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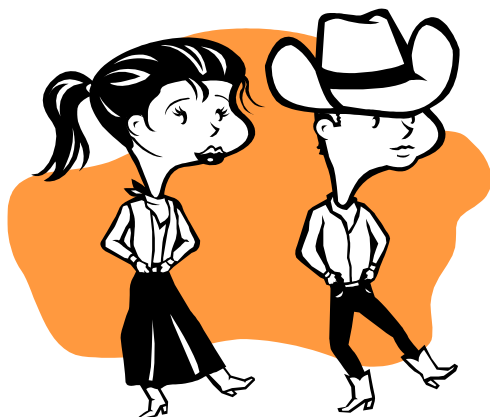
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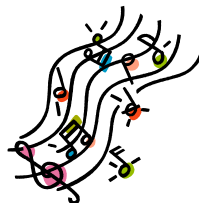
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NNJSDA Presidents' Message

Dear Dancers! Many of you reading this magazine are NEW dancers, having recently graduated from a local class. We hope you will use the information in this issue of *Grand Square* to attend many dances. We welcome you into an activity we cherish, and into our square!



You know the phrase “use it or lose it”? Well, that applies to your newly gained skills. Dancing in a class with people you have come to know well and a caller you have grown used to is the first step. The next steps start this summer: Dance with as many callers and new people as you can. If you attended any class-level dances, you know it’s a bit more challenging than in your weekly class. Some call fast, some are slower; some may be difficult to understand at first because of enunciation or a little twang. Don’t feel discouraged! As you become more familiar with how calls flow together, you will come to value the unique talents of our many callers.

You are welcome and appreciated! You are the future of square dancing in our area, and we want you to succeed and to have FUN! When that new tip starts, please get up right away to fill an existing square or start a new one, holding your hand high to signal others to join you. Solo dancers: There are plenty of people who want to be your partner.

The NNJSDA has four summer Mainstream dances (see cover and page 4 in this issue). Through our Freeloader program, you can even earn a dangle and a free ticket for a future dance by attending at least three summer dances plus the Mini-Festival on November 12 (see page 33). Check your graduation packet for the Freeloader form, or pick one up at an NNJSDA dance.

Now a word to our experienced dancers: We are all impacted when clubs close or struggle to stay active. One solution is improving retention of our graduates (more than 70 this spring). Many will not be dancing a year from now if we (that means you, too!) do not encourage them. Invite your graduates to carpool to summer dances; invite them into your square if you see them sitting on the sidelines; and smile when you are dancing! Newer dancers are often reluctant to get into a square at the beginning of a tip. Be proactive.

At a recent event, a new dancer was so disappointed that she could not get into a square. How nice it would have been for an experienced dancer to notice her sitting out and make room for her in the square. Of course, we got her into our square for the next tip. Was it perfect? Nope, but we laughed and had fun.

Do you want your club to survive and, even better, to thrive? Then let’s all be part of retaining the members of the Class of 2017 by helping to ensure they have positive experiences. It’s a simple formula. The more we dance, the better we become, and the more enjoyable the experience for everyone in the square. And, possibly, the more the new dancers will stay involved.

Nancy and Vic Ammons

NNJSDA EVENTS

(MS = Mainstream, PL = Plus, A = Advanced, RD = Round Dancing)

May

- 06 **NNJSDA Dance** (Saturday)
Montville, 7:30-10:30
PL/A (early PL)*
Ken Ritucci (MA)
Hosts: Bee Sharps, Motiv8ors

June

- 03 **NNJSDA Dance** (Saturday)
Bridgewater, 7:30-10:30
MS/PL/RD (early MS)
Ralph Peacock (NH)/Steve Bradt (PA)
Hosts: AleMo, Y Squares
- 28 **NNJSDA Dance** (Wednesday)
Montville, 7:30-10:00
MS
Paul Ingis (NJ)
Hosts: Cross Trails, WW/H&C

July

- 09 **NNJSDA Dance** (Sunday)
Bridgewater, 2:00-5:00
MS/RD (with clothing sale)
Ted Lizotte (NH), Steve Bradt (PA)
Hosts: FAD, Kittatinny Rangers

August

- 09 **NNJSDA Dance** (Wednesday)
Montville, 7:30-10:00
MS/RD
Jay Silva (NH), Mary Pickett (NJ)
Hosts: Lakeland, Times Squares

(August, cont.)

- 23 **NNJSDA Dance** (Wednesday)
Caldwell, 7:30-10:00
MS/RD
Betsy Gotta/Roy Gotta (NJ)
Hosts: Circle Eights, Rockytops

September

- 10 **Delegates Meeting** (Sunday)
Bridgewater, 11:00
NNJSDA Dance (Sunday)
Bridgewater, 2:00-5:00
MS/PL/RD (early RD)
Don Coy (NY)/Steve Bradt (PA)
Hosts: Belles & Beaux, Reelers

October

- 07 **NNJSDA Dance** (Saturday)
Bridgewater, 7:30-10:30
MS/PL/RD (early RD)
Jerry Biggerstaff (NC)/Mary Pickett (NJ)
Hosts: Flutterwheels, Middletown

November

- 12 **Mini-Festival** (Sunday)
Nutley (tentative), 1:00-6:30
MS/PL/A/RD-C
Scot Byars (CA), Tom Miller (PA),
Betsy Gotta (NJ)/Steve Bradt (PA)

January 2018

- 20 **Delegates Meeting, Midterm Dance**
Details provided in next issue!

Bridgewater: PeopleCare Center, 120 Finderne Ave. 08807

Caldwell: St. Aloysius Church, 219 Bloomfield Ave. 07006

Montville: Senior House, 356 Main Rd. (Rt. 202) 07045

Nutley: Nutley High School, 300 Franklin Ave. 07110

See map supplement for directions to most locations.

One Square Is Fair: All NNJSDA dances, including the Mini-Festival and Midterm, count toward OSIF – support your club!

Dance Inquiries: Ralph Serio 908-421-1956; cell for dance 908-763-4593

**Did you know? Advanced tips tend to be shorter than Plus or Mainstream. Advanced callers usually do only the patter (no singer). So dances that feature alternating Plus/Advanced still provide lots of floor time for Plus-only dancers!*



Welcome, Graduates!

Congratulations and a warm welcome to the following dancers who have completed (or will soon complete) Mainstream lessons and are ready to enjoy the wonderful benefits of square dancing! Kudos to our member clubs and angels!

- AleMo Squares** – Frances Connors, Eddie Shorr, Joseph Walsh
- Belles & Beaux** – Andy Cilderman, Sara Cilderman, Ninfa Dicristina, Yannick Lee*, Larry Shapiro, Maxene Shapiro, Bella Shore, Joli Simpson, Al Smith
- Circle Eights** – Pauline Kraich, Pushpa Mahtani, Marie Mazil, Herbert Trauth, Jacob Wenzel
- Hunterdon Flutterwheels** – James Barnish, Dave Dondero, Peg Dondero, Edward Fimbel, Marianne Fimbel, Meredith Kaffitz, Donald Novy, Marla Novy, Diana Reinhardt, Gene Reinhardt, Jim Stamets, Mary Stamets, Eric Turnquist, Juanita Valentine
- Kittatinny Rangers** – Mary Bowers, Chris Higgins, Lillian Kinny, Debbie Steinhauser, Mark Van Ness
- Middletown Ramblers** – Eileen Coleman, Maureen Crist, Donna D’Alema, Colyn Gingola, Joseph Vapnar, Tom Walsh
- Reelers** – Barbara Cathcart, Hannah Creighton, Aaron Eschelbacher, Brenden Eschelbacher, John Franzetti, Julia Hansen, Valerie Lehnert, Cheryl Pittenger, Evelyn Primo, Luke Primo, Victoria Solecki, Kory Warner, Rhonda Washer
- RocklandRockytops** – Awilda Armato, Rich Armato, John Bradley, Kevin Buel, Miriam Edelstein, Bob Harkin, Denis Shea, Donna Snedecor, Arlene Stams, Bob Stams
- Rutgers Promenaders** – Joel Landsman, Greg Moore, Karen Rabe, Judy Snyder
- Times Squares** – Marina Barry, Corinne Constantine, Howard Handler, Jennie Jones, Terry Smith
- Y Squares** – Yan Chou, Dave Loss, Wendy Loss, Maureen Moynihan, Susan Short

PLUS GRADUATES

- Bee Sharps** – Lois Autenrieth, Stephen Autenrieth, Geoff Brown, Nancy Brown, Hillary Hill, Bill Majcher
- Reelers** – Beth Benson, Karen Condon, Hillary Hill, Merrill Hodder, Leanore Keen, Victor Keen, Dolores Lynch, Connie Smith, Maureen Snellen
- Western Wheelers/Hix & Chix** – Cathy Kant*, John McGrory, Phyllis McGrory, Regina Riely

**These dancers retook lessons to learn the traditional man’s part.*

LET’S HELP OUR NEW DANCERS

Suggestion from a caller, for experienced dancers: *Invite* new dancers to ride with you to a dance. Switch partners with the new dancers a few times and go to different squares. This will help them become more confident, more quickly.

[This article is part of a series highlighting people active in the NNJSDA.]

Bio: Sigrid Eisele

Square dancing has provided three decades of enjoyment for Sigrid Eisele, assistant treasurer of the NNJSDA since 2009.

Sig was raised in Newark, spending summers and weekends at her family's home in Towaco, where she eventually lived full time. Active as a teen and adult, Sig roller-skated at the Florham Park rink, rode her bike, and swam. She also danced at what were then called hoedowns. She bowled in several leagues and met her husband, Joe, at Herman's Morristown Lanes, which he managed for his father.

After the couple separated and their children, John and Kathy, were grown, Sig saw an ad for square dance lessons in a Randolph adult education flyer. She decided to take the plunge. At that Reelers introductory dance, her square dancing days officially began.



In Sig's first year of dancing, she attended the national singles square dance convention in Salt Lake City, Utah, along with the Lehigh Valley Bachelors & Bachelorettes. After joining the club, she met Peter Malivuk, a caller from Long Island, and together the couple called dances for churches, private parties, and Scout organizations. Traveling for pleasure in their RV, they danced in many states and belonged to the Garden State Square Dance Campers Association.

After Pete's passing, Sig became an angel for Al Weber, a new student at Lakeland Squares. Together, they enjoyed more dancing and traveling.

In addition to serving for many years as assistant treasurer for the NNJSDA, Sig is vice president and "sunshine person" at Lakeland Squares.

Now retired, Sig spent most of her career in accounting. She is active at First Presbyterian Church of Rockaway. She has two grandchildren, Becky and Sarah.

"Square dancing has led to many friends and great times," she says.

Robin Friedman, Kittatinny Rangers

Belles & Beaux



IS MOVING TO A NEW HALL AFTER

the June 21 **Ice Cream Social** with Bill Mager

American Legion, 17-08 River Road, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

SUMMER 2017 SATURDAY NIGHT DANCES



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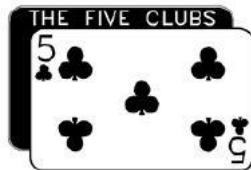
SATURDAY	CALLER	CUER
June 10	Mark Franks	Ron Rumble
June 24	Howard Williamson	Donna Williamson
July 08	Joe Landi	Karen Kushla
July 22	Howard Richman	Steve Bradt
August 12	Dennis Reardon	Steve Bradt
August 26	Dan Koft	Mary Pickett

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To Your Health: Salutes to the Benefits of Square Dancing

This is the first article in a feature dedicated to the benefits we derive from square dancing. More than just for fun and as a recreational activity, square dancing has long been touted as providing beneficial effects on one's physical and mental well-being. For example, the *New York Times* recently reported on a study of **decline** in the brain's white matter through aging ([nyti.ms/2opXvsf](https://www.nytimes.com/2018/07/26/health/brain-white-matter-aging.html)). However, among older research subjects, those who did contra and country dancing (versus brisk walking) actually **increased** their brains' white matter, presumably through a combination of cognitive, physical, and social stimulation.

In this space, you are invited to share: "What square dancing has done for me." In addition to anecdotal, personal accounts of square dancing's health benefits, we hope to post the opinions and comments of our members who have had professional experience in such areas as medicine, physical therapy, physical education, rehabilitation, and other fields in which dance may have had a role in improving the quality of life. So, let us begin with this invitation:

Request to Attest

*Can I get a shout-out or witness
Who says dancing improved your fitness?
Has the square dancing act
Had a greater impact
Than to merely have made you sit less?*

Let me be the first "witness" to what square dancing has done for me. After six weeks of cardio-rehab following a heart attack, I wondered, "Where do I go from here?" I knew that a rigorous regimen of exercise would be required, and looked for a painless way to incorporate it into my life. Recalling how much I had enjoyed square dancing almost 40 years earlier, it was just my luck to find a club about to start a Mainstream class the next weekend! In the beginning, I might as well have been sleepwalking, but gradually I returned to the land of the living. Square dancing was a great way to advance my recovery, and has been an ongoing way to maintain an active lifestyle as well as to meet new and interesting people. Life is good ... square dancing makes it better.

Another testimonial: My mother-in-law, "Bunny" Fischman, has been a dancer all her life. As a young woman, she was actively involved in folk dancing in the New York area. When she heard that a dance entrepreneur named Arthur Murray had gone out west in search of a folk dance instructor, she contacted him. There was someone in New York who could do the job, and *she* was that person! Among the dances she taught was a form of square dancing that predated the codified western style we know today. She went on to teach ballroom dancing through Murray's studio and then, for many years (even through the "disco era"), as part of Parsippany's continuing education program. Many factors contribute to longevity, but Bunny has no doubt that dance has played a major role in her enjoyment of a long and healthy life. She looks forward to celebrating – and dancing at – her 100th birthday this July.

Tomás Gonzales, Hunterdon Flutterwheels

Please share your square dance health story with us!



CHERRY RIDGE



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2017 Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LEVEL – CALLER(S) OR CUER(S)</u>	<u>PRICE</u>
May 10-12	C2 – Todd Felleggy	\$40
May 12-14	Rounds Phases 3 & 4+ – Beverly MacKay	\$45
	C2 – Ken Ritucci	\$40
June 2-4	C1 – Bill Harrison	\$40
June 9-11	C3A – Ben Rubright	\$40
June 9-11	Rounds Phases 5 & 6 – Roy and Janet Williams (Pre-weekend workshop: Friday morning and afternoon 2-hour sessions \$10 pp/session)	\$45
June 16-18	A2 – Bill Harrison and Tom Miller	\$45
July 7-9	C1 – Don Moger	\$40
July 9-11	C2 – Don Moger	\$40
Aug 1-5	C3A FOCUS – Ben Rubright	\$125
Aug 6-7	C3A – Ken Ritucci	\$40
Aug 8-9	C3A – Ben Rubright	\$40
Aug 10-11	C3A – Todd Felleggy	\$40
Aug 11-13	A1 and A2 BLAST (7 sessions) – Todd Felleggy	\$68
	C3B – Linda Kendall and Ett McAtee	\$45
Aug 13-18	C3B “Survival Camp 14” – Ben Rubright	\$125
Aug 25-27	C2 – Bill Harrison and John Marshall	\$45
Sept 1-4	Labor Day PL/A – Betsy Gotta and Bill Harrison	\$48
	Rounds with Roy Gotta	
Sept 14-17	“Cherry Ridge Festival” C1 and C2 (with some C3A) Barry Clasper, Ken Ritucci, and Todd Felleggy	\$50
Sept 29-Oct 1	PL – Ginny Reaske and Dane Bragg	\$45
Sept 29-Oct 1	C3A (3B star tips) – Ben Rubright	\$40

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Caller Crowd-Pleasers

Todd Fellegy: Five couples wanted to square up for the last tip – not enough for two squares, but too many for one square. Todd offered to call the tip for six couples, so we persuaded two dancers who were on their way out to stay and join us. The formation was a rectangle rather than a square, with two couples in each head position and one couple in each side position. That was the smoothest and best tip of the night.

Betsy Gotta: Betsy always uses music that speaks to her, and my favorite was the Hooked on Classics she used at Rockytops – great beat to the “Toreador Song” from *Carmen* ... very exciting!

Dan Tapper: I love Dan’s wonderful voice on rocking singing calls from the ’50s as well as his friendly, upbeat, kind personality (with some gentle humor thrown in). He is also a superb teacher – organized, observant, encouraging.

Howard Richman: I recently had two back-to-back dance experiences. On the first night, a caller used the same 15 calls repeatedly, had no eye contact with the dancers, and seemed unprepared. A few nights later, it was totally different with Howard Richman calling. He was enthusiastic, organized, and had us dance a square-within-a-square. What fun! One last comment: A little humor goes a long way. The caller doesn’t need to be a stand-up comic, but sharing a laugh with friends or strangers is always a good thing. ☺

Dayle Hodge: A man in a kilt could be the definition of confidence! Dayle combines that confidence with complex and unusual call combinations, a beautiful singing voice, intelligent sense of humor, and great interactions with dancers.

Paul and Stephen Ingis: We were short one man in a square, so Stephen danced while calling, using a wireless headset microphone ... what fun! And how can one resist dancing to Paul’s singing call, “Cheeseburger in Paradise”?

Betsy Gotta, Howard Richman: We danced rectangle tips at two events, and both callers were absolutely fabulous at moving six couples (four heads and two sides) around the floor seamlessly. The rectangle formation could be a wonderful “special tip” at a dance or a theme for an evening.

More caller crowd-pleasers coming in the next issue. Add yours!

NNJSDA INCENTIVE PROGRAMS:

FREELOADER, PATRON, RAID, ONE SQUARE IS FAIR

The Association sponsors four incentive programs – two for dancers, two for member clubs. Take advantage of them!

Freeloader: Attend three NNJSDA summer dances plus the Mini-Festival in the same year; earn a free dance coupon and a dangle.

Patron: Dance at a specified number of member clubs (currently 11); earn a free dance coupon and a dangle. No limit on the number of Patrons earned.

Raid: Join your club to visit other member clubs during one dance year; earn a reduction in your club dues to NNJSDA the following year.

One Square Is Fair: Join your club at a specified number of NNJSDA dances during one dance year; earn a reduction in your club dues to NNJSDA.

For details on these programs, visit nnjsda.org/nnjsda_documents and click on “Incentive Programs Offered by the NNJSDA.”

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Letters from Readers

Mini-Festival 2016: Thank you for honoring us as past presidents again at your 2016 Mini-Festival. We enjoyed seeing and visiting with you all; NNJSDA will always have a special place in our hearts. We would like to thank the committee for doing a great job. The venue was just the right size for the crowd. The callers and cuer were excellent. The parking was good and there were plenty of places to go to eat. *Keep on doing what is good for the dancers.* Please share this note with the committee.

The location was extra special for us. On our first date, when we were in high school, we attended a dance at Nutley High School, and we are still dancing together. It brought back many memories to be dancing at the same school 68 years later. *Shirley and Dick White (NNJSDA Past Presidents)*

Kudos to Clubs: I enjoy dancing at many NNJSDA clubs; here are some things I especially like at two clubs. (1) Kittatinny Rangers alternates Mainstream and Plus. But after the Plus patter, the singer is Mainstream, so everyone can dance. (2) Rutgers Promenaders has a class prior to its Sunday afternoon dances. The students stay for the dance and are integrated into the squares with experienced dancers for tips at their level. Good job, both clubs! These ideas are great and keep people going. *Chick Cicalo (Belles & Beaux)*

Let's Welcome Our New Dancers: Do you remember when you were a new graduate and how uncomfortable you were going out onto the dance floor, so afraid that you would make a mistake or two? Do you remember how friendly and welcoming most dancers were, while others weren't as kind when you met them or danced with them? We do. We remember making sure that we weren't in a square with certain people. The more nervous we were with the situation, the more mistakes we made. But we do have to thank the people who welcomed us into their square, regardless of our amateur dancing skills.

Now fast forward: You are the experienced dancer. It's your chance to welcome the new dancers and to be kind, not judgmental. Don't you want to be the person they remember fondly, and not the one they want to avoid at every dance? Try to be encouraging rather than discouraging. If they are going the wrong way, give them a slight nudge in the right direction. When forming a square, invite them in so that they will be with stronger dancers.

Be the square dancer who is kind, friendly, and helpful. Go to club and NNJSDA dances. Support the graduates from your own and neighboring clubs.

Graduations are now taking place, and new dancers will be on the floor. Let's welcome them with open arms. They are the future of square dancing. Make square dancing enjoyable for everyone.

Mimi Corpel and Claire Zimmerman (NNJSDA 2nd VPs)

Send your letter to editor@nnjsda.org.



Presents

Mid-Summer Mania

Mainstream Program
CCNJ Callers

SUNDAY, July 30, 2017
2:30-5:00 PM \$4/Dancer

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(see y-squares.org for directions)

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Just for Fun!

The Challenge Challenge: My wife, Cathy, asked me to meet her for dinner followed by a surprise. Her chosen destination turned out to be Hi Taws, a Challenge club, whose dance was to be called by our good friend, Ed Foote. I was delighted to see not only Ed, but also many other friends. Of course, as Plus dancers, there was no question of our actually dancing.

After the first half hour of Challenge 1, a quick count of the room put the attendance at 23: frustratingly, one shy of a third square. Imagine my surprise – no, make that panic! – when Rich Baumeister came over and said, “We need you to fill out the third square.” “Me? I don’t even dance *Advanced*,” I protested. “Don’t worry, we’ll get you through; you can do it,” was his reassuring reply. And so, for more than an hour, I did indeed get through it. I followed the cues of my fellow dancers, not just in my squares but in others, where I attempted to mimic the movements of my positional counterpart.

I got keen satisfaction from holding my own. But it was especially rewarding, during each tip, to enable seven people to dance who otherwise would have had to sit out.

Don Schlesinger (RocklandRockytops)

Inflatable Petticoat? On a square dance trip to Germany last fall, the American dancers were fun and lively – good dancing, good beer, and good laughs. When I expressed the frustration of fitting crinolines into my luggage, a Texan tried to convince me that I should have packed an inflatable petticoat ... and I believed him! Later, I discovered that the joke was on him, because inflatable petticoats actually exist, including a style for little girls in the 1960s. They are now made with PVC/latex.

Helen Jacobson (Reelers)

Switching Positions: A visitor from Wisconsin attended a Western Wheelers/Hix & Chix dance. Since he is a caller and can dance either position, he teased us in one square about switching with his female partner, but they remained where they were. In that tip, we also had two women who could dance either position as partners. During the patter, both of those couples mistakenly switched positions, yet we kept flowing smoothly and they eventually switched back to their original positions. Betsy Gotta, the caller, took note and asked Roy to take a video of our square. It brought all of us some good laughs.

Mark Bippes (Reelers, Kittatinny Rangers)

Remember Mainstream?! We had just finished a Plus tip and then squared up for a Mainstream tip, which happened to consist of all Plus dancers except one. Dan Tapper called Circle to a Line, which is a Mainstream call. But the entire square, without thinking, did Single Circle to a Wave, which is a Plus call – including the one Mainstream dancer, who was utterly confused. A shocked Dan stopped, laughed, and asked: “Did you just do Single Circle to a Wave?” We all cracked up laughing and righted ourselves. It was priceless.

Lacey Hill (Belles & Beaux, Circle Eights, RocklandRockytops, WW/H&C)

If you’ve had a good square dance laugh, please share your anecdote!

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**Where in the World Have Our Dancers Been?
Memorable Dance Moments Submitted by *Grand Square* Readers**

Honor Your Partner in Germany: Last September, I enjoyed a terrific two-week square dance tour of southern Germany with 80 other dancers. Our callers were Tony Oxendine, Jerry Story, and Tom Crisp.

What a time we had! Home base was the charming Bavarian village of Grassau. During the day, my adventures included the Munich Oktoberfest, a Mozart concert in nearby Salzburg, Austria, schnapps tasting, Oberammergau, the Berchtesgaden salt mines, and a sobering visit to Dachau, the former concentration camp. I loved shopping in Munich and the local farmers' markets. My partner, Bob, enjoyed hiking in the Alps on pleasant days.

Most evenings were spent with local Mainstream and Plus clubs. They were terrific dancers, all decked out in western attire, and loved fast dancing. Since all calling was in English, it was easy to understand. Their clubs had good names: Flying Dandelions, Zugspitz Promenaders, and Tamata Twirlers!

To learn more about this smoothly run travel experience, contact Tom and Gina Crisp at crisptours.com or 800-901-8044. *Helen Jacobson (Reelers)*



Florida Festival: Four members of the Hunterdon Flutterwheels shared an exceptionally exuberant weekend of fun, friendship, and square dancing at the wonderful Suncoast Squares annual February "fly-in" weekend near St. Petersburg, Florida. The theme was Sashay thru the Wild Wild West, and the warm welcome from club members was a delight!

*Donna and Ralph Serio, Carol and Anthony Casale
(Hunterdon Flutterwheels)*

Tumbling Leaves Festival: Bennington, Vermont, was not just for dancing and leaf peaking last October. We danced on Friday evening and explored on Saturday morning and afternoon. First we drove through three covered bridges close to the college where the festival was held. Next was the Bennington Battle Monument, with an elevator up to enjoy spectacular views of Vermont, Massachusetts, and New York: absolutely breathtaking! Then we saw the Old First Congregational Church and Robert Frost's tombstone, followed by a 24-mile drive to Manchester. We cannot begin to describe how beautiful the scenery was with the massive mountains and array of colors. Manchester has adorable shops and fabulous eateries. After lunch, we drove a few miles to Hildene, the Georgian Revival mansion home of Abraham Lincoln's son, Robert Todd Lincoln. Upon returning to Bennington, we toured a Victorian mansion, Park-McCullough House. Our last stop was the Bennington Museum, where we visited the Grandma Moses Gallery and her old schoolhouse. Yes, this was a lot to cover in one day, but so worth it. And yes, by 8:00 PM, we were in a square and ready to dance again to five fabulous callers!

Matty and Bernie Sharkey (Kittatinny Rangers, Middletown Ramblers)



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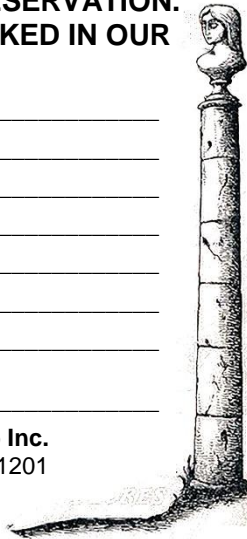
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THE ENTIRE FESTIVAL
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CONTACT INFORMATION:

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Rangeley, ME 04970

Home: 207-864-2524

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Venice, FL 34292

Cell: 941-223-0987

Email: redbates@juno.com

27th annual tumbling leaves festival

Please keep in mind that this is peak season in Bennington and hotel reservations should be made early to guarantee a room. All hotels listed below are discounted and must be booked through us.

For those needing the college's address for GPS, it is 1 College Drive, Bennington, VT 05201.

PACKAGE INFORMATION:

- PKG #1 Dancing Only** – \$110 per couple. If you choose to obtain your own accommodations, you can call the Chamber of Commerce at 802-447-3311. Hotels are also listed on the internet. Campsites may be available; check online.
- PKG #2 Dancing and Meals** – \$230 per couple (tax and gratuities included); Friday dinner (5 PM), Saturday breakfast/lunch/dinner, and Sunday breakfast.
- PKG #3 Dancing, Meals, and Hotel** – \$230 per couple PLUS hotel costs; the following rates include taxes and gratuities for two nights per couple. ALL ROOMS ARE NON-SMOKING. Best Western: ½ mile from campus; standard king \$222, deluxe king or 2 queens \$244
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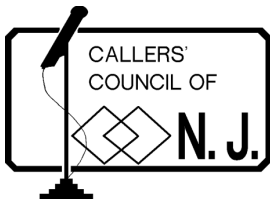
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PACKAGE # _____ IF #3, INDICATE HOTEL _____

OTHER HOTEL REQUESTS _____ (All rooms are non-smoking.)

CIRCLE THE LEVEL YOU PLAN TO DANCE: MS PLUS A1 A2 C1 C2

ROUND DANCER? YES _____ NO _____ PHASE _____



CCNJ President's Message

Note: For a roster of the Callers' Council of New Jersey, including contact information, see page 32 or visit ccnjcallers.com.

The Callers' Council of New Jersey held its annual Mid-Winter Mania dance on February 26 at the PeopleCare Center in Bridgewater. Thanks to the class teachers and others who called at the dance: Anthony Casale, Ed Crowley, Rich Delgado, Betsy Gotta, Mary Moody, Gardner Patton, Fran Wadel, and Katie Wilson. There was also great support from throughout the community for our many new dancers. They are now graduating from the Mainstream program, and we look forward to dancing with them in the near future. Please welcome all these friendly new faces in your squares!

The Mid-Summer Mania dance is scheduled for July 30 at the PeopleCare Center (see ad on page 13). This is another great opportunity for Mainstream dancers to hone their skills.

The CCNJ plans to conduct a caller school this fall for anyone who may be interested in learning how to call. The number of local callers in our area is dwindling, and the CCNJ would like to do its part to cultivate new callers. Betsy Gotta, a certified caller-coach, will be leading the class. Initially, we plan to hold five classes on Saturdays in October and November for a fee of \$100. If you are interested, please let us know. (See ad on page 21.)

Ads on pages 13, 21 Wes Thielke, President (wthielke@gmail.com) 908-281-9761

Congratulations, Patrons!

Visited at least 11 NNJSDA member clubs

Earned free dance coupon and dangle

Barbara Berger: 6	Mimi Corpel: 6	Kathy Randall: 3
Larry Bugal: 18, 19, 20	Hillary Hill: 1	Ann Rothfuss: 7
Carol Casale: 1	Bill Majcher: 1	Ellen Ward: 5
	Eddie Mindlin: 4	

Download your Patron form at nnjsda.org ("Documents").

Congratulations, Freeloaders!

Attended at least three NNJSDA summer dances and 2016 Mini-Festival

Earned free dance coupon and dangle

Lois Autenrieth	Larry Bugal	Lacey Hill
Stephen Autenrieth	Anthony Casale	Muriel Martin
Eugene Basket	Carol Casale	Eddie Mindlin
Joanne Basket	Rose Cemprola	Arlene Remington
Jean Bell	Mimi Corpel	Ann Rothfuss
Jeff Bell	Lise Greene	Bob Turner
Barbara Berger	Hillary Hill	Ellen Ward
Mark Bippes		Claire Zimmerman

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Ever thought of being a caller?

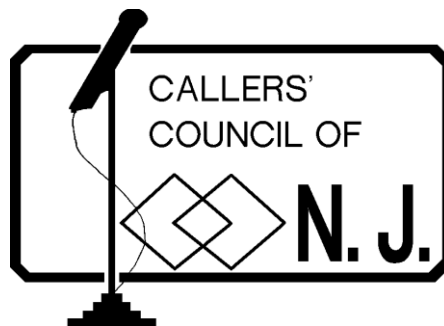
Need to improve as a caller?

Would like to attend a caller school,
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5 Saturday Mornings, 9 AM-Noon
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Lead Instructor: Betsy Gotta
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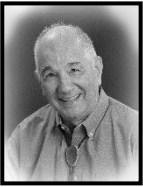
Betsy Gotta
New Jersey
CALLERLAB
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Tom Miller
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Bill Harrison
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Keith Stevens
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2017 School Information

Tuition:

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Dates:

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November 17-19, 2017
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Betsy Gotta

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Dance Registration "Harvest Moon Classic" November 17-19, 2017

Through Nov. 1, 2017

After Nov. 1, 2017

Full Dance Package _____ \$50 p/p _____ \$60 p/p

Sat. All Day/Evening Package _____ \$40 p/p _____ \$50 p/p

Last Name _____ His _____ Hers _____

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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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Amount Enclosed \$ _____ Circle preferred dance program Plus A2 C1 C2

Website harvest.greatdances.net

Last July, at Brooklyn's Third Avenue Summer Stroll, Don Coy was calling and 10 of our members went to support him by square dancing, in hopes of recruiting others to join us. In October, the Narrows Botanical Garden held its annual Harvest Festival, with Don Coy calling once again. AleMo members and one of our students, Frances Connors, participated. Everyone had a great time at both events. Our Halloween party was very successful, as you can see in the picture below. Everyone got into the swing of it, with many of our members coming in creative costumes.



When November rolled around, it was time for the Mini-Festival. Nine of our members carpooled over to New Jersey. We want to thank our drivers: Tom Byrnes, Tony Sciarrone, and Kathy Shorr. Great job!

On May 31, AleMo will celebrate 39 years of dancing and camaraderie with a dinner and dance at La Sorrentina Ristorante. At our June graduation, we will welcome three new members. Congratulations to Frances Connors, Eddie Shorr, and Joe Walsh.

We are the only club in Brooklyn, and we are alive and dancing!

Ad on page 25 *Connie Schiavone* (bestmona@verizon.net) 917-517-0870

IS YOUR CLUB CELEBRATING A MILESTONE?

We invite clubs to submit short articles on their history when reaching a milestone, such as a special anniversary. Photos can also be included. If your club would like to be featured, please email editor@nnjsda.org.

AleMo Squares

Sts. Simon and Jude Lower Church

295 Avenue T (between Lake and Van Sicklen Sts.), Brooklyn, NY 11223

Various Wednesdays 7:00-9:30 PM ~ Alternating MS and Plus Tips

May 24	Ice Cream Social	Don Coy
May 31	Dinner-Dance (call for location)	Don Coy
June 21	Summer Break	Don Coy
September 6	Welcome Back	Don Coy
October 25	My Favorite Color	Howard Richman
November 1	Spooktacular	Don Coy
November 29	After Turkey Dance	Howard Richman
December 20	Ho Ho Party	Don Coy

Norma: 646-641-7145 Connie: 917-517-0870

Admission \$7 per person

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"DO THE QUEEN CITY SCENE IN 2017" NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION June 21-24, 2017

The next **National Square Dance Convention** will take place in **Cincinnati, Ohio**: a drive away!

As always, there will be lots of callers and cuers, dancing at all levels, trail-in dances, after parties, tours, seminars, and much more.

Local hospitality will welcome dancers to the 66th National Convention at the Duke Energy Convention Center. The three main host hotels are located just steps away.

The website has lots of information about things to do and see before and after the convention. Cincinnati, located on the Ohio River, offers a riverfront park, Horseshoe Casino, Great American Ball Park (Cincinnati Reds), Paul Brown Stadium (Cincinnati Bengals), 200+ shops and boutiques, museum, arts center, and dining from frugal to fabulous. As usual, there will be a big variety of activities right at the convention center. You can also choose from many organized local and multi-day tours. In the words of the convention committee, "Cincinnati is a city that rocks ... yellow rocks, that is."

To register, visit 66nsdc.com and fill out the form. The discounted rate is \$60 through April 30. After that, the fee is \$75. Children pay half price. Come on, NNJSDA dancers – talk to your friends and consider traveling as a group.

Everyone from New Jersey is invited to march in the Parade of States during the convention. For information on putting together a New Jersey state outfit, see page 58 or visit nnjsda.org/state_outfit. Let's do the Queen City scene in June 2017!



BEE SHARPS – Bound Brook (dance program below)beesharps.org

2, 4 Fri. Sept.-April: PL/RD-A tip

Bound Brook United Methodist Church

2, 4 Fri. May: MS/PL/RD-A tip

150 W. Union Ave. (Rt. 28) 08805

Nancy and Vic Ammons: 908-566-7580

Cell for dance: 908-566-7580

In our last article, we reported on a new effort to recruit dancers using the local adult education program. Unfortunately, it was not successful, largely because the group seemed to be in the middle of reorganizing and relocating, and they did not get any advertising out in time for our classes. Nevertheless, we have a relationship with them and may try again at another point. We did use Meetup when we recruited for the Mainstream class that started in February, and had some results from that. It is probably unrealistic to expect success from new endeavors the first time around, and hopefully we can build on these experiences to find ways to make new advertising resources work in our favor. What is obvious, though, is that good ol' word of mouth to our friends is still the best way to get folks to become square dancers!

The dance year has been a lot of fun, and we have been blessed to have many visitors come to Bee Sharps dances this season. We offer high quality Plus level square dancing and round dancing with an Advanced tip at the end of the night. Quite a few of our regular dancers took a "blast class" to learn Advanced this fall, and they hone their skills at a regular Advanced dance in Bridgewater. Others have moved on to Challenge. It is wonderful to be able to support dancers from the beginning levels through to Advanced and beyond. It is important, though, to continually help the new dancers develop their skills. Without that "new blood," our activity will continue to shrink.

One of the best aspects of belonging to a club is the opportunity to support one another in good times and bad. There have been a number of health issues, and it is good to see dancers such as Sharon Duncan come back after another knee surgery with a sweet smile on her face. Francesca and Wes Thielke celebrated the marriage of their son in the winter, and Barbara and John Marlowe took a cruise with their whole family this spring. Life isn't ALL about square dancing, but it certainly adds to the fun!

Our dances in May will feature Mainstream alternating with Plus, so we hope to be raided by some of the Mainstream clubs. After that, you will find us at the summer Association dances and at Five Clubs dances in Springfield, New Jersey. We hope we see you there, too.

Ad on page 27 Nancy Ammons (cearnach.dannsa@gmail.com) 908-566-7580

DANCE WEBSITES

Where's the Dance: wheresthedance.com – click on "Events" or other links

Square Dance Resource Net: ceder.net – click on "Event" or "Club"

Remember: Any website is only as good as the information provided, so confirm events in advance. Clubs: Please designate a member to keep your events updated on all sites, including njsda.org.

BEE SHARPS OF SOMERVILLE



- Friday Dances (see schedule below for dates/format)
- Early Rounds 7:30 PM
- Square Dancing and Rounds 8:00-10:30 PM
(10:15 PM – A2 tip if sufficient dancers are present)

Mainstream and Plus Dance Lessons

Start in September on scheduled Mondays

7:00-9:30 PM

Location: Adamsville School – 400 Union Ave. (Rt. 28), Bridgewater, NJ 08807

Questions? See our lessons webpage: beesharps.org/bslesson.html

DANCE SCHEDULE

May AND September 2017

JOIN US AT FIVE CLUBS AND NNJSDA DANCES

JUNE, JULY, AND AUGUST

Date	Caller	Cuer	Format	Dance Theme
May 12	Rick Gittelman	Steve Bradt	MS/PL/RD-A2 tip	Hawaiian Shirts
May 26	Howard Richman, Anthony Casale		MS/PL-A2 tip	Ice Cream Social
SUMMER BREAK				
Sept. 8	TBA	Steve Bradt	PL/RD-A2 tip	Beach Party
Sept. 22	Mark Franks	Ron Rumble	PL/RD-A2 tip	Harvest Moon

Dance Location: Bound Brook United Methodist Church – “Asbury Hall”
150 W. Union Ave. (Rt. 28), Bound Brook, NJ 08805

Contacts: Vic and Nancy Ammons (908-566-7580 or 908-763-4593)

Directions: **NOTE:** Dance hall – “Asbury Hall” – is located behind church.

From Rt. 22 East and West
Take Vosseller Ave. exit toward Bound Brook.
Turn left at the light onto Union Ave. (Rt. 28 East).
▶ Go 2/10 mile and turn right onto Livingston St. Turn left into the first driveway/ church parking lot.

From Rt. 287 South
Take exit 13 for Union Ave. (Rt. 28 East) toward Bound Brook/ Somerville.
Turn left at the light for Union Ave. East. Proceed through 4 lights.
After the 4th light, follow from ▶ above.

From Rt. 287 North
Take exit 13A for Union Ave. (Rt. 28 East) toward Bound Brook.
Proceed through 3 lights. After the 3rd light, follow from ▶ above.

**** Visit us at: beesharps.org ****

Fun, fellowship, and fitness are three words commonly used to describe square dancing. Chances are, you will agree that square dancing is fun with the added perk of exercise. I consider “fellowship” the word that describes square dancing best. It motivates and encourages us when we would rather stay home. Fellowship and enjoyment are what keep our members dancing. May square dance fellowship bring good times shared with Belles & Beaux 12 months of the year!

Although our Beginner Dance last August was a fizzle, Fran Wadel did have a class to teach, thanks to our members’ pulling together. Even with students, this would not have been possible without our angels, who unselfishly give their time in support of the new dancers, and our caller. We welcome this enthusiastic group and new dancers from other clubs.

Our dances were well attended, thanks to the mild weather and the efforts of Claire Zimmerman. Thank you, Claire, for the great line-up of callers and themes. Betsy Gotta called a phenomenal January dance, with a sea of club colors on the dance floor. Rectangular squares were new to some and a welcome change for others. Another fun event was our Bear Paws Dance with Ed Foote calling. You couldn’t help but smile to see all those bears lined up on the stage, as though they were the audience and we were the performers. Arlene Remington’s bear, Edwina, came dressed in full square dance attire! Edwina was a gift from the Good Times Square Dance Club in Las Vegas. Together, they travel to square dance clubs, conventions, and cruises.

Once again, we met the Guys and Dolls Square Dance Club from far, far away, USA, at “The Conventional Murder,” our club’s annual murder mystery. We shared laughs with Candice Crush, Yorma Corner, Olive Kay, Spinner T. Toppe, Matthew A. Oscar, Allison Man, Moira Less, Inspector Grandy Square, and the Venus Chocolate Factory tour guide. Those animal hats were certainly silly! Special thanks to our director, Richard Ball, the cast, and our stagehand for making this event possible.

Our raiders traveled 270 miles with Amy Golden as our chair. Carpooling, sharing dinners, and the welcome received from the clubs and callers all added to the fun. Belles & Beaux also thanks the clubs who have raided us; we look forward to your joining us again. All are welcome to come dance with us!

Ads on pages 6, 29 *Vicky Proskey* (ypsunshine@gmail.com) 201-264-0977

SAVE THE DATE FOR “THE GATHERING”!

When: Saturday, May 5, 2018

What: Afternoon *seminars* for club leaders and members on various topics to help square dancing survive and thrive in our area.
Evening *dance* for everyone. Watch for details!



Belles & Beaux

Elmwood Park VFW Hall (through June)
 6 Veterans Place, Elmwood Park, NJ 07407
 American Legion (starting July)
 17-08 River Road, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

Sqrdance.org/BellesBeaux squaredancing123@gmail.com

1st and 3rd WEDNESDAYS 7:30 to 9:30	MS and a PL Tip VFW Hall to June 2017 American Legion Hall starting July 2017	Arlene Remington (H) 201-444-9071 Night of dance call (C) 201-424-2030
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2017 Dances and Special Events

April 19	Dennis Reardon	Let's Celebrate Earth Day with Healthy Snacks (<i>Dangle Dance</i>)
May 3	Fran Wadel	Graduation Dance
May 17	Rick Gittelman	It's PJ Time
June 7	Todd Fellegly	Concert T-Shirt Night
June 21	Bill Mager	Ice Cream Social
New Hall: American Legion in Fair Lawn		
July 5	Don and Dot Coy	Stars and Stripes (will also have line dancing)
July 19	Jim Snyder	Christmas in July (<i>Dangle Dance</i>)
August 2	Mark Franks	Disco Night
August 16	Don Bachelder	Aloha Celebrating Hawaiian Statehood
August 30	Fran Wadel	Beginner Dance
September 6	Paul Ingis	Caribbean Paradise
September 20	The Hardys	Denim and Lace
October 4	Betsy Gotta	Cheese and Crackers Night (<i>Dangle Dance</i>)
October 18	Joe Landi	Rubber Ducky (wear yellow)
November 1	Jim Snyder	Cowboys and Indians
November 15	Ed Foote	Sock It to Me! (wear crazy socks)
December 6	Howard Richman	Fabulous Tunes Night (<i>Dangle Dance</i>)
December 20	Fran Wadel	Student Dance

CIRCLE EIGHTS – Fair Lawn (starting September)**MS-PL tips**sqrdance.org/Circle8**3 Fri. Sept.-June****American Legion, 17-08 River Rd. 07410****Pat and Tom Duemig: 201-955-1495****Cell for dance: 201-694-7797**

In September, Circle Eights held introductory dances, and instruction started with Fran Wadel. She filled in for Paul Ingis, who took a year's hiatus.

At our October club dance (raided by RocklandRockytops), many dancers generously donated to our second annual food drive. We collected more than 10 bags for the local food pantry. Lyra Blake, one of the Rockytops raiders, won a free dance that was raffled off to those donating food items.

Circle Eights started the raid season at Cross Trail Squares in October. The next month we raided Hunterdon Flutterwheels. Then we "swapped" raids with Lakeland Squares in November, as they raided our dance on Friday night and we raided their club the following Monday night.

A Luau Dangle Dance in January brought out more than seven squares, including raiders from Cross Trail Squares and Western Wheelers/Hix & Chix. That night, Dan Tapper called one of his last dances in our area, and we got into the Hawaiian spirit. Rosemary Dunton even wore a "real" grass skirt!

Two of our members suffered some setbacks this season. Nancy Paulsen had knee surgery and David Pearson was injured in a car accident, including a broken leg. They are both making good progress in their recoveries, and we look forward to seeing them back on the dance floor.

A highlight of the dance season was the annual Circle Eights club luncheon in April at The Glen Rock Inn. We were thrilled to see members who cannot make it to club dances any longer, but now had the opportunity to socialize with old friends. The menu included soft drinks, pasta, salad, a choice of entrees, coffee, tea, and dessert. Membership awards were announced (years in parentheses): Jeff Kramer, Jack McKenzie, Rina Williams (5); Pauline DuBois, Marie and Tim O'Shea, Jeanne Weisman (10); Addie Johnson (15); Frank Gufert (20); and Eileen Draudin (25).

Ad on page 31*Jeanne Weisman (kreider99@aol.com)**201-722-0488***SQUARE DANCE CALL WEBSITES****Useful Websites for Definitions, Animations, and Videos/DVDs**

New and experienced dancers can all benefit by reviewing calls and their definitions, from Mainstream through Challenge. Several websites are available to help. Visit the sites below and select those best suited to your learning style.

callerlab.org/Dance-Programs (scroll down to select program)

ceder.net/def.php

tamtwirlers.org/tamination/info/index.html

opensquares.de/basic.html

videosquaredancelessons.com/lessons

gottadance.eboard.com (videos and DVDs for purchase)



CIRCLE EIGHTS 2017

Third Fridays
Mainstream 7:30-9:30 PM
Plus 9:30-10 PM



4/21/17 • Paul Ingis
April Fool's Dangle Dance
Dress "foolishly"

5/19/17 • Rick Gittelman (AZ)

6/16/17 • Dennis Reardon (PA)
Ice Cream Social

No Dancing in July and August

***9/15/17 • Chuck/Gerry Hardy (VT)**

***10/20/17 • Jim Snyder (PA)**
Donate food item(s) for a chance
to win a free dance

***11/17/17 • Howard Richman**
"Crazy Squares" Dangle Dance

***12/15/17 • Jim Schell (MA)**

Through June: Elmwood Park VFW, 6 Veterans Place, Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

*Beginning September: American Legion, 17-08 River Road, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

MAINSTREAM CLASS WITH TEACHER PAUL INGIS

East Brook Middle School, 190 Spring Valley Rd., Paramus, NJ 07652

Tuesday nights at 7:30 PM – Free Beginner Intro Dances in the fall, dates TBA

This is part of the Paramus Community School. For more information,
check the PCS website at ssreg.com/paramus or call Paul Ingis at 201-741-6050.

Information: Pat and Tom 201-955-1495 – Directions on dance night: 201-694-7797



Farewell to Our Friends

Square dancing is "friendship set to music." We have shared wonderful friendships with many dancers, and acknowledge here our current and former NNJSDA club members who passed away during the past year. *Thanks for the memories.*

Bob Allison, Kittatinny Rangers,
1/19/17

Helen Cavanaugh, Cross Trail
Squares, 1/10/17

Charles Cohen, AleMo, 6/19/16

John Kaltenthaler, regional caller/
teacher, 5/9/16

John Kerner, Western Wheelers,
5/27/16

John Lovasz, Middletown
Ramblers, 7/31/16

Carl Luhrs, Motiv8ors, 6/19/16

Isabelle McCabe, Cross Trail
Squares, Mountain Squares, 1/9/17

Kathy Randall, Rutgers
Promenaders, 6/12/16

Mary Jane Roome, Reelers, 8/12/16

Barbara Rosenthal, Hunterdon
Flutterwheels, 7/5/16

Ken Shampatore, Reelers, 4/3/17

Dot Snider, Cross Trail Squares, 3/5/17

LaRee David "Van" Van Wyck,
Hunterdon Flutterwheels, 6/24/16

Julia Winsower, AleMo, 7/14/16

CALLERS' COUNCIL OF NEW JERSEY: MAY 2017

*Callers currently available for booking

(For type of dance and program called: ccnjcallers.com)

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WHAT DO YOU ENJOY MOST IN A CALLER?

All callers have trademark approaches to putting calls together, engaging with dancers, and making a dance interesting in unique ways. Check out some reader favorites on page 10. Let us know the techniques *you* enjoy most, and we'll continue to share them in future issues. Send a one-sentence caller crowd-pleaser to editor@nnjsda.org.



43rd ANNUAL
MINI-FESTIVAL



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2017

1:00-6:30 PM

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Tom Miller (PA) Betsy Gotta (NJ)

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Steve Bradt (PA)

(TENTATIVE) Nutley High School, 300 Franklin Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110

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minifestival.info@nnjsda.org

Cell for day of festival: 908-763-4593

Soft, non-scuffing shoes ONLY – no boots, please

For latest updates and directions: nnjsda.org

Children through high school accompanied by a paying adult pay half price.

Please make a copy of this page for your records. Check payable to: NNJSDA

Mail to: Georgi Flandera, 34 Devoe Place, Hawthorne, NJ 07506 (973-427-2889)

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Street _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____ Email _____

In advance	\$15 adult (\$18 at the door)	# _____	\$ _____	PLEASE ... Enclose a stamped, self-addressed, legal-size envelope with your order.
(through 11/9)	\$7.50 child (\$9 at the door)	# _____	\$ _____	
1st Time Badge	\$3 each (optional)	# _____	\$ _____	
2017 Bar	\$1 each (optional)	# _____	\$ _____	

No refunds after 11/9/17.

TOTAL \$ _____

Thank you.

Several New England callers, starting with Ted Lizotte at our opening dance last September, have drawn dancers from throughout the Association to our club this season. Our winter dances, during which we experienced extremely warm weather, featured callers from the mid-Atlantic region.



We were fortunate to book Nick Martellacci immediately before his retirement, and did the same with Dan Tapper before his move to Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

Dan's departure particularly hit home since he began dancing and calling a decade ago at Cross Trail Squares. We wished him a fond farewell in February with his own "We Love Dan" gooey chocolate chip brownie cookie (see photo). At that dance, we were glad to see Eleanor Frank after her hiatus following back surgery, and Susie Gerish and Laura Safar after their respective recoveries.

Sadly, we lost Isabelle McCabe, a former CTS dancer who passed away during the winter. She and her husband, Doug, were always gracious and welcomed dancers in a square. We lost another former member, Helen Cavanaugh. She and her husband, Frank, founded CTS along with several other couples almost 50 years ago. Dot Snider, a longtime former member, is also dancing with the angels in heaven. Dot was always generous with her time in volunteering to set up decorations to match our themes.

Ad on page 35

Alice De Lancey (delanceyal@aol.com)

973-618-9025

EASY DOES IT

When taking another's hand during a call, please take hold loosely and gently ... and then release quickly. Never grip a hand or continue holding while going on to the next dancer or call. Very loose holds will keep hands happy and the square moving.

YOU 2 CAN DANCE

This great website features videos of three dance forms – squares, rounds, and contras. There are explanations of each dance form, a section on finding clubs/callers/cuers, and more. Use it to show your friends today's dancing and dance music. Local cuer Roy Gotta was instrumental in getting the site up: You2CanDance.com.

CLUB PRESIDENTS – CLEARANCE FOR NEW EVENTS

If your club plans to hold an event outside its regular dance program, location, day, or time, *you must request clearance from the NNJSDA*. This helps to avoid conflicts between events. Please check with the recording secretary for clearance or for regulations regarding new events. Contact information is on page 2 of every *Grand Square*.



CROSS TRAIL SQUARES

2nd, 4th, and 5th Wednesdays
7:15-9:45 PM \$5 per person

Plus Tip:	7:15-7:30
Alt. Mainstream/Plus:	7:30-9:30
After Tip (Fast Plus):	9:30-9:45

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36 Academy Road
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Additional Information:

Alice De Lancey, President
973-618-9025 – Schedule Your Raid!

FORMAT: ALTERNATING MAINSTREAM AND PLUS

April 26	Rick Hampton (CA)	CA caller; never in NJ! ⁺
May 10	Rick Gittelman (AZ)	April Showers Bring May Flowers
May 24	Mark Franks (NJ)	'50s Dance (poodle skirts welcome!)
June 14	Bill Mager (CT)	Ice Cream Social (casual attire)

SUMMER BREAK ~ SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER!

Mark Your Calendars for GREAT Callers at CTS

Sept. 13	Ted Lizotte (NH)	We're back with a national caller! Join lots of dancers at our opening dance!
Sept. 27	Ed Crowley (NJ)	Another caller new to NJ! ⁺

⁺*Bring your friends and little black books to obtain new caller signatures!
Casual attire and last-minute raids welcome at any dance!*

Join us at Cross Trail Squares for:

GREAT CALLERS + GREAT DANCERS = GREAT DANCING!

Carpool with others or raid with your club.

We welcome ALL DANCERS and you'll love dancing with us!

Contact Alice to arrange your raid: 973-618-9025

FAD SQUARES – Maywood**MS-PL tips**

Various Sun. All Year sqrdance.org/fad
Barn Dance 4 Sun. 6 Times a Year **Maywood Recreation Center, 346 Duvier Pl. 07607**
Jim Van Rensalier: 201-388-6314

FAD dances the first or third Sunday of each month except holidays. We also have beginner (barn) dances; check our ad for the dates. These dances are free and open to everyone. We need experienced dancers to help beginners as well as those who may be interested in taking lessons or who just want to find out what square dancing is all about, without making a commitment. Children are welcome, and remember – the barn dances are FREE!

The president of our club, Jim Van Rensalier, traveled this past winter to the Everglades in Florida, the Grand Canyon, Las Vegas, and Arizona.

FAD celebrated Saint Patrick’s Day with a dinner-dance on March 5. Jim cooked his delicious corned beef and cabbage, followed by the dance, with Dayle Hodge as the caller. It was a sea of green, and everyone had a great time.

Thank you to all who help make our dances enjoyable, and please continue to adorn our refreshment table – it’s yummy!

Ad below Diana LePore (lady93di@aol.com) 201-337-7528

*Fun at Dancing***FAD SQUARES**

7:30 to 9:45 PM – MS with Plus in 3rd and last tips – 1st or 3rd Sundays

7:30 to 9:30 PM – Free Barn Dance July and August – 4th Sundays

May 7	Rick Gittelman (AZ)
June 4	Paul Ingis
July 16	Paul and Stephen Ingis – Tropical Drink Night (Non-alcoholic)
July 23	Don and Dot Coy (NY) – Barn Dance – Line Dancing between Tips
August 20	Howard Richman
August 27	Fran Wadel – Barn Dance
September 17	Gerry and Chuck Hardy (VT)
October 1	Dean Singleton (MD)

Maywood Recreation Center, 346 Duvier Place, Maywood, NJ 07607
 For more information, call James Van Rensalier 201-388-6314

HI TAWS – Paramus**C1, C2**

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This has been a memorable season of square dancing at Flutterwheels. On November 4, we paid special tribute to Korean War veterans as well as current members of the military, with many dancers creatively outfitted for our M*A*S*H theme. Our January 6 dance had the theme “Whodunit?” to honor



*Flutterwheels and friends at the M*A*S*H dance:*

*Steve (Korean War vet), Ann, Mac,
Joanna, Deb, Justin (US Navy),*

Anthony, Jeff, Pat, Linda, and Noreen

the birthday of Sherlock Holmes. Dancers were invited to play a game that required them to guess, by asking only yes or no questions, what famous person’s name was on the label on their back. While we always have very tasty snacks, February 3 was our gastronomic event of the year: Souper Bowl IV. Among the 14 delicious offerings were various chowders, traditional chicken soup, several lentil soups, and even cold strawberry soup. March 3 was Dress-Up night. We all were surprised to see how well turned-out everyone was! Our St. Patrick’s Day dance featured the Wearin’ o’ the Green.

Our Mainstream graduation on April 7 had a Black and White theme. The class of 14 students started in September. We look forward to having our graduates join the club and enjoy many years of dancing pleasure and fun.



Flutterwheels students had a blast at the Dress-Up dance: Jim, Mary, Don, Marla, Juanita, Meredith, Eric, and Jim

Since mid-February, we have held a Plus class taught by our own Mary Moody. It includes first-time Plus dancers, those reinforcing their skills, and others learning to dance the opposite part.

Thanks to all the clubs that have raided us at the Lodge at Echo Hill Park. On some nights, we have had up to six squares. It’s great to see such a large number of folks enjoying and sharing an evening out together.

All these wonderful activities have taken place as we celebrate the 45th anniversary season of the Flutterwheels. We hope many other clubs will come and join us during this auspicious year.

Ad on page 39 *Tomás Gonzales (gonzales.tomas1@gmail.com) 908-328-3875*

HUNTERDON FLUTTERWHEELS



45th ANNIVERSARY YEAR

Echo Hill Park, 43 Lilac Drive, Flemington, NJ 08822

Web: hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjsda.org

Contact # night of dance: 908-328-3875



<u>2017</u>	<u>Theme</u>	<u>Caller</u>
May 5	Cinco de Mayo	Wes Thielke
May 19	My Favorite Color	Ed Kerns
June 2	"God Save the Queen" (<i>Ice Cream Party</i>)	Jim Snyder
SUMMER BREAK		
Sept. 15	Vacation T-Shirt Party	Ed Kerns
Oct. 6	Pieces (and Squares) of Eight (<i>Pirate Theme</i>)	Ed Kerns
Oct. 20	Pumpkin Party	Ed Foote
Nov. 3	Sharing Is Caring	Mark Franks
Nov. 17	"You're a Work of Art" (<i>100th Anniv. of Rodin's Death</i>)	The Hardys
Dec. 1	It's Chili Weather...	Paul Ingis
Dec. 15	Ho-Ho-Holiday Dance	Ed Kerns
Alternate Mainstream and Plus Tips 1st and 3rd Fridays 8:00-10:15 PM Soft-Soled Shoes, Please! Follow us on Facebook : facebook.com/hunterdonflutterwheels		For Information: Tomás and Leala Gonzales 908-328-3875 Rich and Mary Moody 908-231-1194 hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjsda.org

TIPS FOR THOSE WHO BOOK CALLERS

Thank you to all club members who take on the task of booking callers. What would a dance be without them?! Some tips to ensure a smooth process:

- Hire each caller/cuer at least one year in advance.
- Suggest a fee that your club can afford, and be open to negotiate.
- Provide at least two cell phone numbers that can be used in case of emergency en route to a dance, and obtain the caller's cell phone number.
- Contact the caller two weeks prior to the dance to verify or update all details, ensure that cell phone numbers for club and caller are current, and provide driving directions if needed (especially if construction has caused detours).

Following these suggestions could save both the caller/cuer and the club from potential problems on the day of the dance.

NEW NNJSDA WEBSITE TO LAUNCH THIS SUMMER: YES, REALLY!

- The original site was created in 2002 and expanded over the years by Ken Robinson, a web developer who was appointed NNJSDA webmaster.
- An email info-list was created in 2007 to keep people informed about NNJSDA activities. Generic email addresses were created for members of the executive board, and dancers were given the ability to send comments to the board.
- John Hill, an IT project manager, was appointed co-webmaster in 2017. He is creating a fresh website utilizing much of the content copied from the current site.
- Watch for details as the new site becomes fully operational!

Another much-anticipated spring, and another well-earned Mainstream class season. Warm congratulations to our wonderful Mainstream graduates of 2017: Mary Bowers, Chris Higgins, Lillian Kinny, Debbie Steinhauer, and Mark Van Ness. Welcome to the friendly world of square dancing.

We enjoyed another terrific season, especially welcoming raiders to our dances. These included Hunterdon Flutterwheels, Lakeland Squares, Reelers, and Western Wheelers/Hix & Chix.

We hope our members, and particularly our graduates, enjoy dancing with both familiar friends and new partners. We love having guests at our dances, so please head to our club for a beautiful, spacious dance floor and parking lot, talented callers, welcoming members, and ... a refreshment table whose reputation for excellence is richly deserved!

Be sure to “like” our Facebook page and browse pictures of our dances. And come by for a visit in person this spring! We’re looking forward to seeing you for a fun night of great dancing, great callers, and great refreshments.

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Robin Friedman (floweringgarlic@yahoo.com)

Design your own artistic masterpiece: It’s time for the

Grand Square Cover Contest 2017

**The winning entry will be featured as
the cover for the September issue of *Grand Square*.**

1. Members of NNJSDA member clubs are eligible to enter. There is no limit on the number of entries.
2. The winning entry will be featured with the artist’s name on the cover of the fall issue, and the winner will receive an artist dangle.
3. Create your entry electronically as a Word table measuring 5”x5”. Text and images may be either black or in color. All text must be editable.
4. The subject may be any square dance theme, though not localized to a particular geographical area. Do not include your name as part of the design.
5. For examples of past winners, visit nnjsda.org/covercontest/winner.php. Please keep in mind that previous entries were also used as posters or flyers for class/club promotion; therefore, the size and layout are different from the current guidelines.
6. Send your entry **by July 7** as an email attachment: covercontest@nnjsda.org.
7. The *Grand Square* editorial team will select the winning entry.
8. All entries will become the property of *Grand Square* and may be used to promote square dancing in various ways.

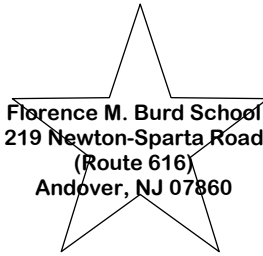
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(Route 616)
Andover, NJ 07860



2017	CALLERS	THEMES
May 12	Daryl Murphy	Ice Cream Social
May 26*	Ed Crowley	Potluck Dinner

August 16 Wednesday 7:00-9:30	Johnny Preston	At PeopleCare Center 120 FINDERNE AVENUE BRIDGEWATER, NJ 08807
<i>Look for flyer or call Mary at 973-960-5944 (cell)</i>		

September 8	Paul Ingis	Welcome Back: Wear White and Black
September 22	Howard Richman	Kittatinny Rangers Birthday
October 13	Don Coy	Pink: Breast Cancer
October 27	Larry Shipman	Babies: Bring Pictures
November 10	Paul Ingis	Celebrate Veterans Day
December 8**	Betsy Gotta	Celebrate the Holidays

*Casual Dress – Potluck Dinner 6:00, Meeting 6:45, Dance 7:30
**Student Level Mainstream

Mainstream class: Wednesdays at Halsted School, Newton
(starting September 20)

Info:
Bob Leshnower: 973-697-6816
or Donna Poyer: 908-852-9285
Cell for dance night: 973-229-2401
Website: kittatinnyrangers.com

1, 2, 3, 4 Mon. Sept.-July

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church

Barn Dance 5 Mon.

9 Two Bridges Rd. 07082

Kathy Keener: 973-366-8064

Cell for dance: 973-229-0698

Greetings from Lakeland. We would like to thank all of our dance friends who have joined us at our new Monday night location – especially the raiders from Belles & Beaux, Circle Eights, Reelers, and Western Wheelers/Hix & Chix.

Many of our members have not been able to “mainstream” due to travel and mobility issues. On the “plus” side, we welcome the return of Dolores and Jim Schlegel from a wonderful two-month southern vacation, and the resolution of most of the issues keeping others from dancing. Thankfully, this includes our dear friend, Dave Pearson, who was hit by a car, as well as his caretakers: wife, Nancy, and mother-in-law, Louise Clapp.

Kathy Keener and Monte Montagnino continue in their dynamic way to inspire Lakeland to maintain its reputation as a welcoming, friendly club, while Judi Nordman and Audrey Geraghty coordinate our renowned food table. You may have noticed that there are two things consistent with our refreshments – a delicious variety, and Monte’s brownies. Our only weather cancellation was Monday, February 13, so Monte anonymously took the brownies intended for that dance to Belles & Beaux the next Wednesday. On Friday, he was asked at Circle Eights, “Did you bring brownies on Wednesday?” We now refer to them as Monte’s signature brownies!

It was a privilege to co-host a fun Association dance with the Reelers on March 12. Taimi and Bob Reip have assumed responsibility as treasurers and are doing an excellent job. Janet and Steve Eid are completing our successful Raid program. Ruth and Rick Lufkin, our NNJSDA delegates, are promoting our One Square Is Fair participation to ensure that we have the opportunity to dance with all of you. Remember, you are always welcome at Lakeland!

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Connie Smith (casglass@gmail.com)

973-383-9430

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9 TWO BRIDGES ROAD, TOWACO, NJ 07082
(Air Conditioned Hall)

Alternating MAINSTREAM and PLUS: MONDAYS (8-10 PM)

Barn Dance: 5th MONDAYS (8-10 PM) – open to the public – bring your friends!

2017 DANCE SCHEDULE

May	July (cont.)	October (cont.)
1 Stephen Ingis <i>Anniversary Dance</i> 6:45 Potluck, 8:00 Dance	10 Dennis Reardon 17 Howard Richman 24 Betsy Gotta	23 Ed Foote 30 Howard Richman: <i>Halloween Barn Dance</i>
8 Rick Gittelman	31 Howard Richman: <i>Barn Dance</i>	November
15 Fran Wadel	August	6 Mary Moody
22 Dennis Reardon: <i>Memorial Day!</i>	21 Howard Richman: <i>Barn Dance</i>	13 Don Coy 20 Paul Ingis 27 Howard Richman
29 No Dance	September	December
June	4 No Dance	4 Fran Wadel: <i>Student Dance</i>
5 Chuck and Gerry Hardy	11 Chuck and Gerry Hardy	11 Larry Shipman
12 Betsy Gotta	18 Howard Richman	18 Paul Ingis: <i>Holiday Dance</i>
19 Howard Richman: <i>A Night at the Movies</i>	25 Fran Wadel	25 No Dance <i>Winter Holiday</i>
26 Paul Ingis	October	
July	2 Dennis Reardon	
3 No Dance <i>Independence Day</i>	9 Betsy Gotta 16 Paul Ingis	

For Info – Kathy Keener: 973-366-8064 (H)
 973-229-0698 (C)
 Monte/Janet: 973-546-3092



Email us at lakelandsquares@hotmail.com

Visit our website at lakelandsquares.wix.com/lakeland

We Ramblers are learning to check the online schedule so that we are set for our Friday night themed dances! Otherwise, we might forget to wear our blingiest baubles for Mardi Gras night, or our wildest Hawaiian shirt on the luau evening. After all, when else do we get to wear these outlandish outfits? Maybe Halloween? (By the way, at our costume dance, some well-rounded snowmen won a prize, as did the half man/half woman costume.) Or, we might be asked to bring in a photo of ourselves in our 20s; although square dancers seem to age less than perhaps others do, it is still very hard to guess who is who in the pictures! And who can resist a real find at the Bookworm Bash?

A memorable moment came at our annual December Covered Dish Dinner. We were so thrilled to see Santa again. Many lined up to sit on his lap and give him their wish lists. When Santa's wife's turn came, she positioned herself on his knee, and Santa gave her a smooch with such flare that he lost his balance and they both fell off the chair! They came up laughing, and fortunately, no one was hurt. We love these two.

In April, we graduated six amazing students in Mainstream. There was also the April Fool's Dance where we wore mismatched outfits and crazy things. Check out our online schedule, because in May, we'll be sharing our favorite One Day Trip suggestions. And on June 9, we're planning to dress *fancy* for the Black Tie Night.

Along with many good times, we have experienced great sadness together. On July 31, 2016, we lost a very dear friend and longtime member, John Lovasz. John served the Ramblers in many capacities, the most recent being co-president. His great love of people, his sense of humor, his faith, and his caring ways endeared him to us. We will always remember the twinkle in his eyes and his handlebar mustache. All of us are grateful for having had his friendship through the years. John was a very special person, and very much loved. Our sympathy to his dear wife, Mary, and his family.

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Virginia Daggett

Squares and Rounds at a Dance: It's All in the Timing

A typical square dance has the same number of tips, regardless of whether or not round dancing is offered. Our callers need seven or eight minutes to rest their voices between tips. Whether dancers use those minutes for socializing or round dancing or another type of dancing, the amount of square dance time is not affected.

Square and round dancers: Let's work together to ensure the most dance time possible! When you hear dance music, that's your invitation to get on the floor. When dancers get on and off the dance floor quickly at the end of a tip or rounds segment, the next type of dancing can begin promptly. That means more dancing fun for everyone.

Non-round dancers, please socialize on the sidelines to enable the cuer to be heard easily. Everyone, let's respect the time allotted to each type of dancing to ensure a great event for all dancers.

Jan Thompson



Middletown Ramblers

Plus Club + Rounds

Fridays 7:30-9:45 PM
 Croydon Hall – Middletown Senior Center
 900 Leonardville Rd., Leonardo, NJ 07737

middletownramblers.org

May 5	Daryl Murphy	July 21	Betsy and Roy Gotta
May 12	Joe Landi	July 28 ¹	Paul Ingis
May 19	Stephen Ingis	Aug. 4	Mark Franks
May 26	Rick Gittelman (AZ)	Aug. 11	Dean Singleton (MD)
June 2	Mary Moody	Aug. 18 ¹	Ed Crowley
June 9	Chuck and Gerry Hardy (VT)	Aug. 25	Betsy and Roy Gotta
June 16	Jim Snyder (PA) <i>(for club members only)</i>	Sept. 1	Labor Day Weekend <i>(no dance)</i>
June 23	Mark Franks	Sept. 8	Joe Landi
June 30	Stephen Ingis	Sept. 15	Don and Dot Coy (NY)
July 7	Howard Richman	Sept. 22 ²	Chuck and Gerry Hardy (VT)
July 14	Joe Landi	Sept. 29 ³	Howard Richman

¹July 28 and Aug. 18: Intro to Square Dance

²Sept. 22: Intro to Square Dance (free) – Thompson Park Barn
 805 Newman Springs Rd., Lincroft, NJ 07738

³Sept. 29: **Live Music with O'Neill & Martin Band**

Directions: Parkway South to Exit 117. Take Rt. 36 approximately 8 miles to Academy Bus Depot. Turn right at the light on Hosford Ave. and cross Leonardville Rd. (stop sign). Make next left onto Bryant Ave., which ends in the Croydon Hall complex. Dance hall is the last building on the right.

NOTE: Hearing enhancement system available.

Rich and Beverly Yackel, Presidents: 732-747-8505
 Larry Sherwood (cell): 732-319-8920

Various Sun. All Year
Maryjane Clewell and
Robert Scoralick: 551-206-7905

St. Clement's Episcopal Church
271 Lafayette Ave. 07506
Cell for dance: 914-320-0626

At the beginning of this season, we gave a big Motiv8ors yellow rock to our new members: Susan and Frank Dreifus, Marie Gower, Rick Massi, Pauline Plummer, Vicki and Craig Sherman, Chuck Wagner, and Lauren and Fred Zales. We also extended welcoming, helping hands to the new A2 dancers in our area. We deeply appreciate all the talented callers who helped us enjoy this past season.

There was a party atmosphere at our November and December dances, with four squares of dancers helping to polish off the bountiful, delicious refreshments. In December, we celebrated the birthday of co-president Robert Scoralick with a cake, a song, and lots of hugs. We also raffled off four beautiful, homemade holiday arrangements that Peggy Koehler generously donated.

2017 started by our thanking Sandy and Bernie Beck for their 15 years as presidents of Hi Taws, the only C1/C2 club in New Jersey. Unfortunately, they lost their hall in December. In an attempt to fill this void, co-presidents Maryjane Clewell and Robert Scoralick worked very hard to organize a trial of C1/C2 dances during the afternoons. The first of these dances was March 11.

In February, a dozen Motiv8ors raided Bee Sharps, where they were heartily welcomed. Everyone had fun dancing, meeting new dancers, and seeing old friends. Many of us were surprised to see that we have a banner. Fred Meyer has agreed to teach our club's raid routine.

Jan and Louis Thompson spent three months snowbirding in Arizona. Their busy schedule included dancing, hiking, and working on their new home. They even did a round dance demo at the YMCA to publicize the activity. Usually sunny Mesa experienced hail during one of several rainstorms!

Chariss Smith and Wally Ropchan visited Texas in January. They spent a week square dancing to great callers, followed by a fun and relaxing day on South Padre Island. Chariss also visited her sister and brother-in-law.

Congratulations to Peggy Koehler, who submitted three award-winning entries in Design to the New Jersey Flower and Garden Show in February. Peggy also contributed an educational display for Habitat for Humanity.

Travel buddies Sue and Rich Baumeister and Peggy and Steve Koehler spent three fantastic weeks in Africa during February and March. On safari in 4x4 vehicles at three national parks, they sighted the Big Five (elephant, lion, leopard, rhino, and Cape buffalo) and numerous other wildlife. In Johannesburg and Cape Town, South Africa, they enjoyed city tours, boat rides, and discussions on various social issues. A visit to Victoria Falls provided the perfect end to their memorable adventure.

REMEMBER: We dance at our air conditioned hall throughout the summer. Our computer squares guarantee that all dancers, both solo and those with partners, have an equal opportunity to dance. Hope to see you!

Ad on page 47 *Jan and Louis Thompson (ltpt1@yahoo.com)* 732-577-9413



Motiv8ors

motiv8ors.nnjsda.org



Sundays at St. Clement's Episcopal Church
271 Lafayette Ave., Hawthorne, NJ 07506

C1 Program 6:30-7:30 PM, A2 Program 7:30-9:30 PM

Apr. 23	Ed Foote (PA)	Sept. 24	Barry Clasper (ON)
Apr. 30	Daryl Murphy (NJ)	Oct. 8	Daryl Murphy (NJ)
May 21	Dave Eno (NY)	Oct. 22	Ed Foote (PA)
June 11	Betsy Gotta (NJ)	Nov. 5	Daryl Murphy (NJ)
July 30	Betsy Gotta (NJ)	Nov. 26	Todd Fellego (CT)
Aug. 6	Dave Eno (NY)	Dec. 3	Dayle Hodge (MD)
Aug. 20	Todd Fellego (CT)	Dec. 17	Ken Ritucci (MA)

Singles Welcome **** SOFT-SOLED SHOES **** Computer Squares
Maryjane and Robert: 551-206-7905, cmimigirl@aol.com



NEXT GRAND SQUARE SUBMISSION DEADLINE: JULY 7

Email club articles to articles@nnjsda.org.

Email all ads to ads@nnjsda.org.

PLEASE include your club name in email subject line.

Submit your ad as a 5-inch-wide table with a full border in Word format, using the heights specified on page 2. For assistance with ad formatting, send an email to ads@nnjsda.org.

If you would like to write an article or have an idea for a topic, please send an email to editor@nnjsda.org. All suggestions are very welcome.

As stated on the back cover, we reserve the right to edit all articles and ads. However, responsibility for accuracy rests with authors and ad makers.

A2 and C1 Dances

Every Other Monday 7:30-9:30 PM

PeopleCare Center for Nonprofits

120 Finderne Ave., Bridgewater, NJ 08807

Contact Daryl Murphy to confirm location, time, and schedule.

917-770-6754 kenanddaryl@msn.com

We graduated a Plus class of nine (see page 5) at our January dance – a great way to start the new year. We welcome the graduates as members of Reelers. Thanks go to our teacher, Dan Tapper, and class coordinators, Kathy and Ken Shampanore, as well as all the enthusiastic angels for their efforts. Our current Mainstream class has 13 students, including four high schoolers.

Dan and Jo moved to Pennsylvania in March. Though we miss Dan's wonderful teaching and calling, it was a good move for them, as their lovely lakefront home is nearer to some family members. We wish them happiness there and are thankful for having had Dan as our class teacher as long as we did! We are very grateful that Gardner Patton graciously agreed to take over the class for the balance of the Mainstream lessons. A big thanks to you, Gardner!

Our dances have included new callers and themes. Celebrate Your Heritage night brought forth some interesting outfits, with a heavy emphasis on Irish. Our book and puzzle exchange in January is always popular, providing members and guests with some good reading and new-to-them puzzles for those cold winter days and evenings. Our Souper Bowl theme resulted in many cans of soup brought for the Interfaith Food Pantry. While bringing a food pantry contribution to Reelers dances is voluntary, many dancers participate, and we were able to donate 225 pounds of food in 2016.

Two squares of dancers did a demo at Ironia School's Winterfest, and then many of the guests, including the school principal, joined in. We took the opportunity to present the principal with a check to be used for a program of the school's choice in appreciation for using the building for our dances.

On April 3, Ken Shampanore passed away. He was a hardworking and loyal member of Reelers for many years, continuing to help with setting up and the 50/50 even when he was not up to dancing. He was always cheerful, helpful, and kind. Ken and Kathy, who met through square dancing, were a loving and devoted couple. We mourn his loss and will miss him greatly.

We hope that you will join us at our dances, which feature the wonderful cuing of Mary Pickett as well as a variety of callers. As in the past few years, our final dance of the season (June 2) will be Mainstream with one Plus tip – a great opportunity for Mainstream dancers to come to a club they might not normally attend, and for Mainstream clubs to schedule a raid for the new season.

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Irene Stoller (histoller@live.com)

908-823-4565

WELCOME TO THE NNJSDA EXECUTIVE BOARD!

At the NNJSDA executive board meeting in March, presidents Nancy and Vic Ammons made the following two appointments, effective through May 31:

Lacey Hill to fill the vacant position of corresponding secretary

John Hill to serve as co-webmaster with Ken Robinson

Thanks to Lacey and John for accepting these positions!



REELERS

Plus Club with Rounds

Ironia School, 303 Dover-Chester Road (Route 513),
Randolph, NJ 07869

1st and 3rd Fridays at 8:00 – Plus/Rounds
7:30 – Early Rounds: Mary Pickett, Cuer

reelers.nnjsda.org

More info: Cindy and Dave Whalen 908-876-4914 (h) 929-373-3537 (c)

<u>2017</u>	<u>Caller</u>	<u>Theme</u>
05/05	Bill Mager (CT)	Garden Party
05/19	Ted Lizotte (NH)	Ice Cream "Fridae"
06/02*	Dan Tapper (PA)	Potluck Dinner (at 6:15)
09/15	Don Bachelder (MA)	Vacation T-Shirts
09/29	Dayle Hodge (MD)	Crazy Hats
10/06	Chris Stacy (VA)	Fall Frolic
10/20	Jim Schell (MA)	Turning Leaves: Book Exchange
11/03	Ed Foote (PA)	Honor Our Veterans
11/17	Bill Harrison (MD)	Give Thanks
12/01	Jim Snyder (PA)	Celebrate Your Heritage
12/15	Todd Fellegly (CT)	Holiday Cookies

***Mainstream/Rounds with Plus tip(s)**

SECRET FOR NEW DANCERS


As you venture from your home club to other club and Association dances, here's a secret for good dancing: *Try to square up with experienced dancers* rather than with your classmates and other recent graduates. The veterans will help you (gently) when needed, speeding you on the way to proficiency.

GIVE A DANCE COUPON AS A GIFT OR AWARD

Looking for a gift for dancers or a door prize for a special club event? Consider an NNJSDA dance coupon. Coupons can be purchased at the current dance fee; their value never expires; and they will be accepted at any NNJSDA dance.

You can use dance coupons as door prizes, as gifts to fellow dancers, to thank your hardworking officers, as special incentives to recruiters ... endless possibilities! Purchase coupons at any NNJSDA event.

Sample



NNJSDA Treasurer

Coupon Donor (optional)

*May be redeemed at any
NNJSDA dance*

Value: \$ _____

ROCKLANDROCKYTOPS – Congers, NY MS, PL (see below)sgrdance.org/RocklandRockytops**2 Fri. All Year: MS-PL tip****Congers Community Center****4 Fri. All Year: PL-A tip****6 Gilchrest Rd. 10920****Mal Blotner: 845-638-4393 (alt.: 845-553-5002)****Cell for dance: 914-450-2724**

Congratulations to all 2017 Mainstream graduates, including our own 10 enthusiastic new dancers (see page 5).

In spite of holding our dances in three different locations, it has been a banner season for Rockytops, starting with our September Mainstream dance called by the talented Sandy Corey. The 55 dancers included raiders from Belles & Beaux who helped us celebrate our 25th anniversary. We were delighted to have with us the founders of Rockytops, Mal and Dotty Blotner, who brought an album – put together by Patsy Lisak and Sue Baumeister – that featured photos and membership lists of Rockytops over the years.

Also in September, we raided Cross Trail Squares at their Old-Fashioned Hoedown with national caller Ted Lizotte. Rockytops provided entertainment for the Montebello Commons Senior Club with a demo dance at their Suffern location. At our lively introductory dance, again there were 55 attendees, including eight guests from other clubs and 25 newcomers! We are especially grateful to those who introduced friends to our beloved activity. Some of those newcomers are now among our 2017 graduates.

In October, we were delighted to have Don Coy at our Plus dance and Nick Martellacci at our Mainstream dance. Our capable chair, Lyra Blake, led a raid to Circle Eights and we brought donations for their Food Basket Dangle Dance. Our November Plus dance was called by the entertaining Paul Ingis, who performed an “homage” of the late Tim Marriner’s signature songs. We raided FAD, where we were kept happily hopping to caller Howard Richman.

Our December Plus dance gave us one last time with Nick Martellacci, who retired from calling at the end of the year. Next was our annual Holiday Spirit Dance, free to all comers (five squares), with Dan Tapper as our lively caller. The fabulous refreshments featured contributions from our members.

In January, to inaugurate our new home at Congers Community Center, 27 Rockytops and 17 guests attended our first Mainstream dance of the new year, with Howard Richman. Our Plus dance found us again enjoying the innovative calling of Paul Ingis. Our Student/Valentine Dance in February drew an impressive turnout of 30 angels and 16 students, who enjoyed the calling of our fabulous caller/teacher, Fran Wadel. Our Plus dance featured the inimitable Betsy Gotta. In March, we enjoyed the calling of Mary Moody and Sandy Corey.

Some of our dancers have taken great trips. Miriam and Dave Gurowsky raved about their African safari last fall. Vicky and Arthur Leibowitz were busy travelers throughout 2016: WASCA in March, a cruise to Canada-New England in May, Texas in August, Ireland in September, and a square dance cruise in December.

Have a great summer!

Ad on page 51*Joan Schierlitz (dancinggrandma@verizon.net)*

845-353-2987

RocklandRockytops

SINGLES WELCOME

MAINSTREAM Second Friday 7:30-9:45 PM (All Year Round) Plus Tip During Dance	PLUS Fourth Friday 7:30-9:45 PM (All Year Round) A1/A2 Tip During Dance
05/12/17 ¹ ED FOOTE <i>Ice Cream Social</i>	05/26/17 ² BETSY GOTTA
06/09/17 ² HOWARD RICHMAN <i>Las Vegas Night</i>	06/23/17 ² PAUL INGIS
07/14/17 ³ SANDY COREY	07/28/17 ² HOWARD RICHMAN
08/11/17 ³ HOWARD RICHMAN	08/25/17 ² MARK FRANKS
09/08/17 ¹ DON COY	<i>No Plus dances in September.</i>
09/22/17 ² FRAN WADEL <i>Special Free Introductory Dance</i>	<i>Bring your friends to the Introductory Dance (see left)!</i>
10/13/17 ² BETSY GOTTA	10/27/17 ¹ PAUL INGIS
11/10/17 ¹ ED FOOTE <i>Turkey Raffle</i> <i>(bring canned goods – receive ticket)</i>	11/24/17 ¹ HOWARD RICHMAN
12/08/17 ² SANDY COREY <i>Holiday Spirit Dance</i> <i>(free admission to all dancers!)</i>	12/22/17 ¹ PAUL INGIS

1. St. Paul Lutheran Church – 323 S. Main St., New City, NY
2. Congers Community Center – 6 Gilcrest Rd., Congers, NY
3. Maywood Recreation Center – 346 Duvier Pl., Maywood, NJ

Directions are on page 16 in the 2017 map supplement:
[nnjsda.org/grand_square/?issue=Map Supplement 2017](http://nnjsda.org/grand_square/?issue=Map%20Supplement%202017)


For further information: Mal 845-638-4393; if no answer: 845-553-5002

Once again, we began a new club season in spectacular fashion and enjoyed our usual holiday events, such as the Thanksgiving food drive and Toys for Tots. The weather has proven to be interesting; thankfully, no dances were adversely affected. In fact, some February temperatures were downright spring-like, making the Gottas' annual Winter Barbecue that month one for the record books!

In health and wellness news, Eric Benson was absent from our midst due to an extended illness, and Marianne Harris suffered a broken finger. On a happier note, however, Su White returned to the dance floor after recuperating from injury – great to have her back in squares.

The most significant news: After several years at our previous location in Franklin Township, we have moved to Congregation B'nai Tikvah in North Brunswick. We look forward to continuing success and enjoyable dancing experiences in our new abode. Come join us in a set – you'll be glad you did!

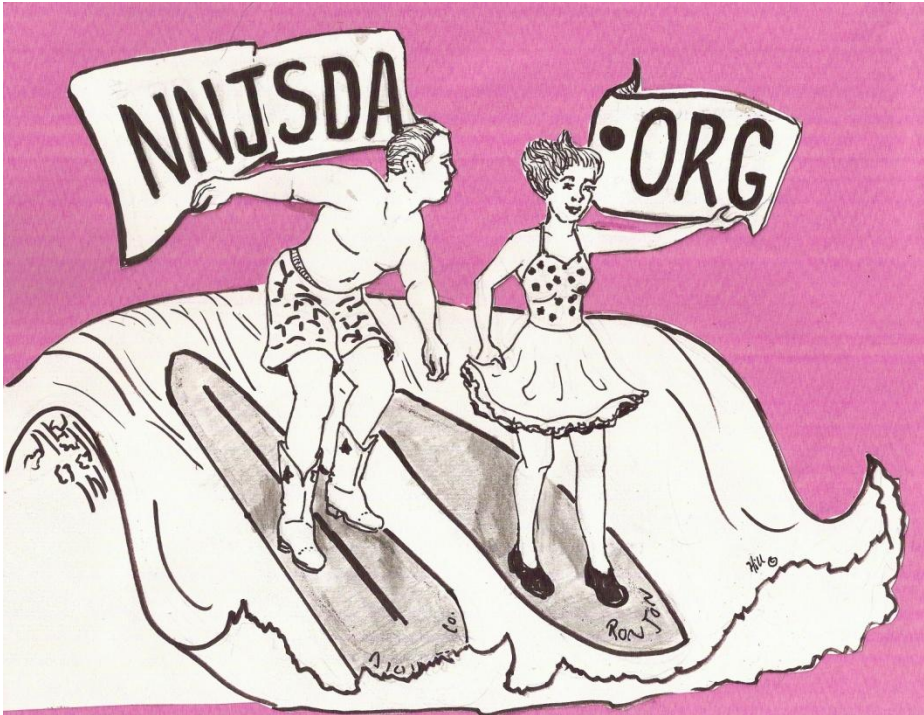
Ad below Mary Ann Ryan-Erdek (merdek56@gmail.com) 908-745-1659

	<h2>Spring-Summer 2017 Mainstream Dance/Class Schedule</h2>	
	<p>Location: Congregation B'nai Tikvah 1001 Finnegans Lane North Brunswick, NJ 08902</p> <p>Time: 2:30-5:00 PM</p> <p><u>Family Friendly</u> Mainstream dancing with Rounds for all ages Note: class-level tips during some dances.</p>	
April 30	May 7	May 21
June 4	July 16	August 6
<p>Calling Staff: Betsy Gotta, Dan Koft Cuing Staff: Roy Gotta, Kathy Koft</p> <p>More information: Wanda Eisenman (Cell 917-676-6839) president@rutgerspromenaders.org or go to rutgerspromenaders.org</p>		

HOLD ON TO YOUR KEYS!

Don't leave your keys in your jacket at a dance! If someone takes your jacket by mistake, you'll be left scrambling for a ride home. Keep the keys in your pocket, purse, shoe bag, or other item that won't walk off. (Thanks, Joe Landi!)

SURF THE NET!



Keep up to date on events and dance resources via our website: nnjsda.org. Thanks to Hillary Hill for this reminder to "Surf the Net"!

USE NNJSDA EMAIL LISTS AND ADDRESSES

The following three email lists are available for the convenience of dancers in communicating with various groups, as indicated. Addresses are kept strictly private.

squaredance_info@nnjsda.org – Subscribers to the information list may send and receive messages (on dance-related topics only). To subscribe, send an email to webmaster@nnjsda.org. He will send you back an invitation, which you must accept in order to join the list. New dancers: This is a great way to find out about events all over northern New Jersey and the surrounding areas, as well as cancellations or location changes. Please subscribe!

club-presidents@nnjsda.org – All presidents of NNJSDA member clubs are automatically subscribed. Presidents may use this address to send a message to their fellow presidents; copies are sent to the NNJSDA executive board.

delegates@nnjsda.org – All delegates from NNJSDA member clubs are automatically subscribed. Delegates may use this address to send a message to their fellow delegates; copies are sent to the NNJSDA executive board.

There are also generic email addresses you can use for communicating with NNJSDA officers. See page 2 of any *Grand Square* for all such addresses.



When I became president of Times Squares two years ago, I had ambitious thoughts that we could change the course of square dancing. Now that I have passed the torch to our next president (Warren Livesley), I have been thinking about some of the things we did in the last two years.

One of our first acts was to redo our website to make it cleaner and more inviting. A square dance club website should quickly convey to readers why they will like square dancing, when and where they can do it, and what they can expect – fun, friendship, and mental as well as physical well-being. This should be done with a few well-chosen words and video or action photos. Although we were able to clean up our site considerably, it's still not perfect.

In conjunction with our redo of the website, we attempted to increase our social media presence. Knowing how to use Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest, Instagram, and Meetup is now an essential skill. We are using Meetup fairly successfully to generate new leads and get people to our outreach activities. It's a steep learning curve, but vital for success. What we've learned is that being successful at social media takes a lot of time and effort.

We need to make it easier for people to start square dancing. One method we've used to accomplish this is to rebrand our introductory evenings as "dance parties." The best way to get people interested in square dancing is to give them a good night out. This means getting them up and dancing right away, so I ask our dance party callers to be more "dancey" and less "teachy." If participants have a good time, they might be inclined to attend another dance party and maybe sign up for classes in the future. It's better for a one-time attendee to have a good time than to try it and not like it.

Another thing we tackled was making our dances more accessible by purchasing an assisted listening system, which offers a much more satisfying experience to dancers with hearing loss. We were fortunate to have several highly motivated volunteers who spearheaded the purchase of the equipment and a supportive membership that gave generously to pay for it. I believe we should offer this service at all dances, and clubs should make the effort to have this equipment as part of their standard setup.

These are just a few examples from the past two years. In the next issue, you'll hear about some of our new president's plans for the future of our club. I hope that sharing these thoughts will enable you to use our experiences to benefit your own club and square dancing in general. If you have questions about what we've done or want further discussion, feel free to reach out to me.

Ads on pages 17, 55 Kim Norland (KRNorland@hotmail.com) 347-581-3228

PUBLICITY TIP

Put extra copies of *Grand Square* (with your club's contact) in public places that welcome free materials – libraries, diners, auto repair shops, doctor's offices, etc.

NYC's Times Squares 2017 Dances

Summer Club Night Dances – Tuesdays 7:30-9:30 PM – MS/PL

Locations vary. Please check *timesquares.nyc*.

6/13	Betsy Gotta	8/8	Dayle Hodge
6/27	Howard Richman "The Pride Dance"		"The White Party"
7/18	Betsy Gotta "Christmas in July"		Special! The White Party is free for all NNJSDA members!
7/25	Ken Ritucci	8/22	Howard Richman
		9/5	Betsy Gotta

Mainstream Classes – Tuesday Evenings

Beginning in the Fall
at PS 3, 490 Hudson St., Manhattan

Peel the Pumpkin 2017

October 27-29, 2017

APA Hotel Woodbridge in Iselin, NJ

Callers: Chris Phillips, Todd Felleg, and Betsy Gotta

Hix & Chix/Western Wheelers Special Summer Sizzler Dances

2017

Thursday 8-10:30 PM

Plus with A1 Tip

Pre-Rounds at 7:30 then 2x2

MAY 18 DON BACHELDER (MA) – MARY PICKETT ON ROUNDS

JUNE 15 MARK FRANKS (NJ)

MARY PICKETT ON ROUNDS

JULY 13 HOWARD WILLIAMSON (PA)

DONNA WILLIAMSON ON ROUNDS

AUGUST 3 MATT MCGOVERN (MA) – MARY PICKETT ON ROUNDS

AUGUST 24 TODD FELLEGY (CT) – MARY PICKETT ON ROUNDS

May-August: VFW Elmwood Park
6 Veterans Place, Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

RAIDS WELCOME



For more information: Georgi and Rich Flandera 973-427-2889
John and Connie Huettemann 201-853-9689 (H) 201-852-7514 (C)

WESTERN WHEELERS/HIX & CHIX – Maywood/Elmwood Park PL-A tip

sqrdance.org/Western.Wheelers

2, 4 Sat. Sept.-April Maywood Recreation Center, 346 Duvier Pl. 07607

Various Thur. May-Aug. (with RD) VFW, 6 Veterans Pl. 07407

Georgi Flandera: 973-427-2889

Cell for dance: 201-852-7514

Just a reminder: WW/H&C alternates Plus and rounds (when available) throughout the year, with an Advanced tip if there are enough dancers. With the dreary winter behind us, we welcome warmer weather with open arms.

We had a wonderful Plus class and are pleased to welcome the graduates as members of our club: Cathy Kant (who learned the lead part), Phyllis and John McGrory, and Regina Riely. All of them were “retreads,” allowing teacher Fran Wadel to give the students as well as the angels (headed by Bob Bachmann) a thorough refresher in Dancing by Definition, or DBD.

Our members were quite busy over the winter with lots of travel and dancing along the way. Pat and Tom Duemig spent time in Florida with family and friends, and danced with the local clubs. Many members traveled during March. Georgi and Rich Flandera participated in the Grand Canyon Square Dance Association Festival in Phoenix, Arizona, while visiting their daughter, who is attending the police academy. Nancy Jacobs and Mark Parent attended the 25th Anniversary Fly-In of Independence Squares, held in Wilmington, Delaware. An adventurous group of dancers took a Mediterranean cruise vacation with callers Don Bachelder and Ralph Peacock. Georgi and Rich Flandera, Joan Mallette, Debbie and Jose Obarrio, and Arlene Remington danced and toured their way through Spain, Malta, Italy, Monaco, and France.

Our Raid season featured visits to Y Squares, Kittatinny Rangers, Lakeland Squares, Circle Eights, and Reelers, where 12 members met for dinner before the dance. Good food, good friends, and good dancing made for a perfect evening.

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Lacey Hill (laceyjhil@gmail.com)

201-358-2629

2017 MAP SUPPLEMENT

Due to the relocation of several clubs to new “homes,” publication of the annual Map Supplement was postponed to include up-to-date locations. It is now online at nnjsda.org/grand_square/?issue=Map_Supplement_2017.

HAVE A “DANCE PARTY” FOR BEGINNERS

In this issue’s Times Squares article (see page 54), Kim Norland shares some ways the club has tried to reach (and keep) more people. One of his suggestions is to rebrand beginner/intro/barn/open house events as **dance parties**. “The best way to get people interested in square dancing is to give them a good night out. This means getting them up and dancing right away, so I ask our dance party callers to be more *dancey* and less *teachy*. If participants have a good time, they might be inclined to attend another dance party and maybe sign up for classes in the future.” Great idea, Times Squares!

2, 4 Thurs. Sept.-Mayy-squares.org**Hehnly School, 590 Raritan Rd. 07066****Jan and Paul Sanderson: 908-233-2414****Cell for dance: 908-612-6677**

We continue to be blessed with energetic, highly motivated students. This year's students attended faithfully, did homework (!), and danced at every opportunity. As a result, they proved to be quick learners and have already thoroughly enjoyed participating in our club dances. The Callerlab Condensed Teaching Order that we've been using for the second consecutive year has once again benefited our club members by increasing attendance at dances months before official graduation, while the newer dancers get to experience different callers. You will enjoy squaring up with these enthusiastic dancers.

We had good club representation at the Mini-Festival, where our longtime former teacher and caller, Dan Koft, was one of the honored callers. The Five Clubs New Year's Eve dance proved to be exceptionally enjoyable. We had a full table of Y Squares members in attendance.

Four members participated in the Central Park Weekend in Virginia and the Presidents Day Weekend at Cacapon State Park in West Virginia: Barbara and George Kuhne and Jan and Paul Sanderson. They also attended WASCA in Virginia, along with Chris and Don Randolph. Ellen Ward went to the New England Convention in Rhode Island, which included a side trip to the wonderful Breakers mansion in Newport.

A big thank you to our board members who are now stepping down from their positions, some after performing their duties for several years: Janice Uhlig, president; Sunny Kordower, first vice president; Florence Speck, second vice president; and Marilyn Vice, treasurer. We bid a fond farewell to Marilyn, who will be living part-time in her new Florida home. Our gratitude for a job well done also goes to Ed LaPlante, our class teacher. His love of square dancing sparked the square dance bug in this year's students.

Jan and Paul Sanderson, our new presidents, have done this job before, and we know they will be great. Others joining the board: Al Kendziora, first vice president; Sunny Kordower, second vice president; and Doreen Camardi, treasurer. Mary Nilan, recording secretary, and her hubby, Bob, are snowbirds part of the year. We always look forward to their return and Bob's jokes.

We raided Bee Sharps, Hunterdon Flutterwheels, Lakeland Squares, Middletown Ramblers, Reelers, and Western Wheelers/Hix & Chix, and look forward to having your clubs raid us. Good health and happy dancing.

Ad on page 58*Ellen Ward (reporter@y-squares.org)*

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NEW CLUB REPORTER OR AD MAKER?

Please let me know if your club's reporter or ad maker changes; I will provide the new person with guidelines and deadlines. Help the *Grand Square* team to help you by submitting articles and ads on time. Updates can be made prior to publication. Just give me a call or send an email.

Lise Greene, Editor

Y Squares

2nd & 4th Thursdays – Mainstream w/1 Plus Tip

Beginning Rounds Class 7:00 PM – Rounds 7:30 PM – Squares 8:00 PM

<u>Date</u>	<u>Caller</u>	<u>Cuer</u>	<u>Theme</u>
Apr. 27	Mark Franks	Mary Pickett	Ice Cream Social
May 11	Howard Richman	Mary Pickett	Flower Power
May 25	Rick Gittelman (AZ)	Mary Pickett	Casual Night
Summer Break			
Sept. 14	Mike Sikorsky (AZ)	Mary Pickett	Welcome Back
Sept. 19	Daryl Murphy (Tuesday)	None	Open House
Sept. 28	Mark Franks	Mary Pickett	Hawaiian Night
Oct. 12	Jim Snyder (PA)	Mary Pickett	Apple Fest
Oct. 26	Mark Franks	Mary Pickett	Halloween
Nov. 9	Ed Foote (PA)	Mary Pickett	Thanksgiving Food Drive

Hehnly School, 590 Raritan Rd., Clark, NJ 07066

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NEW JERSEY STATE OUTFIT



Square dance conventions and other gatherings hold a Parade of States or Grand March, during which dancers march in by state. Dancers from a given state usually wear the same outfit or color combination. Let's have a sea of green at the National Convention in Ohio this June!

The New Jersey state outfit colors are kelly green and white, based on the "Garden State" concept. (Examples of kelly green are the *labels* on Schweppes and Seagram's ginger ale bottles.) Each dancer should also have a New Jersey emblem (see picture on left). It can be purchased for \$7.50 at any NNJSDA dance or through the website.

The state emblem consists of a 9" kelly green and white embroidered outline of New Jersey, with an embroidered gold star (to be placed at the location of the dancer's home club) and an embroidered "NJ." The emblem should be sewn or pinned in a prominent, but tasteful, location such as:

- Back of a kelly green vest with white top-stitching, worn over a white shirt or blouse
- Back of a kelly green or white shirt or blouse
- Side or center front of a kelly green or white skirt or dress
- On a green overskirt/apron trimmed with white eyelet

Vest patterns (for men and women) can be borrowed from the Association's assistant treasurer. Pants for both men and women should be white, kelly green, or black. Possible outfits can be seen on the dolls on the NNJSDA carousel, which are displayed at each Mini-Festival. Photos are on the website (nnjsda.org/state_outfit).

Calendar of Member Clubs' Advertised Dance Events
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List of dance events prepared from *member club ads appearing in this issue*. See ads for details. All dances in New Jersey unless noted. Abbreviations: A = Advanced; C = Challenge; MS = Mainstream; PL = Plus; RD = Rounds; L = Line, TBA = To Be Announced. *Italics* = student-level MS, barn dance, or intro dance; / = equal time; , = programs of differing length; - = one or two tips only. Days of week abbreviated next to dates.

Date	Club	Caller/Cuer	Location	Program
MAY 2017				
1 M	Lakeland Squares	S. Ingis	Towaco	MS/PL
3 W	Belles & Beaux	Wadel	Elmwood Park	MS-PL
5 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Thielke	Flemington	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Murphy	Leonardo	PL/RD
	Reelers	Mager/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
6 Sa	NNJSDA Dance	Ritucci	Montville	PL/A
7 Su	FAD Squares	Gittelman	Maywood	MS-PL
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas and Kofts	North Brunswick	MS/RD
8 M	Lakeland Squares	Gittelman	Towaco	MS/PL
10 W	Cross Trail Squares	Gittelman	Caldwell	MS/PL
11 Th	Y Squares	Richman/Pickett	Clark	MS/RD-PL
12 F	Bee Sharps	Gittelman/Bradt	Bound Brook	MS/PL/RD-A2
	Kittatinny Rangers	Murphy	Newton	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Landi	Leonardo	PL/RD
	RocklandRockytops	Foote	New City, NY	MS-PL
15 M	Lakeland Squares	Wadel	Towaco	MS/PL
17 W	Belles & Beaux	Gittelman	Elmwood Park	MS-PL
18 Th	Western Wheelers/H&C	Bachelder/Pickett	Elmwood Park	PL/RD-A1
19 F	Circle Eights	Gittelman	Elmwood Park	MS-PL
	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Kerns	Flemington	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	S. Ingis	Leonardo	PL/RD
	Reelers	Lizotte/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
21 Su	Motiv8ors	Eno	Hawthorne	A2, C1
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas and Kofts	North Brunswick	MS/RD
22 M	Lakeland Squares	Reardon	Towaco	MS/PL
24 W	AleMo Squares	Coy	Brooklyn, NY	MS/PL
	Cross Trail Squares	Franks	Caldwell	MS/PL
25 Th	Y Squares	Gittelman/Pickett	Clark	MS/RD-PL
26 F	Bee Sharps	Richman, Casale	Bound Brook	MS/PL-A2
	Kittatinny Rangers	Crowley	Newton	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Gittelman	Leonardo	PL/RD
	RocklandRockytops	Gotta	Congers, NY	PL-A
31 W	AleMo Squares	Coy	TBA	MS/PL
JUNE				
2 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Snyder	Flemington	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Moody	Leonardo	PL/RD
	Reelers	Tapper/Pickett	Randolph	MS/RD-PL
3 Sa	NNJSDA Dance	Peacock/Bradt	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD
4 Su	FAD Squares	P. Ingis	Maywood	MS-PL
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas and Kofts	North Brunswick	MS/RD
5 M	Lakeland Squares	C. and G. Hardy	Towaco	MS/PL
7 W	Belles & Beaux	Fellegly	Elmwood Park	MS-PL
9 F	Middletown Ramblers	C. and G. Hardy	Leonardo	PL/RD
	RocklandRockytops	Richman	Congers, NY	MS-PL
10 Sa	Five Clubs	Franks/Rumble	Springfield	MS/PL/RD

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11 Su	Motiv8ors	Gotta	Hawthorne	A2, C1
12 M	Lakeland Squares	Gotta	Towaco	MS/PL
13 T	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL
14 W	Cross Trail Squares	Mager	Caldwell	MS/PL
15 Th	Western Wheelers/H&C	Franks/Pickett	Elmwood Park	PL/RD-A1
16 F	Circle Eights	Reardon	Elmwood Park	MS-PL
19 M	Lakeland Squares	Richman	Towaco	MS/PL
21 W	AleMo Squares	Coy	Brooklyn, NY	MS/PL
	Belles & Beaux	Mager	Elmwood Park	MS-PL
23 F	Middletown Ramblers	Franks	Leonardo	PL/RD
	RocklandRockytops	P. Ingis	Congers, NY	PL-A
24 Sa	Five Clubs	Williamson/Williamson	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
26 M	Lakeland Squares	P. Ingis	Towaco	MS/PL
27 T	Times Squares	Richman	New York, NY	MS/PL
28 W	NNJSDA Dance	P. Ingis	Montville	MS
30 F	Middletown Ramblers	S. Ingis	Leonardo	PL/RD

JULY

5 W	Belles & Beaux	Coy/Coy	Fair Lawn	MS/L-PL
7 F	Middletown Ramblers	Richman	Leonardo	PL/RD
8 Sa	Five Clubs	Landi/Kushla	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
9 Su	NNJSDA Dance	Lizotte/Bradt	Bridgewater	MS/RD
10 M	Lakeland Squares	Reardon	Towaco	MS/PL
13 Th	Western Wheelers/H&C	Williamson/Williamson	Elmwood Park	PL/RD-A1
14 F	Middletown Ramblers	Landi	Leonardo	PL/RD
	RocklandRockytops	Corey	Maywood	MS-PL
16 Su	FAD Squares	P. and S. Ingis	Maywood	MS-PL
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas and Kofts	North Brunswick	MS/RD
17 M	Lakeland Squares	Richman	Towaco	MS/PL
18 T	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL
19 W	Belles & Beaux	Snyder	Fair Lawn	MS-PL
21 F	Middletown Ramblers	Gotta/Gotta	Leonardo	PL/RD
22 Sa	Five Clubs	Richman/Bradt	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
23 Su	FAD Squares	Coy/Coy	Maywood	MS/L-PL
24 M	Lakeland Squares	Gotta	Towaco	MS/PL
25 T	Times Squares	Ritucci	New York, NY	MS/PL
28 F	<i>Middletown Ramblers</i>	<i>P. Ingis</i>	<i>Leonardo</i>	<i>Intro Dance</i>
	RocklandRockytops	Richman	Congers, NY	PL-A
30 Su	Motiv8ors	Gotta	Hawthorne	A2, C1
31 M	<i>Lakeland Squares</i>	<i>Richman</i>	<i>Towaco</i>	<i>Barn Dance</i>

AUGUST

2 W	Belles & Beaux	Franks	Fair Lawn	MS-PL
3 Th	Western Wheelers/H&C	McGovern/Pickett	Elmwood Park	PL/RD-A1
4 F	Middletown Ramblers	Franks	Leonardo	PL/RD
6 Su	Motiv8ors	Eno	Hawthorne	A2, C1
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas and Kofts	North Brunswick	MS/RD
8 T	Times Squares	Hodge	New York, NY	MS/PL
9 W	NNJSDA Dance	Silva/Pickett	Montville	MS/RD
11 F	Middletown Ramblers	Singleton	Leonardo	PL/RD
	RocklandRockytops	Richman	Maywood	MS-PL
12 Sa	Five Clubs	Reardon/Bradt	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
16 W	Belles & Beaux	Bachelder	Fair Lawn	MS-PL
	Kittatinny Rangers	Preston	Bridgewater	MS/PL
18 F	<i>Middletown Ramblers</i>	<i>Crowley</i>	<i>Leonardo</i>	<i>Intro Dance</i>

(August – continued)

20 Su	FAD Squares Motiv8ors	Richman Fellegy	Maywood Hawthorne	MS-PL A2, C1
21 M	<i>Lakeland Squares</i>	<i>Richman</i>	<i>Towaco</i>	<i>Barn Dance</i>
22 T	Times Squares	Richman	New York, NY	MS/PL
23 W	NNJSDA Dance	Gotta/Gotta	Caldwell	MS/RD
24 Th	Western Wheelers/H&C	Fellegy/Pickett	Elmwood Park	PL/RD-A1
25 F	Middletown Ramblers RocklandRockytops	Gotta/Gotta Franks	Leonardo Congers, NY	PL/RD PL-A
26 Sa	Five Clubs	Koft/Pickett	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
27 Su	<i>FAD Squares</i>	<i>Wadel</i>	<i>Maywood</i>	<i>Barn Dance</i>
30 W	<i>Belles & Beaux</i>	<i>Wadel</i>	<i>Fair Lawn</i>	<i>Intro Dance</i>

SEPTEMBER

5 T	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL
6 W	AleMo Squares Belles & Beaux	Coy P. Ingis	Brooklyn, NY Fair Lawn	MS/PL MS-PL
8 F	Bee Sharps Kittatinny Rangers Middletown Ramblers RocklandRockytops	TBA/Bradt P. Ingis Landi Coy	Bound Brook Newton Leonardo New City, NY	PL/RD-A2 MS/PL PL/RD MS-PL
10 Su	NNJSDA Dance	Coy/Bradt	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD
11 M	Lakeland Squares	C. and G. Hardy	Towaco	MS/PL
13 W	Cross Trail Squares	Lizotte	Caldwell	MS/PL
14 Th	Y Squares	Sikorsky/Pickett	Clark	MS/RD-PL
15 F	Circle Eights Hunterdon Flutterwheels Middletown Ramblers Reelers	C. and G. Hardy Kerns Coy/Coy Bachelder/Pickett	Fair Lawn Flemington Leonardo Randolph	MS-PL MS/PL PL/RD PL/RD
17 Su	FAD Squares	C. and G. Hardy	Maywood	MS-PL
18 M	Lakeland Squares	Richman	Towaco	MS/PL
20 W	Belles & Beaux	C. and G. Hardy	Fair Lawn	MS-PL
22 F	Bee Sharps Kittatinny Rangers Middletown Ramblers RocklandRockytops	Franks/Rumble Richman C. and G. Hardy Wadel	Bound Brook Newton Lincroft Congers, NY	PL/RD-A2 MS/PL <i>Intro Dance</i> <i>Intro Dance</i>
24 Su	Motiv8ors	Clasper	Hawthorne	A2, C1
25 M	Lakeland Squares	Wadel	Towaco	MS/PL
27 W	Cross Trail Squares	Crowley	Caldwell	MS/PL
28 Th	Y Squares	Franks/Pickett	Clark	MS/RD-PL
29 F	Middletown Ramblers Reelers	Richman Hodge/Pickett	Leonardo Randolph	PL/RD PL/RD

Conventions, Festivals, Specials, and Weekends**MAY**

6	NNJSDA Dance	Ritucci	Montville	PL/A
10-12	Cherry Ridge	Fellegy	Pennsylvania	C2
12-14	Cherry Ridge Cherry Ridge	MacKay Ritucci	Pennsylvania Pennsylvania	RD 3, 4 C2
19-21	GS Campers	Bachelder	Pennsylvania	MS/PL

JUNE

2-4	Cherry Ridge	Harrison	Pennsylvania	C1
3	NNJSDA Dance	Peacock/Bradt	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD
10	Five Clubs	Franks/Rumble	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
9-11	GS Campers	Snyder	Pennsylvania	MS/PL

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9-11	Cherry Ridge Cherry Ridge	Rubright Williams	Pennsylvania Pennsylvania	C3A RD 5, 6
16-18	Cherry Ridge	Harrison, Miller	Pennsylvania	A2
21-24	National Convention	Multiple Callers/Cuers	Ohio	All Programs
24	Five Clubs	Williamson/Williamson	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
28	NNJSDA Dance	P. Ingis	Montville	MS

JULY

8	Five Clubs	Landi/Kushla	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
7-9	Cherry Ridge	Moger	Pennsylvania	C1
9	NNJSDA Dance	Lizotte/Bradt	Bridgewater	MS/RD
9-11	Cherry Ridge	Moger	Pennsylvania	C2
14-16	GS Campers	Williamson/Williamson	Pennsylvania	MS/PL/RD
20-22	Star Spangled Banner	Multiple Callers/Cuers	Maryland	MS/PL/A/C1/RD
22	Five Clubs	Richman/Bradt	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
30	Mid-Summer Mania	CCNJ Callers	Bridgewater	MS

AUGUST

1-5	Cherry Ridge	Rubright	Pennsylvania	C3A
6-7	Cherry Ridge	Ritucci	Pennsylvania	C3A
8-9	Cherry Ridge	Rubright	Pennsylvania	C3A
9	NNJSDA Dance	Silva/Pickett	Montville	MS/RD
10-11	Cherry Ridge	Fellegly	Pennsylvania	C3A
11-13	Cherry Ridge	Fellegly	Pennsylvania	A1, A2 Blast
	Cherry Ridge	Kendall, McAtee	Pennsylvania	C3B
	GS Campers	Franks	Pennsylvania	MS/PL
12	Five Clubs	Reardon/Bradt	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
13-18	Cherry Ridge	Rubright	Pennsylvania	C3B
16	Kittatinny Rangers	Preston	Bridgewater	MS/PL
25-27	Cherry Ridge	Harrison, Marshall	Pennsylvania	C2
25-27	Summer Magic	Multiple Callers/Bradt	Canada	PL/A1/A2/C1/RD
26	Five Clubs	Koft/Pickett	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
23	NNJSDA Dance	Gotta/Gotta	Caldwell	MS/RD

SEPTEMBER

1-4	Cherry Ridge	Gotta, Harrison/Gotta	Pennsylvania	PL/A/RD
8-10	GS Campers	Gotta/Gotta	Pennsylvania	MS/PL/RD
10	NNJSDA Dance	Coy/Bradt	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD
14	Y Squares	Sikorsky/Pickett	Clark	MS/PL
14-17	Cherry Ridge	Clasper, Fellegly, Ritucci	Pennsylvania	C1/C2-C3A
29-10/1	Cherry Ridge	Bragg, Reaske	Pennsylvania	PL
	Cherry Ridge	Rubright	Pennsylvania	C3A-3B
29	Middletown Ramblers	Richman – Live Music	Leonardo	PL/RD

OCTOBER

7	NNJSDA Dance	Biggerstaff/Pickett	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD
13-15	GS Campers	Reardon	Pennsylvania	MS/PL
20-22	Tumbling Leaves	Multiple Callers/Cuers	Vermont	MS/PL/A/C/RD
27-29	Peel the Pumpkin	Fellegly, Gotta, Phillips	Iselin	MS/PL/A/C1/C2

NOVEMBER

12	Mini-Festival	Byars, Miller, Gotta/Bradt	Nutley (tentative)	MS/PL/A/RD-C
17-19	Harvest Moon Classic	Multiple Callers/Gotta	Pennsylvania	PL/A2/C1/C2/RD

DECEMBER

3	GSC Dinner-Dance	Snyder/Pickett	Paterson	MS/PL/RD
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MARCH 2018

15-17	WASCA	Multiple Callers/Cuers	Virginia	MS/PL/A/C/RD
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MAINSTREAM

Sunday	Weeks of the Month
FAD Squares <i>jvanrensalier@gmail.com</i>	Various All Year
Rutgers Promenaders <i>president@rutgerspromenaders.org</i>	1, 3 Sept.-June
Wednesday	
Belles & Beaux <i>squaredancing123@gmail.com</i>	1, 3 All Year
Thursday	
Y Squares <i>janhsanderson@aol.com</i>	2, 4 Sept.-May
Friday	
Circle Eights <i>pwd0123@yahoo.com</i>	3 Sept.-June
RocklandRockytops <i>rocklandrockytop@aol.com</i>	2 All Year

PLUS

Thursday	
W. Wheelers/Hix & Chix <i>rgflandera@gmail.com</i>	Various May-Aug.
Friday	
Bee Sharps <i>cearnach.dannsa@gmail.com</i>	2, 4 Sept.-April
Middletown Ramblers <i>byackel@verizon.net</i>	Every Wk. All Year
Reelers <i>reelersdance@gmail.com</i>	1, 3 Sept.-June
RocklandRockytops <i>rocklandrockytop@aol.com</i>	4 All Year
Saturday	
W. Wheelers/Hix & Chix <i>rgflandera@gmail.com</i>	2, 4 Sept.-April

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Monday	Weeks of the Month
Lakeland Squares <i>lakelandsquares@hotmail.com</i>	1, 2, 3, 4 Sept.-July
Wednesday	
AleMo Squares <i>musicuft@aol.com</i>	Various Sept.-June
Cross Trail Squares <i>delanceyal@aol.com</i>	2, 4, 5 Sept.-June
Friday	
Bee Sharps <i>cearnach.dannsa@gmail.com</i>	2, 4 May
Hunterdon Flutterwheels <i>gonzales.tomas1@gmail.com</i>	1, 3 Sept.-June
Kittatinny Rangers <i>lesh323@aol.com</i>	2, 4 Sept.-May
Saturday	
Five Clubs <i>vammons@gmail.com</i>	2, 4 June-Aug.

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Sunday	
Motiv8ors (A2, C1) <i>cmimigirl@aol.com</i>	Various All Year
Tuesday	
Hi Taws (C1, C2) <i>bbeck123@aol.com</i>	On Hiatus

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