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## NNJSDA EVENTS

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

### May

05 **DREAM 2018 (Gathering)** (Sat.)  
Clark, 12:00 registration followed  
by keynote address and seminars

05 **NNJSDA Dance** (Saturday)  
Clark, 7:30-10:00, MS/PL/RD  
Mike Kellogg (CA), Betsy Gotta (NJ)/  
Roy Gotta (NJ)

### June

02 **NNJSDA Dance** (Saturday)  
Montville, 7:30-10:30  
MS/PL/RD (early RD)  
Matt McGovern (MA)/Steve Bradt (PA)  
Hosts: Circle Eights, WW/H&C

### July

11 **NNJSDA Dance** (Wednesday)  
Bridgewater, 7:30-10:00, MS/RD  
Jay Silva (NH)/Mary Pickett (NJ)  
Hosts: AleMo, Hunt. Flutterwheels

25 **NNJSDA Dance** (Wednesday)  
Bridgewater, 7:30-10:00, MS/RD  
Jim Snyder (PA)/Ron Rumble (NJ)  
Hosts: Middletown, Y Squares

### August

08 **NNJSDA Dance** (Wednesday)  
Montville, 7:30-10:00, MS/RD  
Joe Landi (NJ)/Mary Pickett (NJ)  
Hosts: Reelers, RocklandRockytops

22 **NNJSDA Dance** (Wednesday)  
Elmwood Park, 7:30-10:00, MS/RD  
Betsy Gotta (NJ)/Roy Gotta (NJ)  
Hosts: Cross Trails, Lakeland

### September

09 **Delegates Meeting** (Sunday)  
Bridgewater, 11:00

09 **NNJSDA Dance** (Sunday)  
Bridgewater, 2:00-5:00  
MS/PL/RD (early MS, Clothing Sale)  
Don Bachelder (MA)/Ron Rumble (NJ)  
Hosts: AleMo, Times Squares

### October

06 **NNJSDA Dance** (Saturday)  
Montville, 7:30-10:30  
PL/A2 (early C1)  
Ted Lizotte (NH)  
Hosts: Bee Sharps, Motiv8ors

### November

11 **44th Mini-Festival** (Sunday)  
Morris Plains (tent.), 1:00-6:30  
MS/PL/A/RD-C  
Jeremy Butler (VA), Howard  
Richman (NJ), Chris Stacy (VA)/  
Ron Rumble (NJ)

### Notes:

June 01: Club Questionnaire Deadline  
July 07: *Grand Square* Deadline

**Bridgewater:** PeopleCare Center, 120 Finderne Ave. 08807  
**Clark:** Arthur L. Johnson High School, 365 Westfield Ave. 07066  
**Elmwood Park:** VFW, 6 Veterans Pl. 07407  
**Montville:** Senior House, 356 Main Rd. (Rt. 202) 07045  
**Morris Plains:** Parsippany Hills High School, 20 Rita Dr. 07950

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

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

## HAPPY 60th ANNIVERSARY, NNJSDA!

The Northern New Jersey Square Dancers Association was formed in 1958 by a group of 14 clubs. Watch for announcements about an upcoming celebration.

The 60th anniversary will be the theme of the *Grand Square* Cover Contest for the September 2018 issue. See page 57 for submission details.

## NNJSDA Presidents' Message



This letter is dedicated to our new square dance friends who graduated this spring or who will soon graduate from a Mainstream class. We hope you will become regular dancers and active members of the club(s) where you learned to dance, and that you will enjoy dancing with us for years to come.

The purpose of the Northern New Jersey Square Dancers Association is to promote square dancing in a variety of ways. One is to offer four Mainstream dances during the summer, when many clubs do not hold regular dances. They are specifically geared to provide you, our newer dancers, with enjoyable opportunities to keep those skills you worked so hard to learn! This issue of *Grand Square* can help you locate the dates, times, and locations of the NNJSDA dances, as well as other dances offered this summer.

A few tips about being a square dancer:

1. First, you have to come to the dance. Even if you feel too tired, the dancing and camaraderie will energize you!
2. When you get to the dance, sit near the front so that you can get in squares close to the caller. Don't be afraid; he or she wants you to succeed.
3. Get up as soon as the music starts to be sure you get in a tip; no one needs to be a wallflower at a square dance. That goes for single dancers, too.
4. Don't be shy; get in a square even (especially) if you don't know anyone else. Generally, other dancers will read your name tag or ask your name, and make you feel welcome.
5. If the square breaks down, don't apologize or get discouraged. It is not necessarily your fault. We all mess up from time to time.
6. Have fun and SMILE!

We invite you to learn more by linking to our website ([nnjsda.org](http://nnjsda.org)) to find information about the Association, member clubs, calendars, and more. You can receive up-to-date information from clubs and the Association by subscribing to the email list using the link in the upper right corner of the website.

Planning to travel any time soon? Get information about square dances being held in the location where you are traveling by using this great resource: [wheresthedance.com](http://wheresthedance.com). One of the coolest things about square dancing is that you can find dances throughout the world. For example, we recently planned our vacation itinerary in Germany around dancing with a group in Mannheim, where we were stationed many years ago.

To all the square dance teachers, class coordinators, and angels out there: A BIG THANK YOU. It is because of your dedication and commitment that we welcome another new group of dancers.

Special invitation for all dancers, new and seasoned: Two big events coming up on May 5 (DREAM 2018) and November 11 (44th annual Mini-Festival). Check pages 21 and 33 for details. Please join us! *Nancy and Vic Ammons*

## Welcome, Graduates!



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

**AleMo Squares** – Jean Nisi, Cathleen Povitch, Edward Povitch

**Bee Sharps** – Christine Fallin, Greg Moore, Karin Rabe, Ere Saar, Dave Tien

**Belles & Beaux** – Ninfa Dicristina, Diane Hennion, Linda Kawash, Marjie Remington-Howes, Jennifer Schoenster, Stephen Schoenster, Maxene Shapiro, Joli Simpson

**Circle Eights** – Lacey Hill\*, Marie Mazil

**Hunterdon Flutterwheels** – James Bunce, Joanne Bunce, Phyllis Lerner, Harry Mazujian, Ruth Mazujian, Robert Puleo, Sally Puleo, Heather Radcliffe

**Kittatinny Rangers** – Rick Bowman, Barbara Cathcart, Dean Hartman, Debbie Mazzocchi, Lyta Soto

**Lakeland Squares** – Florence Gerould, Mary Ann Grabiec, Andree Kay, Sorky Lampe, Bob Ljubich, Rae Wilhalme

**Middletown Ramblers** – Susan Alderson, John Benjohn, Nancy DeMaria, Buddy Franklin, Cheryl Franklin, Charlie Gavinelli, Leigh Gavinelli, Dee Keeran, Elaine Lukacs, Cathy Trivett, Miles Winship, David Woodward

**Reelers** – Dave Burger, Robin Burger, Carl Cathcart, Cathy Feenstra, Alan Gerber, Janet Gerber, John Krayniak, Kathy Mack, Corky Ost, Anne Marie Pentland, Kristyn Scrimo, Judy Smith, David (DJ) Ward, Inge Werehas, Phyllis Wooster

**RocklandRockytops** – Susan Buel, Rose Gavigan, Rosalinde Ginsburg, Bill Hohlfeld, Heidi Hohlfeld, Pauline Kraich, Clara Riconda, Irene Ryan, Maureen Verschneider, Michael Verschneider, Marilyn Vila

**Times Squares** – Jim Babcock, Steve Channon, Michael DeMeo, Eric Leung, Rebecca Saidlower

### PLUS GRADUATES

**Circle Eights** – Rosetta Guidice, Lacey Hill\*, Pat Lutter, Maureen SantaMaria, Morrissa Schiffman, Cathy Schlesinger\*, Ivana Seminelli, Nello Seminelli, Jeanne Weisman, Alicia Weschler, David Weschler

**Reelers** – Rose Cemprola, John Franzetti, Lillian Kinney, Valerie Lehnert, Dolores Lynch, Morrissa Schiffman, Victoria Solecki

**Times Squares** – Jim Babcock, Howard Handler, Jennie Jones, Terry Smith

**Y Squares** – David Loss, Wendy Loss, Dennis Luna, Vivian Luna, Greg Moore, Maureen Moynihan, Karin Rabe, Cindy Salsbury, Susan Short

*\*Experienced dancers who took lessons again to learn the traditional man's part*

### 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. They will help you!*

## WHAT ARE SQUARE ANGELS? (adapted with permission from Callerlab)

They are the wonderful people who respond to the appeal to introduce square dancing to the public by demonstrating at malls, one-night stands, TV spots, and special programs. They bring others to square dance classes and aid the teacher/caller by filling in squares so that all students can dance.

*Are you really an angel?* Most callers appreciate the help of experienced dancers in beginning classes, but “angels” can actually make the caller’s task more difficult and discourage, rather than encourage, new dancers. Angels can be assets by remembering their own initial attempts and the first classes they attended. Angels do not bring their “dancer egos” to the lessons. Sometimes we forget that we were not born with all the basics installed for good square dancing, and that we, too, had to be shown right hand from left hand.

1. Angels arrive on time and are ready to dance.
2. Angels are friendly and introduce themselves to new people, making them feel welcome.
3. Angels wear badges and appropriate attire. They observe the good manners and commandments of square dancing.
4. Angels respond quickly to get squares set and ready to go. They encourage new dancers to get on the floor quickly.
5. Angels keep an enthusiastic attitude and an interested facial expression during the time the instructor is attempting to teach or demonstrate. If angels act or look bored or lose patience during this time, then perhaps they are not cut out for this responsibility.
6. Angels do not attempt to explain a new movement while the instructor is talking. New dancers cannot listen to two people at the same time. Answer any questions between tips, or take the student to the instructor for help.
7. Angels guide the new dancer so that only those two people know guidance was given. It is subtle – never pushing, pulling, or humiliating.
8. Angels offer their place in a square to a student who comes in late.
9. Angels try to be as slow as a student while new movements are being taught, and do not begin the movement until it has been explained.
10. Angels calmly regroup if a square breaks down. They do what the instructor teaches in lessons to get a derailed square going.
11. Angels dance the way moves are defined, and not as they would like.
12. Angels do not do trick movements – gimmicks, bumps, kicks, and so on that would confuse a learner’s ability to grasp the new movements.
13. Angels dance with different students.
14. Angels are careful not to say anything, even in jest, that may hurt new dancers’ feelings or make them feel inferior or humiliated.
15. Angels do not express gripes or complaints about how the club is run or discuss general problems about club members, officers, or the instructor.
16. Angels invite new dancers to join them for coffee, if this is a practice with the club.



# Square Dancer? Camper?

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### Campout Schedule 2018

* <b>April 27-29:</b> Don/Dot Coy Wagonmaster: Ron/Pauline Vande Vrede Theme: Wine/Cheese (wine, crackers)	+ <b>August 10-12:</b> Mark Franks Wagonmaster: Patsy Lisak Theme: Potluck Dinner (dish to share)
* <b>May 18-20:</b> Don Bachelder Wagonmaster: Howard/Mary Schnuck Theme: Pork Roast (side dish, dessert)	* <b>September 14-16:</b> Jim Snyder Wagonmaster: John Fink/Rena Durette Theme: Hot Dog Roast (side dish)
+ <b>June 8-10:</b> Bob Avery Wagonmaster: Rich/Georgi Flandera Theme: Potluck Breakfast (dish to share)	* <b>October 12-14:</b> Betsy/Roy Gotta Wagonmaster: Paul/Susan Schwarz Theme: Halloween/Pie/Cider (pies, costumes)
+ <b>July 13-15:</b> Howard/Donna Williamson Wagonmaster: Judi Nordman Theme: Ice Cream Social (toppings)	<b>December 2:</b> Matt McGovern/Mary Pickett <b>Holiday Dinner-Dance</b> The Brownstone, Paterson, NJ

Visit us at [gssdca.wix.com/gssdca](http://gssdca.wix.com/gssdca) or call Pauline/Ron Vande Vrede: 973-503-1925

### “Tips for Your Tips”

#### A series devoted to helping you become a more confident dancer

Whether we look to square dancing for an opportunity to socialize, exercise to music, or challenge our little gray cells, we all want to have FUN!

Squares sometimes break down; that is a fact of dancing life. However, having one’s square frequently break down detracts from the fun, and it is stressful to feel completely lost in the square. On the other hand, there is a feeling of shared accomplishment and exhilaration when your square successfully finishes a sequence. With this in mind, Jan Thompson has written a series of articles offering tips to help build your confidence and increase your enjoyment on the square dance floor.

The 10 articles featured in *Grand Square* to date are listed below along with the issue in which they appeared. Click on any title to read the article. If you have ideas for future topics, please send them to Jan at [ltpt1@yahoo.com](mailto:ltpt1@yahoo.com).

The Value of Hands (53.3 – May 2011)

The Eyes Have It (54.1 – September 2011)

Space: The Dancer’s Frontier (54.2 – January 2012)

Who Am I? Identifying Your Place in Your Square (54.3 – May 2012)

Calls and Their Definitions: Our Square Dance Language (55.1 – September 2012)

Walls Are Our Friends (55.2 – January 2013)

The Sound of Music (55.3 – May 2013)

Intro to DBD (Dance by Definition, or Don’t Be Deterred) (56.3 – May 2014)

DBD: Which Hand Do I Use? (57.2 – January 2015)

Playing with Ocean Waves (58.3 – September 2016)

## 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](http://ccnjcallers.com).*



The mission of the CCNJ is “encouraging and promoting interest in square dancing and developing proficient square dance callers and leaders.” We have a lending library with books, pamphlets, and DVDs/tapes from Callerlab conventions. Before each quarterly meeting, there is an hour-long educational session. Periodically, we provide classes and dances for new callers and caller workshops.

The Callers' Council of New Jersey conducted a callers' school in the fall of 2017 led by Betsy Gotta, our own accredited caller-coach. Ten students attended the class. Thanks to the angel dancers who helped. A continuation of the class is being held in April and May this year. New callers on the horizon!

The CCNJ was pleased to provide a grant to the NNJSDA in support of DREAM 2018 (formerly The Gathering), to be held on May 5.

Unfortunately, the traditional Mid-Winter Mania dance had to be canceled in February due to loss of the venue. However, the Mid-Summer Mania dance is confirmed for July 29 at the PeopleCare Center in Bridgewater. This event will be called by several of our members, so plan to join the fun that afternoon.

**Ad below**      *Wes Thielke, President ([wthielke@gmail.com](mailto:wthielke@gmail.com))      908-547-0472*



## Presents

# Mid-Summer Mania

## Mainstream Program CCNJ Callers

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## 2018 Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PROGRAM – CALLER(S) OR CUER(S)</u>	<u>FEE</u>
May 11-13	C2 – Todd Fellego	\$40
June 1-3	C1 – Bill Harrison	40
June 8-10	A2 – Bill Harrison and Tom Miller	45
June 15-17	C3A – Ben Rubright	40
June 15-17	Rounds Phases 5 and 6 – Roy and Janet Williams (Pre-weekend workshop: Friday morning and afternoon 2-hour sessions \$10 pp/session)	45
July 6-8	C1 – Don Moger	40
July 8-10	C2 – Don Moger	40
July 22-27	C1 FOCUS – Ben Rubright and Keith Stevens	150
July 27-29	C2 – Ben Rubright and Keith Stevens	45
July 31-Aug. 4	C3A FOCUS – Ben Rubright	125
Aug. 5-6	C3A – Ken Ritucci	40
Aug. 7-8	C3A – Ben Rubright	40
Aug. 8-9	C3A – Todd Fellego	40
Aug. 10-12	A2 FOCUS (7 sessions) – Todd Fellego C3B – Linda Kendall and Ett McAtee	68 45
Aug. 12-17	C3B “Survival Camp 15” – Ben Rubright	125
Aug. 24-26	C2 – Ben Rubright and John Marshall	45
Aug. 31-Sept. 3	<b><u>Labor Day</u></b> PL/A – Betsy Gotta and Bill Harrison Rounds with Roy Gotta	48
Sept. 13-16	<b>“Cherry Ridge Festival”</b> C1 and C2 (with some C3A) Bill Harrison, Ben Rubright, and Todd Fellego	50
Sept. 28-30	PL – Ginny Reaske and Dane Bragg	45
Sept. 28-30	C3A (3B star tips) – Ben Rubright	40

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## To Your Health: Salutes to the Benefits of Square Dancing

### **Sociability vs. Debility**

A blessing that's worthy of mention  
Is square dancing's social dimension.  
It's a bona fide fact  
That when two interact,  
They both profit from the attention.

*Tomás Gonzales*

### **Sometimes Angels Need Angels, Too!**

Longtime square dance angel Sara Burton has been receiving some royal “angel” treatment of her own. Fellow Flutterwheels friends have rallied to support Sara after she suffered a stroke in December 2016, which left her paralyzed on the right side and unable to access her normal speaking abilities.

At a Flutterwheels dance last August, I shared information learned as a music education major about a speech-language program called melodic intonation therapy (MIT). More than a century ago, medical professionals became aware that stroke patients who had lost their language capabilities retained their ability to sing lyrics. Surprisingly, spoken language and singing initiate from opposite sides of the brain! During the 1970s, doctors capitalized on this phenomenon to develop a process that assists stroke patients. Their singing of words and phrases can extend into speech.

An overwhelming outpouring of interest and support for Sara emerged as a result of learning about MIT, which requires a brief weekly time commitment and a basic ability to hum and sing simple melodies. Last fall, a task force of Flutterwheels friends was established. Five days a week and sometimes twice on a given day, “Team Sara” volunteers implement MIT strategies. Within two months, staff members at Foothill Acres in Hillsborough, where Sara resides, were remarking about clear results and her speech improvement.

It has been humbling to fully comprehend the challenges Sara faces. Yet this intelligent woman remains focused and determined, with a wonderful spirit and a contagious ability to enjoy humor in life and the world around her.

Team Sara includes Donna Besignano, Betty Brown, Nancy Brown, Carol Casale, Colleen and Joe Head, Barbara Marlowe, Mary Moody, Laurie and Harry Rapkin, Donna Serio, Diane Tucker, Marja van Ouwerkerk, and Carol Wolfe. They talk often about the joyous and uplifting experience of helping Sara. As wonderful as it is to have had a square dance angel, the greater joy is clearly being an “angel” to her in return. New Team Sara volunteers can call me at 908-229-2937.

*Donna Serio (Hunterdon Flutterwheels)*

**ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN LIMERICKS! ~ Tomás Gonzales**

Please send your comments and contributions to this feature in care of the editor.



# CONVENTION 2018

**20th Canadian National  
Square & Round Dance Convention  
London, ON Canada  
July 19, 20, 21, 2018**

Hosted by Square & Round Dancers of South Western Ontario



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[squaredance.ca/2018](http://squaredance.ca/2018)

**Make the Scene in 2018**

## Caller Crowd-Pleasers

Mark Franks: My favorite local caller is Mark Franks! He is very capable, he can be challenging when he chooses, and his music is always great. Mark has a wonderful sense of humor, which sometimes can be “pointed” when he sees people doing their own thing (instead of doing what he called). He is always reliable and consistent – an all-around favorite!

Howard Williamson: I enjoy dancing to Howard Williamson. He adds a lot to his calling!

Mary Moody: We have so much fun when she customizes her music to align with the dance theme. When it was Dance Like an Egyptian, her singers included “Sheik of Araby” and “Cleopatra, Queen of Denial” (de Nile!). One patter used “Walk Like an Egyptian” – which we did while circling left.

Dennis Reardon: The first caller I ever danced to after completing Mainstream was Dennis Reardon. I was scared to death, but his fantastic sense of humor was irresistible, and I’ve been in love ever since. He is still one of my favorite callers.

Mark Franks: Mark Franks has a wicked sense of humor. It makes his calling even more fun!

Todd Fellegly, Paul Ingis: At a couple of dances with only 12 or 13 attendees (not enough for two squares), several dancers had to sit out during each tip. Todd and Paul had the answer! They deftly made “rectangles” with two head couples at each position, along with the traditional side couples. We danced as smoothly with 12 as if we had had a normal square of eight. Thanks to these skillful callers’ willingness to adapt to the needs of the floor, we all had a more enjoyable evening.

Ed LaPlante: Ed is an excellent teacher: clear, methodical, logical, observant, and (usually!) patient with his Mainstream class. “I’m talking, not calling!”

Johnny Preston: I’m thoroughly amazed at his awareness of a large number of squares and what individual dancers are doing (or not) in each one.

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

## Congratulations, Patrons!

*Visited at least 10 NNJSDA member clubs*

*Earned free dance coupon and dangle*

Lois Autenrieth: 1	Thomas Duemig: 4	Tony Milito: 3, 4, 5
Stephen Autenrieth: 1	Gene Dunton: 1	Eddie Mindlin: 8
Barbara Berger: 8	Rosemary Dunton: 1	Maureen Moynihan: 1
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Anthony Casale: 1	Lise Greene: 5	Ann Rothfuss: 9
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## Just for Fun!

**Now You C It, Now You Don't:** Back in the 1980s, when Helena and I were learning C2, we went to a National Convention and quickly found three other couples who were all at about the same dancing level. We decided to dance as a square to our favorite callers. The callers noticed that we were strong and started to use us as a pilot square. As we were in one tip, the caller (I don't remember his name, but he liked throwing red-hot candies out to the floor) used a particularly hard sequence. We knew we hadn't done it correctly and saw that most of the floor was down. When he looked at us, we gave him the "thumbs down" to acknowledge we were wrong. He said, "You're fired!" We four couples vowed to meet up at the next National so we could dance together again. Unfortunately, one of them had dropped out of dancing by then, but we teamed up with the other two. After that, we lost track of one another – there was no email in those days.

*Ken Robinson (Rutgers Promenaders)*

**Plus What?** Mark Franks and I play a little game when he calls Plus dances. I keep track of all the Plus calls, and toward the end of the dance, I remind Mark of any that he has not done. Invariably, in the very next tip, Mark skillfully incorporates the missing ones. By the end of the evening, he has called the entire Plus list. Well, one night, Mark outdid himself. Cathy and I were dancing Mainstream at Y Squares, and the time came for the one Plus tip of the evening. As we were dancing, I sensed that the tip was a bit longer than usual, and when it was over, I realized something extraordinary: Mark had incorporated all 30 Plus calls into the single tip! That was the first and only time in my Plus dancing career that any caller had achieved something so ambitious. When it was over, Mark simply looked my way, smiled, and said, "Did I miss anything?"

*Don Schlesinger (RocklandRockytops)*

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

### MAP SUPPLEMENT DISCONTINUED

In January, we surveyed NNJSDA dancers regarding their use of the map supplement that has been printed annually for six years. Respondents stated (59 to 16) that they do **not** use the printed supplement. For most people, it is sufficient to use the club address provided in *Grand Square* for directions via the internet or a GPS device.

Also, several NNJSDA clubs have changed their dance locations and/or used alternate locations for some events during the course of a year, making the annual map supplement obsolete for their clubs.

*Therefore, the map supplement is being discontinued.* If in doubt about the location of any event, check the club's website or call the contact listed in *Grand Square*. Subscribers to the NNJSDA info-list receive prompt notification when changes are made, even at the last minute. To subscribe, see page 26.

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## **A Modest Proposal**

In Mainstream dancing, little if any attention is paid to dancers' starting positions for many of the calls. We are taught to Scoot Back regardless of whether the men or the ladies are in-facing; Spin Chain Thru is done indifferently with the "men working" or the "ladies working"; and Spin the Top often starts with women as the ends of the wave, but frequently with the men there. Although many other calls are done predominantly from one "traditional" position – such as Flutterwheel, Pass the Ocean, and Partner Trade – callers certainly aren't afraid to invoke these calls from the sashayed couples position, with the lady on the left and the gent on the right. In short, for Mainstream, straying from the "plain vanilla" way of dancing the moves doesn't usually cause much confusion.

Sadly, the same cannot be said for many of the calls in the Plus program. Too many Plus dancers have been "programmed" to dance several of the calls from one starting position only. Unfortunately, they become completely lost when these moves are called "out of position." This, of course, should not be the case. There are no "man's" or "lady's" positions in Plus. There are simply ends and centers, insides and outsides, leaders and trailers, and left-hand and right-hand dancers. The call definitions make use of these terms exclusively, without regard to gender. Yet it is common for even the most experienced dancers to become completely flustered when calls such as Spin Chain the Gears, Relay the Deucey, Coordinate, and even Load the Boat and Follow Your Neighbor are called "out of position."

The result? Fearing that most of the squares will break down, Plus callers routinely shy away from even attempting a departure from the status quo. The vicious circle is completed when dancers never hear the moves called this way, and therefore never get to practice what is commonly referred to as DBD (dance by definition) or APD (all position dancing). I am offering a modest proposal.

I think it would be greatly beneficial to the Plus dancing community if, at every regularly scheduled Plus club dance, it became policy for one tip to be designated as "all position Plus." Dancers, of course, would have the option of participating or not. In the beginning, some of the moves might have to be walked through, with gentle encouragement offered to those who have little experience dancing in this fashion. But, clearly, the goal would be for greater numbers to participate in these more challenging tips to the point where all would become more proficient dancers. This, in turn, could eventually lead to more interesting and enjoyable dances, with increased variety and innovative choreography. I think callers would welcome the opportunity as well.

RocklandRockytops had a DBD tip for two squares at a recent Plus dance, called by Sandy Corey, and everyone had a great time! We plan to give this a try at upcoming Rockytops Plus dances as well, and would very much like to encourage our fellow NNJSDA member clubs to follow suit.

*Don Schlesinger (Co-President, RocklandRockytops)*



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## September 20 to October 2, 2018

## A Primer on Petticoats

An inflatable petticoat! “How absurd!” you might say. But a retrospective look at petticoat styles reveals that such a garment has existed.

The term crinoline means a stiffened or structured petticoat designed to hold a woman’s skirt out. The root, “crin,” refers to horsehair. It was used with cotton or linen, which were popular for lining and dressmaking.

The first documented crinoline petticoat was a steel-hooped cage in Paris in 1856. It was very popular and mass-produced across Europe. In addition to horsehair, fabrics used in the petticoats included whalebone, gutta-percha, and vulcanized caoutchouc (naturalized rubber). The petticoats were inflated with fire bellows. Although tens of thousands of them were purchased, the fashion was short-lived. These inflatable hoop petticoats were easily punctured and often collapsed. The rubber tended to be foul-smelling.

John Dunlop, of Dunlop tire fame, adapted the petticoat so that the skirts would be wider – to the point that women felt weighted down by the massive materials. Pierre Levassor created a skirt for his wife from thin silk, which he rubberized and inflated with fire bellows. These silk garments were successful until bustle gowns became popular.

Crinolines were worn by prominent women throughout the western world in the 19th century. Unfortunately, thousands died as a result of their hoop skirts catching fire. Other hazards included the hoops getting caught in machinery, carriage wheels, wind, or other obstacles.



An inflatable slip from 1955. Rubber tubes sewn into the lining were inflated.



For the modern woman: an inflatable skirt that becomes a kayak for emergencies!

In 1947, Christian Dior presented his “New Look” using bouncy nylon and net petticoats, worn without hoops. Crinoline fashions were updated by more current designers such as Vivienne Westwood, John Galliano, and Alexander McQueen. I certainly remember my childhood crinoline petticoat. Even today, PVC and latex are sometimes used to make inflatable crinolines to support large wedding and ball gowns.

In the 1950s and 1960s, crinolines became standard western square dance attire. I am so glad that we do not need bellows! *Helen Jacobson (Reelers)*

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## Letters from Readers

**Pal Johnson, Caller:** Harry “Pal” Johnson passed away on September 29, 2017. He shared 91 years of love and dancing with all who knew him. Pal was a life member of Lakeland Squares and a wonderful caller for many years! He was also a patient, kind teacher with a great sense of humor. His Mainstream students included Ron, me, and many other Lakeland members. At each graduation, he wrote a poem specifically for that class. But Pal was so much more than just a caller to me. He was a friend to all and a tireless supporter of square dancing in general. An accomplished woodworker, he donated many of his birdhouse creations as door prizes for our Lakeland Squares barn dances; I know, because I’m blessed to have two of them. For his obituary, please see [normandean.com/tribute/details/3308/Harry-Johnson/obituary.html#tribute-start](http://normandean.com/tribute/details/3308/Harry-Johnson/obituary.html#tribute-start).

*Pauline Vande Vrede (Lakeland Squares)*

**Pal Johnson’s Poetry:** When Pal Johnson was our class teacher, once a night he would call in such a way that every member of every square faced front. Then he would read a poem he had written about square dancing. We looked forward to his poems for many years. When Pal retired as square dance teacher in 2007, I presented him with a similar style poem I had written as a tribute. A short excerpt is below.

*Kathy Keener (Lakeland Squares)*

*You’re a square dance teacher beyond compare.  
You’ve humor and patience, a man extraordinaire.  
You built up our confidence right from the start.  
Your kind understanding helped us take heart.  
Without you many of us would not be dancing.*

*The square dance you taught us gives our lives enhancing.*

*Of your many students you can be justly proud.  
We owe you much thanks and we’ll say it real loud.*

**Open Mic Dance for New Callers:** In February, the Hunterdon Flutterwheels hosted a free open mic dance for new callers who had attended CCNJ’s caller school taught by Betsy Gotta in late 2017. Even with the snowstorm that occurred the night before, three aspiring callers (Karin Rabe, Gregory Moore, and Hillary Hill, pictured left to right) dug themselves out and drove a fair distance to Flemington to participate.



and Hillary Hill, pictured left to right) dug themselves out and drove a fair distance to Flemington to participate.

Three squares of Flutterwheels came to support them. The callers had a great experience, and the squares had fun dancing while listening to their fabulous voices.

A big THANK YOU to veteran callers Dane Bragg, Anthony Casale, Joe Kwiatek, and Mary Moody, who made this possible, and to the soon-to-be great callers and dancers who attended.

*Jean Agostinelli (Hunterdon Flutterwheels)*

**DREAM 2018:  
DANCERS RECRUITING, EDUCATING, AND MOTIVATING**

**When:** Saturday, May 5 (registration begins 12:00)

**Where:** Arthur L. Johnson High School,  
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*Seminars* for club leaders/members on various topics  
*Keynote address* by callers and cuer  
*Dance* 7:30-10:00 for everyone (MS/PL/RD)

**Who:** Mike Kellogg (CA), Betsy Gotta (NJ)/Cuer Roy Gotta (NJ)

**Fee:** \$10 in advance (includes dance), \$15 at the door

**More Info:** [DREAM 2018](#)

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## *Farewell to Our Friends*

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

**Neil Aharrah**, Cross Trail Squares,  
9/29/17

**Sara Allison**, Kittatinny Rangers,  
7/7/17

**Pat Brooks**, Kittatinny Rangers,  
3/9/18

**Betty Cook**, Reelers, 3/4/18

**Kay Davis**, Kittatinny Rangers,  
3/22/18

**Corinne Eckmann**, Harmony  
Squares, 4/8/18

**Ruth Edison**, Cross Trail Squares,  
8/14/17

**Dorothy Ferine**, Motiv8ors, 9/12/17

**Pal Johnson**, Lakeland Squares and  
caller, 9/29/17

**Joyce Kelly**, Reelers, 6/8/17

**Marge Krokus**, Circle Eights, 5/12/17

**Frank Penn**, Cross Trails, 6/9/17

**Ann Peters**, Mountain Squares, 1/29/18

**Helen Rellinger**, Tenakill Twirlers,  
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**Melvina Richman**, Circle Eights,  
5/11/17

**Peg Tirrell**, *Grand Square* Editor  
1965-1990, 4/17/17

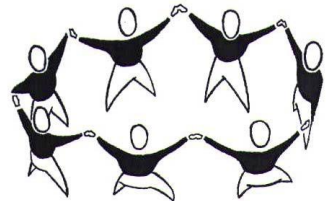
### **In Memoriam: Kay Davis and Helen Rellinger**

**Kay Davis** passed away on March 22, 2018. Prior to moving to North Carolina about six years ago, she was treasurer/assistant treasurer of the NNJSDA for seven years (2004-11) and held three offices in Kittatinny Rangers: vice president/class coordinator, president, and treasurer. For a full article on Kay, please see *Grand Square* 54.1 (September 2011), page 6.

**Helen Rellinger** passed away on January 23, 2018. She and her husband, Art, were presidents of Tenakill Twirlers, a former NNJSDA club. In addition, they served as the first corresponding secretaries of the NNJSDA for two years (1975-77) and as ad editors of *Grand Square* for 10 years (1980-89).

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1. When a dancer goes down during a tip, a second dancer attends to him/her.
2. The remaining couples join hands and take a step backward. This provides the injured person and the attendant with air and space.
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4. On seeing this signal, the caller immediately asks for medical assistance. Club officers should know the location of the AED (Automated External Defibrillator).
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## Where in the World Have Our Dancers Been? Memorable Dance Moments Submitted by *Grand Square* Readers

**A Flurry of Dances and Music:** When was the last time you went to a regional dance festival that drew 5,000 people? The annual Flurry in Saratoga Springs, New York, is a wonderful festival celebrating all kinds of traditional music and dance styles. I went to the 31st Flurry in February, and had a ball!

There were New England style (traditional) squares, many with progressive grids, and contra dances almost every hour. I also enjoyed other styles such as Cajun, zydeco, Irish step dancing, waltz, Charleston, and even African dance. There were introductory sessions for all styles. In addition, I attended several ukulele workshops. If you play any instrument, bring it along for the jam sessions. There is something for everyone at the Flurry.

I can't wait for the next Flurry (February 15-17, 2019). It is such a well-run festival. For information, visit [danceflurry.org](http://danceflurry.org). *Helen Jacobson (Reelers)*

**Flip the Flamingo:** Three RocklandRockytops members reprised their previous participation in the Suncoast Squares February dance festival at the pavilion on Fort De Soto Beach, Florida. Pictured left to right: David Gurovsky, Cathy and Don Schlesinger.



**WASCA:** New Jersey dancers were well represented at the annual festival in March hosted by the Washington Area Square Dancers Cooperative Association in Alexandria, Virginia (just outside Washington, DC). Many NNJSDA dancers enjoyed the eight great callers (Mainstream through Challenge), four round dance cuers, line dancing, special interest seminars, delicious food, sightseeing, and camaraderie. There were intro sessions for those who wanted to learn something new and opportunities for solo dancers to find partners at most events. It was impossible to get a picture of all Garden Staters, but here are a few of us!

*Francine Leshnowar (Kittatinny Rangers)*





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May 9	Cinco de Mayo Night	Art LaVigne (MD)
May 16	Music of the Eagles	Dean Singleton (MD)
May 23	Memorial Day Dance	Rick Gittelman (AZ)
May 30	Cookie Night	Kevin Bersing (MO)
June 6	Hawaiian Night	Doren McBroom (MD)
June 13	Crazy Hat Night	Joe Landi (NJ)
June 20	Strawberry Festival	<b>John Marshall (VA)</b>
June 27	Independence Day	Joe Bradshaw (DE)
July 4	-----	<b>NO DANCE</b>
July 11	High School Photo	<b>Ron Reardon (FL)</b>
July 18	Blueberry Festival	<b>Tom Miller (PA)</b>
July 25	Christmas in July	Clay Goss (DE)
Aug. 1	Beach Party Dance	Dennis Reardon (PA)
Aug. 8	Hippie Night	Howard Richman (NJ)
Aug. 15	Ice Cream Social	<b>Tom Nickel (WI)</b>
Aug. 22	Back to School Night	Dave Perrault (MA)
Aug. 29	Disney Night	Virgil Forbes (MD)
Sep. 5	Popcorn Dance	Doren McBroom (MD)
Sep. 12	Indian Pow Wow	<b>Mike Sikorsky (AZ)</b>
Sep. 19	Black and Yellow Dance	Ralph Trout (NJ)
Sep. 26	Harvest Moon Dance	Randy Longobucco (CT)
Oct. 3	Apple Festival	Larry Kanniard (DE)
Oct. 10	Rock 'n' Roll Dance	Dean Singleton (MD)
Oct. 17	Oktoberfest	Betsy Gotta (NJ)
Oct. 24	United Nations Dance	Ed Foote (PA)

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Cell for dance: 917-517-0870



Our Halloween dance was a lot of fun, thanks to our members who got into the “spirit” of the theme and showed up in very creative and original costumes. They are getting better every year! Maybe the certificate we awarded for best costume gave dancers the incentive. As you can see in the picture, Larry Shipman, our caller, also seemed to be having a good time.

AleMo has workshops three times a month. Our dances are held on the fourth Wednesday.

In September, eight of our members raided Y Squares, and they all had a great time.

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# SUMMER 2018 5 CLUBS SATURDAY NIGHT DANCES



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June 23	Mark Franks	Ron Rumble
July 14	Howard Williamson	Donna Williamson
July 28	Joe Landi	Karen Kushla
August 11	Dan Koft	Kathy Koft
August 25	Paul Ingis	Mary Pickett

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Cell for dance: 908-566-7580

Bee Sharps held two Mainstream classes this year. The first group graduated in mid-December: Christine Fellin, Greg Moore, Karin Rabe, Ere Saar, and David Tien. Karin and Greg have participated in classes with at least one other club, have already learned to dance Plus, and have even attended callers' school.

Our second class included Susan Allen and Shuey Horowitz (the girlfriend and mother, respectively, of club member Brian Horowitz) and three extremely talented siblings: 10-year-old twins Tyler and Anna, and older sister Kylee. They perform all around central Jersey as the Green Planet Band and they truly rock! They are excellent students in the classroom as well as on the dance floor, and a joy to have in our class – check out their Facebook page. The picture below shows members of our combined classes.



The regular Bee Sharps schedule continues to offer high quality Plus square dancing and round dancing, with an Advanced tip at the end of the night. But, our last dance of the season on May 25 will feature Mainstream with rounds. We invite Mainstream clubs to finish their Raid program at our hall that evening, with Betsy and Roy Gotta leading the fun. We all scream for Mainstream and ice cream!

**Ad on page 29** Nancy Ammons ([cearnach.dannsa@gmail.com](mailto:cearnach.dannsa@gmail.com)) 908-566-7580

## Somerset Squares – 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](mailto:kenanddaryl@msn.com)

or check the website at [sites.google.com/site/darylssquaredancing](http://sites.google.com/site/darylssquaredancing)

# BEE SHARPS



- 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 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](http://beesharps.org/bslesson.html)

## DANCE SCHEDULE

May AND September 2018

JOIN US AT FIVE CLUBS AND NNJSDA DANCES  
JUNE, JULY, AND AUGUST

Date	Caller	Cuer	Format	Dance Theme
May 11	Rick Gittelman	Mary Pickett	PL/RD-A2 tip	Hawaiian Shirt Night
May 25	Betsy Gotta	Roy Gotta	MS/RD	Ice Cream Social
<b>SUMMER BREAK</b>				
Sept. 14	Mark Franks	Mary Pickett	PL/RD-A2 tip	Beach Party Night
Sept. 28	Paul Ingis	Ron Rumble	MS/RD	Picnic in September (picnic foods/dress)

**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](http://beesharps.org) \*\***

Belles & Beaux is still “The Mystery Club.” In April, we had the annual Murder Mystery: “Who Killed Hancock Robin?” If you missed it, you will have to come to a Belles & Beaux dance and find out Who Done It. The Mystery Bus Trip on May 19 is probably full by the time this article is published, but put your name on the waiting list just in case. What wasn’t a mystery was our holiday get-together at Rivara’s Restaurant in Fair Lawn. Our new president, Vicky Proskey, wanted to gather the members once in a while outside of square dancing, so about 20 of us enjoyed a nice dinner and Vicky’s after-dinner table games.

Our last dance at the American Legion hall was well attended, but we were all excited about our move back to the VFW in January. It was good to be home again and have many of our friends join us (we thank those who braved the freezing cold to come). Now we are looking forward to not only the bus trip, but also our annual Fourth of July parade. Any square dancer can join us. We hold the parade so that we can dance in front of thousands of people (okay, make that 10 to 20 people).

Sometimes our classes get a little strange – like the evening we were short one person to make two squares. Instead of having a ghost dancer, we used a hockey stick. Have you ever done a Square Thru Four with a hockey stick as one of the dancers? Our students managed that and many other surprises. As a result, Belles & Beaux wants to welcome not only our own graduate dancers, but all new and experienced dancers to “Come Dance with Us.”

**Ad on page 31**

Richard Ball ([rebtama@gmail.com](mailto:rebtama@gmail.com))

973-838-0312

### **JOIN THE EXALTED RANK OF “PATRON”**

Visit NNJSDA member clubs, including your own, on their *regularly scheduled dance night* as summarized on the back cover of *Grand Square*. Have a club officer sign and date the Patron form. After visiting 65% of the clubs (currently 10), give the form to the NNJSDA recording secretary (listed on page 2 of *Grand Square*). Upon verification, you will receive a Patron dangle and an NNJSDA dance coupon.

- ❖ There is no time limit to complete the form and no limit on the number earned.
- ❖ Multiple forms can be worked on simultaneously, but a club can sign only one form per person per dance.
- ❖ Use a separate form for each dancer.
- ❖ Upon receiving a higher-number Patron dangle, please consider returning lower-numbered dangles to reduce the cost of the program.
- ❖ Coupons may be used toward regular NNJSDA dances or accumulated and combined toward a Mini-Festival ribbon.

Obtain Patron forms from clubs, NNJSDA dances, or the Association’s website ([nnjsda.org](http://nnjsda.org) – click on “Documents”).

# Belles & Beaux

1st and 3rd Wednesdays, Workshop 7:15 PM  
Dance 7:30-9:30 MS with a Plus Tip

## Elmwood Park VFW Hall

6 Veterans Place, Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

<p>Presidents Vicky/Ed Proskey Vicky 201-264-0977 Night of Dance (C) Ed 201-739-0327</p>		<p>First VP Claire Zimmerman (H) 201-291-8417 <a href="http://srgdance.org/BellesBeaux">srgdance.org/BellesBeaux</a> <a href="mailto:Squaredancing123@gmail.com">Squaredancing123@gmail.com</a></p>
<h3>2018 Dances and Special Events</h3>		
May 2	Todd Fellegy	Chocolate, Chocolate, Chocolate
May 16	Rick Gittelman	Pillow Talk (wear your jammies and bring your favorite pillow)
May 19	Saturday Mystery Bus Trip	Maryjane 973-427-8758 or Vicky 201-264-0977
May 30	Fran Wadel	Welcome, All Graduates
June 6	Jim Snyder	Ice Cream Social
June 20	Mary Moody	Pretty in Pink
July 4	NO DANCE (Glen Rock Parade)	
July 18	Don Moger	Canada, O Canada
Aug. 1	Don Bachelder	Hawaiian Luau
Aug. 15	Mark Franks	Surfing USA
Aug. 29	Fran Wadel	Intro Dance
Sept. 5	Todd Fellegy	International Day of Charity – <i>Donate Food</i>
Sept. 19	Gerry/Chuck Hardy	Silver and Gold
Oct. 3	Joe Landi	Duck, Duck, Goose
Oct. 17	Dayle Hodge	It's Pumpkin Time
Nov. 7	Jim Snyder	Western Night – <i>Dangle Dance</i>
Nov. 21	NO DANCE	
Dec. 5	Howard Richman	The Best Is Yet to Come
Dec. 19	Fran Wadel	Student Christmas Dance

# CALLERS' COUNCIL OF NEW JERSEY: MAY 2018

\*Callers currently available for booking

For type of dance and program called: [ccnjcallers.com](http://ccnjcallers.com)


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NORTHERN NEW JERSEY SQUARE DANCERS ASSOCIATION



44th ANNUAL  
**MINI-FESTIVAL**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2018

**1:00-6:30 PM**

**Chris Stacy (VA)**  
**Jeremy Butler (VA)**  
**Howard Richman (NJ)**

Rounds by **Ron Rumble (NJ)**

Parsippany Hills High School, Morris Plains, NJ (tentative)

**Mainstream, Plus, Advanced, Rounds**

**Fast Mainstream, DBD and Fast Plus, Advanced 1, Challenge 1**

*“ONE SQUARE IS FAIR” EVENT FOR NNJSDA MEMBER CLUBS*

**Info:** Nancy and Vic Ammons 908-566-7580, [minifestival.info@nnjsda.org](mailto: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/mini\\_fest\\_info](http://nnjsda.org/mini_fest_info)

*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)

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

In advance	\$15 adult (\$18 at the door)	# _____	\$ _____	<b>PLEASE ...</b> Enclose a stamped, self-addressed, legal-size envelope with your order.
(through 11/8)	\$7.50 child (\$9 at the door)	# _____	\$ _____	
1st Time Badge	\$3 each (optional)	# _____	\$ _____	
2018 Bar	\$1 each (optional)	# _____	\$ _____	

*No refunds after 11/8/18.*

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you.

**3 Fri. Sept.-June**[circle8s.nnjstda.org](http://circle8s.nnjstda.org)**American Legion, 17-08 River Rd. 07410****Pat and Tom Duemig: 201-955-1495****Cell for dance: 201-694-7797**

After successful open houses, Mainstream classes began under the excellent instruction and calling of Paul Ingis at East Brook Middle School in Paramus. Since a number of students had to leave the class, Paul decided to incorporate Plus lessons. Grateful for the chance to learn or brush up on Plus, dancers joined the Tuesday night sessions. Along with the angels, Mainstream and Plus students enjoyed helping one another master the moves.

The Circle Eights autumn dances began with out-of-state callers in September (Chuck and Gerry Hardy from Vermont) and October (Jim Snyder from Pennsylvania), which was our food drive dance. We were grateful to all who contributed. Congratulations to the lucky donor who won a free dance!

Members and guests alike had fun as Howard Richman took us through some “mad” moves while calling our November Crazy Squares Dangle Dance. Some dancers joined in the hilarity with funny hats and clothing.

Kudos go to Gerry and Rick Savino, who took us 200 miles before the end of 2017 with raids to RocklandRockytops, Western Wheelers/Hix & Chix, Cross Trail Squares, Middletown Ramblers, FAD, Hunterdon Flutterwheels, and Belles & Beaux. Raid/OSIF bars were presented to: Pauline DuBois (70); Rosemary and Gene Dunton, Gerry Beatty Savino (60); Pat Duemig, Addie Johnson, Rick Savino (50); Bob Bachmann, Tom Duemig, Wina Mazile (40); Nancy Paulsen (30); Nancy and David Pearson, Paul Smolen, Pat White (20); Ann Cavanaugh, Lacey and John Hill, Jeanne Weisman, and Terry Wunk (10).

After missing our holiday dance in December due to inclement weather, Circle Eights looked forward to our winter dance in January with Larry Shipman. In February, everyone wore red (lucky color), and some even had authentic Asian outfits as we celebrated Chinese New Year – Year of the Dog – at our February dance with dog dangles, fortune cookies, and prizes. Betsy Gotta supplied the perfect songs, including a not-so-Chinese “Auld Lang Syne” for our closing number.

Paul Ingis called our March dance with lively Irish music, and we ended April with a student dance called by Fran Wadel.

We invite you to attend our remaining spring dances, including an Ice Cream Social. A big THANK YOU to all those dancers from other clubs who support our club and the cause of square dancing fun by raiding!

**Ad on page 35***Jeanne Weisman ([kreider99@aol.com](mailto:kreider99@aol.com))*

201-722-0488

**FINDING A DANCE ONLINE**

Where's the Dance: [wheresthedance.com](http://wheresthedance.com) – click on “Events” or other links

Square Dance Resource Net: [ceder.net](http://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 [nnjstda.org](http://nnjstda.org).



# CIRCLE EIGHTS 2018



Third Fridays  
Mainstream 7:30-9:30 PM  
Plus 9:30-10:00 PM

5/18/18 • Rick Gittelman (AZ)

10/19/18 • Jim Snyder (PA)

6/15/18 • Chuck/Gerry Hardy (VT)  
*Ice Cream Social*

11/16/18 • Joe Landi

9/21/18 • Mark Franks

12/21/18 • Howard Richman

*No Dancing in July and August*

American Legion Hall, 17-08 River Road  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410-1206

**FALL 2018 MAINSTREAM CLASS WITH TEACHER PAUL INGIS**

East Brook Middle School, 190 Spring Valley Rd., Paramus, NJ 07652  
Tuesday nights at 7:30 PM starting with FREE Beginner Intro Dances, dates TBA  
For more information, call Paul Ingis at 201-741-6050.

Information: Pat and Tom 201-955-1495 – [circle8s.nnjtsda.org](http://circle8s.nnjtsda.org)  
Directions on dance night: 201-694-7797

# SQUARE DANCE

with Caller



# HOWARD RICHMAN



Friday, August 17, 2018 7 PM

Church of the Presentation

271 West Saddle River Road, Upper Saddle River, NJ



*Presented by Next Step, a social group for adults who have  
lost a loved one and want to begin socializing again*



Light refreshments – No partner or experience needed!



Beginning and experienced dancers: Please come to angel and bring friends;  
introduce dancing to a group that might attend fall classes.



For more information, call Ruth Harrison at 551-427-7440.

Our members closed 2017 reminiscing about great dances and visiting with retired and relocated former members. Marie Ortega, visiting from Colorado the week of our December dance, joined us in every tip; she proved that square dancing, like riding a bike, is never forgotten!

'Twas the week before Christmas when Laura and Russ Safar went Christmas caroling with Fairfield Reformed Church members at the homes of two of our retired club members: Dot Meador and Doug McCabe. They both enjoyed the visit and being remembered by their square dance friends. Unfortunately, we got word that Ruth Edison, a former member who served many years as class coordinator, passed away in August.

Liz Zazzi and Gary Martins hobnobbed among the stars at the 2018 SAG awards, courtesy of Liz's membership on the board of the National Screen Actors Guild/American Federation of Television and Radio Artists.

Amping up our schedule, we introduced some new callers to supplement our out-of-state callers as well as tried-and-true New Jersey favorites. Jonathan Weiner, a 16-year-old, made Cross Trail Squares his first Garden State calling event in February with four squares, including NNJSDA leaders, supporting his debut. Pictured below are NNJSDA president Nancy Ammons, CTS president Alice De Lancey, CTS treasurer Ed Crowley, caller Jonathan Weiner, caller Anthony Casale, and NNJSDA 3rd vice president Carol Casale.



Ed Crowley and Katie Wilson, the first father/daughter duo to call in our state (at least in our memories), were at the April 11 dance, prior to our 50th anniversary celebratory dinner-dance with national caller Tom Miller.

**Ad on page 37**

Alice De Lancey ([delanceyal@aol.com](mailto:delanceyal@aol.com))

973-618-9025



Where Fun  
Meets Friendship

## **CROSS TRAIL SQUARES**

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

Plus Workshop:	7:15-7:30
Alt. Mainstream/Plus:	7:30-9:30
Fast Plus:	9:30-9:45

Grover Cleveland Middle School  
36 Academy Road  
(entrance is 130 Prospect Street)  
Caldwell, NJ 07006

For additional information, call Alice De Lancey at 973-650-9377

**FORMAT: ALTERNATING MAINSTREAM AND PLUS**  
CASUAL ATTIRE AND VISITORS WELCOME AT ALL DANCES

May 9	Rick Gittelman (AZ)	'50s Dance '50s Attire Welcome
May 23	Paul Ingis	Disco Night Find Your Inner '80s
June 13	Betsy Gotta	Last Dance of the Season! Join Us for Fun!
Sept. 12	Don Bachelder (MA)	We're Back!! Favorite T-Shirt Night
Sept. 26	Dayle Hodge (MD)	Flower Power!
Oct. 10	Jim Schell (MA)	Fall Friendship Dance Bring a Friend!
Oct. 24	Surprise Caller from the Midwest	Mark Your Calendars and Be There!

**Join Us 2nd, 4th, and 5th Wednesdays at Cross Trail Squares for:**  
***GREAT CALLERS + GREAT DANCERS = GREAT DANCING!***  
***Carpool with others or raid with your club.***  
***Don't feel like square dance attire? Wear whatever you want!***

Contact Alice to arrange your raid: 973-650-9377

The Flutterwheels are enjoying another great year. Our Mainstream lessons began in September with 10 wonderful candidates. For the full story, see [hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjstda.org/blog.html](http://hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjstda.org/blog.html).

We always have fun on theme nights with talented people helping to make them great. Our Pumpkin Party Dance on October 20 was no exception. See the amazing pumpkin sculpture by Tomás Gonzales online.

On November 3, at our Sharing Is Caring dance, we brought goods for the local food bank, which helps those in need. The next day, more than a dozen club volunteers helped park cars for the very popular Touch-a-Truck event. The community is permitted to touch, sit in, look at, and climb on fire engines, rescue vehicles, police cars, and just about every other kind of commercial and military vehicle. But what about the children we were watching? You guessed it – the full story is online.

Speaking of being of service to others, check out the article “Sometimes Angels Need Angels, Too” on page 10. It tells the story of how fellow dancers are aiding one of our members, Sara Burton, who suffered a stroke.

Another highlight was the Mini-Festival on November 12. Nearly two dozen club members attended, including 12 of our 2016-17 Mainstream grads, thanks to the encouragement of club president Jeff Bell. It was a great day, capped off with a gourmet pizza dinner. Where did we go? Find out online.

There’s nothing better to fight a cold winter’s night than a hot bowl of soup. Such was the case on February 2. The Eagles have nothing on our ladies. Souper Bowl V was a huge success: Everyone scored a delicious bowl of soup. The ladies have turned the tables on the men, however. What’s going on!?! The full story is online.



We thank all who have come to dance with us, whether as a visitor or as part of a raid. All are invited to join our warm, friendly group and enjoy good food and a great time dancing. Hope to see you there.

To find out more about the Flutterwheels, to get directions, and to find the rest of the story online, please visit our website (see top of page).

**Ad on page 39***Paul Brown ([paulbrown@live.com](mailto:paulbrown@live.com))**610-360-7784*




# National Square Dance Month Publicity

I'm sure you know that September is our big month: National Square Dance Month! That's when many NNJSDA clubs hold intro dances to interest the community in joining upcoming lessons. September will be here before you know it. I know clubs have their own publicity plans in place, but this is a friendly reminder about additional ways we can promote our activity:

- Post your events on Meetup – About 150 non-dancers have expressed interest through our postings. It's very easy to post your event in only a few minutes, and it's **free** to member clubs. I am very happy to assist you.
- Post your events on Facebook – Most clubs have a Facebook presence, and September is a great time to mention the benefits of square dancing.
- Newspaper articles – I will send club presidents sample announcements that you can run in your local papers. Watch for those emails from me.
- Yard signs – See NNJSDA president Nancy Ammons for promotional yard signs. When calls come in to the number shown, she'll direct inquirers to the appropriate member club.

Even if you're not holding lessons, or if they're not in September, it's a good time to help spread the word about the wonders of square dancing. Please share with me any other publicity options you have tried and found successful.

*Carol Casale (NNJSDA 3rd VP)*

<b>HUNTERDON FLUTTERWHEELS</b>		
	<b>Echo Hill Park, 43 Lilac Drive, Flemington, NJ 08822</b> <b>Web: <a href="http://hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjstda.org">hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjstda.org</a></b> <b>Contact # night of dance: 972-365-6312</b>	
<b><u>2018</u></b>	<b><u>Theme</u></b>	<b><u>Caller</u></b>
May 4	Star Wars ( <i>May the fourth be with you!</i> )	Wes Thielke
May 18	Shoot for the Blue Moon	Mary Moody
Jun 1	Beatlemania ( <i>Ice cream social</i> )	Joe Landi
Jun 15	Happy Belated Birthday, Dr. Seuss ( <i>Held at the Rt. 12 County Building; large, air-conditioned hall – great RAID kick-off opportunity*</i> )	Dane Bragg
<b>SUMMER BREAK</b>		
Sep 21	An Apple a Day Keeps the Doctor Away	The Hardys
Oct 5	Forever in Blue Jeans	Ed Kerns
Oct 19	Pumpkin Fest ( <i>Costume party</i> )	Dan Koft
Nov 2	International Day ( <i>Celebrate your heritage</i> )	Mark Franks
Nov 16	Palindrome Day ( <i>Wear your clothes backwards</i> )	Ed Kerns
Dec 7	Light the Candles for Hanukkah	Paul Ingis
Dec 21	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  <b>facebook:</b> <a href="http://facebook.com/hunterdonflutterwheels">facebook.com/hunterdonflutterwheels</a>		For Information: Jeff and Jean Bell      972-365-6312 Rich and Mary Moody    908-231-1194 <i>*For information and directions:</i> <a href="http://hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjstda.org">hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjstda.org</a>

**2, 4 Fri. Sept.-May****[kittatinnyrangers.com](http://kittatinnyrangers.com)****Beth Benson: 201-787-2038****Florence Burd School, 219 Newton-Sparta Rd. 07860****Cell for dance: 201-787-2038**

Our congratulations to the students in our Mainstream class of 2018: Rick Bowman, Barbara Cathcart, Dean Hartman, Debbie Mazzocchi, and Lyta Soto. We look forward to welcoming them at Kittatinny Rangers dances and other events throughout the year.

We began January with our annual dinner-dance at the Farmstead Country Club (photo below), which was a wonderful way to honor the new year.



In March, our club received very sad news when two longtime members passed away. Pat Brooks was a special and great lady. She had many gifts that she generously shared with her family, her friends, and our club. One of these was her love of cooking; she was an accomplished chef whose delicious creations were often the highlight of our refreshment table. But it was her wisdom and spirit that most benefited all of us. We will miss her friendship and her smile, and the caring nature she brought to all who knew her.

Kay Davis was also a special friend to many of us during her 92 years. In addition to her service to the club, she was treasurer/assistant treasurer of the NNJSDA for seven years (2004-2011). Kay, an avid horsewoman and dog owner, engaged easily with people as well as animals. She loved to travel, both for square dancing and to experience other places in the world. Her new home in North Carolina became a vacation destination for several club members.

In addition, we greatly miss several Kittatinny Rangers who recently decided to leave New Jersey. We wish them all well in their new communities.

Our club continues to enjoy excellent callers and fun themes. We love guests from other clubs, and invite our fellow dancers to our northwestern outpost to enjoy a spacious dance floor, superb refreshments, talented callers, and welcoming members.

Be sure to “like” our Facebook page; then come visit us in person!

**Ad on page 41***Robin Friedman ([floweringgarlic@yahoo.com](mailto:floweringgarlic@yahoo.com))*



# Square Dancing Fun

with the

## KITTATINNY RANGERS

**ALTERNATING MAINSTREAM AND PLUS  
2ND and 4TH FRIDAYS, 7:30-10:00 PM**



<b>2018</b>	<b>CALLERS</b>	<b>THEMES</b>
May 11	Anthony Casale	Ice Cream Social
May 25*	Howard Richman	Potluck Dinner

Montville Senior House 356 Main Road (Route 202) Montville, NJ 07045	Friday, July 27, 7:00-9:30 <h2 style="color: red;">Jet Roberts</h2>
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PeopleCare Center 120 FINDERNE AVENUE BRIDGEWATER, NJ 08807	Wednesday, August 15, 7:00-9:30 <h2 style="color: red;">Johnny Preston</h2>
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*Look for flyers or call Mary at 973-960-5944 (cell)*

September 14	Ron McMurdy	Welcome Back/Helping Others
September 28	Joe Landi	Kittatinny Rangers 47th Birthday
October 12	Wes Thielke	Think Pink: Breast Cancer Awareness
October 26	Joe Landi	Halloween Costume Contest
November 9	Dane Bragg	Veterans Day
December 14**	Doug Kauffman	Joy to the World: Holiday Celebration

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

Mainstream class starting in September:  
 date and location TBA

Info: Beth Benson, 201-787-2038    Website: [kittatinnyrangers.com](http://kittatinnyrangers.com)  
 Cell for dance night: 201-787-2038

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

We have had a happy year at Lakeland, including three very successful dance parties (barn dances). It was a joy to see new faces learning about square dancing and familiar faces visiting. In August, it was also a 77th birthday party for our co-president, Monte Montagnino, attended by a group of his relatives and five of his former blind students – all of whom participated in the dancing. Everyone enjoyed the great refreshments and many door prizes. Our Halloween barn dance brought out many people in costume (we had prizes), and the one in January also was well attended.

Our free produce table was a huge hit with Lakelanders and guests. We had tomatoes, cucumbers, and various peppers.

Attendance was good for most of the year, especially with raids in the fall and many visitors in January. Thank you to our raiders and visitors. The power failure at our venue after the March blizzard caused us to cancel two dances. Numbers were light at the end of winter with five regulars “hiding” in Florida, five members not able to dance most Mondays due to the need to provide coverage for grandchildren, and two members experiencing aches and pains. Hopefully, everyone will be back by the time this issue is published.

We are proud to say that our six students made the largest class we have had in several years. Thank you to all the dancers who have helped angel.

**Ad on page 43** Janet and Monte Montagnino ([montebearsden@aol.com](mailto:montebearsden@aol.com)) 973-546-3092

### HOW TO ATTRACT NEW DANCERS

“Somehow we have convinced ourselves that people will be drawn to square dancing when they see how much fun we are having. No. People will be drawn to square dancing when they see how much fun THEY are having.” (Scott Bryce)



Fragrance reminder for all dancers:

**Yellow Rocks should have no scent!**

Remember, dancing is a contact sport.

To ensure that fragrances are not inadvertently left on the skin and clothes of people with sensitivities, please do not use them at dances (perfume, cologne, scented powder, lotion, aftershave, etc.).

### FREELOADER ALERT

Pick up a new Freeloader form at your club, an Association dance, or the website ([nnjsda.org](http://nnjsda.org) – click on “Documents”). Attend three summer NNJSDA dances AND the Mini-Festival in 2018, have the form signed at each event, and earn a dangle plus a free dance coupon.

# LAKELAND SQUARES



**GOOD SHEPHERD EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
**9 TWO BRIDGES ROAD, TOWACO, NJ 07082**  
*(Air-Conditioned Hall)*

*Alternating MAINSTREAM and PLUS: MONDAYS (8-10:00 PM)*

*Mainstream Class (Fran Wadel) beginning on September 10, 2018 (6:30-8:00 PM)*

*Dance Party (8-10:00 PM): 5th MONDAYS – open to the public – bring your friends!*

<b>April 2018</b>	<b>July 2018</b>	15 Betsy Gotta
2 Don Coy	2 No Dance: <i>4th of July</i>	22 Fran Wadel
9 Betsy Gotta	9 Paul and Stephen Ingis	29 Howard Richman:
16 Fran Wadel:	16 Betsy Gotta	<i>Halloween Dance Party</i>
<i>Graduation!</i>	23 Dennis Reardon:	<b>November 2018</b>
23 Don Coy	<i>Ice Cream Social</i>	5 Ed Foote
30 Howard Richman:	30 Howard Richman:	12 Mary Moody
<i>Dance Party</i>	<i>Dance Party</i>	19 Paul Ingis:
<b>May 2018</b>	<b>August 2018</b>	<i>Thanksgiving</i>
7 Ed Foote:	27 Fran Wadel:	26 Howard Richman
<i>45th Anniversary</i>	<i>Open House 7:30 PM</i>	<b>December 2018</b>
<i>6:30 Potluck</i>	<i>Bring your friends –</i>	3 Larry Shipman
<i>8:00 Dance</i>	<i>No experience needed!</i>	10 Fran Wadel:
14 Rick Gittelman	<b>September 2018</b>	<i>Student MS Dance</i>
21 Howard Richman	3 No Dance: <i>Labor Day</i>	17 Betsy Gotta:
28 No Dance:	10 Chuck/Gerry Hardy	<i>Holiday Dance</i>
<i>Memorial Day</i>	<i>Beginner class</i>	24 No Dance
<b>June 2018</b>	<i>starts tonight!</i>	31 No Dance
4 Paul Ingis	17 Paul Ingis	<b>January 2019</b>
11 Chuck/Gerry Hardy	24 Howard Richman	7 Paul Ingis
18 Howard Richman:	<b>October 2018</b>	14 Dennis Reardon
<i>A Night at the Movies</i>	1 Don Coy	21 Mary Moody
25 Fran Wadel	8 Dennis Reardon	28 Howard Richman

For Info – Kathy Keener: 973-366-8064 (H)

973-229-0698 (C)

Monte/Janet: 973-546-3092



Email us at [lakelandsquares@hotmail.com](mailto:lakelandsquares@hotmail.com)

Visit our website at [lakelandsquares.wix.com/lakeland](http://lakelandsquares.wix.com/lakeland)

Spring is here, but we fondly remember the fall and winter. We started with introductory dances, which brought us 22 prospective dancers. Once again, we have been fortunate to offer our classes at the Henry Hudson Trail Activity Center through the auspices of the Monmouth County Park System.

At our Halloween dance, Mary Lovasz was awarded a prize for Most Charming, Joanne and Gene Basket were deemed Most Scary, and Joyce and Jim Henry were dubbed Funniest. Two of our dances, Food for the Needy and Bring a Stuffed Toy, resulted in generous donations.

Our new students were introduced to their first Ramblers club dance at our covered dish holiday event. We had 78 in attendance, and there was enough food to feed an army. Everyone dressed in colorful holiday attire and enjoyed dancing to Howard Richman. Santa was not there, but Mrs. Claus and an elf filled in. Everyone agreed that this was one of our best holiday dinner-dances.

In January, Larry Shipman led us in an “arky night,” where the lead and follower positions were changed. Dangles were awarded to the participants.

Jay Silva from New Hampshire called at our National Wear Red Day, giving dancers a chance to wear their red club vests. We celebrated Chinese New Year with one of our favorite callers, Mark Franks. Members who dressed appropriately received a dangle. For St. Patrick’s Day, of course, we all turned green.

Graduation will see 15 amazing students completing the Mainstream program with our great instructor, Larry Sherwood, who has the patience of Job.

Although many clubs shut down during the summer, the Ramblers will dance every Friday night during June, July, and August at our air-conditioned hall. Join us for great callers and a warm welcome; amble down and dance with us. We award Rambler dangles to raiders!

We are pleased to report that all our officers agreed to serve another year.

One of our members noted that he started dancing at 78, even though he never thought he would be doing that at his age. To quote him: “This turned out to be a lot of fun. Members were very welcoming to newcomers.” He noted that he has not found a single person he does not like, and he enjoys getting dressed up as a cowpoke. He highly recommends square dancing because it is great for overall health ... not to mention the fact that men get to hold a pretty lady’s hand.

**Ad on page 45**

*Joseph Vapnar ([joevapnar@gmail.com](mailto:joevapnar@gmail.com))*

732-500-0391

### **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.



# Middletown Ramblers

## Plus Club

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

[middletownramblers.org](http://middletownramblers.org)

May 4 <sup>1</sup>	Rick Gittelman (AZ)	July 20	Joe Landi
May 11	Don Coy (NY)	July 27 <sup>3</sup>	Jim Snyder (PA)
May 18	Jim Snyder (PA)	Aug. 3	Don Bachelder (MA)
May 25	Joe Landi	Aug. 10	Chuck and Gerry Hardy (VT)
June 1	Mary Moody	Aug. 17	Jay Silva (NH)
June 8 <sup>2</sup>	Chuck and Gerry Hardy (VT)	Aug. 24 <sup>3</sup>	Betsy Gotta
June 15	Howard Richman <i>(for club members only)</i>	Aug. 31	Labor Day Weekend <i>(no dance)</i>
June 22	Paul Ingis	<b>Sept. 7<sup>4</sup></b>	Howard Richman
June 29	Mark Franks	Sept. 14	Dennis Reardon (PA)
July 6	Howard Richman	Sept. 21 <sup>5</sup>	Howard Richman
July 13	Betsy and Roy Gotta (rounds)	Sept. 28	Don Coy (NY)

<sup>1</sup>May 4: Mexican Theme Dangle Night

<sup>2</sup>June 8: Hawaiian Theme Dangle Night

<sup>3</sup>July 27 and Aug. 24: Intro to Square Dance

<sup>4</sup>**Sept. 7: *Live Music with O'Neill & Martin Band***

<sup>5</sup>Sept. 21: Intro to Square Dance (free) – Thompson Park Barn  
 805 Newman Springs Rd., Lincroft, NJ 07738

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: 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**

Keep in mind that we have an alternate location for three of our dances as indicated in our ad. The American Legion is only one and a quarter miles from our regular hall.

We extend an extra thank you to co-presidents Maryjane Clewell and Robert Scoralick for arranging a special C1/C2 dance in mid-October.

Away from our home club, our members enjoyed dancing at festivals in Delaware, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Vermont, and Virginia.

The two squares of dancers who braved the brutal cold to attend our first January dance greatly appreciated Maryjane's homemade soup.

In February, 14 of our members had fun raiding the Bee Sharps Sweethearts Ball. In addition to Plus and Advanced, Mark Franks called a Challenge tip at the end. Some of our dancers were up on the dance floor for rounds, too.

For two weeks in September, Steve Koehler and his group hiked the 180-mile Thames Path in England. Memorable moments included crossing the London Bridge (it did not fall down), jumping across the prime meridian in Greenwich, and riding a cable car over the river.

In October, Fred Meyer, sponsored by our generous members and guests, participated in the annual Walk to Fight Alzheimer's. In November, he and Rochelle Honigsfeld made a round-trip crossing to the United Kingdom aboard the Queen Mary 2. After barely enough time at home to attend a few Motiv8ors dances, they vacationed in the Cayman Islands and Cuba for two weeks. Havana in particular impressed them as a city of contrasts, with modern skyscrapers but no internet, since the government controls everything.

Lauren and Fred Zales's celebration of a very special anniversary included spending some of the evening at a Motiv8ors dance.

Maryjane spent Thanksgiving at her sister's house in North Dakota. They enjoyed a multi-holiday family celebration with 37 other relatives and 14 adorable pups. Afterward, Maryjane visited her daughter in Florida before returning home. In April, she and six other square dancers had a great time on a bus ride to Missouri. Their nine days were action packed with seven shows in Branson and sightseeing throughout the trip.

At the end of January, Jan and Louis Thompson watched the blue moon lunar eclipse from 4:45 to 6:30 AM from their backyard in Mesa, Arizona. Although exhausted for the rest of the day, they did not regret taking advantage of a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to view this beautiful and peaceful sight. During their three months out west, Jan taught line dancing at their adult community.

It is with great sadness that we note the passing of Dot Ferine. A gentle soul, Dot was a friend and longtime avid square dancer.

**Ad on page 49***Jan and Louis Thompson ([ltpt1@yahoo.com](mailto:ltpt1@yahoo.com))*

732-577-9413

# Harvest Moon Classic

**November 16-18, 2018**  
**The Crowne Plaza Hotel**  
**Harrisburg, Pennsylvania**

**Four Full-Time Halls: Plus, A2, C1, and C2**

**Dancing Friday 7:30 PM to Sunday 11:30 AM**  
**Computer square rotation in A2, C1, and C2**

**Send registration and check to:**  
 Roy Gotta, 2 Laurel Place  
 North Brunswick, NJ 08902  
 Make check payable to  
**Harvest Moon Classic**

**For info:** Roy Gotta, 732-249-2086  
 or [hmc234@gmail.com](mailto:hmc234@gmail.com)

**Make room reservations at**

**Crowne Plaza**  
 23 South Second Street  
 Harrisburg, PA 17101  
 Phone: 717-234-5021

Request the  
 HMD  
 room block for  
 \$91 + tax room rate.

## Calling Staff



Ron Libby



Bill Harrison



John Marshall



Tom Miller



Steve Kopman

⊗ Rounds in the Evening by Roy Gotta ⊗

## Dance Registration "Harvest Moon Classic" November 16-18, 2018

	<u>Through Nov. 1, 2018</u>	<u>After Nov. 1, 2018</u>
Full Dance Package	___ \$55 p/p	___ \$65 p/p
Sat. All Day/Evening Package	___ \$45 p/p	___ \$55 p/p

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ His \_\_\_\_\_ Hers \_\_\_\_\_  
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 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Circle preferred dance program Plus A2 C1 C2

**Website [harvest.greatdances.net](http://harvest.greatdances.net)**

1, 3 Fri. Sept.-June

[reelers.nnjsda.org](http://reelers.nnjsda.org)

Ironia School, 303 Dover-Chester Rd. (Rt. 513) 07869

Cindy and Dave Whalen: 929-373-3537

Cell for dance: 929-373-3537

We are lucky to have two great Eds as teachers for our classes this dance season. Ed Crowley successfully taught the seven students in our fall Plus class, whom we welcomed as official members of Reelers in December. Ed LaPlante is teaching our large class of enthusiastic Mainstream students. His clear and well-organized approach is helping them learn quickly and enjoy the lessons. Thanks very much, Ed and Ed, and also all our wonderful angels!

Our dances have included new callers and themes. Howard Richman helped us “Give Our Regards to Broadway” with melodious versions of many Broadway tunes, ably supplemented by Mary Pickett’s cuing of additional Broadway showstoppers. We had fun donning our western attire and dancing to Paul Ingis at our Westward Ho dance. Of course, Chocolate Fantasy is an ever-popular theme for all of us chocoholics. Fortunately, we know that chocolate is healthy, so we can indulge with clear consciences.

As in the past several years, Reelers did a demo at Ironia School’s Winterfest. Many of the guests, including the school principal and vice principal, then joined in the dancing. Our own Anthony Casale did a wonderful job calling. We were happy to present the principal with a check to be used for a program of the school’s choice in appreciation for our dancing in the building.

Bob Turner again hosted our annual holiday party in his spacious home, with each room beautifully decorated. He was the perfect host, greeting each of us with a warm hug and cheerfully turning over the kitchen to all the willing helpers who arranged the varied and delicious foods that everybody brought.

We hope you will join us at our dances, which feature the wonderful cuing of Mary Pickett as well as a wide variety of callers from many different states. On June 1, we look forward to welcoming back our former teacher, Dan Tapper, to call our final dance of the season and congratulate our new graduates. It will be Mainstream with one Plus tip, so we hope that Mainstream dancers will avail themselves of this opportunity to visit a club they might not normally attend. It would also be a great dance for Mainstream clubs to start the new Raid season.

*[Editor’s note: Our condolences to the Stollers on the passing of Irene’s mother, who celebrated her 100th birthday in December.]*

**Ad on page 49**Irene Stoller ([histoller@live.com](mailto:histoller@live.com))

908-823-4565

### CLUB PRESIDENTS – CLEARANCE FOR NEW EVENTS

If your club plans to hold a dance event outside its regular dance program, location, day, or time, *you must request clearance from the NNJSDA.* (For details, see the NNJSDA Constitution and Bylaws, section 8, page 8.) This helps to avoid conflicts. Please check with the recording secretary for clearance; contact information is on page 2 of every *Grand Square*.





# REELERS

## *Plus Club with Rounds*

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

**1st and 3rd Fridays**

**7:30 – Early Rounds    8:00 – Plus/Rounds**

[reelers.njnsda.org](http://reelers.njnsda.org)

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

### **2018**

05/04

05/18

06/01\*

09/21

10/05

10/19

11/02

11/16

12/07

12/21

### **Caller**

Dan Koft (PA)

Ted Lizotte (NH)

Dan Tapper (PA)

*ENJOY THE SUMMER!*

Dayle Hodge (MD)

Jim Snyder (PA)

Jay Silva (NH)

Dan Koft (PA)

Ed Foote (PA)

Don Bachelder (MA)

Mark Franks (NJ)

### **Theme**

Denim and Diamonds

Ice Cream "Fridae"

Graduation

School T-Shirts

Mustache Bash

Book and Puzzle Exchange

Polka Dot Party

Cupcakes Galore

Sounds of the '50s

Holiday Cookies

**Cuer: Mary Pickett**

**\*Mainstream/Rounds with 1 Plus tip**



# Motiv8ors

[motiv8ors.njnsda.org](http://motiv8ors.njnsda.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. 22    Ed Foote, PA

May 6    Daryl Murphy, NJ

May 20    Barry Clasper, Canada

June 10    Betsy Gotta, NJ

June 24    Dave Eno, NY

July 15    Don Moger, Canada

July 29    Betsy Gotta, NJ

Aug. 5    Betsy Gotta, NJ

**Aug. 19    \*Todd Felleggy, CT**

**Sept. 23    \*Dayle Hodge, MD**

Oct. 7    Ted Lizotte, NH

Oct. 28    Todd Felleggy, CT

Nov. 4    Ed Foote, PA

**Nov. 25    \*Dave Eno, NY**

**\*Alt. Location: Amer. Legion, 17-08 River Rd., Fair Lawn, NJ 07410**

Singles Welcome    \*\* SOFT-SOLED SHOES \*\*    Computer Squares

Maryjane: 551-206-7905, Robert: 914-320-0626    [cmimigirl@aol.com](mailto:cmimigirl@aol.com)



**ROCKLANDROCKYTOPS – Congers, NY MS, PL (see below)**

[sqrdance.org/RocklandRockytops](http://sqrdance.org/RocklandRockytops)

<b>2 Fri. All Year: MS-PL tip</b>	<b>Congers Community Center</b>
<b>4 Fri. All Year: PL-DBD Plus tip</b>	<b>6 Gilchrest Rd. 10920</b>
<b>Mal Blotner: 845-638-4393 (alt.: 845-553-5002)</b>	<b>Cell for dance: 914-450-2724</b>

It has been a busy year for RocklandRockytops – although I personally missed out on a couple of months of it. Congratulations and welcome to our wonderful world of square dancing to the 11 new Rockytops Mainstream graduates! Thank you to Fran Wadel for instilling a love of our activity along with your lessons. All of our students attended our Student/Valentine Dance called by Fran on February 9. Thank you to the many Rockytops angels and to the students and angels who came from other clubs, as well.

Among other highlights of the season were the December Mainstream dance called by Sandy Corey and the December Plus dance called by Paul Ingis, where the dance level and energy were fantastic. Other callers who have been making our events special this season are Larry Shipman, Todd Fellego, Mary Moody, Betsy Gotta, Howard Richman, Ed Foote, and Mark Franks.

Many Rockytops members were among those who filled the hall at FAD’s final dance on December 3. To Jim Van Rensalier and all FAD members, we will miss your friendly, welcoming club!

On December 29, Rockytops hosted a Family Hoedown for Clarkstown. This successful dance was part of a “Winter Wonderland” celebration at Congers Memorial Park, along with all sorts of holiday activities and a beautiful festival of lights strung through the park and walkway around Congers Lake. As always, Rockytops members provided a bountiful and delicious refreshment table.

Unfortunately, I missed a couple of months due to a car accident. Many thanks to all who called and sent cards during the time I was recuperating and was involved with a complex family situation. I apologize for not getting to acknowledge all of your caring thoughts and good wishes. There were some other health issues among our members, but I am happy to report that back at our dances are the smiling faces of Phyllis and John McGrory, Rita and Ray Keywork, and Vicky Ficco-Panzer and Arthur Leibowitz. Our sincere sympathy and caring wishes are with Fran Wadel whose mother passed away in October.

Be sure to check our flyers and email announcements for locations of our dances from May through September 2018. To verify the location for a specific dance, please call Don Schlesinger or Vicky Ficco-Panzer at the indicated numbers. As always, we look forward to dancing with you.

**Ad on page 51**     *Joan Schierlitz* ([dancinggrandma@verizon.net](mailto:dancinggrandma@verizon.net))     845-353-2987

GRAND SQUARES of Katonah, NY, invite you to dance *Advanced* and *Challenge* with caller Todd Fellego on various Thursday nights. Singles/couples are welcome to join us. For more details and actual dates, contact Marie Gower at [brightstarising@gmail.com](mailto:brightstarising@gmail.com).

# RocklandRockytops

SINGLES WELCOME

<b>MAINSTREAM</b> <b>Second Friday 7:30-9:45 PM</b> <b>(All Year Round)</b> <b>Plus Tip During Dance</b>	<b>PLUS</b> <b>Fourth Friday 7:30-9:45 PM</b> <b>(All Year Round)</b> <b>DBD Plus Tip During Dance</b>
<b>04/13/18<sup>1</sup>      BETSY GOTTA</b>	<b>04/27/18<sup>2</sup>    HOWARD RICHMAN</b>
<b>05/11/18<sup>1</sup>      ED FOOTE</b> <i>Ice Cream Social</i>	<b>05/25/18<sup>1</sup>    RICK GITTELMAN</b>
<b>06/08/18<sup>2</sup>      MARK FRANKS</b> <i>Las Vegas Night</i>	<b>06/22/18<sup>3</sup>    HOWARD RICHMAN</b>
<b>07/13/18<sup>2</sup>      SANDY COREY</b>	<b>07/27/18<sup>3</sup>      BETSY GOTTA</b>
<b>08/10/18<sup>2</sup>      SANDY COREY</b>	<b>08/24/18<sup>3</sup>      MARK FRANKS</b>
<b>09/14/18<sup>2</sup>    HOWARD RICHMAN</b>	<i>No Plus dance in September.</i>
<b>09/28/18<sup>1</sup>      FRAN WADEL</b> <i>Free Introductory Dance</i>	<i>Bring your friends to the Free Introductory Dance (see left)!</i>

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

For directions, see the [nnjsda.org](http://nnjsda.org) website.  
 For further information: Don 845-623-2772

Our recap of the past year actually begins with a very well-attended end-of-season raid last June by Belles & Beaux. They were a strong, enthusiastic presence, which was certainly appreciated. We also held two summer dances that were nicely supported. Along with our summer dances and annual picnic, we definitely ended the season on a very high and pleasant note!

Our 2017-18 dance season began with an open house event and Spirit Day, as evidenced by an abundance of red club shirts and various wardrobe variations on our club colors. We celebrated Betsy Gotta's 70th birthday with a wonderful surprise party dance in October. The hall was jam-packed with seven squares on the floor at one point, paying their respects to our longtime calling leader in exuberant fashion – a great time was had by all!

Of course, we also had our traditional events, including the Toys for Tots dance and annual community food drive.

In January, we were saddened by the passing of Larry Bugal's father.

March wielded its very active weather powers and roared in like the lion it is. However, Mother Nature, while a powerful force, could not stop this lively and enthusiastic crowd from partaking in the joys of the dance. Thankfully, none of our dances had to be canceled.

After extensive and dedicated behind-the-scenes technical effort, we launched our revamped website. A special "thank you" to our webmaster and all-around tech guru, Ken Robinson, for such a great endeavor.

If you're on the lookout for excellent dancing opportunities during the summer, please consider joining us at our dances in July and August. You'll be sure to have a great time!

**Ad on page 53***Mary Ann Ryan-Erdek ([merdek56@gmail.com](mailto:merdek56@gmail.com))*

908-745-1659

**LOOKING FOR NEW DANCE HALLS**

Do you know of a church, civic group, school, etc. that might have a great dance hall? Let us know and we'll check it out. Please email [firstvp@nnjsda.org](mailto:firstvp@nnjsda.org).

**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.

**Rutgers  
Promenaders  
Square Dance  
Club**



# Summer 2018 Mainstream Dance/Class Schedule

**Location:** Congregation B'nai Tikvah  
1001 Finnegans Lane  
North Brunswick, NJ 08902  
**Time:** 2:30-5:00 PM  
**Family Friendly**

Mainstream with Rounds for all ages. Class-level tips during some dances.

May 6

May 20  
NO DANCE

June 3

July 15

August 5

**Calling Staff: Betsy Gotta, Dan Koft**  
**Cuing Staff: Roy Gotta, Kathy Koft**

For directions and more information, visit our website: [rutgerspromenaders.org](http://rutgerspromenaders.org)  
or contact Matica Bierstein at 732-485-6277 or [president@rutgerspromenaders.org](mailto:president@rutgerspromenaders.org)

## NYC's Times Squares 2018 Dances

[timesquares.nyc](http://timesquares.nyc)

### Combo Dances – Saturdays 4:00-6:30 A/C, 7:30-9:30 MS/PL

May 19	“Potluck Dinner”	Barry Clasper (ON)
September 15	“Kick Off”	Dayle Hodge (MD)
December 15	“Holiday Dance”	Todd Fellegy (CT)

### Summer Dances – Tuesdays 7:30-9:30 MS, PL, A2

June 26	“Rainbow Pride Dance”	Howard Richman (NJ)
July 31	“Christmas in July”	Betsy Gotta (NJ)
August 14	“The White Party”	Dayle Hodge (MD)

### Peel the Pumpkin 2018 – “Under the Big Top”

SANDIE BRYANT (IL), TED LIZOTTE (NH), AND BETSY GOTTA (NJ)

October 26-28, 2018 MS through C2

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, Fort Lee, NJ – For more information  
and online registration, go to [timesquares.nyc/wp/peelthepumpkin](http://timesquares.nyc/wp/peelthepumpkin)

#### Tuesdays (starting Sept. 25, 2018)

Mainstream Essentials/Club Night  
Howard Richman

#### Thursdays (starting early Oct. 2018)

A2 and C1 Workshops  
Betsy Gotta

Check [timesquares.nyc](http://timesquares.nyc) to confirm locations and event details.

More than 100 dancers gathered last October for Peel the Pumpkin, a weekend of dancing with Times Squares. The Alice in Wonderland theme inspired many dancers to create fabulous costumes for the annual contest.

There were three full-time halls offering Mainstream through C2. The three nationally known callers – Chris Phillips, Todd Fellegly, and Betsy Gotta – were all in top form, and really put us through our paces. We always set aside floor time for new callers as well, and were lucky to have Anthony Casale and Ed Crowley from the Callers' Council of New Jersey lend a hand. They did a great job, and we hope they will call for us again.

The 2018 Peel the Pumpkin will be held in Fort Lee. See our ad on page 53 for details.

In the last few months, we've begun accepting credit cards to pay admission fees at club dances. We also accept credit cards and PayPal online. Now you can join Times Squares, pay your dues, register for Peel the Pumpkin, and make donations online. A free card reader is included with this service; we chose a small triangular plastic device that can be plugged into the headphone jack on a mobile phone. We keep it at the dance venue so that whoever collects money has access to it. Although this is not a free service, nonprofit organizations receive a discount on the processing fee.

We've also automated our attendance list. An application lets us create a list of dancers and check them off when they attend. The data are available online to club officers. Even if your club is small and you don't need to analyze data, the convenience of record-keeping might make it worthwhile to think about automating attendance.

Other clubs interested in pursuing these options may contact me.

**Ad on page 53**

Warren Livesley ([wlvivesley@gmail.com](mailto:wlvivesley@gmail.com))

917-705-5243

### FOUR INCENTIVE PROGRAMS!

The Northern New Jersey Square Dancers Association offers four great programs as incentives to visit other clubs as well as NNJSDA dances, plus earn financial awards and dangles.

#### **For Individual Dancers**

Patron (visit 10 members clubs)

Freeloader (attend three NNJSDA summer dances and Mini-Festival)

**For Clubs** (each program can be completed twice in one year; come with at least one square of club members)

Raid (visit member clubs totaling 200 miles)

One Square Is Fair (attend six NNJSDA dances)

For program rules and awards, visit [nnjsda.org](http://nnjsda.org) and click on "Documents."

## FAD = Fun at Dancing

On April 10, 1983, a new club, Fun at Basics (FAB), held its first dance at the American Legion in Maywood. Its founder, new caller Dot Lowenstein, noted: “We were informed that the best way to become known [as a caller] would be to start one’s own club, so we began Fun at Basics.” In addition to square dancing using only Basic calls, the club offered line dancing. When FAB had the required minimum of four squares of members, it joined the NNJSDA.

Inevitably, many members went on to complete Mainstream. In the summer of 1985, the club’s *Grand Square* reporter wrote: “Something new has been done to FAB – we are still a FABulous club, but are moving into the Mainstream program and hence a change in name – call us FUN AT DANCING.”

The club danced in various halls before moving back to Maywood, where its final home was the recreation center. Chris O’Connor was instrumental in the club’s success for many years. Members enjoyed pool parties at his home and other special events such as the annual St. Patrick’s dinner-dance. Chris served as treasurer, delegate, vice president, and president prior to his passing in 2013, when Jim Van Rensalier and Carol Freemyer took over as presidents.

At the end of 2017, Jim announced a difficult decision in an email to the NNJSDA: “FAD has had a significant number of dances with barely two squares, and we can no longer survive with low attendance. We have decided to close our doors and hopefully the dancers will attend other clubs.” He expressed appreciation to all who had supported FAD, with “special thanks to Claire, Mimi, Jean, and Barbara for all their help over the years.”



The last dance, on December 3, 2017, drew a crowd of well-wishers from many clubs. Pictured above are the FAD members and former members who attended. On the right, Addie Johnson displays her delicious cookies decorated with sad faces, in contrast to the club’s smiley-face badges. Farewell, FAD. 😞

### SQUARE DANCE CALLS: ANIMATIONS, VIDEOS, DEFINITIONS

These are some of the websites where you can see animations and videos of square dance calls and review definitions to jog your memory. Enjoy!

[videosquaredancelessons.com](http://videosquaredancelessons.com)

[tamtwirlers.org/taminations](http://tamtwirlers.org/taminations)

[ceder.net/def](http://ceder.net/def)

[opensquares.de/basic.html](http://opensquares.de/basic.html)

[bekkoame.ne.jp/~noriks/ENGLISH/English-Index2.html](http://bekkoame.ne.jp/~noriks/ENGLISH/English-Index2.html)

**WESTERN WHEELERS/HIX & CHIX – Maywood****PL-A tip (RD)**[sqrdance.org/Western.Wheelers](http://sqrdance.org/Western.Wheelers)**2, 4 Sat. Sept.-April****Maywood Recreation Center****Various Thur. May-Aug.****346 Duvier Pl. 07607****Georgi Flandera: 973-427-2889****Cell for dance: 201-852-7514**

Keep in mind that Western Wheelers/Hix & Chix alternates Plus and Rounds (when available), with an Advanced tip if there are enough dancers.

Good friends, good food, and wonderful dancing: that was the theme of our Raid season this year. Even with the winter and spring storms, Western Wheelers/Hix & Chix had fun-filled trips. We usually gather at a local eatery and then head over to the dance as a club. We traveled to Belles & Beaux, Circle Eights, Lakeland Squares, and Middletown Ramblers. At the last destination, we were treated to the wonderful calls of Jay Silva from New Hampshire.



Our members were certainly on the move recently. Georgi and Rich Flandera attended their granddaughter's graduation from the Arizona Department of Public Safety. Pat and Tom Duemig escaped the winter snow by taking their annual trip to Florida. They enjoyed reconnecting and dancing with friends at several square dance clubs, including Whirl and Twirl in Orlando and Strawberry Squares in Plant City, where they danced to the calling of Dennis Reardon's brother, Ron! Debbie and Jose Obarrio and Lacey and John Hill traveled with two other couples to Stowe, Vermont, for the New England Square Dance Convention and had a fabulous time.

We will have one dance this summer, at the VFW in Elmwood Park. See our ad for details.

**Ad on page 57***Lacey Hill ([laceyhill@gmail.com](mailto:laceyhill@gmail.com))**201-358-2629***NEXT GRAND SQUARE SUBMISSION DEADLINE: JULY 7****Email club articles to [articles@nnjsda.org](mailto:articles@nnjsda.org).****Email all ads to [ads@nnjsda.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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.



# Hix & Chix/Western Wheelers Special Summer Dance 2018

**Howard and Donna Williamson**  
**Thursday, July 12, 2018**



**7:30-10 PM Plus with A1 After Tip**  
**Pre-Rounds 7:00-7:30 PM, then 2x2**

***RAIDS WELCOME***

**VFW Elmwood Park**  
**6 Veterans Place, Elmwood Park, NJ 07407**

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

## **Grand Square Cover Contest 2018**

**Winning entry on cover of September *Grand Square***

1. **SPECIAL THEME FOR 2018: NNJSDA 60th Anniversary!** Use your creativity to celebrate six decades. *The winning entry must use this theme.*
2. Members of NNJSDA member clubs are eligible to enter. There is no limit on the number of entries.
3. The winner will receive an artist dangle. The winning entry will be featured with the artist's name and club(s) on the cover of the fall issue. (Do not include your name as part of the design.)
4. Create your entry electronically as a Word table measuring 5x5". Text and images may be either black or in color. All text must be editable.
5. For samples of past winners, visit [nnjsda.org/covercontest/winner.php](http://nnjsda.org/covercontest/winner.php). Note: Previous entries that were also used as posters or flyers for class/club promotion have a different size and layout from current guidelines.
6. Send your entry by July 7 as an email attachment: [covercontest@nnjsda.org](mailto: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.

Our dance year got off to a great start with Mike Sikorsky, a national caller, at the opening dance. This terrific event drew record crowds. Our graduates from last year have moved up to being angels for the new class and taking Plus, which we are offering in addition to Mainstream. This is keeping both class coordinator Al Kendziora and our new class caller, the effervescent Daryl Murphy, very busy.

Many Y Squares attended the Garden State Square Dance Campers holiday dinner-dance at the Brownstone, as well as the Five Clubs New Year's Eve dinner-dance. In a supportive gesture, several members attended FAD's final dance so we could join hands at the end and say "thank you" one last time.

Thanks to raid chairs Barbara and George Kuhne, we have completed the program for this year. They took us far and wide to Bee Sharps, Belles & Beaux, Hunterdon Flutterwheels, Kittatinny Rangers, Reelers, and Rutgers Promenaders.

The Kuhnes, along with Jan and Paul Sanderson and Chris and Don Randolph, attended the following special events: Tumbling Leaves in Vermont, Presidents' Day Weekend at Cacapon State Park in West Virginia, and WASCA in Virginia. Additionally, Larry Bugal and Ellen Ward were at WASCA, and Maureen Moynihan and Tony Milito went to Pass the Ocean, Hon! in Delaware.

Our club members certainly got around. The Sandersons were in Ireland, the Kuhnes took a Mississippi riverboat cruise, Ellen was in Austria, Wayne Schroeder was in California and Mexico, and Susan Short and her daughter toured Europe for two weeks.

Due to club member Ed LaPlante's activities as a caller, we have had several opportunities to present demos at retirement villages, continuing care facilities, and other locations. The most notable of these occurred last summer, when we joined a Reelers demo at the Morris County 4-H Fair. The combined participation of the two clubs resulted in three squares. We alternated between demo tips and serving as angels for spectators willing to try it out. In addition to being an enjoyable gathering for both clubs, such events keep folks aware that square dancing is still alive in New Jersey.

**Ad on page 59***Ellen Ward ([reporter@y-squares.org](mailto:reporter@y-squares.org))**856-514-0713***ONE SQUARE IS FAIR**

The NNJSDA's where  
 There's a program named One Square Is Fair.  
 If numbers are eight  
 Your square will be great,  
 And each one will do his fair share.

*Don Schlesinger, RocklandRockytops*

# Y Squares

2nd and 4th Thursdays – Mainstream w/1 Plus Tip  
Early Rounds 7:30 PM; Dance 8:00-10:15 PM

<u>Date</u>	<u>Caller</u>	<u>Cuer</u>	<u>Theme</u>
Apr. 26	Dan Koft (PA)	Mary Pickett	Ice Cream Social
May 10	Ed Foote (PA)	Mary Pickett	Flower Power
May 24	Rick Gittelman (AZ)	Mary Pickett	Casual Night
Summer Break			
Sept. 13	Mike Sikorsky (AZ)	Mary Pickett	Welcome Back
Sept. 25	Daryl Murphy (Tuesday)	None	Introductory Dance
Sept. 27	Dan Koft (PA)	Mary Pickett	Hawaiian Night
Oct. 11	Mark Franks	Mary Pickett	Apple Fest
Oct. 25	Betsy Gotta	Roy Gotta	Halloween
Nov. 15	Howard Richman	Mary Pickett	Thanksgiving Food Drive

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

[y-squares.org](http://y-squares.org)

Contact: Jan Sanderson 908-233-2414; cell for dance 908-612-6677

## Using the NNJSDA Website for Finding Dances

The NNJSDA offers options for finding dances at our member clubs and the NNJSDA: announcements via the email list, ads and the calendar in *Grand Square*, flyers, and postings on our website. This article focuses on the website.

The first stop is “The Next Seven Days” section on the homepage, which is especially helpful in planning your dance week. Clicking on any date for an event in the upcoming week will show you the details. This is also a good spot to check before leaving your house to see if a dance has been canceled.

The next stop is the visual event calendar. (Select “Events Calendar” on the site menu.) You can view a month’s color coded dance events and click on any entry for details: club = **blue**, student level = **purple**, NNJSDA other than student level = **green**, introductory dance = **orange**, canceled = **red**.

The final stop is on each club’s information page. (Select “Our Clubs” on the site menu and then select “Details” for a club.) On the details page, you can check when a club is holding its next dance and find a flyer listing all scheduled dances for a particular time period.

If you haven’t joined our email list and/or viewed our website, I suggest you do so to get the full complement of tools for finding dance events. While *Grand Square* is an excellent source, the website and email list provide more up-to-date information such as cancellations and changes (location, caller, etc.).

For comments, suggestions, and questions about the website, please contact me at [webmaster@nnjsda.org](mailto:webmaster@nnjsda.org). *John Hill, Webmaster*

## Calendar of Member Clubs' Advertised Dance Events

List of dance events prepared from *member club ads appearing in this issue*. See ads for details. All dances are in NJ unless noted. A=Advanced; C=Challenge; MS=Mainstream; PL=Plus; RD=Rounds; L=Line, TBA=To Be Announced; *italics*=student-level MS or intro/barn dance party; /=equal time; ,=programs of differing length; -=one or two tips only.

Date	Club	Caller/Cuer	Location	Program
<b>MAY</b>				
2 W	Belles & Beaux	Fellegy	Elmwood Park	MS-PL
4 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Thielke	Flemington	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Gittelman	Leonardo	PL
	Reelers	Koft/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
5 Sa	<b>DREAM 2018</b>	<b>Kellogg, Gotta/Gotta</b>	<b>Clark</b>	<b>MS/PL/RD</b>
6 Su	Motiv8ors	Murphy	Hawthorne	A2, C1
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas and Kofts	North Brunswick	MS/RD
7 M	Lakeland Squares	Footo	Towaco	MS/PL
9 W	AleMo Squares	Richman	Brooklyn, NY	MS/PL
	Cross Trail Squares	Gittelman	Caldwell	MS/PL
10 Th	Y Squares	Footo/Pickett	Clark	MS/RD-PL
11 F	Bee Sharps	Gittelman/Pickett	Bound Brook	PL/RD-A2
	Kittatinny Rangers	Casale	Newton	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Coy	Leonardo	PL
	RocklandRockytops	Footo	New City, NY	MS-PL
14 M	Lakeland Squares	Gittelman	Towaco	MS/PL
16 W	Belles & Beaux	Gittelman	Elmwood Park	MS-PL
18 F	Circle Eights	Gittelman	Fair Lawn	MS, PL
	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Moody	Flemington	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Snyder	Leonardo	PL
	Reelers	Lizotte/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
19 Sa	Times Squares	Clasper	New York, NY	MS/PL, A/C
20 Su	Motiv8ors	Clasper	Hawthorne	A2, C1
21 M	Lakeland Squares	Richman	Towaco	MS/PL
23 W	Cross Trail Squares	P. Ingis	Caldwell	MS/PL
24 Th	Y Squares	Gittelman/Pickett	Clark	MS/RD-PL
25 F	Bee Sharps	Gotta/Gotta	Bound Brook	MS/RD
	Kittatinny Rangers	Richman	Newton	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Landi	Leonardo	PL
	RocklandRockytops	Gittelman	New City, NY	PL
30 W	Belles & Beaux	Wadel	Elmwood Park	MS-PL
<b>JUNE</b>				
1 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Landi	Flemington	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Moody	Leonardo	PL
	Reelers	Tapper/Pickett	Randolph	MS/RD-PL
2 Sa	<b>NNJSDA Dance</b>	<b>McGovern/Bradt</b>	<b>Montville</b>	<b>MS/PL/RD</b>
3 Su	Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas and Kofts	North Brunswick	MS/RD
4 M	Lakeland Squares	P. Ingis	Towaco	MS/PL
6 W	Belles & Beaux	Snyder	Elmwood Park	MS-PL
8 F	Middletown Ramblers	C. and G. Hardy	Leonardo	PL
	RocklandRockytops	Franks	Congers, NY	MS-PL
9 Sa	Five Clubs	Gittelman/Bradt	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
10 Su	Motiv8ors	Gotta	Hawthorne	A2, C1
11 M	Lakeland Squares	C. and G. Hardy	Towaco	MS/PL
13 W	Cross Trail Squares	Gotta	Caldwell	MS/PL
15 F	Circle Eights	C. and G. Hardy	Fair Lawn	MS, PL
	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Bragg	Flemington	MS/PL
18 M	Lakeland Squares	Richman	Towaco	MS/PL

20 W	AleMo Squares Belles & Beau	Coy Moody	Brooklyn, NY Elmwood Park	MS/PL MS-PL
22 F	Middletown Ramblers RocklandRockytops	P. Ingis Richman	Leonardo Maywood	PL PL
23 Sa	Five Clubs	Franks/Rumble	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
24 Su	Motiv8ors	Eno	Hawthorne	A2, C1
25 M	Lakeland Squares	Wadel	Towaco	MS/PL
26 T	Times Squares	Richman	New York, NY	MS/PL/A2
29 F	Middletown Ramblers	Franks	Leonardo	PL
<b>JULY</b>				
6 F	Middletown Ramblers	Richman	Leonardo	PL
9 M	Lakeland Squares	P. and S. Ingis	Towaco	MS/PL
11 W	<b>NNJSDA Dance</b>	<b>Silva/Pickett</b>	<b>Bridgewater</b>	<b>MS/RD</b>
12 Th	Western Wheelers/H&C	Williamson/Williamson	Elmwood Park	PL/RD-A
13 F	Middletown Ramblers RocklandRockytops	Gotta/Gotta Corey	Leonardo Congers, NY	PL/RD MS-PL
14 Sa	Five Clubs	Williamson/Williamson	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
15 Su	Motiv8ors Rutgers Promenaders	Moger Gottas and Kofts	Hawthorne North Brunswick	A2, C1 MS/RD
16 M	Lakeland Squares	Gotta	Towaco	MS/PL
18 W	Belles & Beau	Moger	Elmwood Park	MS-PL
20 F	Middletown Ramblers	Landi	Leonardo	PL
23 M	Lakeland Squares	Reardon	Towaco	MS/PL
25 W	<b>NNJSDA Dance</b>	<b>Snyder/Rumble</b>	<b>Bridgewater</b>	<b>MS/RD</b>
27 F	Kittatinny Rangers <i>Middletown Ramblers</i> RocklandRockytops	Roberts <i>Snyder</i> Gotta	Montville <i>Leonardo</i> Maywood	MS/PL <i>Intro</i> PL
28 Sa	Five Clubs	Landi/Kushla	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
29 Su	Motiv8ors	Gotta	Hawthorne	A2, C1
30 M	<i>Lakeland Squares</i>	<i>Richman</i>	<i>Towaco</i>	<i>Dance Party</i>
31 T	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL/A2
<b>AUGUST</b>				
1 W	Belles & Beau	Bachelder	Elmwood Park	MS-PL
3 F	Middletown Ramblers	Bachelder	Leonardo	PL
5 Su	Motiv8ors Rutgers Promenaders	Gotta Gottas and Kofts	Hawthorne North Brunswick	A2, C1 MS/RD
8 W	<b>NNJSDA Dance</b>	<b>Landi/Pickett</b>	<b>Montville</b>	<b>MS/RD</b>
10 F	Middletown Ramblers RocklandRockytops	C. and G. Hardy Corey	Leonardo Congers, NY	PL MS-PL
11 Sa	Five Clubs	Koft/Koft	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
14 T	Times Squares	Hodge	New York, NY	MS/PL/A2
15 W	Belles & Beau Kittatinny Rangers	Franks Preston	Elmwood Park Bridgewater	MS-PL MS/PL
17 F	Middletown Ramblers	Silva	Leonardo	PL
19 Su	Motiv8ors	Fellegly	Fair Lawn	A2, C1
22 W	<b>NNJSDA Dance</b>	<b>Gotta/Gotta</b>	<b>Elmwood Park</b>	<b>MS/RD</b>
24 F	<i>Middletown Ramblers</i> RocklandRockytops	<i>Gotta</i> Franks	<i>Leonardo</i> Maywood	<i>Intro</i> PL
25 Sa	Five Clubs	P. Ingis/Pickett	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
27 M	<i>Lakeland Squares</i>	<i>Wadel</i>	<i>Towaco</i>	<i>Intro</i>
29 W	<i>Belles &amp; Beau</i>	<i>Wadel</i>	<i>Elmwood Park</i>	<i>Intro</i>
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>				
5 W	Belles & Beau	Fellegly	Elmwood Park	MS-PL
7 F	Middletown Ramblers	Richman	Leonardo	PL
9 Su	<b>NNJSDA Dance</b>	<b>Bachelder/Rumble</b>	<b>Bridgewater</b>	<b>MS/PL/RD</b>
10 M	Lakeland Squares	C. and G. Hardy	Towaco	MS/PL

12 W	AleMo Squares	Coy	Brooklyn, NY	MS/PL
	Cross Trail Squares	Bachelor	Caldwell	MS/PL
13 Th	Y Squares	Sikorsky/Pickett	Clark	MS/RD-PL
14 F	Bee Sharps	Franks/Pickett	Bound Brook	PL/RD-A2
	Kittatinny Rangers	McMurdy	Newton	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Reardon	Leonardo	PL
	RocklandRockytops	Richman	Congers, NY	MS-PL
15 Sa	Times Squares	Hodge	New York, NY	MS/PL, A/C
17 M	Lakeland Squares	P. Ingis	Towaco	MS/PL
19 W	Belles & Beaux	C. and G. Hardy	Elmwood Park	MS-PL
21 F	Circle Eights	Franks	Fair Lawn	MS, PL
	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	C. and G. Hardy	Flemington	MS/PL
	<i>Middletown Ramblers</i>	<i>Richman</i>	<i>Lincroft</i>	<i>Intro</i>
	Reelers	Hodge/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
23 Su	Motiv8ors	Hodge	Fair Lawn	A2, C1
24 M	Lakeland Squares	Richman	Towaco	MS/PL
26 W	Cross Trail Squares	Hodge	Caldwell	MS/PL
27 Th	Y Squares	Koft/Pickett	Clark	MS/RD-PL
28 F	Bee Sharps	P. Ingis/Rumble	Bound Brook	MS/RD
	Kittatinny Rangers	Landi	Newton	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Coy	Leonardo	PL
	<i>RocklandRockytops</i>	<i>Wadel</i>	<i>New City, NY</i>	<i>Intro</i>

### Conventions, Festivals, Specials, and Weekends

#### MAY

5	<b>DREAM 2018</b>	<b>Kellogg, Gotta/Gotta</b>	<b>Clark</b>	<b>MS/PL/RD</b>
18-20	GS Campers	Bachelor	Pennsylvania	MS/PL
19	B&B Mystery Bus Trip	??	??	MS/PL

#### JUNE

8-10	GS Campers	Avery	Pennsylvania	MS/PL
27-30	National Convention	Multiple Callers/Cuers	Missouri	All Programs

#### JULY

13-15	GS Campers	Williamson/Williamson	Pennsylvania	MS/PL/RD
19-21	Canadian Nat. Con.	Multiple Callers/Cuers	Canada	MS/PL/A/C/RD
29	Mid-Summer Mania	CCNJ Callers	Bridgewater	MS

#### AUGUST

10-12	GS Campers	Franks	Pennsylvania	MS/PL
17	<i>Next Step</i>	<i>Richman</i>	<i>U. Saddle River</i>	<i>Intro</i>
24-26	Summer Magic	Multiple Callers/Bradt	Canada	PL/A1/A2/C1/RD
31-9/3	Cherry Ridge	Gotta, Harrison/Gotta	Pennsylvania	PL/A/RD

#### SEPTEMBER

9	<b>NNJSDA Dance</b>	<b>Bachelor/Rumble</b>	<b>Bridgewater</b>	<b>MS/PL/RD</b>
14-16	GS Campers	Snyder	Pennsylvania	MS/PL
20-10/2	Celtic Harmonies	Multiple Callers/Byars	Ireland/Scotland	MS/PL/A2/C1/RD

#### OCTOBER

6	<b>NNJSDA Dance</b>	<b>Lizotte</b>	<b>Montville</b>	<b>PL/A2</b>
12-14	GS Campers	Gotta/Gotta	Pennsylvania	MS/PL/RD
19-21	Tumbling Leaves	Multiple Callers/Cuers	Vermont	PL/A1/A2/C/RD
26-28	Peel the Pumpkin	Bryant, Gotta, Lizotte	Fort Lee	MS/PL/A/C1/C2

#### NOVEMBER

11	<b>Mini-Fest: Butler, Richman, Stacy/Rumble</b>	<b>Morris Plains</b>	<b>MS/PL/A/RD-C</b>	
16-18	Harvest Moon Classic	Multiple Callers/Gotta	Pennsylvania	PL/A2/C1/C2/RD

#### DECEMBER

2	GSC Dinner-Dance	McGovern/Pickett	Paterson	MS/PL/RD
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### **"SHOW ME KANSAS CITY" June 27-30, 2018 NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION**

This year's **National Square Dance Convention** will take place in **Kansas City, Missouri** – the "Show Me State." But there's no reason to be skeptical about having a great time at the convention.

The three main host hotels are within walking distance of the Convention Center. As always, there will be lots of callers and cuers, dancing at all levels, trail-in dances, after parties, tours, seminars, and much more.

The Kansas City convention planners are eager to "show you" their city. Local and multi-day tours are available before, during, and after the convention: theater, music, history, flowers, fountains, quilts, beverages, the Wild West, and more! You can also participate in a flash mob dance to "show them" (the city folks who are not at the convention) what square dancing looks like today. As usual, there will be a wide variety of activities right at the Convention Center.

To register, visit [67nsdc.com](http://67nsdc.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 ideas to put together a state outfit, visit [nnjsda.org/nj\\_state\\_outfit.php](http://nnjsda.org/nj_state_outfit.php). Let the organizers "show you" Kansas City in June 2018!



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### MAINSTREAM

**Sunday**                      **Weeks of the Month**

Rutgers Promenaders              1, 3 Sept.-June  
[rutgerspromenaders.org](http://rutgerspromenaders.org)

**Wednesday**

Belles & Beaux                      1, 3 All Year  
[sqrdance.org/BellesBeaux](http://sqrdance.org/BellesBeaux)

**Thursday**

Y Squares                              2, 4 Sept.-May  
[y-squares.org](http://y-squares.org)

**Friday**

Circle Eights                          3 Sept.-June  
[circle8s.nnjsda.org](http://circle8s.nnjsda.org)

RocklandRockytops                  2 All Year  
[sqrdance.org/RocklandRockytops](http://sqrdance.org/RocklandRockytops)

### PLUS

**Thursday**

W. Wheelers/Hix & Chix              Various May-Aug.  
[sqrdance.org/Western.Wheelers](http://sqrdance.org/Western.Wheelers)

**Friday**

Bee Sharps                              2, 4 Sept.-May  
[beesharps.org](http://beesharps.org)

Middletown Ramblers                  Every Wk. All Year  
[middletownramblers.org](http://middletownramblers.org)

Reelers                                      1, 3 Sept.-June  
[reelers.nnjsda.org](http://reelers.nnjsda.org)

RocklandRockytops                  4 All Year  
[sqrdance.org/RocklandRockytops](http://sqrdance.org/RocklandRockytops)

**Saturday**

W. Wheelers/Hix & Chix              2, 4 Sept.-April  
[sqrdance.org/Western.Wheelers](http://sqrdance.org/Western.Wheelers)

### ALT. MAINSTREAM AND PLUS

**Monday**                              **Weeks of the Month**

Lakeland Squares                      1, 2, 3, 4 Sept.-July  
[lakelandsquares.wix.com/lakeland](http://lakelandsquares.wix.com/lakeland)

**Tuesday**

Times Squares (MS/PL/A2)              Various All Year  
[timessquares.nyc](http://timessquares.nyc)

**Wednesday**

AleMo Squares                          Various Sept.-June  
[alemo.nnjsda.org](http://alemo.nnjsda.org)

Cross Trail Squares                      2, 4, 5 Sept.-June  
[crosstrailsquares.org](http://crosstrailsquares.org)

**Friday**

Hunterdon Flutterwheels              1, 3 Sept.-June  
[hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjsda.org](http://hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjsda.org)

Kittatinny Rangers                      2, 4 Sept.-May  
[kittatinnyrangers.com](http://kittatinnyrangers.com)

**Saturday**

Five Clubs                                  2, 4 June-Aug.  
[vammons@gmail.com](mailto:vammons@gmail.com)

Times Squares                          Various All Year  
[timessquares.nyc](http://timessquares.nyc)

### ADVANCED AND CHALLENGE

**Sunday**

Motiv8ors (A2, C1)                      Various All Year  
[motiv8ors.nnjsda.org](http://motiv8ors.nnjsda.org)

**Saturday**

Times Squares (A2, C1)                  Various All Year  
[timessquares.nyc](http://timessquares.nyc)

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