact Presidents Mark – 701-320-9079 or Bina – 701-320-5182.  
[krebsbachmabi@gmail.com](mailto:krebsbachmabi@gmail.com).**

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND MAKE YOUR PLANS NOW!**



Hop on over to [www.california.usawest.net](http://www.california.usawest.net)  
to pre-register for the



## 19<sup>th</sup> USA West Square Dance Convention

**August 17-20, 2022**

Handlery Hotel, San Diego, CA

- ♦ **Three Full Days of Dancing!**
- ♦ **Full Square and Round Dance Programs**
  - ♦ *Square Dance: Social Square Dance through Challenge*
  - ♦ *Rounds: Phase 2 to Phase 6*
- ♦ **Ghost Riders Square Dance Band**
- ♦ **Specialty Hall: *Line Dancing, Hex, Intro to Contra and More!***
- ♦ **Educational Seminars, Sewing Classes, Exhibitions, Vendors, Showcase of Ideas**
- ♦ **All Dancing Under One Roof on Swiss Trax Flooring**
- ♦ **Wednesday Night Special Activities:**
  - ♦ Catered Mexican Dinner
  - ♦ San Diego Trolley Tour

**Come for the dancing, stay for the Zoo  
San Diego in 2022!**





# 19th USAWEST SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION®

**August 17-20, 2022**

**Handlery Hotel - San Diego, California**

[california.usawest.net](http://california.usawest.net)

**Dance ...**



PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY		Where will you be dancing? (check all that apply)	
Last Name _____	First Name _____	Squares: <input type="checkbox"/> MS/SSD <input type="checkbox"/> Plus <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Challenge	
Address _____		Rounds: <input type="checkbox"/> Phase 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Phase 3/4 <input type="checkbox"/> Phase 5/6	
City _____	State _____ Zip _____	Other: <input type="checkbox"/> Line Dancing <input type="checkbox"/> Contra	
Email _____		Are you a <input type="checkbox"/> Caller <input type="checkbox"/> Cuer <input type="checkbox"/> Contra Caller <input type="checkbox"/> Line Dance Cuer	
Phone _____	Cell Phone _____	(Please fill out a caller/cuer profile form on our website)	
<b>REGISTRATION FEES</b>		<b>WEDNESDAY NIGHT EVENTS</b> (see website for further information)	
Pre-Registration (July 1, 2020 through July 15, 2022): Adult \$65.00 / Youth \$32.50		San Diego Twilight Trolley Tour # _____ @ \$25.00 \$ _____	
Door Registration (Beginning July 16, 2022): Adult \$70.00 / Youth \$35.00		Catered Mexican Dinner # _____ @ \$15.00 \$ _____	
**Check website for \$60.00 State Convention Travel Specials**		Square Dance (Finest City Squares): \$6.00 at door	
FIRST NAME --for BADGES--	LAST NAME	<b>TOTAL REGISTRATION AND EVENTS</b> \$ _____	
ADULT _____	COST \$ _____	<b>**You can also register online at <a href="http://california.usawest.net">california.usawest.net</a>**</b>	
ADULT _____	\$ _____	<b>PAYMENT INFORMATION</b>	
ADULT _____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Check <input type="checkbox"/> Money Order	
YOUTH _____	\$ _____	Make checks payable to 19th USAWest Square Dance Convention	
Round Dance Syllabus # _____ \$8.00 each, Flash Drive only	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card (Circle: VISA MC AMEX Discover)	
Convention Cookbook # _____ \$10.00 each (description on other side)	\$ _____	Name on Card _____	
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>	Card Number _____	
<b>CANCELLATION FEE: \$10 PER REGISTRATION / NO CANCELLATIONS AFTER 7-15-2022</b>		Exp Date _____ Sec Code _____ Billing Zip Code _____	
<b>No ribbons mailed after 7-15-2022</b> (pick up at door registration)		Signature _____	
Return this form with payment to:		<b>CONVENTION USE ONLY</b>	
Jim Maczko & Patty Wilcox, PO Box 712918, San Diego, CA 92171-2918		Registration Received: _____ Ribbon # _____	

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# 64<sup>th</sup> NSDCA International Camporee

June 14, 15, 16 2022

Rockville, Indiana



## Crossing Ridges to Covered Bridges



Round Dancing



Trails End Dance

Monday June 13

7 to 9 pm

Registered Camper Free

\$5 per person others

NSDCA Callers

Covered Bridge Capital of the World

32 Covered Bridges in Parke County

Camping and Dancing Together

Tour the Bridges, Visit Antique Shops

Hiking, Biking, Golf, Canoeing Nearby

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Trails Through to Evansville

Friday June 17

7 to 9 pm

\$8 per person

Bob Asp, Curt Braffet, others

Calling

**Dancing,**

**Games,**

**Parties,**

**Crafts,**

**Fun for all**

**Illinois State Association of  
NSDCA Hosting**

NSDCA.ORG for  
More Information  
and  
Registration Forms

**Parke County 4H**

**Fairgrounds**

**1472 US 41**

**Rockville, Indiana**

**47872**

Contact

Dan Hatfield

(618) 554-3929

danandmarian@hotmail.com

Trails End Dance

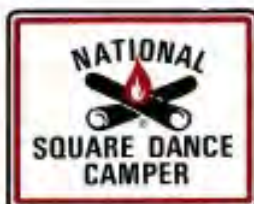
June 13

With Bob Asp, Curt Braffet  
and others

Free to Registered  
Campers

All Others \$8 per person

Parke County Restaurants  
& Activities at:  
SouthernIN.com



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2022 NSDCA Camporee

\*No Campers on Covered Bridges



## CROSSING RIDGES TO COVERED BRIDGES

### 64TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL NSDCA CAMPOREE

Park County 4-H Campgrounds 1472 N. US 41 Rockville, Ind

June 14, 15, 16 2022

NSDCA Membership # \_\_\_\_\_  
 NON-Member (Requires \$20 -see below)  
 Information for PARKING by LOCATION & RV NEEDS

(To camp together must arrive together)

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ CHAPER # \_\_\_\_\_  
 ELECTRIC 30 amp \_\_\_\_\_ 50 amp \_\_\_\_\_ (only 20 available)  
 Length of Rig \_\_\_\_\_ ft No. of slides \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Name #1 (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Name #2 (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (Include Apt and/or Box number) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province & ZipPostal \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (Cell phone preferred-include area code) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Additional persons per Unit (Base Fees are for two Adults per unit and unmarried children under age 21)

Youth Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ M F  
 Adult Name \_\_\_\_\_

EXPECTED ARRIVAL DATE 06/\_\_\_\_ 2022

**NSDCA Camporee Fees 30amp 3 Day..\$160 2 Days...\$110 1 Day...\$55 (ALL FEES IN US FUNDS)**

**NSDCA Camporee Fees 50amp 3 Day..\$200 (3 day minimum) (ALL FEES IN US FUNDS)**

Please Check which days you will be camping (Extra days Campsite Fees (\$30 per day)

Sun12th \_\_\_\_\_ Mon13th \_\_\_\_\_ Tues14th \_\_\_\_\_ Wed15th \_\_\_\_\_ Thur16th \_\_\_\_\_ Fri17th \_\_\_\_\_ Sat18th \_\_\_\_\_

Unit with only one person (check): \_\_\_\_\_ Deduct \$10; Extra adults # \_\_\_\_\_ \$10 each ; Non NSDCA \_\_\_\_\_ \$20

Registration \$ \_\_\_\_\_ .00 US Extra Fees \$ \_\_\_\_\_ US Addtl Days \$ \_\_\_\_\_ US Total Fees \$ \_\_\_\_\_ .00US

Square and Round Dance Interest (check Dance Levels)

Square Dance \_\_\_\_\_ Round Dance \_\_\_\_\_ Line Dance \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Mainstream \_\_\_\_\_ Phase II \_\_\_\_\_ Line

\_\_\_\_\_ Plus \_\_\_\_\_ Phase III

\_\_\_\_\_ A1 \_\_\_\_\_ Phase IV

\_\_\_\_\_ A2 \_\_\_\_\_ Phase V

\_\_\_\_\_ Youth/Teen Dance Program

**SPORTS/GAMES (Circle Interests)**

Bean Bags \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ F Washer Toss \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ F

Bocce Ball \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ F Golf \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ F

Horseshoes \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ F

Craft Interest Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ Youth \_\_\_\_\_

Caller and Curer Participation (Due by April 1)

Square Dance \_\_\_\_\_ Round Dance \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Mainstream \_\_\_\_\_ Phase II

\_\_\_\_\_ Plus \_\_\_\_\_ Phase III

\_\_\_\_\_ A1 \_\_\_\_\_ Phase IV

\_\_\_\_\_ A2 \_\_\_\_\_ Phase V

\_\_\_\_\_ Youth/Teen Dance Program

Caller Name \_\_\_\_\_

Availability M T W Th

Curer Name \_\_\_\_\_

Availability M T W Th

Lines Instructor \_\_\_\_\_

Availability M T W Th

*If you would like your ribbons sent to you or request mailed confirmation, please include a stamped self-addressed business (#10) envelope for your registration confirmation. Refunds available with a written request.*

**Send check or money order payable to "64TH NSDCA Camporee" to:  
 Alice Richmond, 3835 Lakeside Drive, Columbus, Ind 47203-3611**

## 71st National Square Dance Convention®

June 27, 25, 24, 23, 2022, Evansville, IN  
Old National Veterans Plaza  
Online Registration – Website: [frank.org](http://frank.org)  
Like us on Facebook  
"Join Us Down by the River"



For Convention Use Only

Registration # \_\_\_\_\_

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_

Check # \_\_\_\_\_

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



PLEASE PRINT

Please identify at which dance program you intend to spend most of your time:

**Squares:** ☐ Mainstream ☐ Plus ☐ DBD ☐ Flex ☐ A1 ☐ A2 ☐ C1 ☐ C2  
☐ Hi Energy ☐ Low Energy      **Rounds:** ☐ 2/3 ☐ 3/4 ☐ 5/6

**Other:** ☐ Clogging ☐ Contra ☐ C/W/Lanes ☐ Handicappable

☐ I would like to participate in the Education/Leadership Certification Program.

Visit our website for more information on our Education Programs, Seminars, Clinics

## HOUSING

Select your hotel online at [www.7trials.org](http://www.7trials.org), select "Worship" tab for a larger screen link to the Hotel Booking Module after March 1, 2021. I have selected my Hotel Online. ☒ Yes ☐ No (online: NOT checked, complete the entire portion of the form below.

Block Housing Requests are due by Jan. 2, 2022  
 (Block Housing: (11-25 rooms) Group Name:  
 Block Leader Name:  
 Block Leader email:

To guarantee your room reservations, you must provide a valid card number and pay in \$3.50 processing fee.  
☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover ☐ American Express  
 Printed Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Credit Card #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Reservation Date: \_\_\_\_\_ (Reserve cancellation date is after July 2022) Stayaway Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Convention Badges Required for entrance to all convention activities.  
Dressy Casual attire allowed until 6:00 p.m.  
PROPER DANCE ATTIRE is Required after 6:00 p.m. for all Dancers.

Return completed forms to  Starkey, 21 Boys' Trail, Greenfield, IN 46140 by June 5, 2022.

Registration & Housing Chair: Richard & Nancy Fullilove (rnf071@ucla.edu) (765-662-2553)

- Instructions for Registration and RV Camping** (front left side of the form)
- Print legibly all names and complete address plus birth date of youth (age 5-17 on June 23, 2022; discounted price) to ensure correct registration.
  - Enter all amounts in Subtotals including registration fee for each dancer plus quantity and amount for all other materials and taxes. Calculate the Total and include credit card information, check, or money order payable to U.S. funds to the 71st National Square Dance Convention and return it with the Registration Form. Do Not Send Cash. No Single Day Registrations.
  - IMPORTANT!** Daily schedules are only available with the purchase of a Program Book. Daily side dates will not be available separately as the Convention.
  - RV campers will want to purchase the Program Book.
  - Candle the day(s) you will be **RV Camping** on your registration form and enclose the required fees (4-night minimum base fee plus additional days). 50 Amp with water and sewer are available on first-come, first-served basis. Free sewage dump station. If you plan to camp together, you must arrive together. For more information contact RV Vice-Chairman, Larry and Paula McCleary [larrymccleary@71nsdc.org](mailto:larrymccleary@71nsdc.org).
  - There is **NO BUS PASS** because parking is free at the convention center.
  - Tour form and payments** are to be mailed directly to: **71st NSDC Tours, 5509 Timberlake Court, Evansville, IN 47710.** For any questions email [71nsdc@71nsdc.org](mailto:71nsdc@71nsdc.org). For Tour information and order form go to [www.71nsdc.org](http://www.71nsdc.org) and click "Tours."
  - A \$10 fee per request will be assessed for cancellations. No refunds after April 30, 2022.
  - Mailed completed forms by June 5, 2022. Email or online registration by June 12, 2022.

**Instructions for Housing** (front right side of form)

1. Online access for housing reservations are available after March 1, 2021. If you book your room online, check the box provided on the front side of this form; otherwise complete the entire housing portion. **This form must be received, and rooms must be booked by May 15, 2022 to guarantee the 71st NSDC pricing.**

2. Hotels will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis according to availability.

3. Only one person per room should complete a hotel reservation request. Please list all room occupants; the Housing Committee does not assign food/assign roommates.

4. Shared Room or Same Hotel requests can be made through the online site OR forward registrations together in the same envelope.

5. All Block Housing requests staying in the same hotel are due by **January 2, 2022**, include the name and telephone number of Block Leader to [housing@71nsdc.org](mailto:housing@71nsdc.org).

6. Hotel reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card. Your credit card will not be charged in advance. An alternative form of payment may be presented at check in.

7. Hotel confirmations will be sent via email or mail. If you do not receive your confirmation by March 31, 2022, please contact the Housing Committee by email at [housing@71nsdc.org](mailto:housing@71nsdc.org).

8. Hotel changes before **May 15, 2022** may be made online or through [housing@71nsdc.org](mailto:housing@71nsdc.org).

**DO NOT CONTACT THE HOTELS DIRECTLY UNTIL AFTER MAY 15, 2022.**

**Return completed forms to:**  
**71st NSDC c/o Jill Stanley**  
**21 Boots Trail**  
**Greenfield IN 46140**

Code	Hotel Name	Room Rate	Distance	Avg Travel Time by car
1	Double Tree by Hilton, Evansville*	\$100	Connected	N/A
2	Tropicana*	\$109	6 blocks	5 minutes
3	Hyatt Place	\$149	4 blocks	2 minutes
4	Riverview Downtown	\$129	5 blocks	4 minutes
5	Courtyard by Marriott	\$127	6.6 mi	13 minutes
6	Towne Place Suites by Marriott	\$129	7.9 mi	14 minutes
7	Holiday Inn Express Evansville East	\$129	6.8 mi	13 minutes
8	Home2 Suites by Hilton Evansville	\$129	6.8 mi	13 minutes
9	Hampton Inn Airport*	\$139	5.6 mi	13 minutes
10	Drury Inn & Suites Evansville East	\$114	6.1 mi	11 minutes
11	Hilton Garden Inn	\$129	6.3 mi	12 minutes
12	Hampton Inn East	\$129	6.4 mi	13 minutes
13	Residence Inn by Marriott	\$139	6.9 mi	13 minutes

\* Shuttle provided by hotel

**Cutoff date for bookings: May 15, 2022**





**Pre-Registration**  
**72<sup>nd</sup> National Square Dance Convention®**  
**Mobile, Alabama**  
**June 21, 22, 23, & 24, 2023**

IF REGISTERING BY MAIL:  
 PO Box 613  
 Leeds, AL 35094  
 REGISTER ONLINE at  
[www.72nsdc.com](http://www.72nsdc.com)

Primary Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Partner's (if different): \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Youth Names & DOB: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_



Check if you do not want your email shared. Email addresses to be shared only with the NEC for upcoming convention information

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Alt Number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Prices (U.S. currency only) \$50.00 each x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Youth born after June 21, 2005** \$25.00 each x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Cash Received \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check# \_\_\_\_\_ (Pay to 72<sup>nd</sup> NSDC) **Total Due: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Type \_\_\_\_\_ Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Cardholder: \_\_\_\_\_

Statement Mailing Address (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Card Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*\$10 cancellation fee per registration. No refunds after April 30, 2023. This form and registration rate are void after April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Registration Long Forms will be mailed April 2022 for selection of hotel and additional items. Early registration gives you free admittance to the Pre-Convention Kick Off Dance on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Convention badges required for entrance to all convention activities; Dressy casual attire allowed until 6:00pm. Proper dance attire is required After 6:00pm for all dancers.*



**Pre-Registration**  
**73<sup>rd</sup> National Square Dance Convention®**  
**Milwaukee, Wisconsin**  
**June 26, 27, 28, & 29, 2024**

REGISTER ONLINE at [www.73nsdc.com](http://www.73nsdc.com)

2024

Milwaukee  
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## The United Square Dancers of America's Social Media Committee

Proudly Presents Our Webinar Series

# *Beyond the Dance Floor*



**Dancing** — We all miss dancing! The great news is, as a community we've been adapting to "the new normal". It's been wonderful to see callers and cuers set up virtual dance events. Online groups have been set up to discuss returning to dancing and what precautions need to be taken. IAGSDC even transitioned their International Convention into a "home edition" with virtual dancing and live online activities. Happily, in some areas of the country, clubs are cautiously and carefully beginning to dance again, but there is still more to do.

The **United Square Dancers of America** — USDA — your National dancers' organization, is proud to present a monthly series of web-based programs via *Zoom* to support clubs on the business and marketing end of our activity. The programs will be used to introduce more dancers across the country to who/what USDA is, the programs and services we provide, and a way to keep square and round dancing in the forefront of people's thoughts even if they aren't able to get together on the dance floor.

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

**Workshops** are scheduled to last 90-minutes to allow plenty of time for questions & answers, plus we will welcome input from participants. Our complete schedule is listed on the subsequent pages.

Watch your email, our website and Facebook for links to the actual, **FREE** workshops.



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

USDA Online Education: Bonnie Abramson, Chair — [OnlineEducation@usda.org](mailto:OnlineEducation@usda.org)

Or visit our Facebook page and join our Facebook group

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



*It won't be the same without you!*  
**Let's ALL**  
**DANCE**

**In 2022!**



**Mike  
Bramlett**  
Texas



TOGETHER is the  
place to BEE

**John & Karen  
Herr**  
Colorado



**68th Kansas State  
Square Dance Convention**  
**June 3 & 4, 2022**

**4-H Building & Kenwood Hall  
Salina, KS**

**Friday—6:30 to 10:30 pm**

**Saturday—8:30 am to 10:30 pm**

Visit: [www.kansasstatesquaredanceconvention.com](http://www.kansasstatesquaredanceconvention.com)

<p>(Please Print or Type)</p> <p>Last Name _____</p> <p>His _____ Hers _____</p> <p>Youth _____</p> <p>Address _____</p> <p>City _____ State _____ Zip _____</p> <p>Email Address _____ Club _____</p> <p>Kansas Dancers Please Circle Your District: Blue Gold</p> <p>Out of State callers wishing to be programmed, check here ____</p> <p><i>Deadline to be programmed is February 15, 2022.</i></p> <p><i>All callers and cuers must be licensed to call/cue at this event.</i></p>		<p><b>Dancer Coordinator</b></p> <p>Twyla Kovac          Newton, KS          316-283-7447  <a href="mailto:twyla1990-mary@yahoo.com">twyla1990-mary@yahoo.com</a></p>
		<p><b>Caller Coordinators</b></p> <p>Tammy &amp; Bill Gough          Wichita, KS          316-371-3991  <a href="mailto:btsgough@cox.net">btsgough@cox.net</a></p>

**Pre-Purchased Ribbon (Per Person)**

	# Adult	# Youth
All Sessions	\$30.00	\$5.00
Friday Night Only	\$10.00	\$2.00
Saturday All Sessions	\$25.00	\$4.00
Saturday Night Only	\$15.00	\$3.00

Youth = 8 - 17

**Ribbon at the Door (Per Person)**

	Adult	Youth
	\$35.00	\$12.00
	\$13.00	\$6.00
	\$28.00	\$9.00
	\$18.00	\$7.00

Total Amount Included: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (circle one) Cash Check Credit Card

To pay with a credit card, fill out section below. Please note that a 4% credit card fee will be added to the total.

Sales tax included in all prices. Make checks payable to: Kansas State Square Dance Convention

To purchase ribbons BY MAIL: Send completed registration form, payment information, & self-addressed stamped envelope to:

Kathy Mears, 2604 W. 27th Terrace, Lawrence, KS 66047

e-mail: [kathymm785@gmail.com](mailto:kathymm785@gmail.com)

Deadline for ribbon purchase BY MAIL is: May 1, 2022, in order to receive your ribbon(s) via return mail.



To pay with a credit card—Mark the type card you are using on the left.

By providing this information you agree to a charge of the Total Amount (above) plus 4% to cover fees.

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Credit Card number: \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Square Dancing

A wonderful time is had by all  
When we go to our dancing hall  
You make new friends and socialize  
Maybe even win a prize

Lyn and Sid are calling now  
We make a square and take a bow  
Partners left and the corners right  
Remember that throughout the night.

For boys it is the other way  
Just listen to what the callers say  
Circle left the other way too  
They tell you exactly what to do.

Boys run right around that girl  
Grab her now let's swing and twirl  
Make a wave and swing on through  
You're dancing now that's what we do

You'll learn it all as timer goes by  
Come on now and don't be shy  
There's Old Time, Round and Line dance too  
You can do them all it's up to you

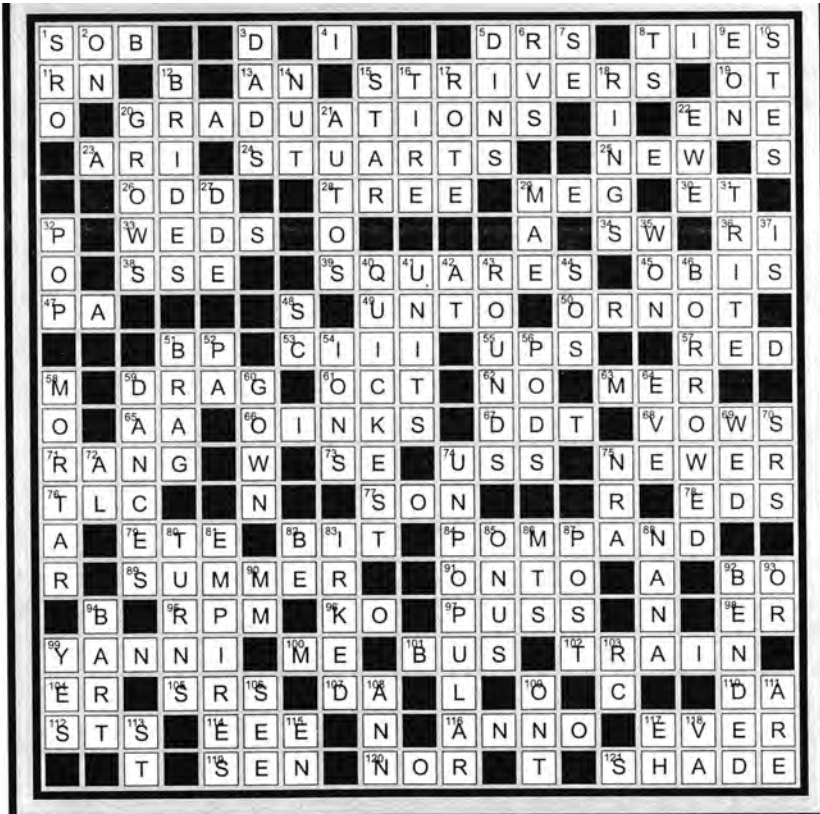
We take a break and have a chat  
But not to long they'll be right back  
Grab a partner form a line  
Get ready now it's time to shine

Put the ladies in the men sashay,  
Circle left and roll away  
Back on out and circle right  
Now it's time to a goodnight

When dancing's done it's supper time  
So grab a cup and to join the line  
We all bring something nice shar  
Everyone is welcome there

Get to know us all you'll see  
Just how friendly we can be  
Goodnight now please come again  
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[www.ohiodanceconvention.com](http://www.ohiodanceconvention.com)

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Salina, KS 6740  
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[www.TNSquareDance.org](http://www.TNSquareDance.org)  
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